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7:15AM, Navy and Marine Troops stand at attention in respect for our fallen soldiers. Officers in Dress uniforms. Troops in Fatigues handing out the Wreaths to some 3,500 Visitors. No one was forgotten. Troops placed stacks of Wreaths along the road surrounding the cemetery. The V8 Club was there.



REMEMBERING VETERANS AT HOLIDAY TIME

At Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery, Petty Officer 2nd Class Patrick White (above left) and Senior Chief Petty Officer David Toston were among the hundreds who took part in the national Wreaths Across America event on Saturday. Volunteers placed 8,000 wreaths on the headstones of veterans for the holiday season. At right, Petty Officer 2nd Class Claudia Estle places tributes at graves in her row.

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Greetings, Early Ford V8ers!

Congratulations to us all, for we have made it through to the New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful December celebrating holidays, meeting up with Friends and Family and eating and drinking just the right amount. I am very thankful to have lived all the way to 2024. There are so many opportunities for life to take us off the tracks, but here we are still! I hope we all see many more New Year's days.

I thought the Club's Christmas party and New Officer installation luncheon was a great success. I thoroughly enjoyed seeing the great turn out, and particularly enjoyed seeing our long-time Club members that attended the December event. My final comment regarding this event is hats off and congratulations to all those who made it a success through their planning and execution.

2024 should be a wild year. There will be a Presidential race in which candidates will probably be kicking, punching, swearing, and eye gouging one another. Half the world will be at war, or thinking about jumping in. Those are only some of the bad news issues we will be seeing in 2024.

The **GOOD NEWS** is that the Early Ford V-8 Club of San Diego is one thing you can count on for fun and camaraderie to distract from the hubbub in the world, guaranteed. You know the old song:



Gray skies are going to clear up,
Put on a happy face,
Brush off the clouds and cheer up,
Drive an old Ford V8! 🎵
Take off that gloomy mask of
tragedy
It's not your style,
You'll look so good you'll be glad you
decided to smile!
So just drive an old Ford flathead
V8!



To make that happen, Ray Brock is going to get the New Year kicked off right by leading a driving tour on January 12th. Ray will take you to a Camel Farm, a museum at an Indian Casino, and a fine lunch place, all on one fabulous tour. See details in this Fan or contact Ray directly.

The first Club meeting of the year will be on January 17. Don't forget in January the meeting is a DAY meeting starting at 10:00 AM!

Have a Happy and Healthy New Year! And don't forget, drive that old V-8! If you won't, then who will?

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Howdy Early Ford V-8 Club members!

I am sharing with you an email (see below) that John Davison received, thanking him for the support of Wreaths Across America. John deserves accolades for heading up and continuing to remind us of the Wreaths Across America project. Also, all the Club members that purchased wreaths or volunteered to lay wreaths deserve credit and accolades for supporting this effort.

For all of you that supported Wreaths Across America this year, thank you, a job well done!
Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!
Joe Valentino



Letter to John Davison—Hello John,

If I had to summarize this year’s efforts in one word, it would be GRATITUDE.

I am grateful for your efforts all year long in not only raising awareness and support for the mission in your communities but for living it in all that YOU do. This mission is only possible because of the volunteers – I say this every time I am handed a microphone! YOU are the reason this mission grows in the hearts and minds of those in your community.

This year was a tremendous success. We had more than 500 new locations sign up for a total of 4,225 – with ceremonies taking place in every state, including Puerto Rico, Guam, and for the first time American Samoa!

A record 717 loads of wreaths traveled across the country being delivered by carriers and logistics partners donating their equipment and fuel, and in many cases, professional drivers donated their time as well. In total, three million sponsored veterans’ wreaths were delivered and more than three million volunteers – a third of whom were children – placed those wreaths and read out loud the names of the men and women who fought for our freedom.

I truly hope you swell with pride knowing that you played an integral part in making this all possible. I know I do.

I hope you can enjoy the remainder of the holiday season with gratitude in your hearts.

Happy Holidays!





No Minutes for Dec. because the Christmas Party was the last word for the year.



Brad Nelson will be taking over the Secretary Duties so Bob Hargrave can retire for the second time!

—Thanks Bob, for all your good work



V8 Christmas Party gifts for the Kids was welcomed by the local Fire Department of Coronado. When we arrived their boxes were empty, when we left three boxes were over flowing with toys.



Toys for Tots doesn't just help support children at Christmastime. We are a year-round force for

good and provide toys and books to America's less fortunate children. We distributed 24.4 million toys, books, and games to 9.9 million children in 2022 alone! Spread the joy and hope –

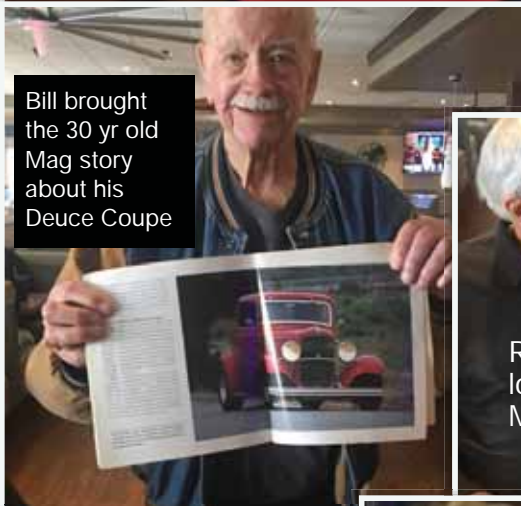




We're Back!...



One of these guys just turned *80...



Bill brought the 30 yr old Mag story about his Deuce Coupe



Rich was looking for Margaret...

V8 Breakfast—

You show up- you learn stuff.. Joe & Susan took over the Leadership Table. Carl Atkinson found his favorite Christmas Sweater. Bill Lewis found an old story about his beautiful '32 Deuce Coupe he owned some 30 years ago. Bill Dorr forgot to bring Sue. Sandy saved a seat for me.... Lois' leg was better. Mike was happy...



Ken didn't talk Money for a change..



Bill Door's '37 was found hidden in a Trailer Park...
Liz couldn't care less



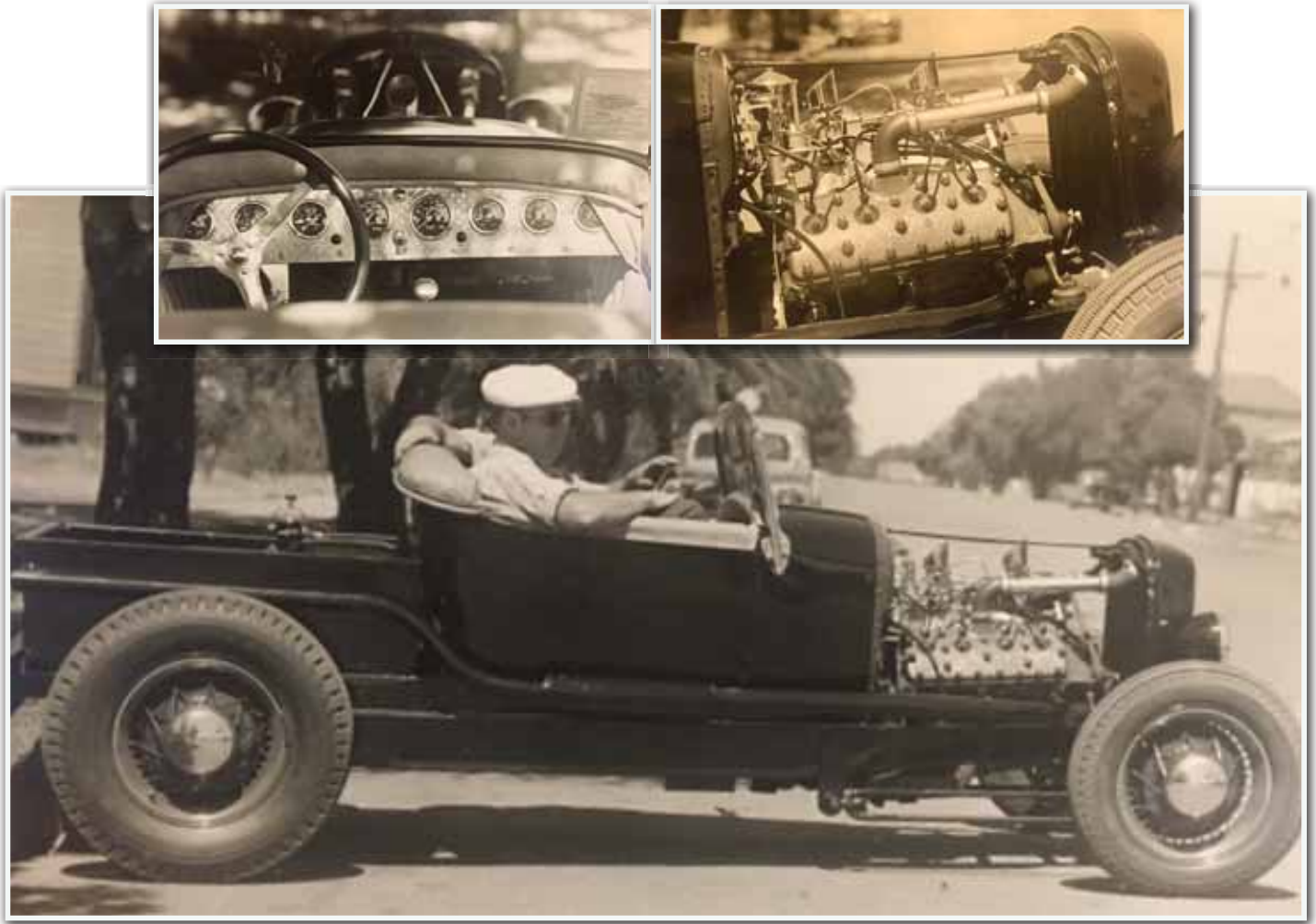


... Brad made a lot of noise about his parking spot. Bob Brown hid the Corvette. Prez Joe and Historian Susan arrived, top down and spirits up (Check out that FURRY Coat!) Rays Family fit right in. They sat next to John and His Travel Agent. Bill Door's '37 was found hidden under a tree... Former PREZ Peterman showed up alone so he posed with Bob then Judy (Wait, where was Ray? ...)



Mike, Alone but never lonely...





1947. This was my brother's first car after the second World War.

All during the war my brother Don Atkinson and his best friend John Collins dreamed of building a roadster and driving it back to the INDY 500.

They started with a '35 Ford Frame and running gear.

'35 V8 Motor.

Hand fabricated Bed

Hand fabricated Exhaust

T Roadster Pickup Body

And a Hand fabricated burnished Aluminum Dash.

One week before they were to leave for Indy, they finished the car. Registered it 2pm.

At 10 pm, coming down Rose Canyon Blvd,
a '42 Buick doing about 80 mph, hit them from the rear.

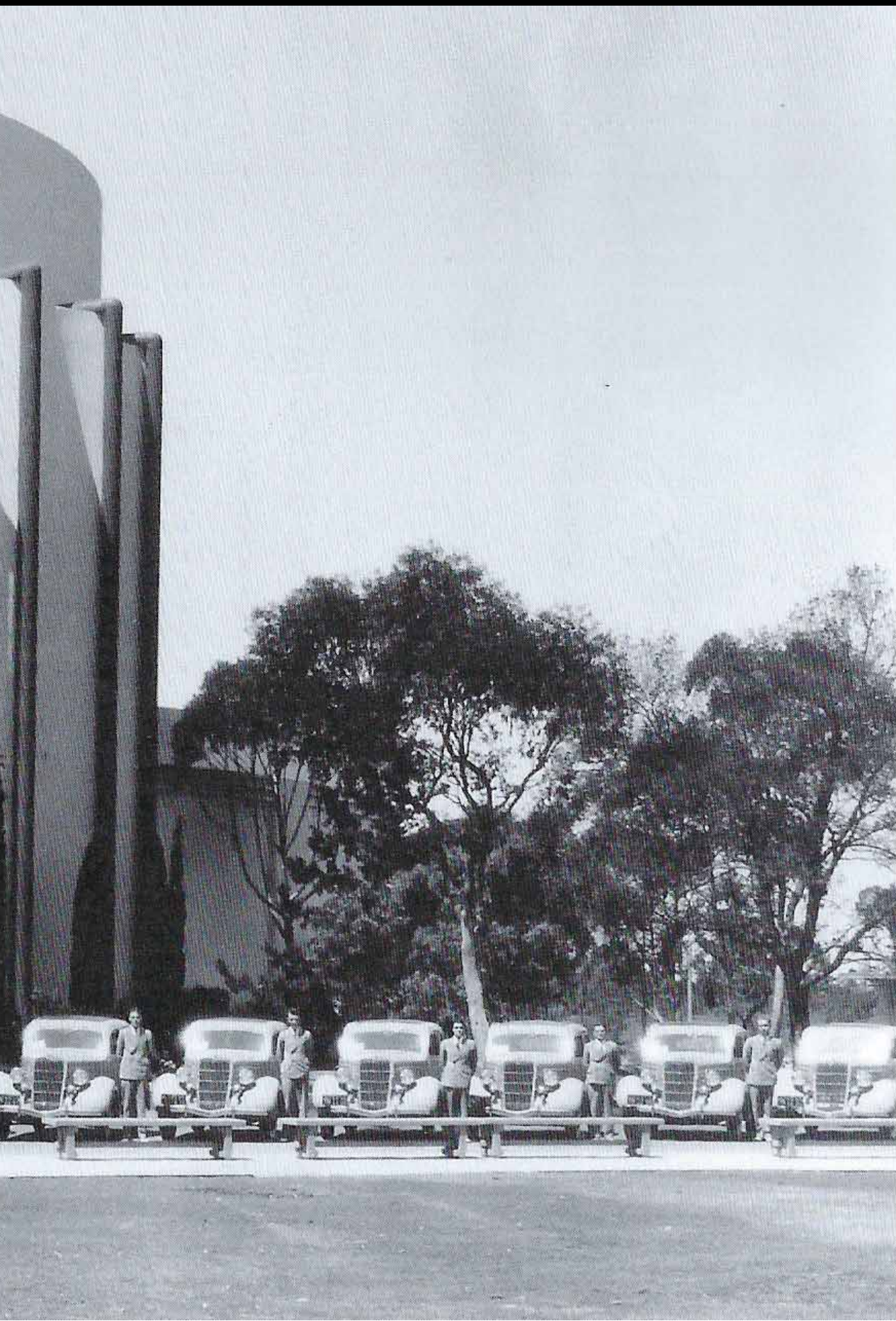
The collision ripped off the A Frame and the right front wheel from the Buick, sending a huge mountain of sparks past the brothers down the hill.

It buckled the Roadster's frame, Bed and exhaust.

The boys were not hurt except for their egos. The trip to Indy never happened.

——-Carl Atkinson





1935

Fords galore at the Pacific

International Exposition held in San Diego, California in 1935 and 1936. They are all parked in front of the Ford Building, which housed the company's industrial and automotive display, the largest exhibit at the Exposition. Fortunately, this magnificent building is still standing and now houses the airplane exhibit at Balboa Park, San Diego's Cultural Center.

Massive Crowds Gather For The First Woodstock, 1969



Woodstock 1969

The first Woodstock concert in 1969, officially known as the "Woodstock Music and Art Fair", was actually on a farm field in Bethel, NY, nearly 50 miles from Woodstock

Sandy and I owned a half finished cabin near the town of Woodstock, just 90 miles from our real home Hastings on Hudson. We were in Woodstock that weekend, but the traffic reports were horrific. Driving to the Concert became impossible. Hundreds of cars were abandoned along the road and the die-hards walked the last 6 miles or piled on any vehicle that was able to move, including Police cars. At the time we owned a hard working '65 VW 17 window bus with pull-back canvas top.-It was the family Jeep, wagon & lumber carrier for the new Cabin during construction. That thing would go anywhere.

Our 5 year old daughter and 2 yr old son loved that bus. The middle seat was left home to make way for supplies and sleeping in the bus. The kids liked the small space over the motor, known by us as the WAY BACK. And no seat belts back then.

We listened to the concert reports on the radio, including the druggies and rain storm reports .Sounded like a wild party, But not an event for a family..

A few months after the concert we finished the cabin. We were there nearly every weekend for the next 5 years. We had 3 wooded acres of our

own mixed with other cabins on the mountain side around us and a shared river and swimming pond with a waterfall and plenty of swimming room. And a river with miles of rapids for the riding was just 3 miles away,. I managed to work on my old Fords evenings during the work week because the weekends were all about Woodstock. But, I did find some vintage wrecking yards up there and bought much needed parts. It was about 2 years before I drove one of my old Fords up to the cabin.



East county tour Oasis Camel Dairy & Ramona/Barona Museum Jan 12

Cost at Oasis Camel Dairy is \$15 per person. Ray had to buy tickets ahead of time so please **make payment to RAY by January 5, 2024** ———

Ray Brock at 814 Cardamom Ct., Chula Vista, CA 91910

Barona Museum is free. Restrooms are available at the Dairy. expected temperature is 60 degrees.

On Friday, January 12, 2024 at 8:45 am meet at Macys/Broken Yolk parking lot in Mission Valley. Departing at 9 am

Take Mission Center Road left to Qualcomm Way/Texas St. Turn right to go across I 8 to I 8 east. On ramp (right lane) take I 8 east to Highway 67 off ramp in El Cajon take Highway 67 towards Ramona.

Some from the Palomar Club will meet us at the Park & Ride at the intersection of Poway Rd & Highway 67 about 9:30 am.

Continue on Highway 67 (changes to highway 78 in Ramona) thru Ramona to Oasis Camel Dairy (approximately 50 miles from start)

Arrive at Oasis Camel Dairy at approximately 10:30. Take the approximately one hour tour. (About 1 ½ blocks walking)

Depart Oasis Camel dairy about 11:30 am. Continue on Highway 78 about two blocks to intersection of Old Julian Highway.

Turn hard right onto Old Julian Highway, continue to Ramona at intersection of Old Julian Highway and Main Street.

Turn left onto Main St. and continue to Kountry Kitchen for lunch at 826 Main St. in Ramona. (Parking behind restaurant). Arrive approximately 12:30 pm and depart approximately 1:30-1:45 pm

Continue on Main St. to 10th St. also called Barona Rd. (Intersection of Highway 78 & 67) Turn left onto Barona Rd. And continue to Wildcat Canyon Rd. turn off.

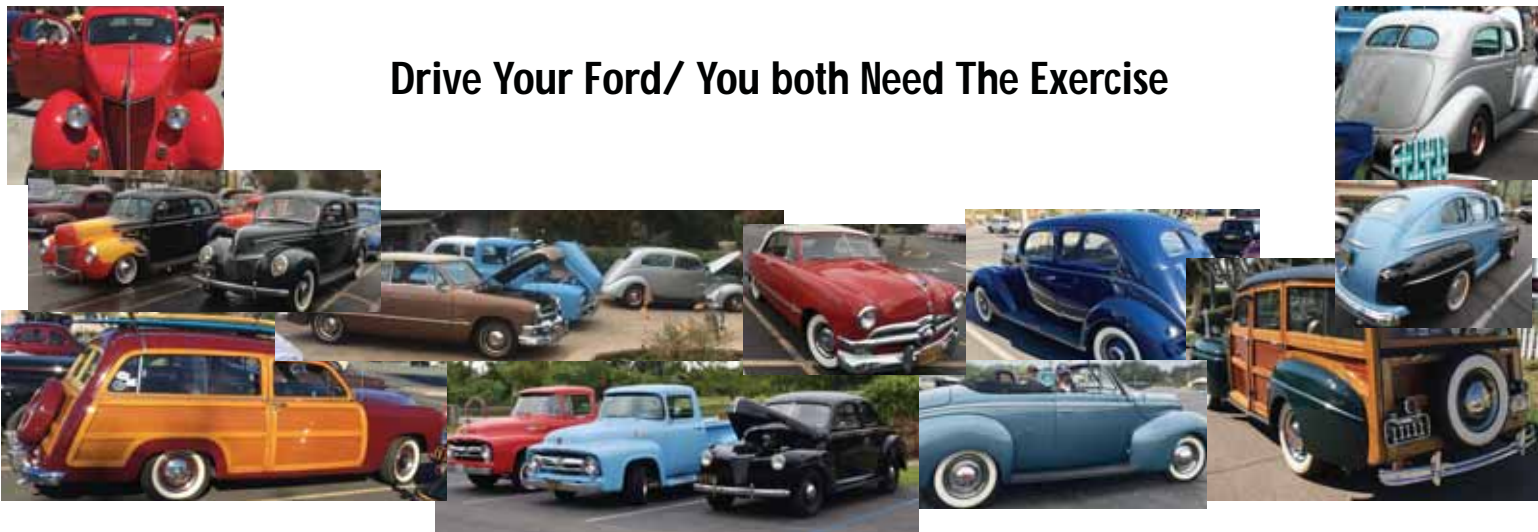
Turn right onto Wildcat Canyon Rd.

Drive Wildcat Canyon Rd. To the Barona Indian Museum and arrive approximately 2:30 pm. There is a 20 minute film plus Indian History.

Depart at your leisure and head for home. We will be driving approximately 100 miles total. First half approximately 60 mph, second half approximately 40 mph



Drive Your Ford/ You both Need The Exercise



This is what you get in a Roadster— More Fun.

The Christmas Cruise at El Cajon— “I had a generator in the back to rock Santa Claus and the Christmas tree.”

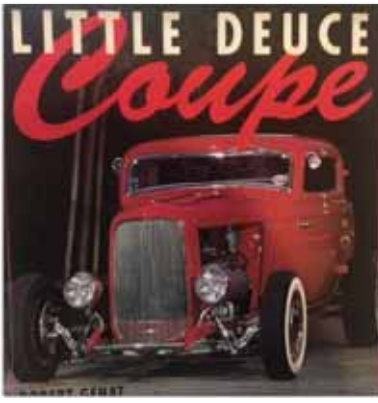
Another Parade in Escondido.

A Motorcycle show at the small Stadium on the east side of Del Mar—we made the Padre lap to start the Races.



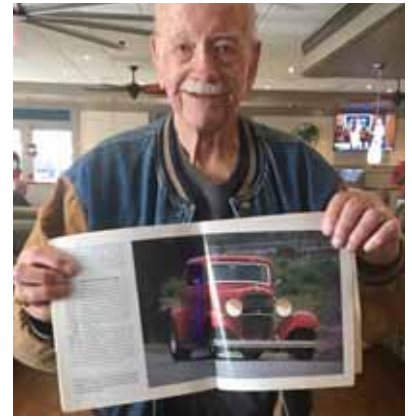
Then there was Miss Budd...

-Carl Atkinson



Bill Lewis' Full Fendered Coupe

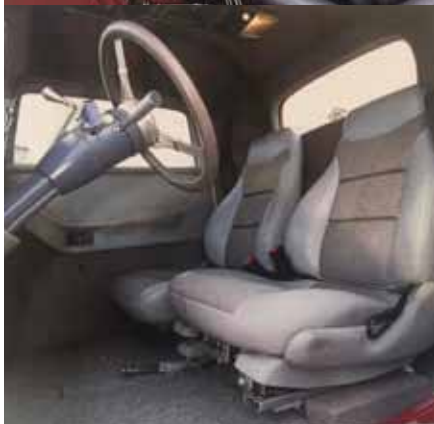
Bill took a different approach when he built his all-steel, full rendered three-window. Like most of the Duces in this book, it was built to be a daily driver. Since 1983 it has made five trips to the east coast, to California for Hot Rod Events, and it is a fixture at all West Coast rodding events. Between 1993 and 1995, Lewis completely rebuilt his coupe and made something good into something great..



Lewis added an SAC frame and Kugel polished stainless independent front suspension. The Independent rear suspension is based on a Corvette unit and features Kugel's custom components. The front and rear disc brakes are power assisted. The steering is a Kugel rack and pinion. Lewis' coupe has a suspension with no equal. The engine Lewis selected is a 1995 Corvette LT4 with electronic fuel injection. It's backed by a 7004 transmission. The fuel injection and overdrive transmission provide a flexible combination that's both powerful and stingy on fuel. Because Lewis puts a lot of miles on each year, he wanted to have the interior as comfortable as possible. Late model bucket seats are covered in a combination of leather and tweed. A wool carpet covers the floor. An overhead console controls the Panasonic sound system that includes a CD changer. A tilt column and air conditioning have also been installed.



Ford's '32 three-window coupe is a classic design, and hot rodders have taken advantage of its good looks and made it look even better. The distinctive suicide doors made the three-window a standout in Ford's 1932 line-up of cars. The three-window's timeless lines look great with or without fenders, and with or without a chopped top. The 1932 Ford, in any body style, will always be the icon for the American hot rod.



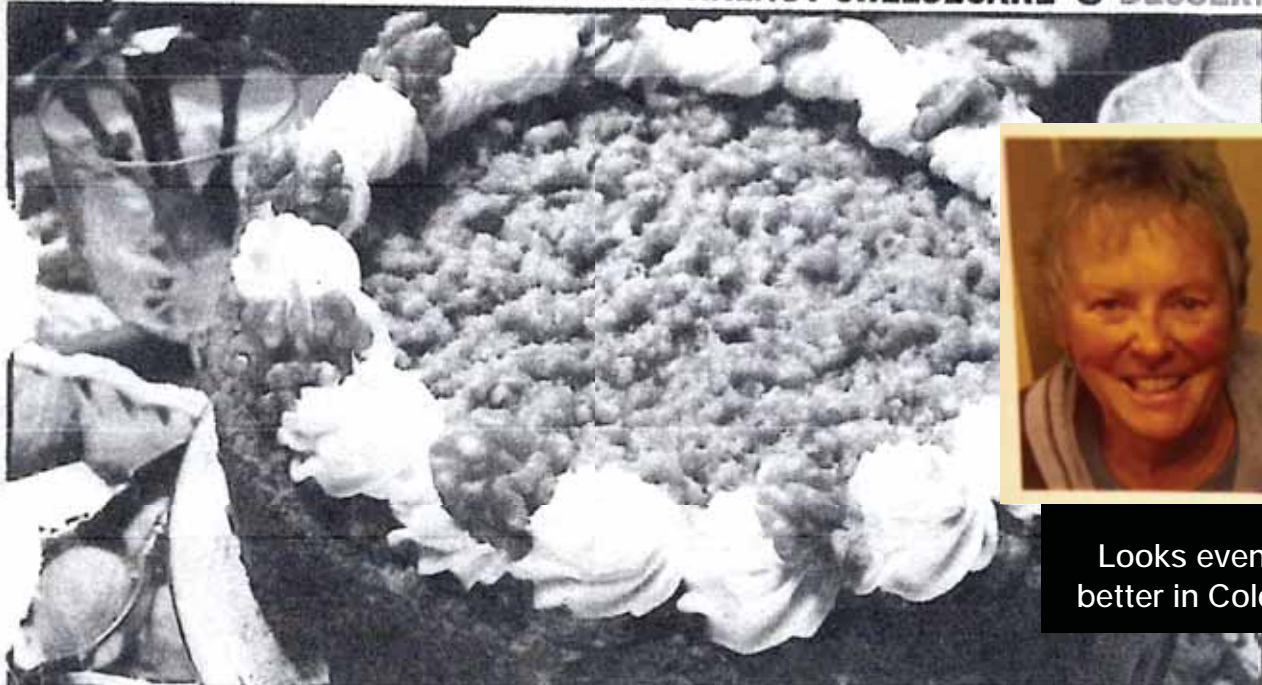
The Magic in Lewis' coupe is a 1995 LT4. With the exception of the exhaust headers and a little custom paint, the engine is completely stock. The accessory on the near side of the engine is the compressor for the AC system. An electric fan is attached to the rear of the aluminum radiator, and the firewall is custom, with a recess for the engine.

Late model bucket seats were added for driving comfort. An overhead console houses the CD.



FamilyCircle

VERMONT PUMPKIN WALNUT CHEESECAKE ● DESSERT



Looks even
better in Color



Bake at 325° for 1 hour, 45 minutes.

Makes 16 servings at 51¢ each.

VERMONT PUMPKIN WALNUT CHEESECAKE

- 1 package (6 ounces) zwieback crackers, crushed (1½ cups)
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted
- 3 packages (8 ounces each) cream cheese, softened
- ¾ cup granulated sugar

1. Blend zwieback crumbs, the ¼ cup sugar and the butter in a medium-size bowl. Press firmly over bottom and up side of a lightly buttered 9-inch spring-form pan. Chill.
2. Beat cream cheese in a large bowl with electric mixer at medium speed until smooth. Add sugars gradually, beating until well mixed. Beat in eggs, one at a time, until mixture is light and fluffy. Beat in pumpkin pie spice and heavy cream at low speed. Pour into prepared pan.

- ¾ cups firmly packed light brown sugar
- 5 eggs
- 1 can (16 ounces) pumpkin
- 1¼ teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- ¼ cup heavy cream
- Walnut Topping (recipe follows)**

3. Bake in a slow oven (325°) for 1 hour and 35 minutes. Remove cake from oven; sprinkle with Walnut Topping; bake an additional 10 minutes. Cool cake on wire rack; refrigerate several hours, or overnight. Garnish with whipped cream and pecans, if you wish.
- WALNUT TOPPING:** Combine 6 tablespoons softened butter with 1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar in a small bowl; mix well until crumbly. Blend in 1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts.

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1941 Ford Coupe: Engine overhauled several years ago but never installed. Most all the parts are there but in boxes. \$5000 neg. Gary Werner, 303-808-3519, calls only, no text or email.



1936 Fordor—Great Condition.
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'37 V8 PU. 59 AB V83 speed Floor mount
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New Gas Tank (not installed yet) Email only.
Happy to talk with anyone interested. Located in
Chino Hills (100 mi north of San Diego)- Look up under inland empire
Cars and Trucks pre 1975 for sale by owner. \$17,500 May Trade—
Look it up under Cars For Sale





Hundreds of lit -up bikes decorated with strings of lights roamed the streets of Coronado- on a path carefully set up and guarded by the local Police . The end of the run was the park where the Band Shell was alive with families singing and dancing. HAPPY NEW YEAR!