



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

This year is looking to be very active for the Redwood Chapter, many of us attended the Central Cal Chapter show at Plymouth, and our own show on June 10th is just a month away. Again this year it will be held at Steve Drew's shop General Equipment in south east Napa. Flyers have been made and are being distributed. Don't hesitate to help us advertise.

Katey Taylor has volunteered to be our new secretary. She is young and ambitious and much needed and appreciated. It takes volunteers to make our chapter successful.

If you can help even in a small way it is greatly appreciated as old guys like me slow down. Old trucks are fun and well worth the effort to preserve them.

~ Dane Petersen, President

Vice President’s Message – Ed Couderc

Going to Shows

It is always fun to head over the bridge to the Central California Chapter Show in Plymouth.

The show has been held in the Shenandoah Valley for 31 years and it never fails to be one of the better shows to attend. They had 189 trucks registered and served 214 dinners to folks from all over the West. I saw a truck from Wyoming and there is always the usual gang from Salt Lake City with 5 or 6 trucks in attendance. 2 members of the Pacific NW Truck Museum in Oregon were there with their Paccar products. Fresno and Merced always show up with great vehicles along with chapter president’s Dennis Chan fleet from Sacramento. Our 2 board members of ATHS National, Ed Rocha and Manuel Andrade had, 4 or 5 trucks each in their stable. Also ATHS Treasurer Mike Colton and his wife Cathy were checking things out in their golf cart.

Many Redwood Chapter members came. Some came without their trucks but I think we had over 10 Redwood Chapter trucks in attendance.

A group of 1932 to 1956 cars also arrive mid-day to come look at what we do. They were surprised at how much work was done in restoring “them old trucks”

My vote for the best truck in attendance was a 2 tone green 1941 Peterbilt. I think everyone that was looking at it agreed they could not find anything more to be done to it. Beautiful.



**The following is a list of shows in the west.
Take some time to visit one of them this summer.**

May 25-27	ATHS National Truck Show	Des Moines, IA
June 10	Redwood Chapter Show (707) 486-0253	Napa, CA
June 24	Truckin for Hospice (209) 608-2001 Al Nunes	Oakdale, CA
July 15	Central Coast Chapter Show (805) 904-8701 Larry Hoenig	Nipoma, CA
Aug 5	Redwood Chapter Potluck Picnic (must RSVP)	Healdsburg, CA
Aug 25,26	Brooks Truck Show (503) 463-8701 Jerry Crume	Brooks. OR
Sept 9	Rocky Mountain Chapter Show (801) 580-7532 Art	Salina, UT
Oct 21	Nor Cal Chapter Truck Show (530) 865-8631 Bill Irwin	Orland, CA



Photo: Redwood Chapter ATHS Meeting April 1, 2017 Vallejo, CA Hosted by Ron Brazell

April 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes

- Redwood Chapter of American Truck Historical Society gathered on Saturday, April 1 in Vallejo, CA. Member Ron Brazell hosted the meeting and shared his extensive collection – spanning 3 different locations in Vallejo. Chapter members held a brief business meeting, then spent hours exploring Ron’s museum like collections.
- Last chapter gathering was January 14th, a group of 34 gathered at River Rock Casino for dinner and a lot of talking about trucks.
- Charlie, our treasurer, was unable to attend. He was busy with another commitment, renewing his pyrotechnics license! Thanks to Charlie & his daughter for keeping the books. A treasures report was presented and the Chapter has \$7,048.16 in the bank. Dane noted “we haven’t spent any money in the last two years”
- Remember – Chapter dues need to be paid. As of April 1, only half of the Redwood Chapter Members had paid their annual dues. Dues are \$15 annually. See page 6 for more details. Reminder... You need to be a National Member of ATHS before you can become a Chapter Member <https://www.aths.org/membership>
- Jim Peterson, who has been the Chapters Secretary for the last 4 years has been having some health issues, so Katey has volunteered to step in to help while Jim recovers and focuses on his health. We wish him well
- Reminder about the Central California Chapter hosting the Plymouth Show April 29
- March 16-18, 2017, 6 members and 12 trucks attended the Redwood Regional Logging Conference in Eureka. Nice Show (minus the rain) it was a show & shine, with logging trucks and some antique trucks as well. www.rrlc.net
 - The show will be held in mid -arch 2018 in Ukiah. This will be an ATHS sanctioned show, now in the planning stages, to be held at the fairgrounds.

- In Memory of John C. Pina ... club member's suggested doing something in honor of John. He will be featured on the June 10th show flyer, as he was an avid contributor to the show and our chapter. Some suggested a donation to the National Chapter Bookcase, while others talked about a brick at the national museum. Others suggested keeping the donation local. Katey is in contact with the Ag Department at St Helena High School for some ideas. More details to follow
- Our Redwood Chapter Show is June 10 Setup at General Equipment in front & back parking lots. Katey working on food ideas – food truck or traditional BBQ. No pre-registration is required.
- ATHS National Convention & Truck Show
 - May 25-27, 2017 Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, Iowa
 - Convoy of local trucks leaving from CA ... 55-60 MPH
 - Please let Dane know if you wish to join in. Group will be leaving the previous Saturday or Sunday. Four days of travel. A map will be provided and Ed has the route and suggested places to stay figured out. Contact Ed so you can make your own room reservations. Typically 400-500 miles per day. Even if you can't bring your own rig, perhaps you can ride shotgun with another member
- Brooks Truck Show - Brooks, Oregon show is August 25-26, 2017
 - At the Pacific Northwest Truck Museum – celebrating 25 years! Another opportunity to caravan and always good food and lots of trucks
- Saturday August 5th – Redwood Chapter meeting in Dry Creek (Healdsburg) Dane and his wife will hosting a potluck picnic at their beautiful picnic grounds. You must RSVP
- October 21, 2017 Jerry Porter Memorial Truck Show at Porter's Welding 7061 County Road 24 in Orland, CA
- Group Discussion: Commercial Trucks – What does the CHP expect from us. Some in the group said if you ask 5 different officers – you will get 5 different answers.
 - We are supposed to stop at the scales. Are we subject to inspections with Historical Plates?
 - Must run a log book if more than 100 mile radius from "home"

Member Lee Hannan, quoted "CA Permit Exempt" 345076 Sub section E-3 from an officer he has worked with.

Stay tuned for a more thorough investigation and answer. Secretary Katey Taylor talked with two CHP DOT officers at their booth at the Plymouth Show – and they didn't exactly have the answers. They suggested she reach out to their Sacramento headquarters. Katey also stopped in at the Napa Office of the CHP and was given different answers when asking the same questions, and was unable to get the vehicle code # to back up their advice. She was referred to the Motor Carriers Office near Benicia and has left a message. I intend to have a complete article and documented vehicle codes & facts by our next newsletter. Easier said than done.

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2017 Redwood Chapter ATHS Dues

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Annual Chapter Dues are \$15.00

Mail your chapter dues to: Redwood Chapter ATHS

Attn: Charlie Wolleson, 1200 Tucker Road, Calistoga, CA 94515

A very special THANK YOU to the April meeting Host

Ron Brazell. We started out “in the barn” in a residential neighborhood of Vallejo, then caravanned into the industrial part of town to his complex of shops/storage yard, then onto his buildings further down the street known as the old ice cream factory with the thick cork insulated walls. If you missed this meeting & collection tour, we sure hope Ron will be willing to host again in 2018. It was impossible to see everything in a few hours.

Ron with his stories, in-depth knowledge, and his collections, are living museums of all things industrial and mechanical.



Photos of Ron Brazell's Collection



Photos of Ron Brazell & his collection



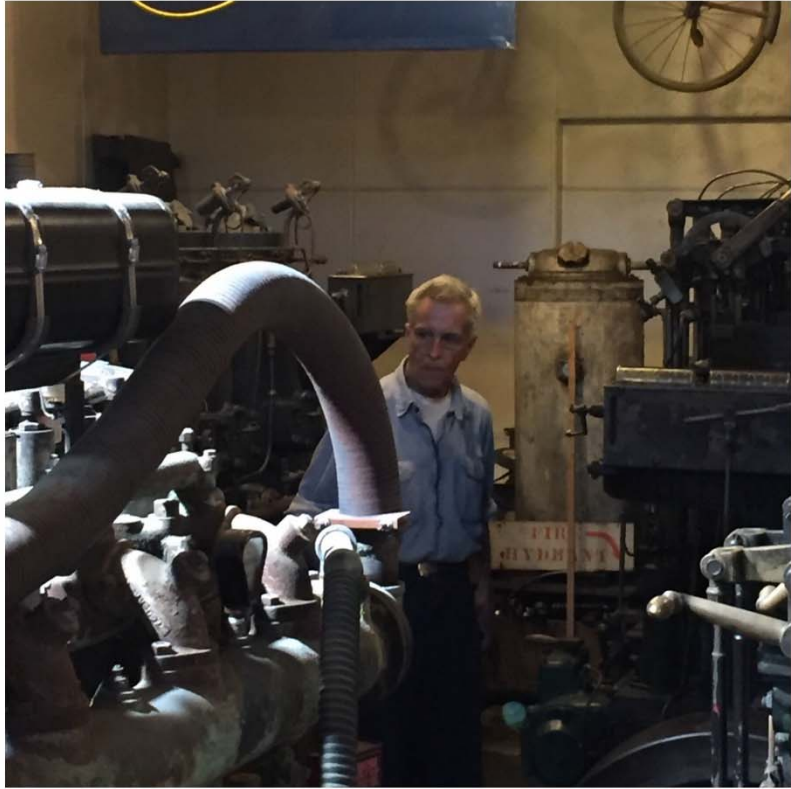
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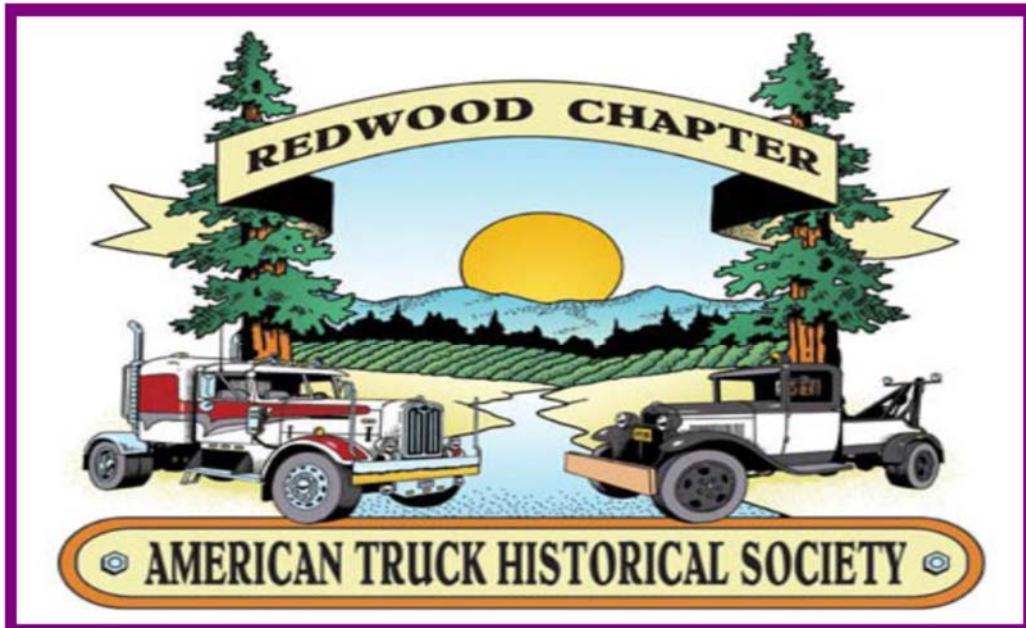


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Antique Truck Show

Saturday June 10th from 9 am to 3 pm

At Steve Drew's General Equipment Yard in Napa
50 Enterprise Court, off of Kaiser Rd, Napa 94558

Food will be available for purchase at noon

No entry fee, no prizes, just Truck Talk

Bring your truck to share

Contact Dane Petersen at 707-433-4065 for details and questions

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