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UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

October 14 Board of Directors Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

October 19 Monthly Meeting Wheeling Township Service Center, 8:00 pm.



OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

October 6 - 9 AACA Eastern Division National Fall Meet, Hershey, PA.

October 17 9th Annual Toys For Tots Classic Car Cruise to Volo Auto Museum. Bring an unwrapped toy. Contact Volo Museum or go to <http://www.volocars.com/toys-4-tots.htm> for more information.

October 18 - 20 Early Ford V-8 Club Western National Meet, St. George, UT.

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It is time to renew your membership for 2011. We have included a renewal form in this issue. Please review the form and make any changes, correct any errors, or add any missing information. Please add your cell phone number and your e-mail address if you care to share this information. You can return the form with your \$35 dues to the membership chairman at the address shown on the form or bring them to the next meeting.

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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

Hello to all,

Well the driving season, I'm sorry to say, is starting to wind down for another year. The days are getting shorter; Diane tells me she can even feel the change in the air. I've never been that in tune with nature - all I know is that I don't like it and I'm not happy about it. Spring and summer are my favorite times of the year.



At the September meeting we pushed up our nomination for officers and board members. Vice President Frank Madrigali will finish up the nominations at the October meeting and we will have our elections in November as always. The reason for the change is that two of the board members and I will be attending the Western National Meet in St. George, Utah.

Diane and I will be flying out to Las Vegas for a vacation. It just so happens that the Western National Meet is being held just 125 miles north of Vegas. After long discussions, my sweet beautiful wife suggested that I take a trip up to the meet for a day and as Tom Buscaglia would say do some commiserating and then get back to Vegas and her. It's a win-win situation - I hope I do as well at the tables.

I am looking for someone to put together a fall driving tour for the month of October or early November. I know it's short notice but I'm hoping one of the members will be able to put something together.

Our trip up to Wisconsin for the annual poker run was just great; Diane and I had a wonderful time. Ken and Carolyn outdid themselves. I hope they know how much we appreciate their hard work. From both of us and everyone who attended, we thank you. Until our next meeting, drive safely.

President, Daniel Pudelek

Do you want to make a difference and have some fun too?

NIRG is looking for you!

Nominations for 2011 Officers (President, Secretary, and Treasurer) and five Board of Directors positions will be held at the October member meeting.

Elections will be held in November.

Your participation is important!



UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

Veteran's Day Luncheon - Saturday, November 13

Mark your calendars for the V-8's and Veterans Luncheon November 13 at 12 noon at Sam's of Arlington, 1863 W Central Rd, Arlington Heights.



Save the Date – Sunday, December 5

What: Annual Christmas Luncheon

When: Sunday, December 5, 12:00 noon

Where: Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano, 20560 N Rand Rd, Deer Park

Cost: \$27.00 per person



Joe Novak has made reservations for a luncheon for 50 at Biaggi's in Deer Park. We need to get an accurate count and commitment by November 21, 2010. Payment must be made in advance to Joe Novak no later than November 21. Make checks payable to Joe. This year the ladies grab bag is back! Maximum cost for gifts \$25.

Signup sheets will be available at monthly meetings, or you can call Joe at 708-923-9953.

Save the Date – Saturday, January 15



The annual installation dinner will be held once again at the Wellington in Arlington Heights. The price will be the same as last year, \$38 per person including one hour of open bar at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:30 pm, followed by a program of prizes and awards.

CHEERS

BY NEIL MCMANUS

We hope everyone is enjoying the touch of fall weather that has started to arrive. It's a beautiful time of year to get out and enjoy the warm days and cool evenings.

Goods news from Gary and Joan Kelly: "Our son, David, completed his final chemotherapy treatment two weeks ago, and is on the road to a full recovery from Hodgkin's lymphoma. We really appreciate the support, thoughts and prayers of the club members, and now that we are back in Chicago full time look forward to the club's activities."



Thanks Gary and Joan for sending us the good news.

If anyone has any upcoming events, such as weddings etc., that they would like to share please let me know and I will pass them on,

Cheers

Third Annual Lake Geneva Poker Rally By Ken Bounds

On the weekend of September 24-26 we held our 3rd Annual Poker Rally in the Lake Geneva area. After a couple of days of near-90 degree temperatures, a cold front that came through the night before was quite timely for our Flatheads. We started our day with a few sprinkles, but soon the air dried out and we had a weekend of cool early fall temperatures.



Gathering at the Town & Country Mall in Arlington Heights were Ken & Carolyn Bounds, 1950 Convertible; Joe & Nell Kozmic, 1953 Mercury; Dan & Diane Pudelek, 1953 Victoria; Joey Novak, 1940 Pickup; and new members Bill & Marty Valters on their first tour with the club and on the maiden voyage of their recently-acquired '40 Coupe. Dick & Dotty Alfini intended to drive their '50 Coupe, but its lack of cooperation relegated them to modern iron. Also in

modern iron were John & Barbara Slobodnik and Larry & Jerry Webb. Of course the guys had to swarm under the hood of Bill & Marty's "new" Coupe to check it out. It is a terrific car and proved to be quite road-worthy over the weekend! Tour folders were passed out and everyone donned special Rally pins provided again by Joey Novak.

Our tour took us out of the congested Chicago area and quickly onto secondary roads and northwest into Wisconsin. After some winding, rustic roads with a hint of the beginnings of fall color, we arrived at the Next Door Pub in Lake Geneva for lunch. There we met Tom & Judy Buscaglia, '51 Tudor and Marty and Leah Duling, modern, all the way from Springfield. After an explanation of the Poker Run rules and agenda, we drew our first of seven cards. Our first lucky winner, in absentia, was Ron Blum who won a Wisconsin beef sausage in the shape of a Pabst Blue Ribbon bottle for the high spade. Larry Webb also won Meguiar's Quick Shine as the first man to draw a king. We try to change up our restaurant selection each year; although the food was good, the lackluster service probably means we won't be back to this restaurant.

After lunch we drove to downtown Lake Geneva for some sight-seeing and shopping. In reality, most of the guys spent more time enjoying a cool beverage at a traditional establishment. After our contributions to the local economy, we completed the last leg of our trip over a nice back-road route to our hotel, the Comfort Suites in Delavan. Once everyone had checked in, we drew our second card. Again, we had two winners: Carolyn won a bottle of



The experts examine the new Coupe



Dinner at Greenie's

Honey-Crisp Apple Wine from the Apple Barn for the high diamond, while JoAnne Stack (again in absentia) won an Apple Barn cookbook for being the first woman to draw a queen. Some participants rested up before dinner while others enjoyed V-8 camaraderie in the lobby.

For dinner we drove to nearby Greenie's Clubhouse at Delbrook Golf Club where we enjoyed the fish fry or ordered from the full menu. As usual, the service at Greenie's was great – they always treat us well. Here we drew our third poker card and Diane Pudelek took home a jar of delicious Raspberry salsa for the high club.



Joe Kozmic & Ron Blum ordering pumpkin pie for dessert

After breakfast we drew our fourth card before beginning our driving tour. Tom Buscaglia won a Mineshaft t-shirt for the high heart. With the V-8s all gassed up and ready to go, we began our scenic tour to Hartford, WI. The crisp fall weather was great for the V-8s as we meandered our way over the Kettle Moraine Scenic Drive. The low-speed 66-mile drive took us about two hours as we enjoyed the beautiful scenery and changing leaves. Ron Blum, '40 Fordor and Stan & JoAnne Stack, '53 Tudor intended to join us for the drive but Stan's failed battery set them back an hour. They were able to join the group soon after we arrived at the Mineshaft for lunch. Again we experienced outstanding service and enjoyed a nice lunch. We also drew our fifth poker card; Bill Valters won a jar of Wisconsin honey with the high spade.



The mammoth Soo Line 1003

After lunch we drove a short distance to the [Wisconsin Automotive Museum](#). Hartford was home to the Kissel Motorcar Company from 1906 until 1930. Here is a little-known fact: Kissel used Mercury as its logo; in the late 1930s Henry Ford asked permission to use the logo for his new car line. Now you know the rest of the story.

As we entered the Museum we were wowed by a huge Lionel train layout. We were offered a short film on the history of Kissel then began viewing the extensive two-floor collection. The museum contains a large number of outstanding examples of the rarely seen Kissel. There are also display areas dedicated to the Nash and to the Hudson as well as displays of automotive artifacts, industrial engines,



Our V-8s at Wisconsin Automotive Museum

outboard motors, and the Southeastern Wisconsin Short Track Hall of Fame. Cars and trucks from many other marques, including some outstanding Fords, are on loan to the museum. A highlight was one of the very few working steam locomotives in existence, a 250-ton 1913 Soo Line "2-8-2."

As our museum visit came to an end, we drew our sixth card. Nell Kozmic won a jar of Beer/Brat mustard. After gathering for a group picture, we went outside and lined up our V-8s for a photo opportunity in front of the museum. We returned to Delavan over a slightly different but just as scenic route. About $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way on our 61-mile drive we waved goodbye to Ron Blum and the Stacks as they headed home. We arrived at our hotel at 5:00 pm and again had time to tell a few stories in the lobby before preparing for dinner.



Dick shows the winning hand - four jacks!

We again took to our faithful V-8s for a short drive to the Village Supper Club on Lake Delavan. Here we enjoyed a terrific meal accompanied again by flawless service. At this site the Poker Rally portion of our weekend tour came to a conclusion. Everyone was anticipating the best as they drew their seventh and final card. Bill Valters again won a prize, a Beer-Cheese soup mix for the high club. But our grand prize winner for the best poker hand was Dick Alfini who had drawn four jacks! Dick took home a crisp \$100 bill for his efforts. Stan Stack was not present, but his low hand of 8 high won the consolation prize of \$20.



Our group at Millie's

Sunday morning we began our final day of the tour. We drove to our traditional breakfast spot, Millie's Restaurant and Shopping Village for a terrific breakfast. Here we were joined by Roger Hunz & son Bill, '51 Tudor; Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell, '40 Mercury; and Len & Irene Vinyard, '39 Convertible. After breakfast most of the ladies went shopping while the guys gathered in the parking lot to enjoy our little car show. We said goodbye to several couples as they went their own way, while most of us drove over a scenic route to the Apple Barn Orchard and Winery near Elkhorn to enjoy their 22nd Annual Apple Fest. There is a lot to do at Apple Fest: plenty of food, arts & crafts, live bands, wine tasting, many specialty items in the shop, and, of course fresh apples and apple pie. Our group contributed well to their bottom line!

After a full weekend of touring, we drove back to the Chicago area in groups over more direct routes. All of the Early V-8s performed flawlessly in the cool weather of this early fall weekend. Carolyn and I want to thank mother nature and all those who participated and contributed in many ways to a terrific weekend. Through the generosity of our group we are donating \$400 to cancer research. At the hotel, many of us made our reservations for next year when we will do it again!



10 Years Ago This Month – October 2000

The October Road Chatter contained a detailed story from Ron Vaughan about how he acquired his '35 Ford Deluxe Fordor. New members Rich Anderson and Matt Ottaviano attended the October 17 monthly meeting, along with ten V-8 ladies, encouraged to attend by President Ken Bounds. Ernie & Terry Herzog hosted a tour to the Newport Hill climb on October 1. Terry and Kitty Freihage hosted an October 22 driving tour to the MGA Research Facility in Burlington, WI. Several members of the NIRG and the Badger State group participated, but the representative at the facility did not show up!

20 Years Ago This Month – October 1990

New member Lin Stacey was welcomed at the October 16 monthly meeting. October was an action-packed month as a number of members attended the Hershey meet and an October 7 joint tour with Model A and Model T clubs. Eight couples enjoyed an October 20 ladies night out event hosted by Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell, starting at the Rokbonki Japanese Steakhouse in Arlington Heights and ending at Second City Northwest in Rolling Meadows.

30 Years Ago This Month – October 1980

New member Charles Kaiser was welcomed to the group at the October 14 monthly meeting. There was again much discussion about hosting a National Meet. An October 25 Halloween costume party hosted by Ray & Dorothy Tognarelli at the Oakbrook Terrace Holiday Inn was a "howling success." Twenty-eight members and guests, mostly in costume, had a great time. Games were played, prizes were awarded for best costumes, and a midnight buffet was served.

40 Years Ago This Month – October 1970

At the October 22 monthly meeting President Len O'Connor announced that Secretary-Treasurer Rich Pershell had returned to school and would not be able to continue his duties. (We must have been a little younger then! Ed.) New member Chester Lawrence joined at the meeting.

Flathead Flashback

Joey Novak shows off his new GPS unit at the 2007 Eastern National Meet.



SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING MINUTES**Submitted by Stan Stack**

President Dan Pudelek called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm.

Dan opened by thanking those that contributed to the Volo show. Our cost would have been considerably more if Ron Blum had not donated race track tickets and Sox game tickets. Dan thanked Ed Fontana for bringing his tent and tables and the work of many others which contributed to a large savings for the event.



Treasurer's report by Joe Serritella: ending balance of \$2,026.00. New members joining at the Volo show received a ½-year show special rate of \$15.00.

Health and Welfare from Neil McManus: The Kellys said their son David has gone through chemotherapy and is doing well.

Membership report from Ken Bounds: we now have 91 members with the addition of Mike & Stephanie Kubarth from Union Grove, WI. New members Betty Klafta and Tom Barosso came to the meeting and drove their '39 Standard in the rain. New member Bill Valters was also present.

Dan advised that NIRG Membership renewals of \$35.00 are due beginning in October - be sure to bring your check or mail it in. A membership form will be in the October Road Chatter.

Dan discussed upcoming events:

- The Lake Geneva Poker Rally will be held September 24th to the 26th. Members can participate in part or all of the tour.
- We are looking for a member group to put together a tour in October. Please call in your ideas to Dan.
- The Christmas Luncheon will be Sunday, December 5th, Noon to 3:00pm at Biaggi's on Rt. 12 (Rand Road) in Deer Park. Advanced payment is required.
- The Installation Dinner will be at The Wellington Restaurant in Arlington Heights on Saturday, January 15, 2011. Open bar 6:30 to 7:30 followed by dinner. Cost \$38.00 per person.

Nominations for 2011 Officers and Board Members were opened by President Dan Pudelek. Dan was nominated for President with no other members coming forth for the position. Dan said he would accept the nomination. Joe Serritella was nominated for Treasurer and said he would accept the nomination. Stan Stack was nominated for Secretary and stated he would take a second year if voted for.

Board members were nominated as follows: Len Vinyard, Ed Fontana, Ron Blum, Neil McManus, and Tom O'Donnell. Nominations will be re-opened at the October meeting with the election held in November.

Ed Fontana spoke briefly about the bar stools with the NIRG logo that are now available. If you are interested in a bar stool with either the NIRG or the Ford logo, contact Ed. (More info on next page.)

Joe Dispensa presented President Dan a trophy awarded to the car club with the most vehicles at the LaSalle Street Auto Row show in August - see photo next page.

SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING MINUTES (CONTINUED)

Auburn, Indiana, will be the site of the 2011 Central National Meet. It will be only 225 miles from our NIRG Meeting Room. Ken stated this is a real opportunity for a large turnout from our club.

Ken Bounds presented a slide show documenting our tour to South Bend, IN, in July. There were many photos of the great carriages and automobiles at the Studebaker Museum. Everyone thanked Joe Serritella for arranging a great tour.

Joe Serritella briefly discussed options for winter car storage at a warehouse in Downers Grove and an Elgin condominium garage.

Twenty one members attended the meeting: Rich Anderson, Bernard Ashley, Ron Blum, Tom Barosso, Ken Bounds, Tom Buscaglia, Joe Dispensa, John Emmering, Ed Fontana, Mike Heatherly, Roger Hunz, John Judge, Betty Klafta, Joe Kozmic, Frank Madrigali, Neil McManus, Tom O'Donnell, Dan Pudelek, John Slobodnik, Stan Stack, and Bill Valters.

Dan Pudelek won \$23.50 in the 50/50 raffle. Dan adjourned the meeting at 9:30 pm.



Joe Dispensa, right, presents trophy to Dan Pudelek

Club Logo or Ford Logo Barstools

Ed Fontana has arranged for a special purchase of barstools for club members, directly from the manufacturer right here in our area. These chairs are very nice quality and would make a great addition to your garage! The barstools can be ordered with either the Ford Logo on blue vinyl, as raffled off at our Early Ford Day, or our NIRG club logo on white vinyl. Also, they can be ordered with or without a back. The cost is only \$65 without the back or \$95 with the back.

If you are interested in placing an order, please contact Ed at 847-671-1687.

It's Road Chatter Ad renewal time again.

Do you have an ad in the Road Chatter? Would you like to have an ad in the Road Chatter? This year we have a new option: the rate remains \$25 for a black & white ad, or for \$35 you can have your business card shown in full color.

Just send your payment with a business card to: Ken Bounds
1N410 Forest Ave.
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137



Please make checks payable to Northern Illinois Regional Group. Renewals must be received prior to December 20 to be in the January Road Chatter.

NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

From Arel Brown

The third quarter meeting of the national directors of the Early Ford V8 Club was called to order Saturday, August 14, at 11am EST by President Brown. Director John Connelly was unavailable. All other directors, staff members and the national chief judge participated. The second quarter minutes were corrected and approved. Dan Wittern, the club's business manager reviewed the quarterly and year to date statements. The club's second quarter income revenue was \$9K greater than forecasted due to more renewals and new memberships than anticipated. Overall actual income for the year to date is \$23K greater than expected. Operating expenses were in line with Dan's budget projections. The club continues to maintain a healthy financial position. Mr. Wittern warned the directors that foreign postage rates have been rising dramatically to the point where it is costing the club \$65 to \$70 in mailing costs to provide the *V-8 TIMES* to international members, whose membership is \$50; for Canadian members who pay \$43 annually it costs the club \$48 to send the magazine. The club has about 500 international members and 300 Canadian members; of that 800 about 450 are full time members with the remaining 350 being joint and non-subscribing members. A motion was passed to increase the foreign membership to \$70 and \$55, effective no later than January 1, 2011.



A quarterly report of V-8 accessories and technical books was provided by the Rasmussens. Second quarter sales exceeded \$14K with the 1932, 1933-34, 1937 Ford books generating over \$9K of the total. Gift Certificates for purchasing club books and accessories will be available soon. Check the website or the *V-8 Times* for more information.

The directors voted to provide a complete library of the V-8 club's technical books to the Benson Ford Research Center in Dearborn, Michigan. These will be available in the archives for research and technical reference. This gesture is part of the V-8 club's continuing effort to cooperate closely with the Henry Ford and the BFRC for the benefit of both organizations.

Editor of the *V-8 TIMES*, Jerry Windle discussed his use of color and advertising in the magazine. He has been running the maximum number of pages possible for the last two years. He feels very fortunate to have the membership provide such a wealth of information and material for magazine articles. Henry Dominguez who has written some excellent articles for the *V-8 TIMES* has been named an associate editor. The liaisons for the various technical books which are in process reported on the status of each book project. The 35-36 pickup book, the 1949-51 Mercury and the 52-53 Ford book have seen little progress over the summer months. The authors of the 1952-53 Ford book, Craig Gorris and Ray Beebe plan to have a rough draft completed by the end of the year. Lynn Stringer reported Mike Kubarth and Marll McDonald have made great strides on the new 1940 Book. They have completed 33 sections (82 pages) to date. National director Lou Mraz has been extremely busy with creating and writing a set of guidelines and suggestions for technical book authors. This will establish the protocol and direction for future authors so that both they and the board will have a clear understanding of the responsibilities and tasks involved. Mr. Mraz is also creating a document that will address the relationship that the V-8 club is developing with the Benson Ford Research Center. It will clarify the protocol V-8 club technical book authors should follow when approaching the BFRC and researching at the archives. It will direct authors on the use of copyright and intellectual property issues and provide insight into the cost structure of the research center's services.

Vice president Bob York handles the complaints and compliments. He reports the few complaints he receives are all due to the *V-8 Times* arriving late. For compliments Bob brought up the subject of Carolyn and Ken Bounds who developed a computer program to tally the touring and touring "A" ballots at national meets. This was put to its first test at the eastern meet in North Carolina and came through with flying colors. Everyone involved was very impressed at how quickly the results were determined.

NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (CONTINUED)

Director Brian Derickson reviewed the national meets being planned. The 2010 western meet being held in St. George, Utah on October 18th thru the 20th has 312 registrations and 275 cars registered. The 2011 Eastern Meet will be in Saratoga Springs, NY and has 150 registrations already. The 2011 Central Meet will be in Auburn, Ind. There is no western meet at this time. For 2012 the board has approved an eastern meet in Georgia and a western meet in Colorado. Looking ahead to 2013 and the fiftieth anniversary of the Early Ford V-8 Club the board approved a proposal from the Golden Gate Regional Group #1 to host the Grand National at Lake Tahoe. There are still gaps, so get your Regional Group to step up and sponsor a national meet.

Midwest director, John McBurney reported on the Judging Standards committee and their reorganization under Rusty Davis. Several suggestions were made by Jerry Reichel that will be passed on to the JSC for their evaluation. He suggested that no point deduction be taken for the use of an electric fuel pump as a safety item due to the high incidence of vapor lock and the presence of ethanol in today's gas. He also suggested that no point deduction be taken for the use of a small convex mirror as a safety feature. The board voted to pay the lodging for the JSC secretary at national meets. The secretary is required to be at the meet with his computer and records. He is responsible for verifying records, awards and membership data. His involvement with the hosting regional group greatly assists them with judging classifications and awards eligibility. Mr. McBurney also reported on the 1935 Ford's anniversary promotion. 150 collectible brass license tabs commemorating the anniversary were produced by the club and were being presented to V-8 club members who displayed their 1935 Ford at national meets. To date, 32 owners have participated at meets in Australia, Norway, Dearborn, MI and North Carolina with their 35 Fords. The western meet in Utah will complete the 75th anniversary promotion. 1935 Ford owners who would like to purchase one of these collectibles can do so by contacting the club's V-8 accessories department as listed in the V8 TIMES and sending \$20.00 plus shipping (\$3.75).

A report on membership indicated that we have 9043 members as of August 13, 2010. A year ago there were 9129 members.

The board voted to have an appreciation plaque made for Bob Drake for all the support and encouragement that he has provided over the years. A formal presentation is being planned. A similar plaque was presented to Dennis Carpenter at the eastern meet in North Carolina. Directors John Connelly and Bob York have developed a new V8 Club banner. These may be purchased by a member or a regional group for \$90.00. A special price will be available to regional groups who have 100% national membership. Regional group presidents should contact Mr. York for details of this promotion. These will be a great identifying asset to clubs and help to attract new members.

As you know the ballots for national director elections are being reprinted. Due to an oversight, a candidate's resume for the southeast directorship was not included plus there was an error on the name of the Canadian representative. The board decided the only fair way to handle the errors was to print a second ballot. An effort was made to alert the membership through regional group presidents and the club's website. Mid Atlantic director Dave Collette will be counting the ballots and report on the results at the November board meeting. Also, at the November meeting Northwest director, Steve Lemmons will be also be announcing who the directors have elected to be the V-8 club's officers for 2011.

Jerry Vincentini has made arrangements and reviewed the annual 2011 "face to face" meeting. It will be held in Fountain Hills, AZ. on February 17-19. In addition to the meeting several notable car collections will be visited. This meeting is open to all members; for details contact your national director.

The meeting was adjourned at 3 pm EST.



V-8 Gals

As you read in the article about the Third Annual Lake Geneva Poker Rally, the group stopped at the Apple Barn Orchard and Winery on Sunday to spend some time at Apple Fest. There were vendors, a band, activities for the kids, all sorts of apple treats like pies, donuts and cider. And of course, there were apples! If you wanted to you could pick them yourself, but most of us opted for buying the pre-picked apples. Here is some interesting apple trivia that you can use to impress your friends.

- The average person eats 65 apples per year.
- Apples float because 25% of their volume is air.
- The largest apple ever picked weighed three pounds, two ounces.
- One medium apple contains about 80 calories.
- China produces more apples than any other country.
- There are more than 7500 varieties of apples grown in the world. About 2500 varieties are grown in the United States.
- Red Delicious is the most popular and most-produced apple in the United States. Golden Delicious is the second most popular.
- The only apple native to North America is the crabapple.



Joanne Stack was the lucky winner of the Apple Barn Orchard and Winery Cookbook during the Poker Run. She won the prize by being the first female to draw a queen. Joanne let me borrow the book so I could share a recipe with you. This one looks especially yummy. Thanks Joanne!

Apple Barn's Famous Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Cookies

1 cup shortening	2 cup flour
1 cup sugar	1 tsp baking soda
1 large egg	1 tsp baking powder
1 cup canned pumpkin	1/2 tsp salt
1 tsp vanilla	1 tsp cinnamon
6 oz chocolate chips	

Beat shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add the egg, pumpkin and vanilla, mixing well. Mix the dry ingredients together and add to the pumpkin mixture. Stir in chocolate chips.

Using an ice cream scoop to form cookie, fill and level off the scoop, drop the cookie mixture on an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in a pre-heated 350 degree oven for 13 - 16 minutes.

NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

September	October	November	December
9 Board Meeting 21 Member Meeting 24-26 Lake Geneva Poker Run	14 Board Meeting 19 Member Meeting - Officer Nominations 18-20 Western Meet	11 Board Meeting 13 Veteran's Day Lunch 16 Member Meeting - Officer Elections	No Meetings 5 Christmas Brunch, Biaggi's, Deer Park
January	February	March	April
13 Board Meeting 15 Installation Dinner 18 Member Meeting	10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting	10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting	14 Board Meeting 19 Pizza Meeting



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
JOHN EMMERING (10/5), JOE SERRITELLA (10/9), JOE KOZMIC (10/11),
JULIE MCMANUS (10/11), DIANE PUDELEK (10/11), JOAN DIXON (10/14),
MICHAEL KUBARTH (10/15), STEVE O'NEILL (10/17),
CHESTER LAWRENCE (10/26), TOM BUSCAGLIA (10/28) & LIN STACEY (10/29)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO
DOUG & GAIL LEICHT (10/6), JACK & JEAN NIKOLICH (10/8)
& FRANK & MARGARET KOEDER (10/30)

AND ALL THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS AND
ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH.



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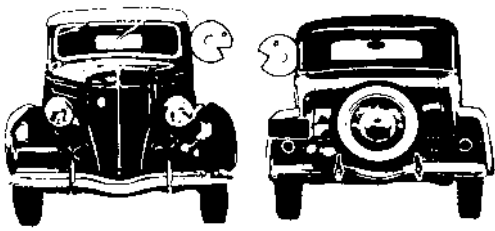
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