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THE HORSELESS CARRIAGE CLUB OF AMERICA

The Horseless Carriage Club of America is a nonprofit international association of people dedicated to the enjoyment, study and preservation of early automobiles manufactured prior to 1916.

The club was organized in 1937 by a group of horseless carriage enthusiasts who foresaw the need for an organization dedicated to the preservation of automotive history. From this beginning the Horseless Carriage Club of America has grown to include members from all parts of the United States, Canada, Europe and other parts of the world. www.hcca.org

NCRG General Meetings will be held the third Thursday of each month (no meeting in December) at the Sacramento Sewer District Office Board Room, 5026 Don Julio Boulevard, Sacramento, California.

NCRG 2020—2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Bill Charpier, Raul Cornejo, Bob Hopkins, Jr., Gordon McGregor, and Roger Mitchell.

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Jan Charpier, Mike Huff, Sandy Maye, Stephanie Mozell, and Diana Squire

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Go GREEN



1930 Willys Knight Model 166B



President's Message:

The "February Sweetheart Tour," which was initially postponed due to weather, was held on February 20th. We met at Dairy Queen in Orangevale where we enjoyed an outdoor lunch.

Leaving DQ we toured through rural Placer County to Rattlesnake Bar Boat Launch which is located where the North Fork of the American River runs into Folsom Lake. The day was clear and cool which was perfect for touring in old cars. The route took us through rolling hills resplendent with "new" green grass and trees starting to bud out and bloom. Thank you to Jim, Kathy and Michaelynn Ryan for their work putting on our first tour of the year.

Our February General Meeting was held on Zoom, and there were twelve people in attendance. Bob Hopkins and Gordon McGregor gave a brief report on the Audit and Budget committee's review of the Club's financial records for last year. They also presented a proposed budget for this year which was adopted by the members. I want to thank our Treasurer, Jan Charpier, for her work maintaining the records and Bob Hopkins and Gordon McGregor for reviewing them and for coming up with a budget under this year's uncertainties.

With no immediate end to the COVID-19 restrictions in sight, we will continue to hold our meetings on Zoom.

Wishing you the luck of the Irish!

Bill



Editor's Message

We've had our first tour of 2021 and have plans in the works for another outing on April 17th to the Grizzly Quarry Park and Museum in Penryn. I hope that more of our members will feel comfortable getting their car out of the garage and joining in the fun. We were unable to go on the Sweetheart Tour, but plan on enjoying a day on the road with fellow NCRG members and friends in the future.

Frank and I have been able to get our first COVID19 vaccination shots—our second will be the first week of March. We will still wear our masks, wash hands, and try to maintain the social distancing recommendations. Any NCRG tour participants will be asked to be compliant as well. Sadly, we've lost too many Americans already. We don't want to lose any more.

A big thanks to this month's contributors to our newsletter. You are welcome to contribute too. Please contact me if you have something to add for future issues. Share information about car projects, special interests you have, the memories of a tour you went on in the past, or add to our collection of tool articles. You might have a handy hint to share with others who are working on their cars. Any articles are greatly appreciated.

Wishing You Good Health and Safe Travels

Diana



May your pockets be heavy & your heart be light
May good luck pursue you each morning & night

NEXT GENERAL MEETING
Thursday, 7:00 P.M.
March 18, 2021
Zoom Meeting
 Watch for information via email.



NCRG HCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(NOTE: NCRG sponsored events are in bold print)

2021

- March 18** **General Meeting 7pm**
- April 15** **General Meeting 7pm**
- April 17** **Tour to Grizzly Quarry Park and Museum, Penryn.**
Flyer with information coming soon.
- May 20** **General Meeting 7pm**

Save the Date: August 4-8 Ryan Ramble



Plan a tour
Let's set a future date!!!!

Contact Diana Squire, Tour and Safety Chairman, with your tour dates and information.

SWAP MEETS, OTHER REGIONAL CLUB : HAPPENINGS AND NATIONAL EVENTS

2021

- March 19-20 31st Annual Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK.
- April 11-14 HCCA National Convention, San Diego, CA. *In Person convention—CANCELLED.*
Now is a Virtual Convention via ZOOM meetings April 10 & 11.
- May 14-15, 2021 Gilmore Car Museum Tour & Show, Hickory Corners, MI.
- June 20-25, 2021 New England Brass & Gas Tour, Rutland, VT.
- July 16-20, 2021 1st Annual "Celebration of the Brass Car" - Tour, Show, and Swap Meet, Hickory Corners, MI

Please see your latest Horseless Carriage Gazette "Calendar Section" for any events or cancellations



March 20th
International Day of Happiness—Go for a Ride!!!!

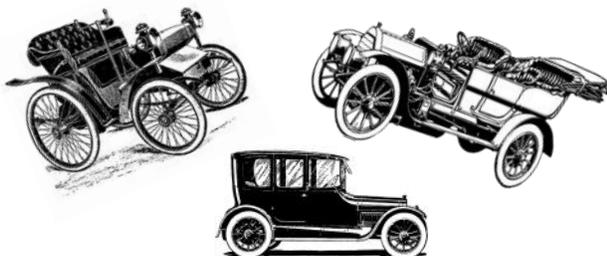


March 1st National Compliment Day



"I always feel safe riding with you, Agnes."

March 2nd National Old Stuff Day



March 16th
National Panda Day
for our Panda-loving members...





Sweetheart Tour—February 20, 2021
 By Stephaine Mozell
 Pictures provided by Stephanie Mozell and Jan Charpier



The tour started out at the Dairy Queen in Orangevale on a beautiful afternoon. We enjoyed our lunch and camaraderie with club members in the outside dining area. Some in our group just joined us for lunch: Sue and her sister, Marianne, and Bob and Helen Hopkins and his buddy, Jerome Klopotek, the lunch-only participants and headed off to Folsom Lake State Park's Rattlesnake Bar day use area.



Michaelynn Ryan was in the lead, driving Jim's 1931 Ford Town Car, carrying Kathy, Jim and Zora Ryan. I must say her driving skills were very good. It was her first time driving and leading a tour. Members Richard and Julie Instness drove their 1930 Ford Coupe, Michael Huff and Stephanie Mozell drove their 1928 Ford Tudor, and Bill and Jan Charpier followed in their Toyota.



The tour route was through back-country roads, with beautiful scenery and views of ranches along the way. We had to share the road with bicycle riders that were also on tour along the same route. Everyone had safe passage.

We had a total of sixteen members at the lunch with ten members, in four cars, participating in the tour. Our tour organizer, Kathy Ryan, did a great job keeping us on a safe and scenic route about forty miles long. No one experienced any break downs or got lost.

It was an easy Saturday drive. It was nice to get out in nature and go on a club tour. We traveled the length of the lake from Folsom Lake's Rattlesnake Bar end to the narrowest part of the lake passing in front of the Folsom Dam itself. I wish I could have deployed a drone for a nice overhead camera view.

It was a nice way to start our 2021 touring season.



A beautiful day for a drive.





Enjoying the Cars.....Sweetheart Tour

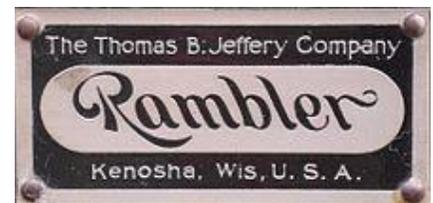


Come and join us on the next tour.

Plans are in the works for an April tour to Grizzly Quarry Park and Museum in Penryn.

A Day In Automotive History

March 1st 1902—The first Rambler is sold by Thomas B. Jeffery during the Chicago, Illinois Automobile Show. Jeffery initially manufactured bicycles but moved into manufacturing autos in 1901.



The first use of the Rambler name was between 1900 and 1914. In 1916 Charles Nash brought out Jeffery. It wasn't until 1954 that the Rambler name was used again; now for Nash-Kelvinator. Later on Nash merged with the Hudson Motor Car Company and became the American Motors Corporation (AMC). The Rambler line of cars continued through the 1969 model year in the U.S. and into 1983 in international markets.



A Blast from the Past

Bakersfield National Swap Meet and Tour

April 12-14, 2007

By: Cindy Pharis

Our adventure started on Wednesday afternoon, April 11, 2007, when John and Leta Nichols came to pick up Robin and I in their shiny new red Dodge rig. We loaded up Ruth in their trailer and headed south towards Bakersfield. It was quite the deluxe ride, even got to watch a movie (Happy Feet) along the way!

Thursday morning we (Kevin and Alicia too) all met bright and early for breakfast in the hotel (Doubletree) before we headed to Beach Park for the large and small car tours. It was a very chilly morning, with high winds and overcast skies. I proceeded to put on everything that was in my suitcase that was remotely warm, so that I could shed the clothes later in the day if it warmed up. Unfortunately, it never warmed up that day. To the contrary, it was FREEZING!

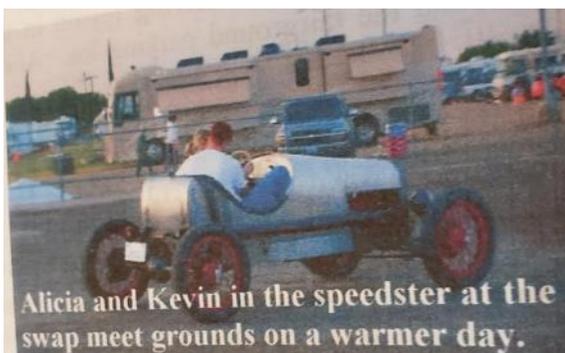
The large car tour headed to the remote town of Woody through winding mountainous roads. The sky got darker and darker and before you knew it, we were plummeted with hail, sleet and rain along the way! Robin pulled over so we could put the top up on Ruth. While attempting to do so, we all laughed hysterically while saying, "ouch, ouch, ouch" as the hail continued to hit us without mercy! I worried about Kevin and Alicia in the speedster with not even a windshield!

The lunch was quite an adventure too; we were supposed to eat outside on the patio. Due to the weather, the restaurant was not prepared to feed all of us indoors, so we had to eat in shifts. John, Leta, Robin and I braved the elements and ate outside on the patio under the picnic table umbrella while Leta draped herself with a vinyl tablecloth to stay dry. The food was very good, so it made up for the chilly dining experience.

Friday morning the gates opened at 7:00 a.m. at the Fairgrounds for the swap meet. This year, no selling or buying was allowed on Thursday, as was done in the past. This allowed everyone equal opportunity for the best treasures. Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. there was a short tour and ice cream stop scheduled and Leta, John and I rode with a very nice couple, Jim and Carolyn Kling from Idaho in their 1921 Franklin. That was a very nice adventure riding in style.



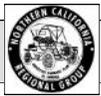
Ouch!...the hail is coming down heavily as the top goes up on Ruth, the Pharis Model T.



Alicia and Kevin in the speedster at the swap meet grounds on a warmer day.

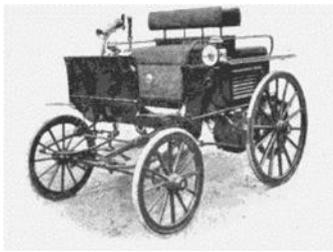
We returned to the Fairgrounds just in time for the BBQ chicken dinner and live auction. Following the auction, Kevin gave Alicia a driving lesson in the speedster around the fairground parking lot. Alicia did very well!

Saturday we walked around the swap meet for a few more hours and visited with several friends from touring adventures and/or club affiliations. At 1:00 pm we dined on Filet Mignon at the final BBQ lunch. Bill and Jan Charpier joined us for this meal. Shortly thereafter, John, Leta and Robin and I (followed by Kevin and Alicia) headed home to Sacramento.



“Q”- Cars of Days Gone By.....

By Diana Squire

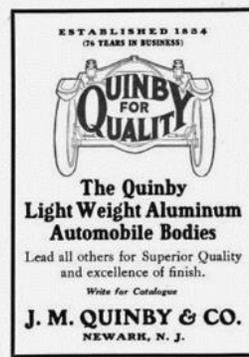


1899 **Quinby**
Electric Carriage

In the late 1800s one of the oldest carriage makers in the United States was

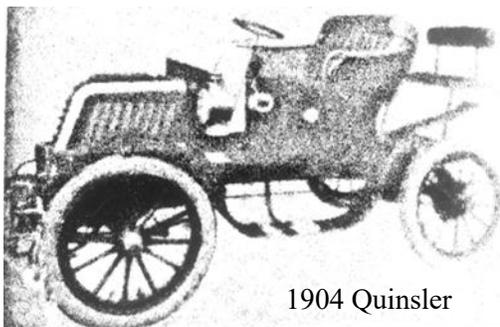
J. M. Quinby and Co. The company produced horseless carriages beginning in 1834. During 1899 and 1900 they produced an Electric Automobile called the Quinby. They had two 2-1/2 hp motors geared to the rear end. Very few Quinby Electrics were built. They were built “to order” using components from the Riker Electric Vehicle Co. of Elizabethport, N.J. (1898-1901)

After 1900, the company turned to coachwork, making light-weight aluminum bodies for other American automobile companies. Building car bodies and their horse drawn carriage production continued up till 1917.



Quick

The **Quick** was made in America and had a “quick” life (1899 to 1900). Although in most ways a conventional car, it is memorable for being the first American car to use an overhead camshaft production unit. It was powered by a two-cylinder water-cooled engine and had a chain-driven overhead camshaft which could develop a heady 4 hp at 700 rpm. It was a two-seater buggy with a tiller steering wheel. There’s more to the story, including a fraudulent ending—but I’ll make this quick—so that’s enough about this car.....



1904 Quinsler

Quinsler

The **Quinsler** was built in Boston MA, by Quinsler & Company. In November of 1899 the company announced completion of twenty hansom cab bodies built for the Electric Vehicle Company, who produced the Columbia. It really didn’t go far in the automotive world making only automobile bodies and mainly remained in the carriage business. In 1904 Quinsler marketed an automobile itself. It was a rumble-seat runabout that was powered by a single-cylinder 7 hp De Dion engine fitted upfront under a hood. A nicely finished vehicle, but was priced at \$950. It was only made in 1904.



The **Queen** was an American-made car built between 1904 and 1907. They were chain driven one-, two-, and four- cylinder cars built by Bloomstrom Motor Co., who also made the Gyroscope car. The 1906 Queen was available in three models— 14hp and 18hp twins, or as a 26/28 four.



1906 Queen touring Car (26/28hp)

There were also “Queen” cars made in Canada (1901-1903) and in England (1904-1905).

The Canadian **Queen** was a gas buggy made in Toronto. It had a single cylinder 824cc engine.

The **Queen** manufactured in England was said to be “The car for the million or the millionaire”. Made by Horner & Sons of Mitre Square, London, it had 12hp and 16hp models.

13th Annual **Ryan Ramble 2021**



Sacramento Delta Region / Mt. Diablo, CA – August 4-8, 2021

Progressive tour from Orangevale, CA down the Sacramento River seeing the Delta region, historic towns and sites, along with a train and trolley museum where we will have a ride possibly on an old Key System train which used to run on the lower deck of the Bay Bridge. One day we will drive up Mt. Diablo – great views and museum at the top, windy up and down, and a scenic one-lane road. There will be unavoidable traffic in some areas on the tour, but there will also be fantastic backroad country touring all on paved roads.

SAVE THE DATE

We have blocked rooms at a hotel but cannot reserve them until COVID has lifted. Places we plan to visit and restaurants are still not open. We are optimistic that most of us will be vaccinated and places will be open this summer, making an August tour possible. However, it will probably be a summer registration and quick turn-around to reserve hotel rooms. We will let everyone know as soon as we know!

From the Toolbox

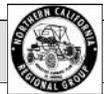
By Bill Charpier

Occasionally, while working on cars it is difficult to loosen a nut with a ratcheting wrench when the nut is in a tight spot that only allows a small degree of swing of the wrench handle. There is a tool that may help. It is the **Tite-Reach 3/8" Do-it-Yourself Extension Wrench**. Using this wrench will provide an additional 8-inches of reach into a tight spot. It is designed to work with a 3/8" drive socket, and it comes with a 3/8" to 3/8" adapter and a 3/8" to 1/4" bit adapter. Gears and adapters are made from chrome vanadium steel and housed in ultrasonically welded ABS plastic. The wrench is rated up to 30 ft./lbs. of torque.

Wrenches are available online from Tite-Reach, Amazon, ebay, Walmart and others. The price is around \$30. Tite-Reach sells a number of different adapters for use with the wrench. They also have 1/4", 3/8" and 1/2" "Professional" wrenches which have higher torque ratings.

Remember, if you have a favorite tool, and you would like to share the information with the members, send me a write up and I will include it in "From the Toolbox." If you would prefer, you can call me with the information and I will write it up for you.





**Northern California Regional Group
of the
Horseless Carriage Club of America
General Meeting Minutes
Stephanie Mozell, Secretary**

General Meeting Minutes
Video Conference Via Zoom
Thursday, February 18, 2021

Call to order 7:00 P.M.

Zoom Attendees: Kathy & Jim Ryan, David Pava, Ed Rose, Elaine Rose, Lew Dobbins and Frank Squire

Roll call of Board Members: Bill Charpier, Jan Charpier, Gordon McGregor, Bob Hopkins, Jr., Mike Huff, Sandy Maye, Stephanie Mozell, Diana Squire, Raul Cornejo and Roger Mitchell (absent).

Reading of General Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2021. Motion to approve as published in *The Brass Nuts*: Moved: Jim Ryan; Seconded: Mike Huff; Discussion: none; Action: carried.

Commendations:

- ◆ Thank you to Diana Squire for an excellent February newsletter, and to Kathy and Jim Ryan, Kim Malone and to all the contributors.
- ◆ Thank you to Stephanie Mozell for getting the Agenda and Minutes out on a timely basis.
- ◆ Thank you to Bill Charpier for hosting the Zoom meetings and those who could attend.
- ◆ Thank you to Gordon McGregor and Bob Hopkins, Jr. for being on the Audit and Budget Committee.

Treasurer's Report: Jan Charpier

- ◆ The club is solvent. Dues received to date in the amount of \$255, and a donation of \$100 for postage was received.
- ◆ Audit and Budget Committee Report: Bob Hopkins, Jr., Gordon McGregor and Jan Charpier. Gordon and Bob commented on how everything was well documented and organized thanks to Jan Charpier. It made the audit go very smoothly. Everything balanced out. A previous entry of \$.26 from 2019 was found and corrected to make everything balance this year.
- ◆ Proposed Budget was shown to attendees by Screen Share. Motion to accept the Proposed Budget as shown made by Ed Rose; Seconded: Mike Huff; Discussion: none; Action: carried.
- ◆ Jan stated that she expects this year's income to be less than expenses. If needed, we can draw from our savings. We are still solvent and in good shape. Jan would like to see some ideas to subsidize some future events for the club.

Communications:

- ◆ Stephanie Mozell emailed the HCCA Office and Gazette Editor of our NCRG's new officers for 2021.
- ◆ The Ryans emailed informing members that the Sweetheart Tour was postponed. The new date will be February 20, and the rain date will be February 27.
- ◆ The Ryans emailed a survey to determine interest and participants for the Ryan Ramble Tour on August 4-8. She said she got the idea from a Westrek tour. The responses were good. Hopefully all will work out for a healthy outcome for accommodations. Kathy has to wait and see as the planning revolves around that.
- ◆ Diana Squire sent out an email about the **Celebration of Brass @ the Gilmore**, July 15-20 in Hickory Corners, Michigan, at the Museum of the Horseless Carriage's inaugural event. The five-day program features a car show, many on-site activities, and three days of tours over country roads of western-lower Michigan. Car tour capped at 50 cars and you must be an HCCA member to join the tour.

New Business:

None to report.

Unfinished Business:

None to report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tour and Safety: Diana Squire

- ◆ **February 20 Sweetheart Tour** set for 11:00; rain date February 27 - Kathy Ryan.
- ◆ **August 4-8 save the Date for the 13th Annual Ryan Ramble.** Destination, Sacramento Delta and Mt. Diablo – Kathy Ryan. The responses were good. Hopefully all will work out for a healthy outcome for accommodations. Kathy has to wait and see as the planning revolves around that.
- ◆ David Pava hopes to be able to conduct a **Tour and have an Ice Cream Social** sometime later this year.

Editor: Diana Squire

- ◆ President's message, meeting minutes, flyers and stories due to the Editor of *The Brass Nuts* by February 24. It is a short month.

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Minutes of February 18, 2021 Meeting continued:

Editor: Diana Squire (continued)

- ◆ Gordon McGregor will send Information on his Nash for Diana to edit. Raul gave Diana a flash drive of pictures of cars from San Francisco. There might be a contest guessing the models and years of the cars. Kathy and Jim are working on a tool article for the April newsletter item for the tool chest.

Webmaster: Thomas Roush
No report available.

Sunshine Report: Elaine Rose
Elaine said she had sent a card to Jim Matson. His mother passed away.

Membership: Kathy Ryan
In the next few weeks, Kathy will be sending out the roster booklets by mail or delivering them along with membership cards

Education: Frank Squire
Nothing to report

History and Publicity: Sandy Maye
Nothing to report.

Welcome Committee: Sue Hill
No report given.

Good of the Order:

- ◆ Diana Squire’s family who live in Austin, Texas are safe, but have off-and-on power. The grandbaby is staying warmer sleeping snuggled in a cardboard box.
- ◆ Matt Ryan will be participating in an off road Gymkhana this weekend. Stay warm Matt!
- ◆ Roger Mitchell made a donation of \$80 to the Shriners in honor of Ed Rose’s long-time support of the local Shriners’ transportation division.

Display of your choice: Bill Charpier presented sample of wire for a wire recorder from circa 1935, World War 11. They weren’t very reliable and did not survive.

Bob Hopkins showed us a basket weave coil crystal radio set with 80 megahertz used by ham radio operators that he is building.

Next Board Meeting: April/May (If needed via Zoom); July- is open; October to be determined.

Next General Meeting: March 18, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom (Display of Your Choice)

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made by: Bob Hopkins, Jr.; Seconded by: Mike Huff; Adjourned:



Display of Your Choice

Bill’s display of wire for a wire recorder.



Example of a Wire Recorder

From Bob (KM6UVL): The one I am building for the ham band is not finished yet. The crystal radio in the box is the one I had since I was a young man. I used this on my bicycle to listen to the Sacramento baseball games. It was my first mobile radio. The crystal radio on the board is a basket weave coil. It picks up five stations with no problem. It has many taps on the coils.



This is just a little history of the Crystal Radio: The crystal radio was used in the very late teens. By 1920 a crystal set was found in many homes. The radio worked for free with no batteries to operate them. You had to use headphones to listen to the radio. When the battery sets came with a speaker they were not loud but several members of the family could listen to the radio. The cost was high for these radios.

During the war WW-II the foxhole crystal radio was used to listen to the German radios. They used a rusty razor blade for the crystal detector. A safety pin was used to find a hot spot on the blade to detect the radio signal. The headphone we found in crashed airplanes and some fence wire was the antenna.





HCCA NATIONAL NEWS

Re: Museum of the Horseless Carriage; What's Happening?; New HCCA Website Feedback?

Issue: 2021-03-01 #03

- ♦ **A Note from Bob Ladd at The Gilmore** – “This project had its genesis in an effort by a committee of the Horseless Carriage Club board in 2018. The project was to do a strategic plan to assure the viability of the club, but more generally the Brass Era hobby. At a meeting in Hershey that year, the concept of having a signature event at a place near the center of the country that Brass Era enthusiasts could call home would be a great start. The possibility of having that event and home at the Gilmore Car Museum in Michigan was then considered as a possibility. There were a series of meetings with representatives of the Gilmore and conversations with other partner organizations to gauge the feasibility of the plan.”

“Since that formation meeting a year ago there has been great progress. On May 15, 2020 we received confirmation that we had been approved as a 501(c) 3 corporation. In the months since then we have started our fundraising efforts, begun planning for our eventual building, negotiated and signed a 50-year contract with Gilmore Car Museum, added seven new members to our board and created a wonderful interim display in our temporary home, the Steam Barn at the Gilmore. We are, however, only starting this project and there is still a long way to go. I like to tell the board that it is a marathon, not a sprint. We invite you to join us on the journey.”

“We have been blessed with an active and supportive board of directors whose names and contact information appear below. Feel free to contact any of us if you have questions or suggestions.” For the full Board Directory list mentioned above, contact Bob Ladd at jbobladd@ptd.net.
- ♦ **What's Happening?** – Lots of free time? Nothing to do? Here are some suggestions:
 - * 31st Annual Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK, March 19 - 20, 2021.
 - * **HCCA National Virtual Zoom Convention Meetings**, from your home PC, April 10, and April 11, 2021 Be there!
 - * Mid-Atlantic Prewar Swap Meet, Luray, VA, May 14 & 15, 2021.
- * Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, Jacksonville, FL, May 20 – 23, 2021.
- * Clay Green Memorial Run, Hershey, PA, May 21 – 24, 2021.
- * New England Brass and Gas Tour, Rutland, VT, June 20 - 25, 2021.
- * Gilmore Car Museum Tour & Show, Hickory Corners, MI, June 25 - 26, 2021.
- * Burkittsville Mike Romano Tour, Burkittsville, MD, July 10 – 11, 2021.
- * 1st Annual “Celebration of the Brass Car”, Tour, Show and Swap Meet, Hickory Corners, MI, July 16 - 20, 2021.
- * 34th New London to New Brighton Run, New London, MN, August 11 - 14, 2021.
- * 61st Air Capital Tour, Junction City, KS, September 3 - 6, 2021.
- * Lansing to Dearborn Run, Dearborn, MI, September 9 - 10, 2021.
- * Old Car Festival at The Henry Ford, Dearborn, MI, September 11 - 12, 2021.
- * 21st Annual Antique Autos in History Park, San Jose, CA, September 19, 2021.
- * 1- and 2- Cylinder Tour, Lancaster, PA, September 19 - 24, 2021.
- * 2021 Red Flag Horseless Carriage Tour, Mount Pleasant, IA, September 22–25, 2021
- * AACA National Fall Meet, Hershey, PA, October 6 - 9, 2021.
- * Hershey Hangover X, Denver, PA, October 9 - 12, 2021.

For details, contact information, and tour specifics, check the HCCA Gazette, and the HCCA Website, as plans do change, or I may not have all the details correct. Also, to see any new additional tours and activities.

New HCCA Website Feedback? – Tried out the new HCCA Website yet? Comments, suggestions, impressions? Let us know your thoughts. Contact the HCCA office at (office@hcca.org).

Doug Tomb

Douglas.tomb@verizon.net

Board Member – HCCA NN Editor ...

FOR SALE

Bob Schneider has two vehicles for sale.
If you are interested in either please contact him through our Web Master.



**1948 Cushman Scooter
with
Package Delivery Sidecar**

Fully restored. \$5,000



1922 Willys Knight Touring Car
Nicely Restored Well-Maintained —\$22,500

Some things to Think About

from Joan Catchot

1st: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

2nd: The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

3rd: Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know “why” I look this way. I’ve traveled a long way and some of the roads weren’t paved.

4th: When you are dissatisfied and want to go back to your youth, think of Algebra.

5th: You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

6th: I don’t know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

7th: One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change from being young.

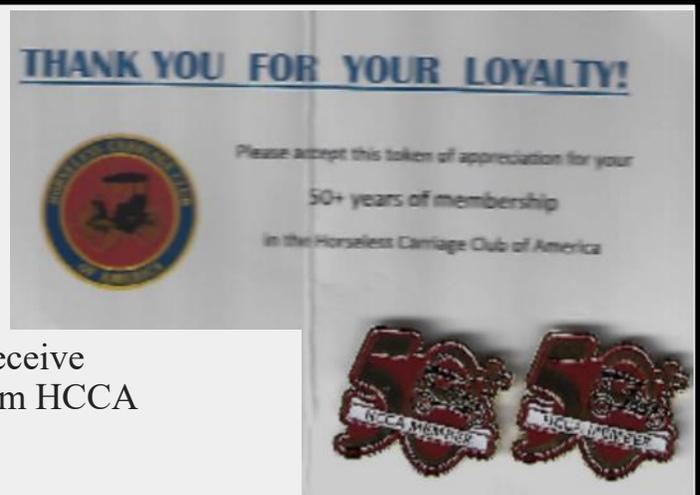
8th: One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.

9th: Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

10th: Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it’s called golf.

Congratulations!!!!

Bob and Helen Hopkins receive
50 Year Membership Pins from HCCA





Happy Birthday



Traveling down the road for another year...

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Zora Ryan
- 09 Stephanie Mozell & Frank Squire
- 18 Orene Savio
- 19 Tony Savio
- 24 Cathleen Roush
- 25 Donna Berg
- 27 Alicia Pharis
- 30 Mary Gunderson & Ed Tidwell



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 03 Helen Hopkins
- 04 Stan Nicolaus
- 06 Bill Charpier, Jr.
- 09 Pete Kneedler, Joe Anino, & Samantha Cedilote
- 10 Jim Matson
- 11 Beckie Brown
- 13 Gordon McGregor
- 15 Gayle Hensler
- 19 Garry Gunderson & Patricia Pava
- 24 Will Snyders
- 25 Sue Hill
- 30 Bob Schneider



MARCH ANNIVERSERIES

None

APRIL ANNIVERSERIES

- 01 Robin and Cindy Pharis
- 06 Mac and Wendy Weir
- 13 Tony and Orene Savio
- 22 Jim and Kathy Ryan
- 27 Will and Paulette Snyders

Just Married



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BEST WISHES
FROM ALL OF US IN THE
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REMINDERS...

- March 18, 2021 **Thursday 7:00 pm**
Next **GENERAL MEETING**
Zoom Meeting
- April 17, 2021—Possible Tour to Grizzly
Quarry Park and Museum in Penryn
- August 4-8 **SAVE THE DATE** Ryan Ramble
- March 25th - Last Day to Submit Information
for the April 2021 issue of *The Brass Nuts*

The Question Is Why?

From Joan Catchot

- Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting weak?
- Why do banks charge a fee on “insufficient funds” when they know there is not enough?
- Why doesn’t Tarzan have a beard?
- Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
- Why do you never hear father-in-law jokes?
- Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will materialize?
- Why doesn’t glue stick to the bottle?
- Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
- Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that’s falling off the table, you always manage to knock something else over?
- If at first you don’t succeed, why don’t you try doing it like your wife told you to do it?

California Automobile Museum News:

Second Annual Cap City Motor Tour—May 1st
Watch for details to follow.

Fundraising efforts for the insulation project are going well—Goal \$60,000

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