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Welcome to the America’s Automotive Trust
2020 Wheels & Heels Gala!

A lot has changed since our last party, leading us to our first virtual Gala – but that doesn’t mean we can’t have some fun! This year’s gala will be a celebration of everything we love about automobiles and a way to honor those who have made an indelible and positive impact on the collector car world. It’s people like them – and like you – who keep us going and drive us toward a successful future.

To that end, the coming months are going to be a sight to see. We’re preparing to once again open LeMay – America’s Car Museum to the public. We’re enhancing our education programs throughout the organization. We’re building more online content to better reach young people and underserved communities. And we’ve unveiled a new national movement called “Preserve the Passion,” which will promote five key initiatives: Youth STEM Education; Workforce Development; Women Driving Change; Car Culture and Community; and Celebrating the Past, Present, and Future of Mobility.

As a guest at this year’s virtual Gala, you have the opportunity to help us achieve all of these things and more. So tonight, I ask for your generosity. Raise the Paddle to support the promise our future holds. Raise your auction bids higher than you should. And raise a glass in celebration of America’s Automotive Trust, LeMay – America’s Car Museum, RPM Foundation, and TechForce Foundation – and the extraordinary partnership that we’ve built together.

Thank you for joining us,

Jennifer Maher, CEO
Welcome to the 2020 Wheels & Heels Gala!

Pam and I are delighted to welcome all of you to our first (and I hope last) virtual gala! While a different format, we still have an exciting evening planned with videos, great auction lots, and lots of fun.

Pam and I have a deep commitment to America’s Automotive Trust and its mission of preserving America’s automotive legacy. Only if we preserve the past can we truly prepare our children and ourselves for the future. Thank you for joining us this evening.

Now sit back, enjoy the great food from El Gaucho, and bid high and often.

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Bill Parfet has been a collector car enthusiast for nearly his entire life. When his grandfather founded the Gilmore Car Museum, Bill was 15 years old and would spend his summers hanging around where his grandfather and his friends were restoring old cars. As Bill got older, his grandfather would let him drive the vehicles around town while in the so-called “junker” stage. From such memories evolved an enthusiasm for collecting old cars that now mirrors the passion of his grandfather.

Enrolling in 1967 as an economics major at Lake Forest College in Illinois, Bill did a bit of prep-schooling himself in the economics of older cars. He’d search want ads for some likely prospects, arrange to have them restored, and sell the refurbished models for a profit. His first fix-up project was a 10-year-old Mercedes, but he soon zeroed in on “exotic” cars. Bill’s fondness now extends to what could be grouped under the heading of what “The Great Gatsby” would drive – classics such as Cords and Duesenbergs from the 1920s and ’30s. Brass and gas cars from the second decade of the 20th century are also among Bill’s favorites because they trace the origins of the automobile and its impact on American society.

Bill is a frequent visitor and participant at car extravaganzas that attract thousands of onlookers and is often called upon to serve as a judge or auctioneer. As for his favorite? “Whichever car I happen to be driving at the time.”
Lifelong Tacoma-area residents, the Dimmers have made their home in Lakewood since 1957. John grew up in the Lakewood area, attending Clover Park Schools, and Marilyn grew up in the North End of Tacoma, attending Lowell Elementary School, Mason Middle School, and Stadium High School. They both graduated from the University of Washington – John with degrees in Industrial and Mechanical Engineering, and Marilyn with a degree in Elementary Education.

Marilyn’s first job was as a third-grade teacher at Edison Elementary School in Tacoma and she retired from teaching in 1960 to become a full-time homemaker. John began his career in the U.S. Navy where he served as an ordnance engineering officer at a Naval ammunition depot. Following his military service, John worked in Tacoma as a plant manager of Washington Steel Products. After five years there, he became President of Western Plastics Corporation, where he served from 1960 to 1980. John continues his professional life as Managing Member of Firs Management, L.L.C., a Tacoma business for personal investments and real estate.

John was a member of the Board of Directors of Puget Sound Bank until its acquisition by Key Corp., after which he served on the Key Corp. Board of Directors until his retirement in 2002. He is currently on the boards of Stellar Industrial Supply and Bennett Industries. John and Marilyn have both been active volunteers in the Tacoma community, with John serving on the School Board of the Clover Park School District, and both have had many club and organization affiliations. Well known for their generosity of time and resources, community service and philanthropy have always played a part of their lives.

They have two children – John B. Dimmer (wife Diane) and Carolyn J. Dimmer, and three grandchildren.
Alex and Amanda Haugland began collecting cars about 15 years ago, initially focusing entirely on British cars and then expanding into significant vehicles from other European countries and Japan. The collection has grown to include over 130 vehicles representing a wide range of cars, most from the early 1930s through the 1970s, but also a select few more modern high-performance and exotic cars from the last few decades, other rare and coachbuilt cars, and several significant cars designed for the masses.

For Alex, his interest began as a child, when – while visiting his mother’s family in Italy – he would buy and assemble models of prewar and early postwar classic European cars. He now owns full-sized examples of several of those vehicles. This led to a love of European car design and coachwork, as well as a fascination with the variety and innovation that the cars represented.

Amanda’s interest in cars started after she married Alex. For her, the appeal is in the beauty and aesthetics of the cars, as well as the driving experience. She has a particular affection for microcars.

Both Alex and Amanda also have a great love of history. Alex is particularly interested in the history of technology, leading him to add several cars to the collection that represent milestones in automotive design. Amanda’s interest mainly lies in the unique history of past owners and drivers. A few cars in the collection have well-documented ownership histories, and at least two of these were owned by interesting and talented women who left their own mark on history.

Alex and Amanda enjoy touring, and the cars in the collection are maintained as running cars, driven frequently on long-distance trips as well as local journeys. Aside from driving the cars, they both also look for opportunities to share their collection with others and are incredibly happy to be this year’s Master Collectors for LeMay – America’s Car Museum.
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This year's annual fireworks display also goes virtual!

Virtual Gala Program

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5:00 PDT
Preshow Celebration
Tune in on YouTube Here

6:00PM - 7:00PM
Virtual Gala Live Stream Begins
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Join us virtually with your favorite cocktail or a glass of Hedges Family Estate wine with the CarHop dinner from El Gaucho. This year's annual fireworks display also goes virtual!

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Here’s your chance to take home a Wheels & Heels Annual Gala commemorative magnum, featuring an etched image of a vintage 1930 Alfa Romeo. This year’s Gala theme “Mechanics in Motion, Driving the World Forward” is relevant to America’s Automotive Trust’s mission to “Preserve the Passion.” The original photo was taken at the Flywheel Festival at Bicester Heritage Centre, Oxfordshire, England.

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7. Hedges Wine Dinner and Fly Fishing
8. Upchurch Dinner at Aeralume for Eight
10. Cruising Italy’s Wine Country
This one-of-a-kind wine bottle series pays homage to the 24 Hours of Le Mans – the world's oldest active sports car race in endurance racing – held annually since 1923 near the town of Le Mans, France. It is considered one of the most prestigious automobile races in the world and has been called the “Grand Prix of Endurance and Efficiency.” The featured vehicles are:

- 1938 Alfa Romeo 8C
- 1957 Porsche 550A Spyder
- 1964 AC Cobra Coupe A98
- Ferrari 330 P3
- Saleen S7-R

In addition to the artwork, each bottle contains exquisite wine from one of five heralded Washington State wineries. This is a never-to-be-seen-again collection...the ultimate for the premier wine collector and automotive enthusiast.

- 2016 Dunham Cellars XXII Cabernet Sauvignon, Columbia Valley
- 2016 L’Ecole No. 41 Apogee, Pepper Bridge Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley
- 2016 Long Shadows Vintners Pedestal Merlot, Columbia Valley
- 2017 Woodward Canyon Estate Merlot, Walla Walla Valley

Thank You: America’s Automotive Trust, Dunham Cellars, Hedges Family Estate, L’Ecole No. 41, Long Shadows Vintners, and Woodward Canyon

Value: Priceless
START YOUR ENGINES!

It’s the ultimate racing fan experience at the sport’s most storied event – the 24 Hours of Le Mans! This spectacular event has been held every year since 1923 and has been the subject of countless movies, books, and legends. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to be a part of racing history in LeMans, France!

You and a guest will have a four-day VIP experience where you will be the guests of Ferrari in the Hospitality Suite and have driver pit access. Your exclusive adventure includes high-performance driving experiences, a private Le Mans Museum tour, and an evening of dining and mingling with Le Mans drivers.

The winning bidder will also receive a Club Auto membership at America’s Car Museum for one year. Club Auto lives at the heart of the car culture and brings enthusiasts of all types together to celebrate their shared passion for all things automotive.

- Driver meet/greet and driver pit access
- Dinner party with the drivers (pending Le Man’s hosting as COVID-19 mandates may be enforced)
- Guests of Ferrari’s Hospitality Suite and private tour of the Le Mans Museum
- Four-star hotel accommodation for three nights’ accommodations
- Several driving experiences can be arranged – e.g., with a Porsche or Jaguar
- One-year membership to Club Auto at America’s Car Museum benefits include:
  - Club Auto driving jacket
  - Unlimited admission to the Museum for 2 adults and children + 4 additional guests
  - 15 Museum passes for family and friends
  - Private Club access to Club Auto Tacoma
- Excludes airfare and ground transportation. Option to extend stay for small up-charge. Driver dinner party may be eliminated due to COVID-19 mandates.

Opening Bid: $12,500
AND THEY’RE OFF!

Churchill Downs – the world’s most legendary racetrack – has conducted thoroughbred racing and presented America’s greatest race, the Kentucky Derby, continuously since 1875. If you haven’t attended this grand affair, don’t miss this unique opportunity to be a part of the great race as guests at The Mansion, the Derby’s secret, high-security location.

Every Mansion ticket holder is assigned a concierge who will escort you from the parking lot via golf cart toward the Kentucky Derby red carpet. Chefs are flown in from all over the country to cook at different stations and you may see the likes of Jimmy Fallon, Tom Brady or Michael Phelps and ... you can’t BUY these tickets!

Your accommodations are at the Brown Hotel – an opulent and iconic destination with old-world elegance and modern-day comfort, a place where generations of Louisville’s finest have celebrated weddings and anniversaries, and a hot spot for bluegrass enthusiasts, bourbon drinkers, equestrians, and Derby Day revelers.

You will also be granted dinner reservations at Jeff Ruby’s Steakhouse, recently recognized as Louisville’s Best Upscale Steakhouse by the readers of Louisville Magazine.

- Assigned millinery and hair-styling attaché, private driver, and security
- Three-night accommodations at The Brown Hotel
- Friday – access to Oak’s Mansion for seating at the race
- Saturday – access to Owner’s Suite for seating at the race
- Two Phillies and Stallions VIP Tickets (tip: Tom Brady attends every year!)
- Dinner at Jeff Ruby’s (a rare opportunity)
- Jockeys and Owners Post Party invite (open to celebrities and owners only)
- Two VIP passes to Barnstable
- Two VIP passes to The Taste of Derby
- Assigned massage therapist

Value: $50,000 Per Couple
GET BEHIND THE WHEEL AND STRAP YOURSELF IN!

Whether or not you have a high-performance speedster or an everyday grocery-getter, learn how to drive to the best of your ability with an exhilarating day at the track. Two couples will experience a morning skills clinic and an afternoon on the road course with a private instructor at the high-performance driving clinic at ProFormance Racing School.

Founded in 1987 by race driver Don Kitch, Jr. and his wife Donna, the clinic has been helping drivers of all levels and ages achieve their goals. Whether seeking a career at the track, a day of thrills, or a safe daily commute, ProFormance will take you there.

Valid on the NW BMW & Mini Cooper High ProFormance Driving Day, August 2021, or a mutually agreed upon spring 2021 date. Class runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Option to test drive a BMW on NW BMW & Mini Cooper Driving Day.

• Day at the track for four with breakfast and lunch provided
• Team Seattle gear and coffee mug for each couple

“Eyes up, look ahead . . . not in your rearview mirror. What is behind you is of no consequence in life or on the race track.”

Thank you: ProFormance Racing School

Value: Need for Speed!
Two couples will have the opportunity to attend an exclusive wine experience at Ambassador’s brand-new tasting room at Woodinville Creek Village. Begin the evening with a wine tasting led by Managing Partner/Chairman, Allison Engman and her husband, Nathan in the VIP wine room. You will then enjoy dinner with your evening hosts, America’s Car Museum’s Board member Michael Towers and his wife Pamala. At the end of the evening, each couple will receive a large-format bottle and an Ambassador’s wine club membership for a year. Mutually agreed upon date.

Founded in 2004, Ambassador Wines produces 100% estate-grown Washington state red wines from their vineyard located in the heart of the Red Mountain AVA. Their success has stemmed from what they refer to as the 3 Ts:

**Terroir**: Their vines are carefully cultivated to produce fruit that expresses the richness, diversity, and unique characteristics specific to Red Mountain’s coveted glacial soils.

**Talent**: The best fruit deserves the best winemaking team. Winemaker Mike Macmorran, Consulting Winemaker Tom Rinaldi, and Vineyard Manager Dick Boushey align their talents and nearly 90 years of experience.

**Taste**: Thoughtfully blended, artfully balanced, and bold yet restrained Bordeaux and Rhone varietals.

- Tasting and dinner for two couples at the Ambassador Wines Tasting Room
- Large-format bottle for each couple
- One-year membership to wine club (two shipments of three bottles each starting with the October 2020 release)

**Thank you: Ambassador Wines of Washington**

*Value: Full Pour*
WATER & WINE

Time to get out on the water! A sunset cocktail cruise is perfect for your small group gathering. You will depart from Bellevue and step aboard a Riviera 5400 Sport Yacht for a wine and cocktail cruise on Lake Washington. Chef John Howie will provide boxed appetizers (one for each couple) while you sip wine from Ambassador Wines of Washington along with some gems from your Captain’s private cellar.

Mutually agreed upon date.

Thank you: Mike & Diane Holmes

Value: Cruisin’
WATER & WINE

We're heading to eastern Washington for an unforgettable wine and fishing experience! Your first stop is one night for two couples (and two guest rooms) at Canyon River Ranch where two of you will experience a half-day guided fly-fishing outing on the Yakima River with a professional guide from Red’s Fly Shop. The next day, you'll head south down the canyon for one night at The Lodge at Columbia Point and a visit to Red Mountain for a wine dinner at Hedges Family Estate. Your Hedges Family Estate hosts will lead you on a tour of the vineyard and winery while you sip authentic Marquis D’Ossey Champagne. You’ll also enjoy an incredible dinner prepared in the winery kitchen by Chef Kevin Davis, Executive Chef of the Canyon River Ranch’s Grill restaurant and former owner of Blueacre Seafood, Orfeo, Steelhead Diner, and Zane + Wylie. Your meal will be paired with Hedges Family Estate current release and library wines and each couple will take home a two-pack set of Hedges Family Estate wine.

The Hedges family blends rich cultural upbringings and a shared love for creating beautiful wine to foster a true homegrown approach to farming and viticulture at the heart of bucolic Red Mountain AVA. Scheduling is dependent on mutually agreed upon dates. The Lodge at Columbia Point accommodations valid Sunday through Thursday. Option to purchase two additional guided fly-fishing experiences available for an additional fee. Pending availability, Tom and Anne-Marie Hedges may be your winery hosts.

- Overnight accommodations for two couples at Canyon River Ranch
- Half-day guided fly fishing for two
- Wine dinner for two couples at Hedges Family Estate
- Overnight accommodations for two couples at The Lodge at Columbia Point
- Two-pack set of Hedges Family Estate wine for each couple

Thank you: Guy & Becca Conversano, Hedges Family Estate, The Lodge at Columbia Point

Value: Catch & Release
Join Upchurch Vineyard proprietors Chris and Thea Upchurch as they share some of their award-winning wines over a multi-course dinner at Aerlume in Seattle.

Perched on the hillside above Elliott Bay and steps from Pike Place Market, Aerlume boasts sweeping views of the sound and sky. Inspired by deeply rooted connections with local farmers and providers, the menu delights with the pure flavors found in the seasonal bounty of the Pacific Northwest, and will be perfectly paired with Upchurch Vineyard wines.

Chris’ love for wine started in his youth, with extensive travel throughout the Grand Cru wine-growing regions of Europe and the west coast of the U.S. For 23 years and counting – as founding winemaker and partner of DeLille Cellars – Chris has crafted some of the finest and most acclaimed wines in Washington State.

Mutually agreed upon date. Excludes tax, gratuity/service charge, and additional alcohol.

Thank you: Fire & Vine Hospitality, Upchurch Vineyard and Chris & Thea Upchurch

Value: Cheers!
America’s Automotive Trust board member Michael Towers and his wife Pamala – founding partners of Ambassador Wines of Washington – and Woodward Canyon Winery founders Rick and Darcey Small will be your hosts as they take you through a wine tasting in the Napa Valley region. You’ll begin your wine experience by checking in at the boutique Wine Country Inn in the heart of Napa Valley for two nights, and then joining the Towers as they take you to some of their favorite wineries such as Duckhorn and Pride Mountain Vineyards.

You’ll also be the guests at the Towers’ home for dinner one evening with Tom Rinaldi, consulting winemaker for Ambassador Wines of Washington and the former winemaker at Duckhorn Vineyards, the legendary winery that has helped shape the Napa Valley. Tom made Duckhorn’s first Three Palms merlot, putting Duckhorn on the map and Michael spent over a decade serving as a Director of Duckhorn Wine Company. Dinner will also feature a few gems from Michael’s extensive personal cellar as well as some from Rick and Darcey’s.

Dinner will be prepared and served by Chef Sarah Scott, who has worked as Executive Chef at the Mondavi Wine and Food Center as well as at Robert Mondavi Winery in Napa Valley. The winning bidder will take a home a large-format of bottle of Ambassador Wine. Mutually agreed upon date. Excludes airfare.

• Two nights’ accommodations for two couples at Wine Country Inn
• Woodward Canyon winemaker dinner with Rick & Darcey Small, Michael & Pamala Towers, and Tom Rinaldi
• Local wine tours with hosts Rick & Darcey Small and Michael & Pamala Towers
• 3L Ambassador Wine

Thank you: Ambassador Wines of Washington, Friend of America’s Automotive Trust, Rick & Darcey Small, Michael & Pamala Towers and Woodward Canyon Winery

Value: You Decide Who Wins
BATTLE OF THE VARIETALS

Set your sights on Florence, the Tuscany region of Italy and a country drive (approximately a one-hour) to one of the region’s most famed wineries. First, you will visit the automobile collection of America’s Automotive Trust board member Nicola Bulgari, a connoisseur who has his hands on the steering wheel, literally. “Cars are sculptures that should be seen, touched, and be driven.” Mr. Bulgari, of the legendary Roman jewelry-and-lifestyle firm, has acquired more than 200 American vehicles ranging from those of every day American life and commerce to those which cruised the roads in classic Hollywood movies. A good number of these are housed in his sleek and edgy garage in Tuscany that complements his vintage collection. Enjoy lunch at the garage and then slide behind the wheel of one of Bulgari’s prized beauties for an afternoon drive in the surrounding countryside. The next day, your driver will take you to Antinori nel Chianti Classico for a Bottaia CRU tour and lunch. A visit to the Antinori cellars will be an unforgettable experience that wine lovers cannot miss. Tasting takes place in the suspended tasting room or in the Bottaia room followed by lunch in the restaurant, Rinuccio 1180. Later that afternoon, your driver will return your group to Florence in time for dinner. Joining you on your Italian automotive adventure will be America’s Automotive Trust’s Vice-Chairman, David Madeira and his wife, Lynda. Included is a $2,600 stipend so you can arrange for a driver and accommodations in Florence.

Tonight’s winning bidder will also be shipped a bottle of the current vintage of Col Solare wine – borne of a partnership that was based on the mutual winemaking philosophies of Tuscany’s Marchesi Antinori and Washington State’s Chateau Ste. Michelle.

Mutually agreed upon dates. Excludes airfare and transportation. Use of vintage automobiles valid for country wine visit to Antinori nel Chianti Classico. Drivers must be 25 years or older and have proof of valid insurance. Please provide receipt for hotel and driver for $2,600 reimbursement from America’s Automotive Trust.

- Tour and lunch at Nicola Bulgari’s garage in Sarteano, Italy for three couples
- Country drive in three of Nicola’s vintage automobiles
- Bottaia CRU tour and lunch at Antinori nel Chianti Classico for three couples
- $2,600 stipend toward hotel accommodations and driver to Nicola Bulgari’s Garage
- Bottle of Col Solare wine

Thank you: Antinori, Nicola Bulgari, Chateau Ste. Michelle

Value: Cruisin’ the Old Country
Mike and Diane Holmes will open their newly renovated home to car, boat, architecture, and wine enthusiasts. An indoor automobile showcase features up to 10 collectible cars where you will enjoy a curated multi-course dinner prepared by local celebrity chef John Howie and wines from Ambassador Wines of Washington and Mark Ryan Winery. Before dinner, guests are encouraged to enjoy the beautiful grounds located on Lake Washington's southern shores. Limit to 12-15 couples. Thank you: Ambassador Wines of Washington, Mike & Diane Holmes, Mark Ryan Winery

Join Yahn Bernier and Beth McCaw for an exclusive dinner at the members-only Drivers Club in Redmond, WA. The automobile storage facility is a showroom and private club and features an impressive array of personal vehicles (Porsches, Lamborghini, McLarens, Aston Martins, and Ferraris) from owners and collectors who are passionate about cars. Your hosts will show you a few of their gems while you sip wine and tour the showroom. Chef Brian Clevenger, chef and restaurateur of General Harvest Restaurants, will prepare a multi-course Italian-inspired dinner for you and your guests (10 couples total) paired with Hedges Family Estate wines. A few surprise guests may even join you! Thank you: Yahn Bernier & Beth McCaw

Save the date for Thursday, May 20, 2021 as Gala Chairman Michael Towers and his wife Pamala open a 1994 Woodward Canyon Winery Artist Series 18L bottle from Canoe Ridge Vineyard. This rare gem will be shared with a gathering at America's Car Museum in the Concours Club, with heavy appetizers catered by FogRose Atelier in Bellevue, Washington.

FogRose Atelier offers New American cuisine where old world sophistication meets contemporary flavors. Voted Best Dessert of 425 in 2019 and 2020, it’s a destination spot in the heart of downtown Bellevue. Featured on King 5 Evening News and in 425 Magazine, FogRose Atelier is known for curating an elevated dining experience with thoughtful presentation and great attention to details. Its quality exudes through thoughtful service, stylish food, and carefully crafted cocktails. Thank you: FogRose Atelier, Michael & Pamala Towers
A Vision to Secure America’s Automotive Heritage
America’s Automotive Trust and its members serve the collector and enthusiast communities with serious educational initiatives and by promoting the driving of automobiles. We strive to be an important force in a movement to secure America’s automotive heritage and to provide it with a vibrant future by encouraging collaboration among other entities. The vision is to be at the center of the movement to secure America’s automotive heritage and to promote the continued enjoyment of the automobile today.

An Important Opportunity
The automobile had and continues to have a profound impact upon American life. Yet, unlike the arts, history, space, and technology, little governmental or corporate effort exists to preserve America’s automotive legacy. America’s Automotive Trust is boldly stepping into the cultural void and is committed to ensuring that America’s automotive legacy is celebrated, that the skills and knowledge necessary for the future are transferred to the next generation, and that vintage, and modern, collectible vehicles will be driven and enjoyed as intended for generations to come in ways that are congruent with a rapidly changing world and the advent of the autonomous vehicle.

Join the Movement
Tonight, we invite you to show your support America’s Automotive Trust and its four founding members: Lemay-America’s Car Museum, the RPM Foundation, Club Auto, and the Concours Club. Please consider making a 100% tax-deductible gift at the following levels to preserve America’s automotive heritage and to promote the continued enjoyment of the automobile.

$25,000 | $15,000 | $10,000 | $5,000 | $2,500 | $1,000 | $500 | $250 | $100

With your help, we hope to raise more than $300,000 in donations tonight. Please consider making a gift.
America’s Automotive Trust convenes like-minded nonprofits working together to preserve and evolve car culture, community, and careers. Its purpose is to fuel five key initiatives: Youth STEM Education, Workforce Development, Women Driving Change, Car Culture and Community; and Celebrating the Past, Present and Future of Mobility. As a part of those initiatives, America’s Automotive Trust fosters the love of driving and a sense of community through Club Auto and Concours Club. For more information, visit www.americasautomotivetrust.org.

LeMay - America’s Car Museum is an international destination for families and auto enthusiasts to experience the past, present, and future of the automobile and learn how it shapes our society. Based in Tacoma, Wash., the stunning 165,000-sq.-ft. facility has been recognized as one of MSN’s 10 Best Automotive Museums worldwide, USA Today’s 10 Best Museums in Seattle and KING5’s Best Museum in Western Washington. It is known for its educational outreach serving more than 30,000 students annually, spectacular rotating exhibits, stunning event spaces, and a show field for hosting community events. For more information, visit www.americascarmuseum.org.

RPM Foundation works to ensure that the critical skills necessary to preserve and restore collector automobiles, motorcycles, and boats are not lost by supporting internships, apprenticeship, and scholarships to students and organizations committed to hands-on restoration and preservation training. For more information, visit www.rpm.foundation.

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2. The online silent auction will close Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 5 p.m. PDT. When you enter your bid number in the guaranteed bid box, you own the item. Announcements will be made prior to the closing of the silent auction.

3. The online live auction bidding on Saturday, September 12, 2020 will close for a given lot at the time specified in the catalog and on the auction site. All lots at the Virtual Gala will be auctioned by a professional auctioneer and will close as the auctioneer announces the item is closed.

4. America’s Automotive Trust has endeavored to catalog and describe the property correctly, but all property is sold ‘as is’. No statements contained in the catalog, advertised on the website or made orally at the sale or elsewhere shall be deemed a warranty, representation, or assumption of liability.

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8. America’s Automotive Trust assumes no responsibility for travel arrangements, unless otherwise noted. No refunds will be made for canceled tickets and accommodations. All arrangements and coordination of items must be made by the auction buyer and only with the contact person designated on the donation certificate or documentation.

9. Unless otherwise stated, all certificates for services expire one year from the date of the auction.

10. America’s Automotive Trust is not responsible for Covid-19 restrictions or changes related to auction items. America’s Automotive Trust will work with you and the auction item donor to accommodate changes, should they be warranted, but cannot guarantee accommodation beyond what is stated at the time of sale.

11. Unless otherwise stated, restaurant certificates and experiences exclude alcohol, tax, and gratuity and may have certain date restrictions.

12. All wine and spirits may be sold and delivered only to persons who are at least 21 years old. All sales of wine and spirits are subject to Washington law, including regulations of the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

13. America’s Automotive Trust reserves the right to withdraw any item from sale.

14. All sales are final; there will be no exchanges or refunds except where specified.

15. Participants must provide valid credit card information at the time of registration. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express and Discover as payment. Unless otherwise pre-arranged, payments shall be made by credit card and shall incur a 3% processing fee.

16. All auction items may be shipped for an additional fee OR pick up arranged by appointment only from LeMay-America’s Car Museum.
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