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UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

May 5 Judging Seminar - JT's Porch, Lombard. See page 11 for details.

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

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

May 20 Klairmont Collection Tour, Chicago. See page 3 for details.

Northern Illinois



OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

May 19 - 20 53rd Annual Little Hershey Swap Meet, Belvidere, IL, admission \$7

May 27 47th Annual Auto Show, Swap Meet & Craft Show, Sandwich Fairgrounds, 8 am - 3 pm, \$5 admission, show cars \$15

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Back Cover – Photo of the Month: Our cars survived the long winter and made it to the Eggs & Eights Breakfast.



Attention Members

Remember to drive your Early V-8 to the May 15 monthly meeting and arrive early for some tire kicking. For our tech talk, Scott Gilday will be presenting an update on his progress on restoration of his 1947 Ford Station Wagon. He is trying to complete the car in time for the Grand National - let's give him some encouragement!

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MEETINGS

7:30 pm on the third
Tuesday of the month at
the Wheeling Township
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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

“You can’t build a reputation on what you’re going to do,” said Henry Ford and his pithy quote got me thinking on how it might apply to our Northern Illinois Regional Group and my term as club president. Our group’s reputation is very positive and based on solid accomplishments. We are known for our longevity with over 50 years in existence. We have an award winning newsletter which is one of the best, a great website and have put on two successful national meets among other accomplishments. You would have to say we are pretty high profile as a regional group with consistent involvement on the Early Ford V-8 Club of America national scene.



I know that someday when our membership looks back at 2018 in future days, they will look at the things that we were able to accomplish and not just the things we wanted to do. Some of the objectives for this year are more camaraderie among our members, opportunities for technical support for members with mechanical issues, and some new active participants added to our ranks. Along with this we hope for a great schedule of fun activities and interesting monthly meetings.

Now that spring has arrived in earnest and many of us will be bringing our Ford V-8’s out to Chicago area Collector Car events, I have a couple more aspirations. I hope our Northern Illinois Regional group can have a higher profile in our area, becoming better known and do some successful recruiting. I am working on getting materials together for our members to distribute to interested parties and hope to get some feedback from the membership on how we can improve our efforts to gain new members.

In this month’s membership meeting I will reemphasize our contest and hope to clarify the ground rules. I appreciate the participation so far and now that better weather is here it will be much easier for groups to score points and move up in the competition. The contest is only a means to an end and can be fun. If it brings in a couple new members and helps some of us to get to know each other a little better it will be worth the effort we put into it.

It looks like we are off to a good start this spring with excellent participation in our early events. Our officers and board members have worked hard to plan and sponsor tours and events and have had to overcome some obstacles that made things a little challenging at times.

Let’s build our reputation in 2018 by some solid accomplishments and make old Henry proud.

Save the Dates

Sunday, July 1 - Driving Tour to the Civil War Museum in Kenosha

Sunday, July 29 - Annual Picnic, Timmermann’s Ranch, Island Lake

UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS



Joint Tour

The Log Riders Chapter
of the National Woodie Club
Has Invited the NIRG
To Join Them in Their
“Dust Off”



Tour to the Klairmont Collections

Sunday, May 20 Time: 10:00 a.m. Secure Parking for your V-8 Bring the Family

This is a rain or shine event. No cancellation!

Event Chairs: Dan Lempa & Bob Benedict

Location: Klairmont Collections 773-685-1904
3117 N. Knox Ave
Chicago, Illinois

Catered lunch will be available on site. Cost is \$22 per person admission and \$15 per person for lunch. This is a private event, please join us for a great day!

We need a head count for both the tour and if joining for lunch, so RSVP BY May 7.
RSVP: Bob Benedict - Text or Call 847-226-6266 / rbenedict@ajaxtools.com



Larry Klairmont and his partner Joyce are the proud ambassadors of this magnificent showplace encompassing 100,000 sq. ft. on two floors, consisting of over 300 of the most stunning, impressive and clever vehicles any car enthusiast could hope to see during one's lifetime!

Eggs & Eights Breakfast By Ron Steck

Winter kept holding on for dear life, but three weeks into April it finally gave up. After a couple of months of scattered warm, dry teaser days, it looks like the wintery weather is behind us and we were finally able to hold an event when we could comfortably take our V-8 treasures out without fear of road salt or bad weather.

On April 22, Ron & Colleen Steck hosted a spring tradition - our Eggs & Eights Breakfast at Egg Harbor Restaurant in Geneva. While a group of diners conversed and had breakfast inside, a group of Early V-8s graced the street outside. Our hosts, Ron & Colleen arrived in their gorgeous '41 Station Wagon, looking like it was ready for the Concourse in Dearborn. First Couple John & Robin Emmering drove their '49 Fordor, Tom Buscaglia brought his '51 Tudor, and Ken & Carolyn Bounds drove their '50 Crestliner. Just four cars, but they attracted a lot of attention.



Our cars finally made it out for Spring

Also enjoying the gathering were John Judge, Frank & Phyllis Madrigali with their friend Louise Engert, Pat & Dee Maroney, Joey & Millie Novak, Gary Osborne, and Ron & Arlene Blum.

As always the food was very good and all had a good time. We did some tire kicking as the weather was very nice; we had a good time just standing outside talking. We all look forward to



Hosts Ron ...



... and Colleen



First Couple Robin & John



Joey & Millie



Carolyn and ...



... Ken

this summer with several driving adventures to be had. I'd like to thank everyone who came out to the breakfast and look forward to seeing more people this summer.



Tommy seems happy



Frank and ...



Phyllis



Pat & Dee



Ron & Arlene



Gary

Welcome New Members

The Northern Illinois Regional Group warmly welcomes Randy and Debbie Yockey to the club. The Yockeys were our gracious hosts as they welcomed our group to their wonderful museum, "Yockeytown," in St Charles in March. We are thrilled that they decided to be a part of our group. We will all look forward to seeing Randy at the Friendly Ford show in August and hope they can make it to some club events.

Among the several classic Fords they own, Randy and Debbie have a gorgeous '40 Ford Convertible and a super-clean '49 Ford Pickup.

Sticking with the '40 Ford theme, we are happy to also welcome Mike & Phyllis Gallichio of Glen Ellyn to the group. Mike & Phyllis are the proud new owners of a '40 DeLuxe Coupe that is an all-stock older restoration along with a '32 Roadster hot rod.

Mike is jumping in with both feet, planning to attend our May 5 judging seminar. We look forward to introducing you to our members and hope you are able to bring your '40 Coupe.

In this issue you should find labels with our new members' contact information that you can add to your roster.





Wilbur Underhill, the Tri-State Terror and his Ford V-8 Adventures

By John Emmering

Only the reflection of moonlight off of its stainless steel grill and twin horns and the purring of its V-8 engine alerted Harrah, Oklahoma, Constable Jackson Smith of the approach of the 1933 Ford sedan in the early hours of December 12, 1933. The Ford had cruised up the street slowly through town, without its headlights illuminated, which seemed to the lawman strange behavior at 1:30 am. The 58 year old constable was making his security rounds of the Harrah business district and was about to enter a filling station when the Ford pulled up. One of the vehicle occupants shouted to the constable “Hey Pop, got a quart of oil?” Smith, who was entrusted with keys to the downtown businesses, often helped the public by facilitating small purchases after business hours and moved to unlock the station.

Before Smith could turn the key to the filling station door, the passenger jumped out of the Ford V-8 with an automatic pistol in his hand. The driver also exited pushing Smith’s hat over his face and binding him with electrical tape, afterward disarming him of two pearl handled revolvers jammed into his belt. Unknown to Constable Smith his abductors were a two bit hoodlum named Elmer Inman and riding “shotgun” was the notorious Wilbur Underhill, age 32, one of the Southwest’s most infamous and desperate outlaws, dubbed in the media as the “Tri-State Terror.”

Growing up in Joplin, Missouri, and in trouble with the law since age 17, Underhill started his first prison term for a burglary in 1918. After release he soon returned to prison for committing a series of “lover’s lane” robberies, receiving a parole in 1926. Soon after this release, Underhill and an accomplice Ike “Skeet” Atkins robbed a drug store on Christmas evening in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, killing an uncooperative customer. Killing another man during a theater robbery in Pilcher, Oklahoma, six weeks later Underhill was again captured and given a life sentence.

The Oklahoma State Penitentiary could not hold Wilbur Underhill, however, and he snuck away from the prison yard July 14, 1931. Evading the ensuing police manhunt, Underhill recovered a hidden stash of cash from earlier crimes and traveled to Kansas. Underhill’s next target for a robbery was a movie theater. On August 2, 1931, Underhill robbed a Wichita filling station killing the proprietor William Neely, age 56 in the process.

Using some of his ill-gotten cash, Underhill purchased a slightly used 1930 Ford Model “A” roadster and enlisted his young nephew Frank as his driver,



Wilbur Underhill Mug Shot

since Wilbur was not adept at operating a car. As the pair drove toward Wichita, a drunk driver collided with them. The Model "A" was towed to a garage and Wilbur and Frank checked into a local Wichita hotel after receiving medical treatment.

At 8:15 the next morning, Wichita Police Officer Merle Colver dropped by the hotel on a routine check for unsavory guests. At the desk clerk's suggestion, Officer Colver stepped into room 15 occupied by Wilbur and Frank to inquire as to their business. Shots were heard from the hotel room and Wilbur and Frank were seen running down the hotel stairs attempting to escape into downtown Wichita. Wilbur had shot and killed Officer Colver. The Police found Wilbur and Frank hiding in a local park. When Wilbur fired on the officers a gun fight ensued. As the police returned fire on the pair, a police bullet accidentally hit and killed a one year old infant, John Colliate, who was sitting on his mother's lap nearby. Wilbur and Frank were finally captured.

With nephew Frank testifying for the prosecution "the book was thrown" at Wilbur Underhill and on September 5, 1931, he began a sentence of "Natural Life" in the Kansas State Prison at Lansing. This should have been the end of Wilbur Underhill's story but another escape came into the picture. On May 30, 1933, Underhill and a group of five other armed convicts took Warden Kirk Prather hostage during a prison baseball game and made their escape in a Dodge automobile owned by the prison superintendent. The escapees headed into Oklahoma, releasing Warden Prather and disappearing into Oklahoma's Cookson Hills.



Warden Kirk Prather with the escapee's weapons

Wilbur Underhill would now earn his monikers of "Mad Dog" and "The Tri-State Terror" as he and his gang proceeded on a bank robbing binge across Oklahoma, Kansas, and Arkansas. Underhill discovered his new vehicle of choice, the Ford V-8, which had been introduced while he was behind bars. Underhill and his gang first used a 1933 Ford V-8 in the \$11,000 robbery of the Bank in Clinton, Oklahoma, on July 3, 1933. Ford V-8's were the getaway cars of choice for an August 9 robbery of the People's National Bank in Kingfisher and the September 15th robbery of the Geary, Oklahoma, bank. Underhill joined up with outlaw Ford Bradshaw and continued high end bank robberies through the fall of 1933.

Now we come back to Harrah, Oklahoma, and the early morning hours of December 12, 1933, where we began. Underhill, having abducted Harrah, Oklahoma, Constable Smith, was free to place the rest of his plan into operation. Signaling a hidden truck the gang had purchased, they broke into the town bank and attached a cable from the truck to a large 7000 pound safe to remove the safe from the bank. As the safe was pulled across the bank lobby it broke through the wooden floor landing irretrievably in the basement. The Underhill gang made a quick exit in the Ford V-8 empty handed. The next day a more conventional bank robbery in Coalgate, Oklahoma, netted over \$3,000. The police however were on alert for the Ford V-8 bearing stolen Oklahoma plates 224 124. A task force was organized from several agencies to hunt Underhill.



The brown 1933 Ford V-8 Deluxe Tudor with the same license plate number was spotted parked on

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APRIL 17 MEETING MINUTES

Submitted by Gary Osborne

We were back at our regular meeting place this month after last month's Pizza Meeting. The weather is just starting to turn the corner from winter as we are all looking forward to some good driving conditions for the V-8's.

President John Emmering called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. There were no guests in attendance and the regular crowd was a little smaller than normal with 21 members in attendance.

John then gave out the scores for our Team Competition. They are as follows: Northern Lights - 60, DuPage Deuces - 70, Fox Valley Flatheads - 75, and in the lead are the Northwest Wheels with 150. There is still plenty of time to catch this group and several activities to earn points.

**Board Meeting Report**

The Board met on April 12th. Most of the evening was consumed talking about the many activities that are being planned for the near future. Some of the dates have changed, so be sure to always check the Road Chatter for the correct dates of an event. In attendance were: John Emmering, John Scheve, Gary Osborne, Ron Steck, Ron Blum, Pat Maroney, Scott Gilday, and Tom O'Donnell.

Membership Report

Ken Bounds let us know that we have 77 members in the club. Also, Randy and Debbie Yockey joined the club after we visited their car collection a few weeks ago.

National Club Report

Ken said the National Meet planning is going well. There are 331 registrations, 177 vehicles, and 650 people coming from 39 states, 3 Canadian provinces, Australia, New Zealand, and Sweden.

Ken also suggested that our club donate some money to put in the Raffle at the Meet. There was a motion made by Frank Koeder to put five \$100 bills in the Raffle. Jeff Trilling seconded motion. The membership voted unanimously to make the donation.

Treasurer's Report

Ron Blum read the report as follows: Income of \$485 from Pizza night and one membership. Expenses of \$472.58 from Road Chatter and Pizza Night bill & tip.

Health and Welfare Report

Phyllis Madrigali that Marty Duling had passed away. Several members attended the service in Springfield.

Past Events

Last month was the Pizza Meeting held at Garibaldi's Pizza in Hoffman Estates. Tom O'Donnell hosted it and quite a few people came out for the evening.

On March 25 we visited the Yockey Garage Museum in St. Charles. There was also a large group that came for this event. The Yockey family were exceptional hosts in showing us their collection.

Future Events

- V-8 Judging Seminar at JT's Porch in Lombard - May 5.
- Joint tour with Woody Club to Klairmont Collections - May 20.
- Spring Fling in Glenpool, Oklahoma - May 25-28.

APRIL 17 MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

- Grand National Meet in Dearborn, Michigan - June 11-15.
- Civil War Museum - July 1.
- NIRG Picnic – Timmermann’s Ranch - July 29.
- Friendly Ford Show - August 11.

Additional Items

After the business portion of the meeting we took a break to enjoy some great homemade cookies from the home of Carolyn Bounds. They were formed in the shape of the V-8 symbol and topped off with white and blue icing. Thank you Carolyn for your extra effort in making these for the members at the meeting.

Then it was time for the Tech Talk given by Ken Bounds. Ken has been talking a lot about judging at the Meets, so this evening he showed us the National Club video on judging standards. It’s a worthwhile film to see several times over to remind us about how our cars are being looked at by the Judges.

Lastly, it was time for the 50-50 Raffle. Pat Maroney was the lucky winner of \$25 to spend as he pleased.

Attendance

Ron Blum, Ken Bounds, Ron Dopke, John Emmering, Terry Freihage, Scott Gilday, Jay Hinshaw, John Judge, Frank Koeder, Paul Levine, Frank Madrigali, Phyllis Madrigali, Pat Maroney, Tom O’Donnell, Gary Osborne, John Scheve, John Slobodnik, Stan Stack, Jeff Trilling, Ron Vaughan, and George Zulas.

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the Konawa, Oklahoma, farm of George Nash, an acquaintance of Underhill. When police stopped to question Nash, Underhill awakened inside the house and ran to the Ford V-8, sliding behind the wheel and spinning gravel as he took off. The V-8 almost collided with a second police car responding to the scene. Underhill plowed through the farmer’s field breaking through a barbed wire fence and disappearing down the main road.

Even as a Federal Task Force was closing in on him, Wilbur found time obtain a marriage license and wed his girlfriend Hazel Jarrett Hudson. As he celebrated his honeymoon with new wife Hazel, Underhill’s trail came to an end. An unknown informer told the fledgling Federal Division of Investigation of Wilbur’s whereabouts, a rented cottage in Shawnee, Oklahoma. In a 2:00 am raid on December 26th, Wilbur was wounded after putting up a gun battle. Fleeing on foot Underhill was apprehended in a nearby furniture store where he had taken refuge. Transported to the prison hospital in McAlester, Wilbur died of his gunshot wounds January 6th, 1934, becoming the first criminal killed in an FBI operation. Handcuffed to his bed the outlaw uttered his last words, “Tell the boys I’m coming home.” Thus the end of one of the worst depression era outlaws.



Oklahoma County Sheriff, Oklahoma City Police and Federal Agents who captured Wilbur Underhill posing by his stolen 1933 Ford V-8

TELL IT TO THE JUDGE

By Ken Bounds, National Chief Judge

In our February column we had a very brief introduction to the judged divisions at Early Ford V-8 Club National Meets. Last month we discussed how to prepare your vehicle for presentation on the Concourse for judging, so you should be all set there. This month we are going to take a deeper dive into the **Concourse Division**.



To recap the information from February, we stated that the Concourse Division is intended for vehicles that are as close to possible to the appearance and condition they were when they left the Ford factory or the dealership. These can be original vehicles that are still in outstanding condition or may be vehicles that have been fully restored to factory specifications. The first time a vehicle is entered by its **current** owner to be point judged, it is placed in Concourse Division. Note the emphasis on “current.” Effective January 1, 2017, the Early Ford V-8 Club made a policy change that Dearborn and Rouge awards remain the property of the owner, not the vehicle. Therefore, if a prior owner of your vehicle has received a Dearborn award for it, you must present the vehicle as though it is being judged for the first time.

Vehicles in the Concourse Division are judged on a 1,000-point basis. Vehicles receiving 950 points or more earn a Dearborn Award Plaque and graduate to the Dearborn Division. Vehicles receiving more than 900 points but less than 950 will receive a First Place Award; 750-899 will receive a Second Place award and 600-749 will earn a Third Place Award.

There are resources available to owners on the National website under National Club Information/Forms that will help you prepare your vehicle for judging. The first is the National Judging Instructions document that all judges use to evaluate your vehicle. This is a “must read.” In addition, there are three sets of “judging supplements” that are specific to: 1932-1948 vehicles, 1949-1953 vehicles, and wood-bodied vehicles. These supplements are replicas of the actual judging forms that will be used for your vehicle. They are organized by exterior, interior, engine, and chassis and contain vital information such as mandatory deductions and point values for specific items.

It is a good idea for you as an owner to print out these forms and use them as a checklist in making sure your vehicle is ready for the judges. The forms will also help you understand just what the judges are looking at. Keep in mind that at the awards banquet at the end of the meet, the marked-up judging sheets for your vehicle will be returned to you. These will become a valuable guide to help you make your vehicle better as you get it closer to the standard as explained in the Judging Instructions.

This begs the question, just exactly how do you determine what the standard is? That is, how do you know that your vehicle is identical to the way it left the Ford factory or dealer show room? The Early Ford V-8 Club provides additional resources to assist you. The Club has published many reference books which intend to document just how these vehicles were built. The Club has books that cover every year of Ford from 1932 to 1953. If you own a vehicle covered by one of these books, you need the book. New revisions are being published as better information is known and major revisions are currently underway for the 1940 Ford book and the 1933-1934 Ford book. There are currently no Mercury or Lincoln books, but a book covering 1949-1951 Mercurys is well underway and should be available soon.

Finally, the Club has assembled a volunteer group of advisors to help you with questions about specific models. These advisors publish samples of advice they are giving in the CARrespondence column near the back of each issue of the V-8 Times. The names and contact information for each advisor appear in this column as well.

The National Chief Judge and staff hope that your concourse judging experience is pleasant and valuable. It is not the intent of the judging system to pick your car apart; rather, the process and the judges are there to help you make your vehicle better. I hope that the information in this series of columns has been helpful.

MORE UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

Come to the Judging Seminar

Saturday, May 5 • 11:00 am

JT's Porch • 655 W Roosevelt Rd, Lombard

½ Mile East of I-355, on South Side of Street - Judging in Back Parking Lot

**Lunch at 11:00 am
Seminar Begins at Noon**

Each participant will receive judging materials including:

- National Judging Manual
- National Judging Instructions
- Judging Supplements for specific vehicles



The seminar will include “classroom instruction” using the National forms, with emphasis on judging for AUTHENTICITY, CONDITION, and FIT. There will be discussion of the various types of point deductions and an explanation of mandatory deductions. Included will be a discussion of the judging process and interaction with vehicle owners.

After the classroom portion of the seminar, participants will go into the parking lot behind the restaurant and practice judging techniques using Early Ford vehicles.

If you did not sign up at the April meeting, please contact [Ken Bounds](#) and let him know if you plan to attend

In the event of inclement weather, this event is subject to postponement to a later date.

GRAND NATIONAL MEET UPDATE

With the cold, wet weather behind us, now is the time to start getting those Early V-8s ready for Dearborn! Let's hope that May gives us plenty of opportunity to get our vehicles road-tested for the drive.

As we go to print, registrations are up to 340 with over 680 people planning to attend. They will come from 39 states, 3 Canadian Provinces, Australia, New Zealand, and Sweden. The recently added tour to the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant has become very popular.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help out at the meet and to all those who signed up to judge. We will have a good number of vehicles to judge; of the 189 vehicles have been registered so far, about 1/4 have registered for Concourse judging, most for the first time. There are also 23 vehicles submitted for Rouge judging for originality.





10 Years Ago This Month – May 2008

The May Road Chatter contained a tribute to the Lake Geneva Classic Car Rally, which ended after 30 years. On May 5, 19 members enjoyed dinner and the play “I Love You, You’re Perfect, Now Change” at the Pheasant Run Resort, hosted by Stan & Jo Anne Stack. On May 10, Don Drews organized an Early V-8 display in Oak Park for the students at a local high school. Fourteen more Early V-8s than students showed up. Three members attended the 34th Annual Spring Fling in Lincoln, Nebraska.

20 Years Ago This Month – May 1998

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

30 Years Ago This Month – May 1988

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

40 Years Ago This Month – May 1978

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

Flathead Flashback

Joe Kozmic, Joey Novak, and Ken Bounds narrowly escaped a tornado during the Spring Fling in Lincoln, Nebraska, May 23-26, 2008.



NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

May	June	July	August
5 Judging Seminar, Lombard 10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting 20 Klairmont Collection Tour, Chicago	14 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



Happy Memorial Day

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
STAN STACK (5/2), PHYLLIS MADRIGALI (5/4),
DICK LIVINGSTON (5/5), JIM TAYLOR (5/6), DAWN ZULAS (5/8),
JOHN ELLIS (5/9), GRACE MOHAWK (5/9), MARILYN KRENGER (5/13),
RAY MCMAHON (5/14), CAROLINE MIRELES (5/14),
JOHN BAUER (5/17), PAUL LUNECKI (5/17), FRANK KOEDER (5/18),
IRENE VINYARD (5/18), GARY OSBORNE (5/20),
JEFF TRILLING (5/22), & GINNY MAGNUSSON (5/31)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO
DON & ELAINE BRAUN (5/4), SCOTT & NICOLE GILDAY (5/6),
NEIL & JULIE McMANUS (5/14), MIKE & SUSAN FREUND (5/17),
SAM & NINA VAN BRUGGEN (5/24),
JEFF TRILLING & MONDIRA BHATTACHARYA (5/30),
JOHN & ROBIN EMMERING (5/31), & PAUL & JOANNE LINZER (5/31)

**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.



1930 or earlier brake lining rivet machine - \$75; Bear wheel balancer - \$75 - great garage ornaments. Ford Dealer model year and engine identification chart. Pictures of Fords 1954-1963, Thunderbirds 1955-1963, Trucks 1955-1963 - \$30. 1940 Ford and Mercury dealer upholstery samples - \$25. Contact Ron Dopke at 815-344-1335.

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 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.

Rear Tube shocks for 1940 Ford, mounts and shocks, \$100. 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.

Wanted

1940 fuel pump stand. Contact George Zulas at 630-460-0095 or 630-582-2056.

Harmon Collins distributor, whole or parts, K.R. Wilson distributor fixture, K.R. Wilson wheel hub puller, 42-48 distributor for parts. Call George Zulas at 630-460-0095, please leave a message.



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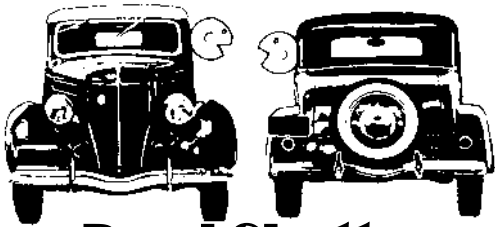
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