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Dale Garrison: Burroughs Grade School Hero

As many of you may remember, Dale was a straight “E” student at Burroughs. He was popular, an excellent athlete and his girlfriend was Sheila Allen. In fact, Dale and Sheila were even involved in some heavy duty “smooching” in the 6th grade.

Dale did not come from wealthy parents. He started part-time jobs at an early age. When Dale was 14 he purchased a **5-HP Harley motorcycle** (license for motorbikes at age 14 if 5-Horsepower or less). He had the fastest bike in town. Then when he was 16 he purchased a larger bike. In the spring of 1955 he purchased a **1950 Chevy Convertible**. It was great looking. He customized it. Added 1950 Lincoln taillights, louvered the hood, nosed and decked it. All by Larry Layman’s brother. Then Marion Stokley painted it a deep blue and we all helped him rub out the new paint.

Dale had motor mechanics as home room in his senior year. Mr. Gray, the teacher recommended him for a summer job at the local Cadillac agency as a mechanic trainee. The job was too good to be true. He worked on a commission and was soon making big bucks and decided to make it a career rather than go to college. Then he purchased a beautiful **1952 Chevy Convertible**. Unfortunately an accident completely totaled the car.

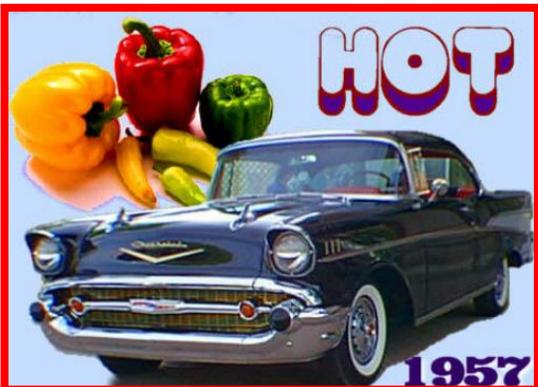
Now here is the good part. While he was still 18 he purchased a **NEW 1957 Chevy hardtop**. You know ... “the hot one.” Dale’s Chevy would do OVER 100-mph in SECOND gear!! And to beat it all ... HE PAID CASH FOR THE CAR! His own money, no help from his parents. In 1958 he blew the engine racing and then purchased a **NEW 1958 Corvette**. Dale was getting married about this time and traded the Corvette for a **NEW 1959 Chevy Convertible with air conditioning**. His wife soon had a baby. *ALL THIS BEFORE HE WAS 21 YEARS OLD.* Later Dale owned and operated a very successful auto repair business and is now retired.

**DALE GARRISON:
A TRUE BURROUGHS HERO!**



1951 Harley

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Dale and Shelia, 1952

