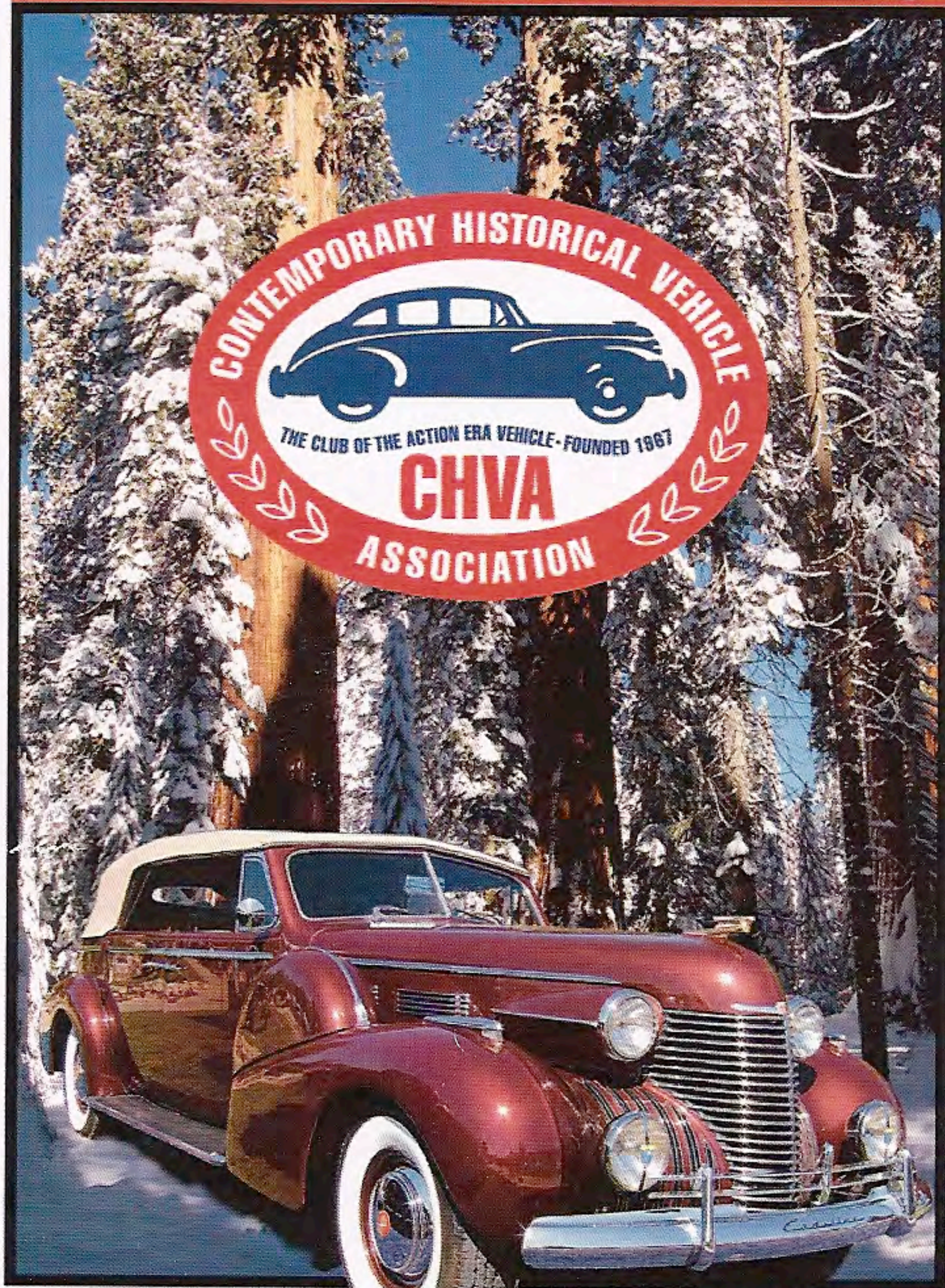


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DIRECTOR'S NOTE



The Redwood Region CHVA year started off with a bang with our Kick-Off Brunch in Petaluma. RB and Marlys Southard did a bang up job. We had a beautiful private room overlooking the Yacht Harbor, Bloody Marys and Ramos Fizzes, the whole works.

The Brunch was very well attended, and Certificates of Appreciation were presented to all of last year's tour leaders, and others who have contributed to our Club.

Sal and Carol Riele introduced Sugar, the travel agent who is coordinating details of the trip (707-539-6295). There may still be space available for some more adventurers for the Princess Cruise to Mexico April 27. If you haven't cruised on Princess you've missed a very elegant time.

Sign up sheets were passed around for the Monterey Trip and the "Action in Jackson" trip to the Mother Lode. There were a lot of sign ups for Monterey, but not too many for the Mother Lode trip in May. Hopefully we can get a few more.

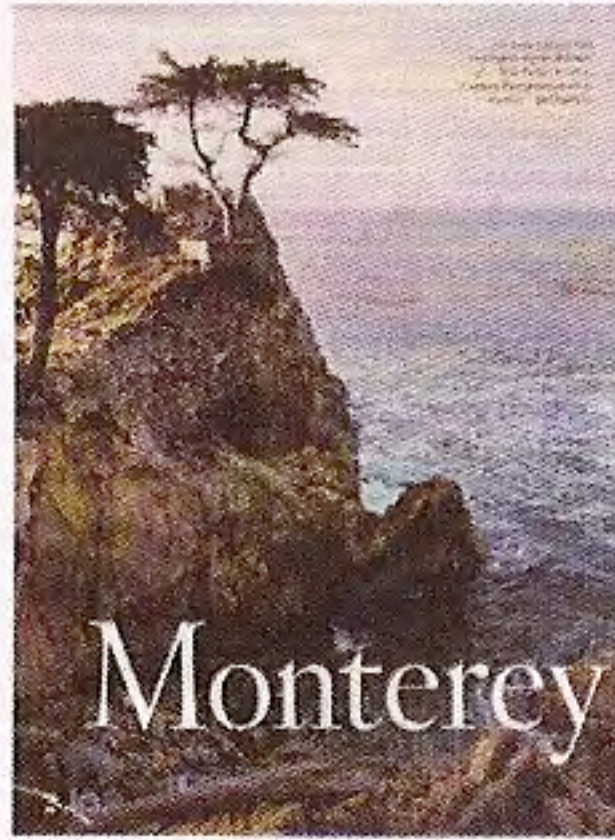
September will be a busy month with many choices. The West Coast Mini Tour, September 16-24, Ironstone Concourse September 25-27 and the Powder Puff Tour September 27. You could choose one or more or do all three since the dates overlap. Something for everyone!

I received a letter from our National Director about this summer's National Tour in Tennessee. Economic uncertainty has slowed signups. The tour begins in Chattanooga on June 17, and the final banquet is June 27 in Knoxville. They'll run the Blue Ridge Parkway, ride an old train, take a showboat river trip and tour Dollywood! He asks if you'll be allowed to meet Dolly, and suggests you "ask your wife?" (By the way, do you know why Dolly has such small feet? Nothing grows in the shade.) For Internet access to find out the list of activities and sites enter the following address:

<http://clubs.hemmings.com/frameSet.cfm?club=chva>.

You can contact Joe Wiggins at P.O. Box 511, Fairmount, GA 30139, telephone 678-986-1989. Mail Joe \$5.00 for a packet.

Don't forget to mention what a great organization the Redwood Chapter is to your friends who are interested in cars. We can always use some new members.



**Hosted by Harry Ozols & Dolly Hebert
March 22-24, 2009**

Join us for three days of touring and visiting some of the unique and interesting sites in Monterey County. We will meet at Mimi's Restaurant in San Mateo. Come early for a hearty breakfast.

DIRECTIONS: Mimi's, 2208 Bridgepoint Pkwy, (650) 574-8687. Exit 14A off Hiway 92 North onto Edgewater Blvd. Right onto Fashion Island Blvd. 0.2 miles on right. You will be able to see the Target and Bridgepoint Shopping Center Hiway 92. Mimi's is on the north side of Hiway 92 in an out parcel of the shopping center.

We will drive the scenic route to Monterey peninsula via Woodside and Kings Mountain Roads, turning onto Hiway 1 at Tunitas, with some beautiful convenience stops scheduled. We will arrive in Carmel for a late lunch, then drive the magnificent 17 mile drive and on to our hotel, for check in, relax and get ready for a great meal of assorted Swiss fondue, something different and delicious.

Monday we drive up the coast to Castroville where the California Artichoke Advisory Board will tell us everything we ever wanted to know about artichokes. For a good brunch and a photo opportunity we go to the Giant Artichoke Restaurant. After brunch our convoy heads to Laguna Seca Raceway for a tour of the Skip Barber Driving School shops. If we are lucky, we may even get to

take a lap on the racetrack with our cars. A date with wild animal movie stars at Wild Things is next.

Late afternoon finds us at a working horse ranch for tour of their stables, horses and carriages. We will have a carriage ride and a catered dinner finishing with a marshmallow roast. Bring your own lawn chairs. Finally we head our horses back to the hotel for hot tub and pool and a good night's sleep.

Tuesday we visit the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History and go for a lovely drive up the Carmel Valley where Dio Roberts will give us a narrated tour of his auto collection and grounds after a catered lunch. It is a beautiful drive and the spring flowers will be in bloom. He has a 10,000 square foot warehouse filled with cars and plenty more "parts cars" on the forty acres. Bring your lawn chairs. After the tour and kicking tires, bocce ball, a creek for swimming, floats, rafts and a rope swing we'll head back to the SFO Bay Area.

We have booked a limited number of rooms of each type at a special rate and must collect for all of them rather than individuals booking on their own.

Use the enclosed form to send your selections and checks. Make your check out to Margaret Hebert (aka Dolly), 1625-B San Carlos Avenue, CA 94070-2062.

Please call us at (650) 637-1760 or send an email to wizozols@yahoo.com for questions or to let us know your reservation is on its way.

Jack and Lynne Wilson



Jack and Lynne grew up pretty much as neighbors in Richmond. Their parents were best of friends so they almost had a sibling relationship as kids, adding further to this is that their parents also grew up together.

Jack completed his schooling through high school there in Richmond. Lynne's parents had moved from Richmond to El Cerrito so Lynne attended high school there.

After graduating from high school Lynne went to San Jose State University, and Jack went to California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland, from 1953 to 1956, and got his degree in Industrial Design. He completed a 4-year course in 3 years while also working. This was not enough so Jack also attended San Francisco State during the summer sessions. Jack's interest in art and design goes way back to his early years when he would cut car pictures out of magazines and glue them onto cardboard to make them stand up as toys. Later as a young man he got involved with the Fisher Body nation wide model making competition. They would give critical dimensions for the model and then it was up to the contestant to create a car design to fit. Jack carved his out of balsa wood using a razor blade.

In between building for the Fisher Body contests he made a scale model of a '49 Buick Roadmaster Convertible that was 14" overall. He carved it out of wood and machined parts on his father's lathe, adding details like windshield wipers to finish it up.

After commuting to school in Oakland on the bus for the first year he was able to buy his first car, a '40 Pontiac coupe that burned oil so bad he had to use drained oil from the gas station where he worked. He then was able to buy his next car, a '48 Chevy Club Coupe.

He graduated in 1956 and the draft board was ready for him. He was drafted into the Army and off to basic training. After his basic infantry training he was sent to a chemical warfare school. In 1957 he was sent to the atomic testing grounds in Nevada where he worked in the Radiation Safety Section. He saw the bombs go off and plotted the fallout pattern as part of his job.

We now back up to the time when Jack was about half way through college. He and Lynne met up at a friend's wedding in 1955. While they had grown up together they didn't date until this meeting. They began dating after this meeting. Lynne graduated in 1957. They were married in April 1958, about 6 months before Jack was discharged from the Army,

After Lynne finished college she worked for the Mechanics Bank. When the 3 boys started to arrive she became a stay at home Mom.

Jack on the other hand began a career that took many turns. He started designing store fixtures and was the one-man engineering department for a small manufacturing company. He then spent the next 15 years creating signs for the Federal Sign and Signal Co. They manufactured neon signs.

Jack hooked up with the MCI Telephone Company and for the next 5 years covered the 5 Western states searching out and setting up equipment sites. Next it was back to Federal Signs for a year as a sales representative. The next 5 years found Jack working for the Prescolite Corporation in San Leandro. Again he was using his creative skills, this time designing lighting fixtures. He then moved on to the Jacuzzi Corporation for what was to be the most fun of all. He was testing material, prototypes, and designing fixes for the Spas and Hot Tubs they were manufacturing. He spent 5 years in this endeavor. Sound familiar?

Jack's final gig was as one half of the engineering department for the Mt. Diablo Unified School District. After 12 years he decided that was about enough and retired at age 69.

In 1970 Jack and Lynne purchased the property in Lafayette that they have recently completely rebuilt, complete with a stand alone 5 car garage and a large new house. That same year Jack bought a '53 MG and performed a frame-off restoration himself. He also restored a '46 Packard to be used as a touring car, but that gave way to the '40 Chevrolet Coupe he still has. The '68 Chevrolet Malibu they have is un-restored and was Lynne's elderly aunt's car.

In 1970 they became involved with the Silverado Concourse de Elegance Show. Jack became a judge and Lynne was the Concourse chairman for four years. Jack continued these activities when the Silverado Concourse de Elegance moved to Mare Island and Lynne became the entries chairman. The Concourse benefited Children's Hospital. They also participated in the CHVA St. Mary's car show along with other long time members of the Redwood Region. People like Lee Greer, Bob Trueax, Mel Hendry, Jerry Washburn, Bev Ferriera, and Bob Coates. Dug Waggoner did the Art Work for this show. Over the years Jack says his '53 MG-TD took 14 second place prizes, he just couldn't beat the guy with the '48 MG-TC. As an added footnote they share an interest in wooden boats with long time friends Bob and Carol Coates. They have a 1955 19' Chris Craft Capri Bull Nose boat that they keep up at Lake Tahoe.

Jack and Lynne have 3 sons, Jon, Chad and Hunter. Chad is following in dad's footsteps with a restoration project on a '33 Rolls Royce. Chad also has the 2 grandchildren that live nearby so Lynne can be an active grandmother, which she enjoys, as well as doing a lot of knitting. Lynne has also been a volunteer at

the Oakland Children's Hospital for many years. She is currently on the Board of Directors for the Children's Hospital Branches.

When asked about CHVA Jack says that they like the overnight tours and traveling the back roads. He thinks that it was Lee Greer who introduced them to the Redwood Region. They also belong to the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America although they are not very active with them.

2009 Tour Calendar Update

March 22 - March 24	Monterey Area NOTE DATE CHANGE Harry Ozols & Dolly Herbert, (650) 637-1760
April 27	Princess Cruise to Mexico Sal & Carol Riele, (925) 820-5307
May 29- May 31	Action in Jackson, Mother Lode Tour RSVP NOW Jerry Carpenter & Jo Ann Van Gelder (209) 257-0102 Dave & Pat Wheeler, (925) 934-1580
June 17	National Tour, Tennessee
July TBA	Rick Long Museum & Napa Valley Al & Betty Berg, (925) 676-4371
August 7	Marin County Tour Bob & Judy Higday, (510) 745-7624
September 27	Powder Puff Tour - Betty Berg, (925) 676-4371 Nancy Coronato, (408) 993-0360
September 16** September 24	West Coast Mini Tour, Klassic Unique's Gerry & Jeannine Gorley, (707) 451-4405 Eric & Carolyn Beeby, (707) 448-7266
September 25- September 27	Ironstone Concours, Jerry Carpenter & Jo Ann Van Gelder
October	To Be Announced Remo & Judy Buti, (510) 537-0967
November 7	Planning Meeting Sal & Carol Riele, (925) 820-5307
December TBA	Holiday Party Doug & Beth Walker, (925) 930-6245 Dave & Pat Wheeler, (925) 934-1580
January 17	Kick Off Brunch Sal & Carol Riele, (925) 820-5307 Doug & Beth Walker, (925) 930-6245

** The Gorleys & Beebys are also Redwood Region members

ACTION IN JACKSON

May 29-31, 2009

Hosted by Jerry Carpenter & Jo Ann Van Gelder
Dave and Pat Wheeler

May is a wonderful time to visit the California foothills. Our tour will include activities en route to Jackson, A 49'ers gold miners camp, Amador County wine country in the Shenandoah Valley where gold once reigned. Today this area's treasure is superb wines that have earned international renown.

Dave & Pat will be leading the tour from the Bay Area. Details and meeting point are being finalized and will be in the May/June newsletter.

Saturday evening we will visit Roaring Camp a historic gold mining camp and museum deep in the Mokelumne River Canyon where the three forks of the Mokelumne River come together. The camp vehicles will transport us to the camp. We'll see a placer gold mine operation and how to pan for gold. The nuggets are yours. We will enjoy an outdoor cookout, New York steaks, pan cooked potatoes, salad and wait till you try the fried bread.

Roaring Camp is a very popular venue, seating is limited. We need your RSVP NOW, phone or E-mail. Send your check for \$50.00 per person to Jerry Carpenter, PO Box 815, Jackson, CA 95642-0815.

Details for shopping in Sutter Creek and visiting the wine country are in the making

Lodging: Best Western Amador Inn. Reservations for May 29 and 30 are being held under CHVA or Jerry Carpenter. Our group rate is \$79.95 + tax. (209) 223-0211.

Questions?? Call; Jerry & Jo Ann (209) 257-0102 poj@centralhouse.net
Dave & Pat: (925) 934-1580 or dwheeler94598@hotmail.com

Be prepared to enjoy a great weekend of Action in Jackson.



Now we know what is under the grass. Our February 19th tour of the new Academy of Sciences in Golden Gate Park was amazing. The building entrance is bright and open but as you tour through the various exhibits you move into undersea gardens, tunnels and walkways which feature beach and ocean replicas from around the world. You can also go to the planetarium and experience the night sky.

Thank you, Larry Jett, for scoping things out and arranging for our group to enter the museum without waiting in line and getting us our tickets for the planetarium. We didn't know that many schools were out for the week so the place was packed. Watching so many kids being excited about the aquarium was refreshing. Many of us will go back to explore further.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

It is a pleasure to welcome four new members to Redwood Region. Both couples have toured with us before. We look forward to seeing them often.

Ken & Diane Scaruffi, 42 Sunnyside Drive, San Leandro, CA 94577
510)635-3892, Cell (510) 504-0462. email: redrooster@hotmail.com
sponsored by the Kotlars.

Joe & Cindy Kelman, 21028 Cottontail Road, Redding, CA 96002
(530) 378-1442, Cell (530) 949-1193. email: JJKelman@msn.com
Joe is past director of Shasta Region CHVA

"Quilts and Cars" Powder Puff Tour Alden Lane Nursery & Downtown Livermore Sunday, September 27, 2009 Hosted by Betty Berg & Nancy Coronato

Quilting in the Garden and the Altamont Cruisers Car Show will be the activities of the day. While the ladies are at the quilt show located at Alden Lane Nursery in Livermore, the guys will be kicking tires downtown at the Cruisers' Car Show. We will all join together for lunch at the historic Castle Rock Restaurant located on the old Lincoln Highway in Livermore.


We will have a special treat for the ladies! A Quilting/Gardening questionnaire will be passed out and the first, second and third place winners will win a handmade quilt by Betty Berg and a very special bag handmade by Nancy Coronato!!

Join us for a fun day in Livermore. Meeting time, location and lunch selections (under \$20.00 per person) in the next newsletter.


RSVP: Nancy Coronato at ncoronato@yahoo.com (408)993-0360
Or Betty Berg at bbchevy65@aol.com (925) 676-4371 by September 1, 2009


Membership Renewal

It's time again to renew your membership in CHVA and Redwood Region. 2009 dues are \$50.00 (CHVA \$25 & Redwood Region \$25). Send payment to: Chuck Harrison, 2739 Parkside Dr, Fremont, CA 94536



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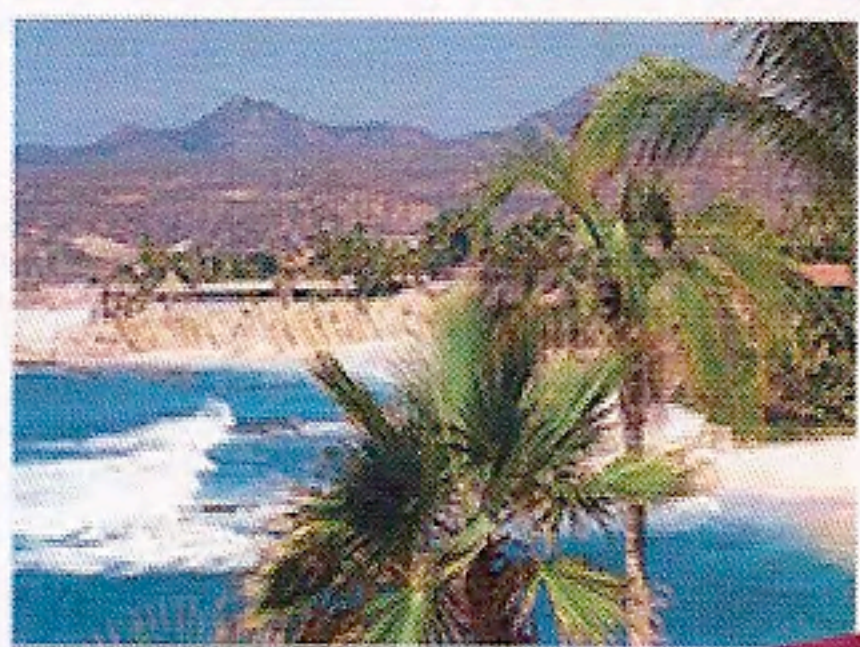
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ACTION IN JACKSON MAY 29-30-31

Hosted by Jerry Carpenter & JoAnn Van Gelder (209) 257-0102
along with Dave & Pat Wheeler (925) 934-1580

(SEE INSIDE FOR ALL TOUR DETAILS)