

ROAD CHATTER

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UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

May 3 Ladies Night Out -
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May 8 Board of Directors
Meeting, Wheeling
Township Service Center,
7:30 pm.

May 10 Oak Park & River
Forest High School V-8
Display and Seminar - See
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May 18 Spring Driving
Tour - See Page 4.

May 20 Monthly Meeting
Wheeling Township Service
Center, 8:00 pm.

June 1 Garage Tour - See
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OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

May 4 43rd Annual
Grayslake Auto Show, Lake
County Fairgrounds, 8 am -
4 pm, \$7 admission

May 24 - 25 Spring Classic
Car Corral, Volo Auto Muse-
um, \$9 admission

May 25 37th Annual Auto
Show Swap Meet & Craft
Show, Sandwich Fair-
grounds, 8 am - 3 pm, \$10
admission

May 31 - Chi-Town Kruze
www.chitownkruze.com

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Attention Members

Don't Miss the May 20 Meeting!



Roger Hunz has arranged for representatives from Turtle Wax, Inc., owners of Marvel Mystery Oil, to make a presentation at our May 20 monthly meeting. Be sure to come and hear about the benefits that MMO can provide to our flathead engines.

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MEETINGS

8:00 pm on the third

Tuesday of the month at
the Wheeling Township
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Arlington Heights, IL

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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

It must be spring - the V-8ers got together for the annual pizza meeting. The turnout was very good; it's a great place to get together with old friends and maybe make some new ones. At the meeting we all had fun telling war stories about our cars and grandchildren and meets we've been to.



Now I'm going to get up on my Soap Box,. The pizza meeting is a lot of fun but it's still a club working meeting and there is always some business to take care of. At the meeting, before the pizzas were served, I asked for your attention so I could get the announcements out of the way so we could enjoy our pizzas. I was very disappointed that there were a few people in the group that would not give up their gabfest and let me take care of business. I asked once more for some quiet and got no results, so I tried to talk over them; this also didn't work. I apologize to the members that didn't hear me and shame on the people that couldn't give me some courtesy and keep quiet for a few minutes so I could take care of club business. I will now get off my Soap Box.

Don Drews and the automotive teacher at Oak Park & River Forest H/S got together and asked if the V-8 Club could put a little car show on for the students on Saturday May 10th to show the kinds of cars we had when we started to drive; you know before P/S, P/B, automatic trans, cruise, A/C. It will be more of a question and answer get together and maybe we could get some of the youth interested in the old flathead. A sign up sheet was passed around; I hope everyone got a chance to sign up.

Tom O'Donnell also tried to lay out his upcoming "Shakedown Tour" on Sunday May 18th but again the gabfest. Tom will have all the information in the Road Chatter for the people that couldn't hear him or didn't make it to the pizza meeting.

My next announcement was going to be about the new outlet that Joey Novak came across for our club clothes shirts, jackets, hats, etc.; Joey and a few of the members did wear a couple of the different shirt types at the pizza meeting which we intended to have them model. Some of the nice things about the new outlet: (a) the prices are good; (b) the variety is very large; and (c) the turnaround time to get your things is very short (a few days to a week). We can order them on-line or stop in at the store, which is near our meeting place, and we can order one shirt or ten there's no minimum.

So with that I hope to see you at the next meeting or tour. The weather is turning nice so maybe we will see that old Ford or Mercury at the May 20th meeting if you cannot make it to the "Shakedown Tour".

President, Dan Pudelek

UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

Ladies Night Out - Saturday, May 3rd

Everyone who has signed up for our Ladies Night Out event should plan to arrive at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles by 4:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon. Tour Chairman Joey Novak is holding your tickets for the play and for the buffet. Please find Joey near "Mainstage Theater" entrance, which is a short distance east of the main resort lobby entrance.

Oak Park & River Forest High School V-8 Display and Seminar - May 10th

Hosted by Don Drews

We're driving to Oak Park to show our cars to Auto shop, American history, and Driver's Ed students at Oak Park & River Forest High School. This is a great opportunity to show them what cars were like before electronics, fuel injection, power-everything, etc. Or maybe just a good excuse to drive our cars to breakfast! Be prepared to show off your V-8 to the students and answer questions they may have about automotive technology from an earlier time.

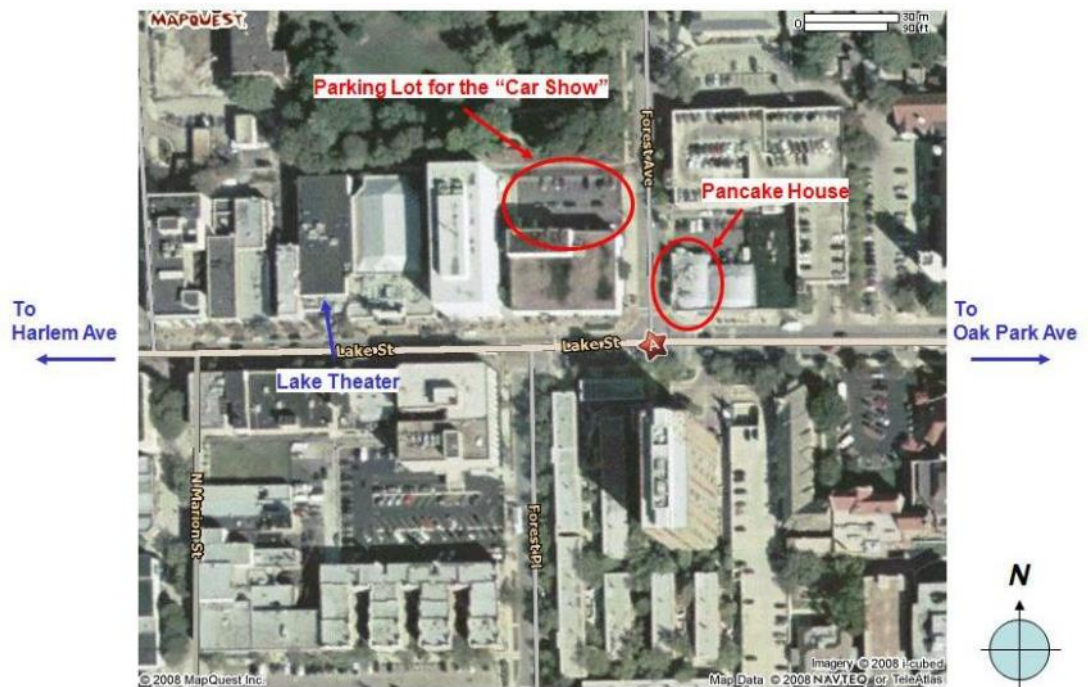
Date: Saturday, May 10

Time: 8:00 am breakfast at the Original Pancake House, 954 Lake St, Oak Park (708)524-0955

9:30-11:30 am car show for the High School students

Plan to meet in the parking lot shown on the map below by 8:00 am. For any questions, please contact Don Drews on his cell phone at (708)528-0925.

Those who signed up at the pizza meeting to bring cars include: Dick Alfini, Ken Bounds, Tom Buscaglia, Lloyd Duzell, Jimmy Guido, Paul Jensen, John Judge, Frank Koeder, Frank Madrigali, Jack Nikolich, Tom O'Donnell, Dan Pudelek, Joe Serritella, Len Vinyard, and George Zulas. If your name is on the list and you cannot make the show, please call Don to let him know. And if you didn't sign up, you are still welcome. Come join us!



May 18, 2008 Tour

The May 18 Spring Tour will take us to the Russell Military Museum and the Kenosha Public Museum. The tour will be about 55 miles one way from the Town And Country Mall (Arlington Heights Rd and Palatine Rd.).



We will meet at the Town and Country Mall at 8:30 am and drive secondary roads to the Russell Military Museum. The entrance fee will be \$5 each. There we will be able to see over 100 military vehicles. The vehicles inside the building are restored tanks, jeeps, personnel carriers, half tracks and cannons. There are also displays of military clothing and weapons.

In the 8 acre outside display area there are helicopters, armored cars, track mounted cannons and other unrestored vehicles. We will spend about one and one half hour there before leaving for lunch in Kenosha at a local restaurant.

After lunch we will drive to the Kenosha Public Museum. This museum is a natural sciences and fine and decorative arts museum. Established in 1933, the Museum's collections have grown to over 70,000, including almost 1,000 works in the fine arts collection. Exhibit programming includes world cultures, Native Americans, zoology, geology, fossils and fine and decorative arts.



Highlights of the first floor exhibits include coral reefs and primitive monsters of the deep, the Ice Age and the eventual melting of glaciers, the Schaefer mammoth dig, the Hebior mammoth replica, and the story of Native Americans of Wisconsin.

The Schaefer mammoth, excavated by the Museum, is significant because it documents the earliest interaction of mammoth and man east of the Mississippi River. The actual Schaefer mammoth bones are set in a special floor display exactly as found on the Schaefer farm in Paris, Wisconsin. Further research on the Schaefer mammoth bones tells us that this site is one of the oldest sites of human habitation in all of the Americas.

The second floor exhibits include a large collection of Oriental sculpture. The collection includes beautiful carved ivory representing the rich history and culture of ancient Asia. Some of the myths and legends depicted in these statues date back as early as 2697 BC. This collection has been generously on loan to the Kenosha Public Museum from Dr. and Mrs. Peterson.



The other large exhibit on the second floor is about dinosaurs. It includes exhibits of an astounding array of authentic fossils collected from all over the world. Touch real dinosaur bones and reconstructed dinosaur nests. See authentic *Sauropod* and *Oviraptor* eggs. View an animated DVD presentation of the discovery of "Baby Louie" and dig for dinosaur eggs. This exhibit was developed by Charlie and Florence Magovern of the Stone Company in association with the Harvard Museum of Natural History

I hope that you find these museums interesting and will join me on this tour. Please give me a call at (847) 991-6976 by May 9th to let me know the number in your party, so I can make reservations at the restaurant.

Tom O'Donnell

We're Having a Garage Tour - Sunday, June 1

Hosted by Lloyd Duzell

We will meet at the Duzells, 3136 N Schoenbeck Rd., Arlington Heights, at 8:30 a.m. Schoenbeck is ½ mile west of Route 83 (Elmhurst Road). The Duzells are located about ½ mile south of Dundee Road, or about 1½ miles north of Palatine Road. A tour sheet will be provided showing the locations we will visit on the tour. Bring your V-8, but if you don't have one ready for the road, modern iron is certainly welcome.



We will leave by 9:00 a.m. and tour to Jack Bowser's garage in Hawthorne Woods. There we will have about an hour to view Jack's collection, and then we will tour together to Mundelein to visit the Manz Museum of Motoring Memories. This is a great opportunity to see some rare classic cars – you won't want to miss it.

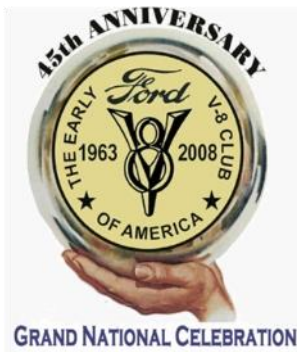
After sufficient time to view this collection, we will have lunch at a restaurant to be determined. Complete details and a signup sheet will be presented at the May 20 meeting. If you do not plan to attend the meeting, please call Lloyd at 847-537-2989 no later than May 20 to let him know you intend to participate in the tour.

Long Grove Strawberry Festival - Saturday June 21



Notice: The classic car show in conjunction with the Long Grove Strawberry Festival, announced in the April Road Chatter, has been discontinued by the festival organizers. We will not be participating as a club at the Strawberry Festival June 21. Sorry!

Grand National Meet Update



The 45th Anniversary Grand National Meet will be held in Dearborn July 14-18, 2008. The full agenda for the meet has been sent to all registrants, has been published in the V-8 Times, and is available on the Early Ford V-8 Club website.

It is not too late to register! The more, the merrier. The initial registration form is available on the national club website, or you can contact Ken Bounds for a copy.

The meet organizers are soliciting donations for the "your choice" raffle. Appropriate items include gift certificates, '32-'53 auto related items, cash donations, etc. We have a few ideas and contributions already, but would like all

NIRG members to give some thought to this and either make a donation or come up with suggestions as to what we can do as a regional group. Bring your donations or ideas to a monthly meeting, or contact any officer.

PIZZA MEETING

SUBMITTED BY KEN BOUNDS

Forty-nine NIRG members, family, and guests gathered for the annual Pizza Meeting April 15 at John's Pizza in Addison. It was great to see a lot of folks that we don't get to see that often. It was very nice that Marty and Leah Duling made the trip up from Springfield.

President Dan Pudelek started off the evening with a brief business meeting. Dan talked about upcoming events and tours and thanked Joey Novak for identifying a new vendor for club clothing. Joe asked a few club members who were modeling the new shirts to stand up so everyone could see them. Tom O'Donnell spoke briefly about his upcoming Spring Shakedown tour and passed around a sign-up sheet. Don Drews also passed around a sign-up sheet for the V-8 display at Oak Park & River Forest High School. The rowdy crowd was anxious to dig in to the pizza, so I don't think they heard much. See Dan's comments on Page 2, details about Tom's tour on Page 4, and details about Don Drews' show on Page 3.



As usual, the pizza was great and there was plenty of it – no one could have left hungry. There was lots of time for visiting with club members and renewing old friendships. Those attending were: President and First Lady Dan & Diane Pudelek, Second-in-command VP Frank & Phyllis Madrigali, our hosts Bob & Angie Paladino, Dick & Dot Alfini, Ken & Carolyn Bounds, Tom Buscaglia, George & Betty Cech, Don Drews, Marty & Leah Duling & son Paul, Lloyd & Gladys Duzell, Jimmy Guido and son Anthony, Mike Heatherly, Earl & Gene Heintz, Frank Iusi, Paul Jensen, John Judge, Frank Koeder, Joe & Nell Kozmic, Paul Linzer, Jack Nikolich, Joey Novak, Tom O'Donnell with guest Bob Voelker, Roger Obecnny, Joe Seritella, Collin Sprau, Stan & JoAnne Stack, Ron Vaughan, Len & Irene Vinyard, Alan Wall, Larry & Jerry Webb, and George Zulas and his sons.

The only problem with the room they provide us at John's Pizza is that the mirrored walls make it very difficult to take pictures. We have included a few to try to show the fun. Also, we got one big group picture for the photo of the month. Sorry we didn't get you in there, Dick & Jack!



A big thank you to Bob Paladino for setting up and hosting this event and to Tom O'Donnell for collecting the money. Tom said he took in just enough to rush home and get his tax return filed. Thanks also to salesmen Joe Kozmic and Joey Novak for selling tickets for the 50/50 raffle, won by JoAnne Stack.

A Tribute to the Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally By Ken Bounds



With a brief article in the March 20, 2008, Lake Geneva News, an era has come to an end. After the untimely death of her husband and partner, George, in April 2007, Jan Kreissl pushed on with the 30th Annual Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally last September. It would also be the last as Jan has announced that it is now time to bring it to a close. This rally has been a mainstay of our Northern Illinois Regional Group touring calendar for at least 21 of those 30 years and to many of us was a highlight of the year.

Shortly after Corinne "Rinny" Kreissl was born on August 5, 1975, her parents George and

Janice purchased a 1939 Ford Tudor that was to be her car sometime in the future. George, who was born in the back seat of a 1936 Ford on the way to St. Anne's hospital in Chicago, had learned to drive in a similar black 1939 Ford. But the morning after they brought the car home, Rinny became seriously ill and was rushed to Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. Sadly, it was determined that she had Biliary Atresia, a terminal liver condition. The following summer when Rinny was able to come home she loved to ride in the '39 Ford, sitting on Jan's lap and constantly keeping her hand on the gear shift knob. The route they traveled was around Geneva Lake and for some reason always in a counter-clockwise direction.

After Rinny lost her battle in 1977, George and Jan had thoughts of some type of tour to commemorate and relive those trips around the lake. A decision was made to add a poker rally theme to make the event more fun and the American Cancer Society was contacted for assistance. The first rally, consisting of 27 vehicles, was held on a rainy September 17, 1978, starting at Popeye's in downtown Lake Geneva. A car show was added to the rally in 1980 with Playboy Bunnies assisting in the awards presentation at the Playboy Club ski chalet. Two hundred and sixty vehicles participated, nearly 10 times the number only two years earlier. For the 10th anniversary rally in 1987, the concept of zones was introduced for dealing the poker hands.

Over the years many new events were added in conjunction with the rally: a parade of classic cars from downtown Lake Geneva; flyovers by vintage airplanes; a "Taste of the Car Rally at Richardson's"; an antique wood boat show and antique outboard motor display at the Abbey Resort in Fontana; a dance called the "Hubcap-Runningboard Ball"



Paul Sharp of Los Altos, California receives longest distance prize from Bunny Patti. Sharp borrowed Kreissl's '39 Ford V-8 to compete in Rally. Hennerley, Betty Bartelson and Dickerman are in the background.



Organizers of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin Car Rally George, Janice and Kurt Kreissl, Early Ford V-8 Club members from Austin, Texas announce that event raised \$8,000.00 for Children's Cancer Research. In background are Charlie Dickerman, General Mgr., of Playboy Resort and Bunny Patti.

Source: V-8 Times, Jan/Feb 1982

at the legendary Riviera Ballroom on the Lake; the Eddie Cash show; a silent auction and other fund-raising efforts; a clown show for children, and many others. The rally grew larger nearly every year: 470 cars for the 3rd annual rally, 750 for the 11th, 1,000 for the 22nd, and 1,100 for the 24th. Over the 30 years, the rally raised nearly \$675,000 for childhood cancer research. Newer members of the club may not realize that George Kreissl was formerly a member of the Early Ford V-8 Club and submitted articles about the Classic Car Rally for publication in the V-8 Times. We have found reports from the 2nd through the 6th rally reported in the V-8 Times.

The first known mention of the rally in the Road Chatter was in October 1980, but it was not organized as a formal tour until 1984. In that year Marty Duling suggested that the club make a donation of \$100 to the American Cancer Society and distribute the poker hands to anyone who attended a tour to the rally. That tradition continued through the 30th annual rally. Marty was instrumental in organizing or leading the early tours to the rally and for several years he and Leah volunteered as dealers at one of the card stops. Marty was well known for finding interesting routes up back roads to the Lake Geneva area. For several years Joey Novak or Rich Doligale served as coordinators for the rally tour.

In 1994, after Marty and Leah had left the Chicago area and moved to Kentucky, I somehow inherited the job as coordinator of the Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally tour. While I counted on Marty to come up from Kentucky and lead us up to Lake Geneva for a few years, eventually I assumed that task as well. In 1997 our tour was expanded to a three-day event with NIRG members participating in either the entire rally or portions of it to their liking. Early on I started a tradition of approaching participants who may possibly have had a cocktail at lunch to solicit additional donations to the Cancer Society so we could increase our number of poker hands. I'm proud that over these 14 years we have donated several thousand dollars on top of the \$100 annual contribution from the NIRG.

Since Carolyn began helping me plan and conduct the tour to the rally in 1998, we have tried hard to make it a fun and exciting weekend. Each year we tried to find new and interesting routes to the Lake Geneva area, different hotels and restaurants to visit over the weekend,



Smiles are evident on the faces of the Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, Car Rally organizers after they learned event raised \$5,100 for children's cancer research. Jean Ledger, chairperson of the event (center) is seen with George and Janice Kreissl, Early Ford V-8 Club members.

Source: V-8 Times, Nov/Dec 1980

Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally

The fifth annual Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally around Geneva Lake in Southern Wisconsin was very successful. Morning fog and overcast conditions kept participation down but efficient volunteers made the most of the inclement weather and managed to raise \$6,800 for children's cancer research, with approximately 400 vehicles participating. Americana Lake Geneva Resort hosted the charitable event that started in 1978 with only 27 cars.

The Corinne Kreissl Memorial Foundation, Inc., is the sponsor of the event. Plans for next year's Rally on September 25, 1983 are being made and the new format will be continued.



'39 Ford V8 owned by George and Janice Kreissl, the originating car of the Classic Car Rally held annually around Geneva Lake in Southern Wisconsin. Close to \$25,000.00 has been raised since the first rally in 1978 in memory of their daughter Corinne.



Source: V-8 Times, Jan/Feb 1983

and different mixes of the locations and routes to play our cards. For the most part, we tried to stick to the "traditional" route of counter-clockwise around Geneva Lake. We had a great time doing it and truly looked forward to this event every year. We also fondly remember the great hospitality shown to our group many times by Earl & Gene Heintz at their cottage on Lake Como.

The classic car show on Sunday at this event was quite large and interesting. There was also an extensive program where awards were given for poker hands and many door prizes were given away. NIRG members have certainly come home with plenty of door prizes, but we know of only a few who received plaques for winning poker hands: Nancy Novak had a winning hand of four 10's and a 9 in 1992, Nell Kozmic took 7th place in 1996, Carolyn won 9th in 1999 and again in 2005, and finally Carolyn won a \$200 prize for the low hand last year with two jokers, an ace, a three, and a five.

As we said in the beginning, an era is over. We support Jan for making that tough decision and congratulate her for the tremendous efforts she and George devoted to this cause for 30 years. Plans are not yet formalized, but we will continue our NIRG tradition and hold a poker run to Wisconsin in September this year to remember the great times of the Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally.

RAINED-ON CAR RALLY NETS \$10,000

Steady rain dampened Car Rally attendance but not enthusiasm as 350 vehicles from all over the Midwest participated. A new record amount of \$10,000.00 was raised in spite of the weather for the American Cancer Society Childhood Research in memory of Corinne Kreissl. Americana-Lake Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin hosted the 6th annual event that originated with only 27 cars.

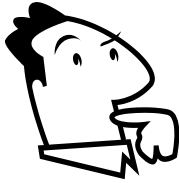
The Board of the Walworth County Unit of the American Cancer Society presented Mr. & Mrs. Kreissl with a hand-made quilt with an antique car design made by Betty Bartelson of Lake Geneva and pointed out that \$35,000.00 has been raised by the event to date.

The Corinne Kreissl Memorial Foundation, Inc., of Lake Geneva is the sponsor of the event. Plans for next year's Rally were started immediately.

For further information contact: Betty Bartelson, P.O. Box 732, Lake Geneva, WI 53147.

Source: V-8 Times, Nov/Dec 1983

Did you know?



Developed in 1950 by the then-called Zenith Radio Corporation, the first TV remote control was christened "Lazy Bones." Lazy Bones used a cable that ran from the TV set to the viewer.

<http://www.mineofuseless.info/trivia/Technology/?p=4>

Club Clothing

Our new NIRG club clothing vendor is up and running! Four shirts with the NIRG logo are available now at EmbroidMe, 905 E Rand Rd, Arlington Heights – phone 847-577-1240. You can order your shirts by phone, in person, or on a website built just for us; delivery can be arranged either by UPS or in person at their store, located just a few blocks from our monthly meeting site. The website is at <http://nirgfordv-8club.promoshop.com>, or you can go to our website at www.nirgv8.org, click on **Links** on the left, then click the club clothing link.



There are currently two polo shirts (one with pocket, one without) and two denim shirts (short sleeve and long sleeve). We will let you know when additional items, such as jackets and sweatshirts are available.



TECH CORNER



Spring Checkup By Tom O'Donnell

Now is the perfect time to get your car ready for touring and a summer of enjoyment. If you completed the check list printed last year, you can just follow the following list. This shorter list covers scheduled maintenance and safety related checks.

1. Check battery for full charge and water.
2. Check that all lights work and are clearly visible
3. Jack up car and change the oil and lube all fittings.
 - a. While under the car, check for worn tie rod and drag link ends.
 - b. Check for oil, brake fluid, gas and water leaks. Repair any leaks.
 - c. Check for signs of rust near the steering box and bolts. Tighten or replace the bolts.
 - d. Check for deteriorated rubber bushings. Replace as necessary.
 - e. Inspect tires for unusual wear patterns.
 - i. Cupping is due to balance
 - ii. One edge wear is due to alignment
 - iii. Both edges worn is due to low pressure
 - iv. Center worn is due to high pressure.
4. Check and adjust the brakes.
5. Clean the underside of the car and touch up any rust spots or chips.
6. Lower the car and fill with oil.
7. Lube the generator with motor oil
8. Lube the distributor.
 - a. Use motor oil in the oil ports
 - b. Lube the cam with distributor cam lubricant.
 - c. Inspect the rotor and cap(s) for signs of wear, pitting and carbon tracking.
9. Check the coolant and change if necessary.
 - a. Antifreeze is good for 2 years.
 - b. Look for rust or oil in the coolant. Repair any problems.
 - c. Check that the cap has a good sealing surface.
10. Clean the engine and touch up any rust spots.
11. Remove at least one spark plug and check the color for proper fuel burning (ceramic should be a light tan or white).
 - a. Check the gap. If the gap is out of specs or the plug shows signs of a problem remove all of the plugs and fix any problem.
12. Clean the air cleaner or change the element.
13. Lube the carburetor controls and check to make sure they are working correctly.
14. Clean the fins on the radiator. Touch up the paint as needed.
15. Start the engine and check for good oil pressure and generator operation.
16. Clean and wax the car.
17. Clean the interior.

Enjoy a summer of worry free driving

MAY

TIME TO
BLOSSOM
FORTH



In the merry month of May—why let your car wear winter's dirt and the pit marks of salt and gravel? It's time to blossom out with a sparkling car to go with the new spring clothes.

Touch-up Paints—Up-holstery Cleaner—Chrome Cleaner—Top Dressing—Polishes

Do the job up right with new, clean seat covers. Let us replace that broken glass in the door or windshield—adjust the window regulators. For very little you can make your car look like new! We have everything you need. Come on in.

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10 Years Ago This Month – May 1998

The May Road Chatter included member profiles of Joe Kozmic and Ron Dopke. The May 19 monthly meeting started a little late because of some tire kicking by V-8ers in the parking lot. Tom Buscaglia was showing off his new engine. Tom later won \$16 in the 50/50 raffle. Allen Tierney gave a talk on the care and repair of radiators.

20 Years Ago This Month – May 1988

The May 10 meeting was "Riverview Night" with guest speaker Chuck Wlodarczyk presenting films, slides, memorabilia, and anecdotes about that gone but not forgotten place. The Old World Wisconsin tour had to be cancelled due to severe weather.

30 Years Ago This Month – May 1978

Chester Lawrence presented a tech talk on mechanical and hydraulic brakes at the May 9 meeting. Lloyd Duzell was a guest of Marty Duling and Dan Fontanini was introduced as a new member. Ron Dopke submitted his resignation as newsletter editor. Membership Chairman Len Vinyard handed out the new NIRG roster.

35 Years Ago This Month – May 1973

The May 22 meeting, held at Tom Young's body shop in Elmhurst, was one of the best attended ever. George Anderton gave a lecture on welding followed by several demonstrations. Paul Jensen was a guest at the meeting. Nine members brought 10 V-8's to the Grayslake show. The new Early Ford V-8 banner was used for the first time.

This photo is from the May/June 1998 V-8 Times. Steve Steers, who was a NIRG member from 1988 to 1995, had an article about the restoration of his 1937 Convertible in that issue.



Steve and his father John sit on the running board and reminisce. His father's previous work with racing cars inspired Steve to persevere while restoring the '37.

My Mother Taught Me...

To Value A Job Well Done

"If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."

Time Travel

"If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"

Logic

"Because I said so, that's why."

Foresight

"Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."

Irony

"Keep crying and I'll give you something to cry about."

Osmosis

"Shut your mouth and eat your supper."

Stamina

"You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."

Weather

"This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."

Circle Of Life

"I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."

Anticipation

"Just wait until we get home."

Receiving

"You are going to get it when you get home!"

Medical Science

"If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to freeze that way."

How To Become An Adult

"If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."

Genetics

"You're just like your father."

Wisdom

"When you get to be my age, you'll understand."

Justice

"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you"



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NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

May	June	July	August
3 Ladies Night Out 8 Board Meeting 10 Oak Park Show - Hosted by Don Drews 18 Spring Driving Tour - Hosted by Tom O'Donnell 20 Member Meeting 23 - 26 Spring Fling	1 Garage Tour - Hosted by Lloyd Duzell 12 Board Meeting 17 Member Meeting	10 Board Meeting 14 - 19 Grand National Meet, Dearborn, MI 15 Member Meeting	10 Annual Picnic - Hosted by the Duzells 14 Board Meeting 19 Member Meeting 23 - 26 Auburn Mo- torfest IV
September	October	November	December
11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting 26 - 28 Lake Geneva Poker Run	9 Board Meeting 21 Member Meeting - Officer Nominations	8 Veteran's Day Lunch 13 Board Meeting 18 Member Meeting - Officer Elections	No Meetings TDB - Christmas Brunch

Happy 
Mother's Day

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
STAN STACK (5/2), PHYLLIS MADRIGALI (5/4), DOTTIE ALFINI (5/7),
DAWN ZULAS (5/8), JOHN ELLIS (5/9), JOHN BAUER (5/17),
FRANK KOEDER (5/18), IRENE VINYARD (5/18), JANE BALOGH (5/19),
ROGER MENESS (5/24) & GINNY MAGNUSSON (5/31)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO
DON & ELAINE BRAUN (5/4), NEIL & JULIE MCMANUS (5/14) &
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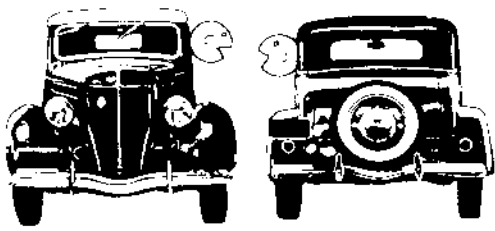
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