



# The Fuel Line



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## From the Desk of "El Presidente"

March has arrived and we have just eight short weeks till the 28<sup>th</sup> Knott's show will be upon us. I am looking forward to another great show. Car registration is at a good pace and so is the response from manufacturers and vendors. Now if the weather can cooperate we will be ok. I just saw our show ad in latest issue of Kit Car Club, nice ad and worth the money the club paid for it.

We had our February club event at the Petersen museum on the 24<sup>th</sup>. It was a real beautiful day for the event. It was nice to see several other club members there. There were several hundred 32 Fords there for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 32 Ford, every thing from stock to wild. Chip Foss even had a few of his creations there. Barry Meguiar and Car Crazy was there recording for a future episode, also heard rumor that Billy Gibbons from ZZ Top was going to be there. They had an exhibit featuring Big Daddy Roth's creations from cars to Rat Fink dolls. If you have never been to the Petersen, make a point of doing a pilgrimage to it at some time in your life. If you love cars you will love the Petersen from old to new, mild to hot, famous to infamous, a little bit of something for every one.

There were numerous vendors and manufacturers there showing their product. One company out of Ohio had a beautiful all steel body 32 that they sell. This company even lists the varying options of build state as kits. What do you call an all metal 5 window 32 coupes that were formed in 2007? Kit car? Replica? Reproduction? I bet the state of California DMV would call it a 2007 custom-built car. To quote the DMV web: **California law describes a custom-built car as one that's "built for private use, not for resale, and is not constructed by a licensed manufacturer or remanufacturer."** These types of cars are usually built from **KITS**, parts taken from other cars, or salvage vehicles.

When is the street rod industry going to admit that now days most of their products, be it fiberglass or steel, are kit cars?

Oh well, one day, one day it will happen, no matter how much and long some of the hard core street rodders

frown on kits, they will realize "Hey my car is a replica built from a kit".

One other thing: How come a 32 Ford can be powered by engines other than a Ford (even though the car is an original 32) and nobody seems to get upset yet put something other than a Ford engine in a replica cobra and the Ford faithful act as if a high act of heresy has taken place! Now that I have that off my chest I feel much better.

Our next meeting will be a board meeting/Knott's planning session at the Sizzler in Diamond Bar on March 17<sup>th</sup>. If you want your voice heard on the show be there and participate. We are still open for input on the GMP award.

Until next month,

Hasta  
"El Presidente"

Dean Hornbacher

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**The deadline for the February newsletter is January 27<sup>th</sup>. Please have submissions to the Editor by that date.**

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## Rumblings from the Editor's Desk

by David Hartman

How do you like this copy of the newsletter? It's a FIRST for A.H.A. as we now have our own printer and I'm doing the printing myself (Hey, it's a LOT of work! Anyone up for the job??) I, and the entire Board, would like to thank Buddy Wymore for his donation to the printer fund. It has helped a lot.

We now have a color Laserjet printer and can print color photos of your For Sale cars. If you would like a photo included with your ad, please make sure it's a digital photo. Email it to me at [dphartman@buscom.net](mailto:dphartman@buscom.net). I do not have the ability to scan in a regular photo. To make sure your photo comes out well, try to take the photo of your car on a light surface and light background. Especially if you have a darker color car. Take the photo either in the morning or late afternoon and try to have the sun behind you so that shadows around the car are kept to a minimum.

Since this is my very first issue with this printer, I'm sure that as time goes on, things will improve as I get better able to set up the newsletter and printer. Any helpful comments or suggestions accepted.

One thing the Board has discussed is the possibility of doing an ad page for commercial advertisers. This would be business card size ads, but could be larger, slightly, and in color. This is only an idea, but if any commercial business, automotive related, are interested in such a page, drop me, or any Board member, an email stating your support and maybe any ideas you might have.

One other thing, I mentioned helpful ideas before. If any of you are into publication design, maybe you could drop me some helpful hints on how to do things with the newsletter.

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**Activities - Ron Biggerstaff**

**March Event – Business Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am at the Sizzler Restaurant in Diamond Bar. Knott's planning is well under way. However, detailed planning such as finalizing job responsibilities, etc, will be primary on the agenda. All members are welcome. We especially invite those who may have suggestions on how to make the Knott's Car Show even better or just want to listen in on the inner workings of car show planning.

Lunch from the menu (pay-your-own-way) will be at approximately 12:30.

Here are the directions to Sizzlers. If southbound on 57 into Diamond Bar, exit at Sunset Crossing left, then turn right onto Diamond Bar Blvd, then left onto Palomino Dr. If northbound on 57, merge onto 60 East, exit at Diamond Bar Blvd right, then turn left onto Palomino Dr. If westbound on 60 into Diamond Bar, exit at Diamond Bar Blvd left, then turn left onto Palomino Dr. Sizzlers is on the left at 23525 Palomino Dr. See you there!

Ron Biggerstaff AHA Activities 909.796.9946

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

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**Treasurer's Report - Dave Martin**

Hi All,

Knott's is now in full swing for April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 2007. Registration packages have been sent out so if you haven't got yours please let me know and one will be rushed into the mail. The website is also updated so all the forms, maps and notes are on our website. Entries are starting to come in at a quick rate – received 14 just last week – so our estimate of 200-225 cars should be met for the year. Dean reports the goody bag prizes are better than any other year in past memory... so much so that this year we'll be doing some raffles at the Chicken Dinner Saturday night in our new location at the Lagoon Picnic Center. Just to put your minds at ease... The Lagoon IS NOT the one visible from the walkway to Knott's. It's in that area but back behind the one we all see. Very tropical in Décor so plan now to be there. Volunteers are needed so start letting us know now about pitching in with our clubs one major event of the year. If you're not sure what you can do... we can use all the help we can get with Saturday Registration and parking. Just walk on up and your automatically drafted!

We also working up the short list for the A.H.A. Good Manufacturing Practices award so if any of you have had a good experience with your kit and manufacturer, let a board member know.

Hey! Did you hear that our quiet Membership chair won second place at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand National Roadster Show in Pomona this past January? With a handcrafted Cobra? Well say yeah! All true, Darren and his Extreme Handcrafted Silver Westcoast Cobra took second place in their class. This should be a curse, or blessing that all vehicles that win the coveted AHA Extreme Handcrafted Award also gets the Grand National by default. We could only hope... Congratulations Darren. Coverage is up on the website so check it out – Darren, does the model come with the car or???

Oh yeah... as Treasurer we're still solvent. Ok that's done for now.

From the Bean Counter...

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**2007 Calendar of Events**

**March**

Business Meeting  
Sizzler Diamond Bar  
Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup>, at 11 am

**April**

Goody Bag Stuffing & Business Meeting  
At the Horbacher's  
Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am

**28<sup>th</sup> Annual Fun Under The Sun**

**Knott's Berry Farm Car Show**  
Saturday & Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

**June**

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

**July**

Braille Rallye 2007

Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>, at xx am

**August**

Event tbd

**September**

**Northern California Kit 25<sup>th</sup> Car Show**  
**San Leandro Marina**

Saturday and Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruisin For A Cure**

**Jonsson Cancer Center Sponsor Charity Event**

Orange County Fair & Expo Center

Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

**October**

River Run to Laughlin

Starts Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>

**November**

(Event and date tbd)

**December**

Annual Christmas Party

(Date and location tbd)