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Re: Bakersfield Rescued; HCCA Awards; Joyce Chase Award; Driving the Vote; Last Call; ….
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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

- **Bay Area Region to the Rescue** – As of last Friday's meeting, the Bay Area HCCA Region has stepped up to put on the **2026 Bakersfield Swap Meet**, this year honoring Gil Klecan!
  The Swap Meet will he held May 1-2, 2026, at Minter Airfield, Shafter, CA. This will be a Brass Era / Pre-war (1942) Swap Meet.
  The BAHCC needs volunteers to help put on the show. Contact Rob Caldeira to offer to help. rob@robertcaldeira.com 408-930-9052
  Details in the Gazette and the Website.

- **Marian Welch and Art Twohy Awards** – The Marian Welch Service Award is the Horseless Carriage Club's most prestigious National Honor, and the Art Twohy Service Award, is the Horseless Carriage Club's Regional Honor.
  We need **YOU** to nominate those members who have made a significant contribution to keeping the Club running, and helping others, at both the National, and also the Regional level.
  All you have to do is reflect on those members who assisted you and others, helped with a spare part, assisted on a tour, and deserve a Big Thank You from the Club.
  Please send member nominations c/o Russell Holden, to the HCCA Office address. Russell will accept nominations for individuals up to March 31, 2026. No need to wait, do it NOW!
  The Marian Welch and Art Twohy Award nominations can also be submitted c/o Russell Holden, by email: office@hcca.org

- **Joyce Chase Award** – The HCCA Board has established the Joyce Chase Award to "celebrate a woman who brings the same spirit and energy that Joyce brought to every tour". Please see the details in the upcoming Gazette. Candidate nominations are requested prior to March 31st, 2026. Contact the office for details office@hcca.org

- **Driving the Vote** – More than 100 years ago, two women undertook an epic road trip in support of women's suffrage. And, they did it in a Saxon automobile. "Through March (Women's History Month) we will be taking our Saxon from NYC to Phoenix AZ following the approximate route of the suffragists south through Georgia and west through Texas." Contact your local Region, or the Gazette for details.

- **Last Call for Gazettes** – Former HCCA Executive Secretary, Sharon Gooding is clearing out the Club files she has been storing for years. She has old Gazette issues, to be given away. You can have one, or more, or Many More, just for the cost of postage! Contact Sharon at: sharonekgooding@gmail.com Act Now! On April 1, 2026 they all go in the dumpster!

- **What's on the Calendar** – The Latest from the HCCA Gazette and Website:
  - HCCA National Convention and Tour, Friant, CA. May 6-10, 2026. Aka California Rendezvous V. Hosts: Jim & Dianna Skillicorn, 831-455-5150.
  - Midwest Brass and Gas Spring Tour, Three Rivers, MI. Contact: Devin Shaw, 810-577-6926.
  - ABC III Tour, Pine Mountain, GA. June 1–5, 2026. Contact: Kenny Wright, 404-372-3396. Email: Kenny@knwfire.com

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