

the Hudson reflector



March is the Month for the Wistaria Festival

Every year, the city of Sierra Madre celebrates their **Wistaria Vine** (largest blooming plant in the world) with a **large street fair**. On **Sunday, March 20th**, the viewing of the vine and the street fair runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

SCC members and friends are invited to visit the fair and view the vine. The Fair is centered around Baldwin Avenue and Sierra Madre Blvd. Vine viewing tickets and photos are available at:

<http://www.sierramadrechamber.com/wistaria/photos.htm>

If you have seen the vine, there is plenty to see at the Street Fair.



Around 4:00 pm, journey over to **150 South Michillinda Avenue, Sierra Madre** (the Ross home) for a **potluck dinner**. The theme of the potluck dinner is **IRISH** so bring your favorite dish. Don't have a favorite? – Check the internet: <http://www.ireland-information.com/irishrecipes/index.htm>

Be sure to **RSVP (626/335-8747)** to insure a spot at the table. Table service and beverages will be provided. If you have a hot dish or refrigerated item, you can drop it off at the house after 12:00 pm before you visit the fair.

The house is on the East side of Michillinda Avenue, just south of Ramona Avenue. When parking, park in the driveway, around the corner on Ramona or on the West side of Michillinda Avenue. There is **NO PARKING** on the East side of Michillinda Avenue.



Mark Your Calendar

March 20 - **Wistaria Festival & Potluck**
Sierra Madre
April 14-16 – **Western Region 2011 Meet**
San Diego
May - Old Folks Home Visit
June 25 - Annual Business Meeting
July 18-22 – **HET 2011 National Meet**
Oklahoma City, OK (See WTN)
Aug - Museum Visit
Sept 16-18, 2011 – **All-California Meet**
(SCC Host)
Oct - Festival/Oktoberfest
Nov 5-6 – **Laughlin Economy Run** (SCC Host)
Dec - Holiday Party

Spring 2012 - **Western Region Meet**
(SCC Host)
July 24-28 – **HET 2012 National Meet**
Gettysburg, PA (See WTN)
<http://www.gatewaygettysburg.com/>

Board Meetings are normally scheduled for 2 PM on the third Sunday of each month, and are **open to all members**. Phone 805/987-8187 for directions.

Want an SCC Meet close to your home? Just find a park or other attraction with parking and facilities. Then give Jon a call (805/987-8187).

From the President's Garage

I dunno – what do YOU want to do?

This is the question that gets asked a lot at our chapter officer's meetings, in trying to come up with relevant activities and plans for meets. Generally, we come up with some pretty good answers. This year we are hosting the **All California Meet, the Economy Run** and the **2012 Western Regional Meet**. So we have lots of details to work through. If you have some ideas from past events or other clubs' outings, please pass them along to a chapter officer, when you thank them for their service.

We are hoping to hold the **2012 Regional Meet** in May at a coastal hotel

in Ventura County. We'll probably include a museum tour or two and a country cruise; if you have some favorite roadside destinations, please pass them along.

Catherine St. John, Keith Chamberlin's daughter, sent over another **batch of Hudson literature**, mainly owner's manuals this time. Check out our website's sales room to get first crack at the valuable resources

(<http://www.socalhet.org/sidebar/salesroom.htm>). Sales of these treasures have really given our treasury a boost!

Don't forget about the **caravan to San Diego, 2011 Western Region Meet** starting in **Arcadia** at noon, April 14. See:

http://socalhet.org/west_reg_caravan/wr_caravan.htm for details. It will be a blast traveling as a group to the Mission Valley, particularly if you are driving something vintage!

Jon Cronk

Go figure



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...the number of miles to San Diego Mission Valley.

We had a very successful Hudson Caravan to San Simeon last Fall. Now we are organizing a Caravan to the **2011 Western Region Meet**. Starting from Arcadia on **Thursday, April 14** in the early afternoon, we will arrive at the [Courtyard San Diego Mission Valley](#) mid-afternoon. We will start with lunch and a short drivers meeting at [Coco's](#) restaurant at the **corner of Colorado and Michillinda in Arcadia**. We will get on the road around **1:00**

pm and travel down the I-15 to avoid the I-5 traffic bottlenecks.

Benefits: Attract Attention/Show Off the Cars - Safety in Numbers/Roadside aid - Fellow Hudnuts/Conversation and Tire Kicking - 133 Mile Rolling Hudson Meet - Easy Pace - Multiple Opportunities to Join the Caravan along the Way.

All are welcome - Hudsons, Terraplanes, classics, SOB's (some other brand). If this is the first time you are making the trip, this is the way to do it. If you have been there before, this will be something new. If you cannot meet us at the starting point, we can make arrangements to pick you up along the way.

If you would like to sign up for the **Hudson Caravan to the Bay**, just email us caravan@elkay.org. Details at: http://socalhet.org/west_reg_caravan/wr_caravan.htm

In Memory

Lillian Marie Labud, wife of long time SCC member William Labud, passed away in Lady Lake, Florida on Oct. 22, 2010. Lillian was born in Rosemead, CA on Nov. 30, 1936 and attended Rosemead High School. They were married in Yuma, AZ in 1953 and raised 5 children.

In 1970, they moved to Florida. Among other things, Lillian raised thoroughbred horses and raced them. She leaves behind her husband, 4 brothers and sisters, 5 children, 13 grandchildren, and 18 great grandchildren.

"FLASH - EVEN MORE THINGS TO DO IN OKC DURING THE 2011 INTERNATIONAL HUDSON MEET!"

"I want all the Presidents to know of a **great museum** in OK City that I belong to called World Organization of **Porcelain Painters**; the ladies may want to see this or even the guys if they are artistic. I told Show Chairman and his wife and she is an art teacher, who knew?"

Joan Hudson, President of the No Central Chap

Twin-H Treasure

Hemmings Classic Car—April 2011 has another article about a 'near-perfect' '52 Hornet.

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Hudson at the NASCAR Hall of Fame



This past year, seven HET chapters and several individuals got together under the leadership of Vern Ellis and boosted the Hudson name. The new NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte, N.C

<http://www.nascarhall.com/>

offered a Commemorative Brick Program and the HudNuts jumped on it. The Hudson bricks are located in Section 12 of the patio at the entrance to the Hall.

Conveniently located in uptown Charlotte, the 150,000-square-foot NASCAR Hall of Fame is an interactive, entertainment attraction honoring the history and heritage of NASCAR. The high-tech venue, designed to educate and entertain race fans and non-fans alike, opened May 11, 2010 and includes artifacts, interac-

tive exhibits, 275-person state-of-the-art theater, Hall of Honor, Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant, NASCAR Hall of Fame Gear Shop and NASCAR Media Group-operated broadcast studio. The state-of-the-art facility will honor NASCAR icons and create an enduring tribute to the drivers, crew members, team owners and others that have impacted the sport in the past, present and future.

BEACH PARADE OF LIVING LEGENDS

AUDREY PARENTE - STAFF WRITER February 16, 2011

DAYTONA BEACH SHORES -- DAYTONA BEACH SHORES - Rumbling engines and tires spitting sand into the wind gave several thousand race fans a glimpse into racing history during the Living Legends of Auto Racing beach parade.

Participants and fans gathered during staging Tuesday morning on the grounds of the old drive-in theater, now the Drive-in Christian Church on the west side of S.R. A1A.



For several hours in the sunshine, before a cavalcade of more than 50 cars rolled onto the beach, old and young crowded between the antique autos and replica racers to get a close-up look at the gleaming chrome and colorful paint jobs.

Cade Gallman, 5, might have been among the youngest gapping into engines, yet he knew just what he was looking at when it came to the No. 6 Hudson Hornet replica owned by Joe Stinnett.

"It's 'Doc.' I have the movie," Cade said, speaking of Disney/Pixar's movie "Cars," in which an old "Doc Hudson" car is a lead talking character. In fact, the No. 6 car at the parade was a replica of one driven by Marshall Teague, an early racer known as "King" of the old beach course. Teague's car was a model for the Disney movie character.



Stinnett was so taken with Cade's interest that he allowed him to sit inside the car, which rendered the pre-schooler speechless.

"He loves the old cars and every time he sees one he gets excited," said Cade's mom, Melissa Gallman of Ormond Beach. "When I saw they were having the parade I thought, 'Let me take him to see them.' We followed the Hudson Hornet here in traffic."

If Cade was the youngest, "Mad Mac" Marion MacDonald, 93, an early beach racer, might have been the oldest. The local resident said he hasn't missed any of the parades except for last year when he couldn't find a ride. This year he rode with Buz McKim, official historian for the NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte, N. C.

McKim chatted with Bill Allen of New Mexico, who came to the event for the first time with his Lee Petty replica car, a 1956 Dodge D500-1.

"I basically was invited and learned that my car is going to be on display at the Hall of Fame for the induction of Lee Petty," Allen said. McKim added that Petty's induction likely would take place at the end of May.

Russ Truelove, 86, an early NASCAR driver, said he comes to the event every winter from Connecticut.

"They said Bill France orders this weather, and he's done it again," Truelove said.

"The history of this for me all dates back to when I first came down in 1953 to race against the big boys of the South.

"There's something about Daytona that rings a bell, better than Indianapolis, and I wouldn't miss it for the world, as long as I'm alive."

Another NASCAR legend from the 1960s through the mid-1980s, David Pearson, appeared in the crowd and ended up doing video interviews and signing autographs.

Fans also mobbed a historic legendary replica car - the No. 34 Chevy of stock car driver Wendell Oliver Scott, the only black driver to ever win a Sprint Cup race. The historic driver broke the color barrier in stock car racing on May 23, 1952, according to history records at nascar.com, and his win came on Dec. 1, 1963, at Speedway Park in Jacksonville, but only on a "scoring error" after Buck Baker was first called the winner.

One group viewing the cars included Pete and Linda Cosco of St. Catherines, Ontario, Canada. Pete is a dirt car mechanic in town for races at Volusia County Speedway. His wife, Linda, owns Humberstone Speedway in Canada and said she was going to host a similar show at her track.

"We don't see old race cars all winter long where we live," Pete Cosco said. "We get excited about them."

Among the parade route spectators on the beach were visitors from New York, Canada, Massachusetts and Vermont, some wearing shorts and T-shirts.

"We've been here since 8:30 a.m. and it's great to get to see a lot of nice old cars," said Marsha Smith of Massachusetts, who started at the drive-in and followed the entourage over to the beach. "And we lucked out on the weather, that's for sure," her husband added.

Derrick O'Donnell, 20, and Chip Grenier, 33, said they and several friends were a race team from Vermont in town for competition at the track in New Smyrna Beach, but learned of the parade.

"It's interesting to see how the modern day relates to the older stuff," said Grenier, who loved the weather, especially after his wife said on the phone it was "single digits" back home. "Some of the cars are 50 years or older, and the speeds they ran are insane for what's inside."

Motorcycles were represented in the parade by Doc Batsleer's three Indian Bonneville Scouts, 1934, '35 and '36, which he said ran in early beach races by driver Bill Kosis out of South Bend, Ind.

Not everything ran smoothly. Ronnie Rohn, owner of a red No. 1 1955 Chevy, sat idle for a while when he ran out of gas just before the green flag dropped for his turn to race a quick 15 mph, a few hundred yards to a checkered flag. But John West of the Living Legends of Auto Racing, an organizer of the event, came to the rescue with two containers of gas.

"You can't keep a 600 hp motor running at 3 mph," Rohn said.

Article provided by Carmen LaFlame

Hudsons By the Bay

2011 Western Regional Meet
April 14th-16th San Diego



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