ROAD CHATTER

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Early Ford V-8 Club - Northern Illinois Regional Group #8 P.O. Box 803 Arlington Heights, IL 60006-0803

March 2014

UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

March 8 Pioneer Turners Luncheon, Chicago. See Page 3.

March 13 Board of Directors Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

March 18 Monthly Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 8:00 pm.

March 30 Eggs & Eights Breakfast, Geneva, IL. See Page 3.



OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

March 9 Daylight Saving Time begins. Set your clocks forward one hour.

March 17 Enjoy St. Patrick's Day.

March 20 Spring Begins! Time to bring the V-8s out of hibernation.

In this Issue

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Back Cover – Photo of the Month: Part of the group at the Valentine's Day Luncheon

Attention Members

Our March 18 meeting will be held on the lower level because our regular meeting room will be used as a polling place that day. You can get to the lower level either by the stairs near the front of the building or take the elevator.

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MEETINGS

8:00 pm on the third Tuesday of the month at the Wheeling Township Service Center, 1616 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL

NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

Hello again,

According to the calendar, the first day of spring is about 20 days away (which I cannot forget, because it's Nicole's birthday). However, with temperatures hovering in the teens you would not know it. It's clearly no surprise that Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow last month and we were in for six more weeks of winter – well more time to work in your garage (hopefully heated) and get your V-8 ready.



I would like to thank Tom and Madeleine O'Donnell for hosting our Valentine's Day Lunch on Saturday, February 15th. We had 21 members come to Winberie's Restaurant in Buffalo Grove for a nice lunch and some drinks. In addition to this, Phyllis Madrigali led some folks to visit Don Braun, as he is staying at a nearby nursing home. Don really enjoyed the visit, and was even wearing a V-8 sweatshirt. During our monthly meeting, we listened to John Scheve talk about techniques for chemically eliminating or stabilizing rust, and we saw some impressive examples of his work. Frank Madrigali also demonstrated how to remove and inspect a steering shaft and its bearings on Ron Steck's steering box.

I would also like to welcome new member Mark Hume to the club, and I second Ken's welcome to Don & Vickie Henley. Mark has a beautiful '38 five window coupe, and Don & Vickie have a number of pristine Early V-8's, which many of us will hopefully get to see at the Central National Meet in Springfield this summer.

Looking forward to this month's activities, in addition to our normal monthly meeting, Charlie Kaiser is once again hosting the annual Chicago Turners Pioneers Luncheon on Saturday the 8th. If you plan on participating, please be sure to let Tour Chairman Ron Steck know.

Finally, on March 30 Ron Steck will be hosting an Eggs & Eights Breakfast at Egg Harbor Café in Geneva. Please sign up at the March meeting or let Ron know if you plan to attend

Stay warm!

Port

Scott Gilday, NIRG President

Joint Tour with Northern Ohio Regional Group

Please see the flyer on Page 4 about our 4th Annual Joint Tour with the Northern Ohio Regional Group, hosted this year by Joe Novak. Signup sheets and more details will be available at upcoming meetings. This has been a fun event for the past three years—please let Joe know if you would like to attend. You can make hotel reservations now.

UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

Saturday, March 8 - Pioneer Turners Luncheon

What: Pioneer Turners Luncheon

When: Saturday, March 8 - 1:00 pm

Where: Café Prague, 6710 West Belmont Avenue, Chicago

Featuring: Giant Corned Beef Sandwiches

Host: Charles Kaiser

Charles Kaiser is once again hosting the Pioneer Turners luncheon, this year at a new location, Café Prague. The lunch, featuring giant corned beef sandwiches and potato pancakes is only \$12, drinks extra.

Several members signed up at the February meeting; if you plan to attend and have not signed up, please call Tour Chairman Ron Steck right away at 630-777-4001 and let him know if you plan to attend so they can have adequate supplies for us.

If you are not familiar with the American Turners Society, they have a long history in the US, going back to pre-Civil War days and are organized to promote health and physical education, cultural education and rational thinking in order to advance the happiness and progress of mankind.

You can learn much more about the American Turners at http://www.americanturners.com.

Café Prague is located at 6710 West Belmont Avenue in Chicago, 2 miles north of North Ave and 4.8 miles east of Mannheim Rd. Plenty of parking is available on the south side of the street, across the street from Cafe Prague. Come and join your fellow members for some V-8 camaraderie - Charles even plans to show a W.C. Fields movie; we hope to see you there.

Eggs & Eights - Sunday, March 30 at 9:00 am

Ron Steck is hosting a Sunday breakfast get-together Sunday, March 30, at 9:00 a.m. at Egg Harbor Café, 477 S 3rd Street in historic Geneva. This is just an informal, relaxed way to join your fellow NIRG V-8ers for breakfast. If you are interested in attending, please contact Ron at 630-983-0453 by March 18, or let him know at the March Meeting.



If the weather is nice, bring your V-8, but modern iron is certainly welcome!

Egg Harbor Café is located in downtown Geneva just three blocks west of the Fox River, five blocks south of State Street (IL Route 38, or Roosevelt Rd). After breakfast there is plenty of opportunity for shopping in over 100 specialty shops nestled in historic storefronts and charming Victorian style homes.

Fourth Annual Great Lakes Rendezvous Northern Illinois Regional Group • Northern Ohio Regional Group Auburn, Indiana June 6-8, 2014

Museum Tours

- Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum
- National Auto & Truck Museum
- Early Ford V-8 Foundation Museum

Meals

- Friday Lunch—Shorty's Steak House in Garrett
- Friday Dinner—St. James Tavern in Avila
- Saturday Banquet—Bridgewater Country Club in Auburn

Hotel

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You can make your reservations now—ask for the Early Ford V-8 rate of just \$89 per night. All rooms are non-smoking with two queen beds.

Browse Antique Shops • Driving Tour to Covered Bridge • Kick Tires Photo Opportunities at Restored Service Station

You are invited to join your friends from the Northern Illinois and the Northern Ohio Regional Groups, along with the Nifty Fifties Ford Club of Northern Ohio. Joe Novak is making arrangements for our Fourth Annual Joint Tour, this year to Auburn, Indiana, home to some of the best auto museums in America. Watch for more details of events coming soon.



For More Information

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Suzanne Dopke - November 25, 1933 - February 28, 2014

We again have the sad news to report that long-time member Sue Dopke passed away February 28. Sue had been in failing health for several years, but her passing was not expected. She is survived by a sister, husband Ron, five children, ten grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren.

Ron and Sue, who were married November 15, 1952, are the longest serving members of the Northern Illinois Regional Group. They joined the group at the 1967 Christmas party, soon after it was founded. Ron and Sue have been active members and were involved in many club events over the years. Ron, who was the Club's first newsletter editor and our President 2005-2006 was awarded a life membership in the NIRG April 12, 1977, for his many contributions.

Sue's wake will be held 4:00 - 8:00 pm Friday, March 7 at the <u>Justen Funeral Home</u>, 3700 W. Charles J. Miller Road in McHenry, IL; funeral services will be 11:00 am Saturday, March 8 at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 404 N. Green Street in McHenry.

Our prayers and thoughts of support are with Ron and his family.

Welcome New Members

The Northern Illinois Regional Group welcomes Mark Hume & Denise Bezick Hume of Winfield to the club. Mark & Denise have a 1938 Ford Standard Coupe. Mark recently joined the National Club and decided to give our group a try too. We hope to see you and your car at upcoming club meetings and events. Welcome! Mark & Denise's contact information is included in the 2014 Roster.



MORE UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

The Board of Directors is working hard to have a fun year of events and tours. Please remember to check the calendar near the back of the Road Chatter each month - this month it is on Page 13. Try to save the dates for these upcoming events. Your ideas for tours or get-togethers, local or overnighter, are always welcome. If you have an idea for a club event, please contact Tour Chairman Ron Steck. Here are some of the events on tap.

- The ever-popular Day at the Races is back. This year, we are planning to see the thoroughbreds run at Hawthorne Park, Saturday, April 26.
- Registration forms are available on our website or from Ken Bounds for the 40th Annual Spring
 Fling, Memorial Day weekend in Council Bluffs, Iowa. This is a fun event and a nice tour for our
 vehicles.
- The weekend of June 6-8 we will be heading for Auburn for our fourth annual Joint Tour with the Northern Ohio Regional Group. Joey Novak is putting together plans for a fun, relaxing weekend. Please see the flyer on Page 4.
- ◆ John Emmering has a neat idea to drive our V-8s to see a presentation by the Glen Miller Orchestra in Batavia on Wednesday, June 11. Admission is free and special parking will be provided to show our cars.

One Last Run in a Ford V-8 to the Battle of Barrington, Illinois "Baby Face" Nelson's Last Stand

By John Emmering



As they slowly cruised down West Grand Avenue on Chicago's north side, George "Baby Face" Nelson and his criminal companion John Paul Chase both knew they had found what they were looking for on that Monday evening of November 26, 1934. The headlights of their pickup truck illuminated a shiny new 1934 Ford V-8 Fordor left parked along the street. Nelson slipped out of the pickup and slid behind the wheel of the Fordor, quickly defeating the combination steering column and ignition lock with the tools stashed in his coat pocket. Years of experience as both an auto mechanic and car thief had equipped him for the task. Normally Nelson preferred purchasing a "clean" vehicle or would pay someone else to steal a car for him but his ill-gotten cash reserves had run low.

The theft of a Ford V-8 was not a new experience for Nelson however. A search of newspaper achieves revealed a news story and photo in the Mason City, Iowa Globe Gazette indicating that a 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe, stolen from Vandalia, Illinois on September 4, 1934 turned up abandoned near Mason City. Nelson's thumb print was found inside the coupe. The corresponding theft of a 1934 Ford V-8 sedan from James Prevatil, in nearby Austin, Minnesota led to the assumption that the sedan was stolen as a replacement for the less spacious coupe.

George "Baby Face" Nelson was actually born Lester J. Gillis in 1911 to a family of Belgian immigrants living on the near north side of Chicago. Lester grew up in the rough



1934 Ford Coupe abandoned by Nelson in Mason City

neighborhood called "The Patch" and fell into a pattern of misbehavior and juvenile delinquency at an early age. Lester was first placed in the Cook County Reformatory at age 12 after injuring a neighbor boy while discharging a handgun and served three stints at the State Juvenile Facility at St. Charles.

Lester married his young girlfriend Helen who gave birth to a son and later a daughter. The couple took an apartment in Cicero. Despite becoming a family man he fell into more serious crimes as an adult and began a series of home invasions of the wealthy in Chicago and two bank robberies, one in Hillside and other in Itasca, Illinois. He started using the alias George Nelson and was pegged with his nick name when one of his victims described him as having a "baby face". Nelson landed in the Joliet Penitentiary for the Hillside bank robbery in 1931. On February 17, 1932 he was transported to the DuPage County Courthouse in Wheaton to be tried for the robbery of the State Bank of Itasca. After being found guilty and receiving a sentence of one to twenty years, Nelson was able to escape custody during transport back to prison.

After his escape Nelson and his family retreated to the west coast. The Nelsons stayed in Reno, Nevada at first doing odd jobs for a mobster there and then moved Sausalito, California where he was in-

volved in the organized crime scene. He met John Paul Chase there and formed a lasting criminal partnership. Nelson and his family, along with Chase, returned to the Midwest in 1933 and began a violent crime spree. Nelson joined forces with Dillinger associate Homer Van Meter and through him allied with John Dillinger himself. Nelson was with Dillinger at the Little Bohemia raid in Wisconsin where Nelson killed Special Agent Carter Baum; later he killed a police officer during a South Bend, Indiana bank robbery, also with Dillinger.

As Nelson pulled away in the stolen 1934 Ford down West Grand Avenue in November 1934 he considered his next move. In the morning Nelson, his wife Helen and Chase drove up to Wisconsin in the



Stolen 1934 Ford left behind by "Baby Face" Nelson in Barrington

Ford heading for the Lake Como Inn, near Lake Geneva. The owner Hobe Hermanson had been willing to provide a hiding place in the past for a price. Pulling into the driveway they surprised Special Agent James Metcalf standing at the doorway. He had been staking out the Inn due to an informant's tip. As a spooked Nelson backed the Ford out of the drive way Metcalf could only jot down the license plate number as his partner had left to buy groceries in their car. At 2:30 pm Metcalf phoned the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation passing the infor-

mation to Inspector Sam Cowley. Soon four agents gathered up weapons and headed north on Northwest Highway Route 12 (now Route 14). Cowley and Agent Herman Hollis drove a blue Hudson and Agents Ryan and McDade took a Ford V-8 Coupe.

Speeding north on Highway 12 a black 1934 Ford Fordor approached the Agents' Coupe just west of Barrington. As the license plate became visible Agent Ryan read the number 639 578, the license plate of Nelson's stolen V-8 Ford. When Nelson noticed the agent's car he did the unthinkable and made a Uturn and began to chase the agents down. After a series of U-turns, Nelson was chasing the agents east-bound on Route 12. Agents Ryan and McDade's Ford V-8 Coupe slid of the road on a curve and was out of the fight, but Cowley and Hollis joined pursuit in their Hudson, firing at Nelson's V-8 and puncturing it's radiator. As the V-8 Ford came to a stop in a Barrington park a terrible gun battle began, known as "The Battle of Barrington". A mortally wounded Nelson kept firing at the agents killing both Inspector Sam Cowley and Special Agent Herman Hollis. The wounded Nelson, Chase and Helen drove off in the

agent's Hudson. George "Baby Face" Nelson died that night in a hideout in Wilmette and Helen and Chase dumped his body at Harm's Rd. and Niles St. near St. Paul's Cemetery in Niles Center (now Skokie), the next morning.

Soon 1934 came to a close, a very bloody year in the annuals of crime history. Bonnie & Clyde, Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd and finally "Baby Face" Nelson all met violent deaths at the hands of lawmen. As different as these outlaws were however they all shared a reliance on the Ford V-8 when things got tough.



Wilmette, IL house where "Baby Face" Nelson died

FEBRUARY 18 MEETING MINUTES

Submitted by Ron Blum

[Editor's note: Secretary Stan Stack was escaping the snow on a little vacation travel, so Ron Blum graciously offered to record the minutes.]

President Scott Gilday called the meeting to order at 8:07 pm.

Scott presented a Service Award to Ron Blum for last year's "Night at the Races" outing.

With Membership Chairman Ken Bounds at the National Board meeting in Orlando,

Scott gave the membership report. Membership currently stands at 80. New members include Bob Miller, Mark Hume, and Don & Vickie Henley of Springfield. New rosters for 2014 were distributed.

Health and Welfare Chairman Phyllis Madrigali presented her report:

- Joe Serritella's daughter Cathey is still undergoing treatment. Delice Serritella has a stress fracture on her foot and is recuperating.
- Lloyd Duzell is still undergoing chemo treatments, but Gladys is getting around much better after her hip surgery and has just started walking without a cane.
- Don Braun is off his medicine and is not doing too well. Several members stopped by to see Don after the Valentine's Luncheon.
- Ron Dopke is home from the hospital and is undergoing therapy, using a walker.
- Dottie Alfini has a health setback probably due to chemo, but is happy that her daughter has returned home from Afghanistan.
- Norm Collins is working to control high blood pressure.
- Alan Wall states that he feeling much better. He is using a cane and receiving therapy due to hip replacement.

Treasurer Joe Serritella is wintering in Florida; Scott reported that the club has a balance of about \$4,900 in the bank.

Tour Chairman Ron Steck gave his report:

- 21 members attended the Valentine's Luncheon at Winberie's Restaurant in Buffalo Grove, hosted by Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell Saturday February 15, including Lloyd and Gladys Duzell and Jack and Jean Nikolich.
- Charlie Kaiser's Turner's Luncheon is scheduled for March 8 at Café Prague on Belmont in Chicago.
- An Eggs and Eights breakfast is being planned for March 30.
- The 40th Annual Spring Fling will be held in Council Bluffs, IA Memorial Day Weekend. Several from our group are planning to attend. Registration forms are available from Ken Bounds or our website.
- Joe Novak is arranging the Joint Tour with the Northern Ohio group to Auburn the weekend of June 6-8.

Ron Blum provided an update on the Central National Meet.

FEBRUARY 18 MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

Tonight's tech talk was presented by John Scheve. He discussed techniques for de-rusting metal and preparing parts for painting. Ron Steck also brought in steering column to preload the lower end bearing with new gaskets.

Paul Linzer took home \$8 in the 50/50 raffle.

President Scott Gilday adjourned the meeting at 9:28 pm.

Attendance: President Scott Gilday, Ron Blum, John Emmering, Paul Jensen, John Judge, Paul Linzer, Phyllis & Frank Madrigali, Neil McManus, Bob Miller, John Scheve, Ron Steck, and Ron Vaughan.

Mark Your Calendars: Pizza Meeting - Tuesday, April 16



The annual Pizza Meeting will be held again this year at Roundhead's of Lombard.

The Pizza meeting is open to everyone - bring your spouse. For only \$11 we will have all-you-can-eat pizza and soft drinks. You will receive a separate check for any alcoholic beverages.

Roundhead's is 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. There is plenty of parking for cars - if the weather is nice, consider bringing your Early V-8.



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2014 Valentine's Luncheon By Ken Bounds, Photos by Tom O'Donnell

On Saturday, February 15, Tom O'Donnell arranged for us to escape the winter blues for a short time and take our Valentines to a nice luncheon at Winberie's Restaurant in Buffalo Grove. Attending were our hosts Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell, Ken & Carolyn Bounds, Lloyd & Gladys Duzell, John & Robin Emmering, Terry & Kitty Freihage, Scott & Nicole Gilday, Earl & Gene Heintz, John Judge, Frank & Phyllis Madrigali, Jack & Jean Nikolich, and Len & Irene Vinyard.

Everyone had a great time with tasty food, excellent service, and a large helping of V-8 camaraderie. It was a special treat to see Lloyd and Gladys Duzell there battling back from some serious health problems. We also were happy to see Jack & Jean Nikolich.

Health & Welfare Chairman Phyllis Madrigali passed around a card for Don Braun for everyone to sign. After the luncheon, several of us went to the nearby Claremont Rehab Center where Don is a patient to visit with Don and Elaine.

Thank you to Tom & Madeleine for hosting this luncheon.





10 Years Ago This Month – March 2004

The March Road Chatter contained a very detailed article from Lin Stacey about the tools that were included with 1933-1934 Fords. Twenty-eight members attended the annual Pizza Meeting March 15 at John's Pizza in Addison, hosted by Bob & Angie Paladino. President Ken Bounds advised that the long-anticipated National realignment of regions had been approved, placing our group in the new Midwest Region with John McBurney as our National Director.

20 Years Ago This Month – March 1994

The March 14 monthly meeting featured a speaker, Bridget DeFrank, from the March of Dimes. Bridget thanked the group for the support we provided to the March of Dimes Walk America event the past two years and discussed our involvement at the April 24 event this year. On March 26 a candlelight bowling event was hosted by Rich & Judy Doligale at Maplewood Bowling in Chicago. [I remember having a good time, but alas there was no report in the Road Chatter – editor.]

30 Years Ago This Month – March 1984

At the March 13 monthly meeting, President Rich Doligale presented Road Chatter Editor Diane Wrobel with a certificate from the National Club recognizing the Road Chatter as "Best Overall" in the 1983 newsletter contest. The meeting also featured a literature display with many nice (some of them rare) items being brought in by members.

40 Years Ago This Month – March 1974

The March newsletter encouraged members to see the movie *The Sting*. Two NIRG members' cars

could be seen in the movie: Marv Gunchick's '36 Tudor and Bob Hanselman's '34 Tudor. A large group of 24 members, including five wives, was in attendance at the March 12 monthly meeting held at Hewlett Packard in Skokie.

Flathead Flashback

Sue & Ron Dopke on a tour of Fox River Country Park, December 1981, right after their 1948 Mercury was restored. Photo from Marty Duling Collection.





Happy March! March has sure come in like a lion. I can't wait for it to go out like a lamb. This winter has been brutal and it seems like it will never end. I envy those people who can winter in a warm climate.

Here are a couple of interesting things I found along the way that I thought I would share. Stay warm!

5 Surprising Ways to Use a Hair Dryer

- 1. Detach a photo from an album. To work a delicate photograph off one of those sticky pages, blow warm air onto the back of the page while gently tugging the photo free.
- 2. Dust tough-to-reach places. Set the dryer on cool and point it at dusty shelves or intricate knickknacks to blow the debris right off. (Start from the highest shelf to make gravity work for you.)
- 3. Dewrinkle plastic shower curtains or table cloths. Blow hot air onto fresh-out-of-the-bag material to "iron" out wrinkles—just keep the dryer 12 inches from the surface so it won't melt.
- 4. Perfect frosting or icing. To harden frosting on cakes or cookies, blow cool air directly on it. To brighten a dull finish, give the icing a hit of hot air.
- 5. Erase crayon marks or wax spills. Kids gone wild? Blow-dry the stain on high until the wax melts, then wipe with a soapy sponge.

Source: http://www.womansday.com/home/cleaning-tips/using-a-hairdryer



Did you know?

March is National Frozen Food Month. Frozen foods began in 1000 B.C. with the Chinese storing food in ice cellars. The modern frozen food industry began in 1930 with Clarence Birdseye. Frozen food does have some advantages to fresh.

- Peak Quality. Frozen produce is picked at its peak and flash frozen to maintain flavor and nutrients. Fresh produce in the grocery store may have been harvested days before and may be past its peak by the time it arrives.
- Economical. Frozen food is cost effective. It can keep longer than fresh refrigerated foods because the freezing process suspends enzyme activity that causes the food to rot.
- Safety. Freezing suspends microbial and fungal activity in the food. As long as the food is stored properly it is safe.

NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

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May 8 Board Meeting 20 Member Meeting 23-26 Spring Fling, Council Bluffs	June 6-8 Joint Tour to Auburn with NORG 12 Board Meeting 17 Member Meeting	July 10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting	August 13 Board Meeting 18-22 Central National Meet, Springfield 26 Member Meeting
September 11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting 26-28 Lake Geneva Poker Rally	October 9 Board Meeting 21 Member Meeting	November 8 Veterans Day Lunch, Sam's of Arlington 13 Board Meeting 18 Member Meeting	December No Meetings



Happy birthday to Charles R. Kaiser (3/17), Nicole Gilday (3/20), Mark Hume (3/12), Pete Mcmanus (3/4), Jack Nikolich (3/26), & Madeleine O'Donnell (3/26)

> HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO JOE & PAULA BAUGHN (3/9)

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1941 Engine, carb to pan with trans, \$800.00; **1951 S. C. O. T. Supercharger**, \$12,000.00; **1939 NOS trunk handle** \$175.00. Contact Frank Koeder, 847-840-7557.

1941 Ford Super Deluxe Coupe - All mechanicals checked, replaced, or repaired in December 2013 including new clutch, king pins, fuel tank, fuel lines, pump, and carb. Paint and upholstery were redone to original in 2002. Engine and drivetrain are original to the car. I am the 3rd owner. Asking \$24,000 or best offer; see photo, right. Contact Bob Miller, 847-651-7207.

46-47 front & rear bumpers new chrome - \$600.00 or will exchange for 40 bumpers. **Speedometer cable** 70" long \$20.00. Call Ron Steck 630-777-4001.

Rebuilt 1937 engine, \$1,200.00 Paul Jensen 847-678-0123.

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.

Jim Beam Car Bottles -53 bottles all cars, full aged liquor, (except one) 21 in factory boxes, (7 or 8 duplicates). Call Alan Wall 847-927-1932.





Wanted

Wanted 2 long-neck water pumps, 1932 Ford. Gary Osborne, 630-584-3286.

Wanted front seat for 1951 Ford Tudor. Roger Hunz, 630-402-0623.

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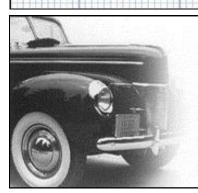
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