



San Diego Region

# Predictor

## President's Message

I hope our entire region will attend the Packards International Annual Membership Meet, Jan 28-30 in Orange Ca, driving their Packard. I am sure some of our members will be award winners as we have some elegant Packards in our club.

At our January Board meeting our membership Chair, Karl Ramsing, indicated that we had gained some new members. This is great. We gained at least one new member at our Christmas party. Karl observed a gentleman observing the Packards parked in front of the Lazy H. The man owned a Packard so Karl signed him up. I believe what we can learn from this is that when we drive our Packards people cannot help but notice and this many times leads to positive things, like new members, someone has a Packard part, looking for a Packard etc. This sequence reminds me of an old Bible School Song I sang back in the middle of the last century "Don't hide your Light under a Basket". Analogy being, don't hide your Packard under a car cover in the garage.

I am sure everyone has reviewed our schedule of events for the year and selected several that you do not want to miss. Spring is just around the corner and it is time to uncover your vintage Packard and get it ready for the coming events. If it is not running why not "get her going" this year. If you need help just check our website and find a knowledgeable Packard person to help OR call one of our members. If we can't help we will offer moral support! Our next event is your installation lunch. Load up the Packard (bring the whole family) and welcome your new Board and officers. I believe that I speak for the board when I say we welcome your comments and constructive criticism. If no one tells me I screwed up how will I ever know?

Happy Packard motoring and of course, "Ask the Man Who Owns One"

Steve Ross

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT PLEASE READ—PLEASE HEED

The San Diego Region's Board meetings will be held on the FIRST WEDNESDAY of the month. Time is unchanged, 6:30 P.M. at Keith's Restaurant on Miramar Road at Interstate 15. Meeting is open to all members.



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Find P.I. San Diego information,  
links to P.I. Chapters & P.I. National  
Events

## FOR SALE – CARS AND PARTS

'39 Packard 110 Touring Sedan, brown & tan, sidemounts, fender skirts, visor; nice driver, recent work done; garaged. \$24,500 [msg967@live.com](mailto:msg967@live.com) 12/10

Losing garage space, must sell:  
 '55 Super Clipper Constellation  
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 '56 Clipper Deluxe (not complete)  
 '57 "57L-P8 Clipper

Donald Smith, 619-281-4733  
 3510 33<sup>rd</sup> St., San Diego, CA 92104

For P.I. – San Diego Members:

Do you have a collector car or parts for sale? To place an ad in our newsletter, email Gary Wysong at [gwyson@cox.net](mailto:gwyson@cox.net) or call 619-267-8879.

If you have an email address at home or work, but get your newsletter by regular mail, email Gary Wysong to be placed on our email list.

'55 Packard Patrician, reupholstered, oil pump replaced, garaged, A/C; \$9,500  
[msg967@live.com](mailto:msg967@live.com) 12/10

'54 Packard Cavalier, red, A/C, show condition, drive anywhere, \$25,000, Bill 602-368-9232 or [rmcatee@cox.net](mailto:rmcatee@cox.net) P.I. Website 9/10

'48 Packard sedan, original San Diego car, black exterior, in good shape, runs great, \$11,000 or best offer  
 Marty 858-652-1510 1/11

'56 Packard 400 2-Door Hardtop Convertible, one owner, #5 condition, \$12,000, Mairon 604-432-6042 or [maironmm@aol.com](mailto:maironmm@aol.com) P.I. Website

Members: Your Board needs your Recommended Services/Parts persons or firms that you have had favorable dealings with during restoration and preservation of your Packards. Please send person/firm (name/address/phone number) to Mark Burnside at [markburnside@cox.net](mailto:markburnside@cox.net) where he will post this on our updated website. We are also accumulating a list to publish for your use – Karl Ramsing

'56 Packard Executive 4 door sedan, black, original paint and chrome, motor and trans run great, \$8,500 OBO, George 323-937-9446, [georferrgr@aol.com](mailto:georferrgr@aol.com) 1/11

'37 Packard Super 8 Formal Sedan, black, excellent condition, \$275,000; Linda Rogut at 813-977-8830; P.I. Website 2/11

'55 Packard 400 Hardtop, engine runs, excellent sheet metal, torsion suspension works, located in SoCal; Gil at 951-272-3351 2/11

'41 Packard Convertible Coupe, brown/tan, excellent condition, \$65,000; 209-531-3095 [danshan1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:danshan1@sbcglobal.net) 2/11

'40 Packard 120 Convertible Coupe, Miami sand, great shape, \$46,995; 1-877-367-1835, [streetsideclassics.com](http://streetsideclassics.com), stock # 23-ATL 1/11

'53 Packard Clipper drive-train, includes engine, radiator, transmission and rear end. Engine complete, less than 100 miles on the transmission. Rick 520-483-441 AZ 1/11

'54 Packard Cavalier, restored bumper to bumper, \$49K invested, offered at \$22,500; Jim 602-885-1139 1/11

'55-'56 Packard parts for sale: parting out a '56 Patrician, including rebuilt engine, overdrive transmission, etc. Also parts from '55 Patrician, '56 Executive, and '56 Clipper; trunk lock assembly, two 352 c.i. engines, one 374 c.i. engine, rebuilt Chrysler 727 transmission-fits Ultra-torque for V-8's, V-8 senior tail lights, load leveling motors, 4-barrel carb, instrument panel with gauges-probably from Executive, third member for '55 Patrician-missing left axle, plus other misc. parts. Robert Dougherty, 858-748-2228, P.O. Box 337, Poway, CA 92074

'41 Packard Rollson 180 All Weather Cabriolet, CCCA National Winner, Frank Childs at 561-578-0319; P.I. Website 3/11

Buy Packard parts at the [packardsandiego.org](http://packardsandiego.org) website

'47 Packard Custom Super 8 Sedan (2106), gold & brown ext., new front brakes, \$28,700; 970-819-0121, [618Robert@gmail.com](mailto:618Robert@gmail.com) 11/10

See McLellan's Automotive History for Packard Sales Literature, Dealer Literature, Magazines, Out-of-Print Books, Manuals & Memorabilia. 713-772-3285 or [mcellassautomotive.com](http://mcellassautomotive.com)

'37 Packard Super 8 Coupe, all factory options, Regatta blue metallic, recently restored, ready for judging, concours or touring; \$195,000; [wmdrawings@aol.com](mailto:wmdrawings@aol.com) 11/10

4 WWW L78-15 tires, rims & wheel covers, quite nice, All: \$400 Pair fender skirts for 30's Juniors, aftermarket, never used: \$100 '48-'50 Packard radio, don't know if it works: \$40; 4 hexagon bumper bolts, w/lock washers and nuts, beautiful chrome – make offer; Hilarious sounding horn supposedly from 1912 Packard: \$100 Call Albert 619-563-5988 or e-mail [albertpurcell@cox.net](mailto:albertpurcell@cox.net)

'40 Packard 120 Touring Sedan, gray, restoration required, engine runs, overdrive, excellent sheet metal, located in SoCal, Gil at 951-272-3351; P.I. Website 2/11

Check these two websites for Packard Information:  
[Packardinfo.com](http://Packardinfo.com) [yesterdays-cars.com/Packard\\_clubs.htm](http://yesterdays-cars.com/Packard_clubs.htm)

## MEET AND GREET

Mark your calendar for the first Packards International, San Diego Packard Region's 2011 event. On February 27, 2011 we are gathering to induct, welcome and meet our 2011 Board of Director and Officers. You will also have the opportunity to enjoy a great lunch, discuss our 2011 calendar, meet new members and talk about Packards if you so desire.

The site chosen, after much deliberation, is the Elephant Bar in Rancho Bernardo. The Elephant Bar is located in Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, CA., 17051 W. Bernardo Drive. We will have our own private area. Arrival time is 12:01 P.M. on Sunday and lunch can be served when you are ready. Everyone may order from the menu and pay as you go. You may have separate checks or multiple, however your table wants to do it. I need you to tell me in advance how many in your party will be attending so I can let the restaurant know. The room does have a limit so don't wait until the last minute to reserve your spot.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Where: Elephant Bar. 17051 W. Bernardo Drive, San Diego CA

When: Sunday February 27, 2011

Time: 12:01 P.M.

Send reservation to Steve Ross by February 24, 2011 indicating number of attendees. Preferred response is email [inewsx@sbcglobal.net](mailto:inewsx@sbcglobal.net). Other methods accepted are U.S Mail: 16151 Fruitvale Rd Valley Center, CA 92082 or phone 619-508-3525.

As always, please drive your Packard and receive a free beverage of choice for the driver, on me.

## A PACKARD FIRST

Courtesy of Gerald Perschbacher, and Old Cars Weekly News

We don't often use outside luggage racks, but in the 1920s and 1930s they were very popular for expensive cars, because long tours were in vogue. This lead Packard to name their big smooth running elegant automobiles, Touring Sedans. Packard was the first by patenting a rear rack. Not seen by most of us Packardites, Packard also patented the present radiator design of top and bottom reservoirs with tubes running between. Guess this is the modern radiator we are familiar with.

**P.I. SAN DIEGO REGION EVENT**  
**FACTORY TOUR & LUNCH EVENT**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2011 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**DECORATIVE METAL FINISHING**

1996 DON LEE PLACE, SUITE B, ESCONDIDO, CA



Decorative Metal Finishing is the leader in quality metal polishing, plating, powder coating and metal restoration. Over 15 years in business and still #1. Services include metal finishing, copper, chrome, zinc plating and more.

**LUNCH TO FOLLOW AT HERNANDEZ HIDEAWAY RESTAURANT**

**19320 LAKE DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, CA**



The quaint Mexican restaurant hidden by Lake Hodges off the Del. Dios Highway has been a North County escape for years. Originally, the building was a stage coach stop, and even rumored as being a brothel many years ago. When you step into the restaurant and local watering hole you can observe the original architecture which is still intact. The building has also been used for religious purposes in the past, but was finally turned into the Mexican restaurant we know and love in 1972. Hernandez Hideaway famous Margaritas are known for being very strong.

## 2011 Event Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tour Leader</u>
Jan 28-30	National	2011 National Membership Meet	Orange, CA	Richard Schauer
Feb 19	SD	Installation Lunch	TBA	Steve Ross
Mar 19	SD	Decorative Metal Finishing Tour	Escondido	Paul Santy
April 16	SD	Steffey Garage Tour & Wine Tasting	TBA	Ron Steffey/Richard Schauer
May 21	SD	Outreach Event – Wounded Warriors	TBA	TBA
June 6	SoCal	SoCal Region Swap Meet/Lunch	Orange County	Paul Santy/Richard Schauer
July 2 or 3	SD	San Diego County Fair	Del Mar	Steve Ross/Mark Burnside
Aug 7	SD	Sunday Driving Tour/Lunch	TBA	Steve Ross
Sep 24-25	SD	Overnight Tour With SoCal Region	Orange County	Richard/Steve/Mark
Oct TBA	SD	Highway 80 Tour	East County	Larry Johnson
Nov 12	SD	SD Police Museum Tour/Lunch	San Diego	Scott Napora/Richard Schauer
Dec 4	SD	Holiday Party	Lazy H	Steve Ross

### 2011 Dates For Optional Car Show Events That We Have Attended In The Past

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Location</u>
Feb 25-27	Swap Meet	Big 3 Parts Exchange	Jack Murphy Stadium Parking Lot
Apr 1	Cruise-In	Cruisin' Grand – First Night	Escondido
Apr 3	Car Show	La Jolla Motor Classic	La Jolla
Apr 17	Car Show	Motor Cars On Main Street	Coronado
June 10-July 4	Car Show	San Diego County Fair	Del Mar
Aug 7	Car Show	Automobile Heritage Show	National City
Aug TBA	Car Show	Orphan Car Show	Balboa Park
Sep 24-25	Car Show/Race	Coronado Speed Festival	Coronado
Sep 30	Cruise-In	Cruisin' Grand – Final Night	Escondido
Nov 20	Parade	Mother Goose Parade	El Cajon