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"THE LITTLE WHEEL"

First of all I want to welcome Rudy and Bea Pretti into NCCA. I understand this has been a long time coming. Welcome, Rudie and Bea!

Second, I want to thank John Mah for his donation of a fifth of Segrans Crown 7, and to Jim Pasha and Rudy Pretti for bidding the most money and capturing the sought after prize;

Last, but not least, if you missed the Scavenger Hunt March 11th, you sure missed out on a whale of a lot of fun. Can you imagine a two hour hunt with 30 items? Among these, a Mountain Dew bottle cap, a used Chevrolet head gasket, a nylon stocking (extra points if it had a seam!), and, would you believe--TEN GARDEN SNAILS?? Or maybe, an empty Girl Scout cookie box, or a walnetto wrapper, and something this club never seems to come in contact with--"an empty gallon jug of Red Mountain". It was a real trip! Last place went to the team of Dave and Lavonne Pygeorge and Jim and Karen Pasha. Dead first went to the team of Ron and Sharon Trethan and Nancy and myself. We are going to have another scavenger hunt this summer. Hope you'll be there. It's well worth the time! See you at the meeting April 4th.

JERRY LOCKWOOD
PRESIDENT

P.S. WHO left the snails in my garage???

A FEW WORDS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Another month and more events to partake in. Involve yourself in as many events as possible--they are offered for your benefit and enjoyment. NCCA offers socials and Autocrosses that are for you: as NCCA members and your guests, so take advantage of them.

You who didn't attend our Scavenger Hunt missed a great time. Snails, walnutto wrappers, womens stockings (not panty hose either!!!) with seams, no less, were some of the "Rare Treasures" to return with and all had a great time.

Some of the activities scheduled for this month and next are listed below. Try to make these events. Especially our first run of the year, April 30, 1972. It will be a Limit 100.

Dave Pygeorge

March 26, 1972 - PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA
NCSCC Championship Autocross
Ford Plant, Milpitas

Registration: 8:00 to 3:30
Tech Inspect: 7:30 to 3:30

April 2, 1972 - CAMINO CORVETTES presents "Camino Cross Up"
NCSCC Championship Autocross
Milpitas -- Ford Plant

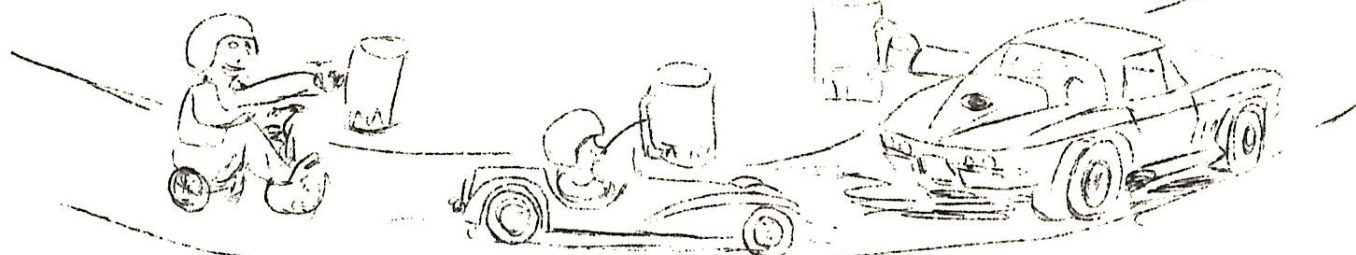
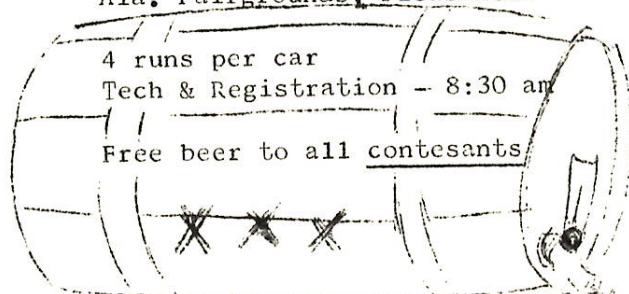
Registration opens at 8:30 am

No run groups

16, 1972 - SCAT practice session
Ala. Fairgrounds, Pleasanton

23, 1972 - LOCKHEED
NCSCC Championship Autocross
Ala. Fairgrounds, Pleasanton

30, 1972 NCCA presents a "Limit 100"
Ala. Fairgrounds, Pleasanton



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES - MARCH 6, 1972

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Lockwood at 8:10 p.m. with 30 members and guests present. Minutes of the General Meeting February 1, 1972 were approved as printed.

Treasury Report: John Mah reported that he has received all financial data from Rod Baker. John read the financial statement for the year 1971.

Activities Report: Vice President Dave Pygeorge, gave a report on upcoming events: March 12 is Competition Sports Car Club "Double Exposure". Two courses, two laps on each for \$2.50. Cal Expo parking lot A, Sacramento; March 12, Triumph Travelers Championship Autocross, NCSCC, at the Ford Plant, Milpitas; March 26, Porsche Club of America Championship Autocross, NCSCC, Ford Plant, Milpitas. Tech & Inspection opens at 7:30 a.m.; April 2, Camino Corvettes present "Camino Cross Up" Championship Autocross. Registration open at 8:30 a.m. No run groups; April 30, NCCA will present a Limit 100 at the Pleasanton Fairgrounds

Raffle was held with Rudy Pretti and Jim Pasha winning a "fifth" and a pizza.

Membership: Nancy Lockwood gave a report on membership. A shirt was presented to Paul Martinez. Lee Peer received membership. Nancy stated that jackets will be discontinued and that Acme would order an extra 24 jackets in assorted sizes. Nancy welcomed the guests.

Social: Samantha O'Brien gave a rundown on the scavenger hunt to be held March 11 with everybody meeting at the Trethan's home at 7:00 p.m. and ending up at the Lockwood's home at 10:00 p.m. for the party. Samantha also reported on a possible "Funkana" to be held in the near future by Silerado.

Public Relations: Milt Piver announced that the "K" had gone out to everyone on the P.R. list. Milt also announced that Diablo Valley & NCCA might get together on a joint "Reno" night. Milt also requested pictures of members and their cars for the convention booklet being made up. He needed all material by March 18th. Pictures must be black and white and anything pertaining to the club.

Publications: Jim Pasha gave the deadline for the "K" as March 15th. Jim also gave a "thank you" to Jim Craven and Milt asked for work party of volunteers to help clean up the trophies that were blackened during the recent fire at the Jim Craven office. Jim requested that members with pictures in color to be reproduced to black & white, have them to him by the 13th.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

NCSCC: Bill Marconi, NCCA's new representative, gave a report on the last NCSCC meeting.

Speed Events: Lee Peer, the new NCCA representative, gave a report on the last Speed Events meeting.

WSCC Convention: Milt Piver gave a rundown on the convention to be held in Fresno in May.

Announcements will be printed in the Kaleidoscope.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
LaVonne Pygeorge, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP

In accordance with Article III, Section B of the NCCA By-Laws, an application for membership has been received from:

Rudy Pretti
1721 Burkhart Avenue
San Leandro 94579

(415) 483-9855

Rudie bought his Corvette new in 1963 and drove it stock for two years. He built a drag engine for the car and tried Tecate Racing. He then modified the car for autocrossing and hits the low 12's in the quarter and feels he has found "a real home in autocrossing".

Rudy lives with his wife Bea in San Leandro and works in Oakland for Frisch & Herzberg as a tool and die maker.

Welcome to NCCA, Rudy and Bea!

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UNCLE MILTIE'S NOTES

In the recent months I have found many competition parts for Corvettes that were offered a year ago but are not available at the present time. This would seem to me to be something for all of us to be concerned about in the near future. I don't know what the reason is for this lack of parts, but I think every Corvette club in the U.S. should question GM on the inability of producing parts very necessary to our high performance Corvettes. In the last couple of years everybody can remember Mr. Ralph Nader and his "Raiders". This man has been a detriment to all manufacturers of high performance automobiles, domestic and imported. This might be something for all of us to take into consideration. But let's not accept the dissertations of the Raiders. Let's ask GM to produce the parts needed to keep America's first production sports car, the Corvette, in existence because of its dependability, prestige and performance. Some of the high performance parts I spoke about earlier are competition front and rear springs and miscellaneous special rubber, steel and copper tubing for the Rochester Fuel Injection to mention a few. Look gang, Ralph Nader probably has never owned or driven a Corvette, however, he and his Raiders have become experts on high performance automobiles and their dangers. Some people like hunting wild game and by accident some innocent individuals are shot annually. Maybe what should be done is to take all the the Raiders out to a road race course, strap them into a high performance Corvette with, of course, an experienced driver and a roll of toilet paper. Let them experience the "G" force of acceleration, cornering and braking. I'll bet they'd use up the roll of toilet tissue, kiss the fiberglass of the body and praise the GM engineering department for their lives. The next day they would probably talk their wives into letting them get a Corvette because of its handling, its performance and its engineering.

Nader talks about unsafe cars in the U.S.. Well, we're being used. There are less than one half million of us Corvette owners and drivers. Most of us bought our cars for several reason:

- 1) prestige (American made and the first production sports car)
- 2) outstanding dependability
- 3) the sporty pride of ownership
- 4) handling capabilities
- 5) craftsmanship and engineering
- 6) outstanding performance under any condition
- 7) parts accessibility (again, U.S. made)

If it's unsafe to own and drive a Corvette on the street, so it is unsafe to hunt

wild game, fish from a boat, water ski, sky dive from a plane, and perform many other sports in the U.S.. In other words, if your number is up, it's up, and no Ralph Nader or any Raider can make you safe.

An automobile in the hands of any person driving unsafely can be a detriment to the driver or any passenger's health. My own personal advice to the Feds and Ralphie's Raiders would be to control and stabilize the driver behind the wheel and develop safer highways for all automobiles before they begin to work on individual high performance automobiles, like our Corvettes. If we, as a Corvette club, and a member club of a Corvette Council don't show our interest in the fact that we are having problems obtaining Corvette high performance parts, we lose and the entire nation will lose sight of the name and standing of Corvette. And, GM will lose Corvette's best friends who have worked hard to design and develop Corvette for what it is (a pride of America's involvement in sports), Mr. Zora Duntoff, Mr. Joe Pike, and the entire Corvette engineering staff. Every corporation manufacturing automobiles has problems, but as owners of Corvettes, members of Corvette clubs and Corvette Councils, "let's get it together". Let's keep the common pride we have--our Corvettes. Let's write GM and ask for, when it is a necessity, for the parts we need. Just because your local dealer doesn't have the particular item in his stock, this doesn't mean that GM won't be able to locate the part for any one of the one half million of us. Remember, you bought on an average, a \$5500 Corvette, and Ralphie's Raiders didn't even have to pay for it. Again, it is your Corvette. Keep the faith and pride for Corvette.

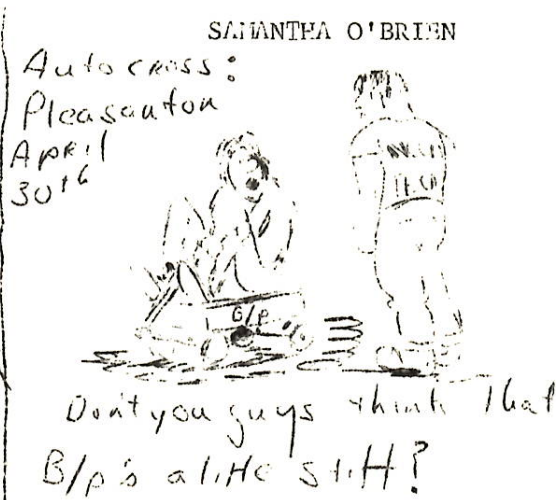
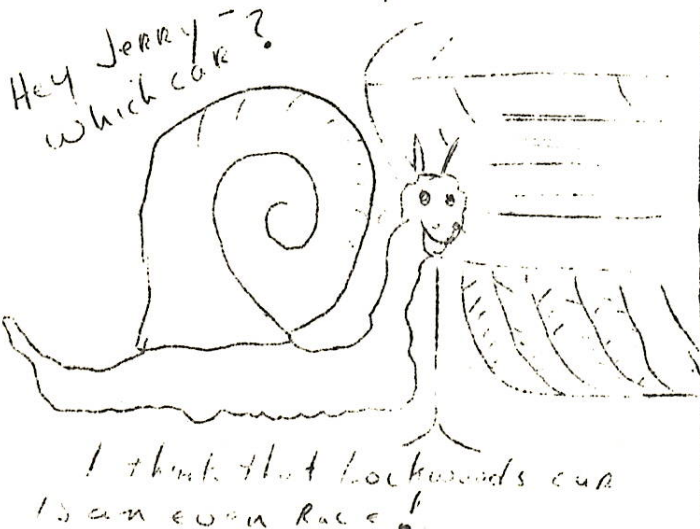
MILT PIVER

SOCIALS

My thanks to all who have, over the last year or so, helped think of items for the NCCA Scavenger Hunt. The Hunt, with three teams of four, managed to get off the ground only one hour late. We regrouped two hours later at the Lockwood home for counting of gumballs, Mountain Dew bottle caps, garden snails and various other items. Final tally showed the team of Lockwood and Trethan to be the winners of two bottles of cold duck, the team of Mah and Wong in second place and the team of Pasha and Pygeorge in third and winners of low-man prize of two bottles of Rainier Ale. I still want to know why no one could find a prospective NCCA member with car for the extra 25 points.

Special note to Hunt participants: Sunday after the hunt I located (by accident) a gumball machine with bonus gumballs at Quik Stop at Dutton and MacArthur. Also understand there is one at Southland. They really do exist!!!

Still gathering info about a caravan to the Silverado SCC Funkana in Napa April 16th. Will send out a flyer when everything is put together.



SOMETHING FOR THE LADIES: MOTHER'S COOKBOOK (Circa 1914)

Courage: One may possess physical courage, so that in times of danger, a railroad accident, a steamboat collision or a runaway horse, the heart will not be daunted or the cheek paled, while on the other hand, one may be morally brave, not afraid to speak a word for the right in season, though unwelcome, to perform a disagreeable duty unflinchingly or to refuse to do a wrong act, and yet be a physical coward, trembling and terrified in a thunder-storm, in the dark, and even scream at the sight of a mouse. Courage, both moral and physical, is one of the finest attributes of character, and both can be cultivated and gained if desired and sought after. Some girls think it interesting and attractive to be terrified at insects, and will shriek with fright if they happen to be chased a few rods by a flock of geese, but they only excite laughter and do not gain the admiration which a brave girl who tries to help herself would deserve.

Eye Beauty: A hairpin steeped in lampblack is the usual method of darkening the eyes in England, retribution following sooner or later in the shape of a total loss of the eye-lashes. Eau de Cologne is occasionally dropped into the eyes, with the effect of making them brighter. The operation is painful, and it is said that half a dozen drops of whiskey and the same quantity of Eau de Cologne, eaten on a lump of sugar, is quite as effective.

GAIL RIVER

From Bill Fiset's column, Thursday, March 16, 1972, Oakland Tribune:

"Erwin Ferer, the Oakland electronics exec, drives a Maserati and has contemplated buying another new Italian sports car. The dealer here told him delivery would take nine months. "How interesting," said Ferer. "Just how are the cars produced?"

THE FOLLOWING AUTOMOBILE WAS STOLEN ON FEBRUARY 21, 1972

YEAR: 1963
Make: Chevrolet Corvair
Model: Monza Spyder Coupe
Serial Number: 309270120342
License Number: CMV 706 (California plates, 1972 tags)
Exterior Color: Satin Silver (original paint)
Interior Color: Medium Red Imitation Leather
Engine: 145 Cu. in., 150 hp, Turbocharged (Single 2 BBL. sidedraft carburetor)
Wheels: Ansen 7 inch wide "Sprint" aluminum (serial nos. 606-1K30, 607-1K30, 610-1K30, 611-1K30, and 614-1K30)
Tires: Goodyear A70 x 13 polyglass (raised letters)
Body Damage: Lower edge of right rear fender between tire and bumper is pushed up into the wheel well cavity, exposing the muffler.
Back Seat: The back seat has been removed.

Please notify Mike Richardson at (415) 369-5691 if you see this automobile or hear of any Corvair parts for sale at a "good price".

IN THE YEAR 1918

Jerry and I have a book that was printed in 1918, called Dyke's Automobile and Gasoline Engine Encyclopedia. In the coming months I will be reprinting parts of the book that I found interesting to me and I hope to the members of NCCA. Please keep in mind when reading this article, that it was written in the year of 1918.

Instruction No. 1

THE AUTOMOBILE; Assembly of the Automobile.

THE KINDS OF MOTOR CARS

There are three different kinds of motor cars; first, the gasoline motor car; secondly, the steam car; thridly, the electric car.

The gasoline motor car is by far the most popular, and it is with this we are mainly going to deal.

The steam car, silent, smooth and easy on tires, is comparatively seldom seen.

The electric car, almost invariably in the form of a brougham or coupe, is heavily handicapped by being unable to run for more than a few hours without a fresh charge of electricity from its headquarters, and is quite in the minority. Our attention will be devoted to the car with the gasoline engine for the motive power.

THE COMPONENT PARTS OF A MOTOR CAR

A car may be made up as a whole of two distinct parts, the body and chassis.

The body, which is the work of the body builder, which has been brought by him to a wonderful pitch of perfection, hardly concerns us so we will unscrew the half dozen or so bolts that secure it to the frame of the chassis and stand it to one side, for the present at least--so that we can examine the chassis underneath.

The chassis is the entire car with the exception of the body. The chassis, for our purpose, must be divided into its main parts as follows: the running gear, power plant, transmission system, control system, equipment and accessories.

The running gear consists of parts as follows: front and rear axles, wheels, springs, frame.

The power plant consists of parts as follows: motor with its fuel system, carburetion system ignition system, cooling system and lubrication system.

The transmission system consists of parts as follows: clutch, change speed gears, drive shaft with its universal joints and differential.

The control system consists of parts as follows: steering device, throttle and spark control, hand levers, foot pedals and brake system.

The necessary equipment consists of such parts as fenders, running boards, hood, dash, tires, lighting system, self starter, horn, etc.

The desirable equipment or accessories are such parts as speedometer, windshild, warning signal, shock absorbers, etc.

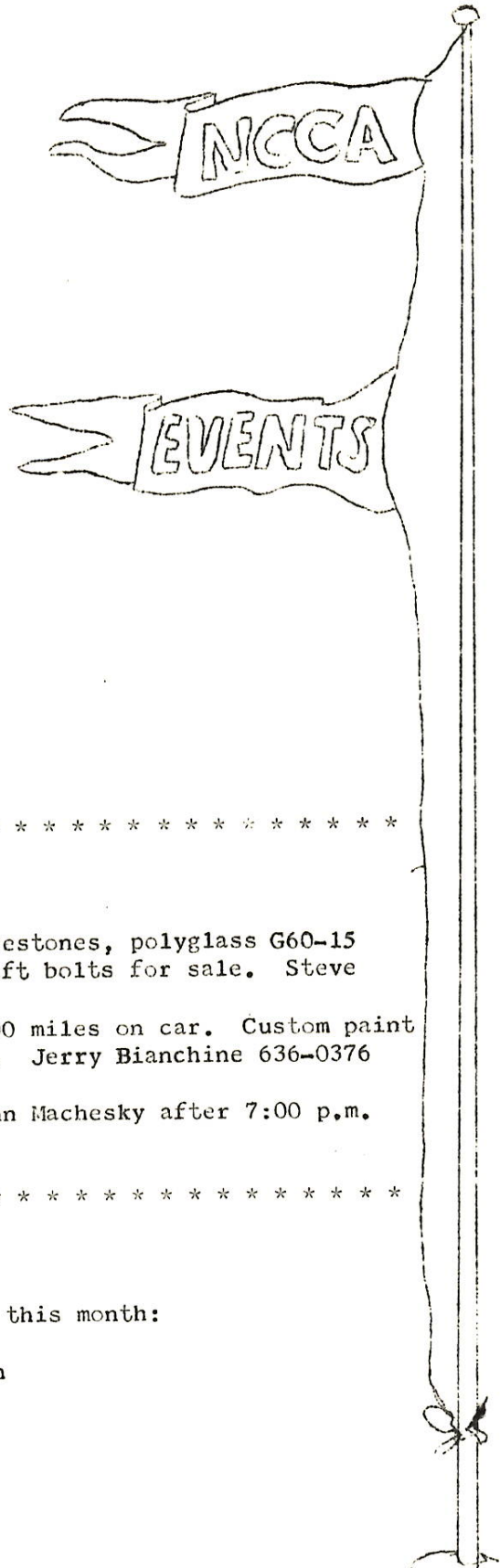
The construction of the parts of a motor car may vary, but their purpose is the same.

Submitted by

NANCY LOCKWOOD

NCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 2 - Camino Corvettes - "Camino Cross Up"
Ford Plant, Milpitas
- 4 - NCCA General Meeting
GM Training Center
San Leandro 8:00 p.m.
- 15 - Kaleidoscope deadline
- 16 - SCAT practice session
Pleasanton
- 16 - Silverado "Funkhana"
Napa
- 21 - NCCA Executive Board Meeting
8:00 p.m. at Jerry Lockwood's
- 23 - Lockheed
Pleasanton
- 30 - NCCA "Limit 100"
Pleasanton



FLOGGER'S CORNER

FOR SALE: 4 American Mags 200-s mounted on nearly-new Firestones, polyglass G60-15 with tubes. \$375 or best. Also, Grade 8 Aircraft bolts for sale. Steve Krug 635-7024.

FOR SALE: '69 Coupe 350, F.I. 7000 miles on engine, 22,000 miles on car. Custom paint 10" American Mags w/Goodyears. \$5300 or trade. Jerry Bianchine 636-0376 Before 4:30 p.m.

WANTED: 7 leaf comp. spring for '63-'72 Sting Ray. John Machesky after 7:00 p.m. 351-4289.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

The following NCCA people are celebrating birthdays this month:

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| Jim Craven | Sharon Trethan |
| Florabelle Boaz | Lynne Irish |
| Clark Nelson | Mike Tsirlis |
| Susan Lopez | Stella Mah |

A note from the scavenger hunt:

I hope Jerry has enough Snails!
Jim Pasha

N.C.C.A. MEMBERSHIP ROSTER--MARCH, 1972

*ALTMAN

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4471 Hyacinth Ave., Oakland 94619
(415) 531-5383

Baker (Associate)

Rod
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(415) 523-5485

BIANCHINE

Jerry--Activities
9914 "C" St., Oakland 94603
(415) 636-0376

*BOAZ

Roger--Activities
Florabelle--Social
2554 Mountain Blvd., Oakland 94611
(415) 531-1561

*BONETTI

Jim--Activities
Sue--Social
396 Thorne Dr., Hayward 94544
(415) 582-6055

*BOTHELLO

Gene--Activities
Barbara--Activities
Route 3, Box 3100, Auburn 95603
(916) 885-6962

*CARLEN

Gary--Board Member, Activities
Vera--Activities, Social
2820 Waterton St., Alameda
(415) 521-3978

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*MAH

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(415) 797-7735

*MARCONI

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(415) 581-2295 94546

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(415) 537-7265 94546

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Gail
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(415) 538-7719 94546

PRETTI

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(415) 278-2347

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(415) 483-9855 94579

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(415) 837-4160

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Walt--Membership
Janet--Social
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(415) 846-1496 94566

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(415) 846-7717 94566

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Mike & Zi
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(415) 682-6488

*WHITE

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(415) 687-6719

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Paulann
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* WSCC Members

Sunday, April 16, 1972

Caravan to Napa, California
For "Panic 72"

A Funken presented by Silverado S.C.C.

Entry Fee: \$2.50

Four Classes

10 AM to 3 PM

All cars welcome

Site: Courtesy Ford — Napa, California

Bring your lunch — picnic area
available 1/2 mile from event site at
Kennedy Park.

Meet at Sambo's on Hesperian in
San Leandro for 9:30 AM departure. If
you desire to obtain breakfast, coffee, gas,
etc. please allow extra time

Call (415) 632-4356 for further info.