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The Land of Sandra Dee

[A poetic story submitted by our President]

Long ago and far away,
In a land that time forgot,
Before the days of Dylan
Or the dawn of Camelot.

There lived a race of innocents,
And they were you and me,
Long ago and far away
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

Oh, there was truth and goodness
In that land where we were born,
Where navels were for oranges,
And Peyton Place was porn.

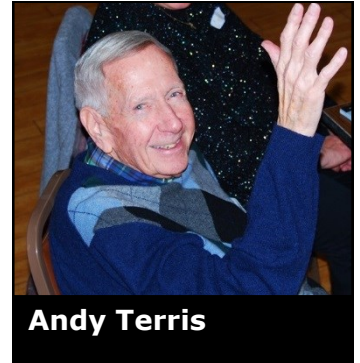
For Ike was in the White House,
And Hoss was on TV,
And God was in his heaven
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We learned to gut a muffler,
We washed our hair at dawn,
We spread our crinolines to dry
In circles on the lawn.

And they could hear us coming
All the way to Tennessee,
All starched and sprayed and rumbling
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We longed for love and romance,
And waited for the prince,
And Eddie Fisher married Liz,
And no one's seen him since.

We danced to "Little Darlin'",
And Sang to "Stagger Lee"
And cried for Buddy Holly
In the Land of Sandra Lee.



Andy Terris

Only girls wore earrings then,
And three was one too many,
And only boys wore flat-top cuts,
Except for Jean McKinney.

And only in our wildest dreams
Did we expect to see
A boy named George with Lipstick
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We fell for Frankie Avalon,
Annette as oh, so nice,
And when they made a movie,
They never made it twice.

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Note from the editor: As of print date, Spokane County is on the verge of going back to Phase 2. Regardless, our meeting is still scheduled for May 5.

PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL AND FOLLOW ALL GUIDELINES IN PLACE.

More info will be shared as it is received.

Meeting Agenda:

- **Call to Order by the President**
- **Pledge of Allegiance** led by the Sgt at Arms
- **Comments from the Board** if needed
- **Prospective members** Casey and Mike
- **Reading of Minutes**
- **Treasurer’s Report**
- **Report of Committees**
 - INCCC Report (contact Dean or Tawnia if you require a printed version)
 - Calendar Committee
 - Cruise Committee needed
- **Old Business**
 - Volunteers are still needed for upcoming car shows
 - Memorial Day details to be discussed (location and time of caravan)
 - Spokane Speed & Custom Show
 - Duke’s Challenge to help raise funds for a long time local drag racer
- **New Business**
 - Greater Spokane County Meals on Wheels Rally sponsorship proposal
 - Discussion about a 50/50 raffle at club meetings
 - Car show charity donation thoughts from the board
- **The Good of the Order**
 - Comments welcomed from the floor
- **New Members**
- **Announcements**
- **President to adjourn meeting**



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Description of the place: It has it's own garage door and is independently accessible from an alley. The ONLY people that access this space other than myself are other members of the car club that would be renting. The Pros are that it is very central and cheap. The Cons would be that it is a bit dependent on how often you want your car in or out. The key for Anyone interested is to come and look. It's \$60/mo

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We didn't have a Star Trek
Five,
Or Psycho Two and Three,
Or Rocky-Rambo Twenty
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

Miss Kitty had a heart of gold,
And Chester had a limp,
And Reagan was a Democrat
Whose co-star was a chimp.

We had a Mr Wizard,
But not a Mr T,
And Oprah couldn't talk yet
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We had our share of heroes,
We never thought they'd go,
At least not Bobby Darin,
Or Marilyn Monroe.

For youth was still eternal,
And life was yet to be,
And Elvis was forever,
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We'd never seen the rock
band
That was Grateful to be Dead,
And Airplanes weren't named
Jefferson,
And Zeppelins weren't Led.

And Beatles lived in gardens
then,
And Monkees in a tree,
Madonna was a virgin
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We'd never heard of
Microwaves,
Or telephones in cars,
And babies might be bottle-
fed,
But they weren't grown in
jars.

And pumping iron got wrinkles
out,
And "gay" meant fancy-free,
And dorms were never coed
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We hadn't seen enough of jets
To talk about the lag,
And microchips were what
was left
At the bottom of the bag.

And Hardware was a box of
nails,
And bytes came from a flea,
And rocket ships were fiction
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

Buicks came with portholes,
And side show came with
freaks,
And bathing suits came big
enough
To cover both your cheeks.

And Coke came just in bottles,
And skirts came to the knee,
And Castro came to power
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

We had no Crest with
Fluoride,
We had no Hill Street Blues,
We all wore superstructure
bras
Designed by Howard Hughes.

We had no patterned
pantyhose
Or Lipton herbal tea
Or prime-time ads for
condoms
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

There were no golden arches,
No Perriers to chill,
And fish were not called
Wanda,
And cats were not called Bill.

And middle-aged was thirty-
five
And old was forty-three,
And ancient were our parents
In the Land of Sandra Dee.

But all things have a season,
Or so we've heard them say,
And now instead of Maybelline
We swear by Retin-A.

And they send us invitations
To join AARP,
We've come a long way, baby,
From the Land of Sandra Dee.

So now we face a brave new
world
In slightly larger jeans,
And wonder why they're using
Smaller print in magazines.

And we tell our children's
children
of the way it used to be,
Long ago and far away
In the Land of Sandra Dee.



Tacos and margaritas are on
the menu for our meeting
on May 5th!



NOTABLE DATES



• May 5, 6PM: Regular monthly meeting

- May 15—AutoNation
- May 30—Event at Greenwood Cemetery
- June 18-20—Spokane Speed & Custom Show
- June 20—Wendle Ford
- July 24—Eagles/Honor Flight
- August 28—Thrifty Auto/Team St. Lukes



If you have any questions or comments about the meeting or INCCC in general, [contact Dean Carriveau](#). Meetings are held at Darcy's on the last Tuesday of each month.

PER INCCC: ***NOTICE***
COVID*19

Due to the virus, the 2021 car event season will remain a very fluid situation for an unknown time. We strongly advise you, before going to an event, contact the event organizer for their latest updates. In our calendar of event line listings, event contact information is included.

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Members, it's been said before and it'll be said many more times—these are indeed strange and trying times. Please keep each other in your thoughts and prayers as we all battle physical and emotional issues.

Do you have any work that needs to be done? Don't be afraid to reach out and ask. Even if it's not car related. We are family. What one person can't do, another person can. We are all in this together. Let's rely on each other to get through this.





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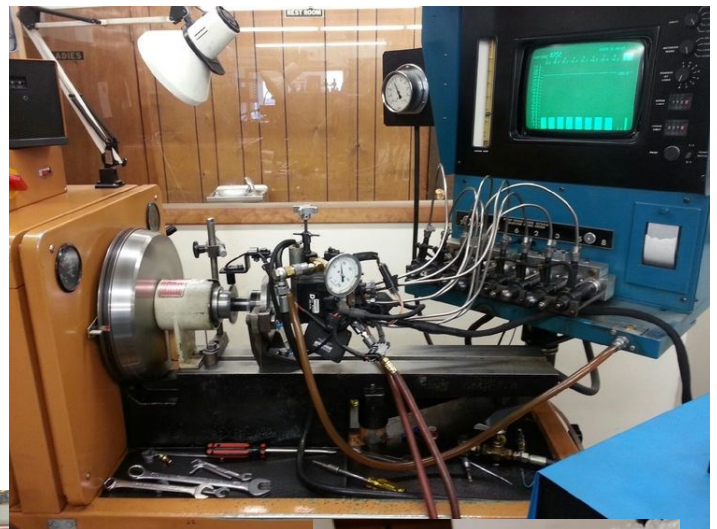
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2021 Car Show Season

Plans are underway for a hopeful start to the 2021 Car Show Season. All four of our regular shows have been submitted to the INCCC Calendar of Events.

These shows include:

- **May 15 — Autonation Chevrolet**
- June 20 — Wendle Ford
- July 24 — Honor Flight at the Eagles
- August 28 — Thrifty Auto/Team St. Lukes

Please plan on volunteering for one or all of our shows. Help is needed at the following stations:

- Set up first thing in the morning

- Registration, where we take money and sign people in;
- At the voting booth were people turn in their People's Choice Ballots
- At the PA system making announcements
- Helping Dean and Bill with photography
- Or just volunteer for what ever needs to be done. Your help does not go unnoticed.

Last year, the car community did the best we could. Many thanks to those that participated in the cruises and other events that were planned on the spur of the moment. Many thanks to

those that represented the Gents and kept us going.

There is also talk of hosting more social gatherings—picnics and informal cruises for Gents members and their families.

Yeah, I know. Lots of talking. Too much talking. You're ready to see some action. We get that. We are ready for real action, too. Our fingers are crossed. Please be prepared to jump in and help when the time comes.

Here's to a hopeful 2021!

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