

CAR TUNES

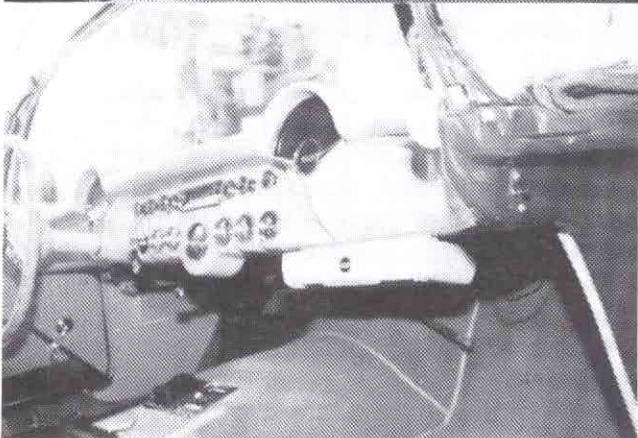
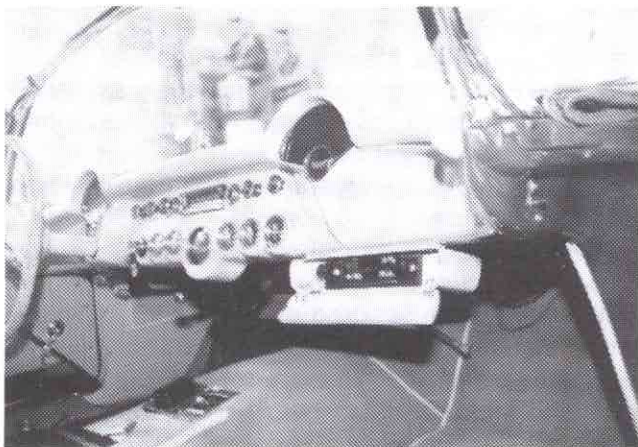
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Anyone with a Straight Axle can listen to Paul Harvey on their A.M. wonderbar radio. Paul's O.K. but what about Hard Rock or just some head banging Rock? Maybe even your favorite cassette tapes.

I have seen alot of AM-FM cassette units installed in the dashes, under the dashes even in the glove box. They are all fine if you can't see them, but they are pretty hard to conceal. I wanted modern "Car Tunes" in my 1956 and didn't want to convert my original wonderbar over to modern.

The challenge was on. Modern "Car Tunes" with the original look. I found an original 1956 tissue dispenser at a swap meet and had the idea to conceal an AM-FM cassette inside of it. It worked like a charm and have had many complements about it. One of the most rewarding was from Noland Adams. Everything looks original. I drilled out the rivets that hold the front of the tissue dispenser to the sides and got some small hinges and mounted them so the front opens down. I mounted it under the dash beneath the speaker grill on the passenger side. When it is closed it looks like the original accessory tissue dispenser.

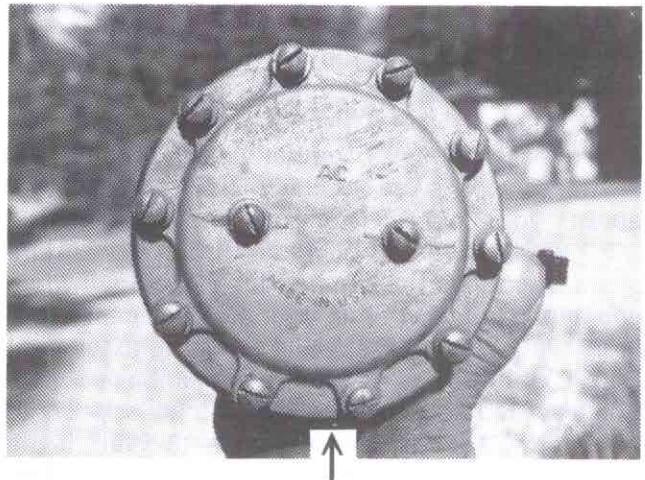
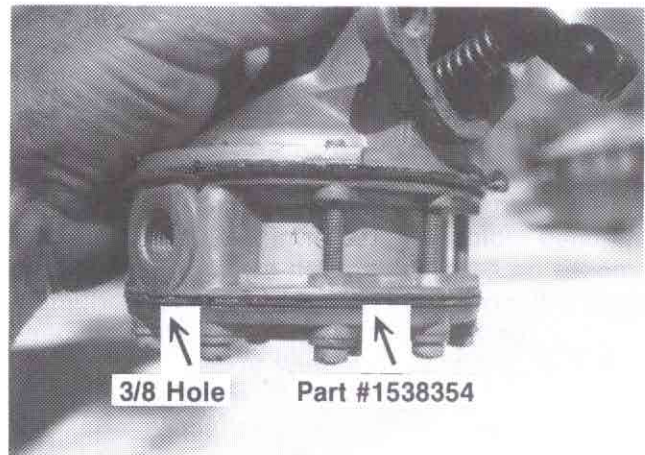
I now have great modern "Car Tunes" with the original look.



4346 FUEL PUMP

There were three different pumps using the long bolt fuel pump, but only the Vette used a 3/8" fuel line for in and out. There are Vettes using the other two, but are using an adapter to bring the hole size to meet the 3/8" gas line. The Corvette original center section carries a casted part number of 1538354. You may see these on other pumps, but the 4346 will be changed on the flange area. I have a pump 4673 that has the 1538354 number in the center section. Also all Corvette pumps contain "AC" cast into the top and bottom areas. Volume 1, Number 3, I wrote about a kit that Holley makes #12-856 that can be used to rebuild your pumps. Keep in mind that if a pump does not carry the stamped number in the center section, it's not a Corvette center section! Having the 3/8 size hole for inlet and outlet.

— Editor



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