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Dear Seymour,

Firstoff, congradulations on a fine book - a true pleasure for the eyes. I remember first meeting you while your show was on in San Francisco. You were giving a lecture, nervously drinking a glass of wine and showing some wonderful slides.

I have been fortunate to have visited many of the landmarks pictured in the book and have enjoyed "passing the time" with the creators - was serry to learn that Al Butler is gone - the house indeed will never be finished. I first became interested in "folk architecture" by meeting Sam Darling in 1973 and stepped by about once a month till his health failed. He certainly was a gentle man - did you know he used a shaving brush on some of his paintings?

I would be more than happy to help you in recognizing and perserving many ofmthese fine landmarks - what can I do? Because of vandals, many of these enviroments are impossible to maintain and I was pleased to learn that the city of Eureka has much of Romanes "wooden garden" on permanent display. Maybe I could start asking around to see if any institution would be interested in displaying Littos hubcaps when the time comes. Drop me a line, let's keep in contact and call next time your in San Francisco.



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P.S. Donald gave me 6 of Sams paintings, 2 rugs and some wallpaper and I would be more than happy to loan them out for a traveling show or whatever.