Join us for a tour of the oldest hidden underground garage from the 1930’s in downtown Palm Springs on April 23, 2017. We have arranged a private tour of La Plaza for Great Auto Members. Visit the upstairs Chauffeur quarters and the rooms rented by many of the female shop workers of La Plaza. This tour is not open to the public—you don’t want to miss this 2 hour tour full of Palm Springs history.

If you do not plan to attend the tour but would like to bring your car and have lunch email Peter Lauria at PeterALauriaJr@gmail.com so we can reserve a space for you.

**Tour:** Cost for the tour is $25.00 per person (payable at time of event). For the tour you must be in front of La Plaza Theater on South Palm Canyon Drive no later than 9:45 am, the tour will start promptly at 10am and will run about 2 hours. No food is allowed on the tour. It is strongly suggested that you bring water, hat, and sunscreen on the tour. Bathroom facilities are not available while on tour. **NOTE:** Due to an overwhelming response we added a second tour at 1:30, however both tours are currently **SOLD OUT**. If you would like to be placed on a standby list please email Peter to be added to the list and you will be notified if there is an opening.

**Lunch:** Lunch will be on your own.

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La Plaza Tour

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either before or after your tour. There are many places for lunch near La Plaza and suggestions will be provided.

Please arrive between 8am and 9:30am for tire kicking/coffee. We will block off spaces for the vintage cars on La Plaza (street is between Indian Canyon Drive and Palm Canyon Drive, see map)

Coffee and/or breakfast can be purchased at L Atelier Café or the Deli on either side of the street.

Questions? Contact Peter Lauria at (631) 672-9288 or Kyle Bushnell at (801) 599-5007.

La Plaza is located East/West between South Indian Canyon Drive and South Palm Canyon Drive and North/South between East Tahquitz Canyon Way and West Arenas Road.
a glass of wine. What wonderful memories, thanks to an outstanding job by Sanford Doi and his army of volunteers. It is those volunteers among us that set the mark, making our events that much better.

Thinking of Heaps-O-Fun reminded me that we are already a third of the way through the year, which means West Coast Meet will be here before you know it. We had an informal meeting at Heaps to reflect on West Coast Meet, to review where and what is lined up. There are some wonderful things in store for everyone. So, if you have an inkling toward acting, and have an aptitude for twitching or blinking, there is a place for you. Maybe you want to be more behind the scenes, and if so there are places there too. You are welcome to do as much as you want to or can offer. Just let us know! However, time is running and the slots are filling up. Speaking of filling up, Cambria Pines Hotel only has about a handful of rooms left. Our event attendance is picking up and you don’t want to miss out this year.

To join Great Autos of Yesteryear, please request a membership application from Chuck Leib, (619) 518-0615, or membership@greatautos.org. You can also apply and pay for your membership online at greatautos.org. Dues are $45/year (for both single and couples) to receive the printed Solenoid, and $40/year to receive a digital edition. When paying by mail, make checks payable in U.S. funds and send to Great Autos of Yesteryear, P.O. Box 34022 San Diego, CA 92163
It was a picture-perfect day on Sunday, March 19 in Woodley Park for another year of Heaps O’Fun. Members came from Palm Springs, San Diego and other faraway locations to celebrate one of Great Autos’ favorite events, which celebrates your work-in-progress car, or any car, for that matter.

The grassy field was full of over 60 cars ranging from the 1950 Cadillac that was trailered in to others that looked like they just rolled off the showroom floor. The event started around 9 am with donuts and hot coffee, and progressed to a delicious barbeque lunch with approximately 140 members and their guests in attendance.

As we have done in the past, awards and prizes were given to the cars that best exemplified the spirit of the event, with winners in five categories.

As with many club events, Heaps takes a lot of volunteers to make it
happen. Special thanks to the crew this year: Billy Cross, Brad Littlefield, Brian Keligian, Dave Hallen, Denny Withington, Dorian Bolick, Ian Robinson, Jack Waldo, Jay D’Angelo, John Burge, Ken Baumer, Ken Zander, Kyle Bushnell, Marc Van Baal, Mark Tracy, Mike Parente, Mike Steiner, Patrick Aulicino, Peter Lauria, Rick St. Amant and Zeus Bonomi. ▼

Photos by Chris Green

Award Winning Heaps

GM

1950 Cadillac 61 Series Coupe
John Aroyan

Chrysler

1973 Imperial
Michael Roche

Ford

1969 Ford F-100
Rich McDonald

Foreign

1965 Mercedes Benz 220
Paul San

Orphan

1963 Rambler 990
Dave Ticonchuk
### REGISTER by mail or online

**BY MAIL (pay with a check):**
Complete this form and mail it, along with your check (payable to Great Autos of Yesteryear), to:
Gene Matson and Rich Seymour
West Coast Meet 2017
P.O. Box 460276
Escondido, CA 92046

**ONLINE (pay via PayPal):**
Go to our website greatautos.org
* Use the ‘Activities and Events’ menu
* Select ‘West Coast Meet 2017 – Register & Pay’ from the menu
* Follow on-screen instructions
* Pay. PayPal ID required ($5 per person convenience fee applies)

### REGISTRANT

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### ACCOMMODATIONS provided by Cambria Pines Lodge

2905 Burton Dr.
Cambria, CA 93428
(805) 927-4200

Other local lodging options can be found on the website cambriachamber.org.

You must be registered for the event to be a registered guest at the hotel. If you are not registered by 6/5/17, your hotel registration will be cancelled.

### CARS

(For additional cars, please enter information on back and check here)

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### EVENT FEES

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| **Friday “Magic of Cambria” Drive Tour (includes lunch)** @ $20 each | $ ________ |
| (Specify lunch quantity & guest names) |

| **Friday Evening “Cauldron of Culinary Delights” dinner tickets @ $40 each** | $ ________ |
| Friday dinner entrees (quantity & guest names): |

| **Souvenir T-shirts @ $20 each (size & quantity)** | $ ________ |

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**Include a check (payable to Great Autos of Yesteryear). . . . TOTAL ENCLOSED $ ________**

**Registration deadline is Monday, June 5, 2017.** Any registration forms postmarked after then will accrue a $25 per person late fee added to the activity fee. Space is limited, so register now! If registering/paying online, a $5 per person convenience fee will be added to each Weekend Activity Fee ticket. CANCELLATION POLICY: 100% refund if requested by June 5, 2017, minus a $10 administration fee, a 50% refund if requested by June 30, 2017. No refunds after June 30, 2017. Registration questions? Email Gene and Rich at Register4WCM2017@gmail.com or call them at (760) 749-9468

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: The undersigned, desiring to enter and participate in West Coast Meet 2017, to be held July 6, 7, 8 and 9, 2017, at the Cambria Pines Lodge in Cambria, California, does hereby tender his/her application to participate. If this application is accepted, the undersigned and registrant, having suitable automobile insurance, and his or her guests assume liability from and shall indemnify and hold harmless Great Autos of Yesteryear, Inc., and its members, officers, directors, employees, agents, servants, invites and assigns from and against any and all liabilities arising from said event. The undersigned holds the aforementioned harmless and indemnifies them against judgments whatsoever arising, directly or indirectly, out of or in conjunction with participation in said event. Event registration required for Cambria Pines Lodge hotel stay.

### Applicant Signature ____________________________ Date ________________

[ ] Contact me about volunteering to help with this event
Yes, it’s hard to believe, but the 33rd West Coast Meet will be upon us faster than you can say Gladys Kravitz!

As of this writing, there are still rooms available at Cambria Pines, and in the event of a sellout our registration chairs Gene Matson and Rich Seymour will coordinate the waiting list as they did in 2015!

Who could ask for more, you say? Well, typically those who attend this event do ask for more each year and your planning committee is busy at work, putting together all those little touches that make each West Coast Meet so memorable. So, don’t delay—submit your registration either online via PayPal or through the mail, dust off that Impala or Bel Air, and get ready to be a part of all the fun this July!

And lest we forget, YOUR help is needed to pull this all together. Volunteers are what makes the weekend and also gives you the opportunity to work with your fellow club members. Particularly needed are those with graphics art skills and those with a flair for decorations. Please contact either myself, John Burge, or Mike Klyde to join this exciting team and make the most of the weekend! – Pat Aulicino

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 6

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Hermosa Beach
ENDLESS SUMMER CLASSIC CAR SHOW

By David Freedman

The best little car show returns for its eighteenth year! This is a great day at the beach with nothing but blue sky, green ocean and fabulous convertibles, woodies and a flock of Deloreans! Please come and join me for this awesome display of classic cars that has NO registration fee, NO pedestrian admission fee, NO judging and NO awards—just an awesome day of fun in the sun right on the beach at the Plaza surrounded by beautiful sights and top-notch outdoor restaurants. While the theme is beach cruisers—convertibles and woodies—all classic cars are welcome. BUT, this is a small show with only forty-eight spaces so it fills up quickly. For registration information and general questions, email David Freedman at dj@capitalist.com. Thanks and see you at the Beach! 💪

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We ventured to The Lamplighter restaurant for one of our cruise-in dinners this month and were pleasantly surprised to get our own room in which to enjoy our meal. The food was good and a couple of our attendees admitted to eating there on a regular basis. We will add The Lamplighter to the list of restaurants we rotate through over the months. In April we will be meeting at Magnolia Grill on the 12th and our second meeting on the 26th will be at Carney’s. Please see the Area Calendar for addresses and times. – Rick Lee

**NEWSMAKERS**

Mike Steiner and President John Burge were recently featured in the Lincoln & Continental Owners Club magazine with their 1974 Continental Mark IV. They won the Edison Bell Founder’s Trophy for Best in Show, in Denver at the Western National Meet, October 2016. The Mark sports its original Dark Copper Paint, Light Beige top, black leather interior, 460 CI engine, and 50,000 miles. John says, “We were counted off for not having Ford spark plug wires, radiator cap and proper hose clamps for that year. We were told what set us apart from all the other Senior Category cars was that we drove ours to Denver for the event, 1200 miles each way. We were the only Senior Category car that showed up that did not arrive in a trailer.” Congratulations, Mike and John!
ORANGE COUNTY

The “OC Cruisers” met for brekkies on Sunday, March 5th at The Black Marlin in Old Town Tustin. This historically significant building was well known by OC residents as the Tustin Garage, and served as a gas station, service and parts depot for many decades. What a perfect spot for car nuts like us! – Jerry Garvin

PALM SPRINGS

Even though the weather was torrential rain for most of the month, we had beautiful weather on March 1st as we cruised to the trendy joint Trio for dinner and March 12th to Kaiser Grill for Sunday brunch. Best part of the day was tire kicking. A group of us caravanned to Heaps-O-Fun at Woodley Park in Van Nuys on the 19th. Thanks to Peter Lauria for driving. – Richard St. Amant

LOS ANGELES/WEST HOLLYWOOD

The Sunday Cruise In for the Los Angeles/West Hollywood group of Great Autos of Yesteryear was held on Sunday, March 26th at DeSano Pizza Bakery (the usual location). The Cruise In is usually scheduled for the third Sunday of the month, but in March that was the Sunday of “Heaps of Fun” in Woodley Park. We hope you will join us in on April 16th at 12:30 pm. – Edward Garren
You read about it first in last month’s Solenoid as a “Save the Date”. Well, here we go with the details (can you tell I’m excited)? We have been invited to view a special car collection belonging to a couple of our very own Great Autos members, Hiram Bond and Paul Marcelino! A collection of over 45+ vintage vehicles, including luxury cars, muscle cars, foreign vehicles and very limited production cars you won’t want to miss! In fact, there are cars in this collection that I’ve never even heard of! Hiram and Paul have enjoyed many Great Autos events throughout the years, and have agreed to have Great Autos members and non-members see their collection. There will be a catered lunch for all of us as well!

Members and non-members are welcome. An activity fee of $15 will be charged to current listed members in the roster and $20 for all non-members. RSVPs are an absolute MUST as lunch is being provided. Once your activity fee has been received, I will email you a confirmation of receipt. Additional details will be emailed to you 4–5 days prior to the 25th. You will need to check-in at the meeting location (I will have the current member list) and you will be given a wrist band and final directions to the event. We will carpool a short distance to the event site because there is no parking at the collection. It isn’t every day we are afforded an opportunity like this, so grab your friends, grab your ex’s and anyone else you can find to attend this wonderful event!

When: Sunday, June 25, 2017
Time to Meet: 10:30 am. We will leave the designated parking area for the collection at 11 am. If you are not in our caravan, you will not have access to the collection. Please be on time!

Meeting Location: Torrance area
Cost: Make checks payable to: Great Autos of Yesteryear
Mail reservation form to: Carmi Standish
3764 Country Club Drive
Long Beach, CA 90807

Note: We recommend that you leave your classic cars at home for this event because parking will not be monitored.

Reservations must be postmarked by Wednesday, June 14th (no exceptions)

### RESERVATION FORM • EXCLUSIVE CLASS CAR COLLECTION!

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Reservation includes tour of collection and catered lunch!

Please make check(s) payable to: Great Autos of Yesteryear and mail to:

Cami Standish, Exclusive Classic Car Collection, 3764 Country Club Drive, Long Beach, CA 90807

RESERVATION FORMS MUST BE "POSTMARKED" NO LATER THAN: June 14, 2017
ALBUQUERQUE/NEW MEXICO
John Criswell (505) 255-2824
wasichu-bear@msn.com

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA COAST
Rick Tibben (805) 931-0828
hemicar1964@yahoo.com

COACHELLA VALLEY/PALM SPRINGS
Richard St. Amant (760) 289-9795
psareaacoordinator@gmail.com
Wednesday, April 5: Unusual Attitude Flying Club meets Great Autos, Murph’s Gas Light Bar and Grill, Bermuda Dunes Airport. 5 pm, kick tires, 6 pm dinner. Please bring your classic car.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16: Brunch at Manhattan in the Desert, 2685 E. Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs. Tire kicking 10:30 am, Brunch at 11

Saturday, April 23: Cars and Coffee at Koffi, 71380 Hwy 111, Rancho Mirage. See you there at 9 am

HOUSTON/TX
Rob Ziegler (281) 917-2191
robbziggy@aol.com
New Venue for our May 3rd dinner. Meet at 7 pm at Fiesta En Guadalajara Restaurant, 3522 Irvington Blvd, Houston 77009, in the historic Northside Village neighborhood. Our regular 1st Wednesday meeting will be cancelled for April so we can all attend the Houston Auto Show.

LASS VEGAS/NEVADA
Bob Cardillo (702) 435-0758
bobrobcardillo@gmail.com

LONG BEACH/SOUTH BAY
Carmi Standish (562) 427-AUTO
cblindish@hotmail.com
Long Beach cruises will be on hiatus until further notice. George’s 50’s Diner is beginning its repair and remodel. Look for details in future Solenoids! Questions, call Carmi or Sue at (562) 427-AUTO.

LOS ANGELES/WEST HOLLYWOOD
Edward Garren (213) 596-9674
ed@edgarren.us
Brunch at Desano Pizzeria, Sunday, April 16th at 12:30 pm, 4959 Santa Monica Blvd, in Los Angeles

PHOENIX/ARIZONA
Roger Irland (602) 999-6594
mopar48291@att.net
Weekly Sunday brunch at 9:30 am at Scott’s Generation (5555 N. Seventh St., Phoenix). Friday dinner at 6 pm (except the first Friday of the month) we are at Culver’s (825 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix).

SEATTLE/PACIFIC NORTHWEST
Lincoln Sarmanian (206) 595-0618
lsarmanian@curtisswright.com

SAN DIEGO
Kimball Vincent (619) 861-7800
kvrincent3@yahoo.com
Potluck Brunch at the home of Tom Schalde & Russ Fox. Sunday, April 30 at 10:30 am 2115 Mergho Impasse, San Diego 92110 Please RSVP to kvrincent3@yahoo.com or (619) 861-7800 by Wed. April 26th and let us know what you would like to bring: Main dish, salad, dessert, or bottle of your favorite beverage.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
Rick Lee (805) 527-2264
turboglide59@dslExtreme.com
Weekly April 12th at Magnolia Grille 10530 Magnolia Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91504

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
Mitch Braiman (626) 798-AUTO
OHCarsBoy@gmail.com

San Francisco/California Coast
Mike Siders (415) 365-3678
mikesiders@mac.com

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To place an ad: Current members only may place an auto-related classified ad. Please send ad text and photo, along with your membership number, to the editor at chris@chrisgreenonline.com. 40 words or less; longer ads may be edited for space. Copy and photos must be sent by the 15th day of the month before the issue month you want the ad to run. Photos will be used at the editor’s discretion and become the property of Great Autos unless otherwise specified. Ads appear for one month only unless otherwise specified.
We couldn’t help but notice the fabulous hat George Sellers wore to Heaps-O-Fun. It was so practical yet so stylish, decorated as it was with the commemorative pins made for every West Coast Meet. From Disco Obispo to Vegas Luxe to a Carnival Cruise to the Riviera to Dodge City, it was a trip around the world and a reminder to start getting ready for Bewitching in style at this year’s WCM!