

BOMBSIGHT

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Dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the automobiles built by The Buick Motor Division.

Steve's Corner



In the Bombsight issue of February 9, 2009 I promised the members, new and old, an interesting and exciting series of events and tours for the chapter to enjoy. You were encouraged to come to the meetings and help plan your favorite activities.

Sunday, March 29 we got together for breakfast (as close to 7:00 AM as many of us could make it) at the Village Coffee Roaster, where we saw automobiles of all lineage, shapes and descriptions. They included four Buicks, two of which were Roadmasters. One was for sale.

Then we gathered at El Camino Real High School and were given maps to make a caravan run on the old Box Canyon Road to Simi Valley in order to spend the rest of the morning at the Ronald Reagan Library.

On the following pages see the pictures taken at the Library and the various vehicles, including Air Force One, that brought President Reagan to any place he needed to go in the world. Memorabilia of Reagan's career and administration are collected here for all to see and admire.

At 1:15 PM We assembled in the parking lot of the Ronald Reagan Library and were given instructions as to the first stop on our Poker Run Rally to the sea. This fascinating event was quite a test of vehicle and drivers. Jack Macmillan says, "My '37 Buick ran the course without missing a beat, while I am still nursing a shoulder and shifting arm." Dennis and his wife, Barbara, are both long time residents of this part of the country and know every steep hill and most every curve on the road to Malibu where the Poker Run terminated. A wonderful day!

On Sunday, April 19 at 8:00 AM the CHVA Spring Fun Car Show will be held at Boys Town/Rancho San Antonio, 21000 Plummer Street, Chatsworth, CA. This annual show has been produced through the efforts of Tom and Bob Thornton with the help of others. Bob Thornton is no longer with us and he will be sorely missed by the LA Chapter members.

Flyers will be distributed at our next meeting on the San Gabriel Buick Show at Crescenta Valley Park, which will be held on May 2 in Glendale CA.

Many of these fine, original photos can be seen by sending an e-mail request to Joel

Cars You Would Like to Own Are at the Village Coffee Roaster Car Show

The Village Coffee Roaster Car Show is open every Sunday at dawn.

Here we see the Porsche below with its custom paint job and a nononsense instrument panel.





The updated Alpha Romeo above was one of the oldest foreign cars at the show. However, she looked good mingling with the new Bentleys, Lamborghinis and Ferraris.











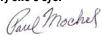
The highly modified car *below* has many Indy features. The driver boasts that it is street legal.

He could be right; he arrived at dawn with his lights on.





There were six Buicks at the show, a black over white '56 Roadmaster caught every one's eye.





1940 Buick Limited Model 90C Convertible Phaeton - 7 produced.





We arrived at the majestic, and very elegant Ronald Reagan Library. Here, Reagan's fullsize, bronze statue stands in the portico.



The Ronald Reagan Utrany



At El Camino High School Buicks lined up for the trip to the Ronald Reagan Library through Box Canyon Road to Simi Valley.

















The picture is made up entirely of jelly beans.
They were his favorite confection.



Left, is the hangar-like structure that houses Air Force One. Simi Valley can be seen beyond the reinforced glass window. Entry to Air Force One is to the right.



Photos by Paula Mochel





After leaving the treasures of the library building, we went to a huge hanger where the back wall was painted with some of the most historic airplanes of all times. We also saw the other transportation vehicles used by Reagan. Finally by elevator or stairs, we went up to the red carpet entrance of Air Force One. Above and to the right.

Below on the left is Reagan's Tomb. The story of the wall speaks for it self in this serene environment.





BERLIN WALL

An authentic section of the Berlin Wall, donated in April 1990 by the Berlin Wall Commemorative Group to President Reagan for his unwavering dedication to humanitarianism and freedom over communism throughout his presidency. This segment measures 3.5 feet by 10 feet, and weighs approximately 8,000 pounds.







After lunch eager Chapter members gathered in the parking lot at The Ronald Reagan Library for a Poker Run, the object of which is to follow an intricate route and collect five playing cards along the way. The best hand at

finish is awarded a check for \$100. The two-person teams driver and navigator were given the first one of five cards and route directions by Steve Rostam, and then released at three minute intervals.



Dennis Erickson positioned himself at the second point on the route and handed out the second card. This purefun contest was not paced for speed, but rather for the bright-eyed contestants, who would look next for Jack

MacMillan who, stationed himself to give the third card. This game of "Auto Poker" continued until everyone got to the finish line at Malibu. The team that held the best poker hand was the winner.

The fliers below announce when and where these two great car shows will be held.

Ara Rostam and his lifetime navigator in the red sweater WON! with a 🎔 flush.



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