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#### VALLEY V-8's

#### June 1990

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sunday May 6th dawned hot and clear, a near record temp for the date. The Valley V-8's auction that evening was a record setter, the best we have ever had. Many thanks to all of you, who generously donated parts, tools or memorabilia to makethis the most successful of all auctions. Thanks also to the buyers of the auctioned items. Silver tongue Don Durkee aided by Tony Hughes of the Ventura R.G. did a fantastic job of auctioneering.

Coming up on June 23rd is the tour to the Pasadena Historical Society, Fenyes Mansion and luncheon. All participants on this tour must have a prepaid reservation in by June 10th. Admission for the mansion tour

and luncheon is \$12.50 per person.

We have a number of hard working club officers who seldom get an attaboy or attagirl for their efforts. For example, how about the job John Kemmerer is doing as secretary! His monthly articles are informative and filled with humor. Let John, Virginia, Chuck S., Don, Ben, Terry, Jack and Chuck M. know that their efforts are appreciated.

There have been some changes in the Harris tour to Reno. The new schedule is printed elsewhere in this issue. If you are

attending this tour, take note.

This is the last call for dues for 1990, members not paid by June 15th will not continue to receive the Drivelines and will not be in the annual Membership Roster.

The plan was to show a video tape "Bronx Cheers", a 45 minute film that has a number of our members and their cars in it, at the June meeting. As of this writing we have not received a copy. If it does not come before the meeting, we will see Lorin Sorensen's Ford Show Quarterly Vol 2, Number 2. See you at the June meeting.

## Jerry

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June	3	Regular meeting, Mercury Savings, Magnolia & Laurel Canyon, 7:30 PM Tire kicking at 7:00
June	3	Swap meet at Pomona Fairplex
June	10	Swap meet at Veterans Stadium, Long Beach
June	16-1	7 L.A. Roadsters show & swap meet at Pomona Fairplex
June	23	Tour to Pasadena Historical Society
July	1	Regular meeting, Mercury Savings
July	8	Swap meet at Veterans Stadium
July	14-1	5 Forties Limited, 40 is 50 at LaPalma Park
Aug 2	2-6	Harris tour to Reno
Aug 6	5-10	Western National meet at Reno
Sept	23	Dave Sanborn Annual Brunch tour to the Peppermill Restaurant

#### The Secretary's Quill

Well no recipes, so you have me for another month. What's that do for my credibility?

FANTASTIC! is the way Don Durkee's Solvang tour was described. — In addition to Don & Mary, the Valley V-8's were represented by Bruce & Gerry Blackwell, Diane, Ernie and Erik Baily, Ben & Isabel DiFatta and John & Virginia Wolf. Don & Mary did their usual fine job of making sure everyone had enough to do. — Don passed out puzzles that he had assembled out of old lumber and welding rods and also had his usual slew of questions pertaining to early Fords and Rock and Roll.

After meeting at Ted's in Ventura, the group headed up the 101 for Santa Barbara, detouring along the beach to pick up several more cars. Heading out for the San Marcos pass, Blacky decided to design his own tour, probably thinking old O1A would not make it up the pass. John Wolf was smart enough to figure out something was not right and let Blacky go his way, while he and a half dozen cars behind him found the real tour leader.

Following a side trip down Stage Coach road and a short stop at the Cold Springs Cantina, the tour was back on track heading to Solvang. By the way, if you're ever looking for a quiet drive, take a trip to San Marcos pass and cut off on Stage Coach Road. It's a beautiful "county drive" that compares to many of the eastern back roads.

Upon arriving at Santa Ynez, the tour was greeted by a smiling Blackwell, wanting to know "What took you guys so long?"

Several long lost members also showed up. It was good to see Tom Welsh and past president Paul Kirk with Mary Finley (not too long lost). Bob Rose made it three in a row; this time with his 3-window '36. Ted Martin was not there, if he had been he would have had an extra fifteen bucks to spend at the auction. The Cookie Monster was present, didn't buy anything though. Heard he's suffering from Dunlop's syndrome. Seems that his belly is dun lopping over his belt. Refreshments were provided by Dave Sanborn. By the way Lin, you were volunteered to provide refreshments for the June 3rd meeting.

Tell us how we're doing. Do you enjoy reading the *Drive Lines*? It's our hope that you find it interesting and informative. Chuck Mair as editor works hard putting it together, with you in mind. We don't want it to be a one way street though, where everything is coming from a few members and we're deciding what you hear and know. Tell us what you want to hear about. Better yet, send Chuck your articles to be included in the *Drive Lines*.

See you at the next meeting where we will see the film *Bronx Cheers*, or if that's not available Jerry will be showing us how to make a set of J.C. Whitney seat covers look like the real thing.

John Kemmerer Manager

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Lunch included a private tour of the Santa Ynez museum with the rest of the afternoon set aside for tire kicking and relaxing in Solvang. The day culminated with dinner at the Sheraton Inn, where Don and Mary awarded prizes for the poker run and quiz. Top winners of the evening were Glen and Barbara Davis, who set a new record with a score of forty four, that didn't even inleude credit for solving both puzzles. Thanks again to Don and Mary for a great tour and a lot of hard work. Don promised to do it again next year and even let the Valley folks know about it.

As if the Solvang tour was not enough, two time past president Don Durkee volunteered to be the auctioneer at our annual fund raiser. During the evening Don was overheard saying "Golly, a month ago I couldn't even spell auctioneer, and now I are one!" If you weren't there, you missed out on a lot of great deals - NOS '32 radio for \$60; '40 Columbia, for a bill and a half, etc., etc., etc. The usual banter included **Jack Miles** and **Bill Wood** discussing the "wills" and "will nots" of a specific head gasket. — Who do you think would come out on top of that one?

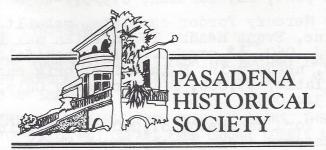
Don did a great job and with a lot of coaching from Mary he even learned to say "Burma Shave." Thanks also go to the many club members and sponsors that donated items. Also to those that bought items. A thousand plus dollars went into the Club's treasury, thanks to all of you.

Guests for the evening included Tony Hughes from Ventura. — Tony is no stranger to the group having attended many of our functions in the past. — Greg Thomas, Don Durkee's future son-in-law also honored us with his presence. Hodi Holst, past president of the Historical Contemporary Vehicle Club (if the name is wrong, tell it to Jay Fortman) and his wife Ann were also in attendance, as was Caleb Edwards and his clean '50 pick up. New members Bill and Denise Nolan arrived in their "new" '40 coupe, and Bernie Besich was there representing the Southern California Regional Group.

#### VINTAGE CARS DRIVEN TO THE MAY MEETING

Bill Boyer	34	Ford Phaeton
John & Virginia Wolf	36	Ford Roadster
Craig Lapair	40	Ford Coupe
Jerry Jensen	39	Ford Deluxe Tudor
Don Durkee	50	Ford Club Coupe
Caleb Edwards	50	Ford Pickup
Chuck Mair	41	Ford Coupe
William Toensing	41	Ford Sup Dlx Tudor
Harold Johansen	32	Ford Roadster
Dennis Keene	40	Ford Coupe
Dave Sanborn	36	Ford Cabriolet
Hoady Holst	41	Ford Fordor
Bob Rose	36	Ford 3 W Coupe
Ken Sapper	27	Track T
Harold Selson	36	Ford Coupe
Richard Mottern	51	Ford 4 Dr
Lin & John Kemmerer	40	Ford Tudor
Allan Franklin	54	Chev Pickup
Dave Higby	62	Buick Skylark Conv

# TOUR



Date: June 23, 1990

Admission: \$12.50 per person, must be prepaid

reservation by June 10th. Dudley Ochsner, 901 Balboa Dr., Arcadia 91006, 818/446-1206

Meet at Balboa Park, N/W corner Time: Balboa & Burbank at 11:00 A.M.

Tour leaves for Pasadena at 11:15

Schedule: 12:00 Arrive at 470 W. Walnut St.

Gather in the gift shop & tour the

Pasadena History Museum.

12:15 Luncheon begins with a complimentary glass of wine or cider

served in the gardens at the front

of the mansion.

12:30 lunch is served in the

dining room

1:30 The docents offer tours of the mansion, Finnish Folk Art Museum and gardens until 3:00

#### FOR SALE

60 Cad Coupe DeVille, 119,000 orig miles Calif car, A/C, full power, reasonable offers considered, Ralph Hubbard, 818/792-6237

1932 Ford roadster windshield chopped  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " with post, Jay Fortman, 619/377-4686

1939 Mercury Fordor complete, rebuilt 53 Merc engine, Evans heads, Iskenderian max I cam, bored .060, 1 stroke, triple manifold, good body, needs paint & interior, orig engine available, \$5,000, Bill or Larry Culp, 818/344-0969

1957 Ford Ranchero, 87,000 mile original unrestored clean truck, Chuck Shubb 818/882-2927

#### WANTED

50 Ford transmission w/ 0.D. Kent Lowry, 818/368-9830

39 Merc coupe/conv deck lid Ralph Hubbard, 818/792-6237

Pocher car model kit instructions needed Allan Franklin, 818/842-2230

Radio knobs & dash bezels for 57 Ford Chuck Shubb, 818/882-2927

Overdrive solenoid, 33 tudor body or car, Harold Johansen, 818/784-1068

chopped flywheel, old type S.W. mechanical tack for steering column, Jay Fortman, 619/377-4686

#### Welcome to New Member

William Nolan

### TOUR TO RENO

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DAY 1 (THURSDAY) AUG 2) .....

THE TOUR WILL DEPART FROM THE HOLIDAY INN IN WOODLAND HILLS..21101 VENTURA BLVD, AT 9 AM SHARP

- \*\*\* THIS IS A CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS PLANS..THE TOUR WILL NOT DEPART FROM ORANGE COUNTY AS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED.
- DAY 2 (FRIDAY, AUG 3) ......

  THIS MORNING WE WILL SIGHTSEE IN CAMBRIA
  BEFORE HEADING OVER SCENIC HIWAY 46 TO
  PASO ROBLES AND ON TO FRESNO FOR THE NIGHT.
- DAY 3 (SATURDAY, AUG 4) ......

  WE WILL VISIT LOCAL ATTRACTIONS IN FRESNO
  BEFORE HEADING FOR AN ANTIQUE AIRPLANE
  MUSEUM, LUNCH AT A SCENIC LAKE, THEN ON TO
  SONORA FOR THE NIGHT.
- DAY 4 (SUNDAY, AUG 5) ......

  THE DAY WILL START WITH A TOUR OF HISTORIC COLUMBIA, AN OLD MINING TOWN, THEN THE TOUR WILL CONTINUE NORTH ALONG HIWAY 49 THROUGH THE GOLD COUNTRY, WITH STOPS FOR ANTIQUING BEFORE STOPPING FOR THE NIGHT IN GRASS VALLEY.
- NOTE: Day 1 is different, this supersedes previous announcement.

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