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The Valley V8's APRIL 1994

From the Desk of the President

March started out much more normal that our first two shaky months. We had a good turn out at our March meeting, thanks to our super members. About 60 attended the Sunday evening meeting. Our DMV speaker was a no show but Cal Beauregard saved the day. Cal's subjects are so interesting, our members were glad the speaker didn't make it. He shared his own personal experiences with Henry Ford II and the Ford Motor company. His topic this night concerned directing the motorcade for President Lyndon Johnson and the difficulties he encountered while creating the first Pope-mobile. Cal's great gift for story-telling made the evening fly by before we knew it. It was an evening your wouldn't want to miss. THANK YOU so much Cal for your much needed help.

I met with our board and we have outlined some interesting meetings for the rest of this year. Thanks to all of you that came to help that evening. Watch your calendar in the Drive Lines for these fun times.

Because of Easter Sunday, our next meeting will be on April 10th. One of our long time members Larry Caplan will speak on regulations for the 1930's and 1940's.

'Til next time.

George Richards



JACKPOT \$20.00 Could Be Yours!

(You just have to be present and wear your name badge to win.)

PROGRAM FOR APRIL 10, 1994 CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH HALL 9659 Balboa Boulevard, Northridge 7:00 P.M. TIRE KICKING • 7:30 P.M. MEETING ENTER ON SUPERIOR AVENUE - PARKING LOT

Larry Caplan will talk about two subjects of current interest. First, he will explain the electrical system on your early V-8; the generator, the cut-out, or voltage regulator. how they work, how to test, he will have some working visual displays to show us.

Second, he will speak to us about earthquake preparedness. What happened, how we might prevent some problems if we get another 6.8. This will be a group discussion with everyone participating.

V-8 CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 10	Regular Sunday meeting. Guest speaker, our own Larry Caplan.
APRIL 17	Ventura V-8 Solvang tour - Call Don Durkee. Wildflower Tour & Picnic
APRIL 17	Fabulous Fords - \$5 entry, Knotts Berry Farm. 6a.m10a.m.
MAY 1	Antique truck show, 10a.m 4p.m. 703044 Horace St., Riverside.
MAY 1	Regular meeting AUCTION!
MAY 8	CHVA Spring Car Show - Woodley Park, Entry \$12 8a.m 10a.m.
MAY 15	Tequila Willies Tour.
MAY 22	WPE Swap Meet - Valley College.
JUNE	Tours to Cantos Bus Museum.
JULY	Hollywood Picture vehicles. (dates not set) 150 cars. Tom Sparks collection. EGGE Machinery.
AUG 7	Dupree residence annual pizza party instead of regular meeting.

Jim Winnett's SECRETARY'S VIEWPOINT

President George Richards, opened the meeting by thanking ALL of the members (family and friends) that attended the February 20, Route 66 Restaurant event.

The "Club's" DRIVE LINES received and "HONORABLE MENTION" award for 1993, in the National Newsletter Competition...the plaque was placed in Lesley Littner's care...we may want to set up a tour to go view the plaque.

Paul Kirk was presented with a plaque for his work on our

new "DIRECTORY" ... Thanks Paul.

The "NAME TAG" drawing winner was Bill Carpenter.

Our speaker from the DMV was not able to make it to the March meeting. So, with a 7 minute notice Cal Beauregard honored us with stories when he worked for FORD. You had to be there to enjoy the flavor of his ability to tell a story.

How did a great guy like Cal, stop working with the

FORDS and go to work with Chrysler??

A special thanks goes to Patti Smith for her freshly baked Cookies...They were GREAT!

May your roads, always be safe... With kindest regards, I am

> Jim Winnett Secretary

EARLY V-8 FORDS DRIVEN

'48 Ford, driven by Dick Smith
'51 Ford F-2 pickup, driven by Jim Winnett

CARS & PARTS FOR SALE

ITEM	Name / Phone
'67 Shelby Fastback look-a-like, factory air, disc brakes, 302 V-8can't be told from a real Shelby\$11,500	Ralph Hubbard (818) 792-6237
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MUST SELL (Bill Culp's) '39 Mercury 4 door sedan. Needs complete restoration. All parts available. Best offer	Dean Schauer (805) 254-8445

CARS & PARTS WANTED

ITEM	Name / Phone
2 rear fenders '40 Coupe	John Kemmerer (818) 891-4550
Right rear fender '40	Craig Lapair (818) 893-1640
Model A for a father-in-law	Ben DiFatta (818)347-9305

APRIL V-8 BIRTHDAYS

4/03 BONNIE CARPENTER
4/07 ELAINE FRANKLIN
4/08 BUD WILLIAMS
4/08 JOE SIMON
4/11 MICHAEL MUNROE
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4/27 GERRY BLACKWELL

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Sunday, May 8th, 1994 at Woodley Park (on the grass)

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This is not a swap meet and no "For Sale" signs can be allowed. All vehicles must be in place by 10:00 a.m. As all Southern California Car Clubs are invitied, we urge early registration to be certain your car will be displayed.

Judging By People's Choice

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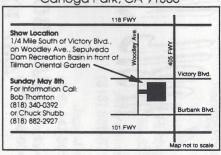
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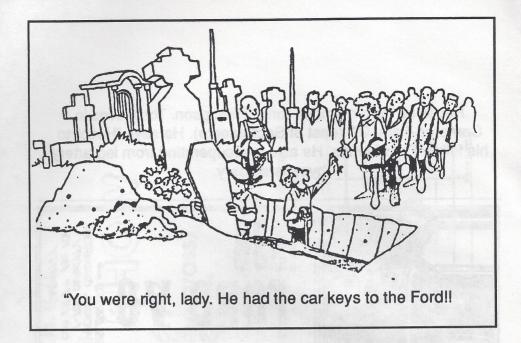
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Received from member Tomy Thompson. Tomy lives in Cameron Park, CA (east of Sacramento). He says "Hello" to his fellow Ford friends. He also is recuperating from leg artery bypass surgery.





Ford's Firsts Here are just a few of Ford's innovations:

First to mount the engine longitudinally with the frame.

First to use a wiring harness to consolidate wires.

First to use Vandium - Steel alloys for greater strength.

First to cast a multi-cylinder engine in one piece and incorporate removable heads.

First fin and tube radiator.

First to produce integral brake drum and wheel hubs.

First plastic steering wheel, replacing wood and other materials.

First to mount the spare tire in the trunk.

First to use a fingertip push button starter rather than a foot starter.

ANN LANDERS

'Brown Bomber' warms their hearts

Dear Ann Landers: Like so many others, I never thought I would write to you, but that letter from "Take My Car, Please" inspired me.

In our garage is '59 Ford pickup truck. My husband bought it 23 years ago for \$100 and a six-pack of beer. It needed a lot of repairs, but we had to have a car and couldn't afford a new one.

After a few years, we were able to retire "The Brown Bomber," but we just couldn't dump it. It takes up half the garage, but the very sight of that piece of junk warms our hearts.

That rattletrap took me to the hospital when our son was born. It got me to work when our "good" car wouldn't start. It rescued me whenever the other car broke down somewhere. Because of that beat-up old truck, my husband and I (we both came from welfare families) have made it in life.

We now own three houses, a motor home, a car and a new truck, and we have no bills. A big part of this success story is the fact that my husband never missed a day's work. The Brown Bomber never failed him.

So tell those wives who complain, Ann, to stop it. There may be a great story under that hood, one that deserves respect.

- Grateful Wife in Cathedral City, CA

Dear Wife: And I am grateful to you for a wonderfully heartwarming story. I am sure your letter will jog a lot of memories. Here's another one.

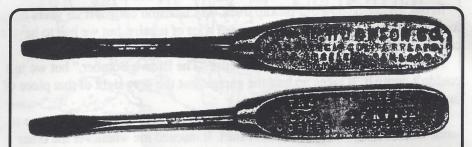
Dear Ann: "Take My Car, Please" prompted me to write my first letter to Ann Landers. I had to share my story about our first car.

When "Vern" and I were married 22 years ago, we had a 1964 Chevelle station wagon. He was so proud of that car because it was all we had at the time.

As the years passed, we were able to buy new (and more expensive) cars, but the old red wagon stayed in our garage. We had many conversations about getting rid of that "useless old eyesore", but we just couldn't bring ourselves to do it.

When we moved to a smaller place, the old red wagon went into storage. No way we could part with it. It was a "loyalty" thing. Last year, Vern died and I gave the car to our son "Kevin" is gradually fixing it up, and it will be pressed into service soon.

I know when I see that wagon again, it will help me relive our romantic courtship and those wonderful early years of our marriage.



Unique Ford Screwdriver Donated

A rare and unique "give-away" screwdriver from the first Ford dealer on the West Coast has been donated by Bill "Mac" Mullan of Baldwin Park, California.

The screwdriver is from William L. "Billy" Hughson Ford, which had the distinction of being the "first authorized FORD dealer" having received it's franchise in 1902, directly from Henry Ford who wrote it out on the back of a restaurant menu.

Hughson sold Fords in San Francisco and later became Ford's "West Coast Distributor". His first sale was a 1903 Ford Model "A".

The screwdriver is stamped from a single piece of metal. The handle reads, "Wm. L. Hughson Co. - San Francisco, Portland, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Diego". The other side reads, 'The FORD Corner - Sales and Service since 1902".

"Mac"Mullan is a long time Ford V8 enthusiast and for many years traveled the swap meet circuit dealing in Ford tools. In addition to the screwdriver, he also donated a "Champion" screwdriver which is also marked with Ford script and a River Rouge brass tool check.

Other donations including the screwdriver were a 1932 V8 crank handle extension and a 1933-1934 truck crank handle extension. Previously, "Mac"Mullan had donated several tools for the tire tool collection which will go on display shortly at the Towe Ford Museum in conjunction with the 1936-1939 tire display already on view.

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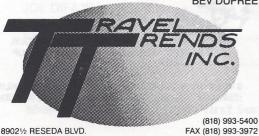
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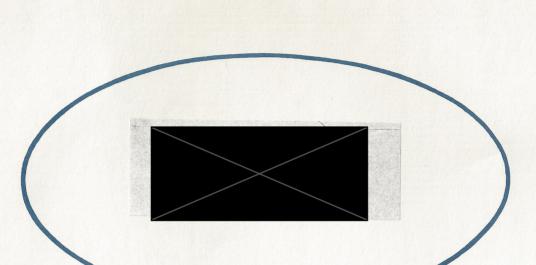
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1944 Ford Cab over Fire Truck