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President's Message

Our world is upside down and may continue this way for sometime. A vaccine is coming and will help normalize our lives and let us get back to in-person meetings, tours, and car shows. We are now entering flu season. The CDC estimates that there have been 810,000 hospitalizations and as many as 61,000 deaths annually since 2010 due to the seasonal flu. So during the next month or two we are faced with the possibility of contracting both COVID-19 and the regular seasonal flu. The good news is we do have a vaccine for the flu.

One of our long time members, John Bettencourt, is moving to Florida to be closer to his family. His phone still works so we can keep in touch. Although they are poor substitutes, our phones, Zoom meeting, and our Pandemic Picnics have helped us stay in contact with one another.

Our next Halloween Pandemic Picnic will be on Friday October 30, one day before Halloween. It will be at the same time, 11 am, in Golden Gate Park next to Spreckels Lake.

I will be in Oklahoma this month and will miss our October monthly Zoom meeting. I will miss seeing everyone. However I will be back in time for the Picnic. The monthly meeting will be this Thursday October 8 at 7:30 pm. You will receive a separate ZOOM meeting notice.

Stay healthy. Get vaccinated. I will see you at the Halloween Pandemic Picnic on Friday October 30.

Barry Kinney

Virtual Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Walter Caplan. There were 8 ZOOMers. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written.

People reports:

- ◆ Walter reported on the last pandemic picnic. It was fun and well attended. There will be another, perhaps late in October.
- ◆ John Bettencourt is still in St. Petersburg, FL and continues to bird watch.
- ◆ Gary Barrango reported from Lake Tahoe. He and Cheryl were enjoying a weekend away. Gary reported that Bill Baxter moved all of his cars away from the fires in the wine country. The Monte Cristo Club is still doing take out dinners, and has done 3 or 4 successful ones. Gary reported that John Zuffi is doing well. There's smoke in Tahoe and the casinos are not crowded. Gary did outdoor dining when there.
- ◆ Don Barnes goes out to dinner once a week and drives one of his classic cars once a week.
- ◆ Gary Koll might travel to Big Bend, Texas next month for business.
- ◆ Camilla is working from home with every third Friday off.

There was not much more of interest to report and the session was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Peterson, Secretary