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## Snow Don't be Late



'Cause I Can't Wait to Drive My V8!

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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 V8 Club of America and is sent to all current members and advertisers. TCRG is chartered by the Early Ford V8 Club of America, and is a non-profit corporation in the state of Minnesota, dedicated to the preservation of Ford motor vehicles and related historical materials from the era of flathead V8 engines, including all Fords, Mercurys and Lincolns so equipped from 1932 through 1953.

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

## Membership

Membership dues for the TCRG are \$15.00 per calendar year. Membership in the Early Ford V8 Club of America (the national club) is a membership requirement of the Twin Cities Regional Group.

## Submitting material

Please send all materials for publication to Mark Crichton, 19072 Magenta Bay, Eden Prairie, MN 55347; e-mail to [mark.m.crichton@pmusa.com](mailto:mark.m.crichton@pmusa.com). Rumble Sheet material deadline is the 15th of the month. E-mail body content (not attachment) is preferred.

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## TCRG Activities

### **Wednesday, March 1**

Membership Meeting- The annual TCRG Auction! The meeting will be held at **Environments, Inc., 5700 Baker Road, Minnetonka**. From I-494, exit at Hwy 62 Crosstown and go west to first stoplight (Baker Road/CR 60). Turn right (go north) and follow Baker Road about a half mile or so. Environments, Inc. will be on the left (west) side of the road; the sign is next to the driveway. Follow the driveway down the hill, around to the last parking lot. Park, and follow the long walkway into the lower level of the building.

### **Sunday, March 5, 2006**

The initial 2007 National Meet planning meeting at Dennis Carney's house

### **Wednesday, March 8th**

Board meeting at Tom and Connie Halfpenny's, 2365 Queens Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125

### **Thursday, March 16th**

Geezer Breakfast, 9:00ish, Baker's Square, 3088 White Bear Ave. Maplewood, MN 55109 651-770-9070 (SW corner of 694 and White Bear Avenue) Thank you Tom Halfpenny for setting it up!

### **Wednesday, April 5th**

Membership Meeting @ Environments, Inc. The 2nd Annual "Collections" Show N Tell.

### **Saturday, April 22**

The Annual, Junk Yard Tour to French Lake.

### **Sunday, June 4**

27th Annual All Ford Picnic at the St. Paul Ford Assembly Plant

### **June 23 to 25, 2006**

MSRA Back to the 50's weekend

### **July 24 to 31, 2006**

Auburn MotorFest II, Auburn, IN

## President's Message

This is going to be a busy and exciting time for the TCRG. First of all, the TCRG has been accepted as hosts of the 2007 Central National Meet. Our first organizational meeting will be at my house on Sunday, March 5, at 1 pm. Our address is 4387 Joppa Circle, Savage. Hopefully you are interested in helping to put on this meet. Please come to the meeting and see what is planned, and volunteer to become part of this exciting event. If you cannot make it, but want to help, please give Bud Louis or myself a call.

The March regular meeting will feature our annual club auction. Clean out the garage, and bring those unneeded items (which you probably bought at last years auction) and donate them. This is always a well attended and fun event.

The April meeting will be a collection show and tell meeting. Plan on bringing something that you collect. It can be automotive, household, toys, stamps, coins, etc.

The March board meeting will be at Halfpennys at 7 pm on March 8. Also don't forget the geezer breakfast on March 16 at Bakers Square at 494 and White Bear Ave.

Thank you to all that worked at the World of Wheels, and to those that showed their cars. I have heard a lot of good things about our efforts there.

I have a room reservation at the Elizabeth Inn near Iola for the Friday and Sat. of Iola week.

Denny

## TCRG Chatterbox

Congratulations to Beth and John Titus who are the proud parents of a baby girl named Nora Marie. She was born at 5:35 pm on February 6th weighing in at 7 lbs 11 oz, 22 inches long. Congrats also to Sandy for accurately predicting Nora's sex! Gordy could use Sandy in his office!

TCRG Website address is:

**[www.tcrgv8club.org](http://www.tcrgv8club.org)**

You don't need to "search" to find it. Simply type the address above into the address bar at the top of your computer and hit enter on your keyboard. Once you arrive at the site, add it to your "favorites", then it is only a matter of "clicking." Hope this helps everyone find us!

The board is looking for members to host an upcoming Geezer Breakfast. The arrangements usually only involve making a phone call to let a restaurant know the group is coming. Please contact Activities Director Jerry Felton at 952-873-6754 if you are interested!

Classified ads will now run for 3 consecutive months. A date has been added so you know the last month it will run. Just call or E-Mail the Editor to keep it going another 3 months.

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## Meeting Minutes

The TCRG Membership meeting was held February 1, 2006 at Environments, Inc. VP Duane Shuck called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. (President Denny took Mavis on a cruise and could not attend). Treasurer Tom reviewed the Club's finances, which were in good shape. Editor Mark discussed the Rumble Sheet's new look and solicited ideas and suggestions. He also discussed the new Website, answering a few questions. Activities Director Jerry discussed some of his plans for the upcoming year, and probed the membership for some of their thoughts for meeting activities and special events. Gary Rosenberger mentioned a cruise to Chippewa Falls, WI as a possibility, which received a good response.

The most important piece of business was the decision to host the 2007 Central National Meet. Bruce Nelson, representing Dennis Carney and Bud Louis, reviewed the benefits of hosting the meet in Winona, and Editor Mark provided a handout of President Dennis' review from the Website. The bottom line, there was tremendous upside to Winona, and very little downside. Some of the membership would like to host the meet in the Twin Cities, but after some analysis, it was determined the cost would be significantly higher. Member Paul Oman also provided the board with some great information regarding Chippewa Falls, WI. However, after productive discussion, Cliff Helling made a motion to host the meet in Winona, and Jerry Felton seconded. The motion was carried by the membership. We will be hosting the Central National Meet in Winona, MN in July, 2007! More to come on this!

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25PM

# THE ANNUAL TCRG BANQUET

The annual TCRG Banquet was held on January 22, 2006 at Mancini's Char House in St. Paul. With the exception of a smoky bar entrance, attendees provided positive feedback on the food and accommodations. Thanks to President Denny for making the arrangements! Total attendance was 61, about 20% more than previous years.

The evening's events included the silent auction to benefit the Club's Scholarship Fund. According to Treasurer Tom, 16 members donated \$298 toward the fund. Thank you all for participating in the fun!

Several awards were presented during the evening. Gary Rosenberger presented President Denny with the hard luck award. Denny seemed grateful for the Club reminding him of his Retractable nightmare. The Club honored Activities Director Jerry Felton with the TCRG Recognition Award for his many years of positive influence on the Club. Congratulations Jerry! This made it easy to choose Jerry for the Member Profile this month. Finally, National Director Bruce Nelson "swore in" the newly elected officers by having them take the Henry's "Oath of Office". Good food, fun night!



# World of Wheels 2006

“Nothin’ could be finer than to be at the World of Wheels car show with your Ford in February  
“...as the revised song goes.

Thursday, set-up day for the World of Wheels Car Show, turned out to be a beautiful dry, sunny day. We didn’t need to take up Ron Goette on his offer to trailer cars to the show. Gary Weyrauch and Mark Crichton were on hand all day Thursday to help unload and move cars into the club display area, help set up the display, and even polished a car or two!

Vehicles proudly on display were Duane Shuck’s ‘35 Cabriolet, Jerry Felton’s ‘37 Pick-up, Mike Timmermans ‘43 Fire Truck, Ron Goette’s ‘41 Zephyr, and my ‘36 Fordor. Mark

redesigned the display layout as we had an 8 car space to create a killer presentation. (See how I pick-up on BJ’s buzz words?) Booth traffic was much better this year, so TCRG volunteers were kept busy handing out All Ford Picnic, New Brighton, Membership, and Fire Museum literature. In addition to those who helped with set-up or exhibited their vehicles, I would like to thank Bill Blood, Gordy Ditmanson, Roger Eide, Maidie Felton, Bill and Mary Gillies, Dianne Goette, Cliff Helling, Don and Kate Pautz, and Gary Rosenberger for staffing the booth. A fun time was had by all!

My thanks to everyone who made it happen! Tom Halfpenny



Good luck getting past this Security Team!

**MORE PICTURES ON THE  
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*Duane Shuck’s 35 proudly anchored the Club’s banner this year. His car is on front cover! ...and hey, it’s not a Roadster, it’s a Cabriolet!*



Duane “selling” memberships, Rons discuss fire trucks



**Kate, Sandy, Gary and Don securing the entrance**

Special thanks to all the TCRG members who worked the Security detail. Bruce was at the national EFV8C Board meeting and could not attend, so I served as back-up coordinator. It was a big success and it resulted in a \$600 donation to the Club! Everyone's willingness to pitch in clearly demonstrated what terrific members TCRG has. The Security Team seemed to have a good time, even if it was a bit chilly in the back! I do think Jack and Joyce DeJoy could use the help of the TCRG ladies, as they had some great ideas on how to make things run even smoother. Thanks, again! Mark Crichton



**WCCO anchor Don Shelby's 35 Flathead PU**



**The diagonal look helped to showcase our V-8s**



**Local automotive radio personality Paul Brand interviewing famous customizer George Barris**



**Tom Halfpenny and his really clean 36 Fordor**

# CLUB MEMBER PROFILE

**Member:** Jerry Felton

**City / State:** East Union, Minn

**Years as a Club Member:** 26

**Board positions held:** President 1999, 2000;  
Currently Activities Director

**Antique / Classic Vehicles Owned:** 35  
Pickup, 37 Pickup & Dumptruck, 38 & 39  
convertible coupe

**What is behind your passion for cars:** My  
neighbor and lifelong buddy from first grade  
and I began by building bikes in his garage and  
graduated to flathead Fords at about age 13.  
We just kept doing this with one diversion into  
Chrysler Hemis for a few years, but they were  
installed in Fords.

**What can you tell us about your family:**  
Married to Maidie for 43 years. Our son, Mark  
and his wife Cheryl have one son Andrew, age  
4 months. Our daughter Stefanie was taken by  
cancer at age 28

**What do / did you do for a living:** I was a  
Product Manager for a fluid flow measurement  
product at Rosemount, Inc. in Eden Prairie

**Biggest non-Family, non-V8 passion:**  
Blacksmithing and our cabin on Table Rock  
Lake in south Missouri

**The car you always wanted or wished  
you never sold:** 1957 Corvette

**Something about you that TCRG  
Members may not know:** Even though I  
am an alumnus of the Univ. of Colorado, I am  
a loyal Univ. of Minnesota fan.

**Philosophy about life:** Happiness does not  
come through being idle. It is doing something  
productive that makes a person happy.



Jerry's 37 Ford Pickup at '06 World of Wheels

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## Happy Birthday

March 1	Judy Parmalee
March 4	Jeff Casura
March 5	Leo Anderson
March 9	Earl Kelly
March 16	Arlene Sawvel
March 22	Beth Titus
March 25	Joanne Oman
March 27	Betty Hanson
March 27	Don Pautz
March 28	Norman Anderson
March 29	Duane Shuck

## New Members

A hearty welcome to the following new members that have joined the Club.

**Keith Hillstrom #481**      **'39 Pickup**  
**Allen Edin #482**            **NA**

## Amble to Auburn

As I mentioned last year, I would like to propose a tour to the Early Ford V8 Foundation Motorfest II. We will be leaving on Monday July 24 and travel down to Iowa, and then two lanes across Illinois and Indiana, all the way to Auburn. Two days. We will be spending the night along the way in Aurora IL, and get into Auburn on Tuesday July 25 in the afternoon. Just in time to get orientated, and clean those bugs off the car.

Here now is the plan: (and as always, subject to road construction)

Meet at the BIG truck stop on Hwy 52 in Inver Grove Heights on Monday July 24. Leave around 7 am.

Head down Hwy 52 to Rochester, into Iowa, and then into Dubuque. Connect with Hwy 61

and take to Clinton. At Clinton, pick up the Lincoln Highway – US 30. Take Hwy 30 into Illinois and spend the night in Aurora, Illinois. (approximately 460 miles) There are several motels there and once I get a feel for how many are going, will book some rooms.

Next day, Tuesday, July 25, leave Aurora on Hwy 30 and travel to Joliet, and onto the Indiana border. Continue on Hwy 30 toward Fort Wayne Indiana and then the 16 miles to Auburn (207 miles from Aurora).

The return trip would be the same route on July 30th, with the overnight stay in Clinton Iowa. (313 miles from Auburn) On Monday July 31st, we would head north and after 340 miles be home.

You will need to register for this event. I have registration applications, so please contact me.

In Auburn there are 3 hotels that are giving Auburn Motorfest rates of \$60 per night. They are Comfort Suites (sold out), La Quinta (260-920-1900), and Holiday Inn Express (260-925-1900). To get the rate, please call the hotels directly and tell them you are with the Early Ford V8 Foundation. Do it now!

Flathead or not, this will be an event you will not want to miss. Did I say there were tax deduction possibilities? Not a Foundation member? Don't worry, that option is on the registration form. Bruce Nelson



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- 48 Ford Deluxe Coupe \$6000 or BO. Stock, minor rust, clear title, many new parts, some assembly req'd, battery not included. 507-444-4532, dfryman@truth.com (3/06)
- 1948 Ford chassis for sale. With front end, rear end, and in good shape. \$300 and it is yours. Cliff 952-446-1802 (3/06)
- Authentic Antique Amish Buggy, killer black coupe, complete in excellent condition, \$850, Mark @ 612-801-3620 or mark.m.crichton@pmusa.com. (6/05)
- Ford 8N tractor with small back blade. Mechanically sound-tires good-12 volt conversion \$2500. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)
- 1977 GMC 1 ton van. Great swap meet vehicle-runs well. \$450 obo. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)
- 1923 Fordson tractor on steel. Complete, with add on brake. Engine free. \$1500. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)
- 1934 Diamond T delivery. Classic features-needs love and TLC \$1400. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)
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- 1946 Ford Conoco gas truck. Body is good. Engine soaking but stuck (6 cylinder) \$2300 OBO. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)

- 1949 Ford F-5 V-8 (stuck). Great body and tires with hoist, no box. \$1800. Gary (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685; e-mail garybob@charter.net. (3/06)
- 1947 Mercury Coupe frame with 2-speed rear end. Needs one axle; frame has been sand-blasted and primed with PPG DP74LF (2 coats). \$1200. cash. Dick 651-776-2197 or merc1947123@msn.com. (3/06)
- 1950 Ford 4-door. Original car, 37,000 miles, original tires and script battery. Repaint only. \$7500 Larry 763-972-2603 (3/06)

## BJ's Corner



- 1940 Ford Standard Opera Coupe, very seldom seen model., all steel, body-off restoration, Maroon, L/B interior, correct flathead, wws, inner and outer beauty rings, dual cowl rear view mirrors, ready for touring this summer.
- 1940 Deluxe Opera Coupe, All steel, correct body-off restoration, Maroon, L/B interior, radio, correct heater with correct controls, wws radials, inner and outer beauty rings, fog lights, dual cowl mirrors, 59A flatmotor, 12v, mallory electronic ign.
- 1935 Ford Deluxe 3 window Coupe, All steel, correct body-off restoration, tan, red stripe and wire wheels, wws, beauty rings, correct working radio, rumble seat, super killer nice correct interior

- 1950 Mercury Convertible. All steel CA car, restored. Call BJ for details.
- 1951 Mercury Convertible. All steel CA car, restored. Call BJ for details.
- 1934 Ford Sedan Delivery. All steel, same owner 30 years. Call BJ for details.
- 1934 Ford Tudor Sedan. All steel, restored. Call BJ for details.
- 1934 Ford Woodie and matching trailer, Body-off restoration, fresh engine, killer wood, and matching trailer.
- 1940 Ford Deluxe Opera Coupe. All steel, CA car, restored, Columbia. Call BJ for details.
- 1940 Ford Deluxe Sedan Delivery, All Steel, Red Body-off restoration, Columbia and killer nice.
- 1934 Ford Deluxe Roadster, all steel, Brown, Chrome plated Corvette running gear, wire wheels, super nice.
- 1934 Ford Woodie and matching trailer, Body-off restoration, fresh engine, killer wood, and matching trailer.
- 1948 Ford Super Deluxe coupe, Body-off resto, killer straight black, wsw radials, red wheels, dressed tri power 59A, Neat.
- 1939 Ford Standard Coupe. All steel, nicely restored, dark blue, super-nice interior, 59A flathead, dual exhaust, blue dots, banjo steering wheel, wsw, beauty rings, chrome caps, heater, believed super low original car (37K), nice plating-stainless-paint.
- 1940 Ford Deluxe Opera Coupe. All steel, body-off correct restoration, lite turq-blue paint, L/B correct interior, wsw, inner and outer beauty rings, grill guard, wing tips, fogs, spotlight, radio, heater. Super nice and ready for summer.
- 1950 Ford DeLuxe Club Coupe. All steel, mild custom, Maroon, nosed, decked, handles, '54 Pontiac grill, frenched head and tail lights,

maroon/cream tuck-and-roll interior and trunk, power Cad seats, wsw, Cad caps, '51 Merc skirts, new flathead, duals, overdrive, everything new or rebuilt.

- 1951 Mercury Convertible. All steel correct body-off restoration that is not finished yet, lite grey new paint, stainless on, entire chassis has been rebuilt including radiator-engine-overdrive-rear-brakes, etc. Complete L/B interior and top not installed yet.

- 1954 Mercury 9-Passenger "Woodie" Wagon. All steel, White, original red and white vinyl interior, 3 seater, rebuilt V8, automatic trans, new exhaust, new chrome, radio, heater, outstanding wood. Not many of these around.

**All of BJ's For Sale cars can be viewed at: [www.jmacsautos.com](http://www.jmacsautos.com)**

## Wanted

- Wanted: Check your junk boxes and back corners for an electric, 12 volt Bermuda bell. Tim Anderson 763-493-4655 (3/06)

- Wanted: 11A-11654 Ford headlight switch, 1941 and up. Also fits Lincoln & Mercury. NOS or used. 6 volt. Harvey Oberg 651-739-9754. (3/06)

- Wanted: 1950 Ford Parking light housings and '50 Ford Crestliner Wheel Cover - need at least one. Also need any or all of the stainless side trim for a '62-66 Chev pickup with 8' box (I inherited the truck from my Uncle who bought it new) Francis Kalvoda, Willmar. 320-235-5777 or fjk@charter.net. (3/06)

- Wanted :1932 thru 1940 Ford Roadster, Cabriolet, 3 and 5 window Coupes. Steel only. Prefer restored, well-maintained. Slight modifications OK. "Don't need to talk to my wife or banker to do a deal". Call me. BJ 952-941-2918 "Here's your opportunity to lay old BJ away".



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