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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Those of you who missed the April Parts Auction really lost out—we sold a lot of parts, made a lot of money, and most important—a good time was had by all! Norton was at his best, and just to show you how good he was, I paid \$6 for a desert water bag

clearly marked \$1!

We didn't know it at the time, but the April meeting was to be our last at Union Federal. Thanks to Joe DiFatta, we are going back to Valley Federal on the southwest corner of Reseda Blvd. & Nordhoff St. in Northridge. Our meeting dates for balance of the year are as follows:

May meeting	-Sunday, May 26
June "	-Sunday, June 30
July "	-Sunday, July 28
	-Thursday, Aug. 29
Sept. "	-Annual Pizza Nite hos-
	ted by John & Bonnie
	Busk-date to be an-
	nounced
Oct. "	-Wednesday, Oct. 30
Nov. "	-Friday, Nov. 22
Dec. "	-Annual Christmas Party-
	date to be announced

I'm sure you'll enjoy the Valley Federal site--there is lots of parking in a well-lit lot, and the meeting room is also nice and large!

This October we will be making application at Valley Federal for next year's meeting dates, and hopefully we'll be able to get all

Sundays.

Registrations have been coming in from all over the U. S. for Ventura Venture, so if you are planning to attend you better getyours in! This is really important if you're planning on making a week-end out of it by staying at one of our "Meet" hotels.

Our Club Roster came out last month and is, without a doubt, the neatest looking roster I've ever seen. We owe it all to Ex-Prez Paul Kirk and his wife Mary, who took the time to program their new MacIntosh computer and printer, then fed and proof-read the info. and finally ran the roster. Paul, incidentally, is also handling registrations for Ventura Venture with the help of Mary & "Mac".

Enough rambling for now--See you at Valley

Federal on May 26th!

Kent

CHARLES GOODYEAR AND VULCANIZED RUBBER

Charles Goodyear (1800-1860), the man who developed vulcanized rubber and the first to produce it commercially, began his experiments in prison.

In jail for debt, Goodyear started tests in his prison cell in 1834.

After his release several years later, he hit upon vulcanization quite by accident when he dropped some rubber mixed with sulfur on a stove and noted that it did not dissolve. (from San Diego R.G.)



It's been a month and a half since our last meeting, and a few events of interest have

occurred.

The Valley V-8's had a very successful tour to Solvang; a significant meeting on April 11th regarding the city ordinance on historical vehicle collections; and arrangements to return to our old meeting place at Valley Federal Savings. Come to the next meeting for all the details.

As I'm sure you all know, our Bill Norton parts auction was held last time out, and with a rather limited supply of parts, we still were able to net over \$500.00, thanks largely to the high pressure sales tactics employed by Norton. He was great as usual, and a good time was had by all. Don't ask Ben DiFatta though. He raised his hand to ask a question and was sold some strange item. I'm told no one including Ben knew what it was.

I must give special thanks to Mary Durkee, whose Texas sheet cake, and oatmeal cake topped off the evening in grand style...Mary, you can

do that again any time you wish.

Jack Miles announced that Joblot, Inc, in New York was sending starter parts for our '53 raffle Mercury. Ben DiFatta has rephotographed the car with it's new wide whites for publicity purposes. Incidently, over 90 letters with the new photos have been sent to regional groups all over the world in order to promote the raffle ticket sales. We're still waiting for the money to pour in....

After talking to Dorothy Konecko, she has proudly agreed to allow us to display her '35 convertible sedan at the Holiday Inn during the national meet. As you should all know by now,

her Ford is the theme car for the event.

For those who don't know, Dorothy is very successfully recovering from major surgery, and is doing just fine. We all wish her a speedy recovery!!!!!

Joe Velasquez was present with his badge

and won the \$10.00 club drawing.

The following are new members recruited at the last meeting: on second thought, some might have only been guests, I'm not sure....

Ron Mintz, '47 Sportsman; Bob Campbell, 41 De Luxe 2 Dr.; Jim McCraken, '36 Five W Cpe; Helen Huthings; and Tony Hughes, an assortment or '39's and '40's.

Rmember our next meeting at Valley Federal Savings on May 26th, at 7:00PM. The schedule for the rest of the year is: Sunday June 30; Sunday July 28; Thursday August 29; September is Pizza night; Wednesday October 30; Friday November 22; and December is the Christmas Party.... That's all folks,

Secretarily yours,

Bob Pac

+++THE GOSSIP COLUMN+++

Your most reliable gossip editor has learned that John Powell was seen sneaking around at the recent Pomona Swap Meet wearing a Chevy cap no less, & druming up prospective buyers for his '57 Bel Air - - Seems as though the club brought such pressure to bear that he's going to sell the Chevy - Good work club!! Incidently, as much as your gossp editor hates to admit it, he does have a beautiful car, as far as Chevys go, and it is well worth the asking price. Contact John Powell who will give the gossip editor a sales commission.

Also it must be noted that aside from a fine '40 pickup recently acquired, one of our old faithfuls was recently seen in the dark of night pulling into his driveway with another winner; a '41 Ford Convert. no less....

Your gossip editor is highly supportive of this move. Our club now has three '41 Converts, belonging to: Harold Brondum, Bob Rose, and the newest belonging to: I won't mention his name, but his initials are Larry Caplan.

With his nose in the news:
THE GOSSIP EDITOR

1935 V-8 De Luxe Roadster

Take a step back to 1935 and imagine yourself looking to buy a low-priced sporty car. You will find the 1935 Ford V-8 Roadster epitomizes the high performance and stylish sporting car. You also will be pleasantly surprised at the price.

The Roadster, like all the other Ford models, is available at the lowest of automobile prices while incorporating luxury car features and qualities. For instance all of the highest-priced cars use mechanical brakes. The Ford type three-quarter floating rear axle is used in a number of high-priced cars, but none in Ford's low-price range use this suspension system. The same is true of the torque tube driveline.

Of course, the greatest performance feature of the Ford is its V-8 engine. When enduring flawless engine performance must be achieved, engineers turn to the best designs to deliver. All the important world speed records are held by V-type engines. One record is for world land speed made at Daytona Beach, Florida at 276.8 miles per hour. Another is the world record for speed on water made at Algonac, Michigan at 124.86 miles per hour; and in the air, the world speed record is 423.82 miles per hour set at Denzano, Italy. These records prove the stamina, rugged simplicity and performance of the V-type engine. That is why the V-type engine is definitely, and by a wide margin, the favorite fine-car engine.

In addition to performance qualities, the 1935 Ford is unsurpassed in style. Uncompromising beauty is a rare thing. In this practical world few things are made with a sole view to perfection of form and line. Occasionally however some superb achievement in design provides a product with the appearance of beauty subordinated to nothing else. The 1935 Ford impresses most people as being such a product.

The De Luxe Roadster is the best example of the 1935 Ford models. No matter how old you may be in years, if you are young in spirit, you will appreciate the speed, beauty and swank that marks it as youths' own car. It has a wide deep seat, upholstered in genuine leather pro-viding plenty of room for three. It has generous leg room and wide doors opening forward. A spacious rumble seat is included in its De Luxe appointments. The neatly tailored tan top, with natural wood bows and bright metal fittings, folds down flat and is covered with a boot.

A 1935 Roadster painted with factory available Dearborn enamel and accented with a Poppy Red stripe and wheels makes a very attractive color combination. When set off with optional white wall tires the exterior appearance is

striking.

When special equipment and accessories are added the exterior package is complete. For security a locking gas cap is an available feature. Also a metal spare tire cover with a band and tire lock minimize spare tire thefts while at the same time adding to the rear appearance of the car. Another desirable appearance option is a greyhound hood ornament. A license plate frame is an attractive dress-up feature. luggage rack adds room for transporting suitcases when passengers are using the rumble seat. Finally, a spotlight, bumper guards, and tandum windshield wipers all add to safety.

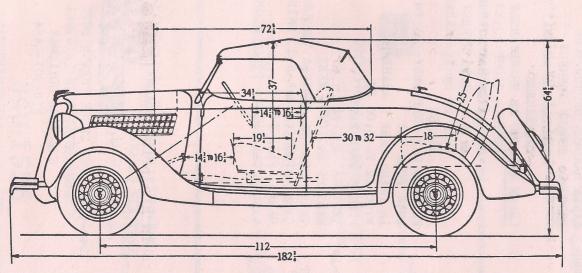
Several accessory interior items also are available. They include a glove box clock and lock for convenience and safety. Another desirable state of the art accessory is a radio. For cold climates a hot air heater is available.

An oil bath air cleaner adds to engine life for example, when dirt roads are driven often. An optional thermostat and winter front help engine performance in cold weather.

This entire package can be purchased for \$820.33 plus 2% sales tax and license.

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- Dave Sanborn



De Luxe Roadster

COMMING EVENTS ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MAY 26th

MEETING NIGHT

NEW-OLD MEETING PLACE ****

SUNDAY JUNE 2nd

VALLEY FEDERAL RESEDA & NORDOFF POMONA ANTIQUE CAR SWAP MEET

L.A. COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

5:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

SATURDAY JUNE 8th

SANTA BARBARA BRUNCH TOUR

MEET AT: HOWARD JOHNSON

CATABASSES PARKWAY DRIVE

CALABASSES

LEAVE AT: 9:30 AM SHARP! MEET WITH

VENTURA GROUP 10:30 AM AT CARROW'S RESTAURANT

MAIN & MILLS STREET VENTURA TOUR TO SANTA BARBARA FOR

BRUNGH

SUNDAY JUNE 16 SUNDAY JUNE 23

FATHERS DAY SWAP MEET- LA FAIRGROUNDS

1940 FORD DAY

LA PALMA PARK - ANAHEIM

9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

SUNDAY JULY 14 POMONA SWAP MEET

AUG: 8-9-10

VENTURA VENTURA

WESTERN NATIONAL MEET

AUG/SEPT

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SEPT.

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