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**Important Dates**

- Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> National Night Out Downtown Behind the Chamber 5-7 pm
- Aug 9<sup>th</sup> FVCC Board Meeting
- Aug 13<sup>th</sup> New Member Meet and Greet
- TBA Romeo Lunch
- Aug 19<sup>h</sup> Juliet Lunch
- Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting
- Aug 27<sup>th</sup> Woodie Mini Car Show & Movie



The Fallbrook Vintage Car Club members share a common interest in the preservation and appreciation of vintage vehicles. We are dedicated to serving others through donations to local charitable organizations and participation in events and activities that reflect positively on the Fallbrook community.

# The Talepipe

## President’s Message

Your 2023 FVCC Board met for the first time and elected the executive board. Here are the results: President: Kathy Hesser, Vice President: Michael McGuire, Secretary: Steve Shapiro and Treasurer: Ron Mintle. Along with directors: Doug Allen, Gloria Andrews, Terry Decker, Gary Hesser, Chuck Pedigo, Elaine Pedigo, and Fred Weisberger that makes a full 11 member board!

We got right to work reviewing and finishing tasks from the last year and planning meetings and activities for the first few months. We fulfilled three donation requests for a total of \$5,000 to Senior Meals, Potter Jr. High and Fallbrook High Student of the Month Club. Monthly meeting themes will focus on auto specific types or historical car information. July we had a video speaker on Hood Ornaments and also a pictorial review of our 55th Car Show. August will be all about Oldsmobile's. September Ford Mustangs and October Cadillacs. Now if you happen to own one of these makes we want you to bring your car and some trivia about it to that meeting!

We had a great year coming out of the Covid restrictions and really want to encourage participation by all the members this year. Helping out with small jobs brings you closer to the rest of the group. We will be asking for sign ups to help with one meeting set-up and clean-up, being on a committee for one of the three big general meetings and of course the Car Show in May. Other ways you can participate is finding a speaker for a meeting, or writing a “Headlight” article on your car, or planning a club activity. We all have great information and ideas around our love of vintage cars. For those that have joined the club recently we want your ideas and input for activities. Fred Weisberger is hosting a Meet and Greet for New Members at his house Aug 13th (see pg. 4)

Check out the History Bits Section thanks to Fred Weisberger on Hood Ornaments (pg.7/8). Big thanks to all that helped move the three Fords from the Ford Room to the Barn at the Historical Society, (see pg 5). The Scavenger Hunt put together by Dana Meadows was a hilarious blast around town (see pg 2). Smiles!

***Kathy***

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## Scavenger Hunt!!

### Recap!



Six cars and eighteen members gathered at the Historical Society Compound for a wild drive around town seeking 25 items. Best of 25 finds, plus best time to win. Drivers are now qualified for a Demolition Derby race!

Jeeps hauling hay, Island trees, Shades of Blue and Out of this world Beauty Salons stumped a few. In the end it was a tie for 21 correct between Le Moines/Hesser team and McGuire/Andrews team. McGuire/Andrews team won with a time of 51 minutes.



The last stop on the Hunt was at the Firehouse Que and Brew. Lots of laughs and controversy on the items pictured. The judges stood firm (Dana and Debbie). There, the winning group was announced and they received a **wonderful prize - a joke by Dana**. We will never

look at a Church Bell Tower the same way again! Big thanks to Dana for putting together this fun and creative way to get out and enjoy our town and car club friends!



## 2022 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Meeting Schedule

We have our Board Meetings the Second Tuesday of the month at 2 pm unless otherwise announced. We vary the location by asking members to host the meeting at their house. If you would be so gracious to host a meeting at your house we give you a stipend to pay for meeting snacks and beverages. If you would like to attend and need the address location please contact Kathy Hesser.

**Tuesday August 9<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting Ron & Bev Mintle's Home 2 pm**

**Tuesday August 23<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting Crossway Community Church**

**6:30 Social 7:00 Meeting Topic: Oldsmobiles Bring your vintage Olds and share your car stories**



**Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting 2 pm Location Hesser's Home**

**Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Crossway Community Church**

**6:30 Social/7:00 pm: Celebrating the Ford Mustang Bring your Mustang and share your car stories**



**Tuesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting 2 pm Location TBD**

**Tuesday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Crossway Community Church**

**6:30 Social/7:00 pm All about Cadillacs Bring one if you have one!**



**Tuesday November 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting TBD**

**Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Crossway Community Church**

**6:30 Social/7:00 pm: White Elephant Auction**

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Fallbrook Vintage Car Club		2022	Activity Calendar
August	September	October	
9 <sup>th</sup> Board Meeting: Mintle's Home	13 <sup>th</sup> Board Meeting: Hesser's Home	11 <sup>th</sup> Board Meeting: Location TBD	
13 <sup>th</sup> New Member Meet and Greet	23 <sup>rd</sup> Pomona NHRA Museum Trip	16 <sup>th</sup> Antique Gas & Steam Museum	
23 <sup>rd</sup> General Meeting 6:30 Crossway Community Church Topic: OLDS	27 <sup>th</sup> General Meeting 6:30 Crossway Community Church Topic: Mustangs	25 <sup>th</sup> General Meeting 6:30 Crossway Community Church Topic: Cadillacs	
27 <sup>th</sup> Woodie Car Show and Movie	TBA Romeo Lunch	TBA Romeo Lunch	
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19 <sup>th</sup> Juliet Lunch			

### Save the Date!!! Saturday September 23 : Pomona NHRA Museum Trip

Depart the Park N Ride (395) at 9:30 AM. Car pool to Pomona to visit the Wally Pond National Hot Rod Association's Museum of Drag Racing and all Motor Sports. Admission is \$10.00 for seniors. 30,000 square feet of museum attractions/displays, including one for Fallbrook's Dode Martin, creator of the Dragmaster Company in Oceanside and builder of the "Two Thing" double-V8 drag motor as seen in Hot Rod Magazine. The collection includes dragsters, land speed vehicles, race cars ,customs, hot rods, and rotating displays. Lunch to be figured out. Home probably around 3:00 PM. Email garyhesser@gmail if you are coming along!

Be sure to visit this link to see all that's there: <https://nhramuseum.org/2020/02/18/welcome/>

### In Memoriam

We lost a great friend, Jeanne Cusimano July 9<sup>th</sup>. She passed peacefully at her home surrounded by family. Jeanne will be remembered for her big smile, enduring wit and love of family and friends. She battled her cancer for years but always with a positive attitude.

She was always helpful with car club activities and loved to cruise with Joe in their 1964 Mercury Comet Caliente Coupe. This year Joe and Jeanne donated their car registration money to the club even though they could not participate in the show. However Joe and Jeanne could help out or participate within the limitations of her treatment protocols they did. When I first began as editor of the Talepipe they gave me positive encouragement via email.

We Juliet's will miss her at our lunches. We will remember Jeanne forever in our hearts. Watch for news of a Celebration of life for Jeanne.

Let us remember this quote: To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die. - Thomas Campbell

## Moving the Fords



Big thanks to Fred Ragland, Steve Shapiro, Ron Mintle, Dana Meadows, Jim Andrews and Michael McGuire for completing this task requested by the Fallbrook Historical Society. The cars are now in the Barn. If you have not been to this site, it is open Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 pm.



Great history and displays of Fallbrook! Take your car for a spin and check it out!



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## August Activities

### Market your Calendars!

#### Woodie Mini Car Show and Movie!

**Surf's Up! Let's Take a Ride Together! Come out for a date night with the Fallbrook Film Society and enjoy a Woodie Mini Car Show!**

Come see a mini-car-show across the street from the Mission theater, fea-



turing Woodies from the San Diego and Southern California Woodie Clubs. Our very own car club is, of course, invited as well. Let Valerie Long know if you have a "Woodie" to show at this event. Email her at: [luv4me2sd@yahoo.com](mailto:luv4me2sd@yahoo.com)



After the car show we will watch the movie, "The Ride", in the classic Mission Theater, downtown Fallbrook. Please bring your family and friends to this fun event. Enjoy the cars at 3:00, refreshments, and an exciting surf movie. Advance tickets are \$10 and \$12 at the door. Watch for a flyer with online instructions for purchasing tickets to this fun event!



#### New Member Meet and Greet

If you have joined our club within the last year you are invited to Brunch from 9 am– 12 noon to get to know us better! Mark your calendars for Saturday, Aug 13th. Bring your vintage car to share as there is ample parking at Fred's House. We will be at his backyard "Tiki" patio with shade and fresh air! A formal invite will be sent! All members are welcome. RSVP To Steve Shapiro at [sshap@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sshap@sbcglobal.net)

A bit of History:  
HOOD ORNAMENT AND MASCOTS  
By  
Fred Weisberger



**1931 Packard Deluxe Emblem or Goddess of Speed**

There is nothing quite like the hood ornaments of the past. From the late 1920s and into the 1950s, most automobiles sold in America were offered with one or more hood ornaments as options. These artful little additions to radiator caps, and later the front-center of the hood, announced the character of car and its manufacturer. And if one was dissatisfied with the factory ornament, there were a wide variety of aftermarket hood ornament available.

The origin of the hood ornament can be traced back to the Brass Era (pre-1916), but it was not popular in America at first. Only a few American manufacturers offered hood ornaments in this period. One of them was the American Underslung car company (1905-1914), which offered an

elegant brass eagle with up-stretched wings. The vast majority of American cars came standard with only a plain radiator cap--and after 1912 the Boyce Motometer (motor thermometer) was a popular option, but it is not really a "hood ornament".

Automobile hood ornaments (or "mascots" as they called them) were very popular in England. Several British car manufacturers were early to add a mascot to their cars. Most famously was Rolls-Royce, with the Charles Sykes 1911 patented Spirit of Ecstasy or "Flying Lady". Legend has it that Rolls-Royce was so unhappy with some of the frivolous mascots that were added to their fine automobiles by owners, that the company decided to issue an "official" dignified mascot for their cars. Although the Flying Lady mascot has changed many times in size and style, it has been an integral part of Roll-Royce automobiles for over 110 years.



**1930 Cadillac Goddess**



Late 1960's Rolls-Royce

The British, in particular, embraced automobile mascots as a form of free expression, from the seriously artistic to the silly and down-right rude. Hundreds of different mascots were available in the British aftermarket. One could choose from: half-clothed nymphs, a mythical sphinx, the Roman god Vulcan, and various animals, airplanes, whimsical characters--and countless forms of stylized women. Most hood ornaments/mascots were made of either pot metal or bronze, and were nickel or chrome plated.

By the late 1920s art glass ornaments became popular in Europe for luxury automobiles. Some glass ornaments were available with a light in the base, such as those manufactured by famous French artist, Rene Lalique or the less famous Red Ashay company, as seen in the header of this section.

By the late 1930s, the actual radiator had moved from an external structure, to be adorn with a hood ornament, to an internal mechanical device to be ignored. As automobile styling became more aerodynamic, hood ornaments began to disappear. Over the decades hood ornaments changed from recognizable figures, to being stylized remnants of their former figures, such as the "airplanes" on the 1957 Chevrolets. Eventually hood ornaments were only found on a few luxury brands, such as Rolls-Royce, Bentley, Lincoln, Cadillac, and Mercedes Benz.

Today's aerodynamic designs and safety concerns make it unlikely that hood ornaments will return, so whenever you see a pre-1960 car, especially one from the 1930s, take some time to study the automotive art on the hood. And if you wish to collect hood ornaments/mascots, many originals and reproductions are available on eBay and at swap meets. They range in price from just a few dollars for a 1950s ornament in poor condition to many thousands of dollars for a perfect Lalique glass ornament with a lighted base.



1928 Hudson



1928-31 Model A

## Member Headlight: Shining a Light on Members Cars:

We Need Your Car Story HERE!



Here is a fun way for the other members to get to know about your car and a little more about you! You don't need to completely write the article! Just answer a few questions noted here and send to Kathy Hesser at [Kathy.hesser@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.hesser@gmail.com) along with a couple of pictures. I then will write the article from your answers and send back to you prior to posting in the Talepipe.

How long have you had your car?

What is the Make and Model of your car?

What made you choose that make and model?

What is different or special about your car?

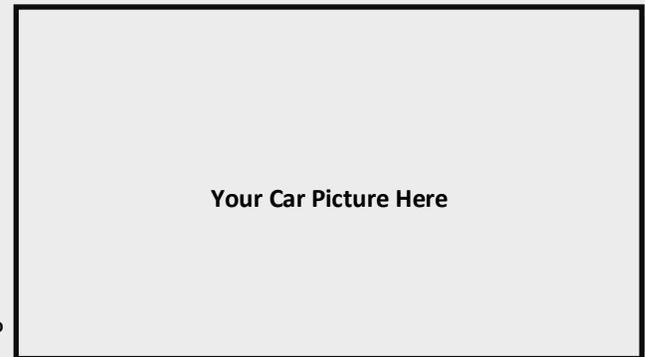
What has been restored on your car? Who did the restoration?

Tell us about a favorite story or outing with your car.

How long have you lived in Fallbrook? What brought you to our town?

Any other history or information on your car you would like to share.....

That's it! Don't be shy! Send in your car info today! We will place it in the next Talepipe!!!



***Caption about your Car Here!***



The June ROMEO was held on **June 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30** at Fire House Que and Brew

Lots of conversation about, you know vintage cars, the Bates Car Show and summer travel! Great times.....



Watch for news on the Next Romeo in August !



Juliet's met for Brunch at the Garden Center Café  
Friday July 15th!

The next Juliet Lunch is August 19<sup>th</sup> 12 noon at  
Brother's Bistro !





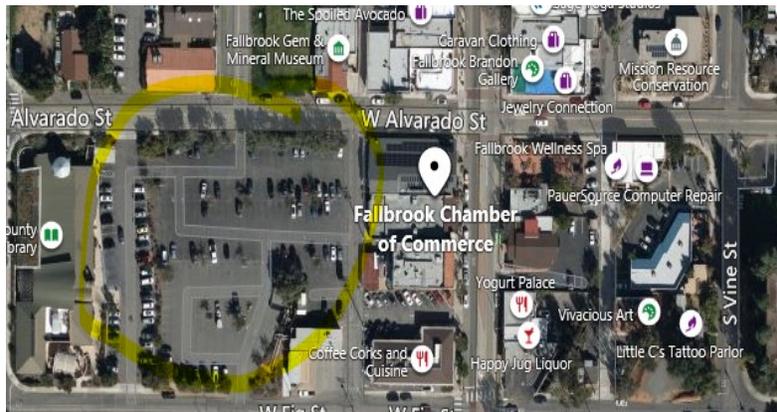
**Annual National Night Out Event hosted by the San Diego County Sheriff's Department**

The mission is building comradery between local law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve. A fun filled evening with food games and entertainment. We are still looking for vendors and if there is an organization you would like to invite, please send me their info.

**Location:** Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce, 111 S. Main Street (Parking Lot behind The Chamber)

**When:** Tuesday, August 2, 2022

**Time:** 5pm-7pm



Contact Heather Mitchell at [heather.mitchell@sdsheriff.org](mailto:heather.mitchell@sdsheriff.org) or call (619)576-1930 for vendor info or to donate.

## Local Fun Show Up and Talk Car Events and Shows

Show and Shine at Oceanside In and Out Burger Corner of HWY 76 & Frazee Road

HOT ROD, CLASSIC & STREET ROD CRUISE IN

4 pm—7 pm

*SHOW DATES:*

**May 8    June 12    July 10    Aug 14    Sept 11**

**Call a car club buddy and get in your car for a short ride!**

**Cruise through the Drive thru for a burger and shake!**

**Park and show your car!**

### Temecula Cars and Coffee

Parking Lot across from Lazy Dog

Restaurant

40754 Winchester Rd  
Temecula, CA 92591

Car enthusiasts bring their classic, custom, exotic and vintage rides to share with others. No fees.

First Saturday of the month. 7:30 am—10 am

ORGANIZER: Temecula Valley Motoring Enthusiasts

### Other Local Car Shows:

Check out SoCal Car culture website for more!

<http://www.socalcarrculture.com/events.html>

Don't forget to check out AACA!

<https://aaca.org/>



Hello fellow FVCC members. Please recommend a good mechanic for my 1950 cars. General maintenance & repairs, not engine or transmission overhaul.

Arnold Cohen

email [cohen27@verizon.net](mailto:cohen27@verizon.net)

phone 951-926-0633

# Classifieds

## FOR SALE

### Demco KarKaddy SS

#### with Disc Brakes

This is the top of the line folding dolly with surge disc brakes, attached ramps, new tires and all tie down straps. It is a 2013 model purchased new to haul a car back to SoCal from Tennessee. Used less than 3000 miles. The SS model has "auto steer" allowing dolly tires to turn slightly allowing for better tracking behind tow vehicle. Folding ramps and tilt bed make easy loading and minimum clearance problems. Completely galvanized and / or painted.



Dolly has never been registered. Have manual and spare parts.

Available for inspection.

Asking \$3000 or best offer.

Michael McGuire 714-323-1830 [mikemcguire@roadrunner.com](mailto:mikemcguire@roadrunner.com)

# FALLBROOK VINTAGE CAR CLUB

## *Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs*

### 2022/2023 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Officers

President	Kathy Hesser	Kathy@fallbrookvintagecarclub.org
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Treasurer	Ron Mintle	Treasurer@FallbrookVintageCarClub.org

### 2022/2023 Fallbrook Vintage Car Club Board Members

Doug Allen, Gloria Andrews, Terry Decker, Gary Hesser, Chuck Pedigo, Elaine Pedigo  
Fred Weisberger

### *Club Chairs*

Car Show	Steve Shapiro, Michael McGuire
Donations/Scholarships	Michael McGuire/Doris Shapiro
JULIET	Connie Waugh
Membership/Roster	Elaine Pedigo
Merchandise Sales	Annette McGuire, Gloria Andrews
Outside Activities	Jim Binford, Gary Hesser, Dana Meadows
Publicity	Gary Hesser
ROMEO	Doug Allen
RV Camping	Kathy Hesser
Sunshine	Pam Rusch
Talepipe	Kathy Hesser
Trailers & Club Property	Michael McGuire
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