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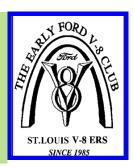
1949 GREEN

Fordor

Custom Ford



President's Message By Larry Shepard



Hello V8 Ford friends!

Last months meeting was held by Mike & Diane Huber at the Ferguson Brewing company. We had a nice turnout in spite of the cold weather and the bad weather coming in later that day. We had the entire upstairs floor... and I can tell you that the food was great, Mike and Diane had a great cake for us and there was lots of vintage Ferguson memorabilia around the room. Mikes brother Kevin runs Ferguson Motors and I remember seeing a photo of the building from the Teens there... and the frontal view is still about the same. It is probably the oldest building on that stretch of Florissant Rd. Lots of cool stuff to check out. There were some faces we hadn't seen in a bit.. Harold and Judy Walters, and of course we see them now and then but Dave & Jan Conrad, and Russell and Gayle can't always make it but they were there too and it was good to visit with everyone. It was a great day. Special thanks Mike & Diane for hosting this one!

I reported we are looking at hosting a '40 Ford Day for the '40's 75th Anniversary, where we would have a V8 show of '40 Fords from stock to street rod and probably to include other V8 years. It would be an excellent time to see if we can cultivate new members in addition to having a good time and showing off our V8's and the great club of folks we have. I have spoken to the Museum of Transport about hosting it there. I asked for a show of hands at the meeting for support to move forward and it was in favor of it, so your board and I will be working on a few details. No date/location set in stone yet. If you have any ideas please contact me.

The Museum of Transport show with the Model A and T clubs are coming up April 12th. Be sure to be ready for that one. It is always good.

Next month's meeting was scheduled by the Holubeck's, but Ray's knee replacement has been acting up so they unfortunately could not do the March meeting. We wish Ray a speedy recovery... and hope to see them soon. Also continue prayers for Bill and Vicki Henry.

Peggy and Howard volunteered on short notice and have scheduled at the Corner Pub & Grill at Clarkson & Clayton Roads, on the 15th. See Peggy's info in this issue for more details. Thanks Peggy and Howard!

We have other events upcoming, Spring Fling, local shows, and the Eastern National, etc. We can use some volunteers for a spring and summer tour or two. It doesn't have to be long distance, just a favorite place to go... scenic drive, etc. If you have an idea and want some help give me a call.

Till next month... (I'd normally say Happy V8ing) but stay warm!

Larry



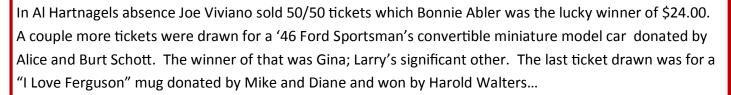
FEBRUARY 15th, 2015 MEETING MINUTES



President Larry Shepard started the meeting by thanking Diane and Mike Huber for hosting this meeting.

There were 28 members in attendance; two of those were Harold and Judy Walters who most of us have never met. Hopefully they will come more often..

Larry announced Birthdays and Anniversaries. It is soon to be Jay Canada's 83rd birthday and Larry reminded him he had only 17 more birthdays until the very big 1 0 0...



Treasury report was read.

Sign up sheets passed around and Larry reminded all that a host was needed for a Spring Tour..

Larry mentioned our Club sponsoring a "40" Ford Day since this is the 75th Anniversary. He is looking into the Museum of Transportation. He said he would like to have a board meeting about sponsoring this.

He also mentioned a bus tour to Auburn. He said the Model A Club did this and they had 53 members and it was guite successful and a lot of fun. He said they left at 6am and arrived in Auburn early afternoon.

Larry gave us the following dates for upcoming events:

March 15th—V8 Club Meeting

April 12th – Vintage Ford Show at Museum of Transportations

May 22-24th Spring Fling in Wichita, Kansas

April 4th (Saturday) is the 31st Annual Car Show and Swap Meeting in Peoria, II – it's only a 3 hour drive so he says. A show of hands indicated some members are interested in going.

Gayle & Russell send regrets to the couple that did not get to come to our St. Louis Meet in 1996. They just received TWO RETURNED REGISTRATIONS from our Meet in 1996. Better late than never.. And they wonder why the Post Office is losing money....

Mike and Diane passed out delicious cake, chocolate chip cookies and heart shape cookies. All were delicious..

Meeting was adjourned. A good time was had by all.

Submitted by Carmen Viviano for Barb Hartnagel, Secretary



Editor's Note:





I would like to thank Dan and Michele Barrows, for sending me the nice introduction article about themselves, and their two vehicles. Now we feel like we

know them even better. So, let's see who will send me an article on their 1940 vehicle???

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR 2015-2016 ROSTER:

YOUNT, Terry & Karen, 1833 Rustic Oak Road, Chesterfield, MO 63017 636-532-0005 strawboss@charter.net

In case you hadn't heard Bill Henry came to the guys luncheon at Bandana's on February 5th. & 19th. They said it was good to see him. He is continuing his treatments and we wish him the best.

Ray Holubeck is slowly recovering from his second knee replacement. You are also in our thoughts Ray.

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2015 MEETING PICTURES - Photos courtesy of Carm Viviano

Mike brought a bunch of old Ferguson pictures for everyone to see at the meeting, and they had a good time figuring out what buildings were still there. The Ferguson Brewing Co building was circa 1927. All they know is it was a St Johns Liquor Store before it was the Brewing Co. People were amazed how nice Ferguson was with all their restaurants and little shops, a far cry from burned out buildings.



























JUDY & HAROLD WALTERS













THESE ARE WINTER PICTURES OF THE BARROWS 1947 COE TRUCK THAT SAT OUTSIDE IN AN ICE STORM! BRR!!!

Greetings all,

At the November meeting, Peggy asked me to write a few words of introduction. So here is that introduction, albeit belated. I'll just hit the highlights to avoid boring the reader. I grew up in West Los Angeles and Michele grew up in Miami, Florida. I earned an Electrical Engineering degree from UCLA, she received a History degree from UF. I joined the Air Force, she joined the Navy. I tracked to Navigator and she tracked to Naval Flight Officer (the Navy term for an aircraft navigator). We met at joint navigator training at Randolph AFB, in San Antonio, Texas. We were married on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California in 2001. I went on to fly C-130s, she flew E-6s. Michele medically retired from the Navy and I am still on active duty.

In regards to our shared topic of interest, cars, I was introduced to vintage Fords at an early age through my father who is a long-time EFV8 member and has been the temporary caretaker of numerous cars. He currently still has two '34 pickups and a '50 pickup. My own car adventures started with a '66 Falcon my dad purchased. I drove the Falcon as daily driver for over 10 years throughout college and my first years in the Air Force. I learned a lot from that car and, at around 300,000 miles, it's still a great car.

For my first duty station, the Air Force must have concluded that a California native needed perspective, so off I went to Altus AFB, Oklahoma. With nothing much to do there but watch cotton and peanuts grow, I ended up purchasing a '57 Chevrolet (pardon my blasphemy) 6400 two-ton truck farm truck for the entertainment value. It was very well used (worn out?) but I'm surprised how reliable it ended up being. I drove it thousands of miles around Oklahoma and Texas. Old vehicles end up being great opportunities for education. I experienced bad shimmy, brake failure, and became knowledgeable on ignition and fuel systems among other things.

When we were subsequently stationed again at Randolph AFB, I purchased my '47 Cab-Over-Engine truck. I had always preferred the '38-47 COEs and on rare occasions saw examples but big trucks just aren't common. The vast majority of these trucks were worn out during their commercial service and only a few pristine examples exist. Against better judgment, I bought the truck sight unseen (it was in Nebraska). It is pretty rough in places but the '57 Chevy was in worse shape so I got lucky.

One thing though, big trucks take up space and the Air Force requires constant moves. Add that to the fact that they also contain larger, heavier parts needing additional large-size tools and more storage. Michele gave me the go-ahead on the '47 purchase with the caveat I would divest myself of the '57, which I did, finally renouncing my Chevy heresy.

While on our tour of duty in Arkansas, we acquired our '39 Fordor DeLuxe at the estate auction of another EFV8 club member. I planned to drive the car the ninety miles to home but the battery was dead. Serendipitously, trailering it saved me from disaster as I discovered the remaining brake fluid on my driveway the next morning. After months of gremlins, I finally have a reliable car now.

We arrived at Scott AFB this past June. We spent the last three years at Hickam AFB in Hawaii and shipped the Falcon and '39 with us but the COE sat in long-term storage in Texas. Now I'm in the winter process of some long overdue brake maintenance on the COE which as some of you know has expanded into hub repairs. We are both looking forward to getting all the cars back on the road this spring and getting to see you folks as well.

Dan & Michele Barrows



1939 Fordor DeLuxe





1947 Ford Cab Over Engine Truck

MARCH MEETING—MARCH 15th, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.

HOSTED BY Howard & Peggy Crawford

The next meeting will be held on Sunday, March 15th, 2015 at 1:00PM, at the Corner Pub and Grill, 15824 Fountain Plaza Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63017

636-230-3400. Located on the Northeast corner of Clarkson and Clayton

Roads. We have reserved their private room and it will NOT be necessary to RSVP.

Long live the Irish. Long live the Cheer.

Long live our friendship.

Year after year.









Grasshopper Cheesecake Recipe

What do you get when you combine a popular mint-chocolate drink with a cheesecake? Pure delight! Garnish the top with piped whipped cream and cookie crumbs.

TOTAL TIME: Prep: 25 min. + chilling

MAKES: 12 servings Ingredients

- 35 chocolate wafers, finely crushed (about 1-2/3 cups)
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 1 tablespoon plus 3/4 cup sugar, divided
- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup green creme de menthe
- · 2 cups heavy whipping cream, whipped

Directions

In a small bowl, combine the cookie crumbs, butter and 1 tablespoon sugar. Press half of mixture onto the bottom of a greased 9-in. springform pan. Refrigerate until chilled.

- 1. In a small saucepan, sprinkle gelatin over cold water; let stand for 1 minute. Heat over low heat, stirring until gelatin is completely dissolved. Cool.
- 2. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese and remaining sugar until fluffy. Gradually beat in gelatin mixture. Stir in creme de menthe. Set aside 1/2 cup whipped cream for garnish. Fold remaining whipped cream into cream cheese mixture.
- 3. Pour half of the filling over crust. Top with remaining crumb mixture, reserving 2 tablespoons for garnish. Pour remaining filling into pan; garnish with reserved whipped cream. Sprinkle with reserved crumbs. Chill until set. Remove sides of pan before slicing. Yield: 12 servings.

MARCH 2013 MEETING









UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2015



MARCH 7th, 2015 - V-8 Club Breakfast 8:30AM, Village Café.

March 15th, 2015—V-8 Club meeting hosted by Howard & Peggy Crawford .— See details on Page 6. Please note the date changed from the 22nd to the 15th of March.

APRIL 12, **2015** Vintage Ford Show at Museum of Transportation, 3015 Barrett Station Road, St. Louis, MO 63122. Celebrating Fords Through 1959. 11:00AM—3:00PM

APRIL 18, 2015—28th Annual Class Pack Swap Meet & Car Show, Effingham County Fairgrounds, Altamont, Illinois 217-235-6634 or www.classpack.com

MAY 15, 2015—Hoosier Vintage Wheels swap meet and cruise –In. Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Franklin, IN Scott Willis—317-501-5266

May 22-24, 2015- 41st Annual Spring Fling, Wichita, KS. More info to follow.

JUNE 8—11, 2015 Eastern National Meet, Concord, NC Sponsored by Piedmont RG#52. Mike Cescon, meet registration chairman. cesconm@bellsouth.net

JUNE 20 –28, 2015 Great Race—Coming through Kirkwood, MO on their way to California.

July 12 – 16, 2015 – Central National Meet -"The Great V-8 Northwoods Getaway" - Brainerd, Minnesota – 75th Anniversary of the 40 Ford – Sponsored by the Twin Cities RG #46. Website – www.efv8cnm2015.org

August 27—29, 2015 Motorfest #6 - will be held at Auburn, Indiana, (Early Registration 8-26) There will be more information and registrations forms available in March. Contact person – Pat Fenner at pfenner@cinci.rr.com

DATES TO REMEMBER:

MARCH 7TH, – Breakfast at 8:30am at Village
Café, 6127 Ronald Reagan Dr., Lake St. Louis, MO
63367. Just off Hwy 64 at Hwy N across the street

from Walmart. 636-561-0235

EVERY WEDNESDAY – The ROMEOs meet at Steak & Shake in the Hawk Ridge complex on HWY N in Lake St. Louis. @11:30AM

EVERY THURSDAY – The ROFers meet at Bandana's BBQ, 17164 Chesterfield Airport Rd., Chesterfield, MO at 11:00 A.M.

Our Next Meeting will be March 15th, 1:00PM

Hosted by Howard & Peggy Crawford at Corner Pub & Grill—See Page 6

MARCH BIRTHDAYS &

ANNIVERSARIES

10 Ball Anniversary (<u>1991</u>) (24th)

12 Williams Anniversary (1988) (27th)

15 Rogers Anniversary (1969) (46th)

17 Dave Decker

18 Debbie Schmid

19 Mary Ellen Renaud

27 Schmid Anniversary (1976) - (39th)



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Marty Canada, Carm Viviano, Mary Rogers, Peggy Crawford, Barb Hartnagel, Mary Ellen Renaud, & Pat Bauer. "50's Party" at 1999 Omaha V-8 Meet.