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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAVE A HAPPY 4TH OF JULY Don't forget the meeting is now on July 11th

June has been a very active month with car shows, swap meets and tours.

We started out the month with a BBQ/Swapmeet at Dupree's house. We had a tour the following weekend to Wrightwood, with

good participation of our members.

At the Milestone car show this year, two of our members took trophys — Don Stout and Bill Nolan. Merle Norman Collection and Tour was successful. If any of you new members have never been, this is a must.

We will talk about the National meet at our meeting.

If you had not noticed, I am trying to lead our group to more social, family and friends type activities. I have not forgotten the goal of the club is for the preservation of our cars. We have many new members, and the mix of mechanical and social will make a good combination.

In the next few months, some of the long time members who have lots of experience with the early cars, will put on some seminars on how to maintain and repair them.

I need to hear from you, our members, what you want out of the organization. Your input is important to help us keep on the right track to having a good club for us all to enjoy.

Chuck



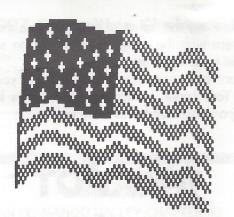
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TAKE NOTE!

JULY MEETING WILL BE: SUNDAY, JULY 11TH

WHERE: CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 9659 BALBOA BLVD., NORTHRIDGE TIRE KICKING - 7:00 P.M. MEETING - 7:30 P.M.



HAPPY JULY 4TH

UPCOMING TOURS

Sunday, July 25,1993

OLD FASHION DAY AT THE PARK – View Vintage Wooden Boats from the 20's, 30's and 40's. Marina Del Rey's Burton Chase Park. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Woodley Park. Bring picnic supplies and necessary accompaniments. We will be joining the Buick and Lincoln Clubs at this event. This will be very nice for the whole family. And since in is in July...near the beach...bring your "Sun Block"!

VERY IMPORTANT – It is highly recommended that you drive your modern cars to this event...for security reasons.

Sunday, August 22, 1993

Moorpark Melodrama, 45 East High Street, Moorpark, CA 93021 (805) 529-1212 or (800) 597-1210.

3 o'clock matinee – *The Truth About Cinderella*.

Please Valley V-8ers, I need to know by the august Valley V-8 general meeting (August 1, 1993) how many people will be attending. We need 20 or more to get a GROUP DISCOUNT. These shows are a lot of fun. There is audience participation and a lot of laughter. Tickets are \$12.00 each. Children are welcome at these shows. Contact Jim Winnett at (818) 768-4228 or see me at the meetings.

Mark your calendar: Sunday September 19th Pasadena-Peppermill Brunch

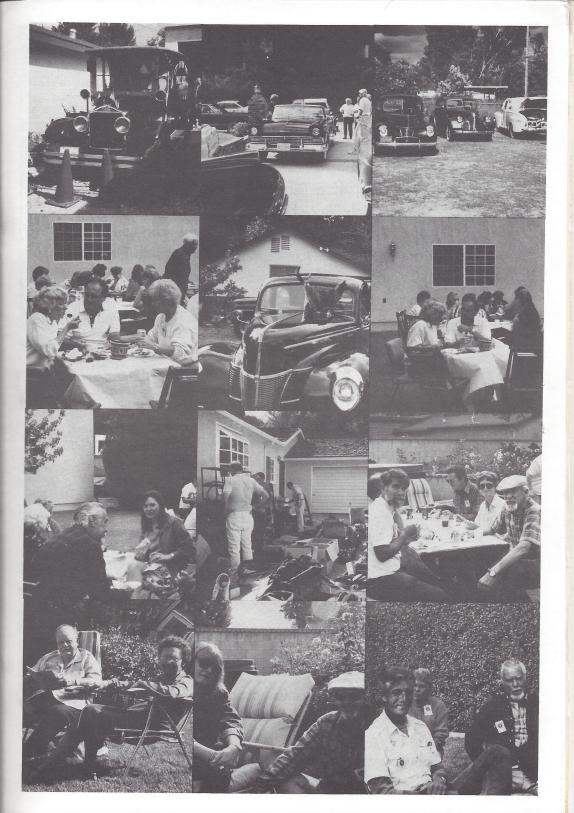
A SWELL WAY TO SPEND THE DAY By: Lesley Littner

About 75 members, family and friends attended the best BBQ and Backyard Swap Meet on June 6th. Our hosts, Beverley and Don Dupree, were most hospitable generous. They not only opened their beautiful home to all of us - but treated us to the joys of touring Don's super garage/shop and the incomparable "Radio Room". Don played some of his great old 78 rpm records for background music, we all strolled through the lovely display of rusted old junk - known to club members as "swap meet treasures". Boxes and boxes lined the length of the driveway with some pretty interesting objects for sale. Many "great" deals were consummated this day (at least we would all like to think so). The swap-meeting continued throughout the afternoon and well into the evening. Some members were spotted making last minute deals at 8:30 p.m. I guess this technique is referred to as "better to sell it cheap then have to cart it all home".

Meanwhile, back at the BBQ...Steve Sadd, Judy Shubb and I were very busy flipping burgers and turning hot dogs. Custom orders... the old "have it your way" was 'de rigueur'. We feasted on a giant salad, fresh fruit platters, super baked beans, chips and the 'biggest and bestest' hot dogs and hamburgers. Thanks go out also to Chuck Shubb, George Richards and Dick Smith for relieving the cooking crew so we could chow down too! While I'm on the subject of thanks, it took lots of hands to put this soiree together. Gold stars go to Prez. Chuck Shubb, Jerry Littner and Beverley and Don Dupree. They really pulled it all off without a hitch. Thanks also to our club for paying for it all!

With tummies full and evening gently approaching, we got down to the real business - namely a raffle with neat prizes and a bingo tournament with cash prizes! Bingo winners were Donna Paschal, Lorraine Bjornestad and myself. Wow...that sure helped to make my day!

Twenty-two old cars drove to Chez Dupree and, great friends and family had another chance to hang-out and party. I wonder if old Henry really knew that he was building much more than cars - he was also building friendships and fun times.



WRIGHTWOOD

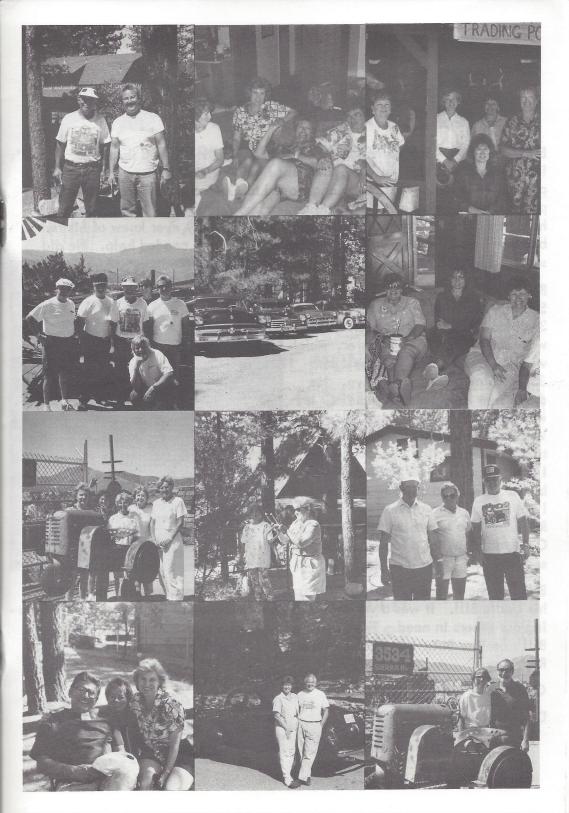
34 (17 couples) met and Blackie & Jerry Blackwell's home last Saturday, June 12th. Other than Carlos Wilhelm having trouble with his 41 Ford coil and a flat tire...all went well. We arrived in Wrightwood at 11:45 at DiFatta's cabin. Then ate 12:45 to Chuck & Betty Zalute's "Rock House" for a hot dog and chile feast. We toured the grounds and some members bought Ford products from Chuck. Even Carlos found 4 brand new Firestone tires to buy!! After lunch, the gals went shopping in town. After that, back to the cabin, played horseshoes (ask John Kemmerer about "tossing" horseshoes!) and raffled off a bunch of items. Great time was had by all.



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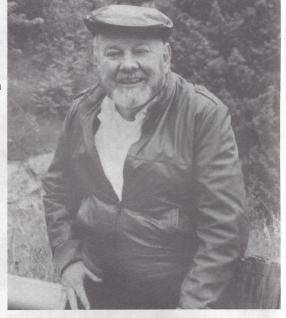
REMEMBERING WILLIAM "BILL" CULP

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Bill lived in the San Fernando Valley all his life. He joined the VALLEY V-8's in 1971 and was elected vice-president in 1979. Bob Drake was the club's president but, mid-year he up and moved to Oregon. That made Bill our president and being a little apprehensive about the task - he worked really hard at making it a great year for the club. Nobody ever knew of his fears because he was always willing to help anybody who needed help. He did

such a great job as president.

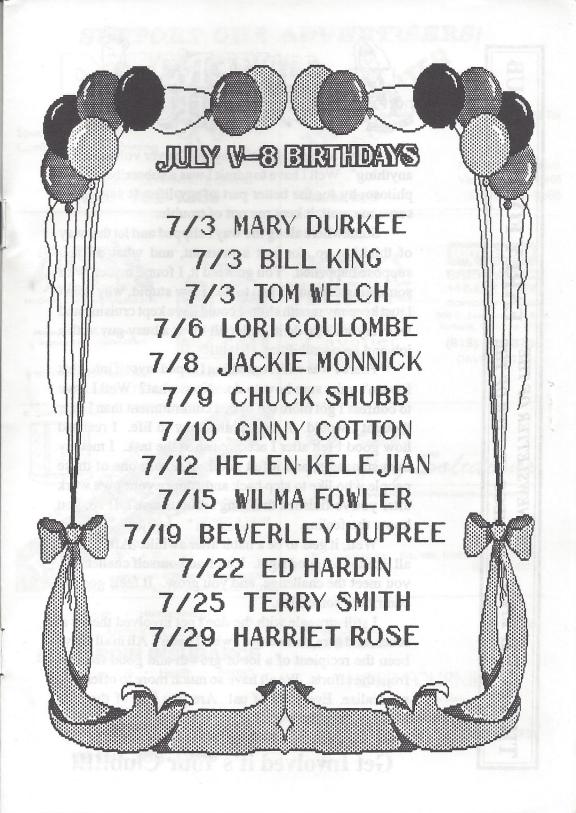
Bill's early V-8's were a '39 Mercury Sedan - nice and original and a '36 3-window coupe. His real true-love was for his 1929 Ford Roadster, which was powered by a small block Ford 351 with automatic overdrive. He drove that Roadster everywhere. It was his work-car and his fun-car. When Bill drove his roadster on long trips, he would first buy a big cigar. I don't think he ever lit that cigar but he sure liked to chew on them! I got a chance to drive that '29 Roadster on a trip to Kernville, California. What a fun car. I could see why Bill loved it so much.



Bill's nephew, Scott, spoke at the funeral and told a wonderful story about his Uncle Bill. It was a very touching remembrance of his dedication to helping out others in need. The family suffered a second tragedy – the death of Bill's brother Bob, just one day after Bill's funeral. We sure miss you Bill. Rest easy.

One of Bill's many friends,

Don Durkee





We've all heard the old saying; "never volunteer for anything". Well I have to admit I was a subscriber to that philosophy for the better part of my life. It seemed to serve me well, it kept me out of trouble.

Somewhere along the way I slipped and let that way of thinking go, for just a moment, and what do you suppose happened. You guessed it, I found myself with something that now I had to do. How stupid, why didn't I just keep my mouth shut. I could have kept cruising and let everyone else do it. After all I was a busy guy with a job and responsibilities. Right!?

There I was with something I roped myself into, that I wasn't quite sure how to do. Now what? Well I have to confess I got more out of that committment than I ever thought I would. A new philosophy in life. I realized how good I felt after I accomplished the task. I met my own standards, and it felt good. Are you one of those people who like to step back and admire your own work after you've finished that long arduous task? If so, you know the feeling.

Well, it gets to be a habit after awhile. After all we all like to feel good right. You find yourself challenged, you meet the challenge, and you grow. It feels good to contribute something.

I still struggle with the don't get involved theory at times, and sure, sometimes I wish I hadn't. All in all I have been the recipient of a lot of growth and good feelings from the efforts. We all have so much more to offer than we realize. Everyone of us! Are you one of the 20% doing 80% of the work? If so, THANKS. But then you know the rewards, and the fun you had doing it.

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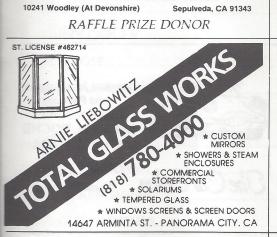
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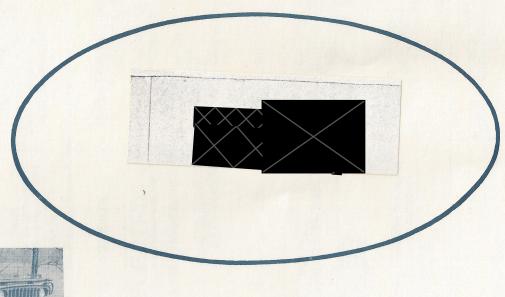
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