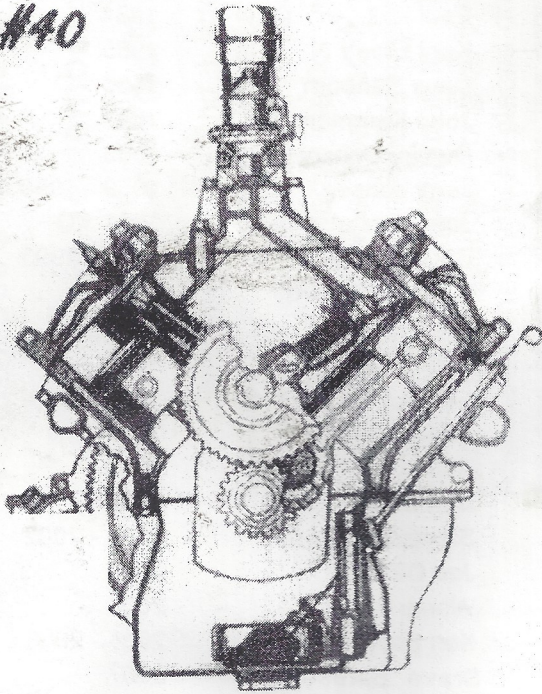


Drive Lines



Our 39th Year

Chapter #40



February 1, 2011

President's Message

February, 2011

Well it's becoming a winter of records in low temperatures and high precipitation in southern California, but I'm looking forward to warmer days (*I know they're coming*) when we can enjoy our V8s more completely. Christmas was the highlight the holidays for our family with a house full of sons, daughters-in-law and grandkids. We had a delightful time together. I hope that all of the Valley V8 members experienced a happy holiday season with family and friends.

My desire is that everyone feels at home and enjoys our membership meetings and outings this year. (Isn't that we're here in the first place?) The Board of Directors will strive to make it so. Among the things we plan to do is increase the emphasis on the cars in the monthly programs and shorten the raffle by reducing the number of prizes and increasing their value and applicability to our cars. And you can help by providing constructive suggestions along these lines. Board meetings are always open to our members. Board meeting times and locations will be published in the Calendar of Events in the *Drive Lines*. The first Board meeting will be at my home at 7:00 pm, January 25, 2011 (which, unfortunately, may be past when you receive this newsletter). If you plan to come to a Board meeting, please let me know ahead of time so we can plan the logistics accordingly.

The program at our January meeting was given by our own member Larry Ofria, who has extensive experience in the engine building area. He spoke of great success in providing engine builds for big names that we all recognize, yet he's here in our group and many of us (including me) did not have any knowledge of his background and present activities. I'm sure there are several others in our group who have significant resumes which will enlighten us all. I'm eagerly awaiting the next program.

Let's Drive,

Randy

We are off and running for the 2011 Tour Season.

February 26 Saturday San Sylmar-Automotive Collection.

We will meet at Woodley Park at 8:45 am to insure we get in before the crowds. Our tour starts at 10:00 am. In the past, it was suggested No Shorts and No Blue Jeans. (This may have changed as of late, but don't get caught out in the cold.) No host lunch after the tour.

April 8-10 Friday thru Sunday----The ever fun and Famous Laughlin Trip with Sue and Steve Boskovich

For more info call 818-341-6876.... \$118 per person /double occupancy, single occupancy add \$40.00

National application: Early Ford V8 club of America \$35.00

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Subj: **Jan. minutes**
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 Secretary's Minutes

Date: Jan.4, 2011

Meeting Place: CoCo's

Meeting Leader: Randy Watson

Start time: 7:04pm Adjournment time: 8:46

Introduction of guests: Jim Cooper [Dick Stones son-in-law] who has a 1950 Ford that previously belonged to Dick and also Don Durkee. Gary Kibbe, a former member who came to re-join.

Treasurer: We are in the black with \$1212. \$166 was from the Christmas raffle.

Tours: We are going to San Sylmar for a tour of the Nethercutt collection on Sat. Feb. 26. We will meet at Woodley Park at 9am as our tour will begin at 10am. Steve Boskovich is planning a trip to Laughlin on April8,9,10. It is by bus and the cost is \$118 per person, double occupancy.

Announcements: There will be a short board meeting after we adjourn. St. George, Utah had snow and their gas is \$2.75 a gal. Want to go? Ken Sapper said NASCAR is off until Feb. Dues are due now and payable to Shirley Richards. Dues are \$35. If you have any pictures for the web site, send them to Scott and he will post them. A picture of Scott's pick-up was in the Auto Restorer. Virginia Wolf is in Tarzana Hospital for more tests. We wish her a speedy recovery. Randy and Don Durkee inducted two more board members. They are Bobbie Searl for Ladies raffle and Don Stout for 50/50.

Car of the month: '35 Ford Coupe - Ron Batsole

Raffle winners:

Ladies: Lynn Carter and Sandy Norris

Name badge: \$10 Steve Lehman

50/50 drawing: \$83 George Richards

Program for the evening: Larry Caplan introduced Larry Ofria from Valley Head Service <http://www.valleyhead.com/parts-head.htm> Larry O. started at Litton Industries calibrating test equipment.

He bought hot rods and still has them. He supplied Carroll Shelby with modified cylinder heads in 1965. He did it his way and got 15 more horsepower. He met Ken Sapper in 1981 and they raced together for about 60 races, always finishing in the top five. They got three championships. He also does work on the Nethercutt collection. He had many more interesting stories.

 Karen

Sunday, January 23, 2011 AOL: Kelleygrnflaty

Wanted Dead or Alive

1948-49-50 Ford F-1 Radio Contact- Rich Carter 708-517-2393

For Sale

1940 Pickup Bed Sand blasted and Primed Have \$650 into it.

Make an offer. Also four (4) White wall tires \$75.00 Call- Scott Doudrick. 818-687-9836.

1965 Ford **T-Bird** \$19,500.00 Call Steve 818-517-1268.

Top Quality **1946 Ford Club Coupe**. Repainted to original light mint green color, and restored to Ford Specs. Please phone for additional information and back ground. Call-Bob Zecher 818-352-3311

If a word is misspelled in the Webster's Dictionary how would we ever know?

Now that I think about, if Webster wrote the first dictionary who did he get to correct his misspelled words?

Did you ever think about Tug boats really push their barges.

If the world is really a stage, I am going to start selling tickets on the Moon cause that will be the only place for audience to sit.

Don't keep pressing the buttons on the remote, when you know the batteries are dead.



SAVE THE DATE !!!!!

APRIL 8-10

LAUGHLIN TRIP

COST \$118 PER PERSON/DBL OCC.

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MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

Why didn't the skeleton cross the road? He didn't have the guts.

Eastern Joke: What do you get if you try to cross a snow man with a Vampire?

Frostbite.

You can buy friendship – with friendship, but never with money.

A friend is a person that will listen attentively, while you say nothing at all.

The world is a book and those who do not travel, read only one page.

Wife: Is it true that you are running around with another woman?

Yes –But you can't prove it. Opps!

Hey! *You Flatheads*, you in there?

Time to reup your dues \$35.00.



SAVE THE DATE !!!
MYSTERY SANTA

I HAD JUST FINISHED HAVING COFFEE WITH THE NEIGHBOR LADY. WE TALKED ABOUT ALL OF THE HARD WORK THERE WAS GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS. I WAS IN THE KITCHEN CLEANING UP WHEN I RECEIVED THIS PHONE CALL. THE PERSON CALLING DID NOT IDENTIFY HIMSELF. HE SAID I DON'T WANT TO BUG YOU BUT THERE WAS SOMEBODY MESSING AROUND IN FRONT OF YOUR BLUE EXPEDITION. SO YOU BETTER CHECK IT OUT RIGHT AWAY AND THEN HUNG UP THE PHONE.

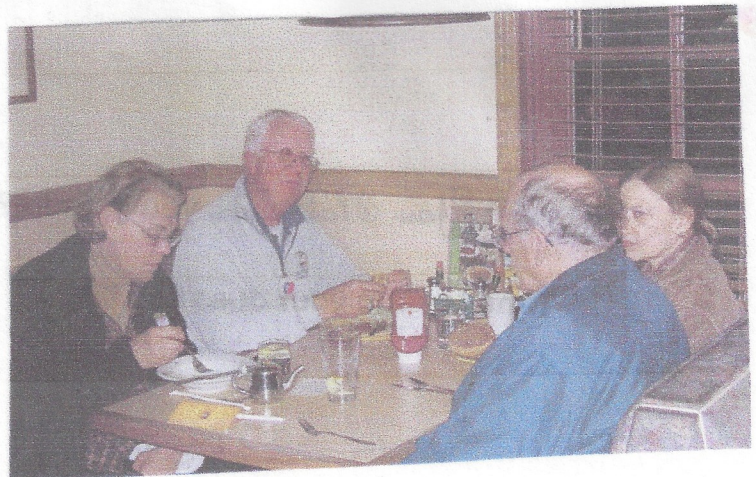
I WAS KIND OF ANXIOUS ABOUT MY CAR, I DID NOT ASK WHO THE CALLER WAS. I RAN OUT TO CHECK MY CAR AND THERE WAS THIS STRANGE PACKAGE IN FRONT OF MY CAR. THIS PACKAGE WAS ABOUT A FOOT SQUARE AND WRAPPED WITH CHRISTMAS PAPER AND 2 STRAWS STICKING OUT OF THE PACKAGE. A CLOSER LOOK AT THE PACKAGE I SAW IT WAS FROM SANTA. WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT THE 2 STRAWS SAYING THEY WERE FOR A PUPPY INSIDE WHO NEEDS AIR! THEN I GOT SCARED AND CALLED MY HUSBAND WHO WAS ACROSS TOWN. I TOLD HIM TO HURRY HOME BECAUSE THE PACKAGE MAY HAVE A BOMB IN IT. MY HUSBAND ARRIVED HOME IN ABOUT 10 MINUTES AND HE TOO WAS SCARED. HE ASKED WHO WAS THE CALLER? I SAID HE HUNG UP THE PHONE BEFORE I COULD ASK WHO IT WAS. HE SAID WE CAN TRACK THE PERSON DOWN BY THE PHONE BECAUSE THE NUMBER HE CALLED FROM WOULD STILL BE ON OUR PHONE. MY HUSBAND CALLED THE NUMBER, HE SAID HE WAS JUST TRAVELING THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND SAW A STRANGE PERSON MESSING AROUND IN FRONT OF THE BLUE EXPEDITION. HE SAID HIS NAME WAS MIKE AND HE GOT OUR PHONE NUMBER THROUGH INTERNET FROM OUR ADDRESS.

WE STILL DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS IN THIS STRANGE PACKAGE. MY HUSBAND SAID IT IS PRETTY RARE SOMEBODY WOULD WRAP A BOMB IN CHRISTMAS PAPER. HE PICKED UP THE BOX AND SHOOK IT AND SAID I DON'T THINK THERE IS A PUPPY IN THE BOX. I JUST SAID THANK GOD, I DON'T WANT A PUPPY TO TAKE CARE OF.

SO WE PROCEEDED VERY CAREFULLY TO OPEN THE BOX. WHAT WE FOUND IN THE PACKAGE WAS A PRETTY BLUE TOY 40 FORD PICKUP TRUCK FILLED WITH A DOZEN HERSHEY CANDY BARS.

THANK YOU SANTA.
P.S. BUT WHO IS SANTA?

*Editor's note: Who else would tell this story except,
Santa's Little Helper... Durkee*



PROGRAM FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING

Our program for the February meeting will present a rare opportunity to meet one of the real pioneers and an icon of the early Southern California hot rod and land speed racing world. Harold Johansen will be with us and we will conduct a live interview with him for our evening program. Harold was born way back in 1927 and began his long racing career in 1945, and that continues on today as he is preparing a new car for the Bonneville Salt Flats. A very interesting story was just published in a recent issue of Old Cars Weekly telling of the many accomplishments of this racing legend. There is much more to the story including some of his high school track accomplishments and his current collection of Early Ford V8s including some very desirable 1932 models. Don't miss this meeting because it will most likely never be repeated.

Larry Caplan

I didn't mind the long drive to work , but the 8n hour wait to go home was a killer.

My Indian name is running with beer.

McDonalds now has something I can finally afford..a 1/4 ounce.

Most stress is caused by three things..Money, Family, and Family with no money.

Prescription drugs are a tough pill to swallow.

Only on a cruise ship will you pay hundreds a day to sleep in a closet, and then brag about it to your friends.

If you want a real fast summer glow try Zinfandel

As you slide down the banister of life, may all the splinters face the direction you are headed.

The success to a happy marriage is a husband who, after taking the trash out , gives the neighbors the impression that he just cleaned the whole house.

Definition of a teenager: God's punishment for having sex.

It used to be only death and taxes were inevitable. Now of course they have added shipping and handling too.

Don't worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older, it will avoid you.

President Joe's Message

— September 2003 —

"Religion and Ford Club Members"

Recently Marsha and I attended a wedding at the Ritz-Carlton in Pasadena. It was a second marriage for both the bride and the groom. About 36 people were in attendance. A lady Cantor performed the wedding ceremony. It was very uplifting and inspiring. She proceeded by singing certain parts of the ceremony and explaining certain customs in the Jewish faith. She spoke of placing the engagement ring on the bride's right index finger. Afterwards, the ring was placed on the bride's left hand. At the end of the ceremony, the groom stepped on and broke the traditional glass (wrapped in a towel) to signify the end of bad times and to many years of good luck, "MAZALTOVI!"

So, what does this mean to our club members? To me, I see couples, husbands and wives, now purchasing classic cars. This is truly getting to be a joint venture for many. Most of the time, it's easy to get new members, but like a marriage, there is a percentage that doesn't last! Why? In marriage, love, togetherness and understanding play a vital role in the relationship. In a club, it's getting involved. It's up to us "senior members," to be mentors who assist new members. It's extending the hand of friendship and making sure no one sits alone at our meetings. It's also new members asking questions and bringing forth their ideas. When you receive the Drivelines and read it from cover to cover, you should be inspired to attend our club functions. We want you there!

Maybe we should use a shiny new hubcap to step on and break, then give a great "MAZALTOVI!" OR "SALUTE!" or just a big "FORD WELCOME!" to our new and long time members!

-President Joe DiFatta

Editors note: Good thoughts never gets old.

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No host dinner starting at 6:00 PM.

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