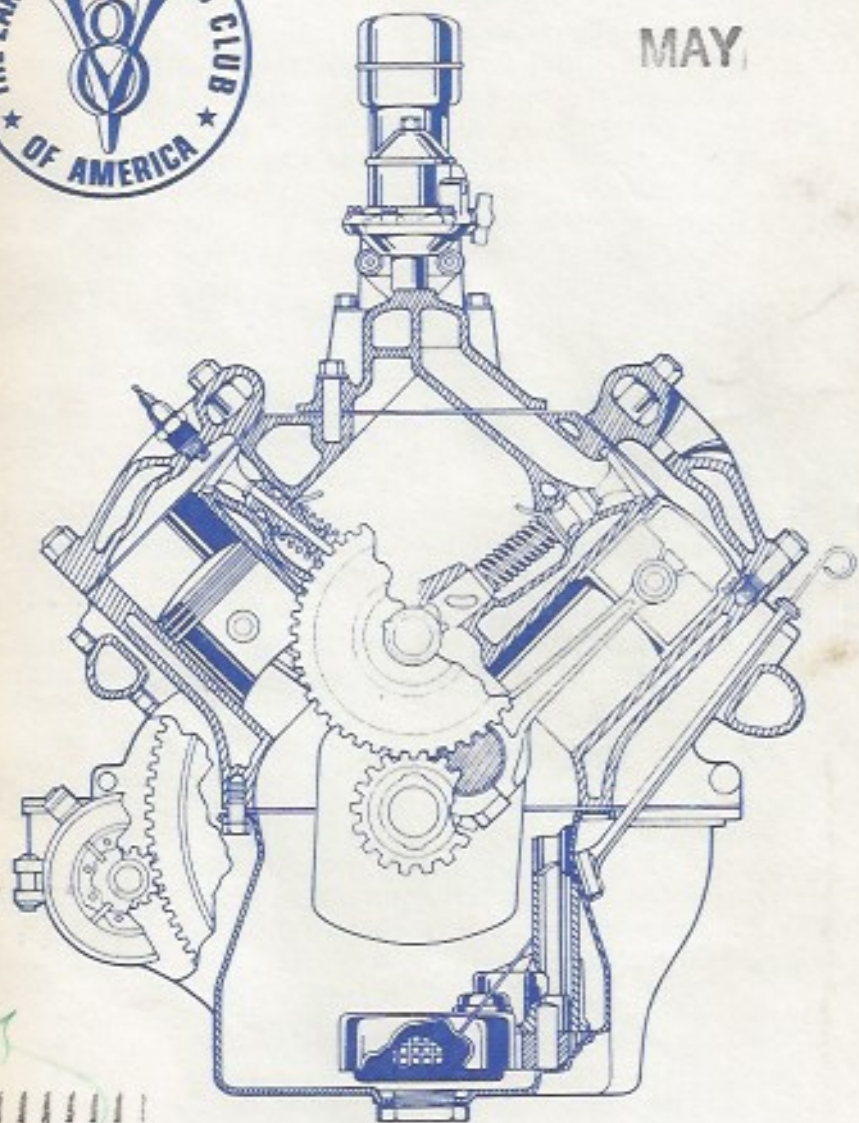




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Presidents Message

Solvang tour 1983 now is history and another nice tour it was. Saturday was beautiful and Sunday started out great but rain canceled the V8 picnic. Nineteen of us went to the Red Barn in Say Ynes for a really great meal. The Model A Club was also in Solvang and they made reservations, as we did too at the Red Barn Restaurant. The restaurant thought we were the same club, well the V8's arrived first and the Model A Club got turned away because there was no more room. The Model A Club was not too happy about the whole situation. To the Model A Club we are sorry that it happened, but we didn't know until it was too late.

Well we now have a new meeting room which we attended last meeting. This new meeting room has everything we need.

I would like to have as many members present as possible for May 1 meeting to see our new meeting room and it is auction night as well.

Our last years auction night generated our club of \$700.00. I would sure like to see our club at least match last years auction. Bill Norton will again be our auctioneer. Besides Bill's talent of being a great auctioneer, he also throws in a little comedy, which that alone is worth going to the meeting for. This event is our only money making project. I strongly urge everybody to come to our May 1st meeting.

With the days getting longer and the nights warmer, lets get the old fords out and come to our meeting. It sure would be nice to fill the parking lot behind the Union Federal Savings and Loan with old fords. Why not bring the wife or friends with you, I know she will enjoy Norton's humor.

Your President
Don L. Durkee



Secretary Sez...

The April 3rd, 1983 monthly meeting of the Early Ford V-8 Club of S.F. Valley initially took place in their new posh environment--the community room of Union Savings & Loan at 13300 Ventura Blvd. in Encino. All necessary amenities including coffee were visible. Again, we are off and running.

Refinements were suggested and added to the DURKEE SOLVANG TOUR. Two items were stressed--if you have not made your room reservation, do so now---and be at Howard Johnson's in Calabasas at least by 9 A.M. April 16th for BLAST OFF!

Refinements were also added to the BOB ROSE MOTHER'S DAY TREK to the "Warehouse" in Marina del Rey. For this great event we gather in the street alongside the Union S&L on May 7th and blast off time will be 9:30 A.M. Earn the club some brownies and stay out of the parking lot--that is for the customers. This event will also harbor an air of mystery and intrigue as some lucky couple are to be fully "comped" at the "Warehouse"!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!???????????

Art Leuning was again present and made a noble pitch on behalf of the Car Show at the Lutheran High School in Burbank--that's on May 14th, 1983. Our club last year helped to create some beautiful sights at this show; and this upcoming show should be even better.

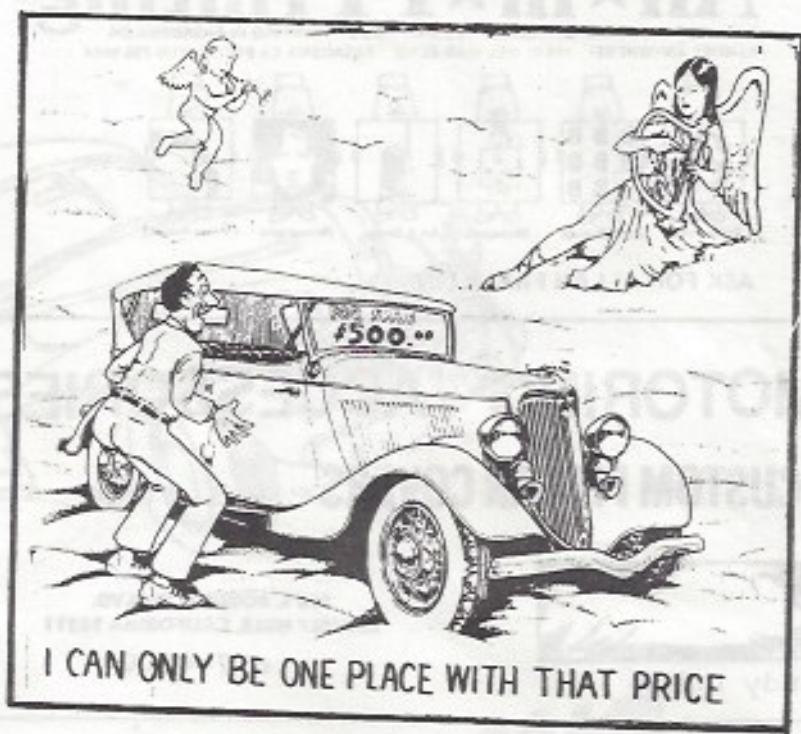
The highlite of our meeting was a talk and demonstration on motor oils given by "Mr. Good-Oil"--- John Powell. This program took a little over an hour, and the writer had several people after the talk remark to him--"I wish that I had heard that talk 20 years ago--the trouble I could have avoided. It was easily understandable; everything added up to good sense; made you realize how important the right oil and engine life go together. Many flat-heads as well as other engines will live better and survive longer because of this program. Thank you, John.

In my humble opinion, John's program would be a natural for a quality refiner to sponsor, so that he could educate and clear up the myths about motor oil among the consumers.

Dedicated and hard-working Kent Lowry put on another successful raffle---offered over a dozen assorted goodies to the car parts hungry audience.

Too bad Bud Johnson was not here---he could have been \$20.00 richer!---if he would have had his name tag with him. OUCH!

Ed Konecko, Secretary



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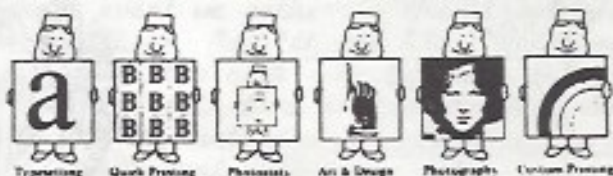
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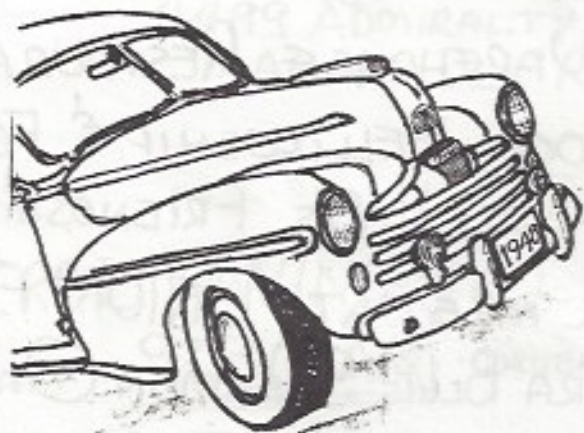
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* NOTE: UNION FEDERAL IS OUR NEW MONTHLY MTG. PLACE

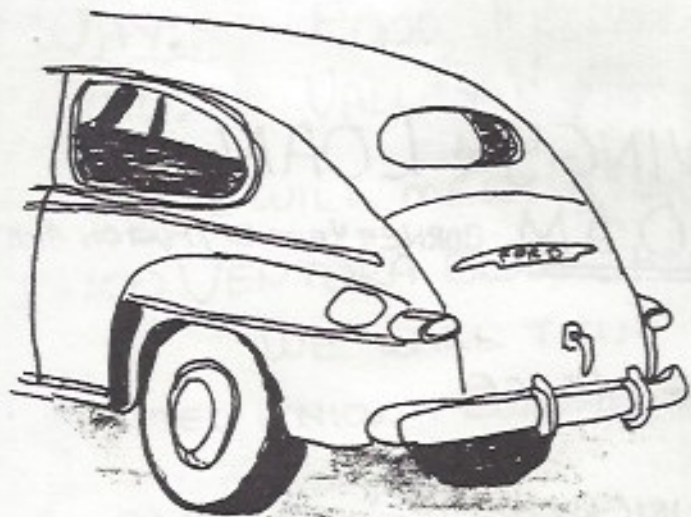
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Two months ago I received a phone call at work from a Mr. Walt Watson. He wanted to know if I owned an old Ford convertible with a rumble seat. I told him I had two old Ford convertibles, one with a rumble seat and one with a backseat. He wanted to know if both of the cars could be in the Jimmy Stewart National Relay Marathon and I told him yes. The Jimmy Stewart Marathon was to take place April 10, 1983 at Griffin Park.

Well the day arrived and Mary 36 and Dons 40 were both given a bath for their big day. We had to rise mighty early because Mary 36 and Dons 40 were suppose to be at the park by 6:30 a.m. Which meant 5 a.m. for Don and Mary, in order to accomplish the above time. Good thing both cars have columbias or we would not have made it in time.

We arrived just in time and were assigned our duties. Mary 36 was selected to be the pace car and Jimmy Stewart to ride in the rumble seat (Thee Jimmy Stewart). Dons 40 was put on display in the middle of the field where the big race was to take place.

Mary was kind of glad that only one of the cars was going to be used in the race because she was a little nervous about driving in the race.

So I became driver for Mary 36 along with my coach who was the namigator. Jimmy Stewart rode backwards standing on his knees facing the runners with starting gun in hand.

When I was asked to do this I expected 50 to 100 runners, boy was I surprised. When we arrived at Griffin Park there seemed to be alot of people even at 6:30 in the morning. The big race was suppose to start at 8:00 a.m. Because of so many people and crowded freeways, they delayed the race 15 minutes. This race was a relay marathon with five teams.

Well there were 642 teams with 5 runners in each teams which makes a total of 3,210 runners. Each team gave a donation of \$500.00 to the St. Johns Hospital and Health Center, which Jimmy Stewart organized.

Start time arrived and Mary 36 was right in front of the first of 642 runners awaiting Jimmy Stewart to fire the gun for the start.

Jimmy fired the gun and we were off like a jack rabbit. My coach assured me that these runners take off very fast and so did we. We almost lost Jimmy right out the back of the rumble seat. Well Jimmy managed to regain his position in the rumble seat and we finish the race with Mary 36 always out in front by 50-100 feet.

Mary and I really enjoyed the rest of the race along with the band and entertainment furnished by the Jimmy Stewart Foundation. This event accounted for our time until 12 o'clock noon, but our day did not end until 12 o'clock midnight. The second half of our day will be told at the meeting. What a day.

By Don L. D.



Coming Events

- May 1 V8 Meeting **AUCTION**
- May 1 Swap Meet-Rose Bowl
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- May 14 Burbank Car Show: Los Angeles
Luthran High School, 7500 N.
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- May 7 Day Before Mothers Day Champagne
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