

OSNC Member Ride Paul and Jeri Stewart '39 Chevy

If you're 16 years old, and have this old '39 Pontiac business coupe, and it's summertime with the beaches and babes beckoning, you grab a hammer and chisel and butcher yourself a topless convertible for fun in the sun, right? Paul Stewart did like teens of any generation do, live for the moment. Then came winter. Cold and wet. No top on the car. Now what? In Paul's case the poor old Pontiac was morphed into a '49 Ford, which later ended up making an escape run to the West Coast.



Paul was looking for an early Chevy a couple of year back perhaps remembering the summer of fun in the sun, when he found a 1937 Chevy coupe, which he bought. Then, a friend found this '39 Chevy Coupe and wanted his '37, so they made a swap.

There is no "stovebolt" 216 cid six-cylinder with its 85 blazing horsepower here. Now, a 350/350 combo with a nine inch rear end push this street rod down the road. There are many nice touches



such as the chroming of many parts. Paul acquired the coupe to be a driver, so there was to be no sacrifice in creature comfort. Not to fear. From the plush upholstery to the after-



market gauge layout in the dash to the tilt steering wheel, it's all there. There are power windows, steering and brakes, and the AC makes the car a comfortable year-round ride. And, it's one of the few street rods on the road with operating windshield wipers.



The pearl in the paint and the custom graphics enhance the already free flowing lines of the car, and the low, wide stance adds mass to the appearance.

So, Paul has replaced his '39 coupe and it parks next to his replacement "shoebox" '49 Ford in the garage