

Membership Meet

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On Sunday, November 5th we held our annual Membership Meet at the beautiful showroom of Crevier Classic Cars, just a few blocks from the John Wayne Airport in Costa Mesa. Like last

year's Membership Meet, your Regional Board voted to subsidize the cost of this event from our formidable treasury. Also, Board member Aaron Weiss, negotiated the venue without cost from his friend, Donnie Crevier. Many thanks to both Donnie and Aaron, plus we welcome Mr. Crevier as a new member to our Club and Region. We also picked up another member at this event. Jill Cox, a guest of Board member, Arnold Schmidt. Jill owns a 1924 Cadillac and we very much welcome her and her early Cadillac.

About 55 members, spouses and guests arrived around 10:30 a.m. at the facility to enjoy the viewing of about 100 vintage and Classic cars, carefully arranged around our tables by Crevier employee Frank Chirat and his team. Adding to the ambiance was a hosted Mimosa and Bloody Mary bar. Our lunch was catered by Jason's Catering service and, I must say, it was one of the better catered buffets I have had at any event, serving beef and fish entrees, vegetables, salad, dessert and complementary wine. Many thanks to Leslie Milliken for all her hard work in planning the event and negotiating contracts with this caterer for food and beverage.

During lunch, I conducted a brief business meeting along with a State of the Region address, with updates presented by Treasurer Terry White and Membership Chairman Fred Lax. I was pleased to share positive numbers for both our financial and membership positions.

Towards the end of the lunch, Leslie offered up an interesting car related story (with me, the victim) as told by the wife of a car collector. Her presentation inspired several other wives to come forth with their own funny stories involving their husbands and the acquisition of various collector cars. Board member, Fred Lax, and his wife, Barbara, then conducted a raffle for some very nice, high-quality CCCA logo ball caps and free admission tickets to the Petersen Automotive Museum.

I noticed in attendance a number of members that I had not seen before, which indicates to me that we have growing interest in our activities—a nice trend as we move forward into 2018. Ron Verschoor has been appointed Director but I still plan to remain on the Board and will continue to be active in planning tours and events in the upcoming year.

Have a great Holiday season and I am looking forward to see more of you at next year's tours.



> A few of the cars at Crevier Classics (clockwise from upper left): 1941 Cadillac 60 Special, 1935 Packard 1207 Convertible Coupe, 1940 and 1936 Packards, 1936 Packard 120 Convertible Victoria by LeBaron