

TOP: STEPPING INTO CUSTOM AUTO SERVICE IS LIKE TAKING A TRIP BACK IN TIME WHEN PACKARDS REIGNED SUPREME AS THE LUXURY CAR OF CHOICE. THIS HOOD ORNAMENT FROM A 1939 PACKARD EPITOMIZES THE CLASS AND ELEGANCE REPRESENTED BY THE PACKARD NAME. WHILE THE LAST PACKARD WAS BUILT IN 1958, THE MARQUE'S LEGACY IS ALIVE AND WELL AT CUSTOM AUTO SERVICE IN SANTA ANA. TO THE RIGHT: FAMILY AFFAIR: ESCALANTE AND HIS TEAM OF MASTER PACKARD MECHANICS, FRONT ROW: ALFRED ESCALANTE (ROBERT'S FATHER) AND SANDY ESCALANTE (ROBERT'S BROTHER). MIDDLE: DAVID ESCALANTE (ROBERT'S BROTHER) AND ROBERT ESCALANTE BACK: TOBY DELEON (ROBERT'S COUSIN) AND CAL SOEST (MASTER MECHANIC WHO HAS BEEN WITH THE BUSINESS SINCE IT OPENED)



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