

# EXHAUST REPORT

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I wish everyone a Happy New Year. There is little I can add about 2020 that hasn't already been said numerous times by all. Hopefully in 2021 we will be able to get together as Joel has some great events planned for us to enjoy.

Unfortunately to top off a horrible 2020 I had an accident with my Olds and of course it was on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. Minimal damage, with no injuries but the car is at the doctor's for minor surgery. The car should be back on the road by the end of January. Thanks to Duane for a recommendation of a shop to have the repairs completed.

There have been a few car get togethers. I have been told the number of cars in attendance has been significant. I believe and hope that by early spring many of us will be back behind the wheel with the engines purring. I for one cannot wait.

I have four free AACA National memberships available. If anyone has a friend that would be interested in joining the club, 2020 membership will be on us. The Board has decided that we will not be sending out notices for dues for the year 2021. The bank account is plentiful making the club in good shape. Please advise us if your membership situation has changed.

If anyone has any suggestions for tours, get togethers, etc. please contact Joel. Please check the website for updated notices and any thoughts you may have.

Let's all look forward to a fun filled new year. Hope to see you soon!!

Bob Pritchard



The aim of the AACA is the perpetuation of the pioneer days of automobiling by furthering the interest in and preserving of automobiles, and the promotion of sportsmanship and of good fellowship among all AACA members. The AACA uses the term "automobile" in a comprehensive sense to include all self-propelled vehicles intended for passenger use (cars, race vehicles, trucks, fire vehicles, motorcycles, powered bicycles, etc.). Similarly, the term includes various power sources, such as gasoline, diesel steam and electric.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Our club is a regional club of the Antique Automobile Club of America, Inc. National club membership is required for regional membership. National membership dues are \$45 annually (includes spouse). Regional club dues are \$20 annually (includes spouse). For membership information and application, contact any board member.

## BOARD MEETINGS

Dinner board meeting are scheduled for the first Tuesday of each month when necessary and are open to the general membership. Contact Bob Pritchard for schedule confirmation. We appreciate your attendance and welcome your input.



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As Events Coordinator I have the privilege of coordinating our special visits to restoration facilities, museums, private collection and places of interest. It was difficult to cancel and postpone indefinitely our 2020 calendar. But, most of all I missed the camaraderie of our members. It has been good speaking with so many of you, housebound but healthy, and hopefully starting your collector cars and polishing them to an amazing shine.

Each contact person for a planned event from 2020 is anxious for the viruses being controlled so we can reschedule our visits. In addition, I am getting invitations to set up events starting in the middle of 2021. I anticipate setting up events every other month with the number of attendees dictated by the amount of guests the venue can comfortably accommodate. Remember to call me with a little gem of a collection or other ideas for a visit.

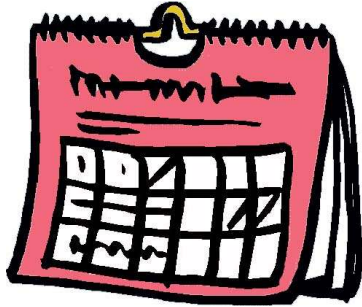
Looking forward to many fun adventures with our friends. Be well.

Joel Feldman  
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**MINOR REPAIR TO BOB'S OLDSMOBILE**





SAVE THESE DATES...  
SPECIAL AACA EVENTS

## 2021 Eastern Fall Meet at Hershey October 6 – 9, 2021

By "Mac" MacAdam, Flea Market/Car Corral Registration Chairman,  
Hershey Region AACA, [fallmeet@hersheyaaca.org](mailto:fallmeet@hersheyaaca.org)

On behalf of the Hershey Region, we thank you for attending the 2019 Fall Nationals. We hope you had an enjoyable experience. We also want to thank you for understanding the unusual circumstance that caused us to have to cancel the 2020 event. We missed hosting all of you this year just as much as you missed being here in Hershey.



## Welcome to Las Vegas

By Michael Fecchino, Las Vegas, NV, [chevyfordply@gmail.com](mailto:chevyfordply@gmail.com)

We know it may seem a bit early to start planning your car show calendar for 2022, but we just couldn't wait to announce the first-ever National AACA show in Las Vegas!

The 2022 AACA Western Spring Nationals will be held **March 10-12, 2022** at the prestigious Lake Las Vegas Hilton at their Event Center. Lake Las Vegas is a beautiful, tranquil neighborhood just southeast of Las Vegas. It's a perfect neighborhood to drive your vehicles away from the busy Las Vegas traffic, but if you choose there will be free shuttle rides to visit the Las Vegas Strip. There is plenty of room for multiple car entries and trailers. Early entries will have a prime parking space in front of the Event Center.



**So, we are asking you now to mark this event on your calendar and SAVE THE DATE for what is sure to be a grand time in Las Vegas.**

For further information, call/text or email Michael Fecchino at 702-301-8649 or [ChevyFordPly@gmail.com](mailto:ChevyFordPly@gmail.com).

*We are taking a preregistration head count. If you are considering attending the meet, please drop me a text or email for just yourself or approximately how many in your club may attend. This will give us an idea of the space we need -- thanks!*



# RECAP OF EVENTS & CRUISE-INS

## THE DAVIDSON'S COLLECTION & LUNCH AT THE CORAL TREE



Bob Pritchard, Howard Green, Jim Davidson & Joel Feldman

Seeing Jim Davidson's array of pristine American cars of the 1950's was a well-attended morning and appreciated by all. Jim was a knowledgeable host who regaled us with intricate details and humorous stories of each of his cars. It was what we thought would be an intriguing start of attention grabbing events throughout 2020. But, this was not to be. One more outing on the calendar in February and then all others were cancelled for the year --- looking forward to 2021 tours.



Ample time allowed for discussion on the cars that we just viewed.



Varied menu at the Coral Tree to satisfy everyone's yen. Plus socializing.

## SHOWCASE SPECIAL



Taix French Restaurant was the perfect midway location preferred by many of our members throughout the years for our annual banquet. Prior to the Covid-19 outbreak, this historic institution was sold to construct a luxury mixed use project. We had a delightful lunch while bidding au revoir to the oldest French restaurant in Los Angeles.



The first stop was to the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising. Our docent led us on a tour of the craft of costume design and how these talented artisans bring movie characters to life. It was fascinating to view the Academy Award nominated designs from a variety of genres. Our behind the scene tour offered us some secrets of constructing these astonishing, colorful and period costumes. It was agreed this is another must see, return tour when the next exhibit opens saluting the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Art of Motion Picture Costume Design exhibit.



## VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

Because of the covid-19 restrictions, we could not honor our veterans at the VA Westwood Campus with our annual car show and barbeque with entertainment and give-away bags of essential items. Instead a large assemblage of collector cars and military vehicles had a lively “drive-thru car parade” in and around the streets of the VA. Participants included Bob Pritchard, Jay & Betsy Davenport, Howard & Betty Green, Duane Hinkle, and Joel & Cathy Feldman. Be sure to check our website, [acasocal.com](http://acasocal.com), for the video.



# What's On Screen, On Line, or On the Street?



## 8,011 MILE DRIVE IN A MODEL A

A Milton, New Hampshire man's dream of a cross country, route 66 journey becomes a reality during the pandemic. His excursion is documented in this short video <https://youtu.be/gqdJ9JYfjag>. And if you thought this driver was either Duane or Jay and Betsy, you're wrong. And, can you guess what the use is for the platform on top of the car.



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## NEW YEAR'S EVE AT OLD TOWN MUSIC HALL

Old Town Music Hall began in the 1960's when two musicians, Bill Coffman and Bill Field, purchased the Mighty Wurlitzer Theater Pipe Organ from the Fox West Theater in Long Beach and installed it in the quaint El Segundo State Theater, originally built in 1921.

In 2018 our club participated in their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Unfortunately with the recent passing of the two Bills (as they were called) and the closure of the theater due to the pandemic, OTMH has fallen in hard times. The current curator is not sure how long the rent and utilities can be paid without any revenue coming in. They are asking for any help in keeping this institution viable.

Meanwhile you can still experience the atmosphere of Old Town Music Hall in this nostalgic musical performance. Log on to <https://youtu.be/7fTpAckG69s>.



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Be sure to check out our AACA SoCal Website. Duane Hinkle did a great job constructing the site and keeping it up to date. It's user friendly and there's ample room for your car pictures, stories and comments. Questions can be directed to Duane at [Ford29Roadster@gmail.com](mailto:Ford29Roadster@gmail.com)