

# Our Route 66 Trek

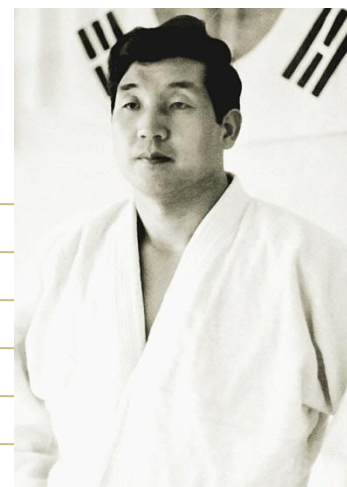
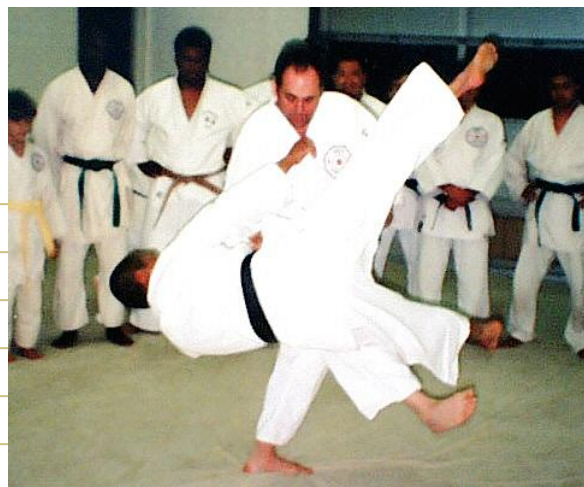
By Gary Goltz,  
Summer, 2001



# Who is Gary Goltz?

- Baby Boomer, born 1953, Pittsburgh, PA
- Watched too much television growing up
- Always fascinated by the road and travel
- Started judo in 1965, served as President of US Judo Association and runs Goltz Judo
- BA, University of Pittsburgh, 1976
- Joined the healthcare industry in 1977, one of the founders of Apria & Coram (division of CVS)
- Moved to Upland, California in 1985
- MBA, Pepperdine P/KE Program, 1987





# The Plan

- Ship 55 Buick CHP Replica to Chicago
- Meet up with other police car owners
- Travel from July 26 to August 9, 2001
- Kelly Crawford (Broderick's son), shotgun
- Visit police departments along the way
- Stop at all key sites, smell the roses

# The Mission

Promote awareness and goodwill  
towards the law enforcement agencies  
that have patrolled Route 66 in honor  
of its 75th Anniversary, 1926 - 2001

# My First “Trip” On the Road, 1974









# The Car

- 1955 Buick Special with Century trim
- Nail Head V8, 236 HP with Dynaflo
- Purchased May 1995 for \$6,500.00
- Restored for a cost of \$100,000.00+
- Features, original spotlights, deck lights siren, interior, with scanner, CB/PA/CD sound system, outdoor speakers, and alarm



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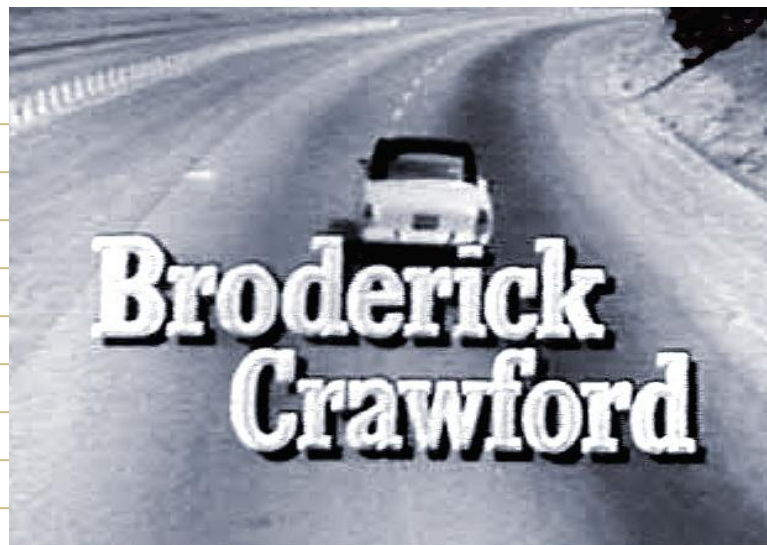
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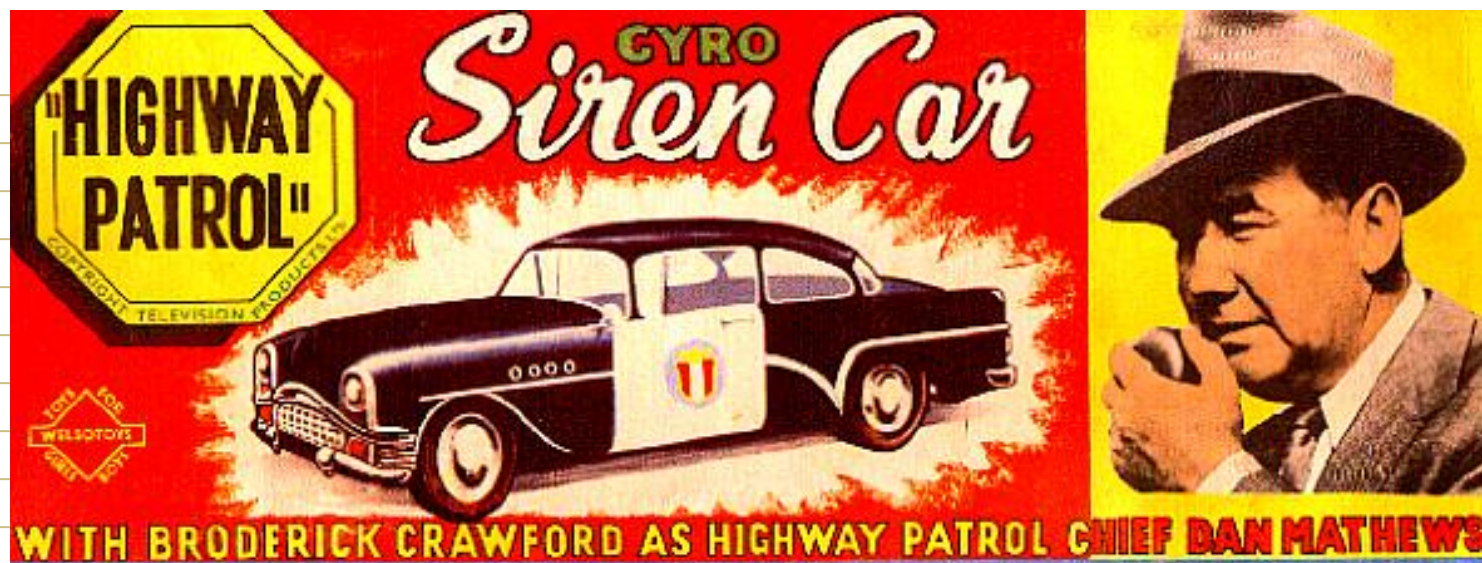
# “Highway Patrol”

- Aired from 1955 to 1960, 156 episodes
- Broderick Crawford played Dan Mathews
- Film on location in San Fernando Valley
- First use of helicopters on television
- Played in re-runs forever & ever!
- Higher ratings than “I Love Lucy”
- Writers included Gene Roddenberry
- Clint Eastwood and others first roles





























# The Trip Begins



[LA Times Story](#)







# The Map





# Chicago 1st Stop

















# Heading towards Missouri















# Gateway to the West













# We Killed Lots of Bugs!





# WORLD HEADQUARTERS POLICE CAR OWNERS OF AMERICA











# Food Stops





# Kansas



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# Oklahoma











# Texas



















# New Mexico

([America on Road](#))







# Arizona

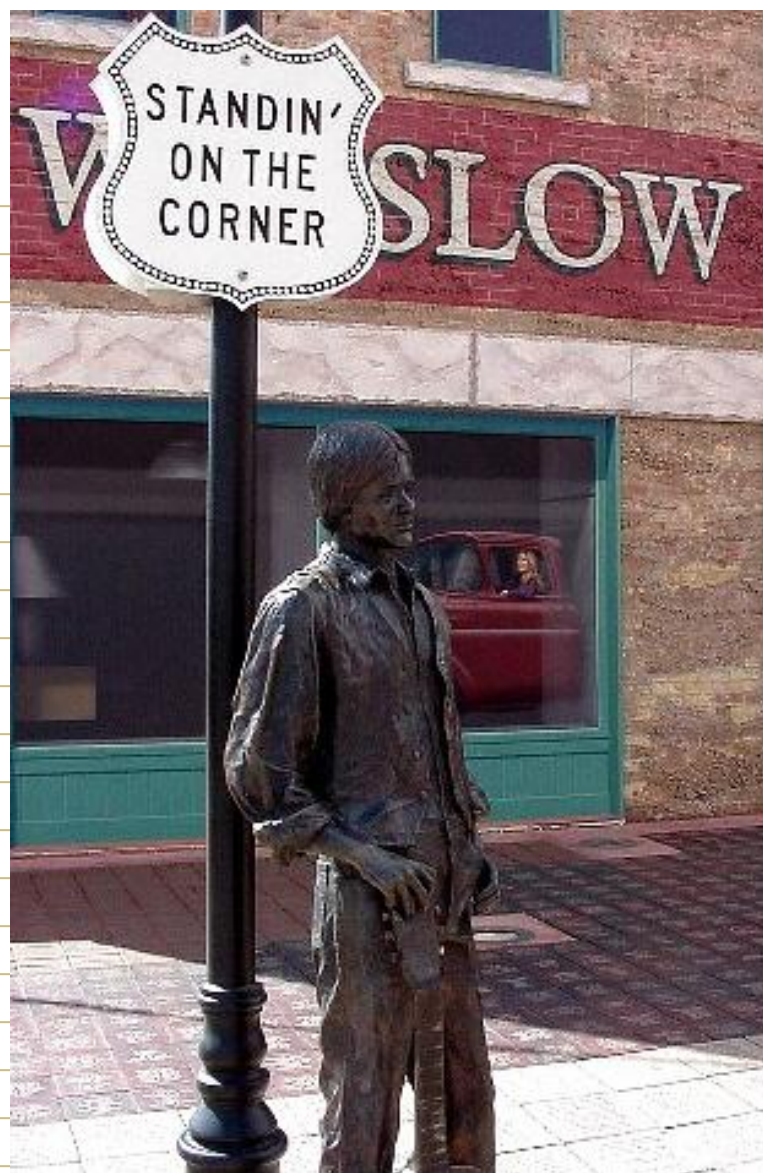
















# California







# Parade



**SANTA MONICA**

**66**

**End of the Trail**







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# Celebration Dinner



# Home Sweet Home

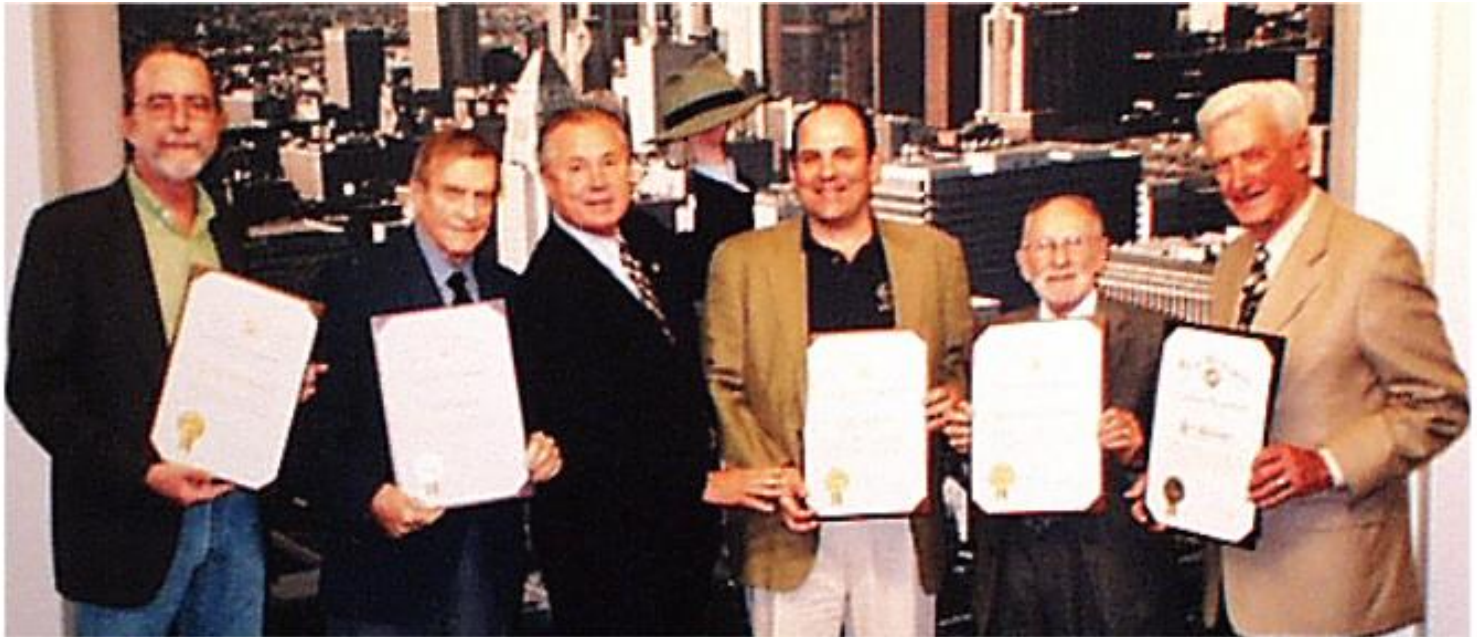




# Remembering Our 9/11 Heroes



# Recognition



Kelly Crawford, William Boyett, Tom LaBonge (holding hat for Brod), Gary Goltz, Herb Strock, and Art Gilmore (who is 90!) at City Hall April 12, 2002

[Video of Presentation](#)

[California Highway Patrol Article](#)



# Credits & Notes

- Pictures taken by the late Kelly Crawford
- Special thanks to the California Highway Patrol
- For more information go to:

[garysbuick.com](http://garysbuick.com)

[highwaypatroltv.com](http://highwaypatroltv.com)