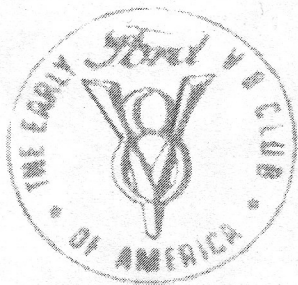
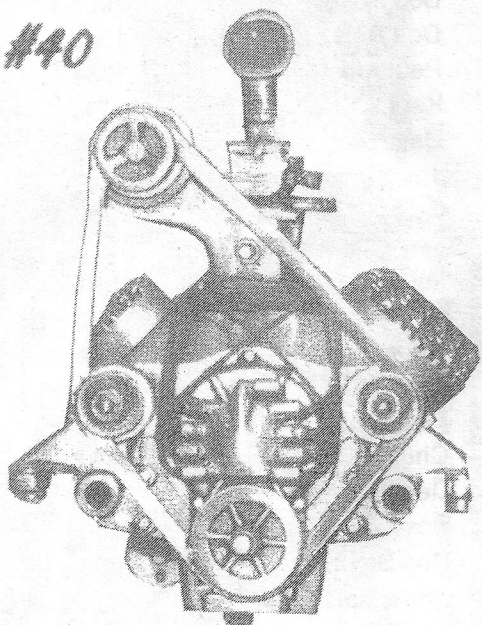


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Chapter #40



September 1, 2009

Subj: **Drivelines Setember President's Report**
Date: 8/26/2009 1:33:11 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time
From: Bakerhab
To: kelleygrnflaty

The guest speaker that we had at the last meeting, Dave McClelland, the voice of the NHRA, certainly is a very dynamic and entertaining speaker. I have heard him speak several times at the NHRA breakfast during the Specialty Equipment Market Association show (SEMA) in Las Vegas and he is just as entertaining there as he was at our meeting. He mixed in just the right amount of humor with history and fact to keep us all interested.

I had the chance to check out Hot August Nights in Reno this year on my way up to Cisco Grove for an Off Highway Event. It was not hot while I was in Reno, in fact I wore a jacket and was quite comfortable. As I have never been there before, I could not judge the size of the crowd or the amount of cars on display. There were quite a few empty spots in all of the show parking lots at the various Casinos. Several people at the event I was at, said that the usual parade of cars on I-80 over Donner Summit was not as large as it is normally. Perhaps the slowing economy has caught up to the big car events. I understand that Don and Mary Durkee were there so perhaps they can fill us in on how the event went from their perspective.

Several of us V8er's were at the last Van Nuys cruise night. The attendance was large and there was a good variety of makes and models. After seeing all the cars there and at other shows, it makes me wonder how many classic and old cars are in the area and what an all encompassing auto scrappage bill would really do to the economy. There is still pressure in the Capitol to push for more scrappage bills and it will be interesting to see what the ramifications of the Cash for Clunkers program will be.

I had the opportunity, while I was in Sacramento last weekend, to stop at Sacramento Vintage Ford. They have just about everything for our cars. Yes, it seems like just walking in the door is an opportunity to spend a couple hundred but if you need it they can get it. I now know from first hand experience, but oh well, it's only money and well spent for Ford parts.

Here's a reminder --- I'll be at the Route 66 Rendezvous in San Bernardino on the 17th. thru the 20th. of September and if any of you happen to get out that way, I will have a cold one for you at the RV Park at the corner of Arrowhead and Second. Jim Kelley visited the event last year and was treated to a golf cart tour of the show by Helen.

Don't forget about the club auction coming up on October 6th.

See you all at the September 1st. meeting.

Harry

Subj: **Drivelines Calendar for the September Issue**
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From: Bakerhab
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Upcoming events --- **Valley V-8 sponsored events in bold.**

Mid-September --- Bob's Big Boy Grand Opening - Northridge

September 9, 2009 --- Van Nuys Blvd. Cruise. Corner of Van Nuys & Burbank Blvds.
6pm --- Be there or be square!

September 17 - 20, 2009 --- Route 66 Rendezvous - San Bernardino. www.route-66.org

September 20, 2009 --- Cruz'n For Roses in South Pasadena. www.SPTOR.com

September 27, 2009 --- Oktoberfest at Camarillo Ranch. www.camarilloranch.org

October 4, 2009 --- All Ford Picnic at La Palma Park

October 4, 2009 --- Toluca Lake Car Show

October 6, 2009 --- Club Auction

October 11th, 2009 --- Winfield / Watson Custom Car Gathering honoring George Barris & Bill Hines, Sam & Chip Foose. Mojave, CA
<http://www.rodtossers.com/>

October 25, 2009 --- Car Show sponsored by the Roam'n Relics at Old Town Moorpark. www.roamnrelics.com

December 6, 2009 --- Christmas Party

Valley V-8 2008 Meetings 9/1, 10/6, 11/3

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

Twilight Cruise at the NHRA Motorsports Museum at Fairplex. Free museum admission. 2009 Cruise dates:

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>

www.valleyv8s.org

Secretary's Minutes: Debbie Bergman filling in for Karen Lehman

Meeting Leader: Harry Baker

Start time: 7:07pm Adjourned: 8:50pm

Introduction of guests: Harry introduced Nancy (a soon to be new member) and Joe Di Fatta introduced Sam Di Fatta .

Treasurer Report: Christine Varney "We began with \$3396.68 less \$250.00 to Mary Durkee and added a \$118.00 meeting deposit for a total end balance of \$3264.68.

Tours: Larry Caplan spoke of Fall Tour Announcements and would like anyone interested to see him for more information.

Announcements: Steve Boskovich reported on his Birthday bash. 40 people showed up for the event @ Krispy Kreme Donuts in Van Nuys. Steve also stated that "Pops toy will be at Cruise Night on Wednesday.

Results of the nail pounding contest @ Don Durkee's BBQ.

David Dwyhalo won for the men with 12 nails

Mary Jane Watson was the female nail pounding winner.

Ken Sapper gave a report on NASCAR

Dennis Keene gave a report on the Nick Alexander auction with info on a website rmauctions.com auction scheduled for 8/13/09 @ 7:00pm

Dick Stones said all memberships are current and up to date.

Scott Doudrick reported that he will put up a link to rmauctions.com on the V8 club website.

Dave Bergman reported that the Christmas party is on the books and is scheduled for 12/6/09 @ the Monterey @ Encino. More details to follow in the upcoming meetings ahead.

Break @ 7:22pm

Carl's Car Count 10 Winner drawn=Dave Dwyhalo

Car of the Month Winner=35 Standard 5 window Coupe owned by Dave Dwyhalo

50/50 Winner=George Richards \$68.00

Name Badge Winner= Al Mooney

Ladies Raffle Winners= Helen Hutchison & Joyce Mooney

Buyer's Appreciation=Debbie Bergman Ford Water Bottle

Guest Speaker= Dave Mc Cleland

Program for the Evening: Dave Mc Cleland's history of his Race Announcer career.

Dave Mc Cleland said he was a car buff from the age of 16. His first car was a 1939 Plymouth that needed brakes badly. He had a career as a race announcer since 1959. Every April-October of each year was spent on the road traveling approximately 32-39 weeks a year. He was part of the NHRA and was an announcer at Indy from 1961 until 2001. Dave Mc Cleland retired in 2003. Dave mentioned that he always had a parallel career as a Master of Ceremonies and did many voice-overs for T.V. Dave also has done radio. Dave has a signature voice that is recognized by many and he reminisced about times that his voice was recognized without even seeing who was speaking. Dave also spoke about his relationship and adventures with Wally Parks.

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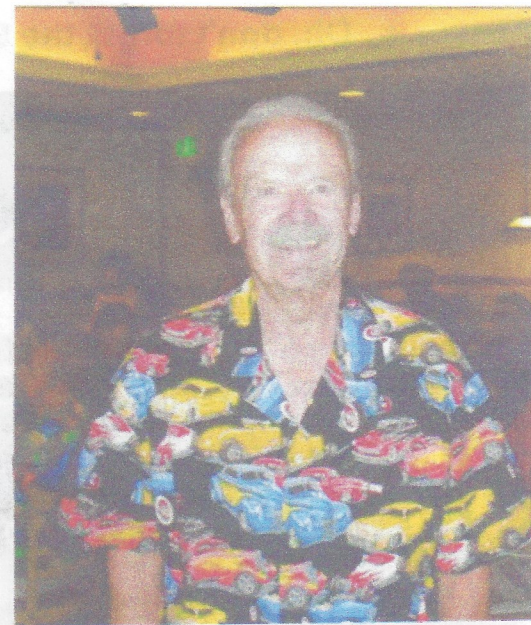
HI ONE AND ALL,

DO YOU BELIEVE IT'S BEEN 5 MONTHS ? SOMETIMES IT FEELS LIKE FOREVER. PROGRESS IS SO VERY SLOW. THERE IS STILL NO EATING AND GRACE IS DOING HER JOB. TO WATCH HIM TRY TO SWALLOW SOME SIMPLE FOOD IS VERY DIFFICULT. I FIND MYSELF GULPING AND GULPING TO HELP HIM. THE OPENING OF THE ESOPHOGUS HAS BEEN COMPROMISED SO THEREFORE THE MUSCLES AROUND THAT AREA NEEDS STIMULATION. WE HAVE 2 GREAT THERAPISTS, MAGIC BEANS AND LINDA "LALAINE". I CALL HER THAT BECAUSE SHE'S A MAGIC CHINESE BLENDER. SHE THROWS EVERYTHING AND I MEAN EVERYTHING INTO A BLENDER FOR A DAILY RITUAL. WE WILL TRY. AND THEN THERE IS SANDY, THE SPEECH EXPERT. THE LATEST TOY SHE GAVE HIM WAS A WHISTLE! LITTLE DID SHE KNOW, THAT YOU DON'T GIVE BLACKY THINGS THAT MAKE NOISE. SHE IS REALLY TRYING TO HELP HIM GET OVER HIS ANXIETY. WE TAKE FOR GRANTED HOW MANY TIMES WE SWALLOW EACH DAY BUT FOR BLACKY HE IS AWARE EACH TIME. WE HAVE GREATLY REDUCED THE USE OF VICODIN AND NOW USE LIQUID TYLENOL. THERE ARE GOOD DAYS AND BAD DAYS. THE ENERGY IS STILL LOW BUT HE DID PLAY THE PIANO FOR ABOUT AN HOUR YESTERDAY. OUR AUSTRIAN RELATIVES HAVE BEEN DELIGHTFUL. THEY ARE UNDEMANDING, UPBEAT, KIND AND LOVING. THEY WILL BE LEAVING ON MONDAY, IT WILL BE A SAD DAY. WE ARE GOING TO CAMBRIA FOR A FEW DAYS TO RELAX WITH COLETTE. THIS IS BLACKY'S BIGGEST OUTING SINCE THIS ALL STARTED. WE HOPE FOR THE BEST. WE LOVE YOU ALL AND CAN'T WAIT TO GET BACK INTO THE MAINSTREAM! LOVE, GERRY

Flint

This is the hint of the week, for you tinkeers that just can not refrain from taking apart those little things and then can't get them together again, maybe tomorrow will have better luck.

Before starting the project take a frozen food tray, (better if it is empty and washed) and glue a small magnet to the bottom at one end. Now the trick is to work over this tray and when you drop something it doesn't fall on the dirty floor of the garage and is lost till you sweep again in six months and then you find it. This works for every thing right up to a transmission. That little magnet just hold them till you need them.



Terrific presentation by Dave Cleland. The signature voice of NHRA for at least the last 100 years.



The big payoff.

When I say "ready" you jump out of the way.



If I pull this, will it flush ?



Thomas Paul Photo - This 1920's circa gas station has found a new life as a car repair shop. The building can be found on Belair Road in Northeast Baltimore City

Now we know how Joe got so smart about flatheads. It is in the genes.

Oh, don't forget the 9/10% of a penny.



check the gas prices. Its been a while since you could get past that tree on the right.



look close see the handles to pump gas?



Those pumps look like Martians.



Of course, I still say filling station 'cause a "service station" it ain't!!



Someone really loves this station. Look how well kept it is.



Passing Gas stations has been brought to you by Karen Lehman Doing research made her miss meeting.

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Meeting 1st Tuesday of the month 7:00 PM.

No host dinner starting at 6:00 PM.

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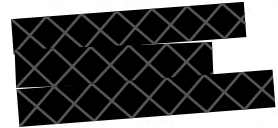
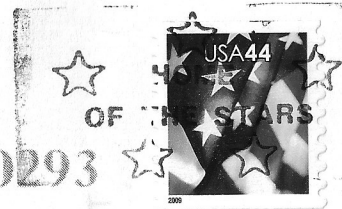
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