

# TRANS-SCRIPT

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Trans Am Club of America, Golden State Chapter, Inc.

The meeting was held at Lumberjacks Restaurant 5820 Madison Ave Sacramento and the meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Brian Rankin, Sgt. Of Arms.

Member Presents where – Don Scalise, Jim Nakata, Petra Martinez, JO Raff, Robert and Fay Holland, Brian Rankin, Ted Bechtel, Keith Thorson, Ken Lazzarini

Guest Present – Cindy Raff

There were no corrections to the April 2022 minutes in the News Letter, Jim Nakata made a motion to accept the minutes and Brian Rankin seconded it. The vote was unanimous.

## Treasurers report –

The Treasurer's report as of 5/12/22

Bank balance -----\$1,394.94

Deposits from dues ----- \$40.00

Expenses - 4/29 Homestead.com \$11.74

**Old Business** On April 16th we had a club outing Glen and Marlene's in Plymouth for Breakfast. Since the weather was iffy there was a chance of rain no one drove there Firebirds or Trans Am. The members that attended were Don Scalise, Terry Trimble, Robert and Fay Holland, Jim Nakata, Petra Martinez and her guest Carleta. Everyone had a fantastic breakfast. After breakfast we drove to Jackson and I was leading the group so I decided to do show them some of the Gold Mining history of the area. We stopped at the Kennedy Tailing Wheels where members took pictures. After arriving in Jackson we did stop at the Train Candy store where almost everyone bought something sweets, and then we toured more stores.

On April 30<sup>th</sup> Auto Rama was held at Cal Expo, so myself Terry Trimble, Robert and Fay Holland, Ted Bechtel, Petra Martinez and three of her friends Jenny, Carleta & Fatima meet us at Black Bear Restaurant on Arden way for breakfast. After breakfast Petra, myself and Terry went to the Auto Rama and enjoyed the show where we meet up with Ken Lazzarini.

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. Ken Lazzarini and Terry Trimble





Ken Lazzarini and Petra Martinez at Auto Rama

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Ken Lazzarini and Don Scalise



**New Business** On May 21<sup>st</sup> our next club event will be going to the Empire Gold Mine in Grass Valley, the surface property is owned by the State CA. it is very beautiful, if you have never been there I guarantee you will enjoy it; Afterwards we will have lunch in Grass Valley or Nevada City. We will be meeting at the park and ride on Orlando St. which is next to a Shell Gas Station in Roseville. Traveling Highway 80 take the 102 exit to Auburn Blvd cross the traffic light and it is right past the Shell Station on the right side. We will be meeting at 8:30am and departing at 9:00am

On our June 25<sup>th</sup> we will be going to Pawlu and Cary house in Mountain Ranch for lunch/appetizers. For those members that will attending this outing they ask if you can bring a side dish. We plan on leaving Sac. around 8:30 am so that will get us there at their house by 10:00; Lunch will be at 11:30. We will have more information by the next club meeting.

**Announcement -**

Once a month we plan on having article from one of members about their Trans Am or Firebird. I am asking members to write article about your Trans Am or Firebird, please e mail it to me with a picture of your vehicle.

This month it is from Charlene Thomson



Hello my name is Charlene Thompson and I have been with the TACA Golden State Chapter since 1981. I had gone to the car races at Sears Point Raceway and the club was there and that's how I met them in 1980. They saw I had a 1980 Trans Am at the time and they wanted me to join the club. I had planned on joining the club but a couple weeks after I met them I was driving my Trans Am and it caught on fire. The car was brand new it still had the paper tags on it. I called GM about it and they came out and got the car took it in and went through the whole car and found out that it was a factory default when they made the car. They wanted me to meet them at the dealership where I bought the car at and they were going to get me another Trans Am. It was time for the 1981 Trans Am to come out so they told me to go through the book and pick out a 1981 Trans Am, any color that I wanted and anything that came on a Trans Am. That year they were coming out with the turbo so I ordered a 1981 Turbo Trans Am. I love the car but after a while the turbo kept going out in the car. At that time we were having the big Trans a Rama car show in Reno Nevada and General Motors always came out to our car



shows. In 1986 they had said they were coming out with a Trans Am GTA in 1987 and only a limited of them being made. So in 1987 when the new cars came out I went back to the dealership where I had bought my other Trans Am and I told them that I wanted to get a Trans Am GTA. I told them what color I wanted and they located me one and brought it to the dealership. I traded in my 1981 Trans Am on this 1987 Trans Am GTA. That is the car that I still have now. It is a Flame Red 1987 Trans Am GTA 5.7 Engine with a digital dash. During my years of being with the club we have done so many different activities. We had many years of Trans a Rama up in Reno Nevada with hundreds of Trans Am from all over attending it. We held them for three days at the Peppermill Casino or at Harrah's Casino. When we stopped having it in Reno, we had it in Sacramento at Reliable Pontiac. One event we had was we went to the car races at Sears Point raceway and we got to parade around the race track with the pace cars at the beginning of the races that day. During the years we also had many car shows at different places. Some of our car shows were just at restaurants and we parked them in the parking lot and people would come and look at our cars. We would have raffles at the car shows which anybody could purchase tickets and we made money that way for our club. We had many car runs to places like Great America, Santa Cruz, car races at Laguna Seca in Monterey, Apple Hill, Bodega Bay, Napa wineries, Jelly Belly factory, Budweiser tour, graffiti night in Modesto to name a few. One year we escorted the homecoming queen and her attendants at one of the high schools in Sacramento. We had many poker runs. With being a member of the club and always having some kind of activity our club was very close like a big family. I am proud to be a member of the TACA Golden State Chapter.



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This evening I donated another door prize, it was a 2000 Sacagawea Golden Dollar United States proof coin. The lucky person that won was Keith Thorson.



Next month I will be donating another Sacagawea proof coin.

**The 50/50 Drawing** - This evening the 50/50 drawing winner was Don Scalise of a \$55.00 Jack Pot. I donated my half back to the club.



Cary Camilleri	5/16
AJ Machaevich	6/1
Ted Bechtel	6/4
Keith Thorson	6/8

**Adjourning** - Jim Nakata made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Everyone voted in favor of closing the meeting.

**Classified Ads –**

If any members have Pontiac related items they would like to sell, please send me an e-mail of your items and I will post them in the Trans Script.

These businesses are supporting our club. Please patronize them



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**Yearly Dues:** \$40 per person, \$50 per family.

Thank you Petra Martinez for taking the minutes of the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by

President Don Scalise

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