



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION'S
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

A group of 70 members and guests gathered for our annual Membership Meet on Sunday, December 3 in Fullerton. Steve Snyder graciously provided the venue, his Vault Classic Car showroom, the ideal setting for us to socialize and dine against a backdrop of Classic and collector cars. The event was co-hosted by Eric Voigt whose Voigt's Classic Car Care keeps many of our Classics roadworthy.

Interesting Classics offered in the showroom included a 1934 Packard Super Eight Convertible Victoria, a 1936 Packard Super Eight Phaeton (last seen at the Paso Robles Grand Classic), a 1928 Rolls-Royce Phantom I Pall Mall tourer and a very rare 1921 Locomobile Model 48 Town Car. Steve made it clear the Snyder family Classics filling out the showroom were not for sale but many of us wish they were. Two Duesenberg Js (an original Rollston Town Car and a rare metal-bodied sedan by Weymann) plus the LeTourneur & Marchand Packard 745 Victoria, the Bohman & Schwartz 1805 Convertible Victoria and the trusty 1947 Super Clipper were admired by all.

After an hour of socializing, the group queued up for a generous buffet provided by Paulina's Tacos, supplemented with an open bar. Following lunch, outgoing Regional Director Paul Whitney recapped the year and Club finances, followed by



Photos clockwise from top left: We had strong participation at this year's Membership Meeting; Co-hosts Steve Snyder and Eric Voigt, both past Regional Directors; 1921 Locomobile Model 48 Town Car and the Snyder's 1930 Packard 745 Victoria by LeTourneur & Marchand.





Membership Chairman Fred Lax who provided an update about membership trends, both Regionally and Nationally and tactics being used to attract new members. CCCA President Vicki Zeiger promoted the upcoming 2024 Annual Meeting, staged in nearby Huntington Beach in March of 2024 with a full slate of activities planned including tours of four noteworthy car collections. Incoming Regional Director Gary Carr then presented Paul with an engraved desk clock plus a most appropriate Packard necktie.

Photos clockwise from top left: Paul Whitney is recognized for his three years of Regional leadership by incoming Director Gary Carr; The Snyder's Bohman & Schwartz Packard Victoria on the left and a 1934 Super Eight Victoria offered for sale; Nine past and current Regional Directors were in attendance (l-r): Gary Carr, Aaron Weiss, Greg Vanley, John Milliken, Steve Snyder, Ron Verschoor, Paul Whitney, Steve Pugh and Eric Voigt. (JACQUI WHITNEY PHOTO); The Singleton's Duesenberg J Convertible Coupe by Murphy with Greg Valey's Cord L-29 Cabriolet in the background; Randy Ema educates the crowd about little known facts related to Auburns, Cords and Duesenbergs.

The attraction that certainly brought a large number of attendees to the event was guest speaker Randy Ema, who shared all sorts of fascinating history about Auburns, Cords and Duesenberg plus the personalities behind these great cars. We learned much about Fred and Augie Duesenberg as well as the business acumen and stock manipulation conducted by E.L. Cord. The crowd then took the opportunity to get as much information out of Randy as possible, as he answered dozens of questions about the cars, the companies and their leaders. Appropriately the Singletons brought a Model J Duesenberg to the event and Greg Vanley drove his Cord L-29 here.



Following the program, a photo-op presented itself with a record nine past and current Regional Directors in attendance. Thanks to all who participated, and special gratitude goes to our hosts Steve and Eric and our featured entertainment, Randy.

