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## **Thirteenth Annual Antique Autos at History Park in San José, Sunday, September 8, 11 AM to 4 PM**

*San José, California – July 23, 2013*---Thirteen is a lucky number for the annual Antique Autos at History Park event. This is the first year that featured automobiles will be Rolls Royces and Bentleys. At History Park for the Thirteenth Annual Antique Autos at History Park event on Sunday, September 8 will be the usual 200 antique autos and then some.

“This year’s Antique Autos will be one of the best ways to top off the summer events at History Park,” said Alida Bray, President and CEO of History San José. “The park comes alive with people, activities, and the cars certainly enhance the atmosphere of the historic buildings.”

Presented by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club and History San José, The Antique Autos at History Park afternoon is filled not only with antique autos, but also vintage fire equipment, bicycles and motorcycles of all makes from the late 1800’s to 1945.

The featured vehicles this year are 100-plus-year-old ‘orphan autos,’ those cars whose manufacturer no longer exists. Think Studebaker, Packard, Stanley Steamers. But there are approximately 1,800 other companies that built cars from 1900 to 1945. Only those that are at least 100 years old will be shown in a special area. Other special features this year will be Rolls Royce and Bentleys, and there will be a special presentation near the historic light tower at 2 PM.

“Antique Autos in History Park is much more than an antique car show,” said Allan Greenberg, coordinator of the event. “We attempt to combine the best of all things automotive, with cars, culture, entertainment and education in the beautiful setting of History Park.”

Also located on the grounds of History Park will be the Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association to provide more ‘putt, putt, putt’ engine sounds reminiscent of days gone by.

The Toot Sweet Jazz Band will provide music from noon to 1:30 PM.

Portraits of the Past members stroll through the 14-acre site in 1900s costumes. Other activities include free trolley rides. Arts and crafts demonstrations and antique collectibles will be on display. Family and children's activities will be provided.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase from Peggy Sue's Restaurant and O'Brien's Ice Cream Parlor, which features San Jose's own Treat Ice Cream.

Also at History Park at Kelley Park, 1650 Senter Road between Keyes and Phelan, docents will guide visitors through many of the 27 historic buildings. The exhibit *Shaped by Water: Past, Present & Future* will be on display in the Pacific Hotel Gallery. The Leonard and David McKay Gallery will feature *Bear in Mind: The Story of the California Grizzly*.

Admission is free and sponsored by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club. Parking is \$6. For more information about the event contact Allan and Lucy Greenberg, coordinators of the event, at [allang@pacbell.net](mailto:allang@pacbell.net) or call 408 997 0879.

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**About History San José:**

History San José is a non-profit organization that collects, preserves and celebrates the stories of diversity and innovation in San José and the Santa Clara Valley. HSJ manages one of the largest and most comprehensive regional history collections in the State of California, from 1784 Spanish governmental records to twenty-first century Silicon Valley technology.

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History Park at Kelley Park is located at 1650 Senter Road, between Phelan & Keyes in San Jose. For GPS mapping use 635 Phelan Avenue. City parking is available for \$6. For more information visit [historysanjose.org](http://historysanjose.org) or call 408 287 2290.