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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.

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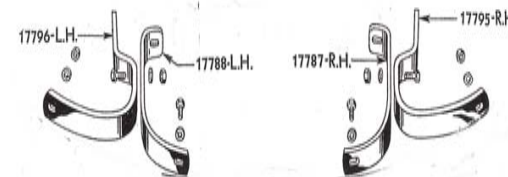
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The following ads are from Gary Nielsen at (320) 235-3935 or (320) 894-8685, or via email at : garybob@charter.net Gary wants you to buy this stuff!! Help him downsize!

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
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- 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)



- Rear bumper arms—complete set. 17796 left hand outer, 17788 left hand inner, 17795 right hand outer, 17787 right hand inner. Com-

pletely 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)

- 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:** Looking for the book *SIXTEEN CYLINDER MOTORCARS* by Rog A. Schneider. Contact Harvey Oberg 651-739-9754 (June)
- **NEW 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:** our membership chair, Joel Bergstrom says: *While up dating the Club Birthday list, I noticed quite a few names are not on the list. No, we don't want to know how old you are, just your birth day and month. If you notice a mistake or if you would like to add yours or your spouse's name to the list, send me an email or give me a call and I'll be glad to make the changes. Who knows, you may want to contact someone and wish them a happy birthday.* 651-631-0091

Miscellany

- June 7 is the All Ford Picnic and No Trophy Show. Make ice. Contact any of the Board members to sign up for a time slot.
- 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
- Thinking about the 2015 National Driving Tour to the Black Hills of South Dakota? Well at the April Meeting it was mentioned that members over 65 (although it really is only 62) should get a Golden Age Card to allow them free access to National Parks and Monuments. It is now called The Inter-agency Senior Pass and can be obtained at the Mississippi River Visitor Center just inside the front door of the Science Museum of Minnesota on Kellogg Blvd. It costs \$10 (bring your credit card — cash not accepted) and a valid ID. It's good for the rest of your life.
- Another former member has passed. Many of you may remember John Cramble. John died on March 30th. John and Lauvan were members for many years in the mid 1980's. John had a 1936 Ford Convertible Sedan and a dark blue 1950 Ford Tudor.
- You may remember that we stored the fence trailer up in Chisago City this fall and winter. The member of the Midwest Thunderbird Club that arranged for the storage has reported that the trailer survived the winter. The tires look good and there was no winter storm damage. (winter storm damage?? We had a winter storm?)
- We have two local shows coming up. Volunteers are needed to help out. The All Ford Picnic and No Trophy Show is June 7 and the New Brighton Car Show and Swap Meet is August 9. Sign up sheets will be at the May Meeting. If you can not attend, contact the following people to get your name on the sign up sheets:
 - All Ford—John Titus 651-278-3284
 - Dave Trucksess 952-431-1736
 - New Brighton — Bruce Nelson 651-482-8940
- We have been notified that the July 12 Waconia Ford's 5th Annual Car, Truck, and Tractor Show has been canceled for this year due to road construction. The show promoters say it will be back in 2016.
- You will read it elsewhere in this issue, but there is nothing like a good reminder: If you are planning on participating in the 2015 Central National Meet that we are planning and sponsoring, send in your registration today. It is just going to help the Committee get it done.
- And now, a note from our Florida members: Just a note to let you know Vivian had surgery on 4-22-15 to correct a hiatal hernia problem and all went fine. She is home resting now and should be able to travel to the cabin in about 3 weeks. Also an up date on the 34 Ford. The car has gone through a full restoration and is better than new and the owner has decided to sell the car in Atlanta, Ga. at a Classic Car Sales show room so if any one is interested in a very nice 34 Ford Deluxe fordor sedan its available. See you Up North in July. Mike & Vivian Timmermans

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: "Roadtrip Review" Bring a dollar to donate.

TCRG Activities

Wednesday, May 6: 7:30 pm, Monthly Meeting. St Michaels Church, Roseville, MN Meeting topic: "Roadtrip Review". Come find out what you need and don't need to take in your Ford as you travel.

Saturday, May 16: Spring Tour to Western Wisconsin. Time to get the dust off and drive the old Ford. Dennis Carney leads us across the border. See more information on page 6.

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

Thursday, May 21: 9 a.m. Geezer Breakfast — Highland Café & Bakery — Highland Park. Bill Blood will direct traffic with his good arm.

Wednesday, June 3, 7:30 pm, Monthly Meeting. St Michaels Church, Roseville, MN. Meeting topic: Prepare for Brainerd! Judging Seminar 101. Bill Blood has offered to review the National

Judging Guidelines before the Meet. This will be another chance to sign up for helping out during the Meet.

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

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

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.

From the President's Workbench

Knowing them as well as I do I am sure all the TCRG V-8'ers are taking full advantage of the early spring to get those cars out of storage and ready for a busy driving season, especially with the current low price of fossil fuels!

By the time you read this, everyone most likely will have found all the parts they need either from Little Dearborn or French Lake. In less than a month we'll be heading out on our first driving tour of the year. (See Dennis Carney's write up elsewhere in this issue.) At the May meeting we will be reviewing your pre-tour checklists and comparing them with published suggestions which will take time, age, and experience into consideration.

The Board met on April 16th to work on upcoming events. The All Ford Picnic will be upon us shortly and we will be conscripting volunteers from the TCRG to fill the work slots. Maybe those of us who have contacts in the other Ford Clubs (Model Ts, Model A's, Galaxies etc.) can encourage them to show up for the Picnic as well. We are also seeking everyone's input as we consider the future of the Picnic going forward.

The plans for the Great Northwoods V-8 Get-away are falling into place. Bruce and Pat (and Dennis) will keep us actively updated as events unfold. Remember to send in your registrations if you plan to attend.

We lost member John Cramble last month at the age of 87 and extend deepest condolences to his family. For the rest of us, try to remain upright and keep your clusters engaged (or keep your stick on the ice, as our editor would say).

Gordy



Tales from the Ice

The trials and tribulations of restoring a vehicle. While some of you have done this, this is my first and while I am trying not to have to 'repeat' my efforts — the best laid plans.....



I installed the steering sector recently. It went in relatively easy. I found out why the sector cover has the clip at the end. It's there so that you will be able to slide the cover to fit the dash connection. Which I had to. While I felt good about getting it in, I woke up the next morning realizing that I will have to take it apart again to get the light and horn rod in! And my thinking was to attach an old steering wheel that I wasn't going to use, the light and horn rod installation will make me think about installing the finished steering wheel. Anyone have an idea about how to cover the steering wheel to protect it?

And then the shock links. Do you realize that no where does it tell you what the distance is suppose to be between bolts on a shock link. They just give you the part number. Anyway, it is 3 inches for 1936. So I dig out the NOS links that I have and sandblast them. Then I realize that I have 3 that are alike and one that is different. So, the search continues. You should also realize that no one has any new ones. See WANTED.

And, now that it is above zero, my garage heater is connected. So, this summer, if you think that it is hot, well, blame me. I'm leaving the heater on!!

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

April Meeting Minutes

TCRG V-8 Membership—April 1, 2015

At: St. Michael's Church

To Order: 7:30 pm by President Gordy Ditman-son.

Bill Blood gave broken arm report.

Treasurer Report: Roger enroute home, phoned Gordy, no change since March.

Membership Report: Joel Bergstrom brought new rosters to meeting and distributed to those present. He has checks for Roger plus bill for rosters. Joel says previous printer has closed. He has found a new one. We have 80 members.

Secretary Report: Bill's minutes were approved as printed.

Editor Report: Bruce looking for articles - 1940 Fords especially as this is the 75th year.

V/P Report: Steve says Ron Christensen is willing to store club grille in Cokato.

President Report: included post office box key being handed from Gary Weyrauch to Gary Rosenberger.

Board Meeting: Scheduled for Thursday, April 16 at 1 pm.

New Business:

All Ford Picnic will be at Morrie's in Long Lake. Need better turnout to continue. Morrie's happy to let us use his facility. T-Bird Club is still wanting to be involved per Gary Isaacson. Still need a committee person to deal with club trailer from Bruce's, food and grille from Jerry Felton's.

Driving Tour - Denny Carney has scheduled for May 17. Full report at next membership meeting!

National Driving Tour- Bruce Nelson reported that Black Hills will be the area, that they expect

to drive 100 miles/day average, and that mid-September should be great flathead weather!

Highland Fest Car Show will be by the library on Ford Parkway. \$5 pre-registration will cover cost of dash plaque and window card per Bruce. Tom Murray will co-lead.

Ford Plant/Site - Bruce updated info including meetings at Gloria Dei Church. North & South edifices in storage, and development plans now look to be delayed until 2018.

Activity Possibilities - Gary Isaacson announced "Happy Days" play at Century Theater is happening in April and May at \$20 per ticket. We could have dinner before (contact Gary). Gary is also looking into a riverboat cruise with buffet dinner at \$35 per person.

Meeting adjourned for coffee at 8:15 pm.

Bill Blood, Secretary



You could win this Genuine Amish Sunshine and Shadow 78 by 88 Quilt at the 2015 Central National Meet in Brainerd. Register now and be part of the fun.

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. And as Henry Ford said, : *"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."*

PLEASE DON'T FORGET, OTHER THAN REGISTRATION, EVERY EVENT WILL NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY IN YOUR PARTY WILL BE ATTENDING. So, if you and your guest are planning on attending the After Dinner Activity on Tuesday night, you need to make sure to enter 2 on the line after the event title.

And I am sure just for us, MPLS/ST PAUL Magazine (April issue) has a complete section about what to see and do in the Brainerd Lakes Area. There are some great ideas that the committee will be looking at.

Checking the online reports (on 4/24/2015) — 60 have registered, 93 people want to taste S'mores, 15 want the commemorative gearshift knob, 37 ladies are going shopping in Nisswa, 29 want a meet pin, 27 have a like of our T-shirts, 92 are planning on driving in the Northwood's, 11 are bringing trailers, 5 are swapping, and 98 want to test the wine, beer and cheese.

Currently we have members signed up from AZ, CA, CO, GA, IA, IL, IN, MD, MO, MT, NY, OH, OK, SD, TX, WA, WI, and MN. And Canada.

And, for all you talented members out there, a request: How about making a donation to the Your Choice Raffle? We were thinking....art work, knitting, re-conditioned distributor, crocheting, collectibles.....what have you? Contact Pat Minor at 763-300-1070 to donate.

AND.....you knew this was coming! At the April Meeting we asked for a show of hands of those that were planning on attending. It's time to register. Help the Committee finalize some of our plans by helping us get a 'count and amount' of the number of people attending. Also, there is at least one event that has a limit on it — you don't want to miss out if that happens to be the event you want to do.

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| May 4 | Winston Sorvig |
| May 15 | Caroline Christensen |
| May 23 | Rita Gasterland |



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SPRING TOUR—MAY 16

SPRING TOUR — SATURDAY, MAY 16
 Our annual Spring Tour will happen on Saturday, May 16. Leaving at 9 a.m. Meet at the theatre complex in Inver Grove Heights (where we have met several times in the past). From the I-494 Hwy 53 interchange, go South on Hwy 52 one block to Upper 55th Street. Exit and go left a block to Bishop. There is an Outback Restaurant and a gas station on that corner. Go left another block to the theatre complex parking lot. Call me on my cell phone at 952-288-6806 if you have trouble. Remember, we leave at 9 a.m.! From there we will take some scenic back roads through to Hastings, to Red Wing where we will cross the river and continue south to Stockholm Wisconsin. At Stockholm we will have plenty of free time to have lunch and wander through several quaint shops, both antique, used, crafty, and Amish. From there we will proceed to the Nelson Creamery for the mandatory ice cream stop, before crossing back over the river into Wabasha. On the way back a stop is planned at the Red Wing Pottery, and a dinner stop at the King Burger Restaurant in Miesville (voted best burger by Channel 4). We have a full day planned, with something for everyone. Call me at 952-941-0732 if you have any questions.



Dennis sent this picture along to remind you of what not to expect on the Spring Tour

JUNKYARD TOUR—APRIL 25



Just push this button and the DAYS INN sign will light up behind you.

Don't tell Roger there is a Lincoln Continental Coupe out there.



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.

May: Meeting Topic: "Roadtrip Review" Bring your list of essentials—tools, spare parts, etc—which have evolved with age and experience to share with the group (and maybe some things not to bring) **Event:** Saturday May 16, Spring Tour to Western Wisconsin. More information on page 6.

June: Meeting Topic: Judging Seminar in preparation for Brainerd **Event:**

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

August: Meeting Topic: **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

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.

TCRG Glovebox

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