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## Presidents Message

Well we just returned from our Buckhorn tour and we were very pleased with the accommodations at the Buckhorn lodge.

The scenic drive there was outstanding, even though some of the roads were closed and we had to use alternate routes.

The food was excellent too, Ed Konecko once made a statement, if you follow John Powell you won't go hungry. That is a true statement. Because after Buckhorn I can verify John knows where to eat.

Yes even though this Sunday is Easter Sunday we will still have a meeting at our new location. The Union Federal Savings & Loan is in Sherman Oaks, on Ventura Blvd. between Coldwater and Woodman.

Our feature speaker this month will be John Deats. John will give us the 2nd half of the Columbia axle talk. This half of the Columbia talk will be on the controls. John Also reproduces some of the Columbia Control Parts.

Spring is here so now its time to get those old Fords out to drive, to the meetings. It sure is a wonderful sight to pull into the parking lot and see a dozen or so old Fords. Get your early Ford V8 and bring a friend to the meeting, for some good tire kicking.

## Secretary Sez...

The meeting of Sunday, March 6, 1983 was held at Howard Johnson's on Reseda Blvd. and again the club sprang for the tab.

-NOW -READ -THIS-

NOTICE: The April 3rd meeting will be at:

Union Federal Savings & Loan

\*\*\*\*\* 13300 Ventura Blvd, Sherman Oaks\*\*\*\*\*

Easy access--either Coldwater Canyon or Woodman off-ramps from Ventura Fwy. Harold Selson put out much legwork to procure this new meeting ground for us---we all owe him many thanks--now the club will save mucho bucks.

Bill Woods introduced his guest, Mr. John Barkley, a prominent pioneer in aviation history. Prez Don Durkee introduced his guest, Mr. Bob Head from the distant corn country of Iowa. Ask Don to tell you the interesting story of a '41 Conv. between him and his guest.

Ed Warnock is staying on top of problems between you and the National. Let him know if you are not receiving the mag or if your check came back uncashed or whatever.

Burbank Lutheran High School Car Show sent a spokesman, Martin Luening, to tell us of the May 14th event on the campus at 7500 No. Glenoaks Blvd. Adm.\$4.00. Call: (213) 353-1247.

Our own amiable and interesting Gordon Chamberlain was present with many huge boxes of Ford collectibles. He dazzled and impressed the Ford-orientated audience with the depth and the scope of this array...and he brought only a fraction of what could easily become a museum.

His humorous comments kept everyone in fine spirits--i.e. his '37 Ford used in high school days required 3 qts. reclaimed oil daily---one day being late and skipping the oil resulted in a blown engine. Few people know this, but Gordie Chamberlain and Dan Krielbel started the Southgate Chapter---that Gordie with Lorin Sor-

ensen co-published "Ford-Life" for 3 years without benefit of advertisers---that Gordie vends modern iron in a secondary market in Westwood.

His "show" this night emphasized, in honor of our recent expansion, ('49-'53) toys in this time frame. Although none of them were present, some of his toys were reputed to be worth in excess of \$12,000--per!! Handsomely displayed, in the style of Cartier, were tie-tacs, compacts, lighters, 'in-house' employee badges, 'in-house' silverware (the 'in-house' chinaware was left home), key chains, "election-type" pins, pocket knives, pencils, pens, screwdrivers, small tools, 1000's matchbook covers, precious and semi-precious tokens and medallions, coins of "Henry", both or either factory and dealer imprints on everything.

We found out towards the end that Mr. Chamberlain owned a rare '36 Ford Jensen at one time. Clark Gable had been photographed next to this car. Dennis Carpenter now owns it and someday hopefully it will surface again!

Gordie lives in a modern condo which is also a partial repository for some of his collection. The kitchen is jammed full (he has to eat out constantly); the bedroom is jammed full (he sleeps in the loft); and he would be glad to have you over, but there is no place to sit!!!!

If you had been present, you would know what I'm talking about---and if you were not here, well, we can hope maybe for a repeat someday!

---Ed Konecko, Sec'y.

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## BUCKHORN TOUR

Eighteen folks and 9 cars, 1936 to 1941 & one 1950 Merc. consisted of the tour which gathered in Fillmore Park for a picnic. After a private tour of the Fillmore Museum and a concert on the player organ, we continued on our days tour on to New Cuyana, CA, where the tumble weeds tumble & buffalo roam.

After adjusting the tour to fit the roads that were open to traffic we rounded thru the mountain sides until we were on the rim of the earth, seeing one side on the right the other on the left as we over looked the Bakersfield Valley. As we approached Cuyana Valley we passed a few cattle, a herd of sheep and even the horses stopped to watch the old Fords pass by. The population sign says the population is 1,100 and the altitude is 2,210 ft.

We arrived about 4:30 and were assigned to one of the twenty-two motel rooms, at the Buckhorn Motel. Then Don & I went on a five minute walk & shopping spree of the town.

At six o'clock we all gathered in the fireside banquet room with excellent service. After many consuming Buffalo steaks etc. we held a program of stories and adjourned. The buffalo meat is shipped from Durham Meat Company in Missoula, Montana. Buffalo meat is somewhat like beef, but leaner, highly digestible, perhaps a bit tangier than commercially raised beef, but worth a try whether you sport a gourmet's tongue or not. The varied variety at the salad bar offered pickled buffalo tongue for those that wished to try buffalo, but not order a steak.

Sunday morning after a peaceful eve of rest, we began our tour homeward around 10:15. The wild flowers that decked the mountain sides made a beautiful sight as we watched the ground squirrels chasing with spring fever.

We stopped by the general store and gas station and was greeted by an 80 yr. old widowed owner and attendant. To those that were there will remember her for here salty and opinionated conversation. She was a very independant person! Her store was something.

By the time we arrived in Mount Penas we went thru light rain and into snow. We held up there for a lunch. Some ordered the hottest chili in the world (my opinion). For one tour attendant it was the biggest snow storm he was in, in his life. That in itself was exciting. Being from Iowa I never saw a first snow fall it just always was.

It was a safe and enjoyable tour for all that attended and we would like to thank John and Ann Powell for hosting this lovely tour.

Article by Mary Durkee

The Valley V's

“DAY BEFORE MOTHERS DAY  
CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH”

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

WHERE: WAREHOUSE RESTAURANT

4499 ADMIRALTY WAY  
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WHY: FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FORDS

WHO: VALLEY V-8's, FRIENDS & FAMILY

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\* NOTE: UNION FEDERAL IS OUR NEW MONTHLY MTG. PLACE

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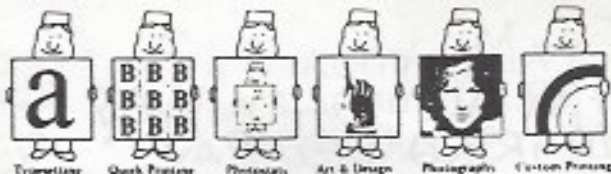
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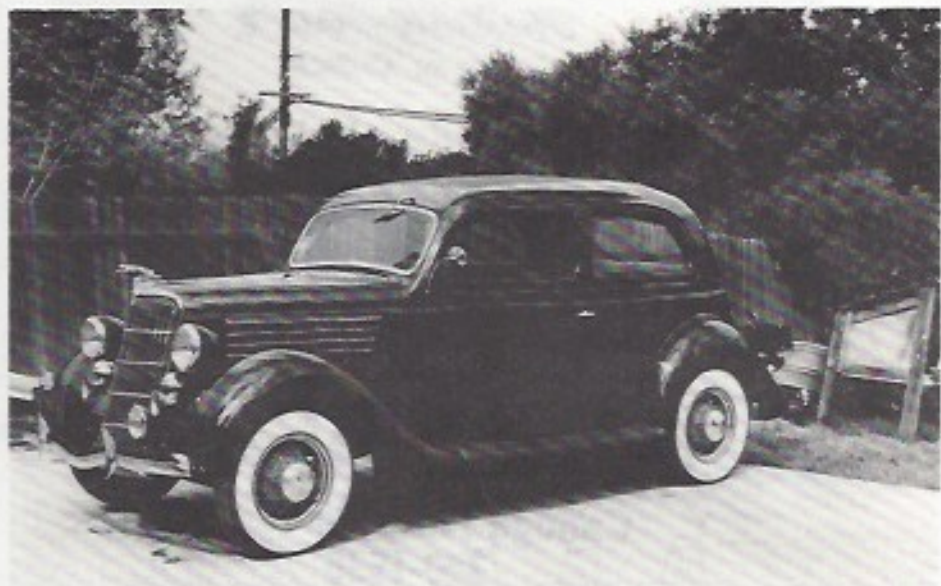
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DON & MARY'S ANNIVERSARY FORD

DON DURKEE QUOTE

"How does the top go down?"

Burbank Car Show : Los Angeles Luthran  
High School  
May 14th 7500 N. Glenoaks Blvd.

Cost: \$5.00 per car entered, enter as many  
cars as you want.

Each Entrant, with car is free plus 1 guest.

Spectators - \$3.00 per Adult  
\$1.50 for High School Student  
\$1.00 12 year and younger  
under 5 free..

Gates open on May 14th 7:00AM.

All cars should be there by 9:00 AM.

Awards given at 3:00PM.

Plenty of food and fun.

## Classified Ads

For Sale: 1947 Ford Pickup: 289 Cu. in (stock) with Air Cond. Rebuilt Transmission-C4 Automatic, Dropped Front Axle, Also have Mustang Steering Box & Adaptor. Mag Wheels & New Tires. Very Dependable. \$5,000. Ask for Ernie: Home- (805) 522-9674 after 6pm. Work- (213) 956-7241.

Wanted: 1946 Ford Tudor Super Deluxe Sedan

Jan Divers ---- 3925 Monroe St. ---Ventura 805-642-3752 is the lady to see about a Ford Jacket, with your'e car's picture embroidered in color on the back (your'e name will be on the left front flap). She will need a 5x7 colored picture of your'e jewel (returnable). And for about \$45.00 complete will put a Ford Jacket on your back. Want more information, call her!



## Coming Events

- April 3 V8 Meeting: Union Federal Savings  
& Loan  
13300 Ventura Blvd.  
Sherman Oaks, CA
- April 10 Semi-Annual Parts exchange-Car Show  
FallBrook Square Shopping Mall  
6507 FallBrook Ave. Admission Free  
Whit - 805-497-2943  
Diana - 213-998-0912
- April 10 5th Annual Foothill Region V.C.C.A.  
Swap Meet, 213-963-0204  
213-337-6437
- April 16-17 Solvang Tour: Information Call  
Don Durkee
- May 1 V8 Meeting
- May 1 Swap Meet-Rose Bowl  
P.O. Box 400  
Maywood, CA 90270  
213-588-2523
- May 14 Burbank Car Show: Los Angeles  
Luthran High School, 7500 N.  
Glenoaks Blvd.
- May 7 Day Before Mothers Day Champagne  
Brunch. Meet at Union Federal Savings  
13300 Ventura Blvd. (corner of Fulton)  
and tour to THE WAREHOUSE. 9:30AM sharp



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- Van Nuys, 14939 Oxnard, (213) 786-5071/873-1716
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