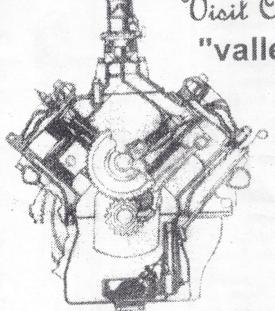




Chapter #40

Our 40th Year

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August 2, 2011

Valley V8s

President's Message

August, 2011

Summer is the season when most of us make time to get away from our everyday lives for a while to relax, refresh and enjoy the time either with friends and/or family or with solitude. This activity is intended, in most cases, to prepare us for another year of our normal activities, whether at work (gainful employment) or retirement (the **work** of maintaining home, property, vehicles, socializing, entertaining, etc.). Of course vacations, much like the rest of the year, involve transportation to get there and many times some vehicular activity is involved during the vacation.

Such was the case for Mary Jane and me this year. The transportation during our vacation was a cruise ship to Alaska and it helped us meet virtually all of the vacation criteria mentioned above. We enjoyed solitude (even in the midst of two thousand plus other guests on board) while at sea, great entertainment when desired, exercise (three laps around the deck were one mile and self guided walking tours in ports of call), extraordinary beauty of mountains, glaciers and sea, great food. and visitation with family at the embarkation port.

On our return home I got quickly back to normal activities, addressing home and vehicle maintenance items while preparing for and attending two of the best car shows I've ever experienced. The first, on July 4, was the first annual car show at a local YMCA and was a small but very enjoyable show. The other was probably the largest show I've ever participated in, the July 9 celebration of National Collector Car Appreciation Day held at California Lutheran University (CLU) in Thousand Oaks. There was a great amount of publicity and the result was spectacular. The campus venue was beautiful, the event well managed. There was no cost for show cars or spectators, there was good entertainment and, depending on who did the counting, there were as many as six hundred vehicles. There were no hassles and there was no judging. Just plain fun for all. The two car shows brought me happily back from the vacation to the collector car hobby.

Several Valley V8 members were at the CLU show. If you were not there, you missed a great experience and I missed seeing you. Let's make it our priority to increase the enjoyment of our flathead Fords by attending more shows this coming year.

I'll see you and your Ford at our next membership meeting: Aug 2, 2011, 7:00 PM at Coco's

Let's Drive!

Randy

Secretary's Minutes

Date: July 5, 2011

Meeting Place: CoCo's

Meeting Leader: Randy Watson

Start time: 7:05pm

Adjournment time: 8:50pm

Introduction of guests: Joanie introduced her sister and her father. Paul Kirk, who was President of our chapter in 1984 was here with his wife. Larry introduced Tim Krehbiel, who will be our speaker tonight.

Treasurer: We are in the black.

Tours: George is working on a tour of Rocketdyne.

Announcements: Next Board meeting is changed from July 26 to July 19. Celebrate National Car Collectors Day July 9 at Cal Lutheran car show, 11:00am to 4:30pm. Ken Sapper gave a NASCAR report. Last week was won by a Ford. The September meeting will be a tribute to our 40th anniversary. We will ask past presidents to talk about their time in office. Last month in the parking lot the dice caps on the wheels of Ken and Dottie's car were taken. Scott is working on e-mails, make sure he has your correct e-mail address. Car and boat show in Marina del Rey on July 24.

Car of the month: George Richards - "39 Dark green convertible

Raffle winners:

Ladies: Jennifer Cuozzo

Name badge: Harry Baker

50/50 drawing: \$82 Don Zabel

Program for the evening: Tim Krehbiel runs Nick Alexander's Restoration facility in Huntington Park. He has been there 14 years. They are currently restoring '32, '33, '34 3-window coupes. They are all black. After selling his Woodies, the collection was down to 10, then up to 15 and now 28 cars and roadsters. A new body shop for BMW will be taking over one of the buildings. Each shop at Nick's is individual. Tim holds them together. He brought an example of upholstery and wood graining. Tim lives in a trailer on the roof of a 100yr old building in downtown L.A. He has been working on it for 12 yrs. His wife collects vintage clothing and you may see her skating around the city. He gave credit to his Dad for his start and current research. He gave the history of the employees. None have auto backgrounds. But they do have crafting backgrounds. In order to have swap meets again, they need help to organize..

PROGRAM FOR THE AUGUST MEETING

Our program for the August meeting will be presented by two well known members of our own Valley V8 regional group. Don Durkee and Dick Stones will team up to put on a two-part program which will be both interesting and informative. The first part of our presentation will be a show and tell session all about the unique four spoke steering wheels offered by Ford starting in 1950. These steering wheels are known as the <u>Crestliner Wheel</u> and are truly awesome in appearance. They are also awesome in price which makes them all the more impressive. The second half of this program will answer all your questions regarding the best 6 volt battery ever offered for our Ford Flathead V8s. The <u>Optima Battery</u> is a small high tech 6 volt battery rated at 800 Cold Cranking Amperes which can be cleverly packaged inside a hollow original Ford Battery Case. Our speakers will show you how this is done and tell you about the virtues of this clean and powerful alternative to the dreaded original wet cell battery. If you have ever experienced the slow cranking and unsure starting of a Flathead V8 using a corroded old original type battery this talk will certainly be of interest to you.

Larry Caplan

You don't need a note from your doctor. These donuts are good for your health.

On EVERY Thursday 8:30 at Earl's Donuts your invited for Coffee and Donuts located at Devonshire and Masson (Arco Station on corner) if it's your first visit and you drive an old car Steve Boskovich will pay for your goodies. (doggie bags frowned upon). See you there.

Don Stout's Garage

First Saturday of the month at 8:30—22401 Itasca Chatsworth, West of Shoup, tween Lassen and Plummer. Look on the street for de Flatheads or even a Cool Bow Tie. Coffee and Donuts rain or shine.

Whenever I fill out a application in the part that says "In the case of emergency notify, I put "A Good Doctor"

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Futures Tours:

George Richards has our club booked into a tour of Rocket Dyne Facility for Saturday, Nov. 12, 2011. We will need to get our clearance straightened away, details forth coming.

40 Th anniversary Meeting will start at 6:30 to

make time for this special event. Meeting on September 6, 2011.

Make a big mark on your calendar, so you don't miss this one. Factis it would be nice if you drove your favorite flathead to make this a special event for all.

Yes! I mean you! Kilroy!





Car of the month





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BLAST FROM THE PAST



Our thanks to the Beauty Queen Pageant and the Ventura Reg. Group #84 for the use of the above picture. Names and year withheld, out of respect to the recent appearance on "America's Most Wanted TV Series."

Sometimes it takes a thousand notes to make a sound.

Did you ever ponder, why the more you know, the less you are apt to believe?

If you want to be honest, it's really more luck than good judgment.

The only real failure in life is the failure to try.

One of the perks of gaining maturity is:

The things you buy now won't wear out and if they do you won't care.

Kidnappers are really not interested in you anymore.

DON CUNNINGHAM'S ----

TECH FACTS



WHICH WAY IS UP?

"It's getting dark Grandpa and we can't see down the road!" So, Grandpa stopped the old Model T Ford, got out and lit the gas headlights to illuminate the dirt road ahead.

It's been many years from gaslight to Twolite. The modern '35 Ford cars now have 6-volt electric headlamps! Ford car lighting features the name Twolite. Now, the grandson drives a new '35 Ford car that has electric lights and the lighting system features *two* beams, upper and lower. The lower beam is for city driving and the upper beam is for country illumination. But, there is another lamp...a parking light! Was it for parking and necking?



Since the Ford Model A days the cars have featured the Twolite trade name. The new 1935 Ford cars also feature Twolite lighting system, but previous cowl lights no longer were used. Now, enclosed inside the new headlight housing was a two-element globe for night driving and a parking lamp/globe for parking or off road "to be seen" illumination.

It seems the parking lamp idea first had been a necessity during early years because of poor roads, no roads or lack of streetlights. It could be very dark, so the parking lights would have been necessary for a stopped, parked or stalled car. The parking lights draw less current

from the battery and also would indicate to other drivers the car was not moving and was, well, parked! The following is something you did not know...oh, I suppose you did. I didn't. The '35 Ford cars and later year models featured what was called 6-8 volt double filament, double contact globes that were 32 candlepower. What we learned was, how does the double filament globe cause the headlights to change from highbeam to lowbeam, back and forth? The filaments are very close together! One filament is LOW beam and the other is for HIGH beam, assembled vertically one above the other. Which filament do you believe is for HIGH beam, the country beam? Well, let Henry and Edsel explain: "The lower filament provides a high beam which gives exceptionally brilliant road illumination for high-speed driving. The upper filament provides a downward tilting low beam which illuminates the entire road surface close to the car." The Ford people stated, "these filaments provided the maximum in lighting efficiency for both city and country driving." (Gotcha! Just the opposite beams/filaments we might

think is true.)

City and country driving probably was equal during early days. The double filament, double contact globe was a real improvement, but the parking lamps purpose...OK, let her dad explain: "By golly, get her home on time! The parking lamps are for parking...not necking!"

Globe? Element? Bulb? Filament? Lamp? Light? Illumination? Beam? Up? Down? (I dunno.) ⊗

Happy Motoring - Don Cunningham







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