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President's Corner

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When Rolla asked me if I wanted to write the President's Corner for the next newsletter, I jumped at the opportunity. My name is Bruce DeAngelis and I'm the Vice President of the NTBA. Part of my responsibilities are to work with planning on new events and runs.

I've been constantly impressed with how much fun every event is. Each one is different in its own way, and although every event is outstanding, it seems each run is a little better than the one before. Almost like the bar keeps rising!

I had the opportunity to go to San Diego for the NTBA Second Annual T Bucket Western Regionals, and I have to say, what a great time!

Our host hotel was a 40 acre resort from the 1960's, with a frozen in time postcard setting. I pictured my Dad unloading the luggage from the trunk of his 1960 Buick LeSabre.

Ah!....Southern California! Where Hotrods all got started. There we were, cruising like teenagers in our souped-up T Buckets

We cruised the beach cities, drove north up the coast alongside beautiful scenery, toured a miniatures museum where the detailed models were incredible, and drove through mountain backroads to the wine country town of Temecula.

Friday night we made an entrance into Escondido's "Cruisn Grand" car show. And an even bigger exit when 50 plus T Buckets all started up at once to leave. People stopped, took pictures and applauded. I think the band even stopped playing!

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Event Calendar

Fred's Fun Run	Tucson, AZ	November 6 & 7	

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We ate and drank Margaritas in old town San Diego (the shuttle drove us), and even showed up at a TV station at 5:30 in the morning to appear on the local news.

We parked our T Buckets at a waterfront park for our show and shine. There were picture-perfect photo opportunities everywhere, following up with a fun raffle and awards presentation.

For a week we got to enjoy the Sun, Sand, and Surf... This was California, where Kookie drove the first T Bucket, and The Batmobile, Monkeemobile, and Herman Munster's Coach were built just a few hours up the road...and then like all our events, it ended too soon.

Our special thanks go to Kent Donalson and Jeff Hall of The So Cal T's and all the others who helped put this event on. The organization was tremendous, and it went like clockwork. All we really had to do was enjoy it, and we all know that's a lot of work to make happen.

We made new friends with our Western NTBA family, thanks for inviting us to your home.

My wife always accuses me of being the last one to leave the party, maybe it's because I hate to see them end. As I was driving away, east on Interstate 8, I looked in the rear view mirror and thought to myself, I sure hope they do that again next year, I want to come back!

As I write this there are two events remaining on our 2015 schedule. The fall regional in Indianapolis, and Fred's fun run in Tucson.

Personal Ads Available in the Newsletter

Thanks again to Jerry and Lisa for a wonderful event in Green Bay. It is so special to see many old friends, and meet new ones, the NTBA group really is one great big family that I am proud to be a long time member of.

As mentioned during the annual meeting, and for those who could not attend, the NTBA is offering a way to support the club, by placing a "business card" size personal ad in the newsletter. This ad can be of your business, your passion, or in

It turns out Ben Griffin gets a great event as a pre-runner to the 2016 NATS. I want to do a lap on the Indy Speedway, Ben!

Dennis "flathead" Mahar and Lynn Eldred are leading the Tucson run in November and promise some great scenic Arizona adventures!

As we close down 2015 and work on the cars over the winter, 2016 is looking like one of our biggest years ever! We're going down south for a swamp tour and Cajun food. Out to west Texas for some wide open cruising. Missouri for some great Bar-B-Q. And that's just in the first two months of April and May!

The NTBA family is growing, and we're having fun! See you at our next event.

Bruce DeAngelis

NTBA-Vice President



remembrance of someone. The ad will run for one year, at a cost of \$50.00. Special thanks to Bill and Wanda Darr, Simo and MaryAnne Simonsen, and the Cowtown "T" group for already signing up. If you are interested, send me a email at daleisinthek-
eys@gmail.com or Bruce Deanglis at deange-
lisrv@aol.com. —by Dale Weirsma



The Nats Baskets

The following baskets were donated to the NTBA Nationals event in Green Bay. Thank you to the wonderful donors! Please excuse me if I have one wrong...

Snack, Pomegranate wine, Jams – Nev-Cal Chapter

2 Valve Cover Racers – Dewey and Ilona

Toy Model T – Dewey and Ilona
Santa – Mary Ann

Hand knit scarf and headband – Joyce Atkinson

St. Louis goodies – St. Louis Chapter

Lantern – Simo

Texas fun goodies – North Texas Chapter

Patriotic wreath & t-bucket mailbox topper – Katie White?

Ashwaubenon Special Edition puzzle – Chamber of Commerce, Ashwaubenon

Margarita mixes – North Texas Chapter

Ice bucket and goodies – North Texas Chapter

“Hot” iron lantern – Simo

Jams and jellies – Cowtown T’s

2 ton jack and sockets – North Texas Chapter

Snack basket - ???

Tundra Lodge gift basket – Tundra Lodge

Wine, snacks and dips – Cowtown T’s

Bass Pro gift card and bag – Rick Chisum

O’Reilly’s gift card, mugs, hats – John and Tammy Brown

Scentsy Basket - ???

Cleaning supplies - ???

Visitor’s Bureau Basket – Green Bay Visitor’s Bureau

Pike County basket – Punkun and the Patch

Handmade T-bucket quilt – Angel (and Mike) Wade

Cheeses, Oregon salmon, crackers – Tom Hintz

Ford Toolbox and Oklahoma goodies – Okie Street Rods/Tim & Lisa Lyons

Handknit cap & t-bucket mailbox topper – Becky Arnold

T-Bucket Nationals apron & t-bucket mailbox topper – Steve Arnold

And a special “Thank you” to Luggy and Lisa Chenot for the Green Bay Packer basket won by Debbie Hessel. Sorry, T-Odd, had to throw that one in...

EDITOR:

In case you wonder what this is all about, a long tradition at the NTBA Nationals is a raffle, giving away gifts donated by the members, various local chapters, hosts, sponsors, etc. Tickets for the raffle are sold in the registration area, and then members can place those tickets in boxes for the items they hope to win. The last day of the Nationals, the tickets are drawn and announced. We have lucked out and won something virtually every year, and we have donated items almost every year, including custom-made electric guitars.

If you attend the Nationals, please feel free to donate some items for the raffles. This is one of the main ways we raise money to support the charities the club gives to, as well as supporting the expenses of holding the nationals and running the club.

San Diego Regional Nationals

We have the following report from Mike Wade, who attended the San Diego Regional Nationals. We will also include some photos from Rolla Hessel.

Western Regionals of the NTBA 2015

Labor Day 2015 was the start of a trip to San Diego, California, for another few days with our NTBA family and some time on the beach. Pretty uneventful road trip, if you discount the massive sand storm/rain event in the Imperial Valley of Southern California. Sixty miles, with 5 miles of sand then 5 miles of driving rain then the next 5 miles of sand then rain again and so on, I was ready to find an RV park and get off of I-8. The next morning the weather was great except for the heat the rest of the way to Campland on the Bay for the next 4 days. Great RV Park I might add.

Wednesday afternoon found us meeting up with other NTBA family members already cruising the area from the Town & Country Hotel, the host hotel, for a supper cruise and some benchracing.



There were many family members from all over the USA here for three days of Fun & Cruising in Southern California. Family members from Missouri, Utah, Oregon, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico and California were all in attendance for the Fun. (6329/6334)

On Thursday most of the family went across the Bay to Coronado Island over the High Bridge on San Diego Bay, to play in/on the beach. Some photos ops and lots to see. The weather was the hottest three days of the year in San Diego, in the upper 90's with



lots of humidity. It almost did this old Desert Rat in, I'm not used to that much water.....LOL.....

Friday another HOT day and some of the group made a cruise inland and northeast of the hotel but some of us went cruising on the 101 up to Oceanside CA, and back down the beach. Have I made mention of the TRAFFIC in Southern California? There is a WHOLE bunch of that and they all want to go fast and furious! Back at the hotel some more benchracing then another supper run to a dog friendly café with Valet Parking. The parking lot attendants let us park our own cars (they did not want to be responsible) in the front row for an instant car show while we ate on the patio.

Saturday we all went to Seaport Village at the Embarcadero Marina for the Show and Shine on the bay.....Lots of neat places to eat and shop along with looking at all the boats going in and out of the Bay. Speedboats, Sailboats, Tugboats, Tour Boats and many other types of boats. This was a great place for a show & shine. Thanks for all the work that the SoCal Chapter of the NTBA put out for a great Western Regional Nats. We will be back some day, but for now I am going back to the HOT Desert with Humidity of about 15%.

Mike & Angel with Peggy Sue.....





Who Are We? Steven Wade Corgill

Buckethead Questionnaire

1. *Your name:* Steven Wade Corgill
2. *Where do you live:* Levelland Texas
3. *How did you get interested in T buckets?* I got interested in t-buckets as a junior in high school, good friend of mine bought one and after my first ride in it and the first time he let me drive it I was hooked now mind ya this was in 1978.
4. *Do you have a T?* Yes i finally have a T and it is my pride and joy!! am 54 now and got my dream hot-rod!
5. *How did you get your T?* I found my T on the Lubbock man cave trading sight on facebook, looked at some pics, guy sent me a lil video, went round on price for a bit, went and drove it and she was so sweet. We went round on price some more and then she was mine!
6. *Tell us about your T:* Best as I know my T was built in south Texas. She has a 327 sbc don't really know alot about the internals. Turbo 350 tranny seems to have a shift kit in it. Ford 8" rear end highway geared seems like
7. *Are there any other bucketheads in your family?* Everybody I let drive this T or give a ride to seems to be a buckethead but I really have to say my wife is coming around seems like she is gonna let me spend all I need to to make this my dream hot-rod and as long as it's safe she will ride with me in it along with the grand-kids.....lol
8. *What future plans do you have for your T?* My future plans for my t are to rebuild the engine to be a torque monster trying to decide exactly how I am gonna do it thanking about tunnelram, 4:11 posi, stall converter.....hope to get advice from all the great folks in this groupas i have never built a car this light.
9. *What is the funniest/scariest/most moving thing that happened to you and your T?* Thing that has scared me the most so far is finding out how wore out my drag link bushings were after really stomping down on her and feeling the rear end moving around a whole lot. Probably be more to report on this as time goes by.....lol







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