

CCC Newsletter # 11-13

Here we are, November! I spent yesterday washing two cars for our local Toys for Tot's car show. It's a great cause, and I hope many of you are able to attend one in your area.

OK, the big trivia question this month is . . . who invented the highway center line? You know, that solid/dashed/double/single line down the middle of the road, sometimes straight; sometimes not, and sometimes even painted over road kill. The question is four part;

- 1. What state did this "invention" occur in?
- 2. Who thought of this idea?
- 3. What gave him/her the idea?
- 4. And finally, what year did this occur?

As always, the answer will be after this show listings.

OK, here we go into the shows! As you will see, these are the months without a lot of activity. So it's a good time to send in your 2014 show! It really helps and speeds things up if you send it in the format you see used in the newsletter. Thanks!

OK, now the shows!

November 2013:

2nd:

- Clovis, CA: <u>Toys for Tots Car Show</u>: Hosted by Pontiacs of Central California, this show has grown into one of the premier charity car shows in the Fresno/Clovis area. The show is in the Toys R Us parking lot at the corner of Shaw Ave and Sunnyside. Parking begins at 10am, with the show running 11am till 3pm. Entry fee is an unwrapped toy with a value of \$10.00 or greater Info: On the website at www.pontiacsofcentralcalifornia.org
- **Bakersfield, CA:** <u>American Heroes Car Show</u>; At the Calvary Chapel, 6501 Schirra Ct. from 9am till 3pm. Limited to 100 cars, so register early. Awards; dash plaques, raffles, two lunches, vendors and more! Info: http://kern-county-american-heroes-car-and-cycle-show.com/

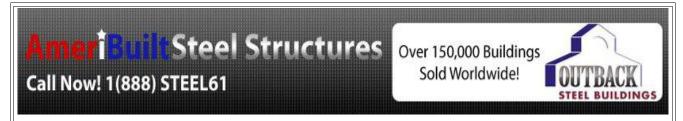
- Newberry Springs, CA: <u>The Barn 3rd Annual Car & Bike Show</u>: At the Barn, 44560 National Trails Hwy from 10am till 3pm. \$25.00 pre-registration fee, \$30.00 at the door. The entry fee includes two BBQ dinners! Register before Oct 15 and receive a free dash plaque. Info: 760-257-4110. <u>Click here for the flyer</u>.
- Santa Barbara, CA: <u>Rebel Yell Rockabilly Festival & Car Show:</u> at Elings Park, 1298 Las Positas Road, (Closest Main access: 101 Freeway to Las Positas Road away from the mountains). Hosted by Elings Park. Benefits Elings Park, the largest privately funded public park in America. http://www.elingspark.org/rebel-yell-rockabilly-festival/. Car registration entry cost \$25.00 which includes a full meal, beer or dessert and free parking! Spectator cost \$25.00 and includes 2 complimentary beers + free parking; attendees under 20 years old are Free! Vehicle categories: Best in Show first, Second & Third Place. Info; e-mail Christina at acceptages.org/ or phone at 805-569-5611.

3rd:

• Turlock, CA: <u>Big Turlock Swap & Hot Rod Hangout</u>; At the Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, 900 North Broadway. Info: <u>ron@bigturlockswap.com</u> or 209-579-4797. (Formerly "Ryan's Promotions")

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9th:

• San Jose, CA: <u>Blvd Bombs Car Show & Toy Drive</u>; at the Berryessa Flea Market. The toys are donated to Toys For Tots located at the Christmas In The Park. Info: <u>www.blvdbombs.com</u>

• Riverside, CA: <u>Flabob Veteran's Day Fly n Drive</u>: It all happens at the Flabob airport, 4130 Mennes Ave. There will be jet flyovers, vintage planes and tractors too! Lots of vendors and great food, along with games, music and fun. Info: contact Kathy Pinkerton 951-681-5261 email <u>flabobflyndrive@aol.com</u>.

15th-17th:

• Fresno, CA: <u>Central California Auto Show</u>: At the Fresno Convention & Entertainment Center, 848 M Street. This is the showcase for the 2014 models! Free admission for everyone, every day! Info: http://www.motortrendautoshows.com/fresno

30th:

- Hanford, CA: <u>Der Wienerschnitzel Cruise Nites</u>: hosted by the Kings Area Road Relics (KARR) Club; Meet on the last Saturday of every month at the hot dogs & hot rods hangout located on 807 W Lacey Blvd. The good times roll from 5 p.m. until dark during the summer months and from 1-4 p.m. during the winter months (Nov-Feb) with raffles, 50's & 60's music, and some great meal deals. For more information, contact Der Wienerschnitzel at (559) 584-9769
- Norco, CA: <u>Bobs Big Boy Cruise</u>: All the fun happens at Bobs Big Boy, at 3521 Hamner Lane from 5pm till 8pm, Christmas Theme tonight! There's going to be entertainment, a 50/50 raffle, awards and a DJ! Info: 951-280-3388 or email trollady10@aol.com





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December 2013:

7th:

• Folsom, CA: *Christmas is for Kids*; A toy drive at the Home Depot, 2675 E. Bidwell St. Info: www.capcruz.com

7th-8th:

• Indio, CA: Indio International Tamale Festival Car Show: in downtown Indio, 100 Civic Center Mall (off Smurr and Requa), Hosted by KevaWorks, Inc. and the City of Indio. Entry fee \$30 for two-day event. Award categories; Pre-War Restored, Post-War Restored, Street Rod (up to 1959), Muscle Car, Sport, Truck and Low-Rider. Info: Lyn Hartley at 36101 Bob Hope Dr., Ste E5-420, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, (760) 832-8620 x 46, hartley@kevaworks.com, or fax (760) 832-8621. WWW.tamalefestival.net.

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Trivia Question Answer!

Well then, just who did invent the highway center line??? His name is Edward N. Hines. He got the idea after watching a leaky milk wagon leave a trail down the street. His idea was first used in 1911 in Trenton, Michigan. By 1922, all of the major roads in Wayne County (Trenton, Michigan) had center lines. This simple idea has since been recognized as one of the most important single traffic safety devices in the history of highway transportation. You can read more here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edward N. Hines

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OK, be sure to send in your 2014 car show or related car event! And now, Creative License!



This month I want to share some vanity plates that were sent to me several months ago by one of our club members, Tom. While you're trying to figure these out, keep in mind that he is a forester – a Division Chief at Cal Fire. The following are plates he has either had on his cars, or has seen on other foresters' cars.

4STR TM (on Tom's Bronco) SSSTR (Tom's former Jag) DRT4STR (on a 50s truck) 4STR

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Tom also sent some of his wife's current or former plates:

TR[®]S4M (Transform – Lori's Solstice) 5.0STANG (Lori's Mustang) MY71CAT (Lori's former Cougar) MACHME2 (on a Mach 1)

Thanks for sending these to me, Tom. Sorry it took so long to get them included. Here are some miscellaneous plates:

1. FIL DIRT

2. ISHOE4U

3. BUBL MBL (new VW)

4. HNEY DOS

5. CMEICU2

6. IMDABUG (new VW)

7. SORTA 29

My interpretations:

1. Fill dirt

2. I shoe for you (a farrier?)

3. Bubble mobile

4. Honey dos

5. See me, I see you

6. I'm da bug

7. Sorta 29 (me too!)

8. RGRANEE

9. 2HNFULS

10. HAPY DAE

11. CATGRLS

12. 1SKIN FN

13. GR8IST (not a great car!)

14. BRLY 4T

8. Our granny

9. Two handfuls

10. Happy day

11. Cat girls

12. One skin fan (Redskins fan plate frame)

13. Greatest

14. Barely 40 (me too!)

License plate frames are often funny, even without a vanity plate. <u>Don't shoot the messenger – I didn't make these up!</u>

"Grow Your Own Dope – Plant a Man!"

"Touch My Saturn – I'll Kick Uranus"

A few thoughts in closing:

"Why is it when everyone else gets to feast on the pleasures of life – I get the indigestion?"

"A friend is someone who gives you space – but is never far away."

So true – I'm so grateful for all my friends, especially those who also love classic cars. Be sure to send me any crazy signs, vanity plates or other fun stuff at Snowmassey@yahoo.com Drive safe!