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*December's Car of the Month: 1980 Auburn 866
Boattail Speedster (replica)*



Auburn was a brand name of American automobiles produced from 1900 to 1937, most known for the Auburn Speedster models it produced, which were fast, good-looking and expensive. However, after the 1929 Wall Street Crash, and the economic downturn that ensued, Auburn's expensive automobiles, along with its also very expensive sister marques Duesenberg and Cord, saw inevitable sales downturns, and all vehicle business halted in 1937.

(click the link on page 4 for Rick DeBruhl's story on our Auburn 866 Boattail Speedster.)



Collectors Corner: This Month's M.A.M. Team Member is Glenn Wollert



I spent most of my life in the Sierra Nevada foothills, where I taught school for over 30 years at El Dorado County Juvenile Hall. It was like a one room schoolhouse with kids coming and going on an almost daily basis. I had to teach every subject needed for graduation, plus a slew of electives.

I moved here in 2021 from Northern California. Main reason is I was done with the constant threat of fire in the foothills where I lived. I had spent a lot of time in Death Valley exploring and four wheeling hundreds of miles of trails there, so the desert seemed like a logical place to start the next chapter.

I've always had a love for cars, and usually made a point of visiting car museums when I went on trips. I see many old cars as rolling sculptures. Currently, I am a member of the Cadillac XLR-Allante club of Phoenix and the Lambda Car Club of Central Arizona. I have a 2007 XLR that I have driven in various parades in town and have taken to several car shows, not because it's old, but because it is unusual. My desert vehicle is an '84 Toyota 4X4 long-bed which I've had since new. I've come back with it so dirty people jokingly asked, "What color is it under all the dirt and mud?"

Muffy's Side of the Garage



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Embracing the Term "Collector Cars:" The Evolution of Classic Car Terminology (part three)

Acknowledging Inclusion and Diverse Perspectives:

By replacing "*classic cars*" with the term "*collector cars*," we break free from restrictive notions and broaden the appreciation of automotive history. This shift acknowledges that one can build a meaningful collection not just from vehicles of a specific era but from a wide range of models, makes, and countries of origin. Figuratively speaking it fosters inclusivity, inviting enthusiasts to engage with varied automotive genres: whether it be classic roadsters, muscle cars, vintage trucks, or exotic imports. Be sure to catch part four next month; Encouraging, Preservation and Education.

SAVE THE DATE: The Martin automotive Museum and event center is partnering with HopeKids for a collector car show on **February 7, 2026!**

The graphic features a young boy in a wheelchair in the center, wearing a brown shirt, blue shorts, and a black cap. He is smiling and looking towards the camera. Behind him are several cars, including a black Mercedes-Benz and a blue BMW. The background is a blurred outdoor setting. The graphic has a blue and orange color scheme. Text elements include: 'HopeKids' logo in the top left; 'CARS FOR HOPEKIDS' in large white letters on a blue background; '2026' in white on an orange background; 'SAVE THE DATE!' in blue on a white circular background; 'FEBRUARY 7 8:00-11:00 AM' in white on a blue background; 'Martin Auto Museum' with a location pin icon; '4320 W Thunderbird Rd, Glendale'; 'Benefiting HopeKids Arizona'; and 'Get involved: hopekids.org/carshow' at the bottom left.

EVENTS & TOURS

Plan your next event at Martin Auto Museum & Event Center

No doubt, walking around viewing over 175 very cool cars is an experience all by itself. Within our 100,000 plus square foot museum we have 3 event rooms: The Cadillac Room - seats up to 80, The Mustang Room - seats up to 150, & the Bristol Ballroom - seats up to 500. Karen Gallaher and Dan Heldenbrand represent the Event Department at the Martin Auto Museum & Event Center. They can create and organize truly great experiences of all types. Contact one of our Event Coordinators at (602) 684-8305.

We recently hosted The Glendale Chamber of Commerce celebrating its Annual Dinner in the Bristol Ballroom.



RICK DEBRUHL - COLLECTOR CAR PROFILE

[1980 Auburn 866 Boattail Speedster \(click this link here or the image below\)](#)



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- Bristol Ballroom named after you or your business
- Use of the facility two times per year for private events or car shows
- Gold sponsor signage throughout museum
- Gold sponsor recognition on website
- Gold sponsor recognition on all marketing materials
- Signage outside museum during car shows
- Email blast to our entire database introducing you as a Gold sponsor
- 20% discount on all museum room bookings

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- Friends & Family sponsor recognition on website
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