

## **Mopars & Friends at Extreme Automotive 2017**

Veterans Day, November 11, was the date of the latest Mopars at Extreme Automotive in Corona. The last couple of years I was being asked by people who didn't have a Mopar if they could come so this year we included "& Friends" on the flyer. My feeling is the toys don't know how they got to Extreme (or do they) so why not open it up to anyone interested in supporting the kids? We had 66 guests sign in and a few more that didn't, so again in the 80 range, which I consider good since there were other Veterans Day shows going on as well as the drags in Pomona.

Phil & Mary Leatherman again opened their home and provided the main course of refreshments while the ladies of Inland Mopars provided gobs of desserts. Phillip Leatherman had the shop open for anyone with questions. Phil & Mary again provided the three piece band, The Ideas, to keep us entertained with the stuff most of us older folks like to hear.

We tried something different this year with an opportunity drawing to raise funds to buy more toys. Norma Johnston made some gift baskets and there were a couple of other items. By the time ticket sales were closed \$300 had been generated. Norma was again getting ready to do more shopping. Thanks to all who pitched in for this worthy cause.

This year I was asked by Inland Mopars member Steve Backer if he could do a couple of special awards since this is not a formal car show. We did ask anyone who brought a car to fill out a card so everyone might have an idea who everything belonged to and make Steve's task a little easier. He came up with his two favorite picks; Modern Mopar presented to Shaun Sommer for his Challenger Scat Pack & Classic Mopar presented to Jim Clark for his black on black on black '70 440 Cuda.

Ric & Jackie Carr, our local National Street Rod Association safety reps, performed 23-point safety inspections on a half dozen cars. This is something anyone with a pre-1988 vehicle should have taken advantage of. FYI; they will be at Mopars in May at CSDR May 20, 2018 if you missed having your car inspected. I think I heard Ric say something about a special drawing for anyone having a safety inspection performed at the May show or with a 2018 safety sticker already on their car. More details in May.

Sherm Taylor, Chaffey College Auto Instructor & Chaffey College Car Club advisor, and the Chaffey College Car Club had brought a \$1000 worth of toys the week before which are not included in the toy photos. They were already boxed up and ready to go in the trailer. Thank you to Sherm & the car club for their generous donations. You can thank them by showing up April 15 at the Chaffey College Car Show in Rancho Cucamonga and supporting their show, with proceeds going to sponsor student scholarships as well as provide funds for other school activities.

Pat from Old Farts Racing Team brought in a couple bags of toys collected the weekend before at Ramona Tire, Ranch Cucamonga, at an open house/car show they held to collect toys for Fort Irwin. Pat drives a '57 Chevy but he is welcome anytime as is Jim Lawler, who also drives a bowtie.

There were a few non-car club people there as well, such Phil's son Jeremy and his two kids, Wyatt & Maddy. Most of you were gone by the time the band finished playing so you didn't get to hear Wyatt do a couple of songs with his guitar. Also, the photos that follow were taken by Maddy, the event's unofficial photographer. Over 360 photos so she was busy. Everyone had also pitched in the previous week to do set up and it was much appreciated.

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Phil's son Jeremy along with Wyatt & Maddy



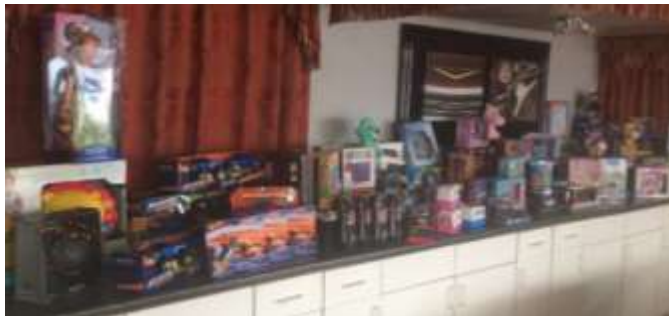
Wyatt taking over for the band



Combination of Sherm Taylor & Chaffey College Car Club toy donations



Sherm Taylor & partial Chaffey College Car Club with their appreciation plaques



A couple of toy photos at the end of the day



This does not include the Chaffey College donations or the Ramona Tire donation



The band, The Ideas



Partial desserts before, not much left to take pictures after

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Phil & Mary Leatherman accepting their appreciation plaque. Not captured accepting their appreciation plaques: Phillip Leatherman, Extreme Automotive, Ric & Jackie Carr, NSRA Safety Reps, Jeff Walker, President Mopar Club San Diego

Norma Johnston working the opportunity drawing table while Ken Hamer takes care of registration.



"Action " shots of the crowd during the Thank You's, favorite car picks and opportunity drawing



Steve Backer presenting an award for his favorite Classic Mopar to Jim Clark, left, and Modern Mopar to Shaun Sommer, right



A few of the opportunity drawing winners



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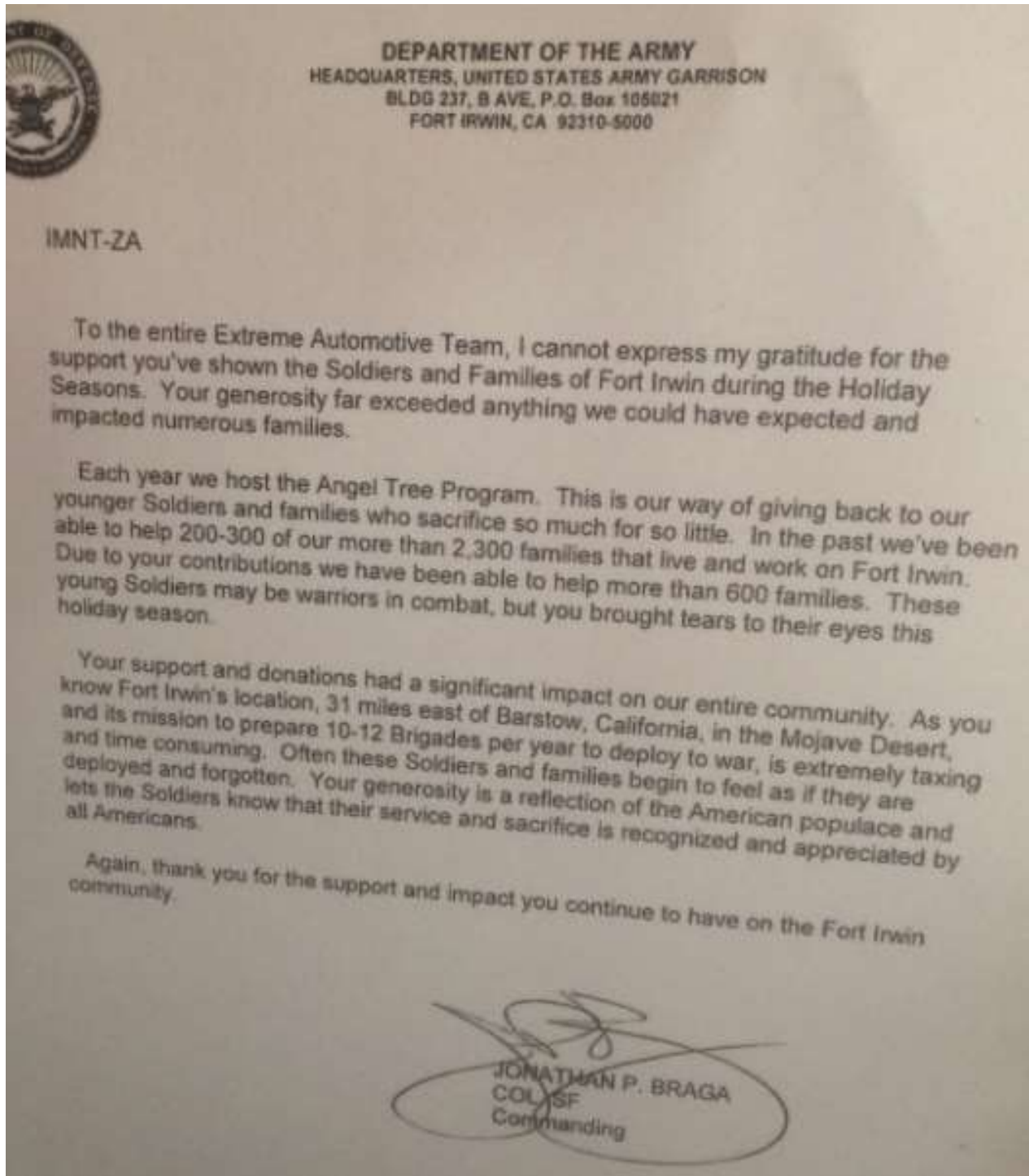
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## People & Cars



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## Mopars & Friends at Extreme Automotive Aftermath



This is what was purchased with funds raised from the opportunity drawings well as a couple of other monetary and gift card donations. Delivered November 25 to be added to the previously acquired toys.

Framed pellons also delivered to Phil & Mary Leatherman, facility hosts of Mopars & Friends at Extreme Automotive, & Phillip Leatherman of Extreme Automotive.



- Mopars at Extreme Automotive 2017 t-shirts, sizes; medium thru 2X, \$15 (includes shipping) with \$3 going to the Ft. Irwin toy drive fund.

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