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Director's Corner

On Sunday, January 18th, 30 members of LSP met in the Sartin's car barn for our January meeting. Thanks again to **Rena and Jack** for offering the facility and for setting it up for our meeting and covered dish lunch. The food and desserts were wonderful as usual.

For months we have been trying to find a time to help **Janice Musgrove** dispose of some of the huge array of parts in Dale's shop. **Dale** was the auto mechanics teacher at Lamar High in Rosenberg for many years and after retirement, he opened his own Packard garage in a metal building behind his home in Brookshire. He worked on many of our member's cars including three of ours. We actually bought our 1955 from him.

We met at the **Sartin's "Car Barn"** and then after lunch and a short meeting, those of us who were interested traveled the short distance to the Musgrove's. Our thanks and gratitude goes to **Rich, Doug, Jack and Ben** for spending several days cleaning and organizing the shop. **Janice and Dale's son in law, Eddie**, was also a big help. If there were some that I missed, we thank them as well.

I was happy to purchase a good core for our '55 Clipper's "treadle vac" unit in case it ever goes out. I also bought several shop manuals covering Packards from the '40's to '56, and some generic items like fuel filters and oil filters. I planned on buying a six volt battery cable that I found in a Packard box but I put it down to examine the treadle vac and then forgot about it. I also was tempted to buy two pieces of stainless for the '55 but was not positive they were the ones I wanted.

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READ THIS ANNOUNCEMENT -- PLEASE



**I WANT YOU TO STAY
IN OUR CLUB!**

PAY YOUR DUES – NOW!

LONE STAR PACKARDS OF HOUSTON MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2020

It's time to pay your \$10 membership dues for 2020. Pay by cash or check payable to Lone Star Packards and send to our Treasurer Tony Darrow, 5215 Pebble Springs Drive, Houston, TX 77066

No matter what, it is most important that you maintain you membership in The Packard Club, (PAC). PAC will remind you separately of your renewal date. Your membership expiration date is listed on your address label on the monthly Cormorant News Bulletin.

Don't forget, our by laws require all members to maintain current membership with the Packard Antique Classics. Dues are \$48/year.

You can join/rejoin for the current calendar year by visiting their website at <http://www.packardclub.org/index.php>

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I will have to return with pictures to make sure. Other members bought signs, carburetors, fuel pumps, a straight 8 head, etc., etc. There are still dozens of boxes stacked behind the '55 400 project car that Dale was never able to complete.

One of our members, who could not make it, is interested in the 54 Patrician so I took pictures to send to him. It basically just needs some "TLC" to be a driver.

John Lortz is going to attempt to return to the garage and with Eddie's help get some of those boxes opened and organized. We will then see if anyone from the other clubs is interested in coming to "pick and shop."

I did intend to measure Dale's two-post lift to see if it would fit in my son **Chris'** garage. Even though he has the tall ceilings, I could see right away that it was way too tall.

If interested, **Janice** would entertain offers. Dale also has about 100 model cars and more literature inside in his study. One of the books which is available is the leather bound Beverly Kimes Packard book which is out of print.

At the short business meeting, I encouraged everyone to attend the Salado meet. Even if you are not bringing a Packard, we can use the help and support.

Jan Carter, who just had a successful hip replacement the week before, passed out the Salado registration form for anyone who has not copied it from the texaspackardmeet.org. There is also a schedule of events for the meet on this site.

In the absence of **Tony**, who could not make it, **Ben** collected dues which he will forward to Tony.

Speaking of members, I was contacted by a Robert Whistle who has a '54 Clipper. He is interested in our club so I forwarded his letter to **Ben**.

We also announced that the planned activity for February did not materialize because the curator of the museum we were to visit was going to be out of town. Therefore, **we need someone to step up and volunteer to set something up or give us an idea to pursue**. It is typically the Sunday of the 3rd weekend but a host couple can move that weekend or day according to their own schedule. Please avoid the 15th as we have a number of members who may like to attend the AACA Valentine party that day.

Last year we did not have a March meeting so we could help our **meet registrar, Rena Sartin** get envelopes stuffed, etc. I suggest we do the same this year. Please send your meet registration to **Rena** and your \$10 dues to **Tony**.

Happy Packarding..... Tommy

43rd TEXAS PACKARD MEET SALADO, TEXAS APRIL 3, 4, 5, 2020

What are you waiting for????

- The headquarters hotel will be the **Holiday Inn Express**.
- Call the Holiday Inn in Salado at **254-947-4004** to reserve your room.
- **Rena Sartin** is the Registrar for 2020 TPM. The registration form can be found on the TEXAS PACKARD MEET website for you to copy. Send this to Rena as soon as possible.
- Our club will be responsible for chairing the event this year with the help of the other regions.
- We will need a lot of help from the membership once we get to Salado, so thank you in advance.
- There will be many opportunities for volunteering.



DID YOU KNOW.....?

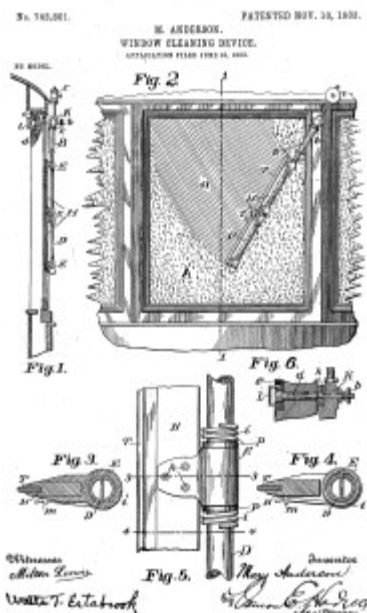


Mary Elizabeth Anderson (February 19, 1866 – June 27, 1953) was an American real estate developer, rancher, viticulturist and inventor of the windshield wiper blade.

On November 10, 1903 Anderson was granted her first patent for an automatic car window cleaning device controlled from inside the car, called the windshield wiper. In 1905 Anderson tried to sell the rights to her invention through a noted Canadian firm, but they rejected her application saying "we do not consider it to be of such commercial value as would warrant our undertaking its sale."

After the patent expired in 1920 and the automobile manufacturing business grew exponentially, windshield wipers using Anderson's basic design became standard equipment and in 1922, Cadillac became the first car manufacturer to adopt them as standard equipment. Ms. Anderson never received a penny for her invention.

For the engineers among our readers here is the patent drawing of the first windshield wiper.



TRIVIA: The linkage of springs and a segmented arm that enables a windshield wiper to distribute its pressure equally across the windshield is known as a "whippletre."

Here IS another interesting lady.....

Margaet A. Wilcox - Car heater patented on Nov 28, 1893.

Wilcox was one of the first female mechanical engineers. She was granted multiple US patents for her inventions.

On November 23, 1893, she was granted a patent for the car heater. The car heater consisted of a combustion chamber located under the car, and pipes to transmit hot water. Her system redirected air that was over the engine to the inside of the car to allow passengers to stay warm.

[1] Her invention of the car heater became the basic system on modern car heaters used today. Her other patents include the combined clothes and dishwasher, and a bake pan.■

Keels & Wheels May 2-3, 2020

Keels and Wheels is coming up! This is the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Keels & Wheels Concours d'Elegance. The deadline to submit your vehicle entry form is March 6, 2020. If interested, visit [Keels & Wheels](#) for more information. Remember this is one of our club's public service activities benefiting **Today's Harbor for Children**

The Vehicle Theme for 2020 will honor Pre-War Packards, Corvettes (1953-1972), Porsche (1948-1973), and Vintage Motorcycles. This is open to all antique & classic vehicle owners. Think about participating this year.

It is always a fun weekend at the Lakewood Yacht Club.



Courtlandt Place Historic Home Tour

To let everyone know our club participated in the December Courtlandt Place Historic Home Tour as our member **Robert Taylor**, who lives in this historic secluded neighborhood, wanted to show antique cars on the street.

There were no modern cars visible in the neighborhood.

We had two LSP members furnish cars for the open house and gardens tour.

Jeff Pate displayed his 1937 12 Cylinder Packard Limousine and **Ben Carter** his 1940 110 Coupe.

Also on display was a 1929 Dodge Brothers sedan Coupe, a beautifully restored 1930 Model A, and a WWII restored Jeep

About 1,000 people paid \$45.00 each to tour the homes and gardens. Everyone wanted to take photos of the cars in front of the houses.

We had a great Sunday afternoon enjoying the tour and being a part of this Houston Historic Preservation Society event.



1940 Packard 110 Coupe



1930 Model A



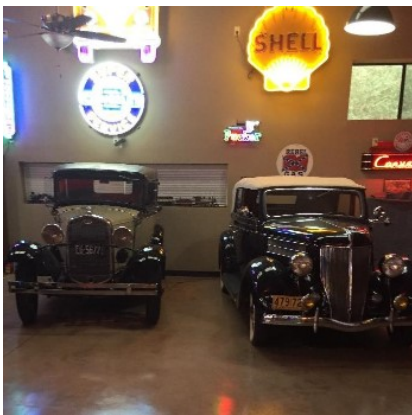
1937
Packard
Limousine



Bill & Judy Anderson



1930 Dodge Brothers Sedan





2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 18 - Potluck lunch at Sartin's Car Barn with trip to Musgrove's garage to search for Packard Parts.

February – TBA

March – No Meeting – Preparing for Salado

April – Texas Packard Meet – April 3, 4, 5 @ Holiday Inn Express in Salado, TX

May – Keels & Wheels - Seabrook, TX – Lakewood Yacht Club

June – TBA

July – National Packard Meet – No local meeting

August – TBA

September – TBA

October – TBA

November – TBA

December – TBA

If you would like to organize one of our monthly meetings or plan a tour, contact Chris Baccaro.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

January Birthdays

Nancy Eudy 9
Juanita Jordan 19
Karen Trokey 20
Jerry Ehrman 29



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Lone Star Packards was chartered by Packard Automobile Classics (PAC) in 1964. Our charter requires that Lone Star Packard members also be members of the Packard Automobile Classics. For information please contact our treasurer.

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PACKARD

***ASK THE MAN WHO OWNS
ONE***