



## *Director's Corner*

Greetings LSP family!

Despite the extreme heat, 96 degrees by early afternoon, Thirty Lone Star members and 3 guests ventured west to Bellville and Kenney, Texas. Thanks to our hosts **Mary and Jay** for braving the heat and bringing their '49 Custom convertible, **Doug** for bringing the '56 Clipper sedan, **Lonnie** for bringing the '55 Clipper hard top, and **Stephen** for bringing the '53 Clipper hard top. We had planned on bringing one but it was approximately 84 miles from our home and the heat scared me off!

Those who brought a Packard will be on **Assistant Director, John Lortz'** list, which will determine the winner of the David Mc Donald activity award at the end of the year. Be sure to read our new improved award program on page 6. Lonnie Gipson won \$70 in our 50/50 drawing.

Following a great lunch at The Kenney Store, which has been featured on the TV show *The Texas Bucket List*, we travelled approximately 5 miles to the home of our hosts **Jay and Mary**. There were two highlights of our visit.

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### **Judy Dulaney Anderson**

**June 26, 1940 – April 12, 2022**

It was saddening to hear of Judy's death to cancer that she battled for 21 years. She was a successful Houston Realtor from 1979-2021 and a good friend to many of us.

If you did not know Judy, you missed a blessing in your life. lady and had a wonderful attitude and sense of humor about her battle.

Judy is survived by her high school sweetheart and husband of over 60 years, Bill Anderson, their two daughters, son-in-law, two granddaughters, grandson and sister Carolyn Boyd.

Instead of donation to PPG, Lone Star Packards made a \$50 donation in Judy's honor to Jehovah Rapha Care Ministries, which provides rides to doctor appointments and treatment for those with cancer who do not have transportation.

The family appreciates LSP's contribution in her memory.

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The first was our first look at the new building Jay had built to house his collection. It holds all 9 cars and the original building has been converted to a repair or service garage.

The second treat was Jay demonstrating the process of starting the 1910 Stanley Steamer which recently won "Best in Show" at Keels and Wheels. Once started. Jay treated many of us to rides in the Stanley. Let me say this, in 1910 if you realized you left something at work or you needed one thing from the market, you could not just jump in the Stanley and head down the road! It is a complicated process where each step is predicated on the success of the previous step. Along the way, the observer is treated to a symphony of sounds only a steam engine can make. Once it is ready to go, it sounds just like an old train huffing and puffing down the track with the steam horn adding to the experience! I would love to have seen a salesman demonstrating and explaining to a potential buyer why he should buy a Stanley instead of a 1910 Packard or other combustion engine powered car! Thanks, Jay, for a really educational and fun experience! Also, thanks to Mary for the treats inside.

We have not yet determined where we will meet in June. If you are willing to host, please let me know.

Thanks to the Sartins, we will have our summer fried chicken picnic in their air-conditioned car barn. The date will be **Saturday July 2**. More information to follow.

Summer heat is upon us as well as high gas prices, not a good scenario for keeping our Packards going. However, the mornings are nice and you can always take a spin in the early evening.

Happy Packarding, Tommy'

Everything works well when unplugged  
for a while --- even YOU!

**Matthew Aaron Lucas**  
**February 16, 1978 – May 18, 2022**

Matthew, son of our members, **Dave and Sandra Lucas**, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, May 18, 2022.

Matthew will be remembered for his wonderful personality and love of the outdoors and fishing.

Matthew's wish was to be buried at sea; a Celebration of Life will be held on June 4th for close family and friends.

Our condolences to Dave and Sandra. Their address is 2115 County Road 160, Alvin, Texas 77511 if anyone would like to send a card.



**SALADO 2023 NOTICE**  
**44<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TEXAS PACKARD MEET**  
**MARCH 30 - APRIL 2, 2023**

As previously stated, I have been negotiating with the Salado Holiday Inn as they are anticipating a substantial rate increase by the 44th Annual meet in 2023.

They have agreed to cut the reservation deadline from 4 weeks prior to the date to 3 weeks prior. Jessica, the manager and Dixie, the assistant manager shared with me they expect all their rates to be in the \$200 range when we are there.

<b>2022 rates were</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday and Saturday</b>
1 king	\$89.99	\$99.99
2 queen beds	\$109.99	\$119.00

**New 2023 rates for TPM will be:**

<b>1 king</b>	<b>\$109.99</b>	<b>\$129.99</b>
<b>2 queen beds</b>	<b>\$129.99</b>	<b>\$139.99</b>

To wrap up:

1. Rooms will be \$20 more but still below the regular room rates (**Inflation is upon us!**)  
**If you check their website, they are already asking more for the rooms than our new rate.**
2. We have locked in the TPM rate
3. Free meeting rooms
4. Extended reservation deadline to **March 9, 2023**
5. Initial block of rooms has been finalized

The Holiday Inn remains our best bet for a headquarters hotel. They enjoyed having us and want to work with us again. I did check on the former Stagecoach Inn (now the Shady Villa) and they still only have 47 rooms total and no plans to expand in the near future.

If some do not want to pay that much, there are numerous B&Bs in Salado, Days Inn next door, or go down the freeway to Belton. However, I doubt if they will save enough to compensate for the loss of convenience of being at the host hotel.

You can call the hotel any time before **March 9, 2022** to reserve your room. **The hotel number is 254-947-4004. You can talk to either Dixie, the assistant manager, or Jessica, the manager and ask for the TPM rate.**

It may seem too early to be making these plans but we had to get the host hotel nailed down as it is the only place in town able to handle such a large group and events are planned way in advance. Johnny's BBQ will cater again, and we will firm up a menu later in the year.

Tommy

## PACKARDS FOR SALE

**Tom Drisdale** is selling his '40 6 Cyl. 1800 110 Coupe.  
Contact him at 832-892-8526; email [tvrpman@gmail.com](mailto:tvrpman@gmail.com).

**Dan Becker** accepting offers on his '40 180 formal sedan.  
Call 281-507-2617; email [d.r.becker@comcast.net](mailto:d.r.becker@comcast.net).

**Randy Bruns** is selling his late father's '53 Cavalier. He has detailed info on the history of this Packard. Contact him at [randallleebruns@gmail.com](mailto:randallleebruns@gmail.com).

**Martha Roberts** is selling Jamie's '56 Packard Patrician.  
Contact her at 713-598-5798; email [martha@jwroberts.com](mailto:martha@jwroberts.com).

**Mike Rigsby's family** selling his '39 6 Business Coupe asking \$42,439 OBO. Also selling '55 400 asking \$30,000 OBO.  
Contact Mike's daughter Laura Boyd at [treasures4gotten@yahoo.com](mailto:treasures4gotten@yahoo.com) or by phone at 832-385-4169. She would prefer contacting her via email.

**Harold Schmaltz** would like to sell two of his Packards. A '41 120 sedan and '49 8. Call 281-468-3886; email [Shconsultants@aol.com](mailto:Shconsultants@aol.com).

**Tracy Hammac** will sell his '47 2106 Henney Super Clipper 7 Passenger Sedan. Call 713-806-0753; email [tracyhammac@outlook.com](mailto:tracyhammac@outlook.com).

**Lenny Holzband** selling his '41 Packard 120 Deluxe Touring Sedan. Great driver in very nice condition. This car has been in several movies. For sale due to health conditions. Has won many awards. \$29,500. Contact him at 713-823-9369; email [lenny.adventures@gmail.com](mailto:lenny.adventures@gmail.com).

**Larry Myers** is selling a 1950 Super Deluxe Eight with a rebuilt Ultramatic Transmission. Asking price \$16,500. Phone (903) 769-3129; email [lmyers3701@yahoo.com](mailto:lmyers3701@yahoo.com).

**Herman Dentler** is selling is '28 Packard\_6 Cyl 526 Series 2 Door Coupe. Anyone interested can contact him 940-733-8803 email [Dentl6@yahoo.com](mailto:Dentl6@yahoo.com).

**There are Packards out there so if interested, contact these members. Pictures of these cars can be found on the LSP website.**

## WELLNESS REPORT

Several of our members are dealing with health issues. Let's remember them in our prayers.

**Tom Drisdale** had a heart attack and is home now on the road to recovery.

**Lenny Holzband** having a couple of serious health problems.

**J.C. Hairrell** had surgery for bladder cancer and while in the hospital got a pace maker. He is now going through chemo.

**Patricia Orr**, Our Benevolence Secretary is on the mend from her hip surgery and now has another health issue to deal with.

**Bill Anderson** had surgery to remove blockage in a neck artery and doing well.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

John & Kathy Payne of Sugarland have joined LSP. We met this friendly couple at Keels & Wheels.

They have a 1934 8-cylinder 1100 series Sedan. Hope to see them at a meeting soon.

Q: What did spring say when it was in trouble?

A: **MAY DAY!**

Which month can't make a decision?

A: **MAYbe**

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## **Congratulations to our 2022 High School Graduates**

**Zoe Baccaro**, junior member of Lone Star Packards and daughter of **Chris and Jamie Baccaro**, graduated from Clear Springs High School Sunday, May 22. Zoe has had a wonderful senior year, graduating with honors. She was the president of her high school Art National Honor Society, was one of two high school artists from her school district to have a painting entered into the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo art auction, and has received a couple of scholarship awards. She will be attending the University of Houston next year and due to dual credit program between CCISD and College of Mainland will begin her freshman year with 21 credits.

**Cash Lortz**, son of **John and Donna Lortz** is a 2022 Honors Graduate of Porter High School. Cash is not only graduating 6<sup>th</sup> in his class but also the FFA President! He has won many livestock awards including Breed Champion at The State Fair of Texas along with livestock judging at a state level. Cash will be continuing his education in livestock at Blinn College.

## LONE STAR PACKARD ACTIVITY AWARD

We instituted an Activity Award some years ago in memory of a former director and very active member, David McDonald, for the club member that brought their Packard to the most meetings. The winner received a plaque or gift certificate from LSP.

I felt we needed a better incentive to increase the number of Packards at our regular monthly meetings. After reaching out to Max Merritt Auto Parts, I was happy to hear back from Jackie Brunner. ***They are willing to fund a gift certificate of \$100 to be used at Max Merritt Auto Parts so we do not use our treasury for this award.***

Our **Assistant Director, John Lortz**, is keeping track of who brings a Packard to the meetings. We will total those at the end of the year and present the Max Merritt gift certificate. Max Merritt will then post a credit to the winner's account.

Please thank them if you happen to order something this year. You can also ask for **our member Mike Grimes** who is working at Max Merritt when you call for parts assistance.

Happy Packarding... Tommy



Here's an update on Mike & Caroline Calistrat

**Tony and Shirley Darrow** made a visit recently to see our long-time members **Mike and Caroline Calistrat** at their Retirement Residence at Tremont in Houston.

Mike has been busy as he authored a lovely book titled ***"The Trees of Tremont"***.

**Caroline** is enjoying her new found friends playing games with the residents. They are well and happy and try to stay busy and welcome friends to their new home.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## May Birthdays

- 7 Chris Baccaro
- 8 John Lortz II
- 14 Zoe Baccaro
- 22 Dan Grilli
- 22 Jamie Baccaro
- 24 Kathy Payne



John Lortz II was the only May birthday member we had Saturday, so he gets his picture published!

Two blondes were driving to Disneyland. The sign said: Disneyland Left.. So they started crying and headed home.

## 2022 Lone Star Packards Calendar of Meetings and Events

January	Cancelled due to Covid considerations
February 26	Lunch @ Pizza Shack-tour of Bob & Gayle Bucher's home and car collection in Willis, TX.
March	No Meeting – Several Members Working on Salado
<b>March 31-April 3</b>	<b>Texas Packard Meet – Salado, TX</b>
April	No Meeting – Several Members Attending Keels & Wheels
<b>April 30-May 1</b>	<b>Keels &amp; Wheels Seabrook, TX</b>
May 21	Lunch @ The Kenney Store. Tour of Jay & Mary Matthews car collection in Belleville
June	TBA
July 2	Summer Picnic at Sartin's Car Barn
<b>July 4 - 9</b>	<b>PAC 55<sup>th</sup> National Meet in Old Town Alexandria, VA</b>
August	TBA
September	TBA
October	Ed & Mary Fleming in The Heights date to be announced
November	TBA
December	Christmas Party TBA

If you have an idea for a meeting during 2022, contact our Activities Director, Chris Baccaro.



Above –  
Doug’s Car,  
Left –  
Lonnie’s Car,  
Below – Jay’s  
Car, right –  
Stephen’s Car





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