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Deep Winter in sunny San Diego - Beach or snow? Let's do both...

Trash Talking Tour. Mar 23 - Sixteen masked V8ers came ready with questions about the 500 tons of trash hauled and recycled each day. I've always assumed EDCO was some corporate acronym, but no - it's simply Ed's Company. Mr. Ed is personally involved in day to day operations. Being the largest, by far, trash hauler in SD County, Ed runs a tight ship and safety is top priority. Because of the good wages and great benefits, the average employee stays 15 years. Endless lines of trash hauling trucks move through the yard dumping their loads. The trash

then goes on it's own trip being separated and sorted over miles of conveyor belts. The conveyor crews work quickly and efficiently to separate everything from everything else. It's dirty, dangerous work. Conveyor inspectors inspect all belts on every work break. Today, there was a stoppage because of an overload of plastic trash bags hung up in the works. Later, over pizza at Neopoleone's, we celebrated Bob Hargrave's 70th and Carl Atkinson's

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84th BDays. Later, Sandy & I returned to our car and noticed the original & legendary 1948 Niederfrank's Ice Cream store down the block. We couldn't resist. It was a sweet end



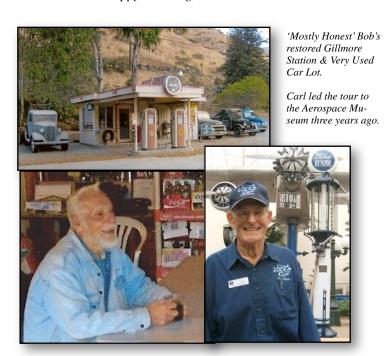


The Prez Sez.

Sincere condolences to the families of Carl Burnett (died Mar 15) and Bob Stoll (died Mar 17). Both longtime members had made significant contributions to our Club.

A survey of our members was sent out in March. I have received 27 so

far. About 10 were returned by the post office without clearing the stamp. I received 4 through email and the rest were hard copies. 27 responses out of a general member ship of about 170 SDEFV8 members is about a 16% return. While this is a good return for many academic researches I thought we would have more results from out "community" of V8ers. I am beginning the analysis of the data and will present the results at the April general meeting including the comments. If you have not responded yet and would like to be included please send your poll form back ASAP. Although I was away at a wedding for the March meeting, I heard that there was a lively discussion about oil. I seems like the "Tech Tips" section of the general meeting is doing well. If you have a topic you would like to know more about or would like to present a Tech Tip please contact me or Richard Teubner. We will have many events coming up this Summer starting with the April 9th Cuyamaca College Fords & Flowers Tour & lunch. A lively group of V8ers went to EDCO to see what happens to the "stuff" we throw away. I found it quite interesting even though it was not directly "car" related. We did see radiators, batteries and other metal parts going to meet their "re-maker." Be sure to check out the EFV8 web site at: http://www.sandiegoearlyfordv8club.org. Go online and take a look. You will probably see yourself. If you don't then send Rick a photo to: rcarlton1@cox.net. Go look! Please feel free to contact me at: jhildebr@cox.net if you wish.



----Happy motoring, John

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The Daily Aster

Ladies and Gentlemen, The President Of The United States.

It was June 6, 1963 when President John F. Kennedy spent about 4 hours here in San Diego. He was met at Lindberg Field by Jerry's dad, then Governor Pat Brown. From there he rode in an eleven auto, two bus motorcade to El Cajon Boulevard where it slowed to a crawl for the 8 mile drive to San Diego State. An estimated 400,000 people lined the route including democratic sign-waving clubs, high school bands, protestors, residents, law enforcement officers, and a reviewing stand packed with dignitaries. At San Diego State, the President received an Honorary Doctor of Law Degree and delivered the commencement speech. From my vantage point, seated with other graduates, the president seemed miles away at the podium. His Helicopter One and two others were

> many, by today's super tight standards). There was an audible buzz of excitement about his appearance but his speech was not very memorable.

His helicopter lifted off for MCRD, where he toured the carriers Kitty Hawk and Oriskany before departing. Kennedy was assassinated 6 months later. The motorcade route, El Cajon Blvd, was once the western terminus of Historic Highway 80, before Highway 8 was a glint in the city planners eve.

The Boulevard was also the right-ofpassage cruise route, Hoover High, Oscars hamburgers, the Campus Drive In and memories of the Drag Strip Riots for most of us that grew up here in '50s - '60s San Diego. --*TS*



Carl's last wish

was that his daughters throw a big party to remember him. Wish granted.

The Glen Abby Chapel of the Roses was SRO with Prowlers, EFV8ers, friends and family. Carl's daughters, Sandy and Debbie, Preacher Bob Buschman and friends shared remembrances of Carl's busy life as a Ffather, a collector, race car driver, businessman and lover of old Fords. After the service Carl's second wish was granted: a parade of old Fords fell in behind the hearse, followed by Marcie in his favorite ride, the '36

Cabriolet. A few of the lowest Fords banged off an angled cobblestone, jarring the drivers, but they soldiered on like nothing happened.

The convoy made quite a sight as it paraded through the mortuary grounds to Carl's last resting spot. Some last words were spoken and flowers placed on the coffin before we all moved to lunch in the reception hall.

And who says you can't take it with you..? There was Carl laid out in his casket with a confident grin on his face, his stroker cap at a jaunty angle and a model of his '36 in his hand.

--*TS*







New: Push Button door locks. Concealed gas tank filler. Magic Air Heater system. First appearance of The Ford Crest. 1st use of 'Custom Deluxe' model specification. Introduction of Crestliner model.

Tech Specs: Price: \$1,333 for Business Coupe 'Six' to \$2,107 for V8 Wagon.

Weight: 2,933 lbs for Business Coupe 'Six" to 3,531 lbs for the V8 Wagon.

Engines: 239 ci Flathead V8 rated at 100 hp and 226 ci 95 hp Flathead six.

Engine production: V8, 897,463. 6 Cyl, 289-659.

Production totals:

1,187,120 (Crestliner, 17,601. Custom Deluxe Tudor Sedan, 396,060).

Introduced mid November, 1949.

Accomplishments: Named "Fashion Car Of The Year" by NY famed Fashion Academy.

Sales outpaced the 17 month production run of the '49 Ford.

Pace Car at The Indy 500 (Ok, it was a Mercury Convertible--still under Ford banner)

1950 World Events: North Korea Troops burst across 38th Parallel to invade South Korea. Americans were buying 100,000 TV sets a week. On TV they were shocked to watch a parade of crime bosses invoking the 5th amendment at the Kefauver Hearings. The 1950 Chicago Auto Show, the nations first show after WWII, was held at the International

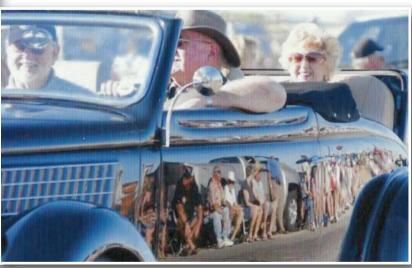
Midnight at the Oasis

Yuma, AZ Mar 12-13

V8ers noted parading, eating and carousing: Rick & Betty Storrs, Dick & Barbara Martin, Rick & Sheryl Carlton, Joe & Candy Vidali and Bill & Linda Lewis.

Amphitheater. -Thanks Road Chatter







Carl Hugh Burnett June 13, 1932 - March 15, 2011

On Tuesday, March 15, 2011, Carl passed away at Sharp Hospice Care Lakeview Home in San Diego, California, after fighting a brave battle with leukemia.

Carl, 78, was a native of San Diego and graduated from Grossmont High in 1952. He lived with his grandmother in Alpine during his early years. His mother and step-father were transferred to New Orleans and Carl lived there during WWII. In 1945 his step-father got a government job in Fairbanks, Alaska. During his 4 years in Alaska, Carl bought and sold bicycles, starting his entrepreneurial career very early. After deciding at 16 years old that Alaska was just too cold for him, Carl decided to live with his grandmother again who

now lived in La Mesa. At Grossmont High he traded his Wizzer Motorbike for his first car in 1948. It was a '29 Model A rumble seat coupe which he then turned into a business, charging kids a nickel for a wild ride around the block. In 1951, he joined the Prowlers, and became a regular at The Sea Side Gas Station hangout in Hillcrest. There he

met a 13 year old kid named Bob McCoy and they became life long friends. At Paradise Mesa Drag strip he made a name for himself racing a metallic grey Class B Gas Model A coupe, (Holding a 1/4 mile record, 89 miles an hour, for quite a while). Carl worked for the Jimmy Hoffa Teamster's Union from '49 to '63. He began buying and selling collections of auto related items and antiques. Through the 'Art of the Deal', he managed to scrape enough money together to buy a house on Polk St. And invited the Prowlers to hold their meetings there for a few years. He parlayed his real estate holdings into a row of four small houses on Poplar Street. He and his family lived in one, tore the other three down,

set up a used car lot and built a cinder block building called Antique Auto. For the first year, he worked 12 hours a day, powering the business with a single light bulb on an extension cord from his kitchen window. Bob McCoy painted his sign and a mural on the building. In 1969, his friend Ollie Smith got a few gear heads together and started the San Diego chapter of the Early Ford V8 Club. Carl joined up and invited the club to use his place for their monthly meetings for many years. He took in cars on consignment, sold used and new parts, antiques, collectibles and scoured the country for bargains. He made about 40 trips to Hershey, PA for the annual big Fall Show and always sold what he took and brought home something new. In '83 he retired to collect antique "Toys, Trains, and Things". He remained an active charter member of the Early Ford V-8 Club and hosted some great Christmas parties for the club at his shop, always wearing his signature beat up, high-mileage Straw boater. He held memberships in the national toy

and train clubs, Toy Train Operating Society, and Train Collector's Association, as well as a local membership in the All Gauge Toy Train Association since 1977. He treasured his friendships throughout these organizations and they all brought him great pleasure over the years. Carl played golf for many years and followed the pro's. He also loved the NASCAR races. But his favorite past-times were cruising around with his beloved companion, Marcia, in his 1936 blue Ford Roadster "Baby", and playing with his Lionel trains. Carl is survived by his two daughters Debbie Burnett of San Diego, and Sandy Boister of Athens, Texas; son-in-law Rich Boister and two beautiful granddaughters, Rebecca Boister, 13 and Melissa Boister, 12, who brought such joy to his life; his beloved companion Marcia McCulloch of San Diego, who shared life, love, and much happiness with him for the past 10 years; his sister Sue Hardenbrook and 3 nephews of Fairbanks, Alaska; and dozens of life-long friends. The family is grateful to the wonderful staff at Lakeview Home, for the highly competent, loving care Carl received from them during his last

few days. --He will be missed.





Dearest Ford Family,

We wanted to let you know that "Mostly Honest" Bob Stoll passed away on March 17th 2011. Robert "Bob" John Stoll, 81 years old Passed away peacefully at the family home in Lakeside, Ca. on Thursday, March 17th 2011.

Born at 3am on October 25th 1929 in Pasadena, California. To his parents Evelyn Dorothy Ivy Stoll (Sympson) and Arthur William Stoll. He is survived by the love of his life for the last 61 years, Geraldine Stoll. His three children and their spouses Sherrie and Denis Walker, Ed and Rhea Ann Stoll, and Brandon and Nancy Stoll. Six grandchildren Jonathon, Kerrie, Brandon, Eddie, Justin, and Cameron. Three great - grandchildren Lance, Robert, Silas, and Jaden. No service will be held. Bob has chosen to contribute to the doctors of tomorrow today through the UCSD body donation program. In lieu of flowers please send all donations in memory of "Mostly Honest" Bob Stoll to the Ollie Smith Scholarship C/O San Diego Early Ford V8 Club, P.O. Box 881107, San Diego, Ca. 92168-1107. The family will be holding a celebration of his life, time and date of which will be announced. Please direct any correspondence to P.O. Box 533, Lakeside, Ca 92040 or emails to MostlyHonestBob@yahoo.com, Messages can be left at 619-443-6143. We would also like to thank all of you for your friendship. The memories of all our years together in the end is all he talked about. -- Thank you, The Stoll Family



My friend, Mostly Honest Bob Stoll -- by Michael Brandon

Wow this is hard. Where do you start when you want to tell Bob's friends and family about a 27 year friendship that included so many good times.

The day I met Bob I was looking for my roaming Golden Retriever Jason. I had driven all over the neighborhood looking for my dog when I happened down a small street that ended in the driveway of a house that I had never seen before.

Lying in the driveway wagging his tail was my damn dog and the owner of the house, (Bob) came out to meet me. I apologized for my dog hanging around his place. Bob introduce himself and said the dog was no problem and he enjoyed his company. We talked about all the great American history he had all around his barn and yard. I knew that we had a lot in common right away and asked If I could stop over and spend more time looking around. Bob said anytime and I held him to it.

Since that chance meeting we shared many times riding around in his old '51 ford F1 pickup, which Bob named "Twinkle Tires", drinking iced tea from Mason jars and talking about the old days and looking for more cool stuff.

Bob always had a project in the works. He built his Indy race car from mostly free or scavenged parts that were laying around or donated by friends and family. Bob restored his other '51 Ford F1 and chose a Chevy small block and powerglide trans for the power. He also restored his 1946 Acme teardrop trailer to match his '51 F1 pickup with the help of his business partner Mark Wilkey.

Bob came to my shop with a big smile on his face with great news. He found his wife's (Gerrie) bicycle which she owned when she was 12. He had a picture of Gerrie with the bike when she first got it and wanted to restore it for Gerrie and give it to her for her birthday. We went to work and made that bicycle better than new. He was so happy to be able to give Gerrie back a great part of her youth.

Bob told me about a visit he had from out of town family one summer. Bob's neighbor had a watermelon patch and Bob talked his visitors into stealing a couple of watermelons although they were not exactly anxious to participate. When they skulked into the garden to commit the crime, Bob's neighbor, Bob Ward came to the door with a shotgun and made that internationally known sound of a pump shotgun being cocked as he yelled "Hey, what the hell do you think your doing" at which time he fired the shotgun into the air.

Well..Bob's accomplices screamed like little girls and ran back to the house scared nearly to death. Bob had a hard time keeping up because he was laughing so hard he could hardly stand up.

It seems Bob called his neighbor and staged the whole thing.

I know it brought tears to my eyes when he told me about it.

There is so much more to be told of Bob's life. He was generous to a fault and always wanted to help anyone that had a need. He will truly be missed by many which is a wonderful testament to his life.

Plant Waste Powering Cars? Introducing Isobutanol

-(Not to be confused with the city, Istanbul)

Isobutanol is the next great advancement in powering cars and trucks. You might not have heard about it before, but it's becoming very popular. It's a new advance in biofuel technology, and it uses bacteria that converts plant matter into isobutanol. And isobutanol can be burned in standard car engines.

Reducing Foreign Oil Dependence The idea of plant waste powering cars might seem like a strange one, but it's not really all that surprising. It's another way that the US can reduce its dependence on foreign oil, which could lower the price of gas and make a lot of products less expensive – mostly because they'll cost less to ship.



Genetically Engineered Microbes. In introducing isobutanol, scientists show how genetically engineered microbes can be used to break down plant matter into something that can easily be used to power a vehicle. Isobutanol is able to be blended with gasoline at any ratio, which is something that can't be done with ethanol. Being able to use isobutanol in car engines without modifying them would mean that there wouldn't be any expensive changes that would need to be made. It is currently being produced by companies such as Gevo. No matter what kind of vehicle you're currently driving, you'd probably like to save money on your gasoline. With the price of gas continuing to rise, being able to find new fuels is very significant to the future of the country. In short, it can help just about everyone, because it could bring the price of hundreds of products down. When it costs less to ship, it can cost less to purchase, and that's something everyone can appreciate.----

2011 EFV-8 Central National Meet in Auburn Indiana August 24th through 27th

Dear Loyal V-8 Club Regional Group Members,

RG# 141 from Ohio and RG# 69 from Northern Indiana, along with Indianapolis RG # 56 and Indiana Auburn Blue Ovals RG # 169, are co-hosting the Central National V-8 Meet in Auburn, Indiana, August 24th-August 27th, 2011.

As chairman of the raffle committee, I am writing to ask for your support of a donation for our Peoples Choice raffle. Any donation of a basket, single item, gift card or cash which your RG and members could contribute would be greatly appreciated. The donation will be displayed with your group name, business or individual name. You can send your donation to the address below or bring it with you to the meet.

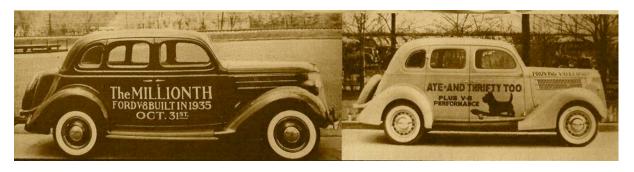
We are looking forward to seeing you in Auburn, Indiana. With your help we will have another successful meet. All proceeds from this raffle will be donated to the Early Ford V-8 Foundation to be applied to the museum operating loan. The Early Ford V-8 Museum was established to preserve the history of the flathead Ford V-8. Please encourage your RG members to consider joining the Foundation and supporting this organization. Check the Foundation web site at www.fordv8foundation.org.

I am sending this letter to you as the RG president. Please forward it to your newsletter editor and club members as soon as possible.

184 West 800 South Shirley Stauffer, Raffle Chairman Portland IN 47371



The Early Ford V-8 Club of America 2011 Central National Meet, Auburn, Indiana August 24th -August 27th





April 9 Fords & Flowers Tour

RSVP Mike Brandon 619-977-9777 -Here's what you do...

1-Meet at Cuyamaca college, 900 Rancho San Diego Pkwy. 92019

2-Park at Auto shop- Compete in Dirtiest/Cleanest Flathead Contest

3-Join Pat Garity for the delicious Cane Asada lunch & Asset Program Update

4-Tour Garden Show and Native American Museum

So easy, a monkey could do it.



2011 Tour Schedule

Apr 9: Cuyamaca College Lunch- Fords & Flower Show. May 1: All Ford Picnic- Simpson's Nursery. May 11, El Cajon Car Cruise, Wed on Orange Ave. June: Pancake Breakfast. July: Campo Truck Museum. Aug: Ice Cream Social. Sept: Border Patrol. Oct: Oktoberfest. Nov: Tru Line. Dec: Christmas Party.

A happy Ford owner takes delivery of his brand new 1935 pick up from Neuner Bros Ford in San Diego.

In 1976, I found my '35 scattered behind a gas station in upstate NY. A year later it was driving around town under it's own





April Anniversaries

4/03 Tom & Barbara Keck 4/10 Joe & Paula Pifer 4/24 Ronald & Bernadette Landweer

4/25 Calvin & Shirley King

April Birthdays

4/01 Bill Lewis

4/03 Barbara Owens

4/05 Jim Ferguson

4/07 Lane Showalter

4/07 Jack Clegg----80th!

4/08 Bud Williams

4/10 Karen Walcher

4/10 Rick Moreno

4/15 Joe Pifer

4/16 Nick Murrell

4/17 John Owens

4/17 Dan Walters

4/19 Joyce Brock

4/22 John Hildebrand

4/23 Ray Brock

4/24 Loyce Swedberg

4/29 Liz Dow

4/30 Eldon Seibold

Sunshine: Noted at Carl's Funeral:: both Fred Lobello and

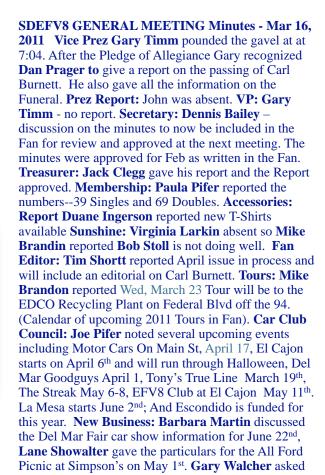
Mike Brandon were using canes... Fred took a bruising fall in his garage and Mike claimed, "I hurt my hind leg" while cleaning the pool.

Welcome new members, Oscar & Marymartha Villafranca, Ramona, Ca



Carl & Bill Lewis share 1st Place Trophies. 2009. Carl at Antique Row Cafe, 2010.





if the Museum could be approached to see if we can move our display cases from Simpson's to the Museum. **Old Business:** none. Big 3: Ric Bonnoront Thanks to all for all the help and nothing on the proceeds yet. Programs: Richard **Teubner** discussed the Pin Stripe program for next month and asked for a volunteer to have their car stripping. Richard gave a presentation on the Mitchell Overdrive for V8's. Joe Vidali gave a **Tech Tip** presentation on the best and the worst in engine oil. 50/50 was won by Ron Landweer. Meeting adjourned at 8:34.

--Dennis Bailey Secy.







Send Joe your email address- Joe Pifer will update you for any last minute event details.

General Meeting Apr 20 Auto Museum, Balboa Park 7 pm Program-Pinstriping, Lady8ers Breakout.

FORD V8 SWAP CORNER...

The Ford Fan will publish ads relating to 1932-1953 Ford Motor Company Products and, on occasion, other auto related items. Ads are collected at the General Meeting or you send then to: SAN DIEGO REGIONAL GROUP, P. O.

Box 881107 San Diego, Ca 92168-1107

'49 Merc Woody. Wavecrest poster car '07. Tampico Maroon. Excellent chrome & origi wood. Visor, fog back lights, working radio. All three seats, woodgrain, seatbelts Flat V-8, RB steering, trans & rear end. Optima batt. Drive anywhere. \$79,500. JIM HARRIS (858)597-8174

'41 Ford Super Deluxe Convert, total body off resto-rod. Completed in 2004. Built from 3 owner original S. D. car. Florentine blue, red leather, tan top, Upholstery by LB, correct woodgrain. 350/350 Chevy, 9 inch Currie, disk brakes front, 15 inch wheels, Wide Whites, Vintage air, 45K Gary Walcher 619-588-6228

'41 Ford Fordor. Complete resto '94. RB Flat 8. All work documented. Orig wheels, caps & beauty rings incl.\$11,500. OBÖ-858-278-1901

'51 Ford Fordor We call her 'Alice' and she's been with us 16 years. Older resto. Nice driver. \$10k OBO. Jim Hurllburt 760-789-0220

'34 Ford Deluxe Phaeton. Trunk, heater, glove box radio, 6.50x16 Lester WW on 16" K-H Wires, leather interior. Older resto with recent fuel system overhaul, new tires, fluid change, etc. to make it fully roadworthy. Paint -(from 20 feet away it looks great!), No Rust or patch panels. '36 stock engine, '40 hydraulic brakes. 4 - 17" stock wheels included.

\$48k. Photos available. Contact R. W. Johnson - rwmjohnson@gmail.com Will deliver in CA

'48 Ford Super Delux Fordor. All origunmolested w/67k miles. Runs great. \$9,500. Mike Brandon 619-977-9777

Sale '46 Ford Tudor, 302/C-4, 8" rear, Mustang front end & disc brakes, power seats, frenched headlights, tail and park-ing lights, recessed metallic red paint, auto rear deck lid, lowered suspension, chrome rims (w/small Ford hubcaps). \$22,500. OBO David. Kooistra 760.722.4393

'57 Ply Fury 2 dr hdtop. Golden Commando Hershey 1st place winner. 361 eng, 305 hd, AT, PS, PB,. Total frame-off restoration. Only 6 known to exist. \$54,000 OBO. Dick, 760-230-2582

'57 Chevy Bel Aire Fuel injected 2 dr hdtop. Matching numbers eng/fuel injection. Black,RRD interior. \$51,500/OBO. 760-230-2557

'48 Ford Deluxe Fordor. Recently acquired through a trade and I want to sell. I have a video with more details. Excellent shape, runs well. Just no room for this car in our life. Mary 760 - 815-9694

'56 Ford F-100 project. Best offer over \$500. takes it all, frame, cab, hood, gas tank, fenders, box, tires, radiator, wheels. No engine or rear end. Escondido, Ca. Ken Dubs.760-518-3827

'65 Ford Mustang GT, 289 4 speed, factory disc brakes & duel exhaust, new head liner.Complete car, some new parts need to be installed. Last ran in 1980. Fred Lobello 619-264-9484

Sale. Need duplicate of your License plate? I will make one for you. \$140. Carl Atkinsin 619-892-0222

Sale- Load of '40, '35, '36 Parts-Plus more. Proceeds go to FAN. Tim 619-435-9013

Sale-'39 Box- Complete. \$400. 619-247-6525

Sale complete Columbia Rear End- New drum to drum.Brakes, ring & pinon, open drive conversion, kick down switch, gauges, etc. Rick 619-443-0184

Sale1955- 56- 57 Ford T Bird parts.

Some new from C&G - some very nice used. 55 Front Park Light Lenses - \$12 for all. '55 Tail Light Lenses - \$35. for all. '55-'56 Door Striker Plates - \$25 for pair. '55 Kick Panel Retainer Clips - \$40 for pair. One pair Rear Tailpipe Hangers for bumper pass through -\$10 for both. '55 Back Up Light chrome housing and lense -\$25. '56 Back Up Light chrome housings and lenses - \$50 '55 complete original chrome Air Cleaner-\$200.'55 or '56 chrome Porthole rings- \$45 for pair. wiper chrome Bezel \$5. 6 Volt Heater Blower Motor \$20. '55 T Bird Radio, it works-\$200. '55 or '56 Hubcaps, with medallions--\$200. One set '57 Hubcaps, with medallions- very nice - \$200. '55 or '56 Windshield-good condition- \$150. '55 or '56 Exhaust manifold- driver side -w/ gasket-\$100. John 619-302-8376 or home 619-422-3718

Sale-'31 Ford Headlights. 6V Seal Beam Conversion. Jeff 619-890-3845

Sale- Flathead engine parts. Jim Milton 619-582-1854

Sale-NOS '53 V8 Radiator--B.O.-Steve 619-249-4036

Wanted-Tail lights for 46 ford and front signal lights for 46 ford. Sale: All stainless for 47 Ford.-Dennis 619-593-0109

Sale.'35 Ford 16" rims. Set of six. Factory spokes in good cond. Sandblasted. Holes not elongated. \$300 for set. '32-'34 Front axle \$50. '41 Front axle \$50. Sam 760-746-8085.

Wanted-'34 Ford Steer box. Any condition. 619-993-9190

Wanted- '37 1/2 ton PU truck grill. Bob Symonds 619-264-1584















Accolades for Cuyamaca auto technology program

College is a finalist in national competition

Cuyamaca College's auto-motive technology program received a pair of valentines in February in the form of awards notification letters. Program coordinator Jim Custeau first received notice early in the month that the

early in the month that the auto tech program has been named a Top 20 finalist for 2011 School of the Year by To-morrow's Technician, a na-tional magazine for students tional magazine for students and instructors in high school and college automotive vecational schools. Sponsored by WIX Filters, Chicago Pneumatic, and Waterloo, the fourth annual competition drew 300 entries nominating nearly 100 high schools technical schools and collegers throughout the nacolleges throughout the na-

tion.

The Top 20 list will be narrowed down in April to the final four schools, one from each region of the country.

Cuyamaca College is one of five post-secondary schools and colleges from the South-

west region of the United States to make the Top 20 list. A week after receiving the Top 20 School notification let-ter, Custeau learned he had won the California Communi-ty College Association for Oc-cupational Education 2011 Excellence in Leadership Excellence in Leadership Award. Nominated by Made-laine Wolfe, dean of instruc-tion at Cuyamaca College, Custeau will receive the award March 23 at the CC-CAOE spring 2011 conference in Oakland.

CAOE spring 2011 conference in Oakland.
Custeau, who began teaching automotive technology at Cuyamaca College in 1979, set up the popular Ford AS-SET (Automotive Student Service Educational Training) and General Motors ASEP (Automotive Servicing Education Program) programs. The two-year programs match automotive technology students with Ford and GM dealerships for internships combining class-room and on-the-job training. Both require students to take the full complement of general education classes needed for an associate of science degree.

gree.
"These recognitions for one

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CUYAMACA COLLEGE AUTOMOTIVE PROGRAM COLLECTS HONORS

Jim Custeau's program recently named finalist for top award by national magazine

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When Jim Custeau was
preparing to start the Automotive Technology program at Cuyamaca College
in 1979, he did his research.
Custeau, a 1967 Mount
Miguel High alum and
graduate of Grossmont
College and San Diego
State University, traveled
around California, visiting
community colleges that community colleges that had automotive programs, not only to see what was going right, but also to find

out what wasn't.

"I went to the San Diego
Community College District, to Cerritos College and to the College and to the College of the Canyons and I asked them all, 'ff you had to do it all over again, what would you do differently?'" Custeau said, "I listened closely to their asked to be the college of t their answers before I hit

That extra effort has paid off.

Custeau's program, which employs four full-time and four part-time instructors, was recently named a top 20 finalist for 2011 School of the Year by "Tomorrow's Technician," a national Technician," a national magazine for students and instructors in high school and college automotive vocational schools.

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The fourth annual competition drew 300 entries of high schools, technical schools and colleges throughout the country. The Top 20 list will be narrowed down in April to a final four, one from each region of the country. Cuyamaca is one of five postsecondary schools from the Southwest to make the top 20.

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"I've always approached this job like it's a private business, with that nervous energy that we've got

to succeed," Custeau said.
"We've always insisted on
high standards and high
quality here, and I've always had the philosophy
that we do whatever it takes to get the job done. I don't look at the clock. It's

'Have we done the best we can today?'" Custeau also just won the California Community College Association for Oc-cupational Education 2011 Excellence in Leadership Award. He has been selected as Faculty Member of the Year and has twice won the President's Award at Cuyamaca. He won the Cali-fornia Automotive Teacher of the Year award in 2003.

During his time at Cuyamaca, Custeau set up the Ford Automotive Student Service Educational Training Program and General Motors Automo-tive Servicing Education Program. The two-year programs match students with Ford and GM dealer-chips for internships conships for internships com-bining classroom work



Jim Custeau, head of Cuyamaca College's auto program, talks with students Michael McGee and Richard Krueger at a brake service station. ROBERT BENSON

with on-the-job training. Custeau, 61, is planning to retire in June 2012, and

says that one of his proudest accomplishments in his almost 40 years as an instructor has been helping hundreds of his students

At least three - Kirk At least three — Kirk Almquist, Mike Drake and Will Gray — are work-ing with race car drivers on the NASCAR circuit. Many have stayed closer to home and either own their own shops or work as technicians for local

"We've been fortunate with our graduates," Cus-teau said. "And I've been fortunate to work with great administrators. I've always believed that if you do a great job, everybody is going to want you.'

The Ford Assets Program is alive and well. As the economy improves so do the prospects of the well-trained students of

the Cuyamaca College auto technology program. Jim Custeau's program was recently named a Top Award Finalist for '2011 School of the Year' by

"Tomorrow's Technician", a national magazine. The SDEVFV8 Scholarship Program has proved it's worth in helping dozens of deserving and qualified students finish the program and move into careers in the automotive field. Don't forget-- Ford & Flower & Carne Asada Lunch Tour, Apr 9--Paula Pifer



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