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FRIENDSHIP DAY CHAIRMAN NEEDED!

WE NEED A CHAIRMAN FOR FRIENDSHIP DAY OR WE RISK HAVING THE EVENT CANCELLED!

MOST FRIENDSHIP DAY POSITIONS ARE ALREADY IN PLACE. WE JUST NEED SOMEONE TO MAKE SURE IT ALL COMES TOGETHER. NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED – JUST MAKE SURE CERTAIN TASKS ARE PLANNED AND COMPLETED. CONTACT PRESIDENT TED NOW!

THE MAGNOLIA MINI CAR SHOW

The mini car show was a great event with many members showing their cars. See the following pages for lots of photos.

Yes, we have Board meetings almost every month, and here we are (except for photographer Jim Remington). Members are welcome to join us the Monday before the general membership meeting. Call Jim for time and directions (650-342-0852).

At this meeting we discussed the election for officers, Friendship Day, and possible dues increase. For more information see the minutes of the meeting.

NO GENERAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

THE MAGNOLIA MINI CAR SHOW

Photos by Vince Perry (left) and Jim Remington (right). Vince got out his Model A for this event and Jim drove his 1940 Packard

The band entertained us

Want more events like this?

We need an events chairman!

People make it happen!

NO DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

DUES ARE DUE. RENEWAL NOTICES ARE BEING/HAVE BEEN SENT TO ALL MEMBERS. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DUES PROMPLY SO THAT YOU WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR ROSTER.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the last general meeting we held the annual election of officers and I am pleased to report that for next year, I will continue as President, Kay Barchas as Vice President, Mark Barchas as Treasurer, and Ed Wong as secretary.

Also continuing on as committee chairpersons are Kevin Enderby as Webmaster, Bill Mitchell as Membership, Jim Remington as Publications, and Ferris as Social Media.

However, we have two big holes in the club. **We have no Activities Chairperson. This means that activities are organized as an ad hoc task without co-ordination, and the number of things we do together as a club is somewhat limited.** If you are available to fill this important role in the company, please let me know.

An even bigger problem is the **lack of a Friendship Day Committee Chairperson**. Friendship Day is arguably the most important event the club has, connecting with the local automotive scene and providing an important source of income for the club. Being a committee chair does not mean doing all the work. It simply means being sure all the work gets done. Many club members participate in organizing and working at the event, and with some direction work together to make it a success. Please consider stepping up to provide this vital function.

This message is a plea to all MPOTAC members to step forward to be a part of next year's event. First and foremost, we need a volunteer to be the chairman, secondly, we need committee members to work on the planning and organization.

This is your club; we need you to participate to keep the spirit and activities of this great organization alive.

Please let me know how you can help.

Thank you for your support.
Ted Panofsky, President

Upcoming MPOTAC Events

November 20 – Palo Alto Museum Preview Car Show. See flyer in this newsletter
November 24 - Board Meeting. No general meeting in Nov. or Dec.

Other Events

November 11 – American Legion Veterans Day Ceremony and car show. Courthouse Square, 2200 Broadway, Redwood City. Car check in 8:00.

Palo Alto Museum Preview Car Show

November 20th from 5:00 to 7:30 PM
300 Homer Ave, Palo Alto

The Palo Alto Museum is opening in February 2026. The Palo Alto Museum will showcase to the world how the spirit of innovation, curiosity, and human connection has impacted our local community while serving as a global platform for future generations to learn and thrive. It is located in the Roth Building, built in 1932.

The Museum is holding a sneak peak event on November 20th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM and would like to have some cars from the '20s and '30s to highlight the historic nature of the newly renovated building. "There will be food!"

If you would like to participate, let Ted know you are coming. Cars should arrive by 5 PM and will park in front of the museum on Homer Avenue.

The Museum brings to life the diverse stories and people that define our community's spirit, from bold ideas and cultural heritage to new ideas that changed the world. We celebrate our shared history, educate the public, and illuminate how Palo Alto's past continues to inspire curiosity, context, and innovation for the future.

https://paloaltomuseum.org/ https://www.pastheritage.org/Articles/RothBldgMF.html

MPOTAC Board Meeting

October 20, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Ted Panofsky at 7:02 PM.

Membership: Bill Mitchell reported no new members. Roster: 61 regular members and 2 lifetime members.

Secretary: Minutes of September 22, 2025 Board Meeting and September 26, 2025 General Meeting was approved as submitted.

Treasurer: Mark Barchus handed out the club's financial report thru October 24, 2025. The budget is slightly down but still healthy. Also, club dues and meeting hall rental expences will increase next year.

Tours/Activities: Magnolia Mini-Concourse-14 cars attended. Thank you Sherry Pambeck for your generous hospitality. Also, for providing our members with a delicious lunch, ice cream, and entertainment. Ongoing: 1) San Jose Fire House-mid November (Bill Bratt), 2) Christmas Light Tour. Will post updates as we received them.

Friendship Day: Dire need for a committee chairman. Submitted plans and dates to the Port of Redwood City to secure spot for the event.

Publications: Jim Remington reported nothing new.

Webmaster: Kevin Enderby-continue updating and posting material.

New Business: The board voted and approved motion to increase club dues by $5.00.

Comments/Suggestions: 1) Have meetings every other month. 2) Negotiate meeting hall and storage room rental increase 3) Ed Archer: Attendance has been low and the Highland space is too large. Have monthly zoom meetings with quarterly physical meetings. For activities: have potluck events, clean out your garage and have an auction.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:33 PM.

Submitted by Secretary: Ed Wong

MPOTAC holds its General meeting at The Highland's Community Club in Redwood City, at 7:30pm, located at 1665 Fernside Street, Redwood City, CA. All members are invited to attend the General membership meeting as well as the Board meeting held at a different location and time.

To make contributions to this newsletter, contact the editor, Jim Remington, mtshastachalet@yahoo.com

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR – AN EVENT ORGANIZER IS NEEDED IF THIS EVENT IS TO HAPPEN!

MPOTAC General Meeting

October 24, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Ted Panofsky at 7:30 PM.

Membership: Bill Mitchell was not available.

Secretary: Minutes of September 22, 2025 Board Meeting and September 26, 2025 General Meeting was approved as submitted.

Treasurer: Mark Barchus handed out the club's financial report showing a slight decrease but still healthy budget. Details upon request.

Tours/ activities: Ongoing: 1) San Jose Fire House-mid November (Bill Bratt), 2) Christmas Light Tour. Non-Club tour: Pal Alto Museum would like some 1930's cars to participate in their grand opening event on November 20, 2025 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Applications are available on our website. Will post updates as we receive them.

Friendship Day: A committee chairman is desperately needed. Dates and plans have been submitted to the Port of Redwood City to secure a spot for the event. Lastly, our club banners have been found. We can finally have identification at our events.

Publications: From Jim Remington: Everything's okay.

Webmaster: Kevin Enderby was not available.

Social media: Ferris Lewald reported our Facebook followers total about 1400.

New Business: 2026 Officers: 1) President-Ted Panofsky, 2) Vice-President-Kay Barchus, 3) Treasurer-Mark Barchus, 4) Secretary-Ed Wong. Lastly, club dues were increase by $5.00.

Refreshments: Thank you, Tanya Pomposo, for the delicious pumpkin pie.

Meeting adjourned: 8:18 PM. Submitted by Secretary: Ed Wong

There will be no newsletter for November and December. Have a joyous holiday. Stay healthy and keep away from the spiked eggnog.