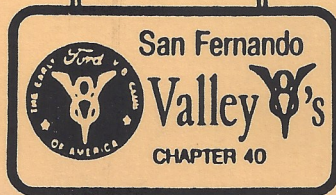
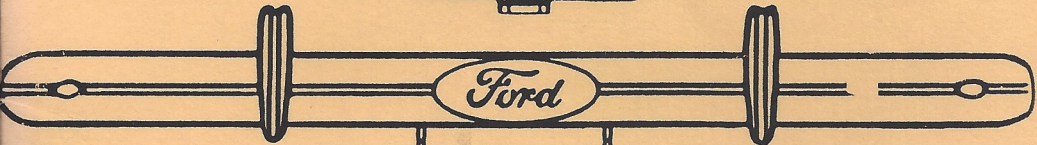
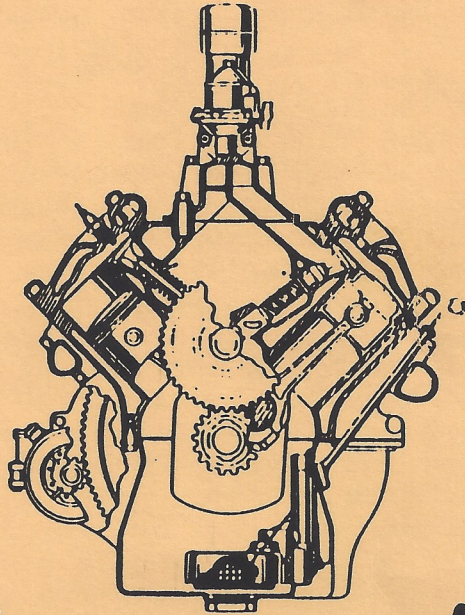




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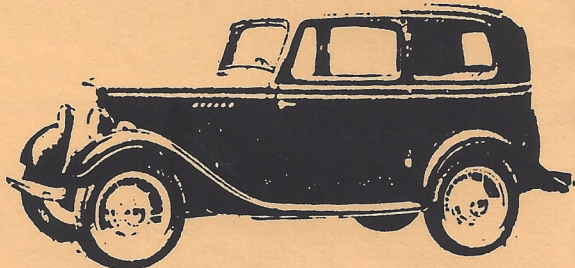
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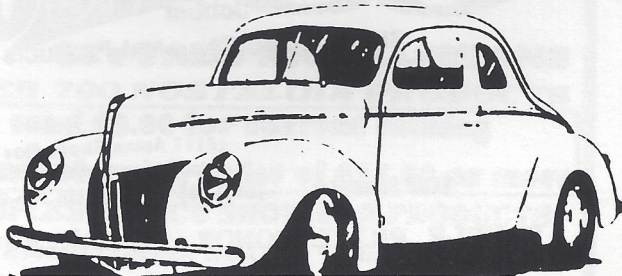
Halloween is here, Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and Hanukkah and Christmas are not far behind. Our Holiday installation dinner is scheduled for Sunday, December 6th, at the Airtel Hotel facility in Van Nuys. Seating is limited, so if you plan to attend, submit your checks and make your reservations early. (see reservation form else where in the Drive Line).

The Team of Smith and Wolf (not to be confused with Smith and Wessen) has planned a tour to the Autry Museum of Western Heritage in November, our last tour of the year. (see details else where in the Drive Line). The museum has some permanent exhibits, but also has new exhibits all the time. So unless you have been to the museum recently, you are sure to see things you haven't seen before.

God willing and the creek don't rise, the slate of Officers and Board of Directors for 1999 will be announced at the November meeting. If you would like to run for an office or would like to nominate someone for a post be sure to attend and make your wishes known.

With a dinner, a meeting, and a tour on schedule, everyone has quite a selection from which to choose an event to get together with fellow V8ers.

Dennis Keen



November 3rd, Tuesday night Meeting
at Baker's Square. See you there.

upcoming tours

The Autry Museum of Western Heritage
on Sunday the 29th of November.

We will be meeting at Woodley Park
at 10:30 AM, bring your friends &
early Fords. Hope everyone has a
happy Thanksgiving.

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Al Rohrer	1940 P.U.
Dick Smith	1939 Conv.
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NOVEMBER 1998 PROGRAM

By Larry Caplan

The program for our November meeting will pay homage to the All New Fords introduced in 1949. Our presentation will be a multi-media extravaganza using the original filmstrips and audio tape versions of the original 33.3 RPM companion records to describe the virtues of these "modern" automobiles. Many people think the 1990s buzzword "multi-media" was just invented but they are wrong, Ford has used this concept since the early 1930s! The films and tapes we are going to see were recently rescued from an unsuspecting Cadillac parts vendor at Hershey. We will show one segment praising "The 50 New Features for 1950" and if time permits a second segment titled "Selling on the Service Floor" will be shown. See you there.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

By Patti Smith

Meeting called to order at 7:30
by President Dennis Keene.

Guests: John Farrar 1932 3 window
coupe. John and Ann Powell from the
Ventura V8 Chapter.

Old Business: All Ford Picnic,
Sunday, October 4. There were 220
cars entered in the car show, 219 Fords
and 1 Dodge. Jerry and Carole Jensen's
39 Convertible won the People's Choice
Award. Steve and Sue Boskovich's 51
Convertible won Best of Show in the
49 to 51 category Congratulation guys
those are two great cars.

Points: The winner will receive
\$100.00 to be awarded at the Christmas
Party. John Wolf is in first place
and behind him by one point is Dick
Smith.

New Business: Christmas Party
will be Sunday, December 6, 1998 at
the Airtel Hotel. Cocktails will be
served at 6:00 with dinner at 7:00.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need
volunteers to make (or buy) centerpieces
for the Christmas Party. We also need
gifts for the raffle such as baked
goods, crafts, car stuff, gift baskets,
etc. all item must be new. If you
would like more information or to
volunteer, please call Patti Smith
at 818/368-5890.

Tours: Saturday, October 11,
1998, Swap Meet at the Camarillo
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Julian, November 6, 7, & 8. We will leave from the McDonalds in Acton at 8:00AM. Take the 14 freeway and get off at Crown Valley Road. There is one room left if anyone is interested, call Gerry for information at 805/268-0040.

Program: Our speaker this month was John Powell of The Ventura V8 Group. John was a Service Manager for Ford for many years and told us some interesting stories about selling and repairing Fords in the 50's, 60's, and 70's. John worked for Ford Agencies in Niagara, New York and also in Ventura, California. Thanks John for an interesting program.

Ladies' Door Prizes were won by Virginia Wolf, Barbara Wright, and Patti Smith.

Name Badge Drawing was won by Joe DiFatta.



"Money can't buy happiness. You have to convert it into toys to bring happiness."

PAT'S KITCHEN

By Patti Smith

PUMPKIN ORANGE COOKIES

- 2½ cups all-purpose flour
- ½ tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 cup butter or margarine,
softened
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- ½ cup packed brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 (15 oz) can pumpkin
- 2 Tbs orange juice
- 1 tsp grated orange peel
- ½ cup chopped nuts
- Orange glaze



Combine flour, baking soda and salt in medium bowl. Combine butter, granulated sugar and brown sugar in large mixing bowl; beat until creamy. Add egg, pumpkin, orange juice, and orange peel; beat until combined. Gradually add flour mixture; beat until combined. Stir in nuts. Drop by rounded tablespoon onto ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 375° for 12 to 14 minutes. Cool completely on wire rack. Spread each cookie with about ½ teaspoon orange glaze. 4 dozen.

Orange glaze: Combine 1½ cups sifted powdered sugar, 2-3 Tbs orange juice and ½ tsp grated orange peel in medium bowl until smooth.

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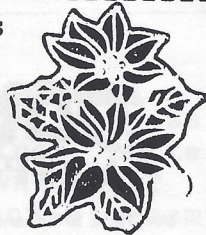
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AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A FORTY FORD FANATIC

Growing up in Southern California and being a teenager during the 1950's are the two most obvious reasons I found myself "hooked" on early Fords in general and the 1940 Ford in particular. I would guess that on any given day one might find 25-50 of these cars parked outside each Los Angeles high school.

By the time I was 15 years old and ready to buy the first car of my own choosing, it was clear that it had to be a 1940 Ford. I don't recall how many I looked at but finally I came across a convertible in Pacific Palisades that was for sale for \$195. That evening I brought my dad back and we explained to the man that this car was overpriced since it had a dent in the trunk lid and needed a few other repairs. We finally agreed that \$125 was a fair price and I became the proud new owner of the car pictured on top of the following page.

It wasn't long before I realized that 85 horsepower assured me of losing most every street race I could find. This led to the need for more horsepower as shown in the second picture of the next page. I guess that at least 3-4 engines went through that car, the biggest of which was 3.43" by 4.25". This engine lasted slightly longer than the "one-race" estimated by some of my pessimistic friends.

For reasons which make no sense today I sold that car in 1956 (for \$75) and bought a 1950 (ugh) Olds.

Shortly later I assembled a 1929 Ford Roadster for drag racing which consumed my interest (and most of my money) until I finally parted with it (sob) in 1964... in favor of a new wife!

At that point more pressing issues took precedence over automobiles... but the 40 Ford bug which had laid dormant for many years finally surfaced again in 1974 when I brought home a neat little coupe, followed by a neat little tudor,..... and finally followed by a super-neat little black convertible not much different than the first one.

LARRY CAPLAN

This article appeared in the Drive
Line in May of 1979.

Sorry Larry no room to run the pictures

MOST ACTIVE MEMBER STANDINGS

Attend a meeting and drive a 32-53 Ford	2 points
Attend a meeting	1 point
Attend a tour and drive a 32-53 Ford	2 points
Attend a tour in any other vehicle	1 point
Organize a tour	5 points
Give a program	5 points

Points standings as of October 1998

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Dave Gott	26
Al Rohrer	24
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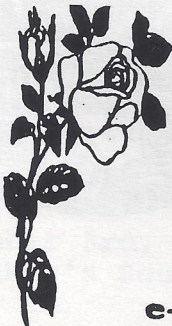
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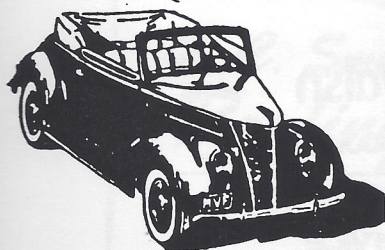
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