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Cole Land Transportation Museum

From Jim Remington

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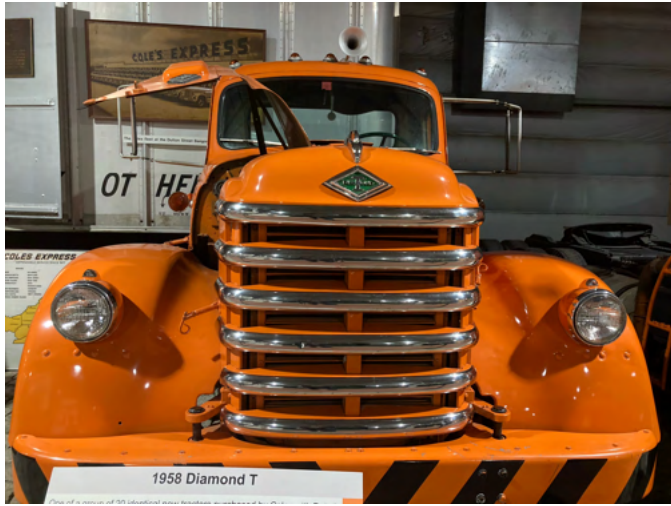
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Last October I had an occasion to travel through Bangor, Maine. So, I decided to stop at the Cole Land Transportation Museum.

The museum strives to “collect, preserve, and display (before they disappear forever) a cross section of Maine’s land transportation equipment from which this and future generations will gain knowledge of the past.” They also display U.S. military vehicles and memorabilia to “forever remind this and future generations of the high price our comrades have paid to protect our freedom. In doing so, we hope to inspire and challenge the young people of today to continue on in the footsteps of pioneers who have built our state and country.”

On this page and the next are some photos of the Cole Museum’s large collection. You can visit their website at colemuseum.org





1958 Diamond T



1932 Ford Model A Pick-up Truck



I am pleased to announce that I am the new president of the Mid Peninsula Old Time Auto Club!

At the January General Meeting we formed a new administration with myself as President, Co- Vice Presidents Karen Archer and Kay Barchas, Mark Barchas as Treasurer, and Ed Wong will continue on as Secretary. We have new committee chairs, Kevin Ederby will take over my duties as Webmaster, and Charlie Dreschler will head the Friendship Day committee. Bill Mitchell will continue as Membership Chairman, Jim Remington as Publications Editor, and Ferris Lewald as Social Media Wizard.

We still have a large hole in the organization: we are missing a chairman for Activities. This is an important position to co-ordinate club activities and organize interesting events throughout the year. This doesn't mean planning every event, just soliciting ideas for events, recruiting leaders for those events and creating an interesting calendar for the year. Without someone to fill this position, events may be a bit limited. If you can spend a few hours each month to help out with this important function, please let me know.

Speaking of events, the club is always open to ideas. If you come up with an idea, and can help organize it, please bring it up and we can come up with a date. The board of directors has approved a blanket \$50 budget for any organized event. This can be spent on any event expenses without additional approval. It can be spent on coffee, donuts, flyers, funny hats, or whatever, at the tour organizer's choice.

Is your car running poorly or not running at all? Need to pull an engine, or replace a differential? There are members of the club who can help. Please let your problem be known and we can set up a "fixit" party to help out.

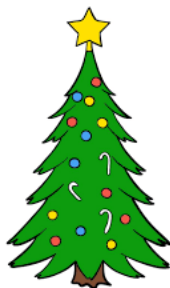
Thank you for your support.
Ted Panofsky, President

Christmas Lights Tour 2024

By Ed Archer

Well, those of you that did not attend, you missed a good one! Hard to beat Harry's Hofbrau for a scrumptious meal. 22 members and guests gathered there on December 18th for dinner, and our annual MPOTAC Christmas light tour, 2024 Version. Unfortunately I didn't take enough notes and pictures and shouldn't try to list those that attended, but let's see....Bill & Pat Bratt, Tanya Pomposo, Dave & Elaine Elms, Bill & Elizabeth Mitchell, Ed Wong and Christina, Mike and Janis Chapman, Kevin Enderby, Charlie & Cynthia Drechsler, Ed & Karen Archer and daughter Leslie Kent, and my apologies to those that I missed.

After lots of good conversation and stuffing ourselves beyond capacity, we waddled out to our cars and headed west for some Redwood City Christmas light displays. There were several pretty good colorful displays, then we headed North and into San Carlos to cruise down "Christmas Three Lane" for 2 full blocks of absolute madness, "over the top" light displays. The sidewalks were loaded with spectators and the street was closed to 2-way traffic. It was one way only north to south. After that dazzling display, we motored south back into Redwood City for a few more lights and our final destination for the evening where we were greeted by Jason and Amanda Puccinelli and family, MPOTAC Member Joe and Christine Kirley's Daughter and Son in law who welcomed us into their own well decorated home, serving cake, pie, candy, hot chocolate etc. etc. etc. Joe and Christine were also there assisting. What a heartwarming evening! I hope you enjoy the only pictures that I got.



Board Meeting

January 20, 2025

Our club secretary was not at this meeting so meeting notes are brief

Meeting called to order at 7:10 at Jim's house. In attendance: Ted, Jim, Bill Mitchell Jr.

Treasurers report given. All okay, dues coming in.

Membership – just a few renewals trickling in now

Newsletter – non renewals will soon not get a newsletter

Activities – We need a tour chairman. April 27, Half Moon Bay Dream Machines; June 7&8 Model T Club Lowland Tour and car show; September, Cars in the Park; May 18, Friendship Day. It was noted that tour leaders can receive up to \$50 to help pay for incidentals for the tour (this was approved by the Board of Directors years ago)

Webmaster – new pictures have been put up

Officers – This will be a big topic of discussion at our general membership meeting

Discussed how to acknowledge the passing of Marilyn Perry and Frank Pomposo

Submitted by

Jim Remington

Editor



Upcoming MPOTAC Events

February 24 - Board Meeting, 7:00, call editor for location

February 28 - General Meeting, 7:30

April (date to be determined) Model Train tour

March/April/May - Dust off your old car BBQ. Place/date TBD

May 18 - Friendship Day

September 6 - Annual picnic, Beresford Park shelter

Other Events

April 27 - Dream Machines, Half Moon Bay

May 4 - Maltese Heritage Association Classic Car Show, 10 to 3, College of San Mateo. Free to spectators. Pre-registration \$45. For more information call Debbie Ghiglieri, 650-303-1256.

June 7&8 - Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club Endurance Run and Lowland Tour. New this year - car show for pre-1940's

September 13 - Cars in the Park in San José

MPOTAC General Meeting January 24, 2025

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

Ted called for a moment of silence for the loss of two of our most cherished members: Frank Pomposo and Marilyn Perry. Ted also presented a custom plaque to Charlie Drechsler, Jr. for his years of service as our past club president.

Membership: Bill Mitchell reported 54 paid members and 11 no response so far. No new members.

Minutes: Minutes of November 22, 2024, General Meeting was approved as submitted. There was no November 18, 2024, Board Meeting. The club has no meetings for December.

Treasurer: No major expenses. Website: \$100.00, Newsletter printing: \$46.23, Bank fees: \$15.00, for a total of \$211.23. Our budget is still about \$720 positive for the year.

Health/Welfare: Our condolences to the loss of Marilyn Perry.

Tours/Activities: Friendship Day is scheduled for May 18, 2025. Several activities are in the planning stages. Will post information when a firm date is set.

Friendship Day: Charlie Drechsler, Jr. will chair our committees. Jim Remington will handle volunteers and gate tickets, Ted Panofsky will handle money security and insurance, Bill Bratt will take care of Porta potties, Charlie Drechsler, Jr. will handle garbage cans, Ed Wong will handle goody bags, and Jeff Nielsen is taking on dash plaques.

Webmaster: Nothing major reports Ted Panofsky.

From Ferris Lewald: our Facebook followers have increased from about 1000 to 1400. Too bad that they are not joining our club.

New Business: Hurray, we have new officers: President: Ted Panofsky, Vice President: Karen Archer & Kay Barchus, Secretary: Ed Wong, Treasurer: Mark Barchus, Tour Director: Open. Thank you to everyone for stepping up to keep the club going.

Refreshments: Thank you, Bill Bratt, for the delicious cookies.

Meeting adjourned: 7:58 PM.

Submitted by Secretary: Ed Wong

MPOTAC holds its Board and General meetings 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. Specific meeting dates are located elsewhere in this newsletter.

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