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Twin Cities Regional Group Information

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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.

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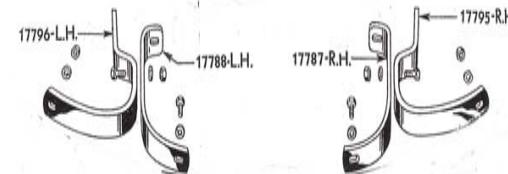
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The following ads are from Gary Nielsen at (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685, or via email at : garybob@charter.net Gary wants you to buy this stuff!! Help him downsize!

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.
- **NEW:** Retainer and division bar assembly (front door) ventilating window (no glass). 0A-7022204-A RH 1950—1951 Ford Tudor, Coupe, Fordor \$50 Retainer and division bar assembly (front door) ventilating window (no glass) 8M-7022205-A LH 1949—1950 Mercury Tudor, Coupe, Fordor \$50. Bruce Nelson 651-482-8940 (May)



- **NEW:** Rear bumper arms—complete set. 17796 left hand outer, 17788 left hand inner, 17795 right hand outer, 17787 right hand in-

ner. Completely restored and ready to install. Filled, sealed and ready for final paint. Look at attached picture for shape. Thought to be passenger car. Not sure of the year. \$80 Bruce Nelson 651-482-8940. (May)

- **NEW:** Pentronix Ignitor electronic ignition for a 6 volt positive ground 1949-51 Ford 8BA engine. Brand new replacement. Regularly costs \$125, but you can own this one in the box, unopened for only \$75. Bruce 651-482-8940 (May)
- **WANTED:** Stories for the Rumble Sheet. Getting short of material. Don't want to make this all about things I like. Here's your chance to tell your story.



One of the planned 'surprises' we have for the 2015 Central National Meet.

Miscellany

- June 7 is the All Ford Picnic and No Trophy Show. Do you have a Ford F-150 pickup? How about a Ford Explorer? Do they have the trailer option? Why all these questions? Well, I will be in Charlotte North Carolina on that day and will be unable to deliver the Club's trailer to the show. If you have a good towing vehicle, and it is a Ford Motor Company product, please give me a call. I will go over all the items that will need to be unloaded, setup, and displayed. You could be the trailer coordinator for a weekend. Now, that is a pretty prestigious job.
- I have entered the remaining books that were donated from the estate of Bruce Johnson to the Club in the For Sale section of the Early Ford V-8 Club website.
- The Spring Fling for 2015 will be held in and around the Wichita Kansas area, May 22 to May 25. There will be a new car game this year — Balance Ramp. Guess you drive your car on it and try and keep it balanced. There will also be tours to McPherson College Antique Restoration Program. More information will be available on the Early Ford V-8 Club's website, under Social Calendar.
- A big thank you to Mike Wyman for representing the TCRG at the annual Association of MN Car Clubs. He will be letting them know about the All Ford Picnic and the New Brighton Car Show and Swap Meet.
- Under the "this wasn't supposed to happen" category: Every year I send out invoices for the ads here in the Rumble Sheet. This year I got one back with the yellow sticker on it. This sticker said "RETURN TO

SENDER VACANT PROPERTY UNABLE TO FORWARD . This was returned from Street Dreams (aka Ron Long). Gee, I wished Ron and Liz had given us a chance to wish them good-bye.

- 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
- I have been informed that Dorace Bradford is undergoing some medical treatments. We all wish her well, and hope to see her out and about soon.
- And it's tax time. Or it should be tax time for you prognosticators. When in San Antonio we were treated to a tour of the Warrior Family Service Center. This is a center that works with our returning service personnel, and makes their return to either civilian or service life much easier. This organization, although located on the military base Fort Sam Houston, is totally funded by citizen's of the United States. No government money is spent. The new building, the employees, and the services supplied are all funded by private donations. They serve patients, next-of-kin and family members of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and Operation Enduring Freedom. A worth while organization to support. www.bamc.amedd.army.mil/military/wfsc
- Just in case you didn't see the humor in it...the Long's have not moved away.....just temporarily.

TCRG Activities

Wednesday, March 4, 7:30 pm, Monthly Meeting. Culver's Restaurant 4004 Silver Lake Road, St Anthony — 6:30 dinner on your own. Meeting to follow. Thanks to Steve Seidl for setting this up.

Thursday, March 19; 9 am, Geezer Breakfast. Machine Shed, Woodbury. Exit I-94 at Radio Drive, head north, first stop light turn east. Thanks to Glenn Kelly for setting this up.

Wednesday, April 1; 7:30 pm, Monthly Meeting. John Titus' Birthday. Meeting topic: 2015 Central National Meet comes alive! Find out everything that we have planned, and how you can help. Hint: no need to make ice.

Sunday, May 17, 35th Annual Willmar Car Show and Swap Meet— Kennedy Elementary School, Willmar, MN

Sunday, June 7, 36th Annual All Ford Picnic and No Trophy Show—Morrie's Bodyworks, Long Lake, MN Start saving winter's ice.

Saturday, June 20, Back to the 50's pot-luck dinner, machinery hill, Minnesota State Fairgrounds

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!

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 New Brighton Car

Show and Swap Meet — Long Lake Regional Park, New Brighton, MN

TCRG Activities

Further Down the Road Events

June 8–11, 2015 2015 Eastern National Meet, Concord North Carolina. Information now available on Early Ford V-8 Club website. www.earlyfordv8.org

July 12, Waconia Ford's 5th Annual Car, Truck, and Tractor Show. 10 am to 3 pm. Waconia Ford, 235 Hwy 5, Waconia, MN. For more information contact David Gohl at 952-358-0201 or dggohl@gmail.com

Monthly Meeting Location

Meeting Location: Culver's of St. Anthony, 4004 Silver Lake Road, St. Anthony, MN, 612-781-3450, <http://www.culvers.com/restaurants/st-anthony>

Directions: From I-694 (between 100 and I-35W) exit at exit #39, Silver Lake Road CR 44. Turn SOUTH on Silver Lake for about 1.5 miles. Culvers is on the right.

Program: *What is your Ford IQ ????*

TCRG Glovebox

Cover Photo: Courtesy of the warm Art Director.

Rumble Sheet Contributors: The Editor would like to thank Gordy Ditmanson and Ron Long for submissions.

News From the Board Room

The mid-winter point is behind us and the days are getting longer, though the cars are still frozen in. The new Board members are envisioning a busy year and the planning is getting ramped up. At their first Board meeting, plans for the summer's Central National Meet in the Brainerd Lakes area were reviewed. Bruce Nelson and his team will use the April membership meeting to detail ways in which our Club can help make this a success.

Also, the Board learned of help needed for the All Ford Picnic in June. The composition of the steering committee is changing and lead, John Titus, is in need of more volunteers who can learn the ropes. Please let John know if you can help.

In less than 8 weeks we will start cranking up those flatheads. (the groundhog lies — ed.) Get going on those parts lists for the Junkyard Tour in April and to spend those vouchers at Little Dearborn.

May is just around the corner so please help with some ideas for a tour (maybe an overnight) and also for a good practical presentation for the membership meeting, getting the cars ready for the road, and update on detailing or anything else you may want to expound on. Give me a call. Remember you can always recommend one of your friends who knows stuff, too!

Thank you to all the members who brought projects and collections to share at the January meeting. Interesting collections and remarkable talents were showcased. We could have used more time.

The Church is not available for the March meeting and plans are in the works for another venue. Please see the Rumble Sheet for details.

Gordy



Tales from the Ice

Attended my first face to face National Board Meeting since 2008. A lot has changed. I was impressed by the organizational changes, and the professionalism that now exists. That's not to say that the Club was not professional previously, it just has improved.



The new Central Director, Michael Driskell, is a 3rd generation V-8'er and brings a lot of new

insight to the Board.

Of course the weather was cool (ah, cold!), but better than MN. The week before we were there and the week after we left were all in the 70's. Guess I should be glad the Meeting was indoors. And who can believe the weather here. You would think that by mid February it would start to warm up some. On Valentine's Day I was entered in the Sweetheart's Day 5K. It was -1 when the race started. The 20 mph wind made it hard to run, yet alone breathe. I started out, and after 1 mile I had to turn back. It was too hard to run in the cold stinging wind at that temperature. That was the first DNF I have ever had in 12 years.

Attended another Geezer Breakfast this month, and I learned that a few of us had or have headed for warmer climates. Must be something about having a car done and not now working on. So, I must have something to look forward to when I get the 1936 Pick-up done. I can go to warm areas in the winter!

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

Bruce

February Meeting Minutes

TCRG Membership Meeting—2-4-15

At: St. Michaels

To Order: 7:34 by President Gordy, who read an article from the paper explaining new Fords come with a "sound module" to augment the engine sound on acceleration!

Treasurers Report: Roger told us just how solvent we are.

Membership: Joel reported 13 old members hadn't renewed.

Secretary: Bill had no old minutes, but he had called local members, all of whom agreed to renew membership.

Editor: Bruce was absent, attending a national meeting in Texas. Gordy suggested Bruce probably still wants your articles.

V/P: Steve wasn't available for report, but did get a round of applause in absentia for his banquet efforts: Nice location at officer's club, good food and beverages, comedy and center pieces by Mary G, -- thanks!

Jackets: Jerry Felton Reported new requests for club jackets, so will be getting in touch with our source when they return from vacation. Cost was just under \$100.

V/P Steve came late, asked about Activities Director position which is not filled by one person but may be shared by many. He got recognition for his banquet efforts.

Jerry Felton reported he is still the club archivist.

Minnesota Car Club Association meeting - Bill Blood can't attend to represent us, so Mike Wyman agreed to bring flyers for All Ford Picnic and New Brighton shows and promote them at the meeting. Thanks!

All Ford Picnic - John T. wants to retire as

leader, but is willing to train his successor. We don't have a food license, but we are selling on private property. Jerry Felton is storing grill but no longer. Has brought grill and all food in past. Bruce Nelson can't bring club trailer with signs, tables, chairs and canopies! More to come.

Activities:

Junkyard tour- John T. investigating

Major cruises - have usually been spring and fall

Gary Rosenberger doing fall color tour. Spring tour anyone? Maybe to Winona, Willmar or?

Central National Meet- we will dedicate the April TCRG meeting to refining this event. Pat Minor says 12 preregistered.

Seminars. Judging was recommended subject before nationals. Bill Blood agreed to lead. Others welcome. Another topic suggested was detailing.

March meeting at Culver's in St. Anthony off Silver Lake Rd. Topic What's Your Ford I.Q.?

Adjourned 8:30 pm

Hobbies were presented after a brief coffee break. Gary Weyrauch brought PEP cereal buttons (and caps), Dean Hanson brought wonderful nature photographs, Bill Blood brought solid cast replica pistols by Lytle Novelty Co.

(available late 40's & early 50's.). Woodworking art was shown by George Baker. Gordy Ditmanson brought an extensive stamp collection, Bill Gillies model train. Becky Isaacson and Kate Pautz brought lovely quilts.

Submitted by Secretary Bill

Annual TCRG Winter Banquet

The annual TCRG Winter Banquet was held on Saturday January 24th. Steve Seidl arranged for the gathering at the Fort Snelling Officer's Club bringing back fond memories of Vern Halvorson. There was even an open bar for about 5 minutes when an announcement brought us all back to reality.

Cliff Helling offered thanks, while invoking memories of many of our other departed members.

The Fort Snelling staff served delicious entrees enjoyed amidst the smartly decorated tables, thanks to Mary Gillies and her crew. As we finished up with cake and ice cream, which Steve commissioned from a fine confectioner, we were regaled by a local comedienne. (picture to the right, not the one below)



Ron Long had compiled a collection of pictures recalling the Club's varied activities over the year. A slight miscommunication with the audiovisual department detracted from the presenter's polished remarks, but we squinted our way through. We will work with our archi-



ivist and graphic designer to come up with a better way of reviewing our colorful history in the future.

The evening wound up with a walk down memory lane by our host Steve Seidl who garnered many a chuckle from the old Rumble Sheet entries during the Club's Glory years. The retiring board members were gratefully acknowledged and the new board members introduced. (see cover photo)



The Club expresses its sincere gratitude to Steve and his team for a great evening.

Submitted by Gordy Ditmanson — photos by Ron Long

2015 Monthly Events Schedule

Certainly many things to see and do in 2015. Come to the February Meeting and submit your ideas and find out about the years activities. And, if you just cannot wait to share your ideas, contact Gordy Ditmanson at 651-646-8103 to schedule a month.

March: Meeting Topic: "What's Your Ford IQ?"
Event:

April: Meeting Topic: All About the Central National Meet
Event:

May: Meeting Topic: **Event:**

June: Meeting Topic: **Event:**

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

August: Meeting Topic: **Event:**

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

March 19: Glenn Kelly — Machine Shed — Woodbury.

April 16: Ron Goette — TBD.

May 21: Bill Blood — Highland Café & Bakery — Highland Park.

June 18: Kent Tabako — Pippins Restaurant — Roseville.

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.

Another great job by Gary Isaacson on rounding up hosts for the full year.

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGES — The proof-reader says these dates are now correct.



Snap up your chance to help out at the Central National Meet — come to the April Meeting.

The Great V-8 Northwoods Getaway – Update

Here it is www.efv8cnm2015.org put it in your 'Favorite' list. This is the Meet's website. From here you will be able to see what we have planned for events, register for the Meet, register your vehicle, and sign up for being a Judge. You may use your credit card securely on this webpage.

Something to think about. We can get the book V-8 Album from the National for just the price of shipping. These would be a great thing to be included in the goodie bags.

One of the things I like about Cornerstone doing the registration is that they allow us to see what's happening 'online'. We have the ability to view the database of information, so we know how many are planning on attending the North Woods Driving Tour, or how many swap spaces we will need to lay out. Certainly helps with the planning!

The Meet pins, award/gear shift knob inserts, the goodie bags, and Judge's hats have already arrived. The gear shift knobs have been ordered, and donation letters will be soon going out to potential givers. If you would like to donate a basket for the Your Choice Raffle, please contact Pat or Jill Minor.

The donated clipboards for the Concourse arrived last year. We will have to ship them to Tulsa when we finish, but that is nothing compared to having to purchase them.

We are working to come up with a special item for the Ladies Luncheon.

Currently we have members signed up from AZ, CA, CO, GA, IA, IL, MT, OH, OK, WA, WI, and MN.



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| March 5 | Leo Anderson |
| March 9 | Glen Kelly |
| March 11 | Sandy Neilsen |
| March 13 | Gary Neilsen |
| March 15 | Dave Dahlen |
| March 16 | Arlene Sawvel |
| March 22 | Beth Titus |
| March 25 | Joanne Oman |
| March 27 | Nancy Louis |
| March 27 | Don Pautz |



You could win this clock. Sign up for the Central National Meet in Brainerd for your chance.




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