



Santa Fe Vintage Car Club

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Santa Fe Concorso



This was the fifth year of the Santa Fe Concorso and once again it was a stunning show. Pictured on the left was my favorite car (well sort of, there were a few) a "bird cage" Maserati. It could be that seeing David Fradkin's TVR and Leroy Clarke's Saab year after year have got me used to the color yellow. Or my choice could be due to those

seductive lines. This is a car that put the "fingers" into the term hand built. Our masthead this month is a 1930 Packard. It was a featured car at Concorso too. And it gives me hope that this our hobby is one short step towards finding the "elixir of life". This car is owned and driven by Margaret Dunning who is 104 and has owned the car for 58 years. Imagine owning a car that long and being that old and still driving it. It could be the reason that Kingston did not have us do a car show this year. Many of our members who show there are older than the residents. The management might have been worried we were showing a path to old age that would put them out of business.

Last month's (September 28th) meeting: Was attended by: John Withers, Warren and DorLisa Berg, John Oliver, Ross Moyer, Ed Baca, Buddy Roybal, C. M. (Pete) Kittredge, Bill Donnelly, Larry and Royanne Schissel, Sam Jackson, Jack Sullivan, Brother Ron Bartusiak, Elaine and Fred Wilmarth, John and Nadine Dawson, and Stephen Charbonneau



The night before was the start of the Santa Fe Concorso and Ed scored the cool poster shown. If you attended the Indy Legends talk you got the poster and had the opportunity to get it signed by five winners of the Indianapolis 500 who were guest speakers. Ed did so and for some reason did not offer it up as a door prize during our meeting.

Barbara Baca did not accompany Ed to this meeting because their 23 year old cat was having some problems.

We gave a moment of silence for Ben Chavarria a 40 year old police officer that helped out with Cruise Nights and started the Shop with Cops Program. He died in a motorcycle accident in El Paso.

We have \$2,100 in the treasury and once again, Ed thanked everyone that helped him with Cruise Nights.

He also said that having Cruise Nights in September with all the other events is causing problems. Ed is thinking about having a car show in May near Mother's Day instead.

Leroy said that there's a Honsteins gas station on Airport Road (near the treatment plant) that sells non-ethanol gasoline (high-test only).

Sam spoke about Hudson Magazine and said that there was a National Hudson Meet in Atlanta that had cars from 1910-1957. There will be a Hudson show in Colorado Springs next August.

Seen around town



If you were in Cerrillos on September 29th you would have had to do a double take. This photo was taken by my friend (and professional photographer) Adrian Wills. I am still jealous he got to see this and snapped a photo that encapsulates what the Concorso is all about. The people showing their "million dollar" cars drive them too!

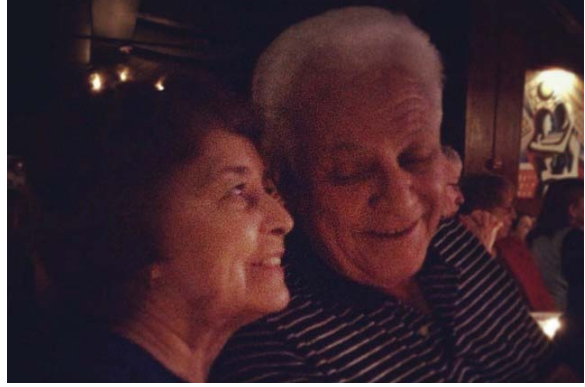
An honorable mention



Pictured on the left are Sam and Mary Ann Jackson. You might know them for the 1947 Hudson they almost always bring to our meetings and cruise nights. And if you read their interview in this newsletter many moons ago you might remember they do a newsletter too. Their newsletter makes this one look like a quickly scribble and photocopied

8X11 tacked to a telephone poll, but enough of my insecurities. They recently won the Doc & Thelma Daugherty Award which is given annually to people who have contributed hugely to the national Hudson Club. I did notice they also dress up more when they leave Santa Fe!

The Archuletas



In our August newsletter we made a few very embarrassing boo-boos you may or may not have caught in our interview. And we like to include a photo of both spouses if we can when DorLisa does an interview. At the time of publication we did not have one, but through the power of Facebook (careful what you put there!) we can wish Vangie and Joe a very happy 50th wedding anniversary with these photos we found. We also hope they'll forgive our mistakes in the August newsletter (they were very gracious when they pointed out our errors).

Upcoming events (check club website: www.santafevintagecarclub.org for up to the minute information)

Oct 25th Our monthly meeting at La Plancha restaurant in Eldorado (7 Caliente Road). Starts at 9:00 am. Besides the opportunity to have a great breakfast and feast your eyes on a parking full of our member's beautiful cars!

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