



The Fuel Line

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From the Desk of "El Presidente"

Another month another newsletter and to go right along with that another year, which means it is time for membership renewal. I am happy to announce that we will not have to raise our membership fee. At our January board meeting dues was one of our key topics. Dave Martin has done an audit of our newsletter expenses over the last few years and we found out that we had not been covering the cost of the newsletters with our dues amount. We knew that we had only a few choices to remedy this problem. The first being to raise our membership dues, this alternate was totally unacceptable to the board. Or stop doing the news letter monthly, again unacceptable. So we looked at where was our greatest expense that we might be able to do something about to cut costs. It was found to be the printing costs. How could we remedy this and not suffer a drop in quality of our newsletter? A good quality printer was the answer. Do our own printing in house. The print quality and the ability of some models to print in a professional manner and at a reasonable acquisition cost that the latest print technologies have brought us made this a "No Brainer". By what we will be saving we will pay for the printer in a year and during that same time frame not be in the red on the newsletter publication. David Hartman was given approval to find and purchase a suitable printer that meets our needs.

It was also brought up that some members might not want a newsletter mailed but have it sent by E-mail. If you would like this instead of printed newsletter let David Hartman know and this can be done.

A membership form will be in this month's newsletter. So sign up the club needs YOU!

With Knott's fast approaching there are two issues we would like some help with from club members:

The first is we would like up to date pictures of your cars. The main reason for this is on the T-shirts and dash plaque for the show we use club member's cars on them. So if you would like a chance to get your car on the T-shirts and dash plaque send pictures to any of the board members. This will also allow us to update the clubs photo album (which has fallen behind).

Next we need your opinions on our GMP (Good Manufacturing Practices) trophy category. Let the board know whom you think we should present this award to this year. This is awarded to a manufacturer that has good practices in their dealings with their customers and in the quality of their product as to be an example of the best qualities we want in the replica industry. This is your chance to be a voice in the club as well as the industry.

The next few months calendar was decided upon, see the activities calendar in the newsletter.

Speaking of activities, another area we need some input is our Laughlin outing latter on this year (a.k.a. Club Sandwich), name for event and ideas as to its makeup?

We had or annual "Chili Cook Off" and "El Presidente" took home the gold, Ron Biggerstaff (really Lou Ann's) the silver and David Hartman (something about squirrel meat) bronze.

Our next meeting is going to be at the Petersen car museum, Hope to see some of you there.

Until next month,
Hasta
"El Presidente"
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The deadline for the March newsletter is February 24th.
Please have submissions to the Editor by that date.

Rumblings from the Editor's Desk

by David Hartman

Well, as you see from Dean's article, we are looking for a printer. What I need is a Color Laser printer that will print 11 x 14 size paper. The present "budget" for a printer as given to me appears to be a bit on the low side, from the research I've done so far. I'm going to keep looking, but if you have a strong lead on such a printer, please contact me ASAP. Also, if anyone wants to "donate" such a printer, I'm sure the Board will be very appreciative (No, we won't give you Best of Show at Knott's).

A renewal form is included in this newsletter. Your mailing label should show an EXP on it if you need to pay for this years dues. If you joined or renewed after October of last year, you should have a 2007 on your label. If you feel there is an error, please contact Darren ASAP as well as letting me know. Updates from Darren don't always come through real fast, so letting me know as well is also helpful.

Also included is an "order form" for the hats and jackets I mentioned in December. The Club is not directly involved with this, because the Board has decided to not obtain merchandise and have to worry about things like, taxes. The company doing this is located in Las Vegas and will be shipping from there. The company normally does very large orders and is doing this as a favor, so they will only process orders once a month, at the end of the month, to fit us in. They would like to see at least a

couple orders to help them break even on their set up costs. I know there is interest in this, since I already have one order, and the comments many of you have made in the past about wanting either hats or jackets has indicated that this is something you all want. I'd also like to point out that if you'd like to get any hats or jackets in time for the Knott's Show, now would be the time to make your order.

Activities - Ron Biggerstaff February Event – The Petersen Automotive Museum

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 24th at 10 am at the Petersen Automotive Museum. The museum is honoring the 75th anniversary of the '32 Ford. February 24th is designated the official "Deuce Day". As many as 750 Deuces are expected to be on hand as the Museum premier's its exhibit of 32 of the most significant 1932 Ford Deuces in its Grand Salon. Hundreds of other collector cars will also be on display on other floors of the Museum including Ed (Big Daddy) Roth Customs, Hollywood Star Cars, and Automotive Fine Art.

The Petersen Automotive Museum is located at 6060 Wilshire Boulevard (at Fairfax) in Los Angeles. Admission prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students.

 SUGGESTIONS FOR MONTHLY MEETING ACTIVITIES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. GIVE ANY ONE OF YOUR BOARD MEMBERS A CALL WITH YOUR SUGGESTION.

2007 Calendar of Events

February

**Petersen Auto Museum
Saturday the 24th at 10 AM**

March

Business Meeting
Sizzler Diamond Bar
Saturday the 17th, at 11 am

April

**Goody Bag Stuffing & Business Meeting
At the Hornbacher's
Saturday the 14th, at 10 am**

**28th Annual Fun Under The Sun
Knott's Berry Farm Car Show
Saturday & Sunday, April 28th & 29th**

June

Knott's Car Show Worker Appreciation Luncheon
Saturday the 9th, at 11 am
(Location TBD)

July

Braille Rallye 2007 Saturday the 14th, at xx am

August

Event tbd

September

**Northern California Kit Car Show
San Leandro Marina
Saturday and Sunday, 8th & 9th**

8th Annual Cruisin For A Cure
Jonsson Cancer Center Sponsor
Charity Event
Orange County Fair & Expo Center
Saturday the 22nd

October

River Run to Laughlin
(formerly Club Sandwich)
Starts Friday the 20th

November

(Event and date tbd)

December

Annual Christmas Party
(Date and location tbd)