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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Well, here we are going into the Autumn Season and our club has not really done many events this year. In the past we have tried to have a club event at least

once a month during the driving season and several Tech Sessions between drives. Our Sam's Car Show has been cancelled because of trying to get approval from Sam's Club and trying to get participation from the members. I'm hoping that those of you that wanted to show your cars this year coordinated with Jim Revel to participate in the Park City Car Show. It was planned as a big event.

We do have a September 23 drive to Trappers Loop and lunch; so plan on attending no matter what car you drive. We will discuss more on this drive at our upcoming meeting on September 12 at Joe Morley's. We will also plan our Club's Christmas Dinner Party. I'm sure you all would like to have input into this dinner party.

The Club's nomination for new officers will be at the November business meeting; be sure to look to your good conscience and see what position you could fill to keep our club viable.

Doug's vegetable garden is doing quite well. We've had wonderful Chili Relleno dinners with chili's from our garden; sliced tomatoes with every meal

(including breakfast with English Muffins, bacon and cheddar cheese); great crispy cucumbers; and salsas with jalapenos, onions, tomatoes and cilantro all from his garden. Peaches are coming on now, so Doug will make freezer jam and I will make Peach Pies.

I won't really bore you with the marvels of the Instant Pot Pressure Cooker, but what a wonderful appliance. It is nothing like the pressure cookers of years ago. These are electric and very fast and convenient. You can have a great dinner on the table in less than 45 minutes; boiled eggs that peel easily and no green ring around the yolk; yummy Mac and Cheese in one pot; meatloaf and mashed potatoes in under 30 minutes (cooked together). I could go on and on, but check them out. They are well worth the price. And, I am not being paid to promote these. I think we need a new club president, one that actually knows about cars and can promote car events rather than pressure cookers.

Keep 'em rolling,

Ann

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS:

Am I the only person that thinks this summer has flown by?



It seems like yesterday that I pulled the Sprite out and got it running for the season. It's been so hot this summer that I haven't driven the car as much as I would have liked but the fall is normally the best time for British cars anyway. I had hoped to participate in the Shine and Show tentatively scheduled for August 19th but as you know, it was cancelled due to scheduling issues at Sam's Club. We seem to be "snake bit" on this event this year. We do have a couple of events scheduled for the fall that hopefully, will be more successful.

As Ann said in her comments, we have nominations for 2018 Officers coming up in our November BAHC meeting. All positions are open for nominations (including the Newsletter Editor/Historian position). It would be nice to get some new blood in these positions to revitalize the club. We seem to have fewer participants and less interest in any scheduled event. It would be a shame to see the club just fade away.

Today was the solar eclipse and I must say I enjoyed watching it. We procrastinated about buying the viewing glasses until the last minute and then, couldn't find any. Luckily we have a generous neighbor who invited us to join him and share his glasses. No "New Age" or psychic phenomenon occurred but it was still pretty cool. I doubt I'll be around for the next one.

Hope to see everyone at the meeting on September 12th at Joe Morley's.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11-15: Monterey, California. Monterey International Healey Week 2017 hosted by Austin

Healey Club USA and Golden Gate Austin-Healey Club.

September 12: BAHC meeting at Joe Morley's at 7:30 pm.

October 28: Big Cottonwood Ride. Lunch at Silver Fork Lodge or in Park City or Midway. Details to follow.

November 14: Officer Nominations Meeting at Joe Morley's at 7:30 pm.

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BAHC MEETING MINUTES- JULY 11th

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President, Ann Lewis.

In Attendance: Ann and Doug Lewis, Craig Mossberg, Jim Thornton, Jon Hanson, Don Colman, Bob and Candi Keeney, Ernie Reno, Darin and Elaine Graber, Dil Strasser and Allen Brown.

Treasurer/Membership: Club finances are adequate for club needs. We now have 40 paid members. 11 of the members are local BAHC members only and do not belong to the AHCA. There are about four members that were active in 2016 but have not renewed for 2017.

New Members: Welcome to Bob and Candi Keeney from Park City. They are owners of a 1967 BJ-8 in British Racing Green. They would welcome suggestions on a good mechanic to service their vehicle.

Newsletter: The editor is always looking for articles and welcomes any input.

Website: Jon Hanson has domain costs that he needs to forward to Jim Thornton for reimbursement. No definite

date when the current website will no longer be available has been announced.

Activities: We would like to schedule a Shine and Show Car Show at Sam's Club for Saturday, August 19th. Dil Strasser will contact Don Hughes to see if this date is acceptable to Sam's Club. It is important to resolve quickly so final arrangements can be made.

September 23rd: A ride up East Canyon and Trapper's Loop was discussed with a lunch in Huntsville at the Shooting Star or Huntsville Barbecue. It is possible to include a visit to the Monastery before it closes in the late fall.

October 28th: Ride up Big Cottonwood to Brighton and/or over Guardsman's Pass. Lunch could be at Silver Fork or in Park City or Midway.

Details on all events will be coordinated via e-mail and communicated to members via the website, newsletter and email blast. Ann Lewis also expressed interest in having a BAHC Christmas Party again this year.

Club Tools: Don Colman and Dave Maxwell are in possession of various club owned tools that are available to members. Anyone interested should contact Don Colman.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 12th at Joe Morley's.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Submitted by Don Colman

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2017 CONCLAVE REPORT

The above was held on July 9-14 in Waco, Texas and was smaller than others I have attended in the past with 91 attendees & 50 cars. The smaller size wasn't all bad as it was a bit easier to get

acquainted. I knew a few folks from past Conclave's that I have attended and a few that attended Healey's Return to Bonneville in 2009. Because of that and the Conclave held in Park City in 1996 our club is well known and also because Dave Maxwell having been Delegate for so many years and because he and Sandy were named Honorary Members in 1998 & 2010 for his work on Bonneville in 2009. They know numerous members. I talked with a couple of the AHCA past presidents that I knew that are also Honorary Members. On July 10th I attended a neat social they had on the Waco Suspension Bridge.

I attended the Car Show with 50 cars on display and the most exciting car at the Conclave was Chris Kellner's 240 HP 59 Devin Healey Works Car that he races. Special Guest Clive Baker a famous Healey Works race car driver from the UK who drove for Donald Healey from 62-70 was there and Chris, Steve Coleman, Vince Clark and John Nikas were Guest Speakers. Steve brought his two Sebring Sprites which were on display. Vince is a famous golf coach at McLennan Community College in Waco, John came to Bonneville in 09 in his Healey 100, "Grace" that he drove on his 340,000 mile journey visiting sick children to Drive Away Cancer.

I helped out and attended the Gymkhana and Funkhana Driving events at the Texas State College Airport. They had a good selection of Regalia for sale and many things for auction which I did not attend. In Waco I went to the Magnolia shop at the Grain Elevators which you may know from TV, saw Baylor University and the Texas Ranger Museum.

Rumor has it that unfortunately AHCUSA the other National Club is in financial trouble and that Moss has been subsidizing them even though they have fewer but many duplicate members than AHCA.

I attended the Delegate meeting as did around 27 in total. Gary Feldman, President of AHCA

conducted the meeting and after the roll call the following was reported and or presented:

Current Membership is 2,832 down 100 from a year ago, a common problem. They want more members to be more than just local & not national members and are coming up with a financial help program for a short period to entice more members to become National. In our club out of 40 only 27 are national receive the Marque Magazine etc. In 2016 AHCA had total revenues of \$182,713 and disbursements of \$179,092 for a net over disbursements of \$3,621. In 2017 they expect to have a negative of almost \$3,000, but with cash on hand of \$137,000 they are solid financially. I have a breakdown should anyone care to see it.

2018 Conclave will be July 15-20 at French Lick Resort & Casino in French Lick, Indiana. Jim Frakes, President of the Central Indiana AHC reported the following about it: They have 256 rooms blocked at a rate of \$130 at French Lick and can go up to 400 rooms. They have 3 golf courses, underground parking, indoor and outdoor pools, 24 car wash racks and a 1900 built brick road. Next door a mile away is the West Baden Springs Hotel & Dome offering room rates at \$179 per night, google it, as it is really something to see since it all was restored. The dome's atrium has a sound controlled ceiling. For you basketball fans, French Lick is Larry Bird's home town. Located nearby is the 65 year old Historic Salem Speedway with a 1/4 mile track for the gymkhana. I hope some of you members will attend. I plan to as I want to see the restored hotels, have a friend that lives nearby and I know a few of their members as I grew up in Indianapolis.

Enjoyed it and glad I went.

Submitted by Jim Revel

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NEW MEMBERS

We have new members that we would like to welcome to the Bonneville Austin Healey Club- Bob and Candi Keeney from Park City.

After several years of travelling to Park City from California, they bought a home in Park City and brought their 1967 BJ-8 with them. Bob said his Healey is in good shape and as soon as it is licensed in Utah, will be back on the road.

Submitted by Jim Thornton

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GOODING & COMPANY PEBBLE BEACH AUCTION

Here are the top ten purchases at the Gooding and Company Auction at Pebble Beach in August, 2017.



1. 1966 Ferrari 275 GTB/C- \$14,520,000.
2. 1970 Porsche 917K- \$14,080,000.
3. 1959 Ferrari 250 GT Series 1 Cabriolet- \$4,840,000.
4. 1956 Maserati A6G/54- \$4,400,000.
5. 2015 Ferrari LaFerrari- \$3,520,000.
6. 1954 Ferrari 500 Mondial Series 1- \$3,162,500.

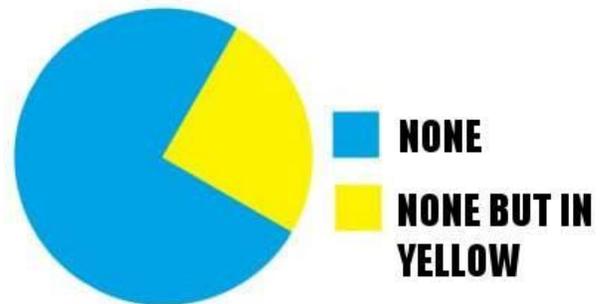
7. 1958 BMW 507 Series 2- \$2,750,000.
8. 1965 Ferrari 275 GTB- \$2,585,000.
9. 1966 Ferrari 275GTS- \$1,700,000.
10. 1955 Mercedes Benz 300SL Gullwing- \$1,677,500.



Amazingly, not a single Healey in the top ten.

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Chances of finishing my project car:



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Rear Cover: Healey bodies being shipped for final assembly.



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