

April News

2020

Upcoming Events

MPOTAC has cancelled the planned April tour and may postpone later events. Please see **2020 Calendar** on this page.

Saturday, April 25th – Historic Archer House Tour **CANCELLED**

Other Automotive Events (dates subject to change)

Sunday, April 12th - (2nd Sunday of each month) **Cars At Kaffeehaus** 3rd Avenue San Mateo 7 AM to 10 AM
650-347-4242 - No charge

Sunday, April 26^h - 30th Annual **Pacific Coast Dream Machines** – 10AM to 4 PM Half Moon Bay Airport.
CANCELLED

Since Last Issue

Monday March 24th – **Board of Directors Meeting** was conducted by telephone conference call. Main topic: The Corona Virus outbreak and its likely effects on future MPOTAC events. – **THANKS to Treasurer Rob Guzzetta for arranging the call.**

Member News

Sachi Kume has been ill while Carl Asaro and Ray Foppiano both had hospital stays. They would all appreciate a card or call.

2020 Calendar (dates subject to change)

Sunday, May 17th – Friendship Day

Saturday, June 27th – Mini Concourse
Magnolia of Millbrae

Sunday, July (tbd) – Don Frolich Memorial National Meet & BBQ Picnic w
Cadillac & LaSalle Club Cupertino

Sunday, August 2nd – MPOTAC Picnic
San Mateo

Sunday, September 20th - 20th annual
Antique Autos in History Park, San Jose

Sunday, November 8th – Annual
MPOTAC Officers Installation/Holiday Luncheon Magnolia of Millbrae

In Memoriam

George Solimine

March, 2020

Member since 2001; he had a soft spot for 1932 Fords. April 25th Celebration of Life notice is attached.

In Memoriam
George Tuck

March, 2020

Member since 2006; Model T and A Fords were his specialty. The Club has not received information on services at this time.

**From The President
and Board of
Directors**

I want to update the membership on what your Mid Peninsula Old Time Auto Club (MPOTAC) Board of Directors has been doing regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

Firstly, the Board has been discussing and monitoring the situation as I am sure you all are. Unfortunately due to the current 'shelter in place' requirements and an abundance of caution, we are cancelling all events for the month of April.

Secondly, The Board met, via teleconference, on March 23 to discuss Friendship Day. Several options were discussed including holding the event as scheduled on May 17, moving to another date later in the year, or complete cancellation of the 2020 event. The decision of the Board was to continue monitoring the situation and make the final decision before April 15.

I also want to take the opportunity to discuss another issue. As we celebrate our 60th anniversary, our club continues to play an active and important role in the collector car hobby. During the 'old car' season we generally have at least one, and usually more, monthly events. In 2019 alone, your Club hosted 12 events and 3 already in 2020. For this to continue we need you! We have not been able to fill all the positions on the Board and other positions that are outlined in the Bylaws. It will be difficult to continue with this level of club activity without your help. In 2019 approximately half the members participated in at least one event. We would like that number to increase significantly. More critically, if we do decide to go ahead with Friendship Day as scheduled, we will be on a shortened timetable and your help is even more critical. Friendship Day is the signature event for the club and our largest source of income. With the shortened timetable we will need 'all hands on deck' to make this the high quality event we have historically produced.

You will be contacted by a member of the MPOTAC Board Of Directors soon. The purpose of the call is to discuss the club, what events you want to see, what areas you are willing to help with, and if you have not participated what might get you to participate. The desire is that the number of members participating and helping with events increases. It would benefit the club greatly if everybody committed to helping with Friendship Day and one other event each year. We also need members willing to serve on the Board of Directors.

You are all qualified to serve. It requires no previous experience. All you need is a love of old cars and the desire to see your hobby and club continue to flourish. Please consider helping in this role.

Lastly, think about your friends who belong to marque specific car clubs and to ask them to join MPOTAC.

There is a lot we would like to do but we won't be able to take on these events without your support! A little help will go a long way.

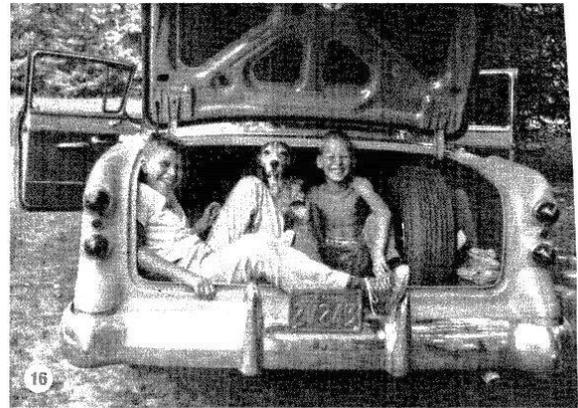
Thank you. Be safe, and be healthy until we can start meeting in person,

Bill Bratt
President, MPOTAC

Kids & Cars

The Corona Virus pandemic has quieted normal springtime activities. "Shelter in Place" has confined us to live and work from our homes. Medicine and groceries are almost our only opportunities to get outside.

There isn't much humor in these times, so we offer a few minutes of diversion: old photographs of young kids & vintage cars; enjoy!



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