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## **DriveLines, February 2007**

Message from Steve:

Please feel free to send any input to this publication to me via email at <a href="mailto:sbatesole@aol.com">sbatesole@aol.com</a>, or via snail mail to Steve Batesole, 6627 McLennan Ave, Van Nuys, CA 91406-5540. Email is preferred, due to the ease of processing the submission. Thanks

**Next Meeting:** Baker's Square on Chatsworth. Tuesday, March 6, 2007. Meeting business starts at 7, program at 8. Usual place and time. The program will be a presentation on the "new styling of cars" exemplified in English Fords as seen by Joe D'Virgilio on a recent visit there. Don't miss it!

Don't Forget That Membership Dues Are Almost Past Due -- Last Call for Dues- - ...Dick Stones will be happy to receive your renewal. He needs all of them to be able to finish the roster. So either mail your \$28 check or bring your checkbook to the next meeting. Dick Stones, 1405 Valley High Ave., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

**Next Tour:** Laughlin was going to be our next outing, but I've been informed that the tour has been cancelled, as we were about 18 people shy of the requirement. As this was to be our March Tour, there now won't be one this month...

**Upcoming Tours:** April 15 ·· Club Tour to the Astor Museum. A collection of some 300 cars along with antique telephone and other memorabilia. \$35 per person which includes lunch. Details from Steve Boskovich.

May 7 -- Club Tour to Santa Paula Airport, where our cars will be on display as part of the monthly airport open house. Details to follow...

May 19 -- Route 66 trip to Barstow. Details to follow...

### **Previous Meeting's Minutes:**

Secretary's Minutes Date: Feb. 6, 2007

Meeting Place: Baker's Square Meeting Leader: Steve Batesole

Carl's Car Count: 12

Start Time: 7:15 Adjournment Time: 9:25

Introduction of Guests: Rich Carter and his wife Lynn from Chicago. Scott Doudrick introduced his father. Ken Sapper introduced Joan's parents. There were some past presidents at the meeting, sorry I could not hear their names.

Treasurer's Report: Wendy Potter: We have \$2102 in the treasury. We sent donations to The Guide Dogs of America and Angels Flight Assistance League and received thank you letters from them.

Tours: Steve Boskovich: Steve said we need more people to sign up for the Laughlin trip, March 23-25, so please ask your friends. Gerry Blackwell reminded us the Ladies Night Out to a play in Ventura is Feb. 26 and she needs to know tonight who is going. Helen Baker told us the Route 66 trip to Barstow is May 19. She will have trivia questions about Route 66 for us at each meeting before the trip. We will go through Victorville to Barstow and visit Harvey House Museum. More information next meeting. The first trivia question was "How many states did Route 66 cross?" Saturday Feb. 10 is the outing to the Peterson Auto Museum. We will meet at Woodley Park at 9A.M.

Announcements: Scott passed a list of restaurants around and asked us to sign up for the ones we would be willing to check out. Steve said we still need an editor and publisher for the Drive Lines. The shirts with Steve's car pictured on it are here and available for \$10 each

Car of the Month: Don Stout 1940 Deluxe Coupe

Drive Prize (for bringing your V8 to the meeting): Jim Albert

Program for the Evening: Harold Osmer, author of three books on racing, gave a slide show of old time racing pictures. He told us many interesting facts about racing in L.A. in the early 1900's. The L.A. Speedway was in Beverly Hills at Wilshire and Beverly. The

Gilmore Stadium was at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Fairfax from 1934 to 1950. C.B.S. was built there in 1950. El Cajon combined jalopy and midget racing. Ascot Park ran everything from 1957 to 1990. Seaside Park in Ventura started as a horse racing track. Riverside track is known for 1960's stock cars. Saugus Speedway closed mid season 1995. Harold Osmer's books are: Saugus Speedway Scrapbook, Real Road Racing [about Santa Monica 1909-1919], and Where They Raced Lap 2 [auto racing history in So. Cal. ] You can find out more about Harold and his books at <a href="www.hopublishing.com/">www.hopublishing.com/</a> Another site you might like to check out is <a href="www.lacar.com/">www.lacar.com/</a> There are many sections to check. Don't miss Articles.

Raffle Winners:

Ladies: Sue Boskovich and Leana Osmer

Name Badge: Bruce Hutchinson 50/50 Drawing: \$93 Tom Potter

#### **Club Tour to The Peterson Automotive Museum**

Those club members who were able to join in on the tour of the Peterson Museum were treated to a very informative and enjoyable trip through the facility, lead by our own Barry Bernholtz. Thank you, Barry, for arranging this for us. I'm certain it was an unforgettable experience for all.

## Ladies' Night Out -- by Nancy Batesole

Several ladies from our own San Fernando V8's and from the Ventura V8's enjoyed a delightful evening out Monday, Feb. 26. We began with a grand dining experience at the Westside Cellar Café, an exceptionally good restaurant with fabulous fusion cuisine. We next ventured to the Rubicon Theater to enjoy the one-woman show "A Woman of Independent Means" which was expertly performed by Susan Clark. The show is based on the book of the same title authored by Elizabeth Forsythe Hailey. The story began at the close of the 19th century and took us through almost the entire 20th century by way of correspondence of friends and family of the author's grandmother. It was a splendid outing and I think we ladies of the V8 should have more of them. Many Thanks to Gerry Blackwell for organizing the event.

# **Classified Ads:**

#### For Sale:

Custom made tow bar for 1932 to 1934 Fords. It bolts to the front frame rails and has a standard hitch to take a 1.75 inch ball. \$50

Set of four 16" Kelsey Hayes "bent spoke" wheels. Make Fair Offer

1939 Ford complete steering box, column, lock, and nice banjo wheel.

Pair of 1939 Mercury bumpers.

Single 1941 Ford bumper, requires straightening and chroming

Single 1942-1948 bumper. Please call regarding any of these

1934 Ford factory built tow truck. Ford built a few of these "service bodies" from 1931-1934. Rolling chassis with 21 stud block. Unrusted cab with uncut firewall. NEEDS EVERYTHING! It still has the painted Ford script on the doors with the name of the Los Angeles Ford dealer "J. A. Nadeau". \$2000

Wanted: A two car garage to rent in the North Valley.

Also, a 1939 Mercury metal transmission cover. 1940 would work.

To inquire about any of the above, please contact Gordie Chamberlin, (213) 482-4673, or at gordies1@verizon.net

Steve's Closing Note: Editor/Publisher position(s) still available...