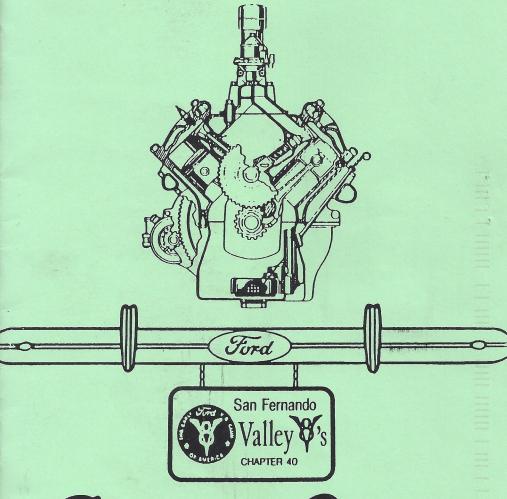


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President's Message

Greetings to you all,

Here we are at the end of what has been a great summer and fall almost upon us. It doesn't seem possible but Labor Day is practically here, again!

Because it's been a while since our last tour in June, I hope you're all planning on going to the Summer's End Barbecue at the Boskovich's on September 11. It is always a fun event. We don't see some of you as often as we'd like to, so hope to see you there!

Be sure to Mark December 5 on your calendar for our Christmas dinner and party. As usual, there will be an installation of your new officers for 2000. There are several vacancies anticipated on the Board, so be considering the position you'd most like to fill or who you'd like to nominate for that position. We need you to continue being the great club that we are.

As always,

Editor's Corner

President Rose reports that there are still openings for next year's line of officers. Actually all the positions are up for grabs. Since it's an open election, any member can throw their hat in the ring. So give Rose a call and let her know what office you're interested in, or how you want to help.

Speaking of elections, don't forget to mail your ballot for the National Directors (due October 15th). Yes, that's our own Dennis Keene's mug, on the ballot for California Director.

Great program last month by Dr.Caplan. Larry did his usual fantastic and thorough job, as he disected and analyzed a Houdaille. Apparently the program for this month is a mystery. The only information we can get, as we go to press, is that Joe DiFatta will be taking charge. With Joe on the podium, you know it'll be good. We hear that Joe and Marsha's lives are getting back to normal, as the movie folks vacate their premises. Maybe that's what he'll talk about.

Just got off the phone with Don Stout. Our Holiday / Installation Dinner will be at the San Antonio Winery, from 6:30 to 9:00 pm, on Sunday, December 5th. Don will have more information, as we get closer to the date.

Glad to see that Art Bjornestad is doing better after his recent surgery. He and Lorraine had a great time on their inland train and boat tour of Alaska. Once home, however, Art needed a few adjustments (not due to the trip). He's doing fine now, although he was walking kinda gingerly and his voice was a little higher, the last time we saw him. By the way, have you had a chance to catch the woody exhibit, including Art & Lorraine's Sportsman, at the Petersen Museum? Do it!

See You at Baker's Square on the 7th!

SECRETARY'S REPORT AUGUST 3, 1999 PATTI SMITH

Meeting call to order at 7:30PM by President Rose Gott. Pretty good turn out with lots of pretty Fords

in the parking lot.

Our guests for the evening were Don Hoph, he has a 32-3 window coupe. Don is also a new member, as he joined the club tonight. Other guests were Paul Kirk and Mary Finley and Dave Higby and family.

Birthday Wishes to: Carole Jensen,

Lloyd Paschel and Grant Lippert.

John Kemmerer was recognized for the great job he is doing as Drive Lines editor. Thanks for all your hard work, our newsletter looks great.

Old Business: Our legislature nues to debate the smog check continues to debate issue. For current information

people to contact call Rose Gott.

July 10th was the National Board Meeting and they are looking for volunteers to work on a 46-48 book To volunteer call Don project. To volunteer call Singleterry at 925/625-8208.

October 3, 1999 there will be Millennium Car Show in Van Nuys. There will be 5 cars from each decade on display. There will be food booths and secured parking for spectators.

The first Early Ford Show of the new millennium will be the New Zealand Early Ford Meet January 10 to 15. It sounds like a great trip for details call Don Durkee at 805/495-5298.

Tours: Saturday, September 11, is a Barbecue and Pot Luck at Steve and Sue Boskovich's home in Chatsworth.

Saturday, October 30, is the Pasadena Historical Museum and lunch. Cost is \$15.00 each and the group is limited to 40 people. Call Lesley Littner to sign up.

November 5-6-7 is the Fall Tour to Sequoia. Gerry has lots of great

fun planned!

Friday, December 3 is a tour to the Piru Mansion. The mansion will elaborately decorated for the holidays and we will be given a special tour.

Jay Harris and the 1999 Western

Jay Harris and the 1999 Western National Meet Committee wish to thank

everyone who helped at Dana Point.

Treasurer's Report: Lesley says, "We are in the black and looking good." Lesley also shared some great funnies from her computer. Thanks for keeping us laughing.

Ladies Doors Prizes were won by Paula Ewing and Carole Jensen. Both received a hand painted ceramic cat.

Our program this presented by Larry Kaplan and as promised it was shocking. Larry spoke on Hoot Eye

Shock Absorbers, which were used on Fords from the Model A through 1948. Larry spoke about rebuilding shock absorbers and showed the equipment he uses. It is a tricky job and there is little information available for do it your selfers. Thanks for a great program.

Name Badge Winner: John Kemmerer took home \$20.00 for wearing his name

badge.

ANGEL MACAROONS

1 package (16 ounces) one-step angel
 food cake mix

½ cup water

 $1-\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons almond extract

2 cups flaked coconut

In a mixing bowl, beat cake mix, water and extract on low speed for 30 seconds. Scrape bowl; beat on medium for 1 minute. Fold in the coconut. Drop by rounded teaspoonfuls onto a parchment paper-lined baking sheet. Bake at 350° for 10-12 minutes or until set. Remove paper with cookies to a wire rack to cool. Yield $2\frac{1}{2}$ dozen, 89 calories each.



Welcome to new member, Bob Teller of Teller's Restoration Center, in Lancaster (43865 N. Sierra Hwy.) 661-940-6881.

FORD FAMILY HOMES

Anyone who has followed the history of the Ford automobile and Henry Ford is aware of Fairlane, he and his wife's primary residence from 1915 until his death in 1947 and Clara's in 1950. However, he had several other homes.

One is the "Honeymoon House" he built for him and his wife. They moved out of the house in 1891 and headed for Detroit.

They lived in a room over a business on John R street until 1893, then went to 58 Bagley Ave. This is where he built the Quardricycle.

Henry and his wife lived on Harper Ave. from 1905-08.

In 1908-15 a house on Edison Ave. served them. There was a detached garage where Henry outfitted an upstairs room as a workshop for Edsel. I'll bet it wasn't just for Edsel, although Henry had a great workshop at "the factory". It was after the Edison Ave. house that Fairlane was built. It was necessary to have more privacy as Henry became more famous.

Contrary to some accounts, Fairlane was not designed by Albert Kahn the brilliant industrial Architect who designed a lot of Ford factories as well as many other industrial buildings and factories outside the Ford empire. It was almost designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. Edsel lobbied his father for Wright but negotiations began with Herman V. von Holst later of von Holst & Fyfe of Chicago. Things deteriorated between von Holst and Henry. Henry had W.H. Van Tine of Pitsburgh take over both construction and landscaping.

Henry had homes in Richmond Hills, Georgia; Huron Mountain Club, Big Bay, Macon, Pequaming, Mich.; Fort Myers, Fla..

Of particular interest may be the Fort Myers home, as it was situated near the summer home of his greatest friend Thomas Edison. After Edisons death in 1931, he seldom used it and it was sold in 1945.

This is by no means a complete listing of all of Henrys homes-- just a little overview. The later generations of the Ford family are well represented in the Grosse Point Farms and Shores areas of Michigan.

THE "PHANTOM"

P.S. I had to figure out what to write in this article-- so you figure out who wrote it!



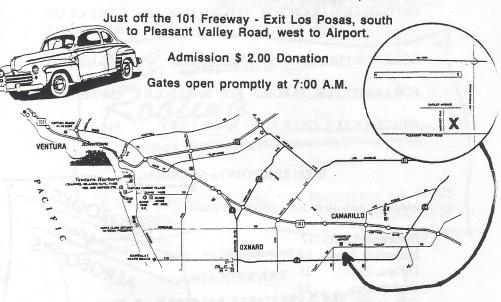
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Sept 11	Bar B Q @ Boskovich's
Oct 30	Pasadena Historical Museum tour
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Dec 5	Holiday / Installation Dinner 6:30pm San Antonio Winery Vintage Room

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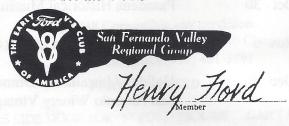


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SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

San Fernando members have voted to exchange the newsletter, The Valley V-8's with other regional groups on a reciprocal basis. An emblem has been designed for this group and will appear on their new membership cards. This group also participated in the All Ford Picnic (see Southern California news). Future plans include a tentative tour to Warner Brothers Studio.



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July 22, 1999

Addendum to my July report.....

Here are a few additional items covered in the July 10, 1999 National Board meeting:

- Volunteers are needed for the '46 '48 ('42 '48??) book project. Anyone interested in contributing to, or heading, this project should contact Don Singleterry (925) 625-8208 (or me) for more information.
- To provide uniformity, the Board requests all reference to your group as "Regional Group" rather than "Chapter". Any printed materials may be changed as supplies run out.
- We are looking for "Deputy" National Chief Judge candidates. Please contact NCJ Ken Terrio (860) 345-3472 (or me) for more information.

As always, I solicit your comments/questions on any Club matters.

Sincerely,

The Valley 8's

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