

# ROAD CHATTER

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## UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

**July 1** Tour to Civil War Museum, Kenosha, WI.

**July 12** Board of Directors Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

**July 17** Monthly Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

**July 23** Happy 51st Anniversary to Northern Illinois RG #8.

**July 29** NIRG Annual Picnic. See Page 3.



## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

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

**July 12-14** 46th Annual Iola Car Show & Swap Meet, Iola, WI. \$15 daily.

**July 22** 70th Annual AACA Car Show, Cantigny, Wheaton.

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**Editors Note** – To get this issue out on time and to bring you a quick report on the Grand National Meet, we have reduced the page count to 12 this month.

**Back Cover** – Photo of the Month: Our members at the Grand National Meet Awards Banquet.

**Happy 4th of July**



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

Remember to drive your Early V-8 to the July 17 monthly meeting and arrive early for some tire kicking.

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**FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT**

“The Summer wind came blowin’ in from across the lake” is how Old Blue Eyes might have put it, but there is no mistaking that July is here bringing summer weather with it. We have a couple of fun activities for July planned starting with the trip to the Kenosha, Wisconsin Civil War Museum July 1st, and we will end month with our annual picnic at Timmerman’s Ranch Sunday July 29. We are hoping to see a good number V-8’s displayed on the picnic grounds along with a great turnout of members and friends.



Several of us are back from the Early Ford V-8 Club 2018 Grand National Meet in Dearborn and what a time we had. That week was a total immersion in the Ford Motor Company heritage. With tours of the early Piquette Avenue Plant, Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village and the Rouge Plant participants got a real vision of how Ford Motor Company got its start and learned a great deal of history. We even got to eat at the Ford’s Garage Restaurant among several vintage Ford Automobiles.

The concourse lot was filled with some of the sharpest Ford V-8 vehicles in the Midwest. I was out in the lot each evening admiring the cars and checking out my own Ford as it was parked in the shoebox section. It was nice reconnecting with some of the Ford V-8 Club members from across the county that I have met in the past and making some new acquaintances. A number of our members volunteered their time to help out at the meet which was greatly appreciated. Ken and Carolyn Bounds played a very large role in making the event a success, and several National Club members from across the country and Canada expressed their gratitude for Ken & Carolyn’s tireless efforts as they spoke to me.

Thursday rolled around and our cars were either judged or voted on by our fellow V-8ers. I was glad to have a chance to experience the judging process and learned a lot about what is expected of our cars. I’m already anticipating getting my other V-8 sedan judged next year and thinking of ways to improve its chances of a good total score. Nearly all of our Northern Illinois Region V-8s were fortunate to win an award for their entered cars. We were all elated that Scott Gilday’s 1947 Ford Super Deluxe Station Wagon took a Dearborn Award during its maiden judging session.

So enjoy the summer and make the most of July. Let’s have a good turnout for the July 17th meeting and fill the lot with Ford V-8’s. Don’t forget to spread the word about our Regional Group to the owners of flathead V-8 powered Fords you may meet when attending local car events!

## UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

### Annual NIRG Picnic - Sunday, July 29 - 10:00 am

*Celebrating our 51st Anniversary!*



**Timmerman's Ranch & Saddle Shop**

**29550 W. Roberts Rd, Island Lake**

**In the Memory of Don Braun**

**Hosted by Elaine Braun and the Braun's friends**

**Art & Carol Timmermann**

**Food - Drinks - 50-50 Raffle - Fun**

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). Please consider bringing a side dish; we often have plenty of desserts but very few sides. Don't forget to bring your 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.

Raffle: There will be a chance to take home some \$\$\$ in the 50-50 Raffle.

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.

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!



## 2018 GRAND NATIONAL MEET REPORT

BY KEN BOUNDS

Early Ford V-8 Club Grand National Meets are something special; they only come around once every five years. With two exceptions, they have all been held in the hometown of Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan. June marked the 115<sup>th</sup> year of Ford and the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming of the Early Ford V-8 Club. After nearly two years of planning, the time was finally here in mid-June to head for Dearborn. The Northern Illinois Regional Group did so in a big way with over 40 in attendance bringing 16 Early V-8s. (See full list of our group's attendees at the bottom of Page 7.) We were part of the 345 registrations, 677 attendees, and 186 vehicles at the meet.

This Road Chatter article about the Grand National Meet is a little different. For past National Meets with such a large participation by our group, the Road Chatter article is typically about a long, gleaming line of Early V-8s heading for the Meet, along with tales about what we all did at the Meet. With the deep involvement that Carolyn and I had with the meet, we didn't get to travel with many members and did not spend much time together with our group on site. Therefore, this article will mention just a couple of highlights and show a few pictures.

As far as we know, all of our Early V-8s made it to and from Dearborn without incident, except for Tom O'Donnell's balky Mercury. A highlight has to be the incredible showing by Scott Gilday of his 1947 Station Wagon that we recently witnessed the restoration of in pictures. I'm proud of our ten local members who stepped up to be judges and for those who submitted their vehicles for judging. I hope both were rewarding experiences.

We heard many stories of great times our members had at Ford's Garage, the Piquette Avenue Tour, the Greenfield Village Picnic day, the Rouge Factory Tour, and other opportunities to see "Ford" sites in Dearborn. I'm sure there was plenty of tire kicking in the parking lot as well. We were happy that we got to spend a little time with our Oklahoma NIRG family.

We would like to thank the incredible group of volunteers from across the country who helped Carolyn in registration and in the tab room. Special thanks to NIRG members Robin Emmering, Dawn & Gary Osborne, Dee & Pat Maroney, Marisa Claybaugh, Paula Baughn, Este Scheve, Colleen Steck, and Dawn Zulas. Also thanks to Jeff Trilling, Dawn Zulas, and George Zulas for assisting with the Operational Check. Jeff even took a shift in merchandise sales.

Perhaps we can all get together in the near future and discuss meet experiences. Better yet, maybe someone will submit an article about the Grand National Meet from their perspective.



Kicking tires in the parking lot, and Kathy Shedd and Carolyn ready for registration to begin. Photos by Jeff Trilling.

## Congratulations to NIRG Award Winners, Shown Below

Scott Gilday, 1947 Ford Station Wagon - Dearborn (998 points!); Dan Pudelek, 1950 Ford Crestliner - Dearborn Medallion and license tab; Ron Steck, 1941 Ford Station Wagon - 1st Place Concourse; John Emmering, 1951 Ford Ford Fordor - 2nd Place Concourse; Pat Maroney, 1936 Ford Fordor, 2nd Place Concourse; Carolyn Bounds, 1951 Mercury Sport Coupe - Dearborn Emeritus; Ken Bounds, 1950 Ford Crestliner - Dearborn Emeritus; Dick Livingston, 1938 Ford Standard Coupe - Rouge Medallion; Joe Baughn, 1946 Ford Coupe - 2nd Place Touring; Ron Steck, 1940 Ford Pickup - 1st Place Touring; Frank Koeder, 1939 Ford Convertible - 3rd Place Touring A; George Zulas, 1940 Ford Tudor - 3rd Place Touring A; John Scheve, 1947 Ford Coupe - 1st Place Touring A. Not present at the banquet - Sam Van Bruggen, 1940 Ford Standard Coupe - Dearborn Emeritus; Jeff Trilling, 1952 Ford F-1 Pickup - 1st Place Touring A.



## JUNE 19 MEETING MINUTES

Submitted by Gary Osborne

President John Emmering welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were several members that we don't get a chance to see often, including Bob Paladino, Elaine Braun, Nicole and Cienna Gilday, and new members Mike and Phyllis Gallichio.

The scores of the Club's contest were given out as follows: DuPage Deuces - 70, Northern Lights - 75, Fox Valley Flatheads - 75, and in the lead with 150 pts - Northwest wheels. Let's all keep on working to make our club a success.



### Board Meeting Report

Gary Osborne reported that most of the meeting was spent talking about all the upcoming events that are planned for the club members. There was also some talk given to the Grand National Meet that was being held a few days later. Those in attendance were: John Emmering, John Scheve, Gary Osborne, Ron Steck, Ron Blum, Pat Maroney, Scott Gilday, and Tom O'Donnell.

There was also a special called meeting to be held before the regular member's meeting. Ken Bounds shared some concerns that he and Carolyn had about a situation that took place after the GNM. He also notified us that they would be taking a break from the Road Chatter and some other leadership roles within the Club.

### Membership Report

Ken Bounds reported that there are currently 79 members in the Club.

### National Club News

Ken reported that the Grand National Meet was a lot of fun for those that attended. The seminars, tours, and the Concourse were well attended and enjoyed by all. He also shared some of the items from the earlier board meeting with the members.

### Treasurer's Report

Joe Serritella gave the report as follows: Income of \$89 from the 50-50 raffle and dues; expenses of \$650 for meeting room rent, Road Chatter, and a \$500 donation to the Grand National Meet.

### Health and Welfare Report

Phyllis Madrigali reported that Joe Serritella will be having knee surgery in August. Joe also asked for our prayers for his daughter Cathey who fell and broke her pelvis and damaged some vertebrae.

Elaine Braun shared with the group her deep appreciation for the support and concern from the members of the club at the funeral for Don and the nice article in the Road Chatter. She said that Don really loved the members of the group and that he enjoyed being a part of it for many years.

### Past Events

Scott Gilday gave a report on the Klairmont Collections Tour. All who attended had a great time with good food.

Ken Bounds reported on the Grand National Meet. There were 19 members from our club that attended. Ken and Carolyn were very thankful for all the help that they received from the group.

### Future Events

- Civil War Museum Tour - July 1

## JUNE 19 MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

- NIRG Annual Picnic - July 29
- Friendly Ford Show- August 11
- Barrington Concourse - August 16
- Geneva Concourse - August 26

### Additional Items

There was a short break with cookies, water, and coffee. Then Tom O'Donnell presented a couple of videos about the Lincoln Automobiles. The last item of the evening was the 50-50 raffle. Ron Dopke took home an additional \$27.

### Attendance

Ken Bounds, Elaine Braun, Ron Dopke, John Emmering, Mike Gallichio, Phyllis Gallichio, Scott Gilday, Nicole Gilday, Cienna Gilday, Jay Hinshaw, John Judge, Frank Koeder, Frank Madrigali, Phyllis Madrigali, Pat Maroney, Joe Novak, Tom O' Donnell, Gary Osborne, Robert Paladino, Dan Pudelek, John Scheve, Este Scheve, Joe Serritella, Ron Steck, Jeff Trilling, Len Vinyard, and George Zulas.

### Welcome New Members

The Northern Illinois Regional Group extends a warm welcome to our newest members, Tim & Annette Hagerty of Harvard, Illinois. They own this beautiful 1940 Ford DeLuxe Coupe shown on the right. Tim passed along the news that Annette has a successful surgery on her elbow this week - we wish her a speedy recovery. We hope to meet Tim & Annette soon at a club meeting or other event. Welcome to the Club!

You should find labels in this issue with Tim & Annette's contact information that you can add to your roster.



## NIRG ATTENDEES - 2018 GRAND NATIONAL MEET

Joe & Paula Baughn - 1946 Ford Coupe, Carolyn Bounds - 1951 Mercury Sport Coupe, Ken Bounds - 1950 Ford Crestliner, Rick & Marisa Claybaugh - 1934 Ford Fordor, John & Robin Emmering - 1951 Ford Fordor, Scott & Nicole Gilday with daughters Reese and Cienna - 1947 Ford Station Wagon, Frank Koeder - 1939 Ford Convertible, Paul & Joanne Linzer, Dick & Linda Livingston with son Joseph, daughter Sara and friend Alex - 1938 Ford Standard Coupe, Pat & Dee Maroney - 1936 Ford Fordor, Tony Mireles, Tom O'Donnell with son Steve and granddaughter McKenna, Gary & Dawn Osborne - driving Ron Steck's 1941 Ford Station Wagon, Dan & Diane Pudelek - 1950 Ford Crestliner, John & Este Scheve - 1947 Ford Coupe, Joe & Delice Serritella, Ron & Colleen Steck - 1940 Ford Pickup, Jeff Trilling and daughter Maya - 1952 Ford F-1 Pickup, Sam Van Bruggen - 1940 Ford Standard Coupe, and George & Dawn Zulas - 1940 Ford Tudor.



### 10 Years Ago This Month – July 2008

After a drivers' meeting the Saturday before, 27 NIRG members and family drove 14 Early V-8s to the Grand National Meet in Dearborn and every vehicle came home with an award. Dave Benck blew a brand-new tire on his '36 Coupe along the way. Don't ask Dan & Diane Pudelek what they left at home. The group had a great time attending tours and other events. Ken Bounds received a Dearborn award for his Crestliner - the first time he had submitted a car for judging.

### 20 Years Ago This Month – July 1998

Several NIRG members toured to the Grand National Meet in Dearborn at the first of the month. Sadly there was no report in the Road Chatter so many details are not available, but we do know that at least 6 members brought home trophies, including two Dearborn medallions. Tom O'Donnell hosted a tour to the Union League Boys and Girls Club picnic in Wisconsin July 26. Only a few members made the trip as several who had signed up could not make it.

### 30 Years Ago This Month – July 1988

On July 16 & 17, Joey & Nancy Novak hosted the House on the Rock tour to Wisconsin, attended by 13 NIRG families, 7 V-8's, 4 "other" vintage cars, and two modern cars. Despite some early rain on the way to New Glarus, the weekend turned out great and all had a good time. NIRG members drove a dozen V-8's to a joint meet with the Model As and Model T's at the Union Railway Museum on July 31.

### 40 Years Ago This Month – July 1978

The July 11 meeting was the final one held at Hewlett-Packard in Rolling Meadows. Eleven NIRG families attended the second Grand National Meet in sultry Tulsa July 15-21. Of the four V-8's driven, two came back with National awards: Chuck & Diane Wrobel for their '46 Fordor Sedan and Barrett McGregor for his '47 Sportsman. President Chuck thanked everyone who helped him with his four flat tires! On July 30 the Wrobel's held their 4<sup>th</sup> annual July tour. At least a dozen antique cars and many club members attended the visit to Lee Hartung's museum and lunch at the Noodle Works.

### **Flathead Flashback**

**Award winners at the 2008 Grand National Meet, July 18, 2008.**





## NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

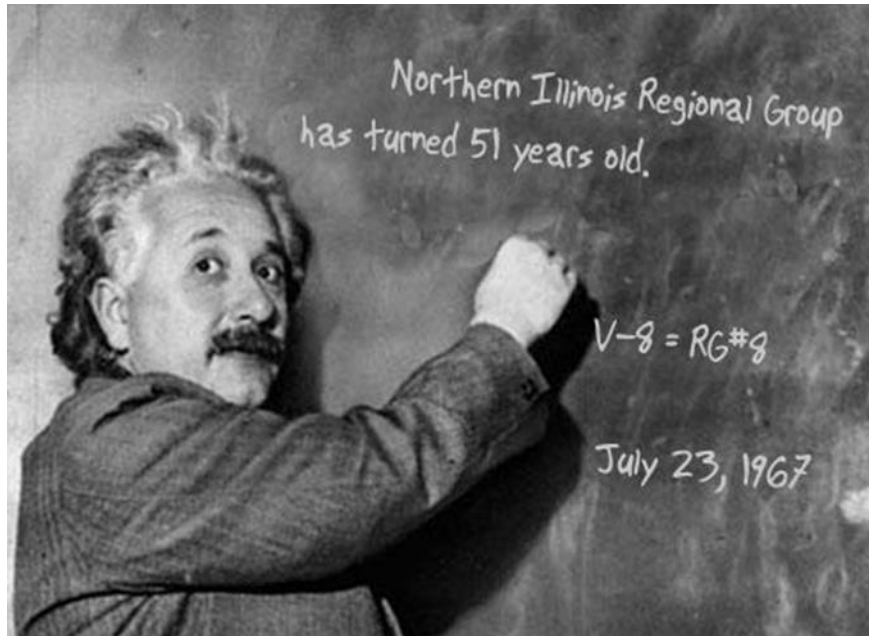
May	June	July	August
5 Judging Seminar, Lombard 10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting 20 Klairmont Kollection Tour, Chicago	7 Board Meeting 11-15 Grand National Meet, Dearborn, Michigan 19 Member Meeting	1 Tour to Civil War Museum, Kenosha 12 Board Meeting 17 Member Meeting 29 Annual Picnic, Timmermann's Ranch, Island Lake	9 Board Meeting 12 Friendly Ford Show, Roselle 21 Member Meeting
September	October	November	December
13 Board Meeting 18 Member Meeting 28-30 Lake Geneva Poker Rally	11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting	8 Board Meeting 10 Veterans Day Lunch, Sam's of Arlington 20 Member Meeting	No Meetings

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO**  
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**JORDON BELLER (7/13), RHONDA MILLER (7/18), PAUL LINZER (7/19),**  
**TONY MIRELES (7/19), PAT MARONEY (7/21), & PHYLLIS GALLICHIO (7/25)**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO**  
**MICHAEL & PHYLLIS GALLICHIO (7/17), RICH & MARY ANDERSON (7/29)**  
**& JOEY & MILLIE NOVAK (7/30)**

**AND ALL THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS AND**  
**ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH.**



## For Sale

**1953 Ford Customline Tudor.** No rust, total mechanical rebuild. A real coast-to-coast driver. Rated #3. Price reduced to \$22,000. Contact Stan Stack at 847-382-4223.

**1941 Ford Reference Book** - Polyprints - \$5; **1932-1948 Ford Maintenance Manual** - original Ford - reprinted in 1951 - \$10; **1941 Ford V-8 Service Requirements** for passenger cars, including Army staff cars original Ford - \$20; **1941-1948 Maintenance and Parts** list for Ford car, passenger and truck, 6 and V-8 models - original Ford, prepared for U.S. Government - \$25; **1941-1948 Ford V-8 Service Bulletins** - complete hardbound - \$15. Contact Ron Dopke at 815-344-1335.

**1963 Ford Galaxie 500XL Convertible,** 81,000 miles, 390 t-bird engine, auto trans, power steering, like new radial tires, electric fuel pump. Rose Beige with white top. \$41,000. Contact Earl Heintz at 847-753-8816.

**1941 Mercury,** 2 door, fresh rebuilt engine, new clutch, new brakes all around, clean interior, very nice driver - \$15,000. Contact Dave Collins at 815-236-7061.

**1936 Ford Fordor Sedan.** For more information, call Mike Gallichio at 630-858-8066.

**1936 LB Motor; 1933-34 rear axle and housings (nice); Standard 4" stroke crank and Rods & Pistons; #59 Canadian block** with 4 1/8 crank & Rods & pistons. Call Paul Jensen, 847-678-0123.

**Flywheel and 11" clutch,** flywheel needs balancing- \$150. Contact Ron Steck at 630-777-4001.

**KR Wilson industrial engine,** running, on trailer - \$5000. Contact Frank Koeder at 847-840-7757.

**46-48 Ford radiator,** good condition, cleaned and checked, \$250. Contact Roger Obecny at 708-772-1925.

**Set of four Lester blackwall tires** and tubes, size-6.00-16, \$120; **five 18" wire rims** (1932), four with tires, \$30 each; **chrome front bumper 1934,** \$100. Contact Bob Miller at (847)651-7207.

**Cast iron intake manifold** from a 59A-B, drilled for an extra vacuum line - \$1000; **pair of 35-36 running boards** - left rough, right restorable - \$20; **Upholstered seat cushion** (1938?) part # 79-2233F, good springs - \$50; **new front crossover pipe** 48-5267 - \$25; **Klaxon model 80 horn** works \$75; **Model A horn,** tries to work - \$80; **Model A transmission** with good gears, needs new bearings, no shift tower - \$75. Contact Tom Pinn at 708-921-1784.



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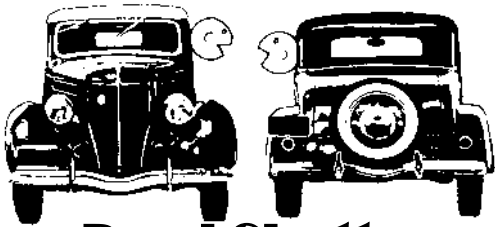
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