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**Director's Report**

We've had an incredible year and have many reasons to be proud and grateful, and I would like to once again thank everyone who volunteered for our monthly events and for the national meet. Plus, we already have a full calendar as we head into 2024. I hope to see you all at the silent movies in Niles on January 14!

Congratulations to Janet & Dave Wooldridge for winning this year's favorite event award for their work on the 2022 Holiday Luncheon. Well done!

I'd really like to take the rest of my column to welcome our new and returning members from 2023. If I haven't met you yet, I look forward to getting to know you in 2024!

Andrew Bright	Los Gatos, CA	1932 902 Eight Conv Sedan
Mort Cantor	Mill Valley, CA	
Craig & Tracy Crouch	Cave Creek, AZ	
Rich Heley	Half Moon Bay	1929 645 8 DeLuxe Dietrich Phaeton
Lynn Lessley	Oakley, CA	1955 Clipper Super Panama 1955 Caribbean Convertible
Elizabeth McGlauffin	Half Moon Bay	1938 1604 Super 8 Coupe
Patrick & Chikako McNamara	Alameda, CA	1954 Cavalier Sedan
Robin & Tim McNamara	Richmond, CA	1938 1600 Super 8 Sedan

Happy Motoring!





January 7	Board Meeting—Blackhawk
January 14	Silent Movie Day—Niles
February 25	Candy Store Social—Burlingame
April 14	Board Meeting—Blackhawk
April 21	Cobra Experience—Martinez
May 16-19	Western Regions Tour—San Simeon
June 9-15	National Meet—Wisconsin
June 23	Hillsborough Concours
July 28	Portal Park Picnic—Cupertino
August 11	Board Meeting—Blackhawk
August 18	Pebble Beach Concours
September 7	Annual Swap Meet—Vallejo
September 14	Antique Autos in History Park—San Jose
September 28	Ironstone Concours—Murphys
October 6	Niello Concours—Eldorado Hills
October 13	Board Meeting—Blackhawk
November 10	Veterans Day Show—Yountville
December	Holiday Luncheon

For a complete list of events, please visit our website at  
[www.norcalpackards.org/calendar.php](http://www.norcalpackards.org/calendar.php)

***Upcoming Event***  
**Silent Movie Day in Niles**  
**Sunday, January 14**



Join us as we return to the Niles Essanay Silent Movie Museum with our friends from the Horseless Carriage Club on January 14. We will enjoy coffee and donuts with some tire kicking to start the day, then lunch will be served before we watch a couple of silent movies *featuring Packards!* An exclusive opportunity will follow the films when HCA member Gary will lead a tour of several Niles buildings that contain antique cars.

A registration form to RSVP was sent by email. Please call Mike Solomon with questions 916-365-1887.

When:           **Sunday**, January 14  
                      10am—Parking & Donuts begin  
                      11:30am—Lunch is served  
                      12 noon—Movies start

Where:           Essanay Silent Movie Museum  
                      37417 Niles Blvd., Fremont

Cost:             \$20/person, includes lunch.

RSVP:            Send registration form or call Mike Solomon  
                      916-365-1887

***Upcoming Event***  
**Candy Store Social, Burlingame**  
**Sunday, February 25**



*The Candy Store's restored Packard dealership sign looms above the club's delivery truck and an Airflow hood ornament. (Photo: Bill Rogstad)*

Hal and Becky Schuette have graciously invited Nor Cal Packards back to the Candy Store in Burlingame for an afternoon social. This is an indoor event, so it's "rain or shine," however we are hoping for sunshine so you can bring your Packard to park in front of the club.



The Candy Store, shortly after it was built as the Packard dealer in 1928.

For those who've never been, the Candy Store was originally built in 1928 as the Earle C. Anthony Packard dealership for Burlingame, and in 1983 it was transformed into a private club for auto aficionados. It's a real treat to be invited for a visit!

Details are still being worked out. Watch your email for the flyer and registration form!

When: Sunday, February 25

Where: The Candy Store  
1021 Burlingame Ave  
Burlingame

## ***Where We've Been*** **Veterans Day Show & Lunch**

Text & Photos by Clint Moore

More perfect weather could not have been served up for our annual visit to the California Veterans Home in Yountville. This year we invited many of our sister clubs to bolster attendance, and it truly paid off. Members of the local regions of Classic Car Club of America and Cadillac-LaSalle were in attendance bringing more than 15 cars for our nation's heroes to enjoy, including the 1924 Cadillac Model 314 Phaeton that was used in the sweeping 1956 epic film "Giant," starring Elizabeth Taylor, Rock Hudson and James Dean. There was even a motorcycle club that happened upon us who stopped to visit and show off their beautiful bikes!



*In the sunshine, Ladd Stephenson's 1937 115C Business Coupe perfectly complements the fall foliage at the Veterans Home.*

Another new feature of this year's gathering was the addition of a speaker. Vietnam veteran helicopter pilot Bob Nance gave a brief presentation, entertaining the crowd with stories of his life and service to our country.

Once the show wrapped up, maps were distributed for the

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*Left: Sarah & Ron Simon and Patrick & Chikako McNamara smiling for the camera.*

*Below: Mary & Ron Carpenter, Fred Hill and Paul Williams enjoying tacos poolside.*



drive to Rod and Cindy Dahlgren's house, where a delicious lunch of tacos and fixings awaited the rumbling bellies of all who participated. Lunch was enjoyed pool-side on the Dahlgren's sizeable property. For those who don't know him, Rod is a mechanic and restorer with an enviable shop where he and his crew bring cars of all varieties back to life. Just to look around the yard, you'll find nearly every variety and era of vehicle. The current project in the shop was an Auburn Boat tail speedster, which will be stunning when completed.

As the day wound down, everyone said their farewells and hit the road home. Many thanks to Rod and Cindy for organizing the day and the lunch! We hope to build on the success next year!



Packards on display:

Paul Williams

Ladd Stephenson

Henry Hopkins

and Mitch Moty

Doug and Clint Moore

Gerry Wuichet

Bill Schoemann

Bill Young

Ron & Sarah Simon

Patrick & Chikako

McNamara

Fred Hill

Andrew Sinclair

and Peter McCutchen

1933 1002 Eight Club Sedan

1937 115C Business Coupe

1947 Custom Clipper Club Sedan

1950 Super 8 Deluxe Victoria

1950 Super Eight Deluxe Sedan

1953 Clipper Deluxe

1954 Clipper Deluxe

1954 Cavalier 4-door

1955 Patrician

1955 Four Hundred

1955 Clipper Super

Other Members in Attendance:

Mike & Rhonda Hayward

Bill & Kathie Toland

Ron & Mary Carpenter

Rod & Cindy Dahlgren



*Veteran Bob Nance talks to the crowd about his experiences in Vietnam against the backdrop of Henry Hopkins' 1947 Custom Clipper Club Sedan.*



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## ***Where We've Been*** **Annual Holiday Party**

Text by Clint Moore, Photos by Clint Moore  
& Christopher Slater



*Steve Weir's 1940 120 Sedan was one of 13 Packards driven to the holiday luncheon at Michael's Restaurant at Shoreline.*

Perhaps because it's such a relaxing and casual affair, our annual holiday luncheon always turns out to be one of our best attended events, and this year was no exception. More than 60 members and guests filled the banquet room at Michael's at Shoreline in Mountain View. And thanks to the crisp air and clear skies, it was a great day to bring our Packards out to show off to the golfers and other Sunday afternoon pleasure seekers who were out enjoying the weather. In fact, thirteen Packards lined the sidewalk in front of the restaurant and spilled over into the parking lot!

Once inside, the room was filled with silent auction items for the fundraiser benefiting the club. Everything from framed prints to books to a chrome Packard business card holder to bottles of wine and tasty treats were piled on the tables lining the room. Members enjoyed deviled eggs and other hors d'oeuvres while they considered their bids.

A hearty lunch buffet was laid out for all to enjoy. Members filled their plates (and stomachs!) with salmon, beef, chicken, rice, potatoes, salad, vegetables and more while Regional Director Clint Moore, clad in festive holiday attire, made a few announcements.

A few other members also dressed for the occasion, including Fred Hill's very fetching Christmas sweater!

After lunch while dessert was served, the day's program got underway. Clint Moore recapped with year's events while the ballots for favorite event were distributed. He even looked ahead into 2024 by giving a preview of the events already in the works. It was also an opportunity to remind everyone that 2024 is the 125th anniversary of the founding of the Packard Motor Car Company, and many shows and concours are planning special classes to commemorate the occasion. Membership Director Bill Young then was called up to give a brief update on membership, reporting the latest statistics of the club. Additionally, he introduced the new board members for 2024. Next up, Jeff Mihaly and Christopher Slater gave a report on

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*Enjoying appetizers and catching up with friends. Clockwise from bottom right: Steve Weir, Fred (in his festive sweater!) and Pam Hill, Kirby Wiley and Bill Young, Ron MacDougall, and Tony Butay.*



Above: Clockwise from left: Bob & Karen Reed, Mary & Ron Carpenter, Blanche Korfmacher, Dee Webster & Mike Solomon, and Leslie Owen.

Below: ECA Regional Director Andrew Wallace (2nd from left) looks very excited to be seated with the Moore family as well as Warren Lubich's daughter and son-in-law Nancy & Greg McKinney.



the national meet that our region hosted in Rohnert Park this year. By all accounts it was a smashing success, and even made the club a tidy profit of a few thousand dollars. Clint took the microphone again to read a few letters of praise that came in from members across the country who had attended the meet. The final speaker was Earle C. Anthony Region Director Andrew Wallace, who had traveled all the way from Los Angeles to have an opportunity to promote the 2024 Western Regions Tour, a wonderful May weekend that will visit the Central Coast and Hearst Castle. Stay tuned for details!

Clint wrapped up the event by awarding the favorite event trophy to Dave and Janet Wooldrige for last year's holiday luncheon in Vallejo and by giving profuse thanks to event organizers Mark and Kay Barchas. Everything ran smoothly, which means their efforts paid off. Special thanks were also given to George Beck for making the place cards and chocolate bars!

We are looking forward to next year's holiday luncheon when we plan to return to Vallejo!

Nor Cal Members who brought Packards:

Kelly & Marilyn Monaghan	1933 1005 Twelve Club Sedan
Leslie Owen & Tom Beidleman	1934 1101 Eight Sedan
Mark & Kay Barchas	1936 120 Convertible Coupe
George & Eddie Beck	1937 1500 Super 8 Sedan
Ron & Mary Carpenter	1940 120 2-Door Sedan
Steve Weir & John Hemm	1940 120 Sedan
John & Judi Higgins	1940 110 Sedan
Tim & Kathie Toland	1940 110 Convertible Coupe
Bruce Cumming	1940 110 Station Wagon
The Moore Family	1946 Custom Super Clipper Limo
Milt Wheeler	1947 Super Clipper Sedan
Warren Martin	1948 Custom 8 Sedan
Fred & Pam Hill	1955 Four Hundred



## ***Remembering Bob McCoy***

Submitted by George Beck



Bob enjoyed restoring and driving his 1936 120B Convertible Coupe

Bob McCoy passed away on November 17, 2023, after a long battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife Mary Jane, sons Mark and Michael and their wives, and four grandchildren. His engineering and management career spanned 30 years starting with Westinghouse and ending at Clorox.

As a long-term member of Nor Cal Packards, he served on the Board as a Technical Lead, helping members find parts and answering their questions. He never saw a swap meet he didn't like, always looking for a bargain and attended Hershey many times. He enjoyed restoring his 1936 Packard 120B 999 Convertible Coupe, which he bought at auction. The story goes he had stopped bidding on the car twice, but really wanted it. His wife told him to "Bid like you have money!" This encouraged him to bid more aggressively, and he bought the car.

He served as Scoutmaster for Danville Troop 236 and enjoyed scouting with his sons. He also volunteered at the Forest Home Farms as a tractor mechanic.

To paraphrase the classic Packard slogan, was Bob a good man? "Ask the man who knew him."



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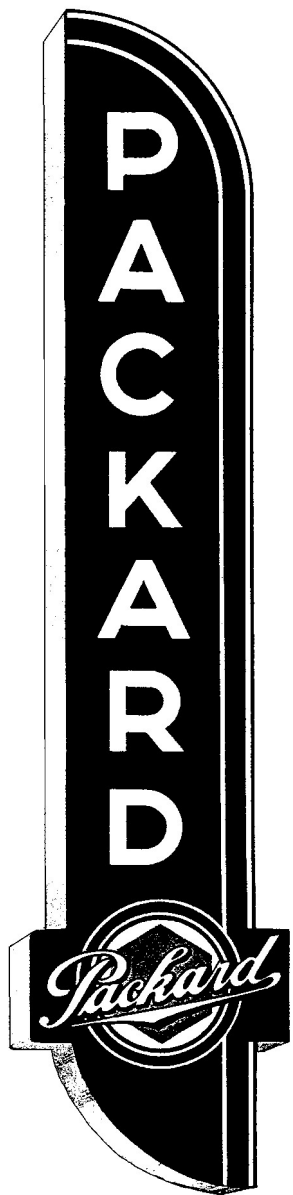
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