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1956 Ford Fairlane

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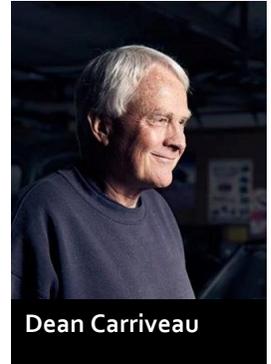
This is my first car. I spent the summer of 1967 in California as a seventeen-year-old between my junior and senior high school years at Ferris. I found a job at a busy car wash in Berkeley and at the end of summer bought my Ford Sunliner for \$70. I mixed kerosene in with the oil to flush "some" of the sludge out of the engine, bought another '56 Ford club coupe (\$15) for its radiator, put it in the Sunliner and drove it back home to Spokane that August. It's amazing it made the trip.

The Sunliner needed a lot of work and my dad helped me to put things right with a new top and transmission. I really liked finally having a car for my senior year of high school. It was a lot of fun to load the Ford up with friends and cruise

Riverside, hit a Panda drive in or just hang out and generally have fun back in the day.

I moved to the California Bay Area in 1970 and the Sunliner took me there, pulling a U-Haul trailer full of all of my worldly possessions. There I found a good job and met my future wife, Janice.

Janice and I were involved in an accident in San Francisco on our second date when a group of uninsured teens drove through a red light and nearly tore the front end off of the car. I stored the wrecked Sunliner in a series of rented garages and finally shipped it to Spokane in 1985 where it languished in storage warehouses. I should note that I was transferred back to Spokane in 1981. Over the years I worked, raised my family but also scoured junkyards and swap meets buying sheet metal, gas tanks, radiators, and finally an engine hoping to one day be able to drive my car again. After finally



Dean Carriveau

retiring in 2014, I brought the car home to my garage from storage and began the process of getting it back on the road.



For the next few years I took apart, rebuilt and reinstalled every mechanical part of the car as well as the interior, radio and clock. I found that nearly everything could be refurbished rather than replaced. The Fordomatic automatic transmission was a challenge but a used shop manual from Ebay provided a lot of

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Note from your Secretary:

There was no meeting in May therefore there are no minutes. Plans are in the works for cruises and other activities. More information to come.



And rumor has it, the Eagles Aerie #2 hopes to reopen on June 22 and will operate under strict guidelines. These guidelines will be provided as soon as possible.

Your officers are available if you have any questions, comments, or concerns about the club or the upcoming car show season.

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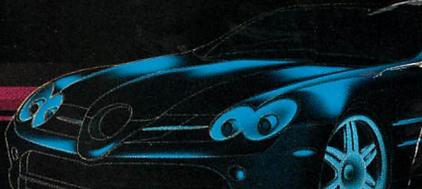


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fine toluene glue rush. I finally was able to drive it for the first time in 2018, forty-seven years since I last had it on the road. Words can't express what an experience that first drive was.

I'm currently in the process of doing the cosmetics on the car but Janice doesn't want me to make it too nice because she says then I won't drive it. She's usually right about these sorts of things.

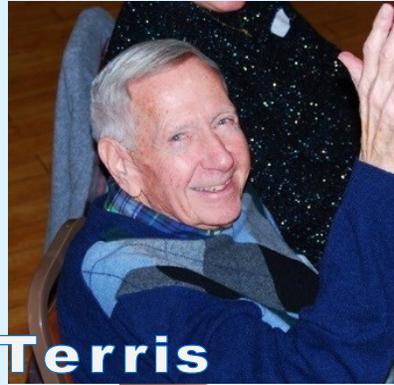
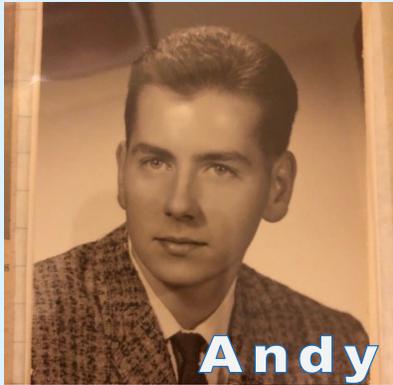
~Dean C.

tricks of the trade and helped me to get the job done. I welded in new floors, patched holes and beat out dents in junkyard fenders and had some of the bright work re-plated. Finally putting it all back together was like working on a big model car but without the benefit of that

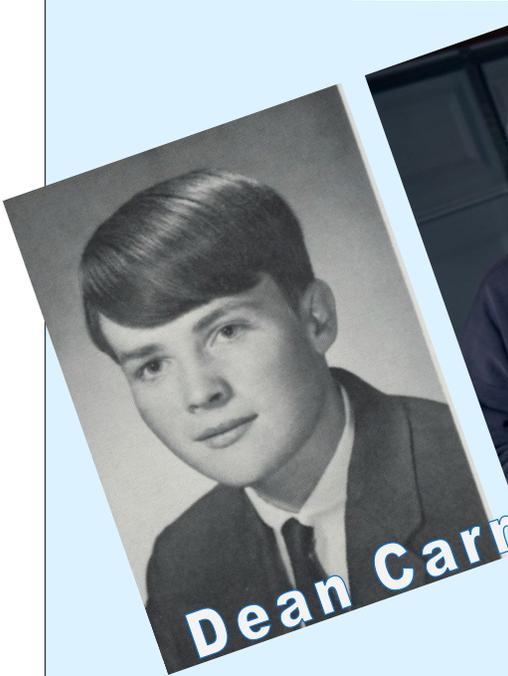


Solidarity with the Graduating Class of 2020

Answers to last month's Senior Picture quiz...



Andy Terris



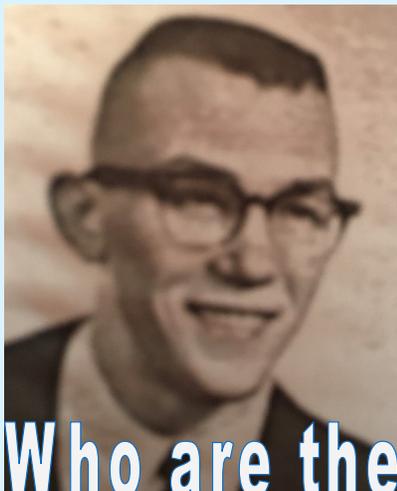
Dean Carriveau



Dave Noble



A couple more:



Who are these members?

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NOTABLE DATES



- **June 3 — regular monthly meeting—CANCELLED**
- May Birthdays—Ron Neibauer, Larry Bachko, Dale McHargue, Bill Patterson
- May wedding anniversaries—Marty & Tami Lawrence
- June Birthdays—Kerry Hafner, Jack Haley, Marty Lawrence, Dave Noble, Candy Prouty, Greg Prouty, Del Skobalski, Nick Trebesch, Steve Trebesch, Steve Williams
- June Wedding Anniversaries—Jack & Rosie Haley, Steve & Cinde Trebesch
- TBD—Honor Flight Car Show (to be rescheduled)
- August 7-9—Good Guys
- August 18—Hot Rods & Hounds
- August 22—St. Luke's Benefit Car Show
- September 18—Gents Day at the Fair



If you have any questions or comments about the meeting or INCCC in general, [contact Dean Carriveau.](#)

Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at Timber Creek Buffet.

PER INCCC: ***NOTICE*** ***COVID*19***
 Due to the virus the 2020 car event season will undergo many changes and be a very fluid situation for an unknown time. Many events will be cancelled or dates moved forward. We strongly advise you, before going to an event, contact the event organizer for their latest updates. In our calendar of event line listings, event contact information is included.



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Members Helping Members

Members, it's been said before and it'll be said many more times—these are indeed strange and trying times. Please keep each other in your thoughts and prayers as we all battle physical and emotional issues.

One of our former members is in need of our help. Here's a

word from Gary Kivett about his brother Bob: He's had to have surgery on his neck and is now paralyzed. Gary would like to see if we can get some kind of crew together to build a wheelchair ramp into Bob's house. Gary said that he can make all of the materials available but needs to have people to help build it. Bob

will be in PT for the next eight weeks and may be able to return to his home if things like a ramp and other assistive equipment is in place.

If you are able and willing to help, please contact Gary Kivett at 509-922-8080

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Members are aware that the Bigfoot Pub has been one of our sponsors for quite a while now. Located on North Division, they have good food, cold (and warm) beverages, and a great atmosphere. They are now open regular hours (9am-2am). Masks are recommended but not required for patrons.

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Due to the many regular car show cancellations, many are just going out cruising. Groups such as Pacific Northwest Cruisers and Spokane Riverside Cruisers put on organized cruises quite often. Check them out on Facebook.

If you don't have social media account(s), touch base with someone that does. Often

during these tumultuous times, a cruise happens with little to no warning—often just a post on Facebook a day or two ahead of time. If you hear of something, share it with Tawnia, Dean Carriveau, or Bill Keehner so we can put it on Facebook.

Regarding the weekly Riverside cruising—starting points include Ron's Drive In

on east Sprague (7pm) and in the old Toys R Us parking lot on Division at Francis (6:30pm).

Our own Cruise Committee is hard at work (?) creating a list of fun cruises for the Gents. More information on this is forthcoming.

Hang in there, folks! See you soon!

Lemon Cupcakes

Cupcakes:

- 3 cups self-rising flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup unsalted butter at room temperature
- 2 cups white sugar
- 4 eggs, at room temperature
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 tablespoons lemon zest
- 1 cup whole milk, divided
- 2 1/2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice, divided

Lemon Cream Icing

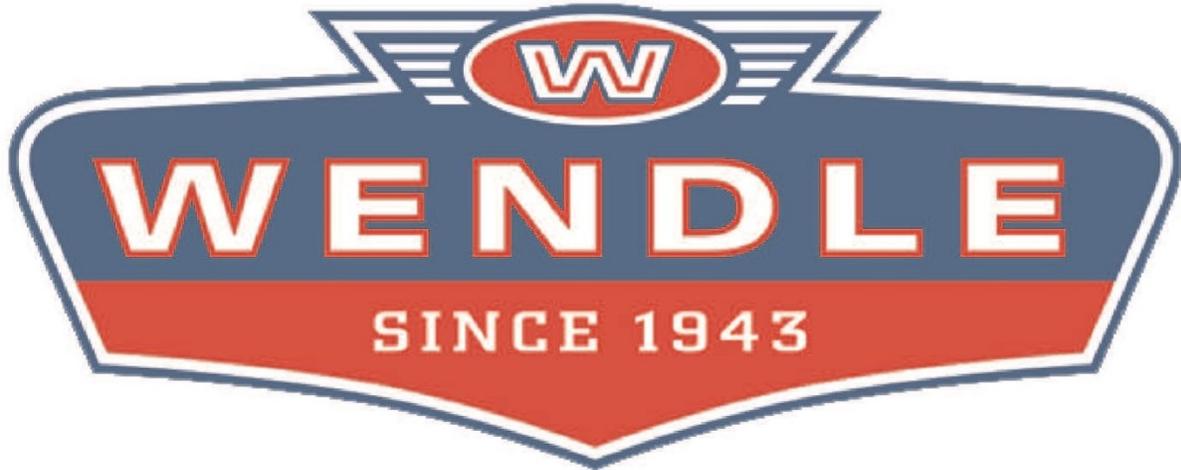
- 2 cups chilled heavy cream
- 3/4 cup confectioner's sugar
- 1 1/2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice



- 1) Preheat the oven to 375° (190 c). Line 30 cupcake pan cups with paper liners
- 2) Sift the self-rising flour and salt together in a bowl. In another bowl, beat the unsalted butter and sugar with an electric mixer until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs one at a time, beating each egg until incorporated before adding the next. Mix in the vanilla extract and lemon zest.
- 3) Gently beat the flour mixture into the butter mixture, one third at a time, alternating with half the milk and half the lemon juice after each of the first 2 additions of flour. Beat until just combined; do not over mix.
- 4) Fill the prepared cupcake liners with batter 3/4 full, and bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, about 17 minutes. Let the cupcakes cook in the pans for about 10 minutes before removing them to finish cooling on a rack.
- 5) To make the icing, beat the cream in a chilled bowl with an electric mixer set on Low until the cream begins to thicken. Add the confectioners' sugar and lemon juice, a little at a time, beating after each addition, until icing forms soft peaks, about 5 minutes. Spread on the cooled cupcakes. Refrigerate leftovers.

Today, I will live in the moment.
Unless it's unpleasant.
In which case, I will eat a cupcake.

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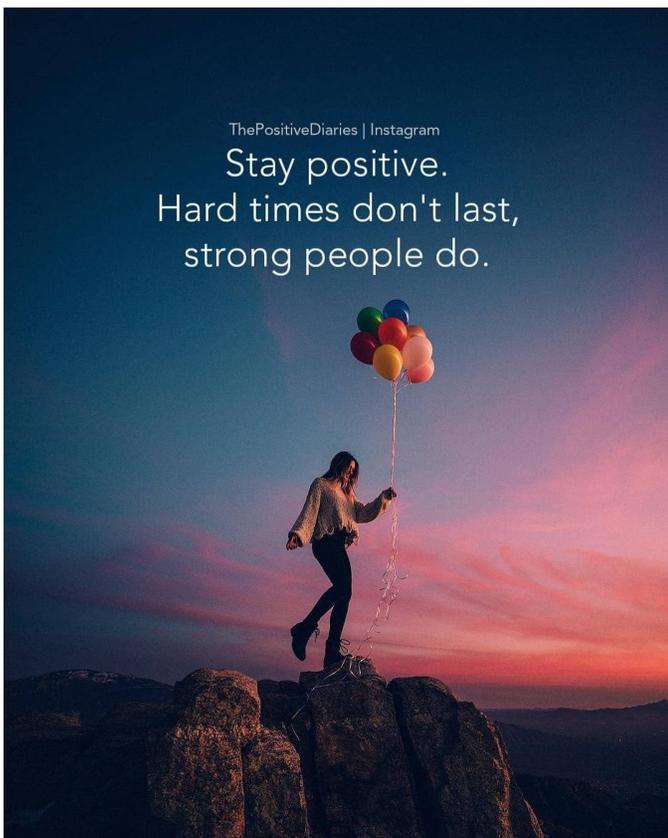
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