

San Fernando Valley Chapter 40

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, the club's pancake breakfast day has come and gone and I feel like the enthusiastic fisherman who outfitted himself with all the expensive gear, went fishing and caught only little tiny fish. The amount of money made for the chapter was about 50.00 and we did establish a good reputation in the area for the club. I want to personally thank everyone who worked on the breakfast and especially all those people who worked on the serving line. Our May meeting will be very interesting for all the restorers as member Bob Drake will talk on some of his Ford reproduction parts. Dan Krieble will be coming up to talk about the Columbia two speed axle. Don Durkee.

APRIL MEETING - REVISITED

'Twas a fine meeting indeed, with several of the nearly 40 FORD enthusiasts in attendence driving their early iron into the Valley Federal Savings and Loan parking lot to be viewed and appreciated by the rest of our group. DAVE LEWIS, who became a Valley V8 member that night, drove a 1932 Ford Sport Coupe there. CHIP WERSTEIN drove his immaculate 1937 Ford Phaeton. JACK MILES brought his ORIGINAL (how sweet it is) 1939 Ford Deluxe 2 door sedan. CHARLES SCALICE and his wife came in their bee yew ti ful. 1940 Ford Deluxe coupe. DON and MARY DURKEE drove their recently restored 1940 Ford Convertible. And HAROLD SELSON brought his sharp '51 Ford 2 door. It is truly exhilerating to see some of these cars roll into the parking lot. While the weather is nice all of us who have an early Ford should make a special effort to drive it to the meeting.

The usual fantastic things happened during the meeting. At the break we thoroughly enjoyed those tasty, tempting tidbits such as the carrot cake made by MARILYN SCALICE, strawberry cake made by MARTY LAEL and the apricot bars made by BARBARA MURPHY. Eeverypiece I ate was very delicious. Keep those calories comin in! A very excellent tech talk was given on paint by member BOB SMITHER. We learned about some of the various problems one would encounter while using various painting materials and how to prevent this from happening. The talk was quite enlightening and

again we thank Bob for doing a good job.

NEW MEMBERS

From the group of nearly 40 FORD FANS, several new people stepped

forward and became members of our VALLEY V8 chapter. A BIG WEL-COME goes out to the following individuals: DAVE LEWIS of Woodland Hills. Dave owns a 1932 Ford standard roadster, a 1932 Ford deluxe 3 window coupe, and a 1932 Ford standard sport coupe.

MARK PALLIS of North Hollywood recently became the proud owner of a 1940 Mercury 4 door sedan. Welcome aboard, fellows!

AN INVITATION (to all club members)

Valley V8 members DAN WALLING and HERB LESNICK have invited the club for a tour of Canyon Lake, which is located near Elsinore, California. This outing would include a picnic, water skiing (behind a boat powered by a 427 Ford V8 engine), boating, swimming, hiking, and horse back riding. Dan and Herb would like the date of this event to be June 22nd or June 23rd. This tour should be thought about right now folks! The picnic grounds are shady, with plenty of tables. Canyon Lake is a private community so Dan must know two weeks ahead of the proposed date how many and who will be going in order to secure clearance through the gates. Also, for the return trip home, Dan says there is gasoline available at the lake. This sounds like a fantastic day could be enjoyed by all and all the family could go.

APRIL 27th PANCAKE BREAKFAST & ANTIQUE CAR SHOW

Well, Valley V8 members—— for those of you who did not make it to Oxnard on this past saturday morning, you missed a good event indeed. There were 30 old FORDS and MERCURYS on display, plus one 1927 ROLLS ROYCE TRUCK. The breakfast, our clubs first attempt at this type function, went well with many thanks to the following people who devoted their time and efforts to make this a success. First, to DON and MARY DURKEE. Don was the moving force behind the planning and worked hard to bring this event off. ED WARNOCK and his wife DENNI, DAVE LANGE and his wife, HAROLD and BERNI SELSON, JACK MILES and JIM ROWE and LIZ MESKE put in some long hours of work doing all that was necessary to provide breakfast for all of those people there that morning. It was, by the way, a delicious breakfast! There were pancakes, sausage, syrup, coffee, and orange juice.

The voting for the cars was done by popular vote by those people who had come out to see the cars. The winners of the fine trophies which were donated by Tom Coward Ford were as follows: The most popular Pickup or Utility vehicle was a 1930 Ford pickup owned by Bob Mack and Doctor D. Jones. The most popular T-Bird was a 1956 owned by Dan McCue of Santa Barbara. The winner of the long distance trophy went to Jay Harris of San Diego who drove his 1939 Ford 2

sedan all the way up here from that southern city. Jay toured here along with Len Barbieri, who is also from San Diego, and who drove his 1940 Ford coupe. Another San Diegan drove the Western Regional Meets GRAND PRIZE, that nice original 1940 Ford deluxe 2 door sedan, to Oxnard and the car was on display through-

out the day. The winner for the best open Model A Ford was Dick Miller of Ventura who drove in with his 1930 deluxe roadster. The best closed Model A went to Dave Drake's 1931 Ford 2 door sedan. The most popular open V8 trophy was awarded to Chip Werstein's 1937 Ford phaeton. The best closed V8 trophy went to a 1936 Ford 5 window coupe owned by Bill Steed of Ventura.

As the trophies were being awarded, several people mentioned that NO Model Ts had been on display that morning. Just then, an older couple in a black Model T touring drove up, and was enthusiastically waved into the parking lot by some of us. As they had just been out for a pleasant drive, what surprize registered on the faces of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schroeder when a trophy was awarded to them for the most popular Model T. Their car, for everyones information, was a 1924 T touring.

THE PREPARATIONS to store your car by Jack Miles

b. Car Storage Preparation—30 Days to 12 Months

- 1. Wash car.
- 2. Run engine until completely warmed up; then drain and refill with fresh oil which according to the label on the can is intended for service "SE".
- 3. Run engine again with fresh oil until completely warmed up; drive car to storage area. Run engine at 2,000 rpm in neutral and pour engine oil into carburetor. After about a pint has been added, pour oil fast enough to stall engine.
- 4. Be sure parking brake is in released position and car is on level surface.
 - 5. Drain gasoline from fuel tank.

- 6. Disconnect all fuel lines blow out, and reconnect.
- 7. Remove carburetor, clean thoroughly, and store in plastic bag.
- 8. Remove fuel pump, clean, and store with carburetor. Remove filter assembly and discard.

(NOTE: Tape fuel pump, carburetor and gas line openings closed with masking tape.)

- 9. Drain coolant from radiator, cylinder block and heater cores.
- 10. Lower windows 1/2 inch to stop humidity "sweat" and mold.
- 11. Remove battery from car, and have charge maintained during period car is stored.
- 12. Put car up on chassis stands so that tires are off the floor.
 - 13. Apply 10W engine oil to exterior bright surfaces.
- 14. When car is taken out of storage, install a new fuel filter, check brake system for leaks, and bleed brakes. Clean spark plugs and regap. Install carburetor, fuel pump, battery and refill cooling system.

UP & COMING EVENTS

- MAY 5th--- The regular monthly meeting of the Valley V8s at Valley Federal Savings and Loan, Northridge.
- MAY 11th— The Conejo Valley Days Parade which has the theme of "How the West was Fun". The parage starts at 10:00 am in Thousand Oaks. If you are not planning to drive your early V8 in this event, why not come out to enjoy watching a parade and get together with the local Model A club afterwards for a bring your own lunch outing. See the attached flyer!
- MAY 26th— The Forties Limited 6th annual Pancake Breakfast and car show at North Hollywood Park 7:30-11:30 a.m.
- JUNE 10th SWAPMEET At Southgate Park; sponsored by the Southern California Regional Group Early Ford V8 Club.
- JUNE ?? (FATHERS DAY) The L.A. ROADSTER'S far out annual car show and swap meet.
- JUNE 29th and 30th— Nostalgia Fair at Devonshire Downs in Northridge. This is near Lindley and Devonshire streets.
- SEPTEMBER 20, 21, 22 ——FUN, SUN AND MORE!!!!! SAN DIEGO '74.

 To be held at the Bahia Hotel in SUNNY and FUNNY San Diego. LET'S GO, LET'S GO!!!

PARTS FOR SALE - PARTS WANTED

- WANTED A PAIR OF REAR FENDERS FOR A 1932 FORD PICKUP——— Call Ed Warnock at 346-7882 if you have them or know someone who has.
- FOR SALE PARTS (MOSTLY SHEET METAL) FOR A 1936 FORD 3 window coupe Call Harold Selson at 5T9-5051 if your desire is to have these parts.
- FOR SALE ONE 59AB V8 BLOCK WITH PISTONS. ALSO, TWO EDELBROCK MANIFOLDS (one for the drags and one for the street) MUST SELL MAKE OFFER CALL Bill Lash at 886-4693 if you would like any of these items.

