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Fords & Flowers Tour Apr 9 -

Storms through the night couldn't stop a determined V8 group from turning up the morning after for an update on Pat Garity's Assets Pro-

gram, the Tailpipe Test, legendary Carni Asada lunch and full-on flower shopping spree. The girls disappeared into the flower sale, surfacing only for

money and help carrying their garden booty to the cars. The good news from Pat Garity; the college has reinstated the

Assets program and GE courses beginning next

August. Considering other colleges around San Diego have cut almost a thousand classes, this sounds very promising.

Pat and Program Director, Jim Custeau's next step is to actually go the the Ford dealerships and convince them to start hiring again - even if only on a part time basis. Lunch was cooked and served by the students and it was excellent. Jim handed out the Tailpipe

awards... cleanest emissions, Jack Dickenson's '40 tudor. And Dirtiest... Larry Larkins' '50 fordor. (and we all thought Larry lived a clean and orderly life...). Dave Huhn accepted an award for an absent member - (anything to get on camera)--TS





May 11







The Prez Sez.

The results of the EFV8 club survey are posted in this issue of the Ford FAN. If you would like a copy of the full details and/or the data please email me and I will reply with

the attachments. The conclusions drawn are based on the results and on feedback from other members. I will present the results at the June general meeting if we have time. Until then, please read the article in this issue of the FAN. We will try to keep the activities based around the flat head cars with time for socializing among the members. Please also read the commentary by Lou Mraz in the V8 Times March/April 2001 P.83-84.

We had a nice get together at the Cuyamaca College auto shop. Awards were given for the cleanest and dirtiest (smoggy) flat head. The event also coincides with the college's plant and flower show. I and other members picked up some greens to brighten up our homes. The April meeting continued with last month's "Tech Tip" theme of oil. It seems like the best oil for us will be one with an API rating of SH, SJ, of possibly SL. The "Tech Tips" section of the general meeting is doing well with this edition presented by members Ric Bonnorant and Joe Vidalli. 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. The Coronado Motorcars on Main street event was filled with a large variety of really nice cars. This gave us a chance to look, drool and compare notes. Our Fan editor Tim Shortt was also called on to judge some paint jobs. There was also a flower show and a book sale giving the Lady 8ers something to do. We will have many events coming up this summer, starting with the May 1st All Ford Picnic at Simpson's Nursery in Jamul from 10 am to 3 pm. Other events on calender pg 9. Bring your car and join the other "flat head" fans. Remember that our May 18th meeting will be at Gear Vendors in El Cajon. We will not meet at the museum as usual. Be sure to go online and take a look at the EFV8 web site at:

http://www.sandiegoearlyfordv8club.org. You will probably see yourself. If you don't then send Rick a

photo to: rcarlton1@cox.net. Happy motoring, Please feel free to contact me at: <u>jhildebr@cox.net</u> if you wish.

----Happy motoring, John

The Burnett family has requested that individual Donations in memory of Carl Burnett should be mailed to Lauren Grayson, Manager, Lakeview

> Home Hospice, 9472 Loren Drive, La Mesa, Ca 91942

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Good Times @ Good Guys -Apr1,2 & 3 There packed on the Del Mar grounds, dolled up for the

There packed on the Del Mar grounds, dolled up for the indoor show, cruising the red carpet show lanes, revving the foot feed and running the timed lap in the outfield,

were thousands of cars, trucks, dragsters, funny cars, T Buckets, rat rods, even some knockout stockers. And more people than you can shake a stick at... well, except Carl Atkinson. He's made a stick - The Master Stick - 46" long - to determine the distance between cars in the ego-driven indoor space competition. Carl has been in charge of parking the big money cars for eleven years. He's delt with the guys who try to take more space than they've paid for and when he pulls out The Stick, suddenly, 'No Problem'.

According to Carl, "No one questions the authority of The Stick." Bob & Lynn McCoy were there, selling books and artwork. Bob complained that he had chosen a '32 high boy to win the Real McCoy Hot Rod Award, but the owner was nowhere to be found. I know Joe & Paula Pifer were working the show, I saw Frank Swedberg and Lane Showalter meandering around and Jim Ramirez was rumored to be there. Dan Krehbiel was shining up a snazzy, bone-stock '36 Tudor Slantback in the parking lot. Dick Martin was showcasing two cars to potential buyers. Bill Dorr assumed a nonchalant attitude even though I know he was tempted to reach for his wallet as he surveyed the sea of For Sale signs.--TS







EFV8 Survey results:

A total of 29 responses were received from the poll. This would be about 17% of the approximately 170 EFV8 club members. It's common in statistics to have a small response, but it's still large enough to draw some conclusions from and to make some general inferences. Members were asked to rate the question with a 1-5 rating as to their interest. A number (1) would be of low interest and a number (5) would be of the highest interest. What follows is an analysis of the data received. The percentages listed below reflect the percent of respondents not the total number of members.

For Question #1: I am interested in the "Tech Tips" section of the meetings. This received an overall rating of 4.14 out of a possible 5. The overall majority of response indicated that this is a very interesting part of the club meetings and "Tech Tips" should be offered at the meeting.

For Question #2: I enjoyed the car museum tours last year. This received an overall 4.36 out of a possible 5 rating. This indicates high interest for the club and should be continued.

For Question #3: I enjoyed the social events (breakfasts, etc.), This received an overall 3.62 out of a possible 5 rating. Even with this somewhat lackluster response it may indicate that the members want more "car" related social events rather than simply "social" club activities.

For Question #4: I enjoyed the "driving" events. This question received an overall 3.97 out of 5 rating. With more than half (57.1%) rating this as the highest interest, it seems this should be included in most of the activities. I'm not sure why you would not be interested in driving your classic car.

For Question #5: I am pleased with the monthly meeting content. This received a 3.82 out of a possible 5. This indicates that the meetings are not holding the interest of the club attendees as well as it should. From the comments that were added, it seems that we need a way to present the required minutes and budget without slowing the meeting down. I will look for other ways in which to keep the meeting interest level up.

For Question #6A: I would like to see more/less Car business/shop tours. The rating saw a low 3.71 out of a possible 5. I'm not sure why the rating is slightly low. It could be that some were more "commercial" than informational or it could be that not everyone in the club fixes his/her own car.

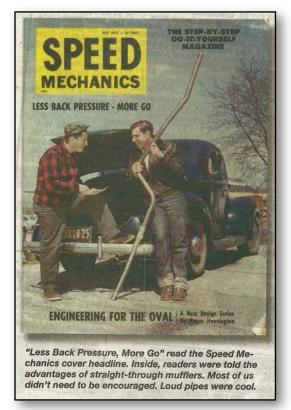
For Question #6B: I would like to see more/less of the workshops/demonstrations. It received a 4.19 overall rating out of a possible 5. It seems that many are interested in learning about what and "how-to" work with our cars. For Question #6C: I would like to see more/less Social events/functions. The overall rating was lower than that of

the similar question #3 with 3.07 out of a possible 5 rating. This is slightly lower than the responses received in question #3 which may indicate some disparity in the results or based on the "comment" section could indicate that some feel the club has been shifting away from the "car" events.

For Question #6D: I would like to see more/less Driving/Poker run events. The results were a 2.79 out of a possible 5.. I received a comment from one responder who said: "What is a poker run?" These events are similar to our annual "Wife Swap" and have something in common with the "Card" contest at the annual Christmas party.

For Question #6E: I would like to see more/less Car show/shine events. The overall average was 3.46 out of a possible 5. This indicates that our respondents are not interested in showing off their cars or going to see other displayed cars.

Question #7 asked for "other" comment and ideas. "My wife & I are new members but have thoroughly enjoyed the meetings, tours and social events. Thanks for all you do." "More car shows as a group." "Don't attend due to distance. "Joined for social events." "Did not attend tours, breakfasts or drives." "Enjoy Lady8ers - tours and lunches are fun." "Shorten "business" at meetings." "Like Pizzas at meetings." "More co tours with other clubs." "Club emphasis should be '32-'53 V8s - driving and tech." "Like the mix of cars - modified and stock." "Club losing core values - too many hot rods." "Haven't attended in years." "I like that it's more than just members - I have friends here." "I have a modified & some members kid me about the changes I've made, but I still feel welcome in this club." "Many members have modified Fords that look stock - meaning they still appreciate the originals." Question #8 asked what you would like to see on the web site. "Have not seen it." "Put minutes on web. Site." "Needs more pizzaz." Feature more owner's cars." "Update tours."



In conclusion I would like to thank those who responded with their feedback and comments. It should give me and the EFV8 board a better idea of what the club wants to see in the meetings and events. It seems we have a fairly wide range of interests but hopefully we can all come together around our V8s.



Wood gas vehicles: firewood in the fuel tank-

by Kris De Decker

During the Second World War, almost every motorized vehicle in continental Europe was converted to use firewood. Wood gas cars (also known as producer gas cars) are a not-so-elegant but surprisingly efficient and ecological alternative to their petrol (gasoline) cousins, whilst their range is comparable to that of electric cars.

Rising fuel prices and global warming have caused renewed interest in this almostforgotten technology: worldwide, dozens of handymen drive around in their homemade woodmobiles. Wood gasification is a process whereby organic material is

converted into a combustible gas under the influence of heat - the process reaches a temperature of 1,400 °C (2,550 °F). The first use of wood gasification dates back to 1870s, when it was used as a forerunner of natural gas for street lighting and cooking.

In the 1920s, German engineer Georges Imbert developed a wood gas generator for mobile use. The gases were cleaned and dried and then fed into the vehicle's combustion engine, which

barely needs to be adapted. The Imbert generator was mass produced from 1931 on. At the end of the 1930s, about 9,000 wood gas vehicles were in use, almost exclusively in Europe.

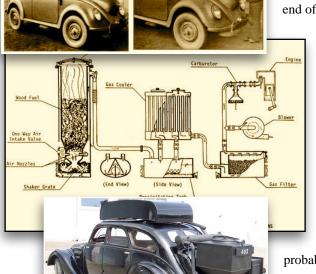
The technology became commonplace in many European countries during the Second World War, as a consequence of the rationing of fossil fuels. In Germany alone, around 500,000 producer gas vehicles were in operation by the end of the war. Unfortunately, wood gas shares an important disadvantage with

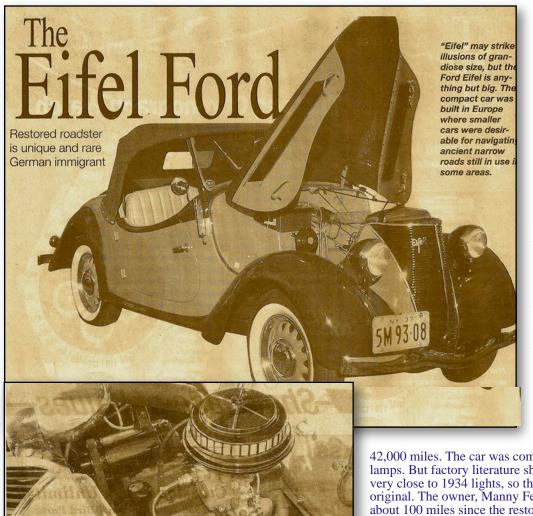
other biofuels. Mass producing woodmobiles would not solve this. Quite the contrary, in fact: if we were to convert every vehicle, or even just a significant number, to wood gas, all the trees in the world would be gone and we would die of hunger because all agricultural land would be sacrificed for energy crops. Indeed, the woodmobile caused severe deforestation in France during the Second World War. Just as with many other biofuels, the technology is not scalable.

Yet, while biofuel-powered car is as user-friendly as a gasoline rival, wood gas has to be the most user-unfriendly alternative fuel that exists. This can be an advantage: a switch to wood gas cars can only mean that we would drive less, and that would of course be a good thing from an environmental viewpoint. If you need to preheat your car for 10 minutes, chances are you will decide not to use it to drive a few miles to pick up some groceries. A bicycle would do the job faster. If you had to cut wood for three hours just to make a trip to the beach, you would

probably decide to take the train.--Submitted by Jack Clegg







Hitler liked it, but don't hold that against

From 1935 to 1940 Ford built the Eifle in Koln, Germany, under Adolf Hitler's control. Hitler insisted all parts for the Eifle be made in Germany. That historical fact explains how the car was built, and partially explains its brief life. Even though it's German made it shares the Model C platform of the British Angels. "It's a minature Ford underneath." It's powered by a 34 hp 4cylinder flathead. When found, it registered just

42,000 miles. The car was complete except for it's tail lamps. But factory literature showed the originals were very close to 1934 lights, so they were fabricated to look original. The owner, Manny Feijoo, says he's only put about 100 miles since the restoration. He reports "It will do 60 mph and rides well, but it's a little short on brakes". -Excerpts from Angela Van Bogart, Old Cars weekly.

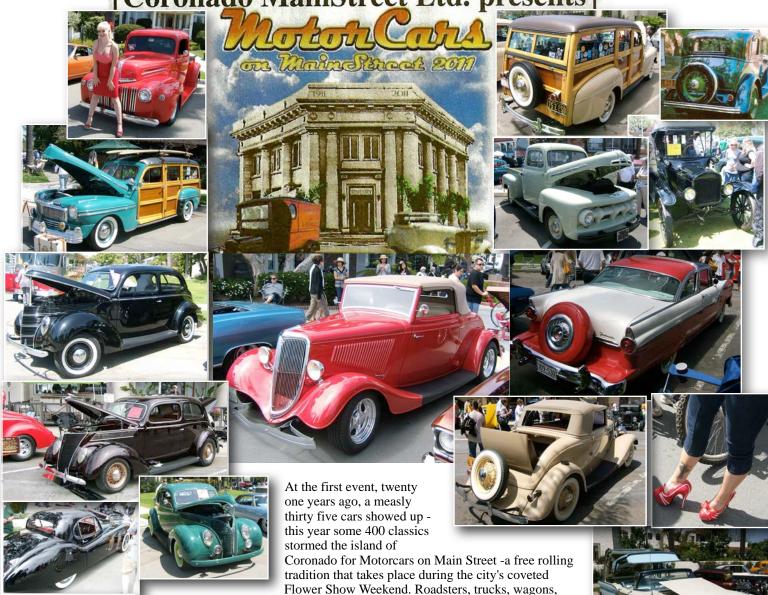


Listening for approaching Nazis



On April 29th more V8ers will be at the base to welcome home the 1st Intelligence Battalion.





street rods, one bus and a boatload of restored originals were there. In fact any pre '73 - foreign or domestic - was welcome to flaunt their fancy paint and gleaming power plants. The competition for all category awards was fierce but

V8er, Jeff Walls' red '34 Cabriolet took the Best Modified Convertible for a second time. Fred Meyers brought back his '32 - a two time winner, but no trophy this year. Barb & Dick Martin showed off the green Mopar. My

'34 got a lot of looks despite it's well-earned patina. Tommy Price & The Stillettos' Band set the beat for the meet.

And plenty of folks took home raffle prizes. --TS







36th Annual All Ford Picnic - Sun, May 1-10 to 3pm

Simpson's Nursery, 13925 Highway 94, Jamul Ca.

Jump in your FORD (Any year Ford) & join in on the fun.

Admission and Dash Plaque for \$5.00 per car donation.

The donation goes toward our hosts Cathy & Lee Smith's favorite charity: The Shriners Hospital for Children, in memory of Hal Simpson.

DJ Music, Games & People's Choice Award. Hardy lunch & drink provided for an extra reasonable cost. For Info Call Lane Showalter 619-287-4945

Directions-Hwy 94 E past Hwy 125, past Spring Valley to 13935 Hwy 94, Jamul, Rt at first sign for Simpsons. Enter back gate.

Cajon Classic Club Cruise - Wed, May 11

SDEFV8 Club meets 5-8 pm on Orange Ave off East Main, El Cajon. Free Event. Info? Marc Goldman 619-938-3865



2011 Tour Schedule

May 1: All Ford Picnic- Simpson's Nursery. May 11, Wed: Cajon Classic Club Cruise. Meet on Orange Ave.
 May 13-14 SLO Roadster Show Event. June 12, Thousand Trails Pancake Breakfast. July: Campo Truck Museum. Aug: Ice Cream Social. Sept: Border Patrol... Also Gillespie Field. Oct: Oktoberfest.
 Nov: Tru Line. Dec: Christmas Party.



May Anniversaries

5/07 Vic & Claudia Todaro

5/08 Lou & Sharon Osberg

5/16 Tim & Sandy Shortt

5/17 Mike & Lois Pierson

5/17 Dan & Donna Close

5/22 Bob & Raphael Hargrave

5/22 Rick & Betty Storrs

May Birthdays

5/08 Avalee Smith

5/09 Tom Keck

5/09 Norm Burke

5/12 Jerry Windle

5/14 Jim Ramirez

5/14 Bill Dorr

5/26 Ina Wakefield

5/30 Don Timm

Sunshine: Condolence note sent to Gerrie Stoll - The rest of us are doing swell. Welcome new member, Stan Zabek, El Cajon, Ca.'51 Ford tudor-pretty cherry



Just follow the balloons... 4/7/11





Former racing champ, renown builder and current Treasurer, Jack Clegg still knows how to party... All-You-Can-Eat followed by a boat load of chocolate cup cakes and then several full size birthday cakes, ablaze with candles -- all served up to a big, friendly crowd of family and friends. It was a birthday to remember and,

> as far as I know, no one fell in the pool.



2011 Program Director Richard Teubner started the meeting off at 7:00 by introducing Rob Miller of Rob Miller Customs who proceeded to actually paint a pin stripe design. Rob laid down some cool lines on Calvin King's '36 Three Window and gave an excellent presentation. Prez: John Hildebrand pounded the gavel at at 7:50 to start the regular meeting. After the Pledge of Allegiance John recognized four guests: Tore Olsen from Norway, Stan Zabec, and VP: Gary Timm's parents Mr. & Mrs. Timm Prez: Hildebrand announced that the results of the Club survey would be published in the Fan. VP: Gary Timm - no report. Secretary: Dennis Bailey – discussion on the minutes to now be included in the Fan for review and approved at the next meeting. The minutes were approved for March as written in the Fan. Treasurer: Jack Clegg gave his report and the Report was approved. Membership: No report Accessories: new T-Shirts available Sunshine: Virginia Larkin noted that a condolence letter was sent out to the Stoll Family. Fan Editor: Tim Shortt reported May issue will be coming out early to include information on the Tours in early May. Tours: Lane Showalter gave an update and the particulars for the All Ford Picnic at Simpson's on May 1st. Also an update on the Cajon Cruise Nite for the Club on Wed. May 11th. (Calendar of upcoming 2011 Tours in Fan). Car Club Council: No report. Old Business: none. New Business: El Cajon Kiwanis is having a big fund raising drive for the Ronald McDonald house, Bill Lewis passed the hat and will also be continuing to collect the pull tabs. Programs: Richard Teubner discussed the next meeting at Gear Vendors 1717 N. Magnolia, El Cajon at 6:00 p.m. on the 18th of May. Bring your appetite as there will be PIZZA. Tech Tip: Rick Bonnoront and Joe Vidali gave an extensive follow-on presentation and study on the best and the worst in engine oil, entitled "Oil and ZDTP since 1942". (Hint: To find the best oil for your aging motor., look for the SJ, SJ, or SL on the label) Oil Man, 'Les Friction' was also discussed. 50/50: was won by Ray Brock. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54. -- Dennis Bailey, Secy.



Ford designers created this Custom bodied '32 Ford boat-tailed roadster for the heir apparent, Edsel Ford.

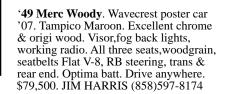
Send Joe your email address- Joe Pifer will update you for any last minute event details.

General Meeting May 18 6 pm Free PIZZA-Gear Venders-1717 North Magnolia, El Cajon.

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.

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'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 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

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

'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

'51 Victoria hardtop. New Merc motor & Mercamatic trans. Restoration 95% done. Runs & drives good. Aqua & white. Show Ready Almost. \$23k. OBO. Steve Shugart, Goleta, Ca, 805-964-3190

'42 Sedan Delivery. Needs restoration. \$7,500.OBO.Lane 619- 287- 4945

'57 Ford fordor. TBird V8, auto. \$6,500. John 928-710-7566 Al 760-789-6217

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

Sale- '37-'38 Ford deluxe upholstery kit. Broadcloth pattern, made by Cartouche. Cost \$3,000 Sell for \$2,400 obo. Home # 760-789-6217 or Cell 928-710-7566

Sale-1955-56-57 Ford T Bird parts. Some new from C&G - some very nice used. 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-'34 Ford 17" Adjustable Spoke wheel. Fred 619-916-9970

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-'36-39 window regulator. 68-742700A. Tore Olsen- r.tore@gmail.com

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

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

Wanted-'46 Ford Trim pieces. Dan 619-282-0645





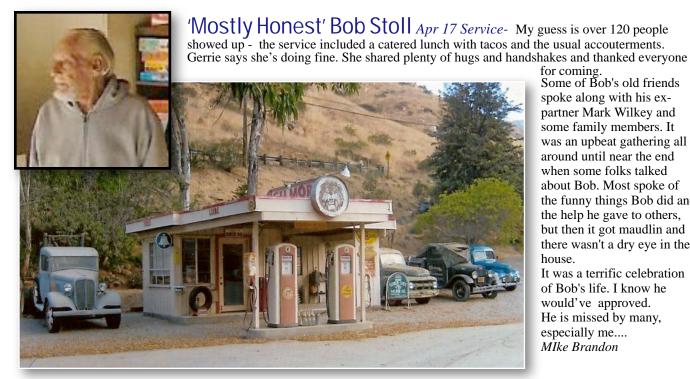












for coming. Some of Bob's old friends spoke along with his expartner Mark Wilkey and some family members. It was an upbeat gathering all around until near the end when some folks talked about Bob. Most spoke of the funny things Bob did and the help he gave to others, but then it got maudlin and there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

It was a terrific celebration of Bob's life. I know he would've approved. He is missed by many, especially me.... MIke Brandon

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Hey, I'm walkin' here!