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## UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

**July 10** Board of Directors Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

**July 12** Operational Check & Photo Op, Roundheads of Lombard, see page 3.

**July 15** Monthly Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.



## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

**July 4** Happy Birthday to the USA!

**July 10-13** 42nd Annual Iola Car Show & Swap Meet, Iola, WI. \$8 daily.

**July 23** - Happy Anniversary to Northern Illinois RG #8. Forty-seven years and counting!

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## \*\*Attention Members\*\*



The July monthly meeting will be dedicated to planning for the Central National Meet in Springfield. All members, spouses, significant others, etc. who are planning to attend the meet and who are helping with the meet should come to the meeting. We will be reviewing the status of the meet and talk about work assignments.

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**Newsletter**

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**MEETINGS**

7:30 pm on the third  
Tuesday of the month at  
the Wheeling Township  
Service Center, 1616 N.  
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**FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT**

Hello again,

I hope you all had a wonderful Father's Day and I'd like to wish everyone a very happy Fourth of July.

June was a busy month with a number of exciting activities. I would like to thank Joe Novak, John Emmering and Ron Steck for hosting events. First, Joe hosted our fourth annual Great Lakes Rendezvous joint tour with the Northern Ohio Regional Group. This year's destination was Auburn, Indiana, where participants enjoyed a number of sights, including the Early Ford V-8 Foundation Museum. Next, John hosted a gathering of folks at the Holstad Retirement Community in Batavia for an outdoor concert where they enjoyed the live music of the famous Glenn Miller Orchestra. And, lastly Ron hosted the Riverview Ford Early V-8 car show in Oswego, a repeat of last year's Grand National Tour stop event.

In addition to those hosting events, I would also like to thank a number of members for participating in an event our club was invited to, the 50s car show for residents at the Vi at The Glen retirement community in Glenview. Dennis Roberts, Stan Stack, Jeffrey Trilling, Joe Serritella, John Slobodnik and Frank Madrigali brought their '50s Fords and other makes to the show, and from what I heard from the event organizer, the residents really appreciated seeing all our cars and couldn't stop talking about them.

Our June Monthly Meeting got started with a number of members kicking the tires with their V-8s. Then, later in the meeting, Ken Bounds provided a nice slideshow of pictures reflecting on Lloyd Duzell's life, which was followed by members standing up and sharing their personal stories about Lloyd.

As we look to July, I want to mention that our July monthly meeting will focus on preparing for the 2014 Central National Meet and remember to be there early to kick the tires at 7 PM. Also, Ken Bounds will be hosting an Operational Check and photo opportunity at Roundheads in Lombard on Saturday, July 12th. If you're planning to bring your car to Springfield, or would like your car photographed for our calendar, please join us.



Scott Gilday  
NIRG President

**LUNCH & HAYRIDE**

Tour Chairman Ron Steck had arranged a lunch and hayride for June 29. Unfortunately, only he and John Scheve showed up for lunch and the hayride was cancelled due to the heat. Perhaps the event can be rescheduled for another (perhaps cooler) date.

## UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

### Operational Check and Photo Opportunity

**Saturday, July 12**

**Roundhead's of Lombard, 205 W Roosevelt Rd, Lombard, IL**

On July 12 we will be doing a run-through of the Operational Check process that we will use at the Central National Meet in August. This event will be held at Roundhead's of Lombard, located on Roosevelt Road just one mile east of I-355. Roundhead's is on the south side of Roosevelt, immediately east of Heritage Cadillac.

Time: 9:00 am through 11:00 am - time may be extended to be sure all cars are included.

Lunch: We will break for lunch sometime between 11:00 and noon.

Don't have a V-8? No problem! Come in modern iron and join the fun.

#### Operational Check

NIRG members will be doing an operational check of your vehicle, similar to those done at Early Ford V-8 Club National Meets. All members of the operational check team should plan to be there, if possible.

#### Photo Opportunity

Our Meet Photographer, Tom O'Donnell, will be taking high-resolution digital photographs of all Early V-8s present. Your car's photo may also be used in next-year's NIRG calendar!

#### For More Information

Contact Ken Bounds at 630-858-9474 if you plan to participate or if you have any questions.

### Annual NIRG Picnic - Sunday, August 3

This year's picnic will again be held at Timmermann's Ranch & Saddle Shop, 29550 W. Roberts Rd, Island Lake, hosted by Don & Elaine Braun and their friends, Art & Carol Timmermann. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. This is one of the biggest events of the year and a chance to see many great V-8s and friends. You don't want to miss it! Guests are welcome!

The club provides: Hot dogs, brats, burgers, plates, napkins, utensils, charcoal.

You provide: Your entrée if you don't want hot dogs, brats or burgers, one pass-around dish to share, your Early V-8 (other cars welcome), lawn chairs.

Beverages: The club will provide soft drinks, water, ice, and coolers. If you want adult beverages you'll need to bring your own.

Driving directions: Timmermann's Ranch is at 29550 W. Roberts Road in Island Lake. You can take Route 12 to Route 176, then go west about 2½ miles to Roberts Road. Timmermann's is about ¼ mile south on Roberts Road. From the west take Route 176 to Roberts Road, then go south ¼ mile.



## 4th Annual Great Lakes Rendezvous

By Ken Bounds

On the weekend of June 6-8, members of the Northern Illinois Regional Group participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Tour with the Northern Ohio Regional Group and the Nifty Fifties Ford Club of Northern Ohio. This year's destination: Auburn, Indiana.

Bright and early on Friday, June 6, Ken & Carolyn Bounds, 1950 Ford Crestliner, met new member Jeff Trilling, 1952 Ford F-1 Pickup and Tour Organizer Joey Novak & Millie Olds (Mustang) at the Lincoln Oasis to begin the drive to Auburn. Jeff had just joined the NIRG 17 days earlier and was off on his first overnighiter. After a relaxing 150-mile drive over mostly secondary roads, we arrived at the Auburn Cracker Barrel and met over 20 of our friends from the Cleveland area. Ron & Colleen Steck had traveled separately to Auburn and Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell, 1940 Mercury and Joe & Delice Serritella, 1941 Ford Coupe, would arrive in the afternoon.

After enjoying lunch and renewing old friendships we checked in to the nearby Hampton Inn and got ready for our first stop, the Early Ford V-8 Foundation Museum. We had a great time there and were pleased to see how the Museum has progressed in the three years since we had last visited. From there, we caravanned through the country to a scenic covered bridge in Spencerville, where everyone had shots of their vehicles taken as they passed through. Carolyn later provided prints of the photos to each participant. We even worked in a poker rally over the weekend, drawing cards at various stops for a neat prize.

Back at the hotel we cooled off, kicked a few tires, and even got in a couple of car games. Friday evening we took a short drive over to Avila for a super dinner at the St. James Tavern. Coincidentally Jeep Iacobucci told us that he once won a stock car race near that restaurant! We returned to the hotel and had some fun with a few of our people games before we called it a day.

On Saturday we started with a visit to the National Auto and Truck Museum, then on to the fabulous Auburn-Cord-Duesenburg Museum. There was so much to see that most of us were worn out by noon. Our own Charlie Kaiser made a surprise appearance just as we were



Ken & Jeff dreamed this up in 2010



Jeff's gorgeous '52 F-1 Pickup



Jeep in his natural habitat, a race car

about to leave for lunch. At lunch we coincidentally met a group of V-8ers from Michigan. As everyone knows, Saturday is always yellow shirt day on these tours and we have the photo taken at the restaurant to prove it. Afterwards, it was on to a winery where everyone seemed to have a good time tasting various wines and other treats.

At the hotel we spent the rest of the afternoon enjoying conversation and friendship, plus a few more car games.

Our weekend began to wind down with a terrific banquet dinner which host Joey Novak had arranged at the Bridgewater Country Club. The staff did a great job serving our group. Before dinner we had trivia contests for the men and the ladies. Cari from the Nifty Fifties won the ladies quiz and Tom O'Donnell won the mens. After dinner other prizes were handed out including best poker hand to Beth Schilling, car games to George, and people games to Neal Garland. Jack Bukzar was the unfortunate winner of the traveling hard luck trophy, which he had created last year, when a rock shattered his vent window.

It is always hard to begin saying goodbyes, but before we did so we handled an important piece of business – where to meet next year. Read on.

Sunday morning we began our trip home in the rain. We decided to take the toll road home and our Crestliner didn't like it – the overdrive quit working. We were able to continue, perhaps a little bit slower. Then Tom's voltage regulator decided to cause the battery to overcharge, so he disconnected his generator and drove on the battery. Regardless, we all made it home safely. Congratulations to Jeff Trilling for surviving his first tour with the club, to Joey Novak for organizing the event, and to all our friends from Ohio for participating.

Oh, the answer to our 2015 destination? Dayton, Ohio. We can hardly wait.



**Saturday is yellow shirt day!**



**Our group at the banquet**



**You can't get the hard luck trophy if you don't drive your car**



## An Evening with the World Famous Glen Miller Orchestra

### By John Emmering

The swing sounds of the Glen Miller Orchestra were enjoyed by a group of NIRG “hep cats” and guests Wednesday June 11 at the Homstad Retirement Community in Batavia, IL. The rainy overcast weather and illness kept several participants away but a hardy group of swing music enthusiasts formed at the Country House Restaurant in Geneva that afternoon to sample some of the famous hamburgers and other cuisine. Present at the Country House Restaurant were event sponsors John & Robin Emmering with their 1949 Ford Custom Fordor, Roger Hunz with his 1951 Ford Custom Tudor, and Jeff Trilling with his 1952 Ford F-1 pickup truck. John Judge arrived in a long 1975 Chrysler Newport. The rest attending, driving modern iron, were Ed & Gail Karch, Frank and Phyllis Madrigali, accompanied by friends Dave & Louise Artis, Ron Dopke and his daughter Cheryl Fisher, Joe and Marie Dispensa and John and Barbara Slobodnik.



After dinner the group met in the parking lot and admired Jeff Trilling’s shiny 1952 F-1 pickup truck, which is a new vehicle to the club. Other patrons enjoyed viewing the V-8’s also. Leaving the Country House lot the group headed down Fabyan Parkway over the Fox River to the Homstad Community. Management had decided to hold the concert indoors due to the weather so parking outside, the group found their way to the auditorium along with over 250 Homstad residents and guests.



A great evening of entertainment ensued with the talents of the musicians of the Glen Miller Orchestra. The Orchestra is the legitimate heir to the original 1940’s group and has been touring internationally since 1956. For those willing to brave the weather and last minute changes a great evening of entertainment was experienced.

## Riverview Ford Car Show - June 14

By Ken Bounds

Last year, Tour Chairman Ron Steck arranged for our group to show our cars at Riverview Ford in Oswego to meet the Grand Tour group as they crossed the country on their way to the Grand National Meet in Lake Tahoe. This year, we decided to do it again, this time in conjunction with a car show sponsored by the dealership.

Those bringing out Early V-8s were Ken Bounds - 1950 Crestliner, Tim Carling - 1936 Fordor, John Emmering - 1951 Fordor, Joe Kozmic - 1937 Coupe, and John Scheve - 1947 Coupe. With Ron's pickup nearing completion, maybe this is the last time he will need to go to a show in a modern vehicle. We look forward to seeing Ron's '40 in Springfield.

We had a fun time at the show looking at the 40 or so cars on display and enjoying each others' company, enjoying lunch, and voting for our favorite cars. It was hot in the June sun, but we somehow managed to keep ourselves cool. Joe even managed to coerce the dealership into providing us t-shirts. When all the ballots were counted, Tim and Ken each won a trophy. It was a nice day and we thank Ron for setting up the event.



Tim with his '36



John Emmering's '51 Fordor



It was good to see Joe's '37 Coupe out



Our group photo



## Our Trip to the 2014 Eastern National Meet

By Ken Bounds

After a year of planning, it was finally time to head to historic Gettysburg for the Eastern National Meet. On Saturday, June 21, Ken & Carolyn Bounds - '51 Mercury met Dan & Diane Pudelek - '53 Victoria at the Lincoln Oasis for our trip east. John & Este Scheve would *try* to catch up with us later, trailing their '47 Coupe. This meet would include a couple of firsts: this was our first time showing our Mercury at a National Meet and John & Este's first time for their '47. We had entered the Merc in Concourse Division to be point judged; we had intended to drive the Convertible, but alas it is still vacationing in Texas.

We were lucky to be able to drive in unusually cool, dry air for this time of year – the Flatheads loved it. We had an uneventful 475-mile trip to the Pittsburgh area where we spent the night. After cleaning off the bugs and enjoying a cool one, we went to dinner at a very popular Italian restaurant next door where John and Este joined us. The food was delicious.

On Sunday we skirted the mountains east of Breezewood, PA, opting for a little longer but very scenic drive into Gettysburg. It is impossible to drive through the battlefield area without feeling chills. Arriving at the meet venue, the excellent signage directed us to the meet hotel. Even though early registration had just opened, the place was crawling with Early V-8s and their caretakers. As we ran into a few hundred of our V-8 friends, we made our way to the registration area where we set up shop to promote the Central Meet; we are grateful to the Eastern Meet folks for generously providing us the space. This was to be Carolyn's home for the next three days until she moved to the tabulation room on concourse day. Carolyn did a great job promoting our meet and selling meet souvenirs and raffle tickets.



**Made it to Gettysburg!**

With Carolyn manning our table at the registration desk Sunday - Tuesday, I was free to scour the very nice swap meet, talk with some friends, and score some much-needed parts before preparing our car for judging. John & Este had signed up for several organized tours while Dan & Diane mostly toured on their own. Along the way we enjoyed several nice meals with our group and with John & Judy McBurney, Steve & Chris Lemmons, and others. There is so much to see and do in Gettysburg that we will need to come back.

Wednesday brought the final chance to get cars ready for the Thursday concourse and the usual round of meetings. At the Welcome Party we were invited to come up and give a pitch about our meet. The food was delicious and plentiful. After a little time sitting by the cars in the parking lot, we turned in thinking about the forecast for Thursday: 75% chance of rain.

Somehow Concourse Day was already here. After the judges' breakfast, Carolyn and I did our check of vehicles on the concourse while Dan prepared to



**John & Este at the Welcome Party**



judge in the 49-53 class. I also drove our Mercury to the nearby show area, cleaned it out, and placed the judging sheets on the front seat. I don't care what anyone says – getting your car judged makes you a little nervous. I soon learned that our car would be the first Mercury to be judged. In less than an hour, it was all over and Deputy Justin LaChausse professionally explained the results.

The concourse consisted of around 200 beautiful Fords, Lincolns, and Mercurys; cars, trucks, tractors, and Woodies. With our other duties there was just not enough time to admire them all. The concourse was released around 2:00 pm and Carolyn had her Touring Class results ready a few minutes later. Best of all, the promised rain never materialized; that is until about 8:00. An intense thunderstorm knocked out power in the hotel for a few minutes and even trapped some people in an elevator. It took three fire trucks, an ambulance, and other emergency vehicles to resolve the crisis.

On Friday Carolyn and I worked with the meet staff helping to prepare the awards for the awards banquet. There was just enough time in the afternoon to load the car back up and catch our breath before the banquet. The meet organizers put on a fantastic banquet with delicious food and fast service. Everything went very smoothly and the presentations went off without a hitch. We were thrilled that our Mercury won a Dearborn Award. John Scheve also took a 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Touring A. At the end of the evening we again had one last chance to promote our meet to the crowd of over 300. Then we had to say our goodbyes; or maybe see you in two months. As we have said many times before, the Early Ford V-8s are great, but the people keep us coming back. Our sincere thanks to Co-Chairs Willis Terrett and Norm Heathcote and their entire staff for putting on a fabulous meet.

Friday morning we were off on the return drive home. We did not have the luxury of the cool weather we had on the drive over, but home kept beckoning. We decided to drive the 700 or so miles home and sleep in our own beds. We were home before 7:30. John & Este left after us, but made it home in one shot as well. Before you know it, we will be in Springfield and will be thinking forward to Charlotte 2015 – the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the iconic '40 Ford.



Diane, Dan & Carolyn at the Awards Banquet



John won 1st Place in Touring A



Ken receives Dearborn Award from President Lemmons

**JUNE 17 MEETING MINUTES****Submitted by Stan Stack**

President Scott Gilday called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm with 31 members in attendance. Many members arrived from 7 pm to 7:30 pm for tire kicking and checking out the V-8's. Those driving Early V-8s included Rich Anderson – '50 Tudor, Ken Bounds – '51 Mercury, Tom Buscaglia – '51 Tudor, John Emmering – '49 Fordor, Frank Koeder – '39 Convertible, George Kubik – '49 Fordor, Paul Lunecki – '51 Tudor, Tom McInerney – '50 Coupe, Tom O'Donnell – '53 Lincoln, Stan Stack – '53 Tudor, and Jeff Trilling – '52 Pickup.



Scott advised that the club is looking for a 1939 Illinois plate to be used in a project for a donation to the Early Ford V-8 Foundation Museum. Frank Koeder and Paul Jensen came up with some ideas.

Scott introduced Ken Robins as a guest. Ken stated he has a '33 Woody and a '41 Pickup.

Membership Chairman Ken Bounds stated that we now have 85 members. Jeff Trilling joined the NIRG at the May meeting and participated in our Auburn Tour in his '52 Pickup.

Treasurer Joe Serritella reported an opening balance of \$4,520 and a closing balance of \$4,531.

Health & Welfare Chairman Phyllis Madrigali asked Ron Blum how he was doing after his heart bypass. Ron said that he was still weak and recovering and he was happy to get out to the meeting.

Tour Chairman Ron Steck presented his report:

- Ken Bounds reported that he & Carolyn Bounds, Joe and Eric Kozmic, Dan Pudelek, Joe Novak, and John Slobodnik with son John had a great time at the 40th Annual Spring Fling May 23 to 26 in Council Bluffs, IA. NIRG gave out four trophies for car games and people games.
- Ken also reported that 11 NIRG members and a large group from NORG and the Nifty Fifties Ford Club participated in the 4th Annual Joint Tour to Auburn June 6-8. The group enjoyed the Early Ford V-8 Foundation Museum, the NATMUS Museum, the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum, a winery and other sites. The event was capped off by a Sunday-night banquet with several prizes awarded. The group selected Dayton Ohio for the 5th Annual Tour next year.
- John Emmering reported that 17 NIRG members, family, and guests enjoyed dinner and the Glen Miller Orchestra presentation on June 11. The threat of rain may have prevented a larger turnout.
- Ken Bounds, Tim Carling, John Emmering, Joe Kozmic, and John Scheve showed their Early V-8s at a car show at Riverview Ford in Oswego sponsored by Ron Steck (who attended in modern iron while his Pickup is being finished) on June 14. Tim Carlig and Ken Bounds won trophies.
- Ron Steck is hosting a lunch at Dickies BBQ in Wheaton followed by a hayride on June 29.
- We will have a run-through of our Central National Meet Operational Check starting at 9:00 am on July 12, at Roundheads of Lombard. Meet photographer Tom O'Donnell will also be photographing the cars that participate. Lunch will follow.
- The July 15 monthly meeting will be dedicated to planning for the Central National Meet. This is an important meeting for our group and everyone (spouses and significant others included) attending or helping with the Meet should plan to attend.
- Our Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 3, once again at Timmermann's Ranch in Island Lake. Family and friends are welcome.



## JUNE 17 MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

Ken Bounds presented an update on the Central National Meet. He stated that we have 190 registered and we are approaching the room night requirement at the Crown Plaza. Ken stated we are doing well on our budget. Several NIRG members have not submitted their full registration forms; please do so as soon as you can.

After a short break, Ken Bounds presented a slide show that included various photos of Lloyd Duzell and some of his prized vehicles. After the presentation, members shared various stories about Lloyd. It was a fitting tribute to a member who can never be replaced.

Someone went home \$38.00 richer from the 50-50 raffle; the minutes do not provide the name.

President Scott Gilday adjourned the meeting at 9:30 pm.

Attendance: Rich Anderson, Ron Blum, Ken Bounds, Tom Buscaglia, John Emmering, Scott Gilday, Roger Hunz, Paul Jensen, John Judge, Ed Karch, Frank Koeder, Joe Kozmic, George Kubik, Paul Linzer, Paul Lunecki, Frank & Phyllis Madrigali, Tom McInerney, Neil McManus, Joe Novak, Tom O'Donnell, Gary Osborne, Bob Paladino, Dan Pudelek, John Scheve, Joe Serritella, John Slobodnik, Stan Stack, Ron Steck, Jeff Trilling, and Len Vinyard. Guest: Ken Robins.

## FROM THE EDITORS

### KEN & CAROLYN BOUNDS

We are very happy to tell you that, in case you missed it in the *V-8 Times*, the *Road Chatter* has been awarded 3rd Place in the 2013 Early Ford V-8 Club newsletter competition. We share this recognition with you, the members. Without the many fun activities we have in the club there would be no *Road Chatter*. We extend congratulations to our good friends Bruce and Carol Gable of the Indianapolis group who took 1st Place for the second year in a row for their outstanding *Hoosier Views* and all the other editors who were recognized for the quality of their publications. Thanks also to David Kelley who has the task of analyzing hundreds of newsletters to make his selections.



One of our problems this year has been just too much material and not enough space. Since we have been inserting a Central National Meet update page for our members each month, we are effectively limited to 16 pages. We are not complaining! This month we worked in abbreviated write-ups of our Joint Tour to Auburn and of our trip to the Eastern National Meet. We still owe you a report on the Spring Fling and the promised gangster story from John Emmering. Even so, our Tech Corner page and our V-8 Gals page had to take a month off.

We ask that you continue to support your *Road Chatter* by submitting event write-ups, technical articles, items for the V-8 Gals page, and stories about your Early V-8s. We need your input!

Finally, we want to put on our 2014 CNM co-chair hats. Everyone please attend our July 15 monthly meeting; this is an important planning meeting for our meet.

*Ken & Carolyn*



### 10 Years Ago This Month – July 2004

About 50 members drove 14 Early V-8s and other vehicles to our Annual Picnic hosted by Don & Elaine Braun at their home. Everyone had a great time and agreed that Don & Elaine “outdid themselves”. On their way to the picnic, Len & Irene Vinyard were slightly injured in an accident that totaled their modern car.

### 20 Years Ago This Month – July 1994

A very busy July began with six members displaying Early V-8s in the Navy Pier Rotunda for an American Society of Appraisers event. NIRG members provided 14 of the 40 vehicles participating in a “mini-meet” with the Badger State and Iowa groups. A great time was had by all in attendance; the NIRG participants made a stop at the huge flea market in Mukwonago. The July 24 Annual Picnic was a big success with many in attendance and over \$600 added to the Treasury from the auction.

### 30 Years Ago This Month – July 1984

The July Road Chatter heaped praise on the Badger State Group for their very successful Central National Meet held in Milwaukee July 5-7. Len Vinyard and Bud Guzzo won Dearborn Awards for their '39 Convertible and '50 Tudor, respectively. Earl Heintz ('39 Tudor) and Marty Duling ('36 Club Cabriolet) took first place awards while Tom O'Donnell ('40 Mercury) and Barrett McGregor ('47 Sportsman) won second place trophies. About 20 members participated in a July 27-29 tour to Door County, sponsored by Sam & Grace Iusi.

### 40 Years Ago This Month – July 1974

A disappointingly few members participated in a joint tour with Midwest V-8 groups to South Bend. About 35-40 members from Western Michigan Flatheads participated.

[Editor's note: This is the very same group that we just ran into at lunch in Auburn – see page 5.] George Cech won the vote for best Illinois Flathead with his '36 Phaeton.

### Flathead Flashback

**Photo of '35-'37 Fords taken at July 24, 1994, picnic: Lloyd Duzell - 1935 Tudor; Jimmy Pope - 1936 Cabriolet; George Cech - 1936 Phaeton; and Joe Kozmic - 1937 Coupe.**





**NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR**

<b>May</b> 8 Board Meeting 10 Duals Night, Culvers of Buffalo Grove 20 Member Meeting 23-26 Spring Fling, Council Bluffs	<b>June</b> 6-8 Joint Tour to Auburn 11 Glen Miller Outing 12 Board Meeting 14 Riverview Ford Show 17 Member Meeting 23-26 Eastern National Meet, Gettysburg 29 Lunch & Hayride	<b>July</b> 10 Board Meeting 12 Operational Check, Photo Op, Round-heads of Lombard 15 Member Meeting/Central National Meet Planning Meeting	<b>August</b> 3 Annual Picnic, Timmermann's Ranch, Island Lake 13 Board Meeting 18-22 Central National Meet, Springfield 26 Member Meeting
<b>September</b> 11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting 26-28 Lake Geneva Poker Rally	<b>October</b> 9 Board Meeting 21 Member Meeting	<b>November</b> 8 Veterans Day Lunch, Sam's of Arlington 13 Board Meeting 18 Member Meeting	<b>December</b> No Meetings

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**

**RICK CLAYBAUGH (7/2), JOANNE LINZER (7/2), JOAN KELLY (7/4),  
GINNY ASHLEY (7/13), JORDON BELLER (7/13), TOM SHOULDERS (7/13),  
TOM YOUNG (7/14), NORM COLLINS (7/17), BILL GRAMS (7/19),  
PAUL LINZER (7/19), TONY MIRELES (7/19), & DIANNE HUNZ (7/20)**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO**

**GEORGE & SANDRA KUBIK (7/1), LARRY & JERRY WEBB (7/24) &  
RICH & MARY ANDERSON (7/29)**

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**1940 Ford Tudor door** passenger side, no hardware, decent shape; **1940 ford gas tank**, clean, needs tank pick-up repair. Free to good home, must pick up. Call Roger Obecny at 798-772-1925.

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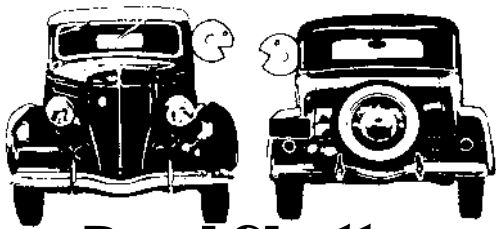


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