

Well here it is the first of the month, and I'm caught a little flat footed. Why am I so often surprised when I wake up and find it's the first of the month? Oh well, let's get going.

I'm going to start off with an item for sale! This 1965 Pontiac Tri-Power set-up that came my way.



Seller Randy Riley says, "The carburetors were rebuilt at the Rochester factory. The tri-power has all new linkage, bases, bonnets, air cleaners and is ready to bole on. Price is \$2,800.00." If you have any questions, contact Randy at: riley.ae.5@gmail.com.

Now let's move on to our trivia . . . auto accidents!

1. When did the first US auto accident happen, and where did it occur?
2. When did the first fatality in an auto accident occur, and where?

Answers to the trivia can be found after the show listings.

OK, here's what you signed up for! Let's move on to upcoming car shows!

September 2014:

4th:

- **Elk Grove, CA:** *Car Show & BBQ:* Starts at 5pm at Specialized Exhaust, 9256 Survey Rd. Happens the first Thursday thru September 4th. Info: 916-714-0938.

5th:

- **Oakhurst, CA:** 12th annual Run for the Gold Car Show Pre Registration & Kickoff Dinner: Presented by the Sierra Oakhurst Kiwanis Club. 2 pm-7pm registration with a 6pm Kick-Off BBQ dinner at the Oakhurst Community Center 39800 Rd 325B. Includes Oldies music, raffle, preview of some cars and fun. \$12 per person.
- **Fresno, CA:** Rod On The Bluff: Presented by Hot Rod Coalition. Only \$5.00 per car, with spectators free so bring the entire family. 500+ cars gather at Park Place @ Palm & Nees from 6pm till 9pm. It happens every month on the first Friday, April through October. Info: anthony@hotrodcoalition.com or on the web at www.hotrodcoalition.com

5th-7th:

- **Las Vegas, NV:** Strictly Muscle Hot Vegas Nites: The biggest gathering of American Muscle Las Vegas has ever seen! Be a part of this and enjoy Swag Bags, VIP Parties, Vendors and Special Guests! Info: www.strictlymusclecars.net. [Click here for the flyer.](#)
- **Vail, CO:** Vail Automotive Classic: This is a “Wheels & Wings” show, Car Auction and a Vail Village Car Show! Benefits Jack's Place at Shaw Regional Cancer Center, and Eagle Valley Senior Life. Info: www.vailautomotiveclassic.com [Click here for the flyer.](#)



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6th:

- **Oakhurst, CA:** 12th annual Run for the Gold Car Show: 7am car registration & Kiwanis Pancake breakfast. Lots of cars, craft vendors, oldies music, raffles, more food and fun. Awards for Best of Show, Best Hot Rod and People's Choice additionally there will be first place plaques given for each class and a Special award for Best Mopar. Proceeds are given to local schools in the form of special grants from the Sierra Oakhurst Kiwanis Club. Info; call 559-683-4452, to register go to: www.oakhurstkiwanis.org

- **Rancho Cordova, CA:** *Dreams and Drivers Cars Gathering*: a summer evening car show series: It happens at Jasper's Giant Burgers, 2342 Sunrise Blvd, in the Gold River Area (Sunrise and Coloma). Starting @ 6:30 pm and running till 9:30 pm. and running through the summer. You can have an evening of, burgers, and friends; Jasper's even has a vegetarian menu!
- **Discovery Bay, CA:** *Discovery Bay Lions Club Annual Car, Truck & Bike Show*: The show will me at a new location this year. It will me on the lawn at the Discovery Bay Community Center, located at 1601 Discovery Bay Blvd. Registration starts at 8:00 AM and the show runs from 10 AM to 3:30 PM. Info: contact Jeff Moore 925-642-8679 Chevy67427@aol.com or register online at www.Discoverybaylions.com

12th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Friday Night Cruise*: Every second Friday thru Summer. 8345 Folsom Blvd in the Raley's Shopping Center. The fun starts at 4:30pm and goes till 8:30pm.

12th-13th:

- **Sierra City, CA:** *Big City Rod Run*: A celebration of Hot Rods & Lost Youth! Info: Larry @ 530-862-1260 or email 406chevy@sbcglobal.net. On the web at www.highwaymentnorcal.com

13th:

- **San Mateo, CA:** *Kimochi, Inc. 4th Annual Show 'n Shine Car Show*: featuring 1973 and earlier American Classics, Streetrods, and Muscle Cars (sorry, no trailered vehicles)! Join us at this family-friendly event from 10 AM – 2 PM, at the College of San Mateo, 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd., [main parking lot across from the Farmers' Market]. Pre-registration is \$35.00 on or before August 29th; and \$40.00 after. Spectator admission is free! Founded in 1971, Kimochi, Inc., a San Francisco non-profit senior service agency, recently completed the purchase of a building in San Mateo, which allows us to extend the Kimochi tradition of care to seniors and their families in San Mateo County. Come see great cars from yesteryears, enjoy an authentic Kimochi teriburger, and learn more about the programs and services we will offer from our new San Mateo home-base. Info: please visit our website at www.kimochi-inc.org or call (415) 931-2294.
- **Sacramento, CA:** *5th Annual Car Show*: Hosted by the Alleycats Car Club. Open to all Pre 1965 cars. Vendors, Food & Music from 5pm till 10pm at 7307 Roseville Rd. Benefits the Front St. Animal Shelter.
- **Citrus Heights, CA:** *Cool September Days Car Show & Party*: At the Lowes parking lot, 7840 Greenback Lane. Hosted by the Capitol City Cruisers, Lowes and Gifts From The Heart. Show is open to 1975 & older cars and trucks, and runs from 10am till 3pm. Space is limited to 200 cars, so pre-register! Info: Rex at 530-748-6181
- **Carmichael, CA:** *Carmichael Elks 2nd Annual Classic Car Show*: All the fun

happens from 8am till 4pm at 5631 Cypress Ave. Swap Meet; Snack Bar; No Host Bar; Silent Auction Raffle; 50/50 and much more! Open to 1975 vehicles and older. This is a benefit for the Carmichael Elks so you know your helping a great cause. Info: Tom at 916-214-4952; email information@carmichaelclassic.com [Click here for the flyer & registration form.](#)

- **North Highlands, CA :** *91Mix Auto Fest Car Show;* At F.C. Joyce Elementary School, 6050 Watt Ave, (Closest Main access: Interstate. 80 at Watt Ave, then go north.) Hosted by 91Mix and DJ Epik. <http://www.ensitemedia.com/autofest.html>. Pre-registration entry cost \$25.00, Vendor Fee \$75.00, Spectator cost \$Free. Vehicle categories: Custom, Car or Truck All makes and Models. Info: E-mail atensitemedia@gmail.com [Click here for the flyer.](#)
- **San Jose, CA:** *Mo-Par Car Show & BBQ;* 10am till 4pm at Normandin Chrysler Jeep Ram, 900 Capitol Expressway. Entry is free! There will be a raffle and BBQ. Info: www.normandin.com
- **San Jose, CA:** *Methodist Church Car Show;* Open to 1972 and older classics, rods, customs; cars and trucks. the show is a fundraiser to benefit the churches pre-school. Info: John at 408-384-2580.

14th:

- **San Jose, CA:** *14th Annual Antique Autos in History Park;* Info: Contact A Greenberg at 408-997-0879 or email to allang@pacbell.net
- **Stockton, CA:** *Marine Corps Reserve 18th Annual Toys for Tots Car Show;* It happens at Chase Chevrolet, 6441 Holman Rd. Benefits local Toys for Tots Program. Pre-registration entry fee \$30.00 (cut off date August 29, 2014). At the gate \$35.00. Open to all classes: Vintage, Hot rods, Rat rods, Muscle Cars, Motorcycles, Custom Machines, Low Riders, Historic Military vehicles. Admission free to the public, but we ask that you bring a new unwrapped toy. For info email or phone Ray: MGySgt1@yahoo.com or (209) 609-7583

18th:

- **Murphys, CA:** *Classic Car Cruise Night;* 5pm till 8:30 pm at historic Murphys Hotel, 457 Main St., Downtown Murphys. Money Raffles - DJ Music - Food Available - Bring Your Classic Car - Spectators Welcome - FREE TO ALL (This happens every 3rd Thursday - April 17 thru Sept. 18, 2014)

19th-20th-21st:

- **Commerce GA:** *NOPI National Supershow;* Atlanta Dragway.

20th:

- **Fairfield, CA:** *2nd Annual Rt 40 Chili Cook off & Car Show;* Beer and Wine garden; Vendors; Children's Zone; Great cars and Great Chili! Info: [Click here for the website.](#)
- **Corona, CA:** *Annual Saleen Open House & Car Show;* At Saleen headquarters,

2735 Wardlow Rd.. Info: [Click here for the website.](#)

- **Hughson, CA:** *Hughson Harvest Festival Classic Car Show*; It all happens at Hughson Elementary School. Entry fee is \$15.00 by September 19th, \$20.00 day of show. Open to all hot rods, street rods, muscle cars and more! There will be raffles, music, awards and a 50/50. The show is on grass, so bring your pop ups if you wish. One free meal with each entry! Info: Gene Adams at 209-883-9291. [Click here for the flyer & registration form.](#)
- **Chowchilla, CA:** *Classic Car Show*; Sponsored by the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce, the show will be at Veterans Memorial Park, 5th & Kings St. Registration: 8a-10a, show 10a – 4p. Entry Fee: \$25.00 per car (bring an entry <I'm assuming they mean a car that's never been entered before> never before entered and save \$5.00 on each entry); \$30.00 after September 5th. Cars & Trucks: 1978 & Older and all years Pony Class & Corvettes. 25+ awards, music, food, vendors. Info: Online registration: www.chowchillachamber.org or call 559-665-5603 for entry form.
- **Paramount, CA:** *Hynes D.E.S. Hot Rod and Harley Show*; At Hynes D.E.S. Portuguese Hall, 7812 Alondra Blvd., from 9am till 3pm. (Closest cross streets: Alondra Blvd. and Paramount Blvd.) Pre-registration entry cost \$25.00. Spectators are FREE. Info: E-mail Eric at hynescarshow@yahoo.com
- **Calimesa, CA:** *Tuner Nation Car Show*; At Bobs Big Boy, 540 Sandalwood Dr. Registration 9am till 10:30am, show runs 11am till 3pm. Registration fee only \$15.00 day of event! Proceeds to benefit the Boys & Girls Club! Limited parking, register early! Sponsored by Tuner Slang Magazine and Foreign Driver Magazine. Info: Aaron: 909-528-8925 or on the web at <http://tunerslangmagazine.weebly.com/> [Click here for the flyer.](#)

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21st:

- **Los Altos, CA:** *Corvette Spectacular 2014*: This is one of the biggest all Corvette shows on the West Coast. Pre-registration is highly recommended! Info: [Click here for the website.](#)
- **Elk Grove, CA:** *Cars & Coffee*: Event at Royal Detail, 9277 Bendel Place, Ste 235, from 9am till 11:30 am. Ever wanted to know how to detail your car? Looking for a great detail shop? Ever heard about Croftgate products? Come check out Yisreal's shop and let him show you how it is done! There will be one Raffle for a Complete DETAIL valued at nearly \$500, with the proceeds from the raffle going to Gabby Jack Ranch, our Veteran's charity from April. Winner announced that day! Coffee and goodies provided. RAIN OR SHINE. This event is FREE and open to all makes and models of cars, truck and motorcycles.

25th:

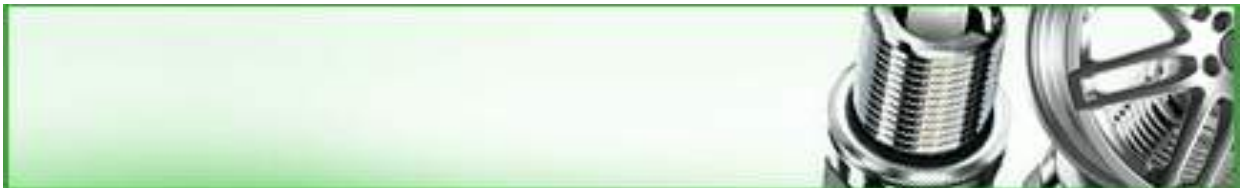
- **Folsom, CA:** *Vintage, Classic & Hot Rod Get Together*; Hosted by the Cappuccino Cruisers and it happens at Sunrise Mall. Music, raffle and awards; it all happens from 5pm till 9pm. Info: www.capcruz.com

25th-28th:

- **Bass Lake, CA:** *Pontiac/Oakland Western Regional Convention*; This four day convention is open to all Pontiacs, Oaklands and GMC trucks. A great four days at the Pines Resort. Not only the great cars, but there will be boat rides with wine and cheese sampling; a hosted "hospitality" evening on a deck overlooking the lake, a train ride and melodrama play, and of course a great car show and banquet! More detail to follow. [To be on the "early bird" emailing list click here.](#) Put "convention" in the subject line.

26th-28th:

- **Casa Grande, AZ:** *High Desert Showdown*; Show 'n Shine/Food/Music/Kids Corner/Vendors and a Beer Barn! It all happens at the Pinal County Fairgrounds. Presented By: JM Security and Scott Harris. Info: Contact: Jerry @ 480-252-3909 or Scott @ 480-717-7039. Email: Highdesertshowdown@yahoo.com [Click here for the flyer.](#) [Click here for the registration form.](#)



27th:

- **Fairfield, CA:** *5th Annual Bud Classic Car Show*; Hosted by Families Helping Families & the Fairfield Budweiser Brewery in support of our efforts to aid local families in crisis. 100% of the funds raised go right back into our community ... We FHF are proud to say that we are in our 28th year ! The show is open to all years, makes & models & is limited to the 1st 500 entrants ! All Preregistered entrants (before Sept. 1st) will receive a limited edition collectable Budweiser trophy & sponsor t shirt for your \$30.00 donation. Registration is \$ 40.00 from Sept.2 till day of show & does not include the trophy ...so pre-reg is strongly encouraged !!. We will have live bands , great food & a beer garden as well as brewery tours for your enjoyment ! The event is free of charge to the viewing public. Contact Tony Garcia for more info on sponsorship or vendor opportunities at 707-365-0512 or Email atfhfbudclassic@gmail.com registration opens soon (mid- march) so check our website @ www.fhfsolano.org for registration info .
- **Carmichael, CA:** *Picnic in the Park Car Show*; All part of Carmichael's Founders Day Celebration! Open to pre 1973 cars, trucks, rat rods, classics etc; sorry, no motorcycles. Vendors; Raffle; Food and Fun! Registration opens at 7:30 am, show from 10am till 3pm. It happens at Carmichael Park, Fair Oaks Blvd @ Grant Ave. Info: www.capcruz.com
- **Hemet, CA:** *Cornerstone's 11th Annual Car Show*; show time is from 9:00am-2:00pm. at Cornerstone Church on the corner of Girard and Acacia; one of the

valley's largest car shows. Registration is open to all show cars, trailers, tractors, motorcycles and off-road vehicles! Registration is only \$15.00 and includes a free t-shirt through Sept. 20th. Breakfast and lunch are available for purchase. This is a family event, with activities for kids, valve cover races for all ages, and pinewood derby races throughout the day. For more information or to register go to www.cornerstonehemet.org

- **Cambell, CA:** *Rockin' Rods Car Show & BBQ*: It all happens at 1344 Dell Ave. from 10am till 2pm, and is hosted by American Legion Post 99 in support of our veterans. Enjoy a Delicious BBQ, drinks, oldies music, an ice cream parlor and the chance to win a \$100.00 Chevron gas card! Info: Contact Clyde at clydenunes@comcast.net or call 408-316-0515 or register online at www.post99.org [Click here for the flyer.](#)

October 2014:

3rd:

- **Fresno, CA:** *Rod On The Bluff*: Presented by Hot Rod Coalition. Only \$5.00 per car, with spectators free so bring the entire family. 500+ cars gather at Park Place @ Palm & Nees from 6pm till 9pm. It happens every month on the first Friday, April through October. Info: anthony@hotrodcoalition.com or on the web at www.hotrodcoalition.com
- **Elk Grove, CA:** *Car Show & BBQ*: Starts at 5pm at Specialized Exhaust, 9256 Survey Rd. Happens the first Thursday thru September 4th. Info: 916-714-0938.

3rd-5th:

- **Bishop, CA:** *Fall Colors Car Show*: At the Tri-County Fairgrounds, 1141 N. Main St. Hosted by the Owens Valley Cruisers. Open to 1974 and older cars. Registration is \$60.00 until 9/15/14 and \$70.00 thereafter. Includes Show & Shine, mug, poker hand, pancake breakfast tickets, dash plaque, T-shirt, and goodie bag. Come enjoy the beauty of the Eastern Sierra and the magnificent Fall Colors. Early registration begins Friday, October 3rd at 4:00 p.m. in the Vons/K-Mart Parking Lot on North Main St. The Show & Shine begins at 8:00 a.m. Saturday. A Main Street Parade will follow the Show & Shine. The Sunday morning Poker Run will give you a breathtaking view of the Fall Colors in the high country. Info: www.owensvalleycruisers.com

4th:

- **Norco, CA:** *Bobs Big Boy Cruise*: All the fun happens at Bobs Big Boy, at 3521 Hamner Lane from 5pm till 8pm; Halloween Theme tonight!

4th-5th:

- **Fresno, CA:** *Valley Nationals*: Hosted by Hot Rod Coalition. The event will be held at Park Place, Palm and Nees. Open to Pre 1975 cars only. Saturday gates open at 10am sharp, and there will be an "after party" starting at 6pm. On Sunday, there will be a "Reliability Run" from 8am till 1pm. Meet at Park Place. Info: you can register online at www.hotrodcoalition.com

10th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Friday Night Cruise*; Every second Friday thru Summer. 8345 Folsom Blvd in the Raley's Shopping Center. The fun starts at 4:30pm and goes till 8:30pm.

10th-12th:

- **Monterey, CA:** *SCCA National Championship Runoffs*; Info; Online at www.MazdaRaceway.com; or www.Ticketmaster.com or you may call our ticket office at 800-327-7322.
- **Crescent City, CA:** *23rd Annual Sea Cruise at Beachfront Park*; 801 Front St (west from US 101). Hosted by the Northern Knights Car Club and the Crescent City / Del Norte Chamber of Commerce. Benefits the Del Norte High School Scholarship Program. Limited to 400 entries, includes Car Show entry, commemorative Sea Cruise wine glass, dash plaque, goody bag and two (2) tickets to the Sea Cruise Show & Dance. Friday: afternoon Show & Shine downtown, Steak Dinner at Elks Lodge, Comedy Night at Elk Valley Casino. Saturday: Pancake breakfast at Elks Lodge, Car Show at Beachfront Park, Show & Dance at Del Norte fairgrounds. Sunday: Poker Run. Pre-registration \$45.00 through Oct. 10, \$50.00 late registration. Spectators are FREE. Open to All cars, trucks and motorcycles. Info: Contact Northern Knights 707-954-4207 or northernknight@charter.net, PO Box 950, Crescent City, CA 95531. Registration form available on website. www.NorthernKnights.us

11th:

- **Glendora, CA:** *Citrus College Centennial Car Show*; At Citrus College, 1000 West Foothill Blvd, (Closest Main access: Hwy. 210 at Citrus, then go north.) Hosted by Citrus College Automotive Department. Benefits the Citrus College Automotive Department. <http://www.citruscollege.edu/>. Pre-registration entry cost \$20.00, \$30.00 day of. Vehicle Categories: Best of each decade, best overall, best modified, best stock & best in show. Info: Write, e-mail or phone Mariano at 1000 West Foothill Blvd. Glendora, CA 31741, 626-857-4037 mrubio@citruscollege.edu [Click here for the flyer](#) and [here for the press release](#).

12th:

- **Ontario, CA:** *Ontario Elks 5th Annual Car Show*; Hosted by Lodge 1419. The show runs 8am till 2pm at 1150 W. Fourth St. All proceeds benefit disabled children. Pre-registration is \$25.00 and includes a T-shirt. Info: Call Betty @ 951-235-3220 or email bbetty771@aol.com [Click here for the flyer](#)

14th:

- **Arcadia, CA:** *Mustangs in the Garden*; Celebrating the Mustang's 50th Anniversary in the beautiful Arboretum! Info: [Click here for the website](#).

17th-18th:

- **Mariposa, CA:** *Yosemite Hot Rod, Classic, Custom and Sports Car Show*; The "Biggest and Best" show in the Sierra; featuring Friday night cruise and photo ops, Saturday show and additional events plus Yosemite National Park. Located at

the Mariposa County Fairgrounds. Open to all years; hot rods, customs, classics, antiques, sports cars, trucks and any other vehicles of interest. Limited to the 1st 200 cars. Info: Watch our website for updates, www.mariposacarshow.com or call 209-966-2456 or email events@mariposachamber.org

18th:

- **Milpitas, CA:** *2nd Annual Milpitas Veterans Commission Car Show*; 10am till 4pm at the Milpitas Civic Center Plaza, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd. Free and open to the public, the show will feature a DJ, Raffles, Food Trucks and a lot of Great Cars! Info: 408-586-3210 or on the web at www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov [Click here for the flyer and registration form.](#)

22nd-24th:

- **Yosemite/Morro Bay, CA:** *Summit to the Sea*; This drive on Route 41 from Yosemite to Morro Bay commemorates the 150th Anniversary of Yosemite National Park and the 50th anniversary of Morro Bay. Entry Fee is \$450.00 single and \$550.00 double, but includes two nights accommodations (one at each end of the run), hosted meals, dash plaque and a T-shirt. Info: www.fromthesummittothesea.com or email fromthesummittothesea@gmail.com or call the Moss Marketing Group at 805-225-1219

30th:

- **Folsom, CA:** *Vintage, Classic & Hot Rod Get Together*; Hosted by the Cappuccino Cruisers and it happens at Sunrise Mall. Music, raffle and awards; it all happens from 5pm till 9pm. This is the special "Trunk or Treat" night! Info: www.capcruz.com

And with great anticipation, here are the trivia answers!!

1. *When did the first US auto accident happen, and where did it occur?* In 1891, James William Lambert was involved in the first automobile accident in American history. The accident occurred in Ohio City, Ohio. Lambert's vehicle, the first single-cylinder gasoline automobile, which was carrying Lambert and James Swoveland, hit a tree root, causing the car to careen out of control and smash into a hitching post. Injuries from this accident were minor. Lambert proceeded to patent over six hundred inventions, mostly affiliated with the automobile industry.
2. *When did the first fatality in an auto accident occur, and where?* This happened way back on August 31, 1869 in Ireland of all places. While riding as a passenger with some relatives in an experimental steam car, Mary Ward was thrown from, and fell under the wheels of the car as it rounded a bend. This is thought to be the first ever recorded automobile death.

And now on to my wife's contribution!



THOUGHTS FROM THE ROAD – Vol II

September 2014

Brian and I recently returned home from our cross-country RV adventure. We were traveling for about two and a half months (9500+ miles) and are excited to be home, but also disappointed that the trip is over. There are several areas of the country we visited that we would enjoy exploring further.

Some observations from the road:

♥ There seems to be road construction on EVERY highway and interstate, especially during the summer months. Guess they have to do it sometime! California highways are much better than most states. The smoothest stretch of road we traveled on was in Canada.

♥ Corn fields were in EVERY state we went through. We were surprised to see corn growing in Ontario, Canada. It seems like their growing season would be too short.

♥ Wind turbines were in almost every state we were in.

♥ Drivers on the East Coast do NOT know how to merge onto a freeway.

Brian was so thoughtful that he took me on a cruise on our anniversary. Well, it was a one-hour cruise on a ferry from Salem, MA to Boston!! It's a great way to travel to Boston without driving there. We enjoyed exploring all the history in Boston. Our cruise included the return trip to Salem!



Boston skyline ▲



◀ Trinity Church, Boston
reflected in John Hancock building

► Billboards on the Interstate: ◀

“24 Hour **Toe** Service” Body Shop & Towing Service
Yes, it was spelled that way. I almost stopped for a pedicure!

“Next Rest Stop, **Anyone’s Guess**” CENEX billboard, SD

“Find the Right One for Her Left One” jewelry store billboard with picture of diamond ring

“Good **Sammiches**, Cold Beer” restaurant billboard, SD (*that’s how it was spelled*)

We also went on a “cruise” to Jamestown, VA – we had to take a ferry across the James River from where we were staying. It was a fairly large ferry that held about 50 cars, and – wait for it – it was free!! Wow, when we went to see some waterfalls in the Poconos, there was a charge of \$12 each to see them. What??!! I only enjoy viewing waterfalls I don’t have to pay for.

► Some creative business names: ◀

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| “Piece of Cake” Bakery/Café | Rapid City, SD |
| “Two Girls and a Cupcake” Bakery | Illinois |
| “Full Belli Deli” | Townsend, MT |
| ”Pak Rat Palace” Self Storage | Rapid City, SD |
| “Crock a Doodle” Pottery Studio | Brantford, ONT |



My feet in Minneapolis ▲

Even though my dear husband does not want to travel to faraway places, we did go to the following places on this trip: Wales, Essex, York, Scotland, London, Amsterdam, St Croix, Warsaw, Peru, Marseilles and Manhattan. Jealous yet? Ok, as you probably figured out already, these are all cities in the U.S. that we drove through or near. And the town of Manhattan was in Montana.

We were in Minneapolis right before the All Star Game was to take place there. It’s a beautiful city with skyways networking the downtown area together so that it’s possible to walk all over downtown without going outside. The restaurants, coffee stands and shops are so accessible to those who work and shop downtown; and they can avoid the bitter cold winter weather. We toured the Cathedral of St.



Paul, which is one of the largest and most beautiful cathedrals in the U.S. We also toured the State Capitol, which is also grand in design and details. While were at a park in Minneapolis, we spotted this Amphicar – which was a car from the 1960s that was made to drive into the water and become a boat! This was the first time I’d seen one in person; it had a bumper sticker that said “I Brake for Fish”. Totally cool concept, even though it wasn’t really a good car or a good boat!



Brian talked about this car in last month’s newsletter, but I’m sharing it anyway!

Our dog, Bella, and our RV mascot skunk totally enjoyed our trip.



If you’re not tired of hearing about our travels yet, I still have a lot to tell you about; including Deadwood, Mt Rushmore, Crazy Horse and the Little Bighorn Battlefield. Plus, I’ve collected quite a few

vanity plates the past couple of months; AND we got to walk behind Niagara Falls.



Us in Maine

Tune in next month, -Janet Massey

As always, if you do not wish to receive this newsletter, simply bounce it back with "remove" in the subject line. On the flip side, feel free to pass it along to all your gearhead friends. And, if you've received this newsletter because it was forwarded to you by a friend and want your own copy emailed directly to your inbox, send me an email with "Add Me" in the subject line. Send to: webmaster@californiacarclubs.com

Well that's it for this month! I hope you get a chance to take your ride out for a few more shows this season! I know I will.

Brian