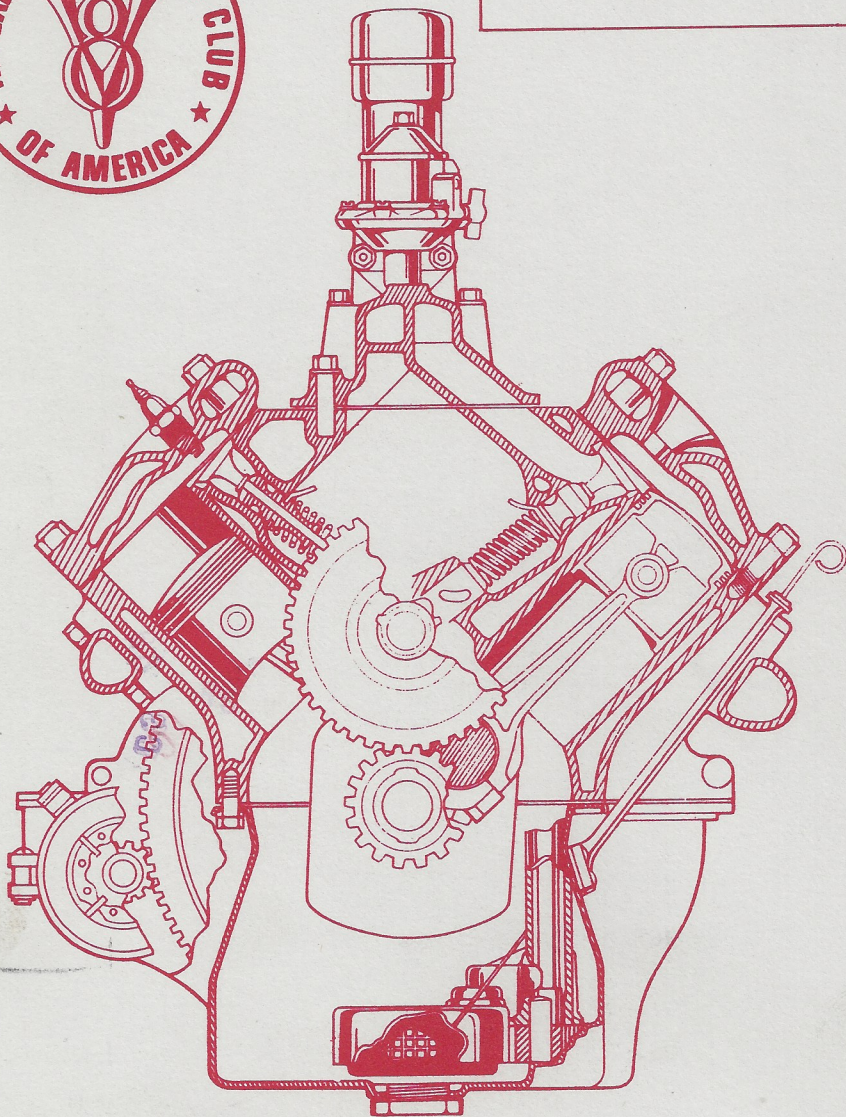




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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sunday morning at nine the command "fire up your engines" was given by Don Durkee and Ed Warnock, co-chairmen for the 1985 Western National Meet. "Mary-36" and "Ed-39" led the tour through scenic back areas of Fillmore to the Holiday Inn in Ventura. The Ventura group arrived at the restaurant on the top floor of the hotel a few minutes before we did. Both clubs were well represented. In fact, a total of forty-one people showed up. After a royal pig-out champagne brunch that included restful panoramic scenery of ocean, mountains, and parked toy V-8's far below, we met down-stairs where the co-chairs Durkee and Warnock put it to us. They discussed task assignments that will make the '85 meet a huge success. We next looked at several of the rooms (most have an ocean view). Then we went to the nearby State park to view the grassy area for the concourse. The enthusiasm for all the facilities was high; it is clearly an ideal place for the '85 Western National.

Can you believe the Durkees--they invited all of us to their place for an afternoon swim and pleasant conversation! Later in the afternoon chef Don barbecued hamburgers and Mary brought out salads that she had earlier prepared. We thank you Don and Mary for your cordial hospitality! And you club members that missed this tour--just weep.

Paul Kirk

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### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!....

Velasquez, Joe & Aida  
15133 Valerio St.  
Van Nuys, 91405  
818-781-5805  
Q.C. Manager

'39 Cpe.

Zullo, Fred & Teresa  
990 Vine St.  
Los Angeles, 90038  
213-464-7464  
Car Sales

'35 2 Dr.

## SECRETARY SEZ

The following old Fords were driven to the May meeting:

Don Durkee	'34 Roadster
George Richards	'40 2 Dr. Sdn.
Dudley Ochsner	'38 Conv. Sdn.
Al Spencer	'40 Woody Wgn.
Don Dupree	'46 Pickup
Bruce Blackwell	'40 Convertible
Chuck Mair	'41 Cpe.

The meeting was called to order by Prez Paul and the following announcements quickly dispensed with in order to get to "The Main Event", our annual parts auction/fund raiser "M-C'ed" by none other than Wild Bill Norton (more on that later)!

Up and coming events:

May 19	Burbank Car Show
May 20	Brunch in Ventura--Leave Bob's Big Boy at Devonshire and Reseda Blvd in Northridge at 9 a.m.
June 3	Valley V-8 Meeting. Guest Speaker Dan Krehbiel on "How to put the Ford bug on your windows."
June 23	Tour led by Al Spencer to Gamble House in Pasadena. Leave from our Union Federal meeting place at 9 a.m.

New Member Joe Velasquez was introduced to the group as well as Visitors Fred Zulo and Chuck Mistich. Fred drove a beautiful black '35 2 Dr. Sdn. to our meeting and also joined the group on-the-spot!

I couldn't make the Solvang Tour (busy making beer for you week-end drinkers) but understand it was a great success. Our thanks to Don and Mary Durkee for all the hard work they put into making it so great!

For Sale:

'40 Conv. & '39 Cpe.--100% financing available,  
call Jack Miles 818-347-8617.

The club voted to change the rules (for one night only) for the money drawing, figuring that the lucky winner

would be able to purchase even more good parts. The following people did not win: (they were not present)

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| George Pizzuto | Richard Chutuk |
| Don Zabel      | Frank Spina    |
| John Malta     | Ernie Bailey   |
| Bill Woods     | Ralph Froiland |

The \$30.00 winner was.....Terry Smith!

And now some comments on the Parts Auction. Many neat items were brought by our generous club members and Norton, in rare form, managed to harass, harangue, and cajole club members on the auction block until he wrung the grand total of \$713.50 from them. Fantastic job, Bill!!!

Secretarily yours,  
Kent Lowry

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\* SATURDAY JUNE 23 TOUR \*

\* \*\*To the historic Gamble House in Pasadena... \*

\* \*\*Leave from our Union Federal meeting place \*

\* at 9 a.m., parking on the street only since \*

\* it is a Bank business day..... \*

\* \*\*Fee for the Gamble House is \$5.00..... \*

\* \*\*Bring a pot-luck dish to share with everyone \*

\* since we will picnic together in the park \*

\* \*\*Tour may also include a visit to the Descanso \*

\* Gardens..... \*

\* \*\*To get the \$5.00 price fee at the Gamble \*

\* House we need a minimum of 30 people.... \*

\* \*\*What could you find better to do on Saturday \*

\* than this tour?..... \*

\* Al Spencer will be our tour guide..... \*

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## 2-2 FLAT HEAD

by Don Durkee

Two days before our Solvang Tour I received a phone call. The man introduced himself and said he had heard that I liked flatheads. He wanted to know if I was interested in another flathead. Well, I said, I was interested, but if the block was cracked, the flathead would be worth nothing. My new friend informed me that the flathead had been recently rebuilt in a 1953 Ford truck. The truck caught fire and was destroyed--all but the engine. The 1953 truck was taken to a junkyard except for the engine and trans. My new flathead engine friend had ended up with this flathead with no use for the engine. He now was moving from his residence in Oxnard and had to get rid of this 1953 flathead. He informed me that he just wanted \$50.00 for the flathead.

Well, this was on hell of a bargain for \$50.00, but it was two days prior to the Solvang Tour, two days for the weekend, and two days before myself and my new flathead friend could get together! As much fun as we had at Solvang and on the Tour, I could hardly wait until the following Tuesday came by.

Tuesday came--I was so excited I could hardly wait until 5:30 PM. I took off early that day, about 3:30 PM to go see this \$50.00 flathead that was recently rebuilt.

On the way to Oxnard to see this flathead, I broke the speed law (over 55) to get there. I finally arrived at my new flathead friend's address to view this \$50.00 flathead.

Well, I arrived at this address in an area where I was afraid to park my car at the curb--but, knowing I was going to purchase a flathead that was going to be the bargain of the year, it did not matter.

Standing surrounded by the assorted junk in the back yard, I finally asked where the flathead was. My new flathead friend said it was "right over there to

my left". There it was--2 years older than what I expected and 2 cylinders short! Yep--it was a 6 cylinder flathead! Not quite what I expected from his description of a flathead in my previous phone calls.

--Courtesy Ventura V-8's

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MEMBERS do you have business cards to advertise your business--we'll run them free as we have space in various issues of Drive Lines (Please send them to Valley V-8's or to Chuck Mair).

WANT OR FOR SALE items

Please get the information to us.

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Please check your 1984 National Membership Roster. Please verify that you are listed since some were omitted in error. Notify the National Club if you are not listed.

The following is a note from Jack Miles:

Sat., June 2, I am having an almost free yard sale. Mechanical & sheet metal. Mostly 39-40, some chevy. Hopefully, while my back is turned some of it will be stolen. Come at 8:00 A. M. if you like, but not before. Call me first, Friday afternoon or evening to make sure that I am able to walk. Ann said she would break my legs if I didn't get rid of some of this junk.

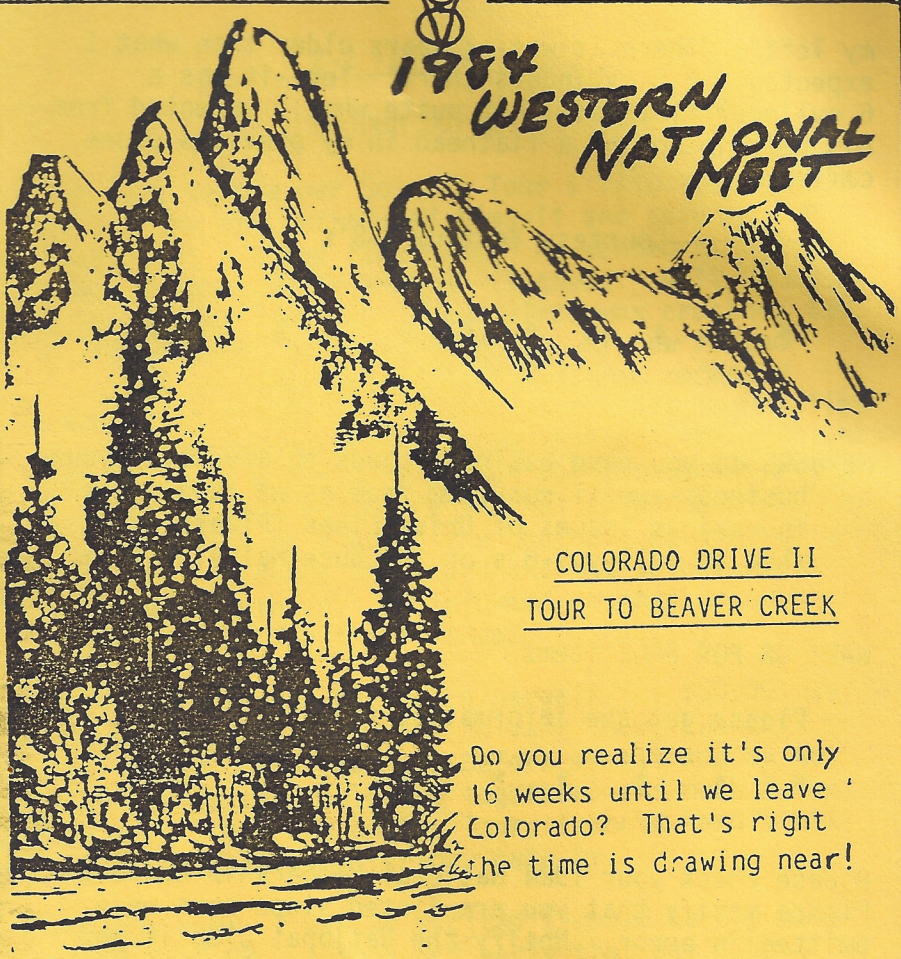
I also have for sale (from the Sidlow collection) the maroon 1940 Club Cabriolet. Asking \$26,500..money talks! Also a '39 Dlx Coupe with full race flat head, \$11,500. We'll have plenty of coffee & doughnuts.

Jack Miles  
5738 Serrania Ave.  
Woodland Hills

347-8617



# 1984 WESTERN NATIONAL MEET



## COLORADO DRIVE II TOUR TO BEAVER CREEK

Do you realize it's only  
16 weeks until we leave  
Colorado? That's right  
the time is drawing near!

As announced in the March Fordist, I have planned a tour to Beaver Creek. All of the motel stops have been set, the route determined, and the starting date chosen - Friday, August 3, 1984. We'll take 3½ days to make the trip at a leisurely pace, stopping to see scenic attractions like Zion National Park in Utah. There'll be plenty of tire kicking, time to stop and have a beer, take pictures, etc.

Anybody who wishes to tag along is welcome - Early V-8 or modern iron (the modern cars will take up the rear). But if you do wish to join us, I urge you to call for your reservations now. Our itinerary and all motel information follows.





Call me at 714-826-7450 evenings before 8:00 p.m.  
for more information if needed.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ROUTE</u>	<u>NIGHT'S LODGING</u>
Friday August 3, 1984	Leave from Orange County. Drive to Las Vegas. Stops: Victorville, then Barstow, & Baker. 275 miles	Motel 6, 195 E. Tropicana Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89105 Phone #: 702-736-4904 Karen - Manager
Saturday August 4, 1984	Las Vegas to St. George, Utah, Zion National Park & on to Panguitch, Utah 233 miles	New Western Motel PO Box 73 Panguitch, Utah 801-676-8876 Colleen - Manager
Sunday August 5, 1984	North on US 89 to Salina, then east to Grand Junction, Colorado. 298 miles	Motel 6, 776 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction, Colorado Ph# 303-245-6668 Jack - Manager
Monday August 6, 1984	Grand Junction to Beaver Creek, Colorado 155 miles	Beaver Creek Resort site of Colorado Drive II, 1984

More information will be in future issues of the Fordist.

Everybody will be "on their own" for the return trip  
to California. The meet officially ends Saturday,  
August 11th.

Jay Harris

Important: When you call the New Western Motel  
in Panguitch, ask to talk to Colleen  
and mention the Early V-8 Club. She  
is aware of our tour.

## COMING EVENTS

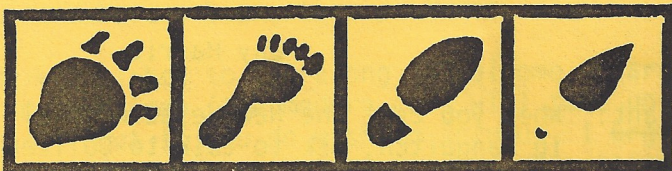
- June 3 Valley V-8 Meeting. Speaker Dan Krehbiel will inform us on "How to put the Ford bug on your windows."
- June 23 (Saturday) Tour to the Gamble House and pot-luck picnic--see details described on another page in this issue of Drive Lines
- July 1 Valley V-8 Meeting.
- September Briggs Cunningham Tour

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## THANKS TO:.....

- \*Kent Lowry for providing refreshments for our May meeting and for being our substitute secretary.
- \*Bill Norton for being an entertaining, highly successful auctioneer at our last Club meeting (see the Secretary Sez column for how successful he was).
- \*The Durkees and Ed Warnock for the enjoyable and informative tour to the proposed site of the 1985 Western National Meet (see President's Message column for further details).

Paul I Kirk



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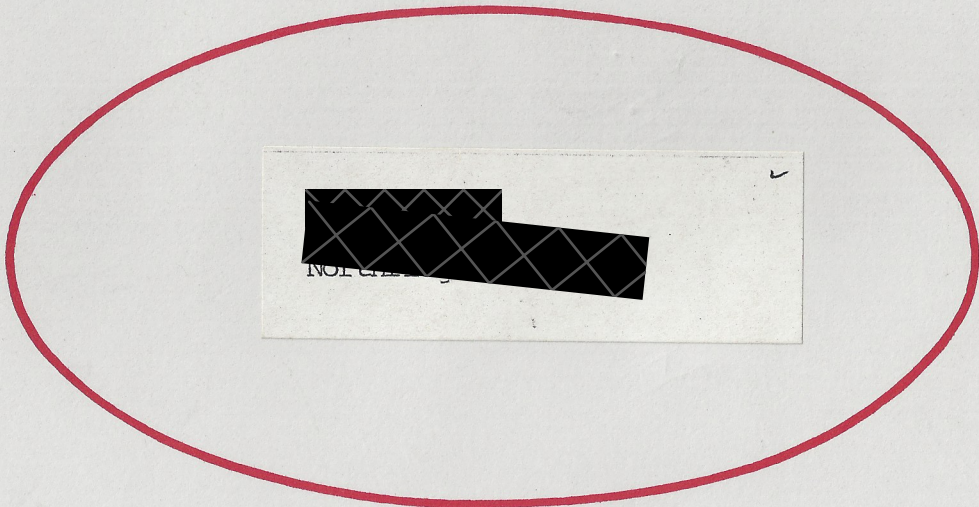
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