

A '55 On The Road

—Richard James

All I wanted was a good vacation in the old '55 again to "get away from it all" for awhile. However, it rained and RAINED on the Northern California coast last May, the week before Memorial Day.

It was definitely an interesting experience driving the leaky '55 in the rain. I'm sure that other early Corvettes are not exactly waterproof, either, and I share some foul weather sympathy. I did give it

up one Tuesday and stayed in a motel room watching TV. It was terrible, but two good, partly sunny days made the trip worthwhile!

On the first of the two clear days, I met Carolyn Simpson (the California State Representative/President of SACE), and her nephew while stopped at a beach north of Fort Bragg, California. She bounced out of her Bronco, and asked me if I was a SACE member. I told her that I was, and we proceeded to talk about and photograph my partially restored/slightly modified '55 for some time. Fun!!!

I was also inspired to take more pictures of my Corvette than anticipated.

The picture of both of us with the Corvette was taken by her nephew. The rest are mine. Carolyn suggested that I write an article for SACE. I told her that I was not much of a writer, but that I could take good photographs. Hence, I said that I would submit a few photos and see if SACE members might enjoy them. I'll let my pictures tell the story!

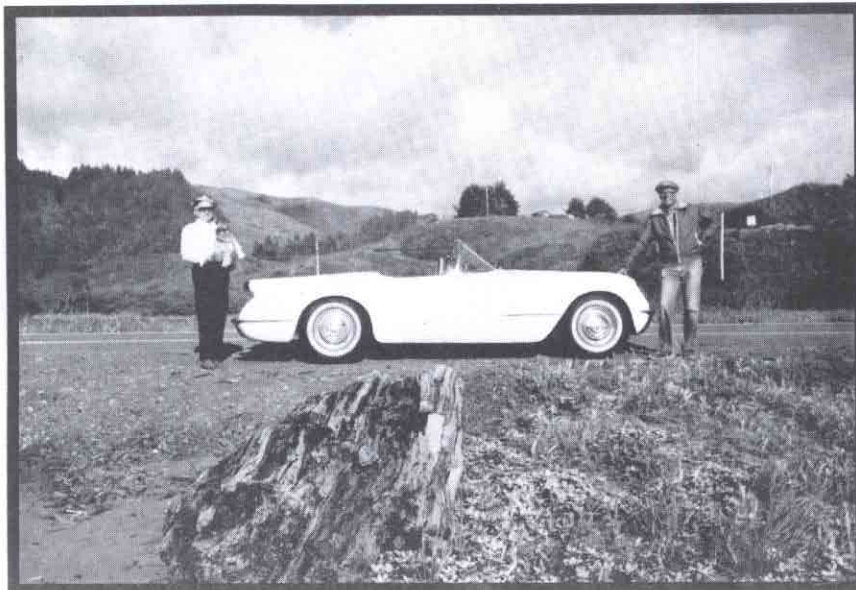
All in all, my vacation was another, very welcome experience!

As you are reading this issue of "Straight Talk" we are already getting the next one ready for publication.

We predict that our Autumn issue will be complete in September. If you have any articles or other items that you would like to see in print, now is the time to send 'em in.

Thank you!

—Editor



TOP: The author's partially restored/slightly modified '55 'Vette.

BOTTOM: California State Representative/President Carolyn Simpson, with the author near Fort Bragg, California.