The Noisy Tappet



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Emergency 911 Center in San Jose

The day began with our group meeting at Lazy Dog for bagels and conversation. We proceeded to travel to the Call Center Location which included time on Almaden Expressway, some neighborhood streets, and one of the steepest hill climbs I've even been on. Atop the climb we entered the secure facility and were lead on a tour of the site operations.

Once inside the facility, we were given some history on emergency call centers, a discussion on the operations, training process, and a Q&A before being shown the technology used to process calls. The introduction included a sampling of the county wide system in their training center. Seeing how calls are taken, information is gathered, and how services get deployed was inspiring. Above all, we were honored to see

how many caring people are there with lengthy training to help cover the massive variety of calls for help that come in.

Special thank you to Hal for arranging this amazing tour, our tour leader, and a big thank you to all the men and women who protect and serve our county via emergency communications 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



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Heritage Museum Tour (Nov 16th)

Our next tour will be to the Heritage Museum in Sunnyvale. We will meet for lunch at Holder's Country Inn in Cupertino at 11am and then caravan to the museum arriving around 1pm. This will be a docent lead tour of the House and Grounds. Weather permitting, we can drive our old cars, if not ...drive what you have! Hope to see everyone out!

Doug

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Hello all, and happy fall, and an early Happy Thanksgiving. Well, for all who enjoyed our tour at the Santa Clara County 911 emergency communications center, a great tour was had all. The system in place and the amazing work these dispatchers do, we thank them. For those who could not attend, you missed a great tour. We enjoyed a nice lunch at Lazy Dog after. Please see some photos, and look at Neil's link for many more.

November 1st will be the annual toy drive and free pancake breakfast at Cathedral of Faith, San Jose. Arrive anytime between 7 and 10. Admission is one unwrapped toy. Also, November 11th will be the Veterans Day Parade in Downtown San Jose. If you plan to attend,



please arrive between 10 and 11 AM. The parade begins at 12 noon. When checking in, tell the person you are with the Spirit of 45 group-they will direct you to their location. With that said, please bring one unwrapped toy to our annual Holiday Party on December 6th in Campbell. Margie will have more to report at our November 5th meeting. Please plan to attend. Also, December 6th is the Los Gatos Children's Parade. A reminder that in December, we will elect officers for our club; all positions are up for election. If interested, please attend and throw your name in the hat. See you in November.

-Hal

MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 1, 2025

Meeting called to order by Assistant Director, Rich Barbaria, at 6:44pm. There were 18 members in attendance. All received their G&D and Noisy Tappet. Bob S & "helper" collected for the Opportunity Drawing.

Annual Club BBQ - Rich B. "Chief BBQer" reported that the Club did well moneywise.

He could not thank "helpers" enough for their assistance in getting the most delicious meal, as usual, prepared and dished out. Julie E, Paul A, AND clean up Paul A, Ron B & Lisa, the Rosendo Family, Doug B & Kim and others for sure. The food cost was \$349.77 and Intake was \$205.00. Thanks to Julie E & her Mom for bringing the most beautiful dahlias once again. Julie suggested that we should consider no more "picnic games" as it's not necessary. Let's try to get more members for next year's picnic!!!

TOURS: Neil R showed a wonderful slide show from the Ironstone Car Show in Murphys.

Let's try to maybe make this a 2-day show and members participate in the 2026 show on September 26,

2026 (always the last Saturday in September!). Thanks Neil for the "entertainment."

Don K reported on the 6 cyl. Tour in Minden, NV. Dan & Kaydene put on the tour of the Carson Valley. Don commented on the "Candy Dance" and dinner. Awesome and lots of fun.

Rich asked if anyone participated in Cars In the Park - Ron B & Dan G were part of the team who put back a Model "A" in record time!!

Doug B reported that the **Heritage Park Museum is NOW NOV. 16TH AND NOT 15TH.** Meet at Holder's in Cupertino at 11:00am for Doug's tour.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Don K reported that the Club Treasury has \$3,616.56 + \$205.00 - \$91.16 + \$30.00 raffle.

MISCELLANEOUS: Don K reported that his '31 ran GREAT on the 6 cyl. Tour.

Ron Beam - did an engine swap for his '28 Chevy motor with the help of Mark R.

Nov. 1st - San Jose Classic Chevy's 38th annual Car Show, Cathedral of Faith,

2315 Canoas Garden Ave, San Jose

Entry donation: 1 new unwrapped toy Car entry: 7am - 10am

December 6th - Annual Christmas Luncheon at A Bellagio! Save the date. Final details forthcoming ASAP. Once the registration form with menu choices comes out, PLEASE get your check payable to GSBR-VCCA (no cash accepted) to Margie Amoroso,1293 Fernside St., Redwood City 94061. Sign up due November 25th!!! This gives the restaurant time to order food, etc.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING: Congrats to Sam C who won \$30.00 and \$30.00 to club.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Amoroso

Secretary

Sunday, September 21, 2025 was a beautiful sunny day to arrive at the Carson Valley Inn & Motor Lodge to begin the 6th Annual Pacific 6 Cylinder Tour. It's always a thrill to see a slew of beautiful old Chevys every which way you turn, and the old, and new, friends arriving with them. Seems like you can't catch up fast enough. Tony and Lorraine Maciejowski made their appearance to greet us from their new home in Carson City. It was so good to see them.

After most all of us were settled, the evening ice cream social capped the day as we heard the outlines for the next 4 days to come. From the registration packet materials and this 1st orientation meeting it was clear this was going to be a polished, well organized, busy, and very enjoyable meet. Chairman, Dan O'Day, and all of the event team, knew what they were doing. It showed!

Monday, September 22, day 1 of touring, started with the drivers meeting at 8:40 and we were on the road at 9:00 to Markleeville, Cal. Another beautiful day of mild weather for this 86 mile loop. We climbed through the backroads canyons to our destination, the Alpine County Museum in Markleeville, arguably one of the smallest county seats in the state, (pop. 178). We arrived shortly after the power went out, making for the interior of the museum having that "old timey" feel. The friendly docents made up for the inconvenience with their good nature in talking about the artifacts and answering any questions. Outside, a silver ore stamp mill was projected to run in a year or two.

We then proceeded to Grover Hot Springs a short ways away. The hot springs pool was closed for the season, but we were able to experience the hot spring itself as it came out of the ground. For those foolish enough to try, the water was 102 degrees.

As we lunched under the verdant Sierra fur canopy, we gazed across the valley to the barren granite mountain tops. These were denuded by the 68,000 acre Tamarack Fire of 2021. I've seen the forests starting to come back after other devastating wildfires, but this one, down to rock, seems unlikely to come back in generations, (our time), if at all.

These days are about touring, driving our cars, and we did. Our return was over Monitor Pass, el. 8314 ft. The view down, overlooking the Nevada Great Basin was breathtaking.

We toured a portion of the Nevada desert for most of the next day. We headed east out the Carson Valley, then north to Fort Churchill & Hwy 50, and returned south to Minden on Hwy. 395. The loop was 145 miles, and again we were grateful for mild weather.

What a geological difference! Earth formations clearly showed how the Great Basin was an ancient lake bed. Anything green in the area was a result of irrigation or alongside a creek bed. Like at Fort Churchill.

The fort, in existence for only 9 years, was the U.S. Army's response to the short lived Paiute/Pyramid Lake Wars. It was also a stop for the Pony Express, and immigrants on the California Trail. It protected local settlements, telegraph lines, and intervened in minors' disputes as well as quelled any uprisings during the civil war.

We were treated to a sumptuous catered lunch of baked potato, (with all the fixins), beans, salad, & dessert. The park docents were personable and eager to share their knowledge.

On the way back I met up with Don & Kristi Kingman for a drink at the storied Bar and Saloon in Genoa, the oldest continuously running bar in Nevada. Genoa is charming little 19th century town nestled in the eastern base of the Sierra Nevada. It seemed to me that this fairly narrow strip of land all along the base of the Sierras is the greenest of

the state, and arguably the most picturesque.

Wednesday's tour was to Truckee, all on backroads around Hwy 89 and Fallen Leaf Lake, to circumvent South Lake Tahoe. It was surprising, & somewhat thrilling to hear my navigator gasp at first sight of Tahoe as we approached Emerald Bay. Deborah Richardson, from Gladstone, Mo. had never seen Lake Tahoe before, nor had she ever been in the Sierras. Deborah had just purchased a 1932 Chevy roadster, which was back in Missouri, but she was invited out to the meet by Bruce DeFord. I offered a ride for the day, but having a navigator still didn't improve my propensity for getting lost after we left Truckee after lunch. The group was bound for Minden on the way back via the eastern side of the lake to Kingsbury Grade. We returned on Hwy 50, Spooner Pass. The slow lane was all ours, but we did manage to pickup Gene Kruger & his driver, James Babb in Gene's '33 Master. It helped a little knowing I wasn't the only one who was lost. 139 miles, (or more) for the day.

Our last day of touring was a short one.

2 1/2 miles away was the Dangberg Ranch home. Starting as a log cabin in 1853 the home grew to accommodate the Dangberg's 5 children and by 1902 the cattle & sheep ranch expanded to 50,000 acres. All of the furnishings & clothing in the home were from the Dangberg family over the generations. The ranch home was a hub of political and social power over the many decades and a destination for the who's who of the time, Clark Gable & Carol Lombard to name a couple. The family's story of its eventual demise could make for a multi season TV serial.

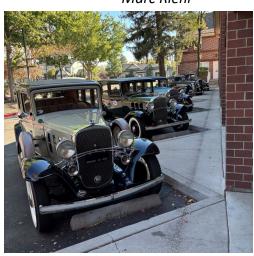
Another 8 1/2 miles up the road brought us to Lester J. Harris Obsolete Parts warehouse. Mostly engine & chassis parts, rows of shelving, floor to above head high, packed! NOS boxes with inventory #s that octogenarian (?) Lester, and his son, can take some time to look up in the future, but they know where everything is! A complete 1928 LaSalle coupe buried in there. Side shuffling to move through the aisles, I stepped over a box of rods that had to be 1 1/2 feet long! A few guys were able to find parts that they could spot.

We were invited to Lester's home garage nearby, which was more of the same, but also housing a 1926 Rolls Royce, a '36 Dodge, a late model Nash & Packard, a Crosley and so on. We were treated most graciously and asked to come back again.

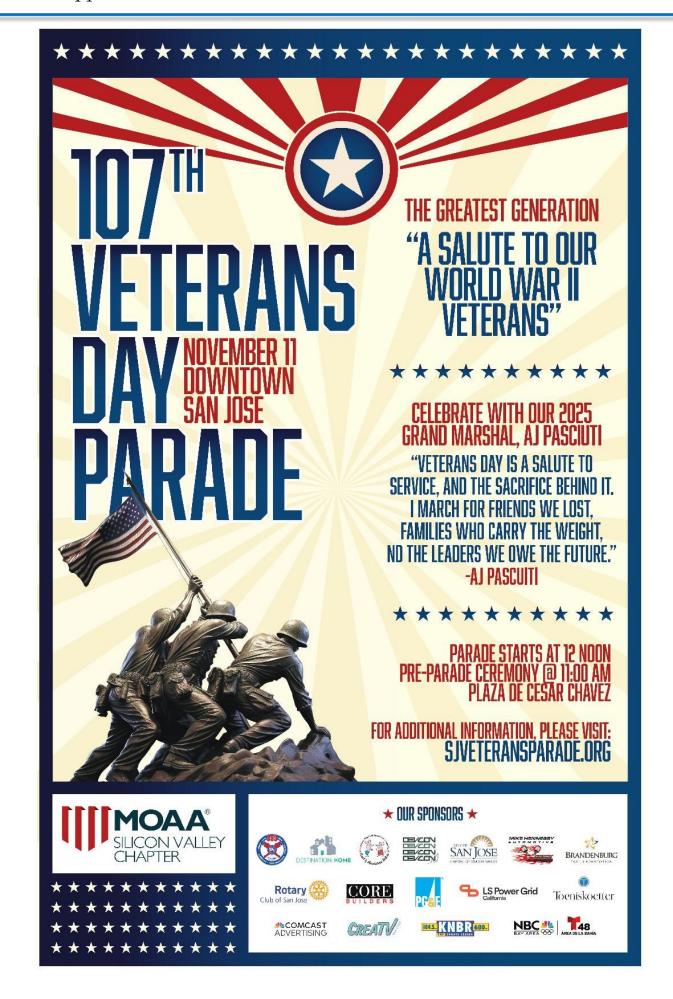
The day, and the meet concluded with a small swap meet, a ladies get together in the afternoon, later joined by the guys for an Early 6 Cyl. Discussion, and finally the closing banquet. What an event! Thank you Dan O'Day for spear-heading this tour, and to all of those who were integral for putting this on.



- Marc Riehl







November Birthdays

Lisa Beam - 11/9 Brian Butler - 11/20

Felipe Rosendo Jr. - 11/13 Nikkie Gulko - 11/27

David Cadena - 11/18 Fern Toomey - 11/27

Cheryl Guzzette - 11/19 Felipe Rosendo Sr. - 11/28



November Anniversaries

David & Emmilou Hightower - 11/20

Felipe & Erleen Rosendo - 11/30



Upcoming Events:

Nov 5th - Club Meeting @ The Cup & Saucer - Meeting will start 6:30pm sharp & end by 8:00pm

Nov 19th - Chevy Club Breakfast @ Holder's Country Inn Restaurant in Cupertino 10088 N Wolfe Rd STE 130, Cupertino, CA 95014

Nov 16th Heritage Museum in Sunnyvale @ Holder's Country Inn Restaurant in Cupertino 10088 N Wolfe Rd STE 130, Cupertino, CA 95014 (start location of Tour)

Dec 6th - Greater South Bay Region Christmas Luncheon @ A Bellagio Restaurant

33 S. Central Ave., Campbell, CA

Sign up due November 25th!!! See Meeting Notes (page 2-3) for more details





The Greater South Bay Region Vintage Chevrolet Club of America

We are a group of individuals who, along with other regions, share an interest in preserving and restoring vintage Chevrolets. Our vision is one of continued friendship and respect for all people. Club members enjoy sharing a wealth of automobile knowledge with those who have similar interests. We welcome people of all ages and backgrounds to inquire about this family oriented, fun organization dedicated to the enjoyment/restoration of, and touring in, vintage Chevrolets.

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Meetings and Activities

Club meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at The Cup & Saucer in San Jose. Meetings start at 6:30PM sharp. If you wish to dine before hand, join us at the restaurant around 5:45PM.

Also, we hold a Chevy Club Breakfast on the third Wednesday of each month at 9:30am at the Black Bear Diner in Sunnyvale. All members and their guests are encouraged to drive their vintage Chevrolets.

We are a Touring Club

We schedule monthly tours in and around the greater south Bay Area. Again, all members and their guests are encouraged to drive their vintage Chevrolets.

Monthly Newsletter

We publish a monthly newsletter called the Noisy Tappet. If you have a story, article, report, tip, photograph or other pertinent information for the newsletter, please send it to the editor by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's publication. Please send newsletter inquires/information to:

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E-Mail and Website

We also have a club website where you'll find information about, and photo galleries of, past GSBR tours, as well as photo galleries of members' Chevrolets. GSBR members pages contain club specific information and records. Please direct inquiries/information to:

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Our website is located at: http://www.gsbvcca.com
Check out all the pictures... You'll like it!