

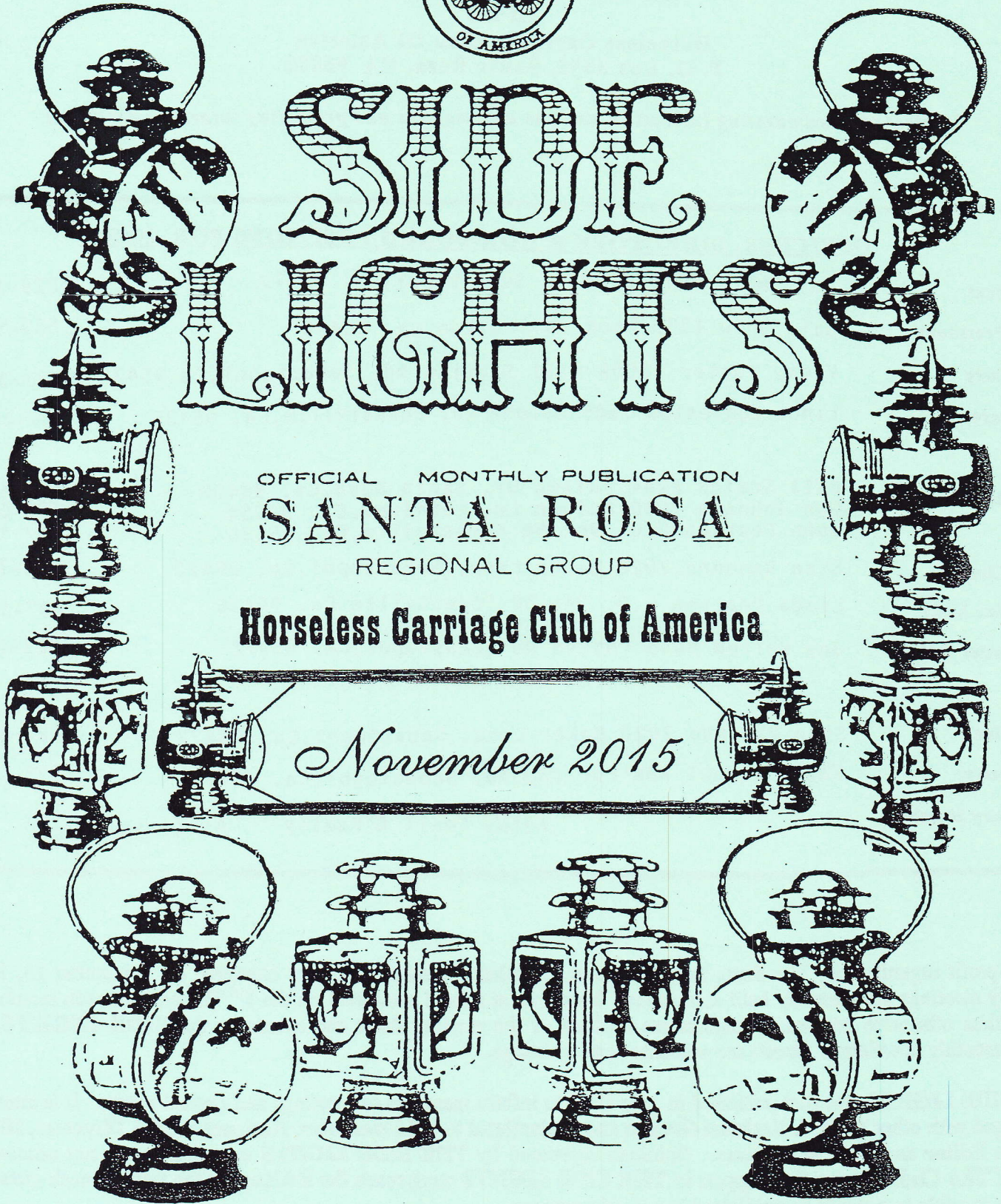


# SIDE LIGHTS

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**SANTA ROSA**  
REGIONAL GROUP

**Horseless Carriage Club of America**

*November 2015*



**The Santa Rosa Regional Group  
Of the  
Horseless Carriage Club Of America  
P. O. Box 3993, Santa Rosa, CA 95402**

*Dedicated to stimulating interest in antique automobiles and promoting interclub good will*

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A non-profit organization, The Santa Rosa Regional Horseless Carriage Club was chartered on September 23, 1955. Monthly meetings are currently held at members' homes or at a local restaurant on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. unless otherwise notified. Members are notified of the meeting dates and events by the **SIDE LIGHTS**, the Club's monthly newsletter. Guests are welcome at all meetings.

**THE SIDE LIGHTS** was first published in July 1959 to inform members of meetings and current events. It is mutually exchanged with other HCCA Regional Groups and is circulated to paid members, National HCCA Directors, HCCA Gazette Editor and paid advertisers. Opinions expressed by **THE SIDE LIGHTS** contributors are not necessarily those of The Club. Materials to appear in **THE SIDE LIGHTS** must reach the Editor by the third of each month as much as possible in order to be publicized in a timely manner.

- NOTES:** (1) National HCCA membership is a mandatory pre-requisite to any Regional HCCA Group membership. However it is not necessary to own a pre-16 vehicle.  
(2) Other HCCA clubs may reprint any material contained herein for their use.

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

NOV 5, 2015

Fall has arrived, with that the uncomfortable time of year when we have to turn our clocks back and our heaters on. Gone is that time when coming home from work I would still have a few precious hours of daylight to work around the ranch. But maybe that's not so bad, this winter I have some important after sunset projects to attend to. One is a cute little model T in need of engine work. The other is a model A woody that has sat quietly in a barn for too many years, this is the winter for its awakening.

On another subject, some good friends gave me a couple of boxes of old Horseless Carriage Gazettes. As many of you know I grew up in the HCCA and unfortunately endured a void in my involvement for a number of years, my wife Michelle knows that I cannot put those old Gazettes down. What a joy!!

To my friends in the club, have a happy Thanksgiving and we will see you soon.

Guy Smith.

## FOR SALE

- **Ruckstell Sale** - Large and small drum rear axles available—disassembled or complete, ready to install. Prices start at \$595.00.  
Jim Gordon (503) 740-5119
- **1937 Chrysler Airflow, Frame Off Restoration** - \$50,000 or best offer (OBO)  
Mary and Leonard Roy, Moxee, WA  
(509) 945-2193
- **1926 Dodge, 4-Door Sedan** - Fully Restored, beautiful mohair upholstery and interior, less expensive than a Model T Ford, but twice as comfortable. \$18,500.  
Jim Zordich, (503) 603-0115
- **'54 Chevy Bel Air 2-D** - Great tour car. Low miles, original  
Jim Schoffstoll, (503)-680-3412
- **'26 Buick 2-D Standard 6** - \$15,000  
**'29 Plymouth Roadster** - \$18,000  
**'38 Ford Coupe** - \$15,000  
Patrick Conlon, (503) 863-0716
- **1911 Reo Touring** - \$48,000; Will consider trades for brass cars, 1 or 2 cyl. cars, pre-'32 closed cars. Must be cosmetically good. Projects ok.  
Donn Snyder - (503) 826-1944
- **1910 Maxwell Model A**, 2 cyl. red, restored roadster. Comes with a possibly correct but un-restored top. \$24,950.  
Don Plumb, (503) 720-0020  
plumbline@comcast.net
- **1930 Ford Model A**, gray over black with yellow wheels, nice pin-striping, formerly of Boells. \$18,950.  
Don Plumb, (503) 720-0020  
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- **1932 Ford 4 Door Sedan**, V8, overdrive, dark green over black with light green wheels, formerly of Paula Knepper. \$29,950.  
Can e-mail or text pictures.  
Don Plumb, (503) 720-0020  
plumbline@comcast.net
- **1911 Buick Model 21 Demi-Door Touring Car** \$75,000 Jim Zordich, (503) 663-0115
- **1914 Premier Model 22 7-Passenger Touring Car**, 6-cylinder, 70hp, 3-speed, includes spare engine, transmission, and clutch. \$75,000  
Jim Zordich, (503) 663-0115
- **Ken Thorpe's 1917 Oakland Four-Door Touring** \$7500. Contact Bud Rex for more info, (503) 292-1334

THE PORTLAND GAS LEAK

# Overnighter 2015

Oct 17, 2015



We met at 9:30 at Pacific Market in Sebastopol. Our group included John and Linda Pearson in their 1909 Buick, Wayne and Kim Simoni in their 1912 EMF, Don and Pam Johnson in their 1915 Model T, Gayle Shaw and his co-pilot Vickie Porter in his 1930 Model A roadster and Guy and I in the Pearson's 1930 Model A roadster. (Thank you John and Linda) We left on a misty

Saturday morning excited for the weekend. We took Bodega Hwy, made our

way thru Valley Ford and into Tamales where we ran into friends of Wayne and Kim, visiting a bit realizing that the mist had turned to rain. It was a challenge learning how to use our manual windshield wipers if we were lucky enough to have them! Otherwise it was stop, towel dry and drive. Next stop Nicks Cove, where we had parking pride of place right in front.

Inside we warmed our chilled bones with hot libations learning from local sheriffs the good news that in Pt. Reyes the sun was coming out. Yeah! Leaving Nicks we drove to Pt. Reyes winery where we were met by the



owners, a little wine tasting and lunch and on our way. Pt. Reyes was a great place to walk around, stop at the awesome bakery, then off to our motel in Inverness, which by the way was right on the water. Once we were settled in our rooms the group decided to take a drive up to the radio museum. Weather had broken and we enjoyed beautiful sunshine. What a surprise the museum was. Such informative and friendly volunteers, not



to mention the beautiful drive through a tunnel of Cypress trees to come upon

a building dating back to the 1920's. Excellent photo opps!. Arriving back at our motel it was time to barbeque. This was the "who has the biggest steak contest", thank goodness John and Linda had an awesome BBQ. It was compact but big enough to cook these massive steaks. What a serene evening



on the water and other than Gayle being 'disciplined' for sitting on a lady's boat, even Guy and Wayne were pretty much well behaved. The dinner everyone generously contributed to was amazing and we finally had to take our full bellies to bed. Sunday morning 9 am we left Pt. Reyes seashore and headed for Bolinas where we had decided to eat breakfast at Coast Café. As we looked for parking space the owners of Smiley's



Bar ran over and asked us if we would park our cars in front of the historic bar and hotel so they could photograph the period automobiles. We sat outside and watched the goings on in this tiny hamlet while eating a delicious breakfast. All too soon it was time to jump back in our vintage autos and take a slow beautiful drive home.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the next trip.....

Michelle Smith





## HCCA NATIONAL NEWS

**To:** Regional Groups (RG) and Affiliated Registries (AR) Contacts and Others

**Re:** Board Nominees / Vote, Tour Library New Tour Entry, Office Documents, 2016 HCCA FL Convention & Tours, and Other Events

**Issue:** 2015-11-06 #10

- **Board Nominees / Vote**  There is not much time left to vote for your 2016 class of board directors. You need to vote for 5 of the 7 nominees (listed below in alphabetical order)

*Bob Bailey, Steve Cook, George P Dorris III, Bob Ladd (I), Chris Paulsen (I), Don Plumb, Steve Rinaldo*

Your ballot was mailed to you and Each vote counts  You must Return your ballot to the auditor by **December 15, 2015**.

- **HCCA Tour Library New Tour Entry**  During the Board meeting at Hershey, a decision was made to simplify and adjust the Tour Library program to reduce tour input costs. Procedures were created and standards were set to make sure new tours are easy to submit. Each tour submitted will generally not be older than 10 years when submitted.  A Tour summary page must be completed outlining the tour day information. If the tour day directions are scanned into a public domain format (PDF) file then there will be no cost to enter a new tour. When the new entry function is added to the HCCA web site, a notice will be sent out to all Regions and Registries.
- **HCCA (Office Documents Project)**  All of the HCCA office and organization documents have been converted to digital files. Because some of the documents offer services and help to members that is part of their membership, the access to those documents will be limited to members while documents with general information will not have restricted access. As we move in to the next year, we plan to create the area that will be divided in to sections for the document storage. Members will to be able to find any information they want about the HCCA club - Policies, Procedures, Applications, Instructions and Information.
- **HCCA Friend**  This is an initiative at the local level to find neighboring people willing to volunteer helping a HCCA member that needs help getting communication and or attending events. There are situations where members are unable to connect to the internet and or need help attending tours and other events. A HCCA friend is a person willing to help a member in need  a resource of friends  If you know of any members rs that are acting as Friends, please let me know so their efforts can be recognized.
- **2016 HCCA FL National Convention**  *Mark your calendar*  >From CA to AZ to TX, the HCCA National Annual Convention and Tours next year will be **April 3**  **8, 2016** at the Hampton Inn in Brooksville, FL. More details will be provided as we get closer  "Swarm to BEE Warm". Tours, Events, Seminars and Presentations will attempt to meet the goal of Sharing, Education and Pass it on. Though the event allows us to conduct club business face to face it reunites old hobby friends and allows us to expose the public to the Horseless Carriage Club of America in another part of the country.

There will be a gas light tour of the town, involvement with local schools and multiple seminars. Touring is being planned to an Indian battle site, Preserve and Park, Airboat on Withlacoochee river, Train ride on CP&G railroad, Air show @ Sun 'n Fun, and Lunch overlooking the Gulf, School visit to educate and share our historic vehicles.

Night events will include talks on Early Automobiles, "Need to Race", View of WWI (1916) from Ambulance Seats and Annual Members meeting.

- **Early 2016 National Tours / Events**

*(Dates may be different than what you thought)*

**April 03-08, 2016** HCCA National Convention & Tours, FL

**April 10-14, 2016** HCCA Grizzly Bear Tour, CA

**April 14-16, 2016** HCCA 25<sup>th</sup> National Bakersfield Swap Meet

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**Re:** Hershey Board Meeting, Fall Board Nominees, 2015 Publication Awards Program Deadline, Capital Investments, New Tour Book Library Policy  
**Issue:** 2015-10-19 #09

- **2015 Hershey Flea Market, PA** □ The HCCA tent was opened on Wed to give members the opportunity to meet other members and the National directors. Over the three day event many members stopped by. Great time and friends. Want to thank any members that helped.
- **Hershey Board Meeting** □ On October 6<sup>th</sup> the HCCA Board of Directors held their 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of 2015 and the new items were discussed □ > Mailed 2015 Roster to members;  
> Website updated to mobile friendly format;  
> Establish policy for new additions to Tour Library;  
> Plan to give members access on web site to HCCA documents and information □ Marketing, Reports, Membership, Handbooks, Policy, Guides and Orientation  
> Annual Convention and Tours, April 3-8, 2016 Brooksville, FL “*Swarm to BEE Warm*” □ For more information, Steve Cook □ [www.HCCAFL.org](http://www.HCCAFL.org).
- **HCCA Board Nominations** - This year the slate of 7 nominees for the Board of Directors Class of 2016 are (in alphabetical order) □ Bob Bailey; Steve Cook; George Dorris III; Bob Ladd (I); Chris Paulsen (I); Don Plumb; Steve Rinaldo

*Sorry about the incorrect information in the last issue of the HCCA National News* □ Seems we forgot to send the ballots out with the Sept/October issue of the Horseless Carriage Gazette. So keep your Sept/Oct issue of the Gazette handy with the nominee information until the ballots are mailed out to the voting members (got mine today). To validate your ballot, you have to vote for 5 candidates and return your ballot to the auditor by December 15. Remember that each vote counts.

- **Publication Award Program** - As part of the effort to improve communications the HCCA Communication Awards Program was created and enhanced to recognize the efforts of newsletter editors, website webmasters and their efforts to produce the highest level of communications to their respective members.

It is now time to notify the Chairperson of the Regional Group Publications, Kathie Conrad, if you wish to have your newsletter, website, etc. judged as part of the Awards Program. Please notify via email to Kathie Conrad at [MiataKath@aol.com](mailto:MiataKath@aol.com) if you wish to have your materials considered as part of the judging process. The request must be in writing and sent to Kathie at the above-mentioned email address.

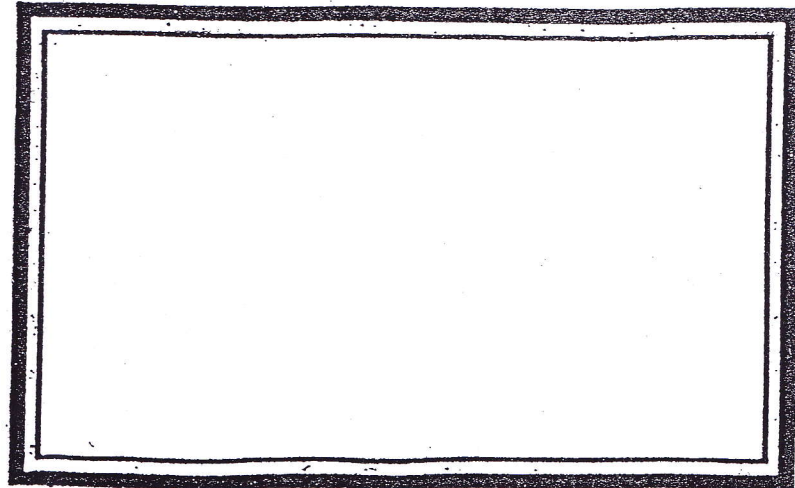
Email to Kathie at least 3 copies of your newsletter, etc. to be used in the judging process. The deadline for consideration is **November 1, 2015**. If there are any questions, please contact Kathie Conrad via email or at 215-872-9725.

- **Capital Fund Investments** □ Since the HCCA is now classified as a 501-C7 non-profit organization and does not have a tax status issue, the Board of Directors is looking to move some capital investments to longer risk safe higher rate investments. During period that the tax status was in question, investments were kept liquid pending the resolution of any tax liability. With the issue behind us, steps are being taken to improve the management of investments. A new finance committee was formed in June to look in to the options to get a better return while minimizing the risk.
- **New Tour Library Book Policy Coming** - Each tour submitted will generally not be older than 10 years when submitted.  
□ A Tour summary page must be completed outlining the tour day information and the tour day directions scanned into a public domain format (PDF). When the function is added to Tour Library web site a notice will be sent out to all Regions and Registries.

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## 101 ECONOMIES FOR THE MOTORIST

### GASOLINE TANKS

A leaky seam in a gasoline tank can be temporarily repaired by painting the joint with shellac.

If shellac is not available almost any kind of soap thoroughly worked into the seam will prove effective. A gasoline tank requiring soldering should be handled with extreme precaution.

After the gasoline has been drained, the tank should be blown out with compressed air so that all explosive fumes will be dissipated. Filling the tank with water is even better precaution.

If the tank is fitted with a strainer, take advantage of the opportunity and clean it out when the tank is removed.

