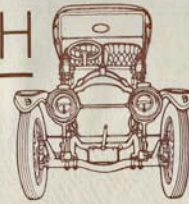


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KEITH BRUSH



.....FROM THE HISTORIAN

THIS CLUB LIKES TO EAT! OUR FIRST THREE OUTINGS FOR THE NEW YEAR, 1985, WERE AT TWO LOCAL RESTAURANTS AROUND THE VALLEY AND THE YEAGER'S FOR VALENTINE'S DAY.

IT'S ALWAYS ALOT OF FUN AND I GUESS THE FOOD HELPS TO KEEP THE CLUB STRONG.

LET'S ALL HELP TO KEEP THE CLUB GOING DOWN THE ROAD.....KEITH





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The Big Bear Antique and Classic Car Club held its meeting at the Elks Lodge April 2 to elect their 1985-86 officers. President Lloyd Gervais, along with nominating committee members Joy Tylor, Bud and Dottie Austin and Eve and Jim Beckley, did a superb job in selecting and installing their new board, which consists of Chris Conger, president; Bob Dewar, vice president; Betty Rodgers, secretary; Dottie Austin, treasurer; all of the chairmen; and directors.



The Big Bear Antique and Classic Car Club will hold its annual installation dinner-dance at the Elks Lodge Saturday night, April 27. Those being installed are: Chris Conger, president; Bob Dewar, vice president; Betty Rodgers, secretary; Dottie Austin, treasurer; Jim Beckley, tour chairman; Jackie Mortinson, publicity chairman; Doris Yaeger, social chairman; Keith Brush, historian; board of directors: immediate past president Lloyd Gervais, Weldon Fulton, Bill Yaeger, Darrel Critchlow and Don Mortinson; phone committee: Eve Beckley and Shirley Walker. Congratulations to all of you. Last year was a huge success, and since many events are being planned for the coming year, another successful year is expected.



READERS OPINIONS

Missed parade

EDITOR — You didn't see the Big Bear Lake Antique Car Club in the Old Miners Parade this year and we are very sorry.

Pagentry Productions, a parade company from Van Nuys, was in charge of our parade this year. They gave us a two-option ultimatum: 1) Be the last entry in the parade; 2) Be divided into three separate divisions.

There are always delays in parades and therefore the end of a parade is always much slower than the front. Antique cars cannot go that slow without overheating. Pagentry Productions was in charge of our 1983 parade and placed us as the very last entry. We lost three cars due to overheating before the parade was half over.

As for dividing into three groups, we have worked very hard to build our membership and we are extremely proud of our club and cars. We want only to be presented as a club, thus a single entry. It is impossible to be divided into three separate divisions and judged as a single entry club.

We didn't feel that our request to be in the first division and all together was unreasonable, as our entry was not more than 15 cars running two abreast.

Pagentry Productions informed our group that you, the spectators would be bored to see so many cars at one time in the first division. However, by their reasoning it is perfectly alright to be bored as the last entry in the last division.

Many of us have participated in other professionally run parades and have never had this problem. Other parade companies know that antique cars cannot be placed in the last division, and have never

asked us to separate our group.

We want to thank those of you who were concerned at our absence and inquired. We are sorry to have missed you, the spectators and also the event of the year. One that we have looked forward to and enjoyed participating in every year.

It is sad to note that we, the members of the Big Bear Lake Antique Car Club, are all permanent residents of the Valley and are unable to participate in our parade.

CHRIS CONGER, President
Big Bear Lake
Antique Car Club





The Big Bear Antique and Classic Car Club held their annual Christmas party Dec. 21 at the Elks Lodge. Approximately 50 people attended and enjoyed a delicious prime rib dinner. Their president, Chris Conger, played Santa and distributed the exchange gifts that everyone brought. Between dancing to the music of Ron the Music Man and winning door prizes, everyone had a terrific time.

Approximately 25 members of the Big Bear Antique and Classic Car Club had a wonderful time Dec. 23 when they spent more than two hours caroling to the people in Big Bear. Jim Riffenburgh and his wife Willie, owners of Riffenburgh Lumber Co., not only loaned them a large flatbed truck to ride on while they were caroling, but Jim drove the truck for them. They started out on Division Road, went up through Moonridge, over to Summit Boulevard, then down through Eagle Point, where they ended at the Yaegers' home where food and libations were served to thaw everyone out.

