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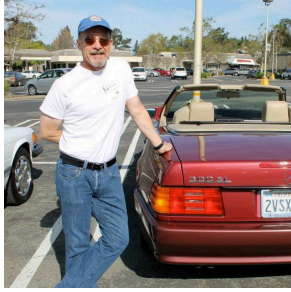
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President's Message

The Annual Business Meeting last month turned out to be lots of fun. Attendance was better than predicted as was lunch, what with our caterer cancelling and Scott Mikkelson and Todd Darling stepping up to provide a diverse, colorful and delicious lunch!



The amendment to reduce the required number of board members was approved by the membership, so we are currently compliant at nine (9) members however we are desperately in need of a Media Director to handle the club's newsletter production and/or website maintenance, so if you know of someone or have some skills yourself, please contact one of the current board members...we'd love to have you join us!

I'd also like to invite you to join us on Sunday, March 18 for our first tour of 2018 at the Black-Hawk museum in Danville. We'll have the promenade out in front of the building reserved for our classic cars for an informal car show of our own, as well as self-guided tours of the collection. If you've never been, I highly recommend it as they have quite a stunning and well-displayed collection. And we're planning a drive tour of the Central Valley in April, with a destination of Roger Emmett's ranch in Grass Valley.

West Coast Meet is also coming up fast and we've scheduled a planning meeting on Sunday, March 4, at noon, the Rainbow Community Center (immediately following the board meeting), so I encourage everyone who has an interest in participating in this event – either on-stage or behind the scenes – to attend the meeting, hear our ideas and feel free to share yours! Until then...

Happy Motoring!

Marty Hanson

Club President

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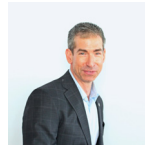
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FREEWHEELER'S **RUBY** ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

*Text: Michael Amodt
Photos: Bill Peachee*

On February 11th, more than sixty Freewheelers Club members gathered at the Vallejo Yacht Club for our Annual Business Meeting. The "ABM" is all important as the state of the club is discussed. Old/new business and ideas for monthly events are presented and changes in the board take place. In addition and very importantly, contributions made by club members during the year are acknowledged. Club President, Marty Hansen was our emcee for the action-packed meeting. The membership learned that renewals are well on target for 2018 and per our Treasurer, Jay Remick, the club is in excellent financial shape. Our healthy bank balance is due mainly to the generous donation of time, goods and services by club members including its all-volunteer Board. As a result we were happily in a position to provide financial support to

causes that aid our LGBTQ community. Frameline, who distributes educational materials to schools and other organizations throughout the entire United States and the Rainbow Center in Concord were both presented with checks.

For their outstanding contributions to the Club, gasoline gift cards were awarded to the following people: Todd Darling, Roger Emmett, Geoffrey Caccamo, Glen Taber, Peter Escobedo and John Kiszla.

Club VP, Scott Mikkleson, went over the 2018 event schedule and solicited ideas from the members. Our goal is to have all monthly events planned by the conclusion of the Business Meeting. The agenda then moved on to our upcoming West Coast Meet, its theme being: "The Phantom of the Opera Window." We all laughed away as we watched the wonderful promotional video.



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Rumor has it that another video is in the works! We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help out this July in Atascadero. We have lots of fun putting it on so please come join in the fun.

This year, The Freewheelers Car Club celebrates its 40th Anniversary! Marty Hansen designed a nifty Ruby Anniversary pin and each meeting attendee received one. After our lunch, we all enjoyed a piece of the massive anniversary cake. And speaking of lunch, we owe a huge debt of gratitude to Scott Mikkleson and Todd Darling, who along with Marty Hansen came to our rescue. Only two weeks before our meeting, the caterer announced they had double-booked the date. With no time to find another caterer, this trio stepped in and provided our members with one of the best meals ever: acres of Lasagna, a huge green salad with home-made dress-

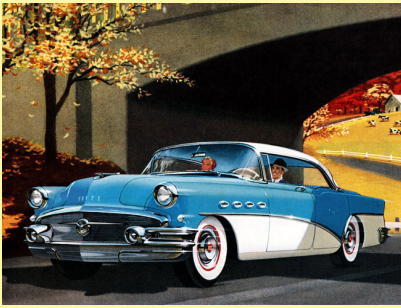
ing, a colorful fruit salad and Antipasto Kebabs...the Kebabs were displayed in a most unusual Sputnik-type manner. No one left hungry.

Only one change in the Board occurred as Digital Media/Newsletter Director, Peter Escobedo stepped down. The Club gratefully thanks and acknowledges Peter Escobedo, for his dedication and hard work. Board Members, Jay Remick, Michael Amodt and Bill Peachee, whose terms were up at the end of 2017, were re-elected. We still have openings for Media Director and a Member at Large position – Interested? If anyone has ideas for club events or in particular is open to hosting one, please contact the Board. The Club wishes to thank Jim Finley and John Kizla, Vallejo Yacht Club members, for sponsoring the Club's visit, and to Scott and Todd for catering the affair.



Mark your calendar for these Freewheeler events

MARCH



- Sunday the 4th, 2018 – Board Meeting and West Coast Meet Planning Meeting
- Sunday the 18th, 2018 – Blackhawk Museum Tour (see this issue of the newsletter)

APRIL

- Sunday the 8th, 2018 – Board Meeting at the Rainbow Community Center in Concord
- Sunday the 15th, 2018 – Grass Valley Drive Tour (details to follow)



MAY



- Sunday the 6th, 2018 – Board Meeting at the Rainbow Community Center in Concord
- Sunday the 20th, 2018– event TBD (continued >)

Calendar continued

JUNE

- Sunday the 3rd, 2018 – Board Meeting at the Rainbow Community Center in Concord
- Sunday the 10th, 2018 – Sacramento Tour (details to follow)

JULY

- Sunday the 1st, 2018 – Board Meeting at the Rainbow Community Center in Concord
- Thursday the 12th – Saturday the 15th, 2018 - West Coast Meet in Atascadero

August – Sunday the 19th, 2018 – South Bay Pool Party (details to follow)

September – Sunday the 9th, 2018 – Free-wheelers “Drive-a-Rama” (details to follow)

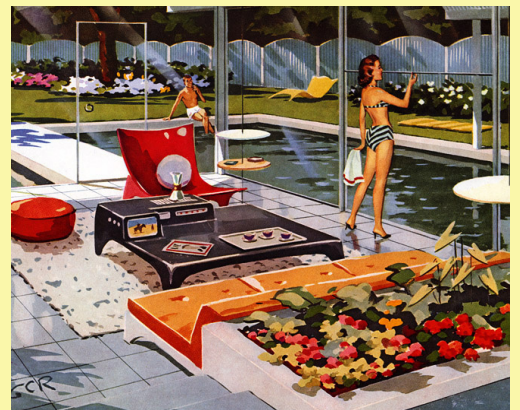
October – Sunday the 21st, 2018 – East Bay Drive Tour (details to follow)

November – Sunday the 18th, 2018 – North Bay Car Collection Tour (details to follow)

December – Sunday the 9th, 2018 – Freewheelers Holiday Party in Pleasanton

**Dates/events subject to change.*

NOTE: Club Board Meetings are typically held the first Sunday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Rainbow Community Center in Concord and are open to all members. Contact a board member if you're interested in attending.



WCM 2018 The PHANTOM of the OPERA WINDOW

I am your Angel of Car Clubs and will be making a list and checking twice for my visit to the Springhill Suites in Astacadero this summer! I will be looking for cars with opera windows to haunt as well as other classic cars of all makes and models. I will not be impressed with the divas nor the prima donnas... rather those that are pristine, original, and have natural beauty!

Come July, the hotel will be transformed to my bidding into the opulence of the Opera House as well as intimacy of my subterranean lair, where I'll be composing the details of my plans to infiltrate the upcoming West Coast Meet in search of my latest protégé!

Beauty may come and beauty may go at Diva Queen Bingo, yet I shall remain silent. Classic cars may caravan in dignity for the Friday Drive Tour and still I remain silent. Fun and frivolity may be made of the Phantom on Friday night...Carlotta may have her hour of fame, yet I shall not interfere...until the time is right!

I remain a mystery to all but those faithful to me and yet I will make my influence known to all who attend. I may even infiltrate the Masquerade Ball on Saturday night to ensure all is proceeding according to my plan! And I alone will present the Best of Show on Saturday night!

Patience, my friends...patience. Soon the gates will be open and you may gain passage to my exciting weekend of phun and phantasy!



SAVE THE DATE



Please join the freewheelers for our first tour of the year, the wonderful Blackhawk museum! If you've never experienced the Blackhawk then this is a great opportunity. View finely restored cars from the 20's thru the 70's. There are currently 75-100 cars on display, each of which is lit in such a way as accentuate the cars unique body lines and colors. We will congregate at 10 AM for tire kicking and coffee and doughnuts then enter the museum for self guided tours around 11 AM. Want to feel special?? Bring one of your collector cars and be allowed to park on the plaza in front of the museum, but show up early because there is only room for about 20 cars (unless you bring a microcar!!).

At-a-Glance:

What: BlackHawk Museum Tour

When: Sunday, March 18, 2018; tire kicking begins at 10 a.m., self-guided tours at 11 a.m., lunch on your own

Where: Blackhawk Museum, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville, CA 94506

Fee: \$15 includes admission to the collection

RSVP: Via the invitation email or contact Scott Mikkelson at (916) 768-3465, rednblackgarage@aol.com

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: The Museum is located at 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville, CA 94506. Take the Crow Canyon Road exit from I-680. Drive approximately 4.2 miles to the intersection of Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Road. Take a right on Camino Tassajara. Take the first left by the Century Blackhawk Plaza Theater (entrance to Blackhawk Plaza). The Museum is on the hill behind the Anthropologie clothing store.



NEXT EVENT

**March 18, 2018 - Tri Valley
Blackhawk auto museum.
Danville, California**

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**April 8, 2018
Freewheeler board meeting.
Concord, California**

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