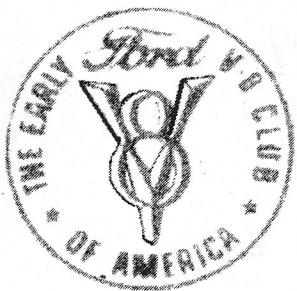
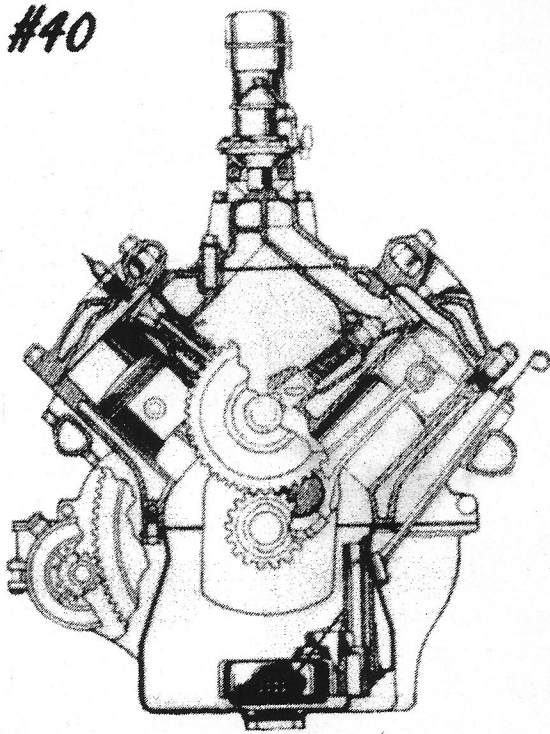


Drive Lines



Our 39th Year

Chapter #40



Meeting May 5, 2009

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Thanks, Lynn and Rich for a great hooky day. The trip to the Griffith Park Observatory was wonderful as well as educational. I spent about four hours in all viewing the exhibits and watching the show. And there is still more to see.

It was also very nice that we all got to park together in a reserved parking area. Thanks for coordinating that and for setting up the whole hooky day trip.

I was able to get to Bob's in Burbank/Toluca Lake early for a good breakfast and to see all the cars arrive. We had a good turn out, of I think, 14 older cars and 8 modern ones. Come to the meeting and get the rest of the story on a great tour.

Our speaker at the last meeting was very interesting. Looking at those pictures of the ungainly PBY's it must have taken a lot of courage and fortitude to fly one of them in combat. My hat is off to all of the veterans of all of the wars, we owe you a lot.

I did get the opportunity to go to the Fabulous Fords Day at Knotts Berry Farm to view all the Fords. There were very few old Fords there. There were about 60 early Ford Broncos and more than half of the other cars on display were Mustangs. The weather was hot, the cars were cool, and the food at Mrs. Knotts Chicken Restaurant was great.

Coming up is the California Car Covers Show on May 17. There are a lot of very neat custom cars that show up there and it is a very good show. It is also the place where about 7 years ago I first heard about the Club from Ingvar Carlson, and as they say, the rest is history.

And speaking of history it sounds like Chrysler may go the way of some of the other great automobile companies. Even General Motors is in trouble and is now being referred to as Government Motors. Only time will tell as to what the automobile industry will look like in a few years.

Also mark your calendars for the tour to the beach at Paradise Cove for brunch on June 7.

See you at the next meeting on May 5.

Harry

Editor Notes:

The big news is that good old young Scott Doudrick has the Valley V8 web site really hitting on all eight. This looks as if this is a really good addition for our inter club quick communication. Now we know not every one is hot for this here upstart computer e-mail stuff, but that's what you told us about sex and that still became **popular**. (I think)

The Griffith Park trip was a gas. We all met at BoBs and took over the back room, just as it was 30 years ago. (Only it was really hard to see that in the daylight, it did not have the same puzzaz.) We even had Ryan Cassidy (our newest member) bring his neat new very dark plum in color, coupe. Hope we didn't scare him with our restaurant culture, or lack of. Our table had a wacky waitress, which made it fun. We filled up our stomach tanks and off and away in several splintered groups, (red lights you know). Up the winding trail to the top without loosing anyone. The reserved parking could not have been better. (Thanks to Lynn And Rich Carter and their good connections.) Ah! The old place was the same as I remember back in the days of old. Of course again, I was not used to seeing it in the day light. My reaching back in time was more like, look over there sweetie, see all those city lights, isn't this romantic, now lets kiss.

Keeping one eye open for the park cops with those really bright flash lights. And the dumb questions "what are you doing in the back seat?" Like, they never went to a drive in movie. Daaaa! (This was cheaper). It really great what they have done to the observatory. They added big big rooms down under the grass area that is the approach to the steps to enter. (How do they do that) Any how they have tripled the display area. I am told that they have many many new and bigger things to come, we only saw the start.

Poor little flathead hardly got cool at home, when we left at 5:30 A.M. for my favorite National Hot Rod Association at Bakersfield Fair Grounds. Stopped at Denney's at the bottom of the Grape Vine to have breakfast. My son was driving his 34 Woody and parked at the end of the island where there are some bushes. We were luck to be seated so we could see our cars out the window. Junior says see dad they are all looking at my car and not your truck. Sure enough there was 10/15 people scoping out the Woody. The waitress says "Don't get all puffed up there Sonny, there is a Rattle Snake in them there bushes and that little fool with the balled head, is trying to remove it so we can get on with business." The first thing that happened was that we ran into Don Durkee and his assemblage. We told him, had we known in advanced we would have been happy to pay him the \$6.00 dollars a head, and we could sleep in his Motor Home with the rest of the gang. He said he might have to think on that one.

The cruising went on till 10:30 P.M. Friday and Saturday. nice weather.

"Yesterday I was buying a large bag of *Purina Dog Chow* for Athena, my wonder dog, at **Wal-Mart** and was in the check-out line.

A woman behind me asked if I had a dog. What did she think I had, an elephant? So since I'm retired, with little to do, on impulse I told her that no, I didn't have a dog and that I was starting the *Purina Diet* again. I probably should not because I've ended up in the hospital last time. I awoke in an intensive-care ward with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IVs in both arms. However, I did lose 40 pounds on the diet, so I was giving it another go.

I told her that it was essentially a perfect diet and that the way that it works is you load your pockets with *Purina nuggets* and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete and I needed to lose a few more pounds. (I have to mention here that practically everyone in the line was, by now, enthralled with my story.)

Horrified, this woman asked if I ended up in intensive care because I'd been poisoned by the dog food. I told her no, it happened because I stepped off a curb to sniff an Irish Setter's rear-end and a car hit both of us.

I thought the guy behind her was going to have a heart attack he was laughing so hard!

Wal-Mart won't let me shop there anymore...." (Anonymous)

Subj: **May Drivelines calendar**
Date: 4/30/2009 9:12:58 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time
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Upcoming events --- **Valley V-8 sponsored events in bold.**

May 1 - 3, 2009 --- Arizona Fun Run. <http://www.azrt66.com/funrun.htm>

May 16, 2009 --- Cruizin' Tunes Car Show at Canoga Park HS.
crosshelpers@earthlink.net

May 17, 2009 --- California Car Cover 20th Anniversary, Chatsworth.
www.calcarcover.com

June 7, 2009 --- Brunch at Paradise Cove --- Joe DiFatta. 818-700-1939

August 7 - 9, 2009 --- Big Bear Fun Run. www.antiquecarclub.org

Summer B-B-Q --- ????????

Club Auction --- ????????

September 17 - 20, 2009 --- Route 66 Rendezvous - San Bernardino

October 3, 2009 --- All Ford Picnic at La Palma Park

December 6, 2009 --- Christmas Party

Valley V-8 2008 Meetings 5/5, 6/2, 7/7, 8/4, 9/1, 10/6, 11/3

Pomona Swapmeet --- 6/7, 8/16, 10/18, 12/6
<http://pomonaswapmeet.com/>

Twilight Cruise at the NHRA Motorsports Museum at Fairplex. Free museum admission. 2009 Cruise dates: 5/6, 6/3, 7/2, 8/5, 8/26, 10/7, 11/4, 11/13, 12/2

May 6, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

June 3, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

July 1, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

August 5, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

August 26, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

October 7, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

November 4, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. with Celebrity Picks sponsored by Budweiser.

November 13, 2009 --- Night of Champions, 6 p.m. featuring Auto Club Q&A with NHRA professional racers

December 2, 2009 --- Prolong® Twilight Cruise Night, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Annual Toy Drive - bring a new, unwrapped toy for needy children of Pomona.

<http://www.museum.nhra.com/cruise.asp>

Secretary's Minutes
Date: April 7, 2009

Meeting Place: CoCo's

Meeting Leader: Harry Baker

Start time: 7:05pm

Adjournment time: 9:05

Introduction of guests: Long time member Monte Cheney and Ryan Cassidy. New member Bobbie Searl. Chuck Sternburg, who will present the program tonight.

Treasurer: Helen gave the report for Christine. We are in good shape, the amount is in the permanent file.

Tours: Rich Carter talked about the tour to Griffith Observatory. We are to meet at Bob's Big Boy at 11:00am. There are 60 people signed up with 35 cars. Joe DiFatta is planning a tour to Paradise Cove on June 7. We will leave at 9:30 am from the Denny's at the 101 and Topanga. Don Durkee will have a Bar-B-Q in August. Don told about his Harris tour to Arizona. They went to Kartchner Caverns. It was discovered in 1974 and opened to the public in 1999. It is great tour.
<http://www.azparks.gov/Parks/KACA/history.html>

Announcements: Dave Bergman told us that there is a cruise night on Fridays at Saticoy and Woodlake. People start coming about 3 or 4 and stay to about 7 or 8. There are about 70 to 100 cars. Jim Kelley showed how you can use a clip-on bike light on your rear license plate, bright safety idea. Steve Boskovich said that Blackie had surgery for a tumor on his tongue. It is malignant and he will start kemo. He would like visitors. Ken gave a NASCAR update. The Fords are not doing too good lately. He said the Good Guys Delmar shown was great and maybe next year we could do it as a group. Scott is working on our web page, ValleyV8's .org. Send Scott pictures of your cars to post on the web site.

Carl's car count: 8 cars

Car of the month: '40 Ford Deluxe 4 dr. Steve Batesole has owned it 2 days. He saw it parked on the street with a For Sale sign. Everything works great. How lucky can you get?

Drive prize [for bringing your V8 to the meeting]: Al Mooney

Raffle winners:

Ladies: Nancy Batesole and Blaze

Name badge: Steve Lehman

50/50 drawing: \$64 to Ken Sapper

Buyers appreciation: Jerry Jensen, navy blue sweatshirt with Ford logo

Program for the evening: Chuck Sternburg presented a slide show of pictures from when he was a WWII pilot. He flew PBY-5 Catalina aircraft. He has owned a '32 Ford, '36 Sedan and other old cars. Now he has Italian cars, 5 Maserati's, a Lamborghini, Jaguars and more. The PBY-5 sea plane carried 1500 gals. of gas. They flew at 8,000 to 10,000 ft. They burned 80 gal. of gas an hour and flew about 14 hrs. They were painted black and flew at night to patrol. No satellite back then. He was there from June '44 to March '45. He was all over the South West Pacific. They had to go 60 to 72 knots to take off. He was also a navigator. You had to open the "clam shell" to fire the gun. Everyone was trained to be a gunner. There were 8 to 10 crew members. They were the Black Cat. Brisbane, Australia was the maintenance area. A golf tee was used as an emergency fix for a hole. They tried to avoid river landings. Needed calm sea to land.



Secretary
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The vintage car show is a great way to see the cars of your childhood.



The Valley V-8s have a new web address!

www.valleyv8s.org

Our web site is a great way to publicize our club and to reach out to new members. The site's content and format are being updated. The best updates will show us and our cars! For that the club needs your help. Scott, the club webmaster, is seeking submissions of photos of our fabulous Fords and club events to publish on the site. Photos of automobiles will be identified by make/model and owner's first name only, with license numbers blurred out. This is web-safe publishing!

The best way to get your photos and information to Scott is digitally (CD or e-mail). If you do not have pictures electronically, the old fashioned way is fine. Deliver them at the club meeting or mail them. It would be best if you send copies of your favorite pictures, not the originals. If there are pictures that you want back, please coordinate with Scott - we want to avoid the loss of cherished unique pictures!

Please limit pictures to 5 or 6 for the time being. Include captions or descriptions.

Valley V-8s e-mail addresses!

Also, now that we have a website, we have the opportunity to have email with our web address. So, you could have an email account that reads: name@valleyv8s.org. This e-mail address can be in addition to or instead of one you already have. Contact Scott if you are interested or have questions! I can be reached by phone, snail mail or doudrick@valleyv8s.org

-Scott Doudrick, San Fernando Valley V8's webmaster

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Percussive Maintenance: The fine art of knowing the correct size hammer to use to whack the crap out of the voltage regulator when stops working

It may be true: Life begins at 50 but by that time every thing else starts to wear out, fall out, or spread out.

We might be in trouble: When Hotwheels stock is selling at a higher price than GM and Ford. and Motel Six has turned out the light to save on electricity.

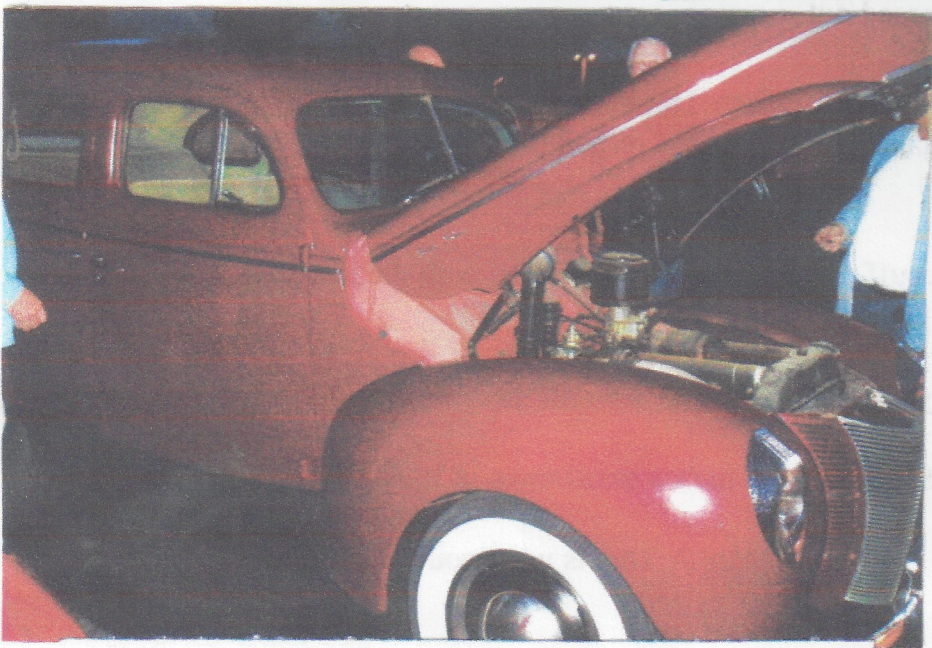
Dust: you know that stuff on your car. It is just Mud with the juice squeezed out of it.

Q: What is a fibula? 4 year olds answer A: a small lie.

Q: What is a Cesarean Section? A: That's a small town in Italy.

Q: What does the word "benign" mean A: That is what you be after you be eight

Start to worry : If your car battery goes dead because the turn signal was left on for the last two weeks, and your pharmacist calls you by your first name.



CAR OF THE MONTH:
STEVE BATESOLE 1940 FOUR DOOR.
BIGGEST EASTER PRESENT I EVER SAW,
GOOD YOU MADE HIM TURN AROUND, NANCY

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No host dinner starting at 6:00 PM.

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