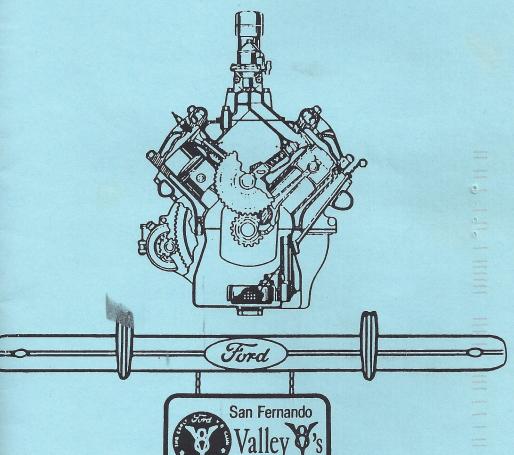
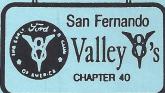


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings fellow V-8'ers,

I know that you are all preparing for the coming holidays and making plans to spend with your families. It should be extra special because of the Millenium celebrations planned everywhere.

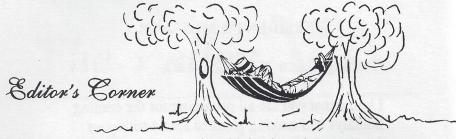
As I look back over the past year (yes, it's nearly over!) I realize how fast time is passing by. It's been a great year full of activities, fun tours and informative programs. We had good turnouts at all our meetings and tours and the Western National Meet at Dana Point was fantastic.

Our roster grew with the addition of several new members. It's great to see new faces and meet other Early Ford V=8 owners. It's wonderful to see all those gorgeous old cars in the parking lot on meeting nights and driving down the road on our tours.

It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving as President and I thank you all for your support and encouragement during the year. It's been a great experience and I appreciate the opportunity.

I look forward to next year being bigger and better than ever; and it can be with everyone pulling together. As we go to press, we still need a tour director, a program director and an editor. Please consider how you can help.

Hope to see you at the Christmas dinner and party. My best wishes to you all for a very happy and blessed holiday season.



With a couple of final hits on the old keyboard, we wrap up our term of office as editor of your newsletter. Our goal for the year ...serving in a pinch, was to not let the publication die and bring you information in a form that added a little enjoyment to your reading, while getting you involved in the process. We're pleased with what we have accomplished, but feel we have fallen short of the mark, in our efforts to solicit articles for the Drive Lines and recruit a real editor. It's been an education. We apologize for not taking some of you up on your offer to review a box of literature, or a shelf lined with esoteric reference material. Unfortunately, this stuff is not magically transformed into print for the newsletter and we did not have the time, or inclination, to wade through it and cull out the information necessary to create an article of interest to the membership. Several members did step up with tangible contributions. To Blacky Blackwell, Joe Di Fatta, Don Durkee, Alan Franklin and Dave Gott, we are grateful. Thanks also, to Patti Smith and Rose Gott, for their monthly articles ... ready to print. Virginia Wolf, too. Also, to our outgoing National Director, Wayne Taylor, for his letters keeping us aprised of the happenings at the National level. Here's hoping Dennis Keene, our newly elected national director, continues the tradition. Finally, a special thanks to Dick Smith, for his indoctrination and general support, as well as his maintaining the address label system and seeing that the newsletter is copied, labeled, posted and mailed.

Mostly, though, I want to thank Lin Kemmerer, for her support, artistic touch and invaluable assistance in this endeavor. She's the one that made things happen. Speaking of thanks, here's wishing that you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a Happy Holiday Season!

It's beeen an enriching experience. Thanks for the ride!



Dec 5

Holiday / Installation Dinner 6:30pm San Antonio Winery Vintage Room

Don Stout

Jan 20-22 National Board Meeting & Installation Banquet
San Diego ...Len Barbieri
(858) 453-0683

Feb 25-27 Tri- Clubs (San Diego EFV-8 club) Swap Meet ...Qual Com Stadium



We have just learned that Al Rohrer suffered a heart attack last Friday (11/12) and is recuperating at Northridge Hospital. Our thoughts and prayers are with Al & LuAnne, as we wish Al a speedy recovery.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

George Richards
D D 1
Ron Batesole
Nancy Beauregard
Shell Harriman
Ken Sapper
Larry Barr
Shirley Richards
Bernie 0' Farrell
Donna Paschal

SECRETARY'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2, 1999 PATTI SMITH

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by President Rose Gott. It was a beautiful fall evening with a good turn out of both people and cars. Our guests for the evening were Royce and Louise Hulsey and Jim and Sharon Nycum.

Christmas Party: Our annual Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 5th, at the San Antonio Winery. The party will start at 6:30PM with a no host bar. The cost will be \$20.00 each for members. Half of this money will be donated to charity; our charities this year are the House of Ruth, and Children of the Night. The club will pay for the remainder of the dinner.

News: Wayne Taylor, our National Secretarty/Treasurer has sent us a check for \$15.00 for signing up three

new National members.

Treasurer's Report: Lesley Littner. We have money but will spend most of it on the Christmas Party, with a small balance carried over to the New Year. See Lesley for details.

The Valley V8 2000 Board:
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We still have several offices open, call Rose Gott for more information or to volunteer.

Tours: Thursday, November 18 at 7;00PM, we will be at Dakota's Restaurant for a Murder Mystery Evening. The cost is \$30.00 each and this includes everything. Call Gerry Blackwell to sign up.

The Piru Mansion tour has been canceled at this time.

In April there will be a Spring Tour to Yosemite.

May 11 to June 3 is the Jay Harris Southwest Tour.

The Fall Tour will be to Placerville.

Programs: Dennis Keene. Our program this evening was Adventures at Hersey, PA. Five of our members recounted there trip to Hersey. Great buys, great fun and great chocolate.

Special News: Dennis Keene is the new California Representative on the National Board, congratulations Dennis.

Ladies Door Prize: Mary Durkey and Wendy Potter.

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By Joe DiFatta

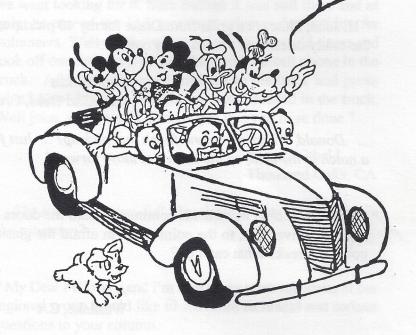
There are few things nicer than seeing a dozen happy Fords and their owners cruising down the interstates and backroads of Southern California!!

Leaving Baker's Square at 9:00 a.m., on a beautiful Saturday morning, everyone stayed in the proper lanes as we transversed LA, San Bernadino, Riverside and San Diego Counties on the 118, 210, 10 & 15 Freeways, to Temecula, where we met up with Dan Krehbiel and a couple of other cars from the area. We then proceeded to C&G. When we arrived, what turned out to be about 350 old Ford lovers (old cars, not old lovers) were parked everywhere, including the middle of the street. A D.J. was blasting great hits, from the 50s, as we spent time admiring the great Fords. We paused long enough to participate in Clyde and Gail's raffle. There were a lot of great prizes and somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1,000 was raised for two children's outreach programs.

After filling our bellies with fantastic food, donated by C&G, we said our good- byes and thank yous, and headed north on the 15, to the Deer Park Winery & Museum. ... well, most of us headed north, evidently our social secretary's husband was on sick call, when they covered map reading in basic training. Deer Park is quite a place to visit; Lots of old radios, TVs, convertibles and a room with a soda fountain, that brought back alot of great memories. There was good wine tasting, too.

Finally, back to Temecula and the Ramada Inn. Following breakfast, the next morrning, we headed out to Bonnie& Dan Krehbiel's beautiful Spanish style home, garages and barn. Dan moved the barn from Hemet, in pieces and put it on the lower end of his 5 acres. It's a sight to see. I'll tell ya about it, and Dan's original '39 standard coupe, the next time I see you. We had a lot of first timers on the tour, who really enjoyed it.Be sure you sign up for our next tour, coming soon.

We're on our way to the Holiday Party!



DECEMBER 5, 1999 SUNDAY 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. VINTAGE ROOM

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The Last of LOBO ...



* Hi John, I just got a grille from Drake for my'40 pickup and the safety catch won't hook. How come?

Don Durkee Thousand Oaks, CA

... Donald, When you gonna finish that pick up? ... Just file a notch in the grill, so the latch can move forward.

* Dear Mr. Lobo, My friends continually slam the doors on my '53 convertible, to the point that I'm afraid the glass is going to break, What can I do?

A.B. Westlake, CA

... Get new friends, or get rid of the car.

* Hi John, I didn't get my last issue of the *Drive Lines*. How come?

Craig Lapair North Hills, CA

... I think you have the wrong John. You should be talking to the editor, or publisher. I understand though that they're trying to keep postage costs down.

Continued ...

... Lobo (cont'd)

* Hey, John, I forgot to ask you this earlier, when I wrote about my Grille. Last month when Mary and I were headed back to Hershey, we were cruzin through Iowa and it was an ungodly hot afternoon. I remembered an old deserted swimming hole, where we used to hang out, when I was a runt. So we went looking for it. Sure enough it was still there and as quiet as one of our V-8 meetings, when we're looking for volunteers. Well we thought we'd relive some old times and took off our clothe and locked them and our cell phone in the truck. After our dip, we went back to the truck and guess what? Yup! My keys were in my pants, locked in the truck. Well john, what would a smart guy like you have done?

Name Witheld Thousand Oaks, CA

... The same thing you did! Bye the way, how did you handle the situation?

*My Dear Fellow, I, and I'm sure many other members of our regional group would like to see more technical and serious questions in your column.

R.G. Sun Valley, CA

... So would I!

Let me save you from drowning, said the monkey to the fish, as he put him up in a tree.

CRANBERRY NUT BREAD

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 cup butter or margarine
1 egg
3/4 cup orange juice
1 tablespoon grated orange peel
1 1/2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries
1/2 chopped walnuts

In a bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and baking soda. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Beat egg, orange juice and peel; stir into dry ingredients just until blended. Add the cranberries and walnuts. Spoon into a greased and floured loaf pan. Bake at 350° for 65-70 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool in pan 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely.



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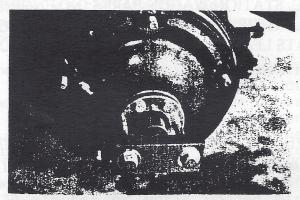
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