



Cars from the '50s and '60s parade Saturday.

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Classic cars on parade at Beach Street Revival

A VARIETY of antique, classic and cars from the '50s and '60s will be on display this weekend at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds for the annual Beach Street Revival.

The event is not just about cars, though. It is a celebration of the '50s and '60s, with costume dances, music, beauty contests, a car auction and more.

"As always, the Revival awakens memories of a bygone era and creates new ones through activities and friendships," said festival organizer and car collector Rick Petersen.

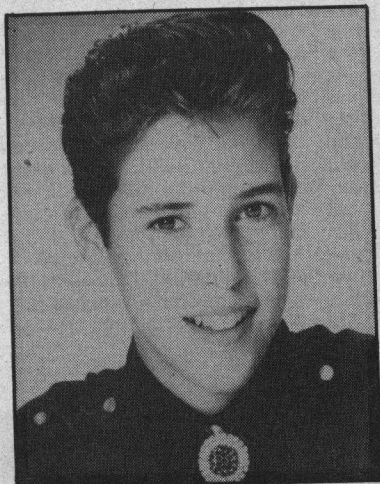
The event was originally held in Santa Cruz (hence the Beach Street name), but moved to the fairgrounds in 1990, where there was more room and an accommodating attitude on the part of the city.

One of the best parts of this 15th annual event is the Twilight Time Cruise down Main Street Saturday night. The cars will parade in all their spiffed-up glory, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The event begins Friday with the car display and races at 6 p.m. A Spoli (or booze in a bathtub) party will be held that night at Crosetti Hall, climaxing with a lip-sync contest at 11 p.m. Admission is \$10.

The car judging begins Saturday, and during the day a '50s and '60s trivia contest, an auction and the preliminary Miss Beach Street and Mr. Hot-Rod Hot-Bod contests are held. After the Twilight Time Cruise, the gang goes back to the fairgrounds for a costume ball and contest with music by Sha-boom. Tickets are \$15.

Sunday, the event winds up with finals in the car judging, beauty and trivia contests and



Frankie Moreno is a kid with a soul from the '60s.

What: Beach Street Revival
When: Fri.-Sun.
Where: Fairgrounds
Tickets: \$7, \$3 seniors, \$1 children, dance \$10 Friday, \$15 Saturday
Information: 438-1957

charity auctions.

One of the event's highlights will be a performance by Frankie Moreno, of Santa Cruz. Moreno's a 14-year-old reincarnation of Jerry Lee Lewis, with an Elvis attitude. He performs music from the '50s and '60s at the Beach Street Revival with the enthusiasm of the originals. His most recent accomplishment is being named Performer of the Year for 1991 by the American Youth Awards.

Tonight, a preview to this weekend's Beach Street Revival takes place from 5 to 8 p.m. Classic cars will be on display at the Watsonville Square Shopping Center. —Stacey Vreeken