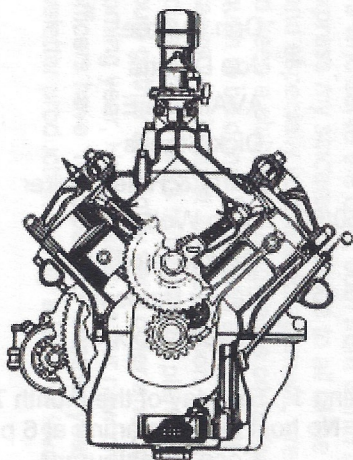




December 2007

"Our 37th Year"



Drive Lines



Illnesses in the Club: Virginia Wolf

Dick Gise had a 4 way bypass this week. We wish you well Dick and Pat. Speedy recovery.

Tomy Thompson had a 3 way bypass a few weeks ago. Hope your recovery is going well Tomy.

Lin Kemmerer has been under the weather and has been in St Josephs Hospital. Hope you are better now Lin.

Al Porter has some sort of blood disease. We understand he was at the meeting and left. Hope your treatments are going well Al.

(Virginia sends cards to members as our "Ms. Sunshine". Thank you Virginia for doing such a great job!)

Next Month's program: The Valley V8 Holiday Party at Monterey at Encino. December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Social hour begins at 6pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

SINCE THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH IS JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, OUR FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR WILL BE **JANUARY 8, 2008**

The Evening Program: Scott Doudrick: A show and tell to update us on the Mars Projects.

Scott described what was happening with the Mars Exploration Rovers (MER), amazingly still going years after their expected life on Mars.

Scott discussed the mission of the project he has most recently been working on "Phoenix". It should land on Mars in late May '08 seeking water/ice layers and further proof there may have been life on the red planet.

Scott also gave us a brief update on the repairs being done on the International Space Station, and showed us satellite photos of the fires burning in Southern California.

Thank you Scott for sharing your expertise, knowledge and insight. We very much enjoyed and appreciate!

Car of the Month: Steve Batesole's '36 Pick-up. It was his Dad's truck, so it has been in the family!

Carl's Car Count: 9 Cars this meeting.

Car in the Parking Lot: Wendi Potter's '53 Crestline Convertible

<u>Raffles Winners:</u>	Ladies	50/50	Name	Badge
	Helen Baker	Harry Baker	Lois	Bergman
	Joan Sapper			

**A HUGE, HUGE THANK YOU TO STEVE BATESOLE FOR HIS YEAR AS PRESIDENT OF THE VALLEY V8'S. STEVE, YOU DID A TREMENDOUS JOB !!! A MERE THANK YOU IS NOT NEARLY ENOUGH!**

**Steve's Closing Note:** It is axiomatic in the field of Geometry that "three points define a plane". Just as a three-legged stool will always sit flat on any surface without rocking or tipping (that's why camera tripods have three legs), so too three stationary points can become a solid resting place for just about any object. There are, within our club, three people whose service to the club has been a constant throughout the years (of my membership, at least!). Regardless of official standing, they've always been there, guiding, assisting, suggesting, arranging, cooperating, and generally helping out. If you ever want to find out what's going on in the club, one of these guys would be who to ask. I'm speaking (in no particular order) of Joe DiFatta, Steve Boskovich, and Don Durkee. Thanks for everything, guys.





## DriveLines, December 2007

**Greetings:** This has been an interesting year, full of notable things. The club has had many interesting tours, a change of meeting location, and fascinating programs at meetings, to name a few. None of which could have come to pass without the dedicated efforts of those members who serve the club, both from within the officer cadre, but also from without. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all of the "officers and others" in the club who supported me this year. Your efforts, and especially your encouragement, are more appreciated than I can truly say. The amount of individual energy required to keep a club like ours going is considerable, and while it may be true that "many hands make light work", there is still much to be done. So thanks again to all who "lent a hand". Thanks to all the officers for not only taking up their necessary tasks with interest and dedication, but also for going beyond the "call of duty" to make participation in this club such a pleasure. Thanks to those who planned tours, events, outings, programs, and presentations so that, as a club, we could gather and enjoy each other and our favorite cars (and trucks, of course!). It is gratifying for me to know that, in the coming year, Harry Baker, as our new president, will continue to enjoy similar support and encouragement, as many of the officers have "re-upped" for another year. The only positions still up for grabs are Editor and Publisher of this tome. Newsletter production is truly a labor of love, where love and labor vary inversely...

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, January 8th. The actual "first Tuesday" will have been New Year's Day Night. We'll go ahead and give ourselves a week to recover... As always (lately) it'll be at Coco's, corner of Farralone and Sherman Way (1 block west of Topanga). "no host" dinner at 6, meeting starts at 7 or so, have to be finished by 9:30, 'cause the restaurant closes at 10 and they want to be done cleaning up. Please come support our club.

### Upcoming Tours:

Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> -- Holiday Party and Officer Installation! At Encino Glen. I hope you've made your reservations in a timely manner. It promises to be the event of the season! Coctails and fellowship at 6:00, dinner and fun to follow. Please don't forget to bring an unwrapped toy to place on the Santa Table for a needy child.

**Previous Meeting's Minutes:** Many Thanks to Wendi Potter for "standing in the gap" and doing secretary duty while Karen's wrist heals. Karen is looking forward to taking up the pen once again, after the cast comes off!

November 6, 2007

7:30 Welcome by President Steve Batesole

Introduction of Guests: Fred Albrect, Stewart Campbell & Dave Dwyhalo

### Announcements:

1. Our next gathering is the annual Valley V8 Holiday Party at Monterey at Encino, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Dave Bergman with any questions.
2. Dick Stones is now collecting membership dues for 2008. He has forms for new and renewals.
3. Gordy Chamberlin reported that Hershey was fantastic this year. This is his 3<sup>rd</sup> time.
4. Dave Sanborn said the Backyard Village in Helendale, CA near Victorville, is something to be seen!
5. Steve Boskovich: T-Shirts are still available for the nominal fee of \$10. Get them while they last.
6. HARRY BAKER HAS STEPPED UP TO BE NEXT YEAR'S VALLEY V8 PRESIDENT!!!

Secretary's Report: No report from last month. Sorry. We heard everything went very well!

Treasurer's Report: Wendi Potter

The treasury is looking very good at this time. We are in the black for the Holiday party and all expenses connected to it.

### Tours:

Steve Boskovich: We will have a "Hooky Day" upcoming. Stay tuned. Next year in the spring or fall we will have a Route 66 overnight. If anyone has any ideas they would like to share, contact Steve Boskovich.

Gerry Blackwell: For the Getty Villa tour there were many NO SHOWS. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT IF YOU SIGN UP FOR A TOUR AND FIND YOU CAN NOT GO, YOU MUST LET THE TOUR LEADER KNOW!!!



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Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month 7:00 p.m.  
 No host dinner starting at 6 p.m.  
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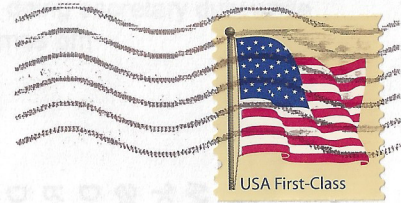
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Don Durkee	1973 - 1974
Ed Warnock	1975
John Busk	1976
Chip Werstein	1977
Stan Misraje	1978
Bill Culp	1979
Al Spencer	1980
Larry Caplan	1981
Bob Rose	1982
Don Durkee	1983
Paul Kirk	1984
Kent Lowry	1985
Dave Sanborn	1986
John Kemmerer	1987
Dudley Ochsner	1988
Jerry Jensen	1989 - 1990
Joe DiFatta	1991
Chuck Shubb	1992 - 1993
George Richards	1994
Jerry Littner	1995
Dick Smith	1996
Chuck Mair	1997
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January Meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>!! Details Inside...