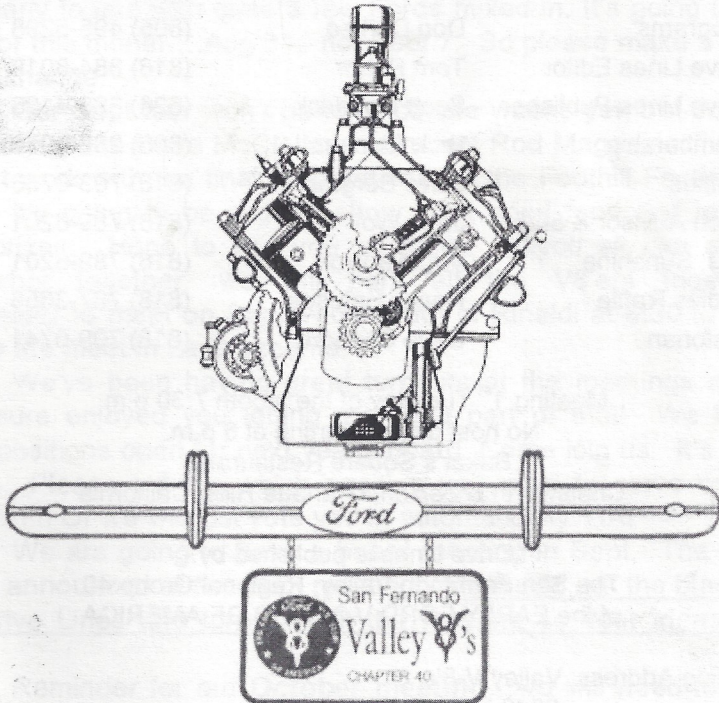




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Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month 7:30 p.m.  
No host dinner starting at 6 p.m.  
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## Greetings from President Ken — September 2005 —



Hi Ford Friends!

Our Aug. meeting is now on the books and I just can't believe Sept. is almost here. Joanie and I have been keeping busy with our Fords at weekly car shows. Our big event for Aug. was the Big Bear Fun Run. We parked next to the Boskovich's. Steve was previewing his "new early Ford truck" that we heard about last fall. Steve's choice of paint was outstanding, a "black cherry" that's brilliant in the sun. Good job Steve! This year it was a rain free event...yea!

The Twilight cruises also have a wonderful mix of cars, from early to late with quite a few Fords mixed in. It's going to be early for this month....Aug 31, not Sept 7. So please make a note of this change.

Our Sept tour won't be for a couple weeks yet, but Joanie and I along with Dave McClelland from Hot Rod Magazine TV are hard at work with the final preparations for the Foothill Festival of Cars. It's going to be a great show, with good food and lots of door prizes. Hope to see you all there. If you all can arrive somewhat together, we will park all the V8'ers together. Remember to meet on Sepulveda south of Rinaldi at 8:30 to tour over to the meet in La Crescenta.

We've been having great turnouts at the meetings and I have sure enjoyed you letting me be a part of that! We have some positions open for next year's board. Come join us. It's a lot of fun. Please tell me which position you want to serve or co-serve on!!! Or we will just vote you in automatically. HA!

We are going to have a board meeting in Sept. The date will be announced at the Sept meeting. Please fill out the blank in this Drive Lines and turn it in at the meeting so your ideas will count.

Reminder for our **October meeting**...we will need lots of good parts to bring in good money. This is the night of our **yearly auction** (our main fund raiser). Please be thinking about what you can donate! Durkee will handle the heavy stuff, with DiFatta on the microphone.

See you all at the next meeting!

Your Prez,  
*Kenny*

## NEXT MEETING

We will meet on **Tuesday, SEPT. 6** at **Baker's Square** at Zelzah and Chatsworth Streets in Granada Hills. The meeting usually starts at **7:30 p.m.**

Come at 6 p.m. and have dinner with V-8 friends. Drive those beautiful cars to Bakers Square. We are breaking all kinds of records. We had 20 early Fords at the August-meeting. It was an impressive line up in the parking lot! Keep 'em coming!

## Calendar Items on the Local and Western National Scene

**September Tour: Foothill Festival of Cars, Sat., September 10. Please meet at us at 8:30 a.m. sharp at Sepulveda and Rinaldi.** Polish up that V-8 for the tour to La Crescenta along the 405 and 210 freeways. The show address is 4441 La Crescenta Ave. This is a fairly short, beautiful run through the hills of the northern San Fernando Valley to the Foothill Baptist Church. The Festival is sponsored in part by Meguiar's and many prizes will be given away to participants, including bags of wax and polish, 21 classes of cars, and lots of tire-kickin' fun. President Ken says that our cars will be parked together. That, in my opinion, will be a huge draw for visitors to this well attended show. Please see tear-out in the August Drive Lines and send in your \$25 ASAP. Info, call Kenny Sapper at (818) 362-5865.

**Western National Meet for 2005** is going to be held this year in Keystone, Colorado **Sept 12 – 16.** For information, call:

**36<sup>th</sup> Annual All-Ford Picnic, La Palma Park, Anaheim on Sunday, October 2. 8 a.m.- 3 p.m.** Registration \$20 per car. No pre-registration. Coffee and donuts served in a.m. Awards at 2 p.m. Info call: (714) 538-3937.

**Annual Club BBQ** will be held at Don Durkee's home in Thousand Oaks in October. Date to be announced.

There will be a tour up to **Ft. Tejon for a Civil War Reenactment** on a date to be announced by Steve Boskovich's. Likely to be early November.

The Diamond Jubilee **2007 Western National Meet** in honor of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Henry Ford's 1932 Flathead V-8 will be held right here in the Sunny Southland! The Palomar Mountain V-8s will host on **June 11 – 15, 2007 in Temecula.** The event

venue will be the Pechanga Four Diamond Resort. This will be HUGE and we want to start planning for it now. **Now is the time to start getting every nut and bolt in place so you can get all those awards!** Does anyone want to spearhead our involvement? Please contact Kenny Sapper if you do. Details to follow. If you wish to become involved in the planning, please contact Jay Harris at 4265 Via El Corado, Falbrook CA, 92028.

### Get Those Ballots In!

Balloting for national directors: The ballots were included in the V-8 Times. **Do not forget to vote!** There are some important issues in our National Club this year and there are different points of view among the members running for office.



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## Strombergs May Be Back in Production Soon

Prez, Kenny recently got the following letter from Ed & Clive at Stromberg, a new company in England. They are a couple of guys who have been spending a lot of time recently building and perfecting production of that great old Stromberg 97 carburetor. This carb was one of the favorites of Ford guys, starting in the '30s, who wanted "a little more" from their flatheads. We'll keep you posted as the news comes in. Here's the latest:

Just when we were starting to believe that the all-new Stromberg 97 was actually a mirage on the Bonneville horizon, we finally got to stick a prototype on a real engine. It's the first all-new 97 in 50 years and here's the proof. Check out the blurred fan! Suffice to say it fired up the first time and ran like a train, accompanied by the sound of middle-aged men muttering expletives and slapping each other on the back. Thanks to Belcher Engineering for that one.

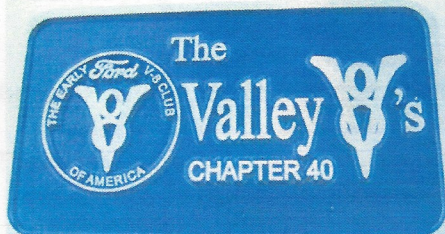
Since then, we've been fettling (fine-tuning sand molds) the zinc cast tooling to get the lettering and a few other things perfect. We've been finalizing our 12 month Limited Warranty, printing instruction leaflets, signing up dealers, talking to a US fulfillment warehouse and sending genuine Stromberg service parts to the USA, Canada, UK, Australia, Greece, Norway and Finland.

Please See **Stromberg**, Continued on page 12



## Valley V-8s Plaques!

A new batch of Valley V-8 Club Plaques are being ordered soon. Be sure to get one or two for yourself by signing up with Jerry Littner. The cost is estimated to be between \$22 - \$25.00



depending on how many we purchase. It's been nearly ten years since the last run of our plaques. Don't miss out on this opportunity. We will request payment in advance from everyone, as the club will not stock this item. Contact Jerry to get

on the list - he'll let you know when payment is due. (818) 597-9016 / (818) 632-9017. Sign up NOW. The order goes in soon!

## Tentative Slate of Club Officers for 2006

These names are under consideration for the board for 2006. We are still hoping that there are several members who would like to serve on the board. None of the work is very hard, but you do need to be willing to do a job that is important to us all and that takes just a few hours per week. Please let us know if you are interested in any of the positions below and if you would like to work with or co-chair one of the people listed below:

Pres _____	Ken Sapper
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Ladies Raffles _____	Nancy Batesole
Drive Lines Editor _____	? _____
Drive Lines Publishing Team _____	? _____ ? _____



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## Telephone, Printer and other Items for the Club Auction

Here's one that may interest anyone who wants to create an "ambiance" in their home or shop. It's a military style telephone, designed to look like an office or field phone of the sort that was used in the 1950's but it has modern, working internals a speaker and push buttons. It is designed to mount on a wall or it can sit flat on a table or desk. The hand set black plastic, looks strictly 1930's and a bit heavy, and the case is wood, The best part is, that it works! Come take a look.

The Printer is an Epson CX3200 ink jet printer with years of new ink cartridges. Start the bidding high on this one. There 's more! Come ready to buy.

## Cal and Nancy Beauregard and Their '39 Convertible Sedan

Cal and Nancy Beauregard, our members for many years, are at it again. A look at pages 63 through 66 in the new V-8 Times (July-August, 2005) is all the evidence you need to know that they haven't slowed down much in spite of the temperatures in Montana in the winter.

The last time I saw Cal's beautiful '39 convertible sedan was at the Ford 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festivities in Dearborn in June 2003, when Wendi and I were visiting the mid-west. Well, here is that same car in one photo after another as he took part in the Big Sky Spring Tour in May of this year in Gallatin Gateway, Montana. The reason "spring" means May in Montana is that you don't have to heat the key with a match to thaw out the door locks by that time of year.

The history of Gallatin Gateway, which is Cal's address, is in the article as is a description of his talk on the history of the Ford products he managed in the '50s and '60s. I remember his very entertaining talk to our club called "Presidents, Popes and Potentates." It was complete with a first rate slide show including photos of huge Lincolns, armored in some cases, that were limos for the major players on the international scene of the time. It also included his description of how he tried to pick up Nancy for the first time at a bus stop in a Ford convertible. I believe she refused a ride with him, but said that if he was interested enough, he would find out where she lived. He did, had flowers delivered to her and, as they say, the rest is history.

The banquet for the Big Sky Tour featured Cal. You will enjoy the description on P. 66. Remember the story about the Lincoln in which President Kennedy was shot in Dallas? No one, as I recall, wanted to ride in that blue convertible after that fateful day. The secret service had it painted black and, of course it was used after that date. Cal's explanation to those who asked, was that he recalled the President's car in Dallas was blue. This Lincoln, he pointed out was black! *Enjoy! TP*



## George Richards' Skyliner The Ford Hardtop that Converts



1957 was a good year for Ford and this beauty is no exception. They built a huge variety of great looking cars with unusual paint jobs that included this hard top coupe that could become a convertible.

George bought this green and white Skyliner in part because it was so unusual. With the touch of a button, the steel top would rise up and fold itself into the trunk and in seconds it was a great looking convertible. It is top-of-the-line in every way with full power and almost no down sides.

Many, my self included may have thought that all these extra moving parts would just be nothing but trouble, but that is not the case.

For the first year or so that George and his family used the Skyliner, they drove it as they would any other car. Then he realized that he indeed had something valuable and started to use the car with great care. For the next 40 years he was putting on an average of about 1500 miles / year. It now has 68,000 original miles and he knows that for sure because he has had the keys "in his pocket" for all that time.

The car is vintage '57 with the 312-T bird engine and full power equipment, which means power steering and brakes, power windows and locks and power driver's seat. It has a twelve-volt generator, which doesn't cause a problem even though everything is electric, not hydraulic, and that includes the complex but reliable top lowering mechanism.

The top is the most novel feature of the car (see photo). It is totally electric using seven relays and an electric motor driving various jackscrews through what George says are "over-grown speedometer cables.

Please see **Skyliner**, Continued on Page 14

## Rose and Dave Gott Ask for Our Help

Operation Gratitude is an all-volunteer non-profit organization with the sole purpose of supporting our troops overseas. The main task done by volunteers who meet at the National Guard Armory in Van Nuys, is to collect and sort donated items. They then pack the items in boxes to be sent to as many service members as possible. To date, more than 70,000 boxes have been shipped.

There is a long list of corporate sponsors and many individuals who supply items that are on a "wish list". These include CD's, DVD's, Girl Scout Cookies, board games, cards, beef jerky and dried fruits and nuts, candy, gum and mints, tee shirts and caps, socks, toiletries and seasonal items and personal notes and letters. The letters and drawings from school children are especially enjoyed by the troops.

Thank you notes and email are received from these soldiers. They say how wonderful it is to know that strangers are thinking of them and appreciate all the sacrifices they have made and the job they are doing.

Rose and Dave Gott have been involved with Operation Gratitude for more than a year and enjoy being able to contribute their time to this cause. You can help by saving your used printer cartridges and cell phones which are recycled and the money paid for them is used to offset the cost of postage for items sent overseas.

Another way to help is to write some notes or letters in your spare time and they will be included in the boxes sent for the Holiday Drive. Also, Rose has some "support our troops" pins being offered for a donation of \$3, which also offsets the postage. You can go online at **Operation Gratitude. Com** and learn more about this program and read mail from the troops.

*Rose and Dave Gott have asked Drive Lines for a one-shot boost to this charitable organization. Our board has not voted specifically to support Operation Gratitude, but Drive Lines does wish to make this information available for member's use. It sounds like a worthy cause. Thanks, TP.*

## Planning for Next Year

President Ken is planning a board meeting for September with dates to be announced soon. As a planning tool for the 2006 year, we are asking members to write their ideas below and bring this page to the September 6 meeting. We will collect them and tabulate the information for the board. We hope to report back to you in the near future about the results. THANKS!  
*Ken and Tom.*

1. We would like some **new tour ideas**. Please give us two or more (use the back) possibilities that you feel would be of interest to the club for 2006.

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Should our tours be longer (more than 100 miles? or shorter? (Local area)

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Would you be interested in an over-night tour in which we would book rooms in a motel? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you enjoy touring to a place of historical interest? \_\_\_\_\_. If so, where would you like to go? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What kind of **meeting programs** do you like? \_\_\_\_\_

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What people or topics would be of interest to present at our meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Would a "Ladies Night Out" be of interest? Where might we hold such an event? \_\_\_\_\_ What might the program be? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Would you like to host or co-host a club event, either at your home in an area near where you live? \_\_\_\_\_

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## Larry Caplan's '40 Standard Tudor Wins Car of the Month



Larry has owned this black beauty for over 20 years. It is exceptionally solid with low mileage given its 65-year life span. The paint and the engine / drive train are original. Larry

believes that these components may qualify for Rouge consideration, although he has no plans at present to seek that recognition.

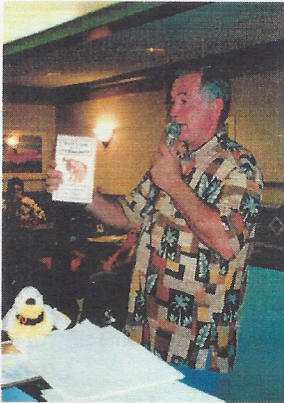
The car has an interesting history. It sat in a barn for many years. Then, back in the early '80s, a man in San Dimes bought it with the intention of fixing it up. In about a two-year period, he got as far as a new interior and new tires, but was unable to complete the work, and in about 1985 he advertised it for sale.

It seems that at the time, Larry's sons had jobs with the LA Times folding papers. On Saturdays, they would fold the whole paper except the national news and the sports sections. This gave the boys a chance to bring their dad most of the paper on Saturday even before it hit the streets. By this means Larry got "first crack" at the "Autos For Sale" section. He saw this '40 standard advertised, called the owner and bought the car the same day.

It turns out that the car runs beautifully and hasn't given Larry any problems. Specifically, he put a 4 lb. cap on the radiator and an anti - electrolyte additive in the water. John Wolf says that the additive, now called Pal-Cool 3000\* (see page 15) is an anti-electrolyte designed to be used with distilled water. It reduces build-up in the cooling system where dissimilar metals are working in contact with each other. It is effective, for example, when you have aluminum heads on an iron block. Larry says it may drop the coolant temp in his car by perhaps 10 degrees, which is enough to get you out of many hot weather situations. The main job of combinations like this is to keep the cooling system clean.

Please See **Car of the Month**, Continued on Page 15

## Charlie Butler Entertains with his Stories and Poetry



Charlie came in with a whole bunch of stories and poetry for us to enjoy last Tuesday meetin' time. He told us about Playin' Dead, the one about an old Ford tractor. Then there was Old Beautiful, about how proud we all are of the American flag. Breakfast Nook was about mom and dad and Chancing It was about a Model A Ford which took us on a long ride back into the '30s. His work touches the heart and soul in all of us, It gets us back to what it was like and how it

felt back when we were kids, perhaps on a farm in a time when things happened a little slower than they do now.

Here's a part of Charlie's Old Brown about a '42 Ford truck and it's twenty years on the farm complete with Henry's flathead V-8 pullin' all those loads of cattle, hay and wheat. We don't often do eulogies to old trucks, but it is worth repeating what Charlie wrote about Old Brown:

Old Brown was mostly cranky  
(You'd better treat her right)  
Check her water with your hanky,  
You bet, she would bite.

Brown did harvest years beyond  
(More run down than before)  
Other trucks had come and gone,  
Just a junkyard eyesore.

Brown's turn came in sixty-two  
We were both just twenty)  
She's on a hill with a view,  
And I miss her plenty.

So here's to you Old Brown, goodbye,  
I hear the General say,  
"Old Ford trucks never die,  
They just fade away." CB

*Thanks Charlie. We all appreciate your thoughts and the way you tell us about how it used to be. TP*

## Secretary's Minutes

**Date:** August 2, 2005

**Meeting Place:** Baker's Square

**Start Time:** 7:35 p.m.

**Adjournment Time:** 9:10 p.m.

**Meeting Leader:** Kenny

**Carl's Car Count:** 20 fantastic cars

**Introduction of Guests: Welcome all!**

- Jerome Ruzicka, friend of several Club members
- Jim & Sandra Good - 33 Fordor (street rod)
- John Farrar-"missing member in action." John's 3-window is being displayed at the Peterson Museum until October.
- Don Zabel's grandson Garret
- Gerry & Blacky Blackwell's grandson Derek, and Julie Blackwell

**President's Notes: Kenny Sapper**

- After a few old jokes (which had us all laughing, especially the one Lesley Littner read for the Prez.) -Update on NASCAR .
- 2006 Officers - Drive Lines Editor & Drive Lines Publisher.

**Treasurer's Report: Ingvar Carlson:**

Swede was out, but all is well.

**Announcements:**

- Fuddruckers is closed, but Cocos is open to cars on Thursday evenings, at the corner of Colorado & Michillinda.
- Calabasas Pumpkin Festival / car show, Sunday October 23. For more info: calabasaspumpkinfestival.com
- Dave Bergman thanks everyone for your responsiveness to his dad, Art, who had a minor stroke the end of June.
- Darryl Thomas had some antique items available
- Rancho San Antonio Car Show in Chatsworth, Sun. August 28th.
- Palomar Regional Group will host the National Meet in 2007: details later on.

**Tours: Steve Boskovich**

Please See page 2

**Car of the Month:**

Congratulations to Larry Caplan and his '40 Standard Tudor

**Drive Prize :**

Congratulations to John Wolf.

**Raffle Winners:**

Ladies: Rose Gott and guest Sandra Good

Name Badge: Prez. Kenny Sapper

50/50 Drawing: Jim Kelley

Minutes submitted by Wendi Potter, filling in for the Doudricks



## **Stromberg**, Continued from Page 4

We hope to have finished carbs on the flow-bench and dyno testing in September. Art Chrisman in California has offered to help us on that one, so you know you can trust the figures.

### **Better than original**

Thought you'd like a tour of our new 97 major castings. The all-new genuine Stromberg 97 air horn is not only mirror flat, but also comes with extra meat around the float bowl cover to help prevent warping. Did anyone say 'No leaks?'

The all-new bowl castings now have the lettering on them. There was no official spec for any of the lettering so we scanned a few examples into the computer and generated our own type font to get it right. Eagle-eyed viewers might notice the deliberate mistake. On this sample, the lettering on the left is actually the P21942 mark that goes under the air horn. It's already fixed.

And the new cast iron base is an improved base with the early shape, but late model circuits built-in for improved off-idle response. Only one person asked about that at the Indy Show. Vic Edelbrock Jr - he obviously knows his stuff!

After three underwhelming pattern making attempts, and a giant bag of scrap castings, we decided to commission new 3D CAD base models and move to new 'investment cast' tooling, which provides a far superior surface finish. This is the prototype.

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To make life easier for you, all our service parts are available in easy-to-order kits. Click here to check out the full range. They're all available in the USA and Scandinavia from dealers you can trust. And they're all backed a full 12-month warranty. Here are a few comments from recent customers.

**"I had a guy call the other day looking for 4 NOS shafts. I convinced him to give yours a try and he called back after receiving them just to tell me how nice they were and he ended up buying more parts."** - *Kansas*

**"Just received the parts from you and they look fabulous. The packaging, products and service are all first rate! I'm really inspired now to do one this weekend." - Melbourne, Australia**

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## Skyliner, continued from page 7

In 1972 the car was repainted and has not needed any significant body work ever done. It also received new interior upholstery at about same time.

It has been a very reliable car requiring nothing more than the normal service and almost no breakdowns. Well, there was the time George loaded a suitcase carelessly into the trunk, then put the top down and in going down, it caught the suitcase and jammed. This is easy to do, as the usable trunk is a big bin in the middle of what would normally be the trunk. Load it carefully and keep everything flat inside the bin and you have no problems when the top goes down. But oops, when you don't do that, then you have to take your time to get everything right again.

George tells us that there is a series of five videotapes that explain what you have to do to keep everything well adjusted and what to do when it doesn't go as planned. It's not that complicated, it just has to be handled carefully.

*It could be said that this car is a little like a good woman, Take care of the relationship and she will last a lifetime and give you much joy and pleasure along the way. Get careless and treat her roughly, and things can go downhill pretty fast. Thanks for sharing your unusual car, George. You have a beauty, one that we all can appreciate. OK, it's not a flathead V-8, but it's thoroughly a Ford and one that we all appreciate. TP*



## September Birthdays

7<sup>th</sup> Tomy Thompson

11<sup>th</sup> Mary Jane Watson

11<sup>th</sup> Patti Smith

12<sup>th</sup> Richard Gise

13<sup>th</sup> Ann Caplan



18<sup>th</sup> Ingvar Carlson

18<sup>th</sup> Dick Smith

30<sup>th</sup> Debby Farrar

30<sup>th</sup> Sal Piscopo

## Car of the Month, Continued from page 9

One feature of the car, that is rare in our experience, is the original Ford inner trim rings. We often see the narrow outer trim rings, but these fit outside the hubcaps covering almost all of the painted surface of the wheel. These are unique and made by Henry!

Larry swears by his Optima battery. The car has the same one he put in 12 years ago and it still starts right up even when it has been sitting for a long time. Larry calls himself "a believer when it comes to Optima's," especially, when the car sits for months

You may notice paint damage on the front left fender in the photo. That is the result of the 1994 earthquake when things that were stored near the car fell on it inside the garage. There are other places where the paint is thin and the running boards are worn all of which are signs that the car is original and has been used as it is supposed to be and yet it is in beautiful condition.

This car has been on a number of tours including a run to Sequoia and up to towns near San Jose. Each trip was over 350 miles one way.

*Thanks for bringing your beautiful car to the meeting, Larry. It represents the best in the spirit of factory original cars that have been well preserved. It is inspiring to see such an original beauty.*

*\*Pal-Cool 3000 is available at Peterbuilt shops. You would need about 1 1/2 pints for our flathead cooling systems. Call John Wolf, our tech advisor for his experience with this combination. He "swears by it!" TP*



## Swede's Sweet Deals for September or Buyer Beware!

Our Treasurer has been out looking around for Flathead Fords that are 4-sale. Are these cars priced just a little high, or perhaps lower than they should be? What is the market like this month anyway? You decide:

'36 Ford 5 window coupe. Body-off restoration in 2004. All stock except juice brakes. Alternator, perfect body, paint and upholstery, maroon w / original style interior, serious buyers only! Wayne, \$19,500 (916) 967-6802.

'38 Ford Fordor. Body-off restoration, 21 stud flathead. 3 speed, light gray exterior, gray cord interior, \$15,500. (661)942-7259.

'53 Ford Victoria Crestline. 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Flathead V-8, overdrive, nice inside and out. Burgundy w/white top. New tires and fender skirts. 78k. \$12,999 OBO. (909)518-5208.



### For Sale

**For Sale:** 1940 Ford Deluxe Opera Coupe; Former AACA National Senior Division Winner in 1992. All Steel; Original car. Factory installed radio, Original factory installed hot air heater. Baron LaBoney Interior. Correct



Garnet Maroon. Optional grill guards and bumper tips. Sat for a few years, so just recently spent \$9,000 refreshing brakes, hydraulics, fuel system, cooling system upgraded to Skip Haney formula. Electronic 6-volt Distributor housed in stock dist body. New Diamondback wide whitewall Radial Tires. Gorgeous top level driver. Asking \$41,500 Call Ken at (626) 358-1754 or e-mail at [cat347@earthlink.net](mailto:cat347@earthlink.net)

**For Sale:** Reproduction Mullins trailer, 32 wheels and fenders. Very nice Don Underwood (818) 246-4560.

**For Sale:** 1930 Model A roadster, older restoration, Crager OHV, Borg-Warner overdrive, black / apple green wheels, LeBaron-Boney interior. Allan Franklin, (818) 842-2230

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## Car of the Month

Larry C... '40 Standard Tudor

