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RUMBLE SHEET

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Twin Cities Regional Group
Early Ford V-8 Club of America
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Twin Cities Regional Group Information

The Rumble Sheet is the official publication of the Twin Cities Regional Group #46 (TCRG) of the Early Ford V-8 Club of America and is sent to all current members and advertisers. TCRG is chartered by the Early Ford V-8 Club of America, and is a non-profit corporation in the state of Minnesota, dedicated to the preservation of Ford Motor Company vehicles and related historical materials from the era of the flathead V-8 engines, including all Fords, Mercurys and Lincolns so equipped from 1932 through 1953.

Club Address

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Meetings

Membership meetings of the TCRG are held at 7:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of almost every month at a site announced in the Rumble Sheet. Change of time or site will also be announced in the Rumble Sheet.

Membership

Membership dues for the TCRG are \$20 per calendar year. Membership in the Early Ford V-8 Club of America (the National Club) is a membership requirement of the Twin Cities Regional Group.

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Please send all materials for publication to Bruce Nelson, 2887 W. Owasso Blvd., Roseville, MN 55113, or email nelsb01@msn.com. Rumble Sheet material deadline is the 15th of the month. E-mail body content (not attachment) is preferred.

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The following ads are from Gary Nielsen at (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685, or via email at : garybob@charter.net Gary wants you to buy this stuff!! Help him downsize!

In the Spirit of the new year, Gary has reduced prices!

- 1949 Ford F-6 to haul your wood, parts or just adorn your yard. Working hoist, 4 on the floor with two speed axle. Runs well, rusty cab. Was \$1495 — here's your chance to steal it, call Gary
- Tractor Fans: Authentic all original 1923 Fordson on steel. Ready to run with engine free. Was \$1500 now just \$1400.
- **WANTED:** 3 inch shock link, prefer NOS, stamped cups on one side, has Ford 48-18055-A3 cast between the bolts. Check your parts. Need one. Bruce 651-482-8940 (July)

WANTED: My adopted Grandson Tony Richert, inherited a 1947 1 Ton Pickup from his other grandfather. This pickup had been sitting in a field behind Grandpa's house for many, many years. Tony, who is 19 years old, decided this would be a good summer project, especially since his dad had once driven this truck himself. Tony and some buddies trailered the pickup home and decided to go to work. Found out the engine was no good, so went to work to find a replacement. A 59 AB would be the correct one. Went to the swap meet at Back to the 50's, and found one for \$600.00. With only \$500 in his

pocket, he asked the fellow from Duluth what is bottom price was and if the engine would work. Engine would turn over and indeed would run, bottom price \$500.00. The engine was Tony's and is now sitting in their garage. The plan is to leave the body stock, but "pep" up the motor a bit. Tony was told the cylinders are bored to .060 over already. He is now looking for an intake manifold for dual carbs, and one that has a separation between the two. (He saw one that has the carbs close together, and another one that has more space between the two.) The one with the additional space is the one he's looking for. Another item he prefers is Stroker Carbs, so if you have a couple laying around and are willing to get rid of them, let me know. Additionally, this truck had split rims on the back and since the bolt pattern is somewhat goofy, he would prefer normal rims and believe they would fit.

This to me is the future of our club, so I would like to do everything I can to help him find the pieces/parts. Naturally, being 19 years old he is not the richest kid on the block, but I have been enthused by the research he has done on the internet, as relates to this truck project. If you should have any of these parts, or are willing to be a telephone consultant, please let me know and I will be happy to bring you together with Tony. Tony lives in Lake Elmo, is truly a great kid, and I am proud to claim him as my adopted grandson. Gary Isaacson 651-430-9009

Miscellany

- Highland Fest 2nd Annual All Ford Car & Truck Show will be held on July 19th. This year it will be held on Ford Parkway. Tom Murray and Bruce Nelson are heading this up. There will be a \$5 fee and any extra money will go to charity. Registration forms are available at www.highlandfest.com
- We have one local show coming up. Volunteers are needed to help out. New Brighton Car Show and Swap Meet is August 9. Sign up sheet will be at the August Meeting. If you can not attend, contact the following people to get your name on the sign up sheets:
New Brighton — Bruce Nelson 651-482-8940
- The 2015 Black Hills National Driving Tour has been revamped slightly to allow for MORE participants. We will now be using Rapid City as the headquarters and heading out each day to see a different area. If you think you want to go — don't hesitate this time. Registration forms are on the National website. Deadline is August 10. This will be a great tour. And it has been pointed out that the word HILLS in the title really does relate to where we will be going. There will be hills to climb in your old Ford.
- We had a great time at Back to the 50's, even if there was a fence in the way, and we had to start one of the days off after a rain storm. About two dozen Club members partook in the Potluck dinner. It was nice to see some of our newer members. I will tell you that Mike Erickson's 1937 Ford Tudor Slantback was constantly being looked at. Very nice

car. I am glad that he told me that it was his grandfathers, otherwise I might have been thinking it was my old 1937 that I sold 19 years ago.

- If you are registered for the 2015 Central National Meet and just can't fit all your stuff into you vehicle, contact me. The semi-trailer will be leaving my house on Saturday July 11. We should have room! Just label it and we will get it here. You will need to get it to me by Friday July 10.
- If you are registered — you have received an email about where to find non-oxygenated gas in the Baxter / Brainerd / Nisswa / Cross Lake area.
- Also, that email mentioned mobility issues, and what to do if that is a problem while staying at CRAGUN'S.
- And since none of us partake in adult beverages, the other part of the email will not pertain to us. But if you do, please bring those 'red solo' cups with you to transfer your beverage into when you venture outside of the CRAGUN'S complex. Blue, green, yellow solo cups are also welcomed.
- Four lucky people are going to be very happy after they win one of the 3 quilts or the Ford neon clock that will be raffled off during the 2015 Central National Meet. If you are planning on attending, be sure to bring a few extra bucks to take your chance.

Monthly Meeting Location

Meeting Location: St Michael's Lutheran Church, 1660 West County Road B, Roseville, MN 55113-4073, (651) 631-1510

Directions: From North or South: I-35W to Hwy 36, east on Hwy 36, exit Snelling South, turn right at first stop light (Cty Rd B) look for church on left. OR I-35E to Hwy 36, west on Hwy 36, exit Snelling South, turn right at first stop light (Cty Rd B) look for church on left. Plenty of parking.

Program: NONE—month off. Bring a dollar to donate.

TCRG Activities

NO JULY MEETING: Celebrate the history and Independence of this great Nation.

July 12—16, 2015 2015 Central National Meet, Brainerd Minnesota. It's going to happen and it's going to be Great! In fact, it's going to be the Great V-8 Northwoods Getaway!

Sunday July 19, 2nd Annual Highland Fest All Ford Car & Truck Show. 9 am to 5 pm. On Ford Parkway. \$5 registration fee.

Saturday, August 8, 9 am, Annual fence install at Long Lake Regional for New Brighton Car Show and Swap Meet.

Sunday, August 9, 28th Annual Show and Swap Meet — Long Lake Regional Park, New Brighton, MN. 8 am to 4 pm.

September 13—18: Black Hills of South Dakota National Driving Tour. Fall in the Black Hills, WOW! Includes train ride, Devil's Tower, Mt

Rushmore and more. Info at meeting or www.earlyfordv8.org. No longer sold out, second group is added.

Further Down the Road.....

June 12—16, 2016, Central National Meet in Tulsa OK. We went there in 1978. Here is your chance to do it again. Information available at www.earlyfordv8.org

August 8—11, 2016, Eastern National Meet in Gettysburg PA. If you missed it in 2014, they are doing it again. Cheaper hotel rates and registration fee. www.cr36.com



From the President's Workbench

As I write this, the 36th Annual All Ford Picnic is fading into memory; the 12,000 plus cars have left the Fairgrounds, the Summer Solstice has passed, and the days are now getting shorter. As the youngsters would say, "Wai' wha'? Tempus fugit."

But do not despair, it isn't over yet. Fact is, things are just starting to heat up. After we all celebrate our nation's birthday in our own way, the Central Meet will be upon us and the registrations continue to come in. There will be some gorgeous North country touring and the cars better be ready. Now's the time to get those distributors back from Ol' reliable hardworking Dobie, pop that radiator back in, and check out those annoying overheating and stalling problems—you know who you are! I understand we'll be seeing more of a certain '51 Crestliner, too. We are delighted that one of our members is now able to drain and flush his cooling system at will.

No sooner will July be over and a new round of picnics, car shows, and driving tours are taking shape for August and September. And I'm thinking we'll be able to drive them well into November this year! As far as the eye can see. So don't start getting those snow shovels out yet.

Getting back to the AFP, thanks to John Titus and his crew for another great get together. But we owe a HUGE debt of gratitude to Joel Bergstrom who earned the Workhorse-of-the-day (and the days before and the days after) award. THANK YOU!

It's been a pleasure getting to know our new members who have jumped right into the fray. We welcome your new energy — and the great new cars!



Tales from the Ice

I guess that I have been doing this too long. Last month's column mentioned that John Beltrand brought me a 1935-1936 shock link. Not so. It was Mike Erickson who brought one to show me. So,



my apologies to Mike and my thanks to John for setting me straight. So, I missed my first All Ford Picnic this year. That is pretty amazing. Not that I missed it, but I have attended so many of

them. I was attending the 2015 Eastern National Meet in Charlotte NC. While there, I did purchase a 1935-1936 shock link. It wasn't until I got home that I realized that I bought the wrong manufacture. This one has the dimples in the ends — I need the one that has ends that look like 'moon' hubcaps.

Do you realize that I have only had a Club vehicle at one All Ford Picnic. Very early on, I drove my 1937 Ford Standard Tudor Sedan with it's 60 hp engine. That was before I became the 'keeper' of the Club trailer. Alas, the 1937 is gone.

I believe I heard 11,845 as the registration number for Back to the 50's. The 2015 Central Meet won't have that many. But our numbers will allow you to see every vehicle and get to know some of the other members from around the country.

It certainly will be a good time.

AND—the 2015 Black Hills Tour is alive and well— increased in size. Same tour, just a different start location—see page 10 for more information.

Well, that's all for this time.....remember, keep your stick on the ice. Bruce

June Meeting Minutes

V-8 Membership Meeting June 3 2015 at St. Michael's. Called to order at 7:35 PM by Pres. Gordy.

Introductions.

Reports:

Secretary: Bill asked for approval of minutes as printed in Rumble Sheet.

Vice Pres.: Steve running ad for All Ford Picnic in Saturday and Sunday newspaper under collectibles.

Treasurer: All bills paid and still solvent per Roger.

Membership: Joel reports still at 84.

Editor: Bruce needs articles, especially 1940 Fords, for 75th anniversary.

Old Business: Club Spring Tour down Highways 61 and 35 was excellent.

All Ford Picnic: John says "make ice". No rain will fall. John sent around the workers' sign up sheets. Fewer hot dogs this year. Only 150 buttons so come early. Vendors want to come early and others too. We need grill working about 9 AM for 10 AM official start. Fewer people in V-8 and Mini Birds have signed up to work. 4 to 5 people in food shelter, one grilling, one cashier, 2 or 3 folks getting food and beverages to cashier. Joel has signs. Roger arranged for MSRA safety checks 10 AM till noon. Doug Ladwig unlocks the gate at 8 AM. Will put out two power cords. Roger bringing chips. Grill already there. Will need to be moved into place. Front lot to be used for spectators and non-Fords. Steve providing door prizes.

Central National Meet: Bruce reminded us it's last meeting before meet and we need help. 78 registered, 58 vehicles, 24 judged, 110 pontoon

riders, 119 to meet Paul Bunyan, 121 Campfire with s'mores, 55 ladies on bigger bus, 122 registered for North Woods Driving tour, possibly with era clothing? Raffle tickets available at meet only. Need an operations check supervisor. Also sales of shirts, knobs etc. Also need greeters. Name tags have ribbon for TCRG identification including number of times at CRAGUN'S attended. Need donations for raffle. Please call Pat - he wants any donations. We are getting one room free. We are well within budget. Deadline for registration is June 30. John McBurney, National Head Judge will be in charge of judging with onsite help from Joel. Raffle items include quilts and neon clock. Lunch for driving tour is prepaid and spread out over one half hour. Includes sandwich, chips, beverage. Sign up sheets for workers will have short shifts, contact Dennis Carney.

Back to the 50s: Thursday morning Bruce will put up club shelters. Still on Machinery Hill near new fence location.

Highland Fest flyers available.

New Brighton Show sign-up sheet sent around.

Picnic for club? Possibly. We have had at Wabun Park in past and again this year. Wednesday, August 5 with 4:30 PM start. We will need map in Rumble Sheet.

Fundraiser: Mohawk Regional Group, New York, raffle for a Ford neon sign 30 inches by 30 inches. Tickets are available at two dollars each or three for \$5. See Gordy.

Black Hills Tour-Bruce gave bad news that it is sold out. (**BUT**, it has been revised to include more!!!)

Adjourned by President Gordy.

Judging Seminar presented by Bill B. following the business meeting,

Respectfully submitted-Bill Blood, Secretary

The Great V-8 Northwoods Getaway – Update

Henry Ford said, : *“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”* The Central National Meet Committee is working toward that goal!

The deadline will have passed by the time you read this. It looks like we will reach our revised goal of 100 registrants. **YES WE DID!!!!**

Currently we have members signed up from CA (3), CO (3), FL (1), GA (3), IA (6), IL (10), IN (3), KS (1), MD (4), MI (3), MO (6), NE (1), NY (1), OH (5), OK (1), OR (1), SD (2), TX (1), WA (3), WI (8), and MN (36). And Canada (1). These participants are bringing 81 Club vehicles.

It’s not to late to still create and donate an item for the Your Choice Raffle. This is what will make this Meet a success! The sales of these tickets offers us the opportunity to do some of the special things we are planning. We were thinking....art work, knitting, re-conditioned distributor, crocheting, collectibles ...what have you? Contact Pat Minor at 763-300-1070 to donate and let him know now!

The following positions are in need of volunteers at the Central National Meet. We want to put on a great Meet and need your help. The shifts are very short (most are 1.5 to 2 hours) and many of them have been filled already, so sign up for more that one if you can. Call Dennis Carney at 952-941-0732 for more information and to sign up.

Sunday, July 12 — Souvenir and Raffle sales: noon to 2 pm, 3:30 to 5 pm
 Information booth: noon to 2 pm, 3:30 to 5 pm
 Extra help wherever needed: 2 to 3:30 pm

Monday, July 13 — Information booth: 9 to 11 am
 Souvenir and Raffle sales: 9 to 11 am, 11 to 2, 2 to 5 pm

We also need help both days with Operational Check. Sunday 3 to 5 pm, Monday, 9 to 11 am, 11 to 1 pm, 1 to 3 pm, and 3 to 5 pm. Thank you to those of you who have already volunteered for all the other spots. Dennis

We are less than 2 weeks away from over 201 people assembling in the Brainerd Lakes Area. There is still time for you to be part of this. We are going to have a good time — why don’t you be part of it?

We have waived the late fee — so if you register before the June 30th deadline, registration is still just \$90.

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| July 4 | Jan Gohl |
| July 5 | Cathy Tabako |
| July 6 | Dirk Gasterland |
| July 10 | Mary Barnes |
| July 20 | Craig Nelson |
| July 26 | Richard Olson |

New Members

Please welcome Jim & Connie Lindberg as new members. They live on 1160 Joy Circle SW, Cambridge, MN 55008. Jim’s phone number is 763-689-4277 and his email address is a40031@yahoo.com. They have a 36 Ford Deluxe 5-W Coupe all restored and ready to roll. Jim is an Attorney and Connie is a County Recorder. Jim and Connie welcome to our club!

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Car Show and Swap Meet
Long Lake Park
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New Brighton
off Old Highway 8



AN OFFICIAL NEW BRIGHTON STOCKYARD DAYS EVENT

Co-organizers: Early Ford V-8 Club and Thunderbird Midwest Club For Information: Bruce Nelson (651) 482-8940
www.stockyarddays.org

2015 Monthly Events Schedule

Certainly many things to see and do in 2015. And, if you have ideas to share, contact Gordy Ditmanson at 651-646-8103 to schedule a month.

July: NO MEETING Event: 2015 Central National Meet, Brainerd, MN.

August 5: Meeting Topic: Annual Club Picnic- location and information TBD Event: New Brighton Car Show & Swap Meet

September: Meeting Topic: Event:

October: Meeting Topic: Event:

November: Meeting Topic: Event:

December: Meeting Topic: Event:

2015 Geezer Breakfast Schedule 3rd Thursday of the Month

July 16: Central National Meet – Cragun's Dining Room – Brainerd.

August 20: Ron Long – Woodbury Café – Woodbury.

September 17: Gary Rosenberger – I-HOP – Bloomington.

October 15: Joel Bergstrom – TBD.

November 19: Gordy Ditmanson – Highland Café & Bakery – Highland Park.

December 17: Harvey Oberg – Woodbury Café – Woodbury.

TCRG Glovebox

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