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Interview with Gordon Buehrig #1 Designer, Duesenbergs

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Packard Aficionados:

The speaker, Peter Aadland, Marketing Officer for North County Transit Authority District, came to speak to us and gave an excellent presentation. It is interesting to note that the rails in San Diego were established in 1883, and have served southern California in many forms, the latest being the Coaster.

The North County District covers 1000 square miles, including Camp Pendleton, Pala, Orange County, Del Mar, and San Diego. They bought 84 miles of right-of-way for \$90 million because they were convinced that commuter rail was the answer to our air quality problems, which will get worse by the year 2000.

North County will continue its burden of growth, but will not increase its number of jobs, requiring more people to travel to their work. Traffic on the I-5 corridor will double by 2000, so the obvious question becomes, "Why no rail line on that corridor?" That possibility was researched. It was discovered that that line is too steep for trolley lines, so there will be an express bus system.

The trolley line, operational since February, has taken 2000 vehicles off the freeway. Two-thousand seven-hundred people daily, 3300 on Fridays, are currently taking advantage of the service. Three-fourths of the riders are commuters.

We appreciate Mr. Aadland's information. Sorry you missed that one...

As for other happenings, the San Sylmar Museum tour is history now, but there are still several planned outings scheduled for the balance of the year. Next is the Calico Ghost Tour on November 5. Please also keep January 14, 1996, open on your calendar for the annual membership meeting. This year it will be held at the museum at Deer Park in Escondido.

Sincerely,

Colin Fort

CALICO GHOST TOWN

Sunday, November 5,1995

MOTOR INTO CALIFORNIA MINING HISTORY.....

Come join us as we travel to a genuine silver-mining ghost town. Put on your walking shoes to amble through Calico Ghost Town on Sunday, November 5, 1995. This is also the weekend of Calico's FINE ARTS FESTIVAL, featuring Western Art exhibits, jewelry, crafts, an authentic Indian village, gunfights and other live entertainment.

Calico has a variety of quaint shops featuring unique items that would make great gifts or genuine collectibles. For the rock hounds, Calico has gem and mineral shops that have high-quality gem, mineral and fossil specimens. There is also a candle shop, leather shop, pottery shop, old-fashioned melodramatic theater, an ice cream parlor and many other attractions to delight the visitors.

Schedule

10:30 - 11:00 am - - - Meet at Holiday Inn parking lot, 1511 East Main Street, Barstow, CA. Pick up your tickets to Calico Ghost Town from the Tour Master, Gary Osko. Reach the Holiday Inn from I-15 by taking the East Main Street Exit.

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Sunday

Nov. 5

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(909)737-1766

Lunch or Brunch on your own at the Cactus Bar & Grill next to the Holiday Inn (or you can proceed directly to Calico).

12:00 noon - - - We will leave the Holiday Inn parking lot and caravan as a group to Calico. Directions are East on I-15 appoximately 6 miles to Ghost Town Road. Exit, turn left and continue about 2 miles to the entrance.

Stroll through historical Calico at your leasure.

3:00pm (approximately) - - Optional **Route 66** Caravan. We will leave Calico , caravan West on I-15 to the West Main Street exit. Turn left on West Main. This becomes the National Trails Highway which is a section of old Route 66. Route 66 will bring us to "D" street at I-15 in Victorville.

For those that wish to arrive early for the tour on Saturday, the Holiday Inn (619) 256-5673 has rooms at \$75 and the Economy Inn (619) 256-1737 at \$34. Both offer AAA and AARP discounts of 10%.

The cost of the Tour is \$7.50 per person (children under 15 are \$3.75). Questions? Call Gary Osko (909) 737-1766

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Due to Popularity of this tour, last day to accept reservations is: Nov 2, 1995	Gary Osko PO Box 1866 Corona, CA 91718

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December 2, 1995 6:30 p.m. Bring a gift for the exchange

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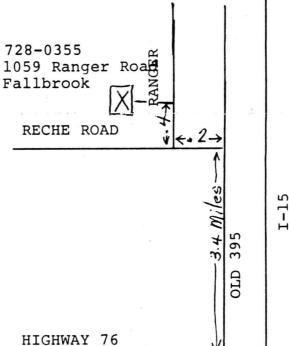
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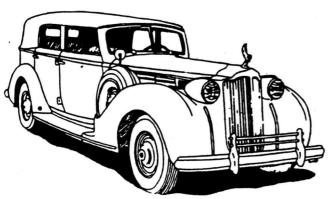
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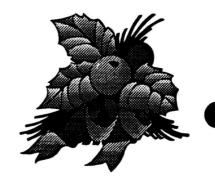
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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

The first week of August saw a program take place called: "Wheels, Rails, Wings & Sails." It was a unique learning experience opportunity for a group of students. Included were the Maritime, Railroad, Aerospace and Automotive Museums. The students paid \$125 each and spent a day in each



Dean Endres explaining gas engines.

Monday they attended the Maritime Museum where the students hoisted sail on the Star of idia, learned sailing ship lore and ate hardtack (yuck).

Tuesday was Automotive
Museum day where they were
shown operating steam,
electric and gas engines. Dean
Endres, instructor of
Automotive Technology at So

Automotive Technology at Southwestern College, was in charge of the class. He was instrumental in all phases of organization and writing the curriculum.

Dean supplied a gas engine with a glass cylinder so piston action and



Officer Mark Gregg and safe driving. spark firing could be observed. It fascinated everyone.

"Wheels, Rails, Wings and Sails"



Officer Gregg gives a Breathalizer demo

Officer Mark Gregg of the California Highway Patrol spoke of safe driving habits and the dangers of drinking while driving and demonstrated the Breathalizer.

Scott Kennedy of the Electric Vehicle Association spoke of and demonstrated electric powered vehicles and made arrangements to have Larry Emerson bring his Ford

The department's goal is to give the student an appreciation of the history and science of the automobile, as well as alternative fuels so necessary for the future and safe driving practices.

Escort which has been converted to electric power. All the students were surprised how quiet the car was.

Ralph McQuoid, Museum volunteer drove his '30 Pierce Arrow enclosed limo. All enjoyed the ride.

Wednesday put the students in the Model Railroad Museum where the mechanical and electrical systems of Railroading were brought into focus. They built and operated a model railroad boxcar, and spiked an actual rail section on wood ties.

Thursday and Friday the class was at the Aerospace Museum where the program was split into separate days for Space and Aircraft. The students built and fired a model rocket and learned why and how an airplane stays in the air. Buck Blakeley, the department head, put the program together and headed the teams from all the museums for this series.



This first time effort was so well received the Museum's Board of Directors authorized the use of a room as a permanent class-room and to proceed with more classes in the future. Sandy Sanford chairs the

program assisted by Dean Endres and John Roodhuiyzen.

A giant Thank You" goes out to all who helped make this program a tremendous success. But a special nod of appreciation goes to Dean Endres, without whose help the program would not have had the

same outcome.



This goes up & down and this turns.

We have walls, floor and a ceiling for a classroom but little else. We are in need of a projection TV, VCR, both audio and video editing equipment, and student desks or tables. Can you help? If so, then all the Museum at (619) 231-2886

We welcome our new members...

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Old Vehicle Clearinghouse

As many of you know, various air quality regulations have been passed in the last few years that allow companies to generate emission reduction credits from the permanent removal of certain qualifying older vehicles from the California vehicle fleet. As you might expect, ACCC has been actively involved with the development of these regulations to ensure that qualifying older vehicles that should be saved for restoration are in fact saved from the "crusher".

Along these lines, today, ACCC has an inquiry from Jon Owyang of the Old Vehicle Clearinghouse. Jon is

looking to develop a list of car enthusiasts that would be interested and available to identify vehicles with restorative value as vehicles are delivered to OVC's facilities in Hayward and Los Angeles from owners turning in their vehicles to OVC's clean air programs.

Vehicles are typically taken on weekends, but weekday appointments are also scheduled as necessary. OVC would provide at least a couple weeks notice prior to its scheduled vehicle collection days. Jon hopes that sufficient car enthusiasts would express interest to ensure that at least two to three people would be available for

vehicle selection on each collection day. Selected vehicles will be auctioned to interested parties with scheduled auctions being noticed to the regional car clubs.

Parties interested in helping to identify vehicles with restorative value, may contact Jon at: Old Vehicle Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 29486, Los Angeles, CA 90029-0486, 213-957-5796. Jon will work with ACCC officers and directors to decide upon a selection committee from all parties expressing interest in participating.

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