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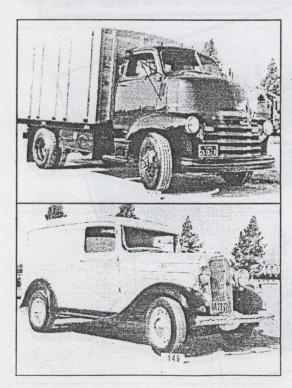
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Truck Show has come and gone and we have many furmemories of it. Let me fill you in on when the Truck show starts for some. It starts the day after the last Truck Show, when everyone gets together and critiques every area, what did and didn't happen and where you can fine tune the next one! There are some things behind the scenes that most truck club members might not know that go on. Like when to start the advertising and which direction is the best way to go with it. Meeting with

different people involved, for instance the PTA from the high school and other truck club members to get ideas to make a better truck show. No matter how good the show turned out, it can always be improved upon. So, if there is anyone who can help us fine tune it, we have meetings ... please get involved because it's your club and we can always use more hands.

Saturday's food, prepared by Larry Laughlin, was outstanding. Thatta Boy Larry. The potluck preparers outdid themselves! What a feast. The Wantland Crew did one heck of a job getting the school prepared for even the largest trucks. Sunday started early and everyone got to their stations and did what needed to be done. Many thanks to Dennis and Diane Wells for the use of their truck to display the trophies. I want to thank Paul Varner and his crew for the tables and chairs, trailer, TV, raffle barrel. Paul, you came through tremendously, I can't thank you enough.. I want to thank Doug Graft and his crew for putting together the wonderful trophies. Thanks to Kelly and Kent from National Sand Blasting for their contributed work to the trophies. Also thanks to Pete from City Wide Truck & Equipment for the topper parts. Thanks Barbara Sackett for putting on the kid games. They really had a ball. Once again, thanks to Steve Sacket and Crew for handling registration. Thanks to George Gunther and his family for putting on the searchlight entertainment. Thanks to Tim Benson for his contribution of "Show Time" for our booth. I'd like to thank Bruno Ranch for lending us the cultivating discs to cover the sprinklers from damage. And for the others that I haven't mentioned, I don't know what we'd do without you. It takes all these little pieces to put a truck show together. I think that we put on one of the best shows ever. And we are getting ready for next year's now.

The next event to look forward to is the picnic August 24 at Yorba Regional Park. We have chosen this location because it is centrally located and easy to get to. So if you want to come for a really good time, this is the place to be on August 24th.

I'd like to welcome our newmembers. Twentyseven signed up this month, nineteen at the Truck Show. Please, everyone, make a personal effort to introduce yourself.

Ted Anderson, Lakewood; Jeff Barrows, Torrance; Russel Collins, Mira Loma, '48 Federal/'52 REO/+5; Tom Connors, Monrovia '47 Ford COE; Pat Cullen, Long Beach, '24 Ford TT Tanker; Donald Del Pino, Rosemead; Raymond Del Pino, Covina; Al Diote, Garden Grove; Jim Fitzpatrick, Whittier; Dan Foulk, Bueana Park, '65 Chevy ½T; Emery Frank, City of Industry; Charles Gruver, Pico Rivera, '51 Studebaker; Robert Harrington, Big Bear Lake, '70 Ford F250; P. Hodson, Las Vegas, NV, '60 Chevy; David Howtz, Garden Grove, '47 Dodge COE; David Jansen, San Juan Capistrano, '37 IH C-1 PU; Michael Levin, Los Angeles; Leonard Luke, Torrance; Dennis Margett, Long Beach; Greg Marshall, San Juan Capistrano, '40 Ford PU; Greg Patterson, Pomona, '22 Dodge 1½ T; Michael Petterson, Camarillo, '48 Dodge; Dawn Polk, Los Angeles '55 IH PU; Mark Rottmann, San Juan Capistrano, '29 Ford AA; Kent Waldron, Escondido, '39 Ford PU; Michael Wheeler, Whittier; Jerry& Louise Woods, Corona, '62 GMC Suburban.

So, everyone have a great summer and we'll see you!

Mark

MINUTES of APRIL 1996 MEETING

Bank Balance as of 4/20/96 \$2,679.93

The last meeting was held April 20, 1996, at Leigh Knudson's Marine Machine Shop in Costa Mesa. It was called to order at 9:30 a.m. after a brief tour of Leigh's shop. Presiding was Mark Christensen. In attendance were Dennis Wells, Doug Graft, Jim Wade, Rich Yost, Mike Wantland, Dick Gaflena, Ken Lund, and Leigh Knudson.

Old Business and Truck Show progress report:

- Doug Graft reported the trophies were well under way. The bases were essentially all made. A little time was needed with Leigh's drill press and tap to finalize the attachment of some of the tops.
 - A few more judges are still needed, but generally under control.
- Mike Wantland reported on the school site. His wife Elizabeth has been appointed the Fourth Vice President of the PTA. She will be more actively involved as a liaison between the club and the school, so communication will be greatly improved. Mike and Jim will make the modifications to the gate and grade that area. While the school is supposed to make sure the restrooms are cleaned, we have contracted with BFI to provide 4 portable toilets.
- We discussed tickets or passes for the school workers, but decided it may not be necessary. We will try to have someone from the school at the front gate so we know who's who. The school vendors have been notified to set up the night before, if at all possible.
- Leigh reported that the vendor/swap meet area is under control. We will try to have the vendors line up around the left side of the gate to the field. Since there should only be 15-20 vendors, there should not be a problem.
- With 72 preregistered vehicles, we will try to have an "express lane" for those vehicles. Perhaps this will encourage others to preregister. Steve Sackett will have his usual crew there. Dennis Wells offered to bring a truck load of pylons to help delineate the lanes.
- Paul Varner, who provides supplies for trade shows, will provide fire extinguishers, tables, chairs, a raffle ticket tumbler, and a "video tower" and generator. We will setup our club awnings at the street gate, public gate, and chapter booth.
- Mike reported that Elizabeth and the PTA are actively soliciting raffle gifts. Lori Wade and Toni Berg will handle the raffle sales at our booth. This year we will have a 3rd set of photo prints made, and sell them at the club booth for \$1 each.

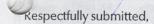
We should try to arrive about 2:00 PM Saturday to begin setup for the barbecue and truck show.

New Business:

- Voted and approved a So. Cal. Chapter raffle basket for the National Convention. Each year we spend about \$50 for a basket and So. Cal. food products to promote SCCATHS. Terry Klenske will deliver it to the convention for us.
- The Central Coast Cooler will be our July "official" outing. It is July 19-21, in Arroyo Grande (near San Luis Obispo). Some may want to caravan with us and the trucks and camp out at Bob King's. It should be fun.
- The SCCATHS Family Picnic is planned for August 24. It will probably be at Yorba Regional Park. An alternate site is Riverside. Price and other details will be forthcoming.
- Terry Klenske has offered to plan the fall "Truck Run," Tentatively we will start with a truck stop breakfast, tour Dalton Trucking and other interesting stops, and finish with the usual barbecue. It will probably be late September or early October.
- Also in October (5th & 6th?) are the Palmdale Truck Drags. This is a fund raiser for the Crippled Children's Society, and we should try to attend.
- -The 30-31st Annual Threshing Bee, Antique Engine & Tractor Show in Vista is held June 15-16 & 22-23 and October 19-20 & 26-27. They offer free camping (no hookups) if we bring the old trucks. Some of us went last year and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. It was quite an experience to wake up to the sounds of chugging tractors and mooing campers! We will plan to go to one of the October weekends and possibly caravan there. This is an inexpensive outing and another opportunity to give the old truck some exercise.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 18 at Dunkel Bros. Machinery Moving office, 2475 W. La Palma, Anaheim. The Dunkel's have offered their "museum of old trucks, Porsches, and tractors for our meeting. This is probably the most important meeting of the year. This is when we plan the events for next year. All members are encouraged to attend. We can always use help and ideas from all of the members to keep the club going.



Kenneth W. Lund II, Secretary/treasurer

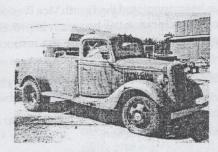




For Sale: 1947 Diamond "T". Runs great and in good condition. \$2500 OBO. Russ Fields, Bishop, CA (619) 387-2478.

Wanted: 1950-'56 Ford or Chevy Pick Up. Good original or stock restored. Michael Levin (310) 476-0989.

For Sale: 1936 Ford Fire Truck. 1½ ton dual rear wheels, solid rims, pump works, 27,000 original mile, no rust or dents. All original parts, emblems, hub caps etc. needs new window glass and paint. Runs great,



unusual rare find. \$6,000 OBO. (714)846-0584 or (714) 631-8089. (Leave message)

Wanted: 1915-'35 small bus tires and wheels (600x20) for 1926 GMC. Jerry & Louise Woods (909) 737-0933.

Wanted: 1939-'40 GMC radiator support, grill, hood, & cowl. James Irwin, Norwalk, CA, (310) 921-9483.

Wanted: 1940 to '47 Ford COE crew cab. Ernie Aragon (818) 446-2195.

For Sale: 1933 Chevy 1½ ton truck, good body. Larry (805) 485-4727.



For Sale: 1957 International Military Wrecker. Stan Wheeler (909) 866-5302

For Sale: 1920 Segraves Fire Truck. \$12,000. 1000 gallon tank. Bill Armstrong (310) 457-2441.



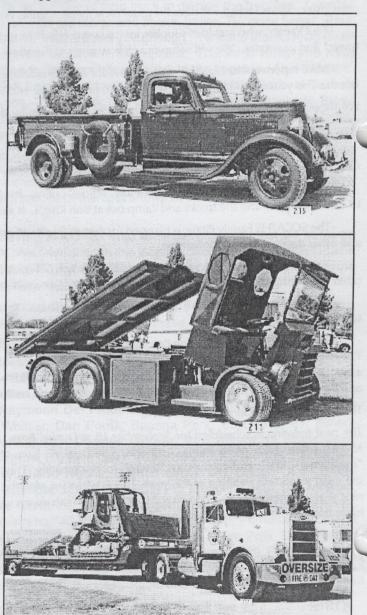
For Sale: 1939 Chevy 1½ ton, complete drive train, two speed rearend. All or part, some body parts. Mike (619) 247-8024.

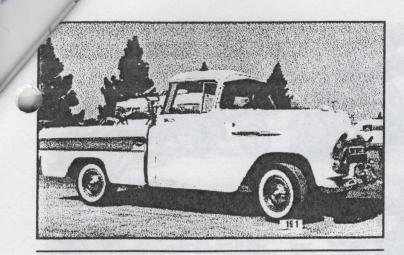
For Sale 1952 Mack LH, 262 w/Turbo, good tires, 532 rearend, 5 in a 4, \$3000. - 1942 Jeep Ford engine, original, best offer. O.W. Biever, (360) 457-9684

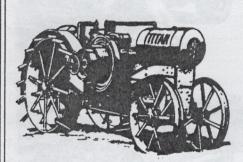
May 1996 Update Bank Balance as of May 23, 1996: \$5,496.60

On May 22, we (Mark Christensen, Ron Berg, Larry Laughfin and Ken Lund) met with the California High School PTA to discuss the truck show. Like last year, they were pleased with how professionally we handled everything and there were no complaints. They will try to get more involved next year (I think Elizabeth Wantland will see to it). They suggested that as an additional attraction, and to increase general admission, we include a classic and custom car club from Whittier to participate (as "non-judged exhibitors" like the tractors and gas engines). No decision was made on that issue. With the increased general admission, and the raffle sales generated by the PTA, we were able to contribute \$1,500 to the PTA.

We will probably have a "post show' meeting soon to discuss what went right (or wrong) with the 1996 truck show. This way we can make 1997 even bigger and better. Contact Mark Christensen (909) 883-1955 if you have any comments or suggestions.







California Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association Presents in 1996

30th & 31st Semi Annual Shows

THRESHING BEE, ANTIQUE **ENGINE & TRACTOR SHOW**

June 15 & 16, 22 & 23 October 19 & 20, 26 & 27,1996

(always the third and fourth weekends of these months)

at the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum 2040 N. Santa Fe Ave., Vista, California 92083

A Non-Profit Organization

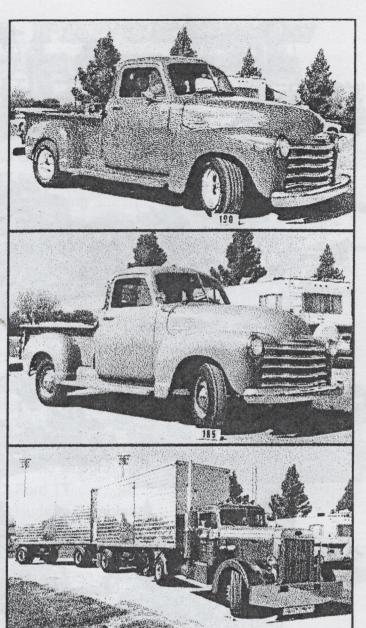
Antique Gas & Stream Engines - Model Engines - Antique Tractors & Vintage Cars - Demonstrations of Blacksmithing & Wheelwright Shops - Gristmill & Sawmill Operations - Farming & Traditional Turn of the Century Skills - Holt Hillside Harvester (June) - Train Rides -Telegraph Office - Early American Crafts - Vintage Fashion - Arts & Crafts Displays - Musical Entertainment

> Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4.30 p.m. Entrance Fee: \$5 per person

Under 15 FREE Senior Discount Proceeds Benefit the Museum

Overnight Camping by Reservation \$25 per weekend (includes admission & entertainment) - No Dogs on Show Grounds - Wear Hat & Comfortable Shoes - Food Available - Pre-Sale Tickets Available

For more information call: The Museum at (619) 941-1791 or (800) 5-TRACTOR (587-2286)



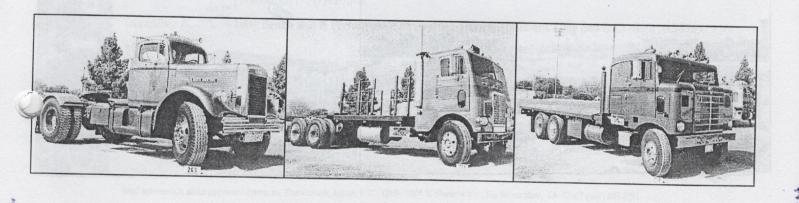




Southern California Chapter American Truck Historical Society 1996 Whittier Truck Show

1996 WHITTIER TRUCK SHOW TROPHY WINNING TRUCKS

Best of Show President's Choice Principal's Choice Student's Choice Best Fleet Longest Distance Traveled, Best Paint Best Flat Bed Best Working Truck Most Unusual Vehicle Best Display of Rust Best Preservation Best Fire Truck Overall Best Fire Truck - Pre 1940 Best Light Military Vehicle Best Heavy Military Vehicle Best Cargo Transported by an Antique Vehicle Best Pre 1927 Stock Truck	1949 Chevy COE Loadmaster 1953 Chevy ½ T PU 1947 Ford 1½ T Firetruck Dalton Trucking 1954 Peterbuilt, Fresno 1936 Chevy ½ T Panel 1933 Ford 1½ T Flatbed 1972 Ford, 1935 Dodge 1947 Indiana 1958 Segraves, Santa Fe Springs 1926 American La France, Arcad 1944 Ford Jeep w/ Trailer 1945 Ward La France WreckerHe 1964 White w/ John Deere Tracto	Jeff Hixon Dan Hopwood Dan Gosnell Terry Klenske Stan Allen Curtis Cole Kirkland Richard Contreres George Isabelle Bill Baldwin Al Doty s FD ia FD Dick Tait
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Dest Stock Truck 1941-1953 Under 1 T	1952 Chevy PU	Ted Corich
Best Stock Truck 1954-1961 1 T and over Best Stock Truck 1954-1961 Under 1 T Best Stock Truck 1962-1971 Best Modified Truck Pre 1940 Best Modified Truck 1941-1953 Best Modified Truck 1954-1961 Best Modified Truck 1962-1971 Best Custom Truck Pre 1951 Best Custom Truck 1951-1971	1956 Ford F-500	Wolfgang Weinberg Eric Parsons Ron Berg Ed Liekinetz Robert Stall Terry Klenske Darwin Valintine
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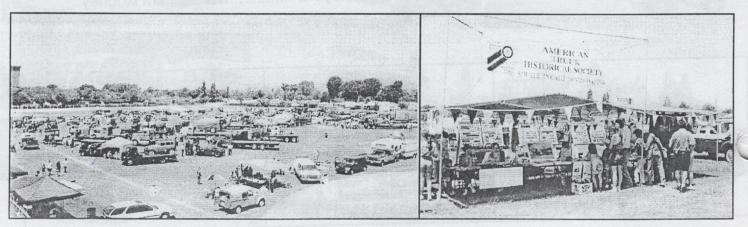


1996 TRUCK SHOW STATISTICS

Well another successful truck show is over. As usual we had a wide array of vehicles. It is always interesting to see the new and returning trucks. With more paid advertising this year, and more "word of mouth" advertising, the overall attendance was u from last year (last year was about equal to prior Riverside shows). Next year will be bigger and better! Now for some of the statistics:

Total Show Income * (Chapter	Booth, Registration, General Admission):\$ 6, 421. 50
* Includes memberships, book	is, hats, etc.	
Total Show Expenses **		\$ 3, 619. 01
	to CaL High PTA, Advertising, Dash Plaques, Prin	
Net Profit:		\$ 2, 802. 49
Attendance of trucks and vendo	ors sorted by area code (multiple trucks	same owner counted only once):
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	East SF Bay area	
	San Diego	
	San Bernardino Desert.	
	Orange County	
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Ford	29	
GMC	11	Terraplane/Hudson 3
	6	
	1	
Oldest Truck: 1912 Sear		
Longest Distance: 1932	Ford "B" - Fremont (SE San Francisco B	av)

And for those who did't drive your trucks (too far, too slow, too much fuel), Herman Pfauter drove his (shipped from Europe) 1945 Ward La France, 10 ton wrecker to our show from Goleta, CA (near Santa Barbara) at 35 to 40 MPH at 2.5 MPG! Now, drive those trucks! No more excuses!

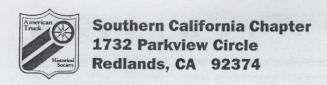


Up-Coming Events 1996

1996	
June 2	Pomona Antique Auto, Corvette, Porsche, Street Rod, & Volkswaagen Swap Meet, L.A. County Fairgrounds, Pomona, CA (714)544-7004.
June 9	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
June 14,15,16	Huck Finn's Route 66 Jubilee Car Show, Mojave Narrows Regional Park, Victorville, CA Contact Mark (909) 883-1955 or Ken (909) 794-2616.
June 15,16	Golden State Pickup Parts, California Mid-State Swap Meet, Fairgrounds, Paso Robles, CA (805) 686-2020.
July 4	100 Year Birthday Tribute to the American Car, S.B. Jaycees, Santa Barbara, CA(805) 563-2885.
July 14	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
July 20	Redlands Fire Dept Fun Muster & Chili Cook Off, University of Redlands, Contact Glenn Crum (909) 798-7600.
July 21	Pomona Antique Auto, Corvette, Porsche, Street Rod, & Volkswaagen Swap Meet, L.A. County Fairgrounds, Pomona, CA (714)544-7004.
July 19-21	CCC-ATHS Central Coast Cooler, Arroyo Grande, CA, Central Coast Chapter, Bob King (805) 473-0846
August 4	Santa Monica Police Dept 100 Year Centennial Parade, Santa Monica, CA,
August 3-4	Long Beach Model T Club 42nd Annual Car Collector's Parts Exchange, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach, CA.
August 16,17,18	JetJam Hot Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show, Arrowbead Pond & River Complex, Anaheim, CA, Contacke Ken Lund, (909) 794-2616. An area has been designated for Big Rigs and antique trucks.
August 24	SCC-ATHS 4th Annual Family Picnic, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Yorba Regional Park, Yorba Linda, CA.
August 25	Pomona Antique Auto, Corvette, Porsche, Street Rod, & Volkswaagen Swap Meet, L.A. County Fairgrounds, Pomona, CA (714)544-7004.
September 8	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
September 18	SCC-ATHS General Chapter Meeting, Peter Dunkel's Place, 2475 W. La Pama, Anaheim, CA, Calif. Thomas Bros. Map page 194, A-1.
October 13	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
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October 16-20	"Run to the Sun", Relicss & Rods 19th Annual Event, Lake Havasu City (520) 855-0933
November 10	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
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December 8	Long Beach Rod & Performance Swap Meet, Veteran's Stadium, Long Beach CA (800) 762-9785.
1997	
May 22-25	American Truck Historical Society National Convention, Embassy Suites

American Truck Historical Society National Convention, *Embassy Suites*Hotel, Greens Boro, NC (205)870-0566







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