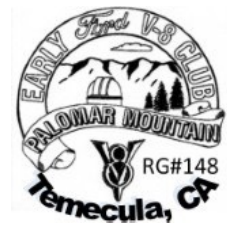




# VALVE CHATTER



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## The Palomar Mountain V-8's Regional Group #148 of the Early Ford V-8 Club of America, Inc



YOUR PRESIDENT NEEDS H E L P !!!!! IF ANYONE KNOWS SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO PUT ON A PRESENTATION FOR OUR GROUP, PLEASE LET ME KNOW AS EVERYONE I HAVE TRIED TO CONTACT EITHER DOES NOT HAVE THE TIME OR HAS ALREADY DONE OUR MEETING.

ALSO, BACK TO MY OWN LIFE, WHILE I WAS STATIONED IN THE ARMY IN MISSOURI (YES, I SAID MISSOURI) WE OWNED THE FOLLOWING CARS: 1956 PONTIAC; 1955 PONTIAC THAT WE PAID \$75.00 FOR WHEN THE 1956 QUIT RUNNING. WE ALSO OWNED A 1957 OLDSMOBILE TWO DOOR HARDTOP THAT WE PAID \$75.00 FOR AND WHILE IT WAS SITTING IN FRONT OF OUR HOME, A LADY SWERVED TO MISS A DOG AND TOTALED THE OLDS.....THE INSURANCE COMPANY PAID US \$150.00 FOR IT, SO WE MADE \$75.00.....STAY TUNED.



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# “IT'S TIME TO RE-NEW



## “February Tour to Fallbrook”

On a beautiful, sunny morning, Feb 15th, 30 Palomar Mountain V-8s Regional Group members gathered in Temecula and at the historic Reche Schoolhouse in Fallbrook for a tour of historic sites in Fallbrook. The Temecula group toured through the De Luz back country area to meet the other members at the schoolhouse. Those enjoying the February tour were:



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|---|--------------------------|
| Jay and Janet Harris, and Jim Hurlburt      | 1951 Ford Victoria       |
| Gregg and Linda Lowry                       | modern                   |
| Ray and Jackie Ouellette, and Leona Spanier | 1946 Mercury Convertible |
| Tom and Gale Anderson, and Peggy Petrucci   | 1947 Ford 2-door         |
| Sam and Loie Jeromin                        | modern                   |
| Bob McClelland and Dan Krehbiel             | 1936 Ford 4-door         |
| Tom and Barbara Keck                        | 1942 Ford Coupe          |
| Ted and Dory Thompson                       | 1936 Ford 2-door         |
| Cal and Cheryl Westra                       | modern                   |
| Jerry and Roxie Otteson                     | 1940 Ford Sedan Delivery |
| Chuck and Marilyn Rounds                    | modern                   |
| Frank and Irene Griffin                     | modern                   |
| Bob and Donna Payne                         | 1936 Ford Coupe          |

A Fallbrook Historical Society docent gave a talk about the one room schoolhouse, which first opened it's doors to students in 1896. The school served Fallbrook until it closed in 1939. Interestingly, a former student, now 99 years old, still lives in Fallbrook! After our school visit we took a short drive to the Fallbrook Heritage Center, where more docents were waiting to answer questions and show us around. We toured the historic Pittenger house, built by Minister Pittenger in 1895 to house his family of eight children, plus his wife and himself. Sitting on the lower level of the Historical Society's main building was The Ford Room, which housed two Model A's and a 1926 Ford touring car. A third building called the 'Barn', had displays of early farm equipment and artifacts. [By noon we headed to our next and final stop, the Z Café in Bonsall, for a lovely lunch on their outdoor patio.](#) The service and food was excellent. We want to thank everyone who joined the tour, and especially those who were able to drive their Early V-8s.

Jay and Janet Harris



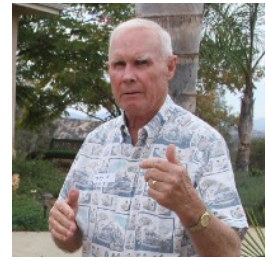
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MUSINGS OF A PARADE JUNKIE  
“JAY HARRIS”  
(AND NOW THE REST OF THE  
STORY!)

He was as 'chatty' as he could be – we were instantly 'best friends'! It wasn't long before the first bank of bright lights appeared along the route, indicating the spot where interviewers were waiting with TV cameras rolling to interview the celebs and ask them all of the right questions. Levar handled the interview like a pro. Life was good! And then, reality struck. Knowing another interview area was coming up, he leaned forward from the back seat and said, “Jay, I've got to go to the bathroom!!” Yes, those continuous cocktails were now speaking up – nature was calling! Now, imagine this – you've got a highly recognizable celebrity in your back seat – the parade route is lined on both sides with fans four people deep, and your rider HAS TO GO TO THE BATHROOM!! Well, in a panicked state I frantically began scanning the immediate business area for any sign of a rest room. And, even if I did spotted one, how was Levar going to exit a moving car, get through the crowd, and return to the car somewhere down the parade route? Then, as if by divine intervention, the parade ground to a halt. Just at that time I spotted a Dennys restaurant sign on a side street that connected Hollywood Blvd with Sunset, and I yelled at Levar to jump out NOW and go take care of business. He was a young, athletic man, and before I knew it he had bounded out of the car and disappeared into the night. Why had the parade stopped at exactly that moment? Well, I found out later that a horse up ahead of us had become agitated and it's handlers had to calm him down, thus stopping the parade. Divine intervention, I guess! Anyway, Levar reappeared almost as fast as he had left, jumped completely over the rear quarter panel and landed in the back seat, all ready to resume his waving and smiling duties. Not long after the

parade started moving again, I became aware of a large group of African-American girls straining to try and see their hero – Levar – coming down the parade route. Yes, they had come to the parade to 'connect' with Levar, and



did they ever! When the car came abreast of them they broke through the line of security guards and rushed my car, pawing, giggling, screaming, and throwing mementos into the car for him to take home. One of the girls was particularly 'large' and when she threw her weight against the door the car rocked back and forth! Security soon had the situation back under control, however, and off we went to the next interview area. After that brief 'ego boosting' interview for Levar, we made our way down to Sunset Blvd and back to the KTTV studios, where Levar made it a point to tell me I would be receiving a signed autograph of him. I'm still waiting for it to arrive. (Postscript: when I arrived back home I found a stuffed animal Snoopy Dog on the floor. I'm sure the girl who gave it to Levar sleeps peacefully knowing her hero keeps her in his thoughts. The truth is, my then seven year old daughter has it tucked away to this day for safe keeping). Other parade appearances followed, but none so strange as the one in Hollywood that featured a husband-and-wife team of Vietnamese news anchors. Never have I experienced a parade so quiet! The Asian culture calls for very respectful restraint at all times, and this much admired couple sat quietly in the back seat of the '46 convertible waving ever so gently, and the crowd did the same. No raised voices or animation here!! At the end I felt like I'd been in church! Lastly, I participated in a parade in downtown L.A. to commemorate the grand opening of the new Omni Hotel. My riders were one of the actresses appearing at that time in the TV series 'Eight is Enough', her boy friend, and her mother. I'll say that, although I no longer remember her name, she was friendly, polite, and a joy to be around. No spoiled, pampered star here. After the parade we were all treated to a lavish buffet lunch in the lobby of the Omni.

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Today my parade appearances are rather mundane. I ride a local VIP every year in the Fallbrook Christmas parade, including such folks as the Citizen of the Year, County Supervisor Bill Horn (twice), some State of California senators and congressmen, and three different Camp Pendleton Commandants and their wives. Oh, and lets not forget a retired Fire Chief,

the president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Miss Fallbrook and her court! Coming up in December it'll be the president of The Friends of the Fallbrook Library, don't you know! One last comment. I am currently in the process of being considered as an entrant in the 2019 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena. This is a lofty goal, but what have I got to lose? Stay tuned.



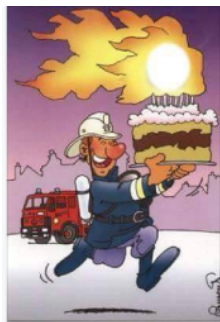
- 1951 Ford Victoria Root beer, 350 Chev engine, 400 turbo trans,, vintage air, disc brakes front sway bar front & Rear, new glass & rubber \$33,000! Peggy Petrucci (951)600-1266 [3]
- "94" Carburator & Manifold for flathead \$100. Eddy (951)693-4740/eddysixrod@aol.com [2]
- 1940 Ford dash \$65. Dan Krehbiel( 951) 302-5922 [2]
- 1957 Ford Thunderbird (needs restoring)
- 1936 Ford Complete set of headlights \$150.
- 1935 - 37 Ford jack \$50. [no crank] Tom Hamlin (760) 745-5099 [3]
- 1937 Ford Hub caps \$150 Bob McClelland (951) 233-6301 [2]
- Lathe, 220 single phase, 10x36, Taiwanese manuf., 4/3 jaw, many attachments. 20 years old, \$500.00 Neil LaRosa, 858-246-6161. Lathe is located in San Diego State Univ. area. [2]

### WANTED

- 1936 Ford roadster, Set of wind wing brackets (right & left) Dan Krehbiel (951) 302-5922 [3]

### March Birthdays

- 6 – Glenn Davis
- 10 – Gail Bangiola
- 11- John Alling
- 18 – Steve Wells
- 23 - Lori Perez
- 23 - Cheryl Ross
- 23 – Don Harwick

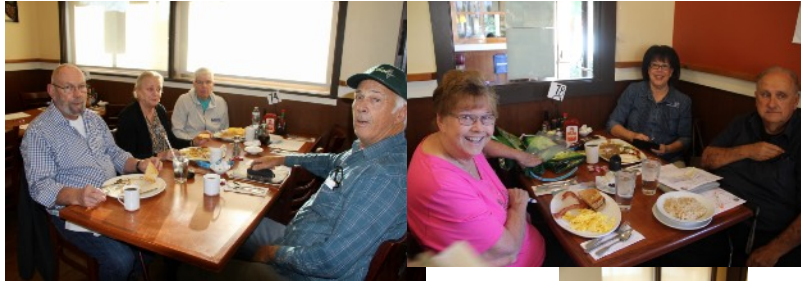


### March Anniversaries

- 1- Jerry & Roxie Otteson
- 3 - Ken & Merleen Magers
- 4 – Bud & Cassandra Williams
- 4 – Alan & Kate Cutsinger
- 21- Clark & Carolyn Mears
- 22 – Cliff & Janice Gustin
- 23 – Gary & Theresa Huckins



## Enjoying breakfast & Fellowship



"And the Winners are"

## ACCESSORIES

### NOTES FOR MARCH 2018

Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Thanks to everyone who has purchased travel mugs and tote bags. Our inventory is almost gone. We have only 8 travel mugs at \$8.00 each and 8 tote bags at \$10.00 each — both great bargains. So don't miss out. Great inexpensive gifts — mugs can hold any hot or cold liquid and the totes are great for carrying i-pads, magazines, mail, towels, etc. Car prints are still available — the shirt of your choosing and then pay only for printing or one on the order blank at the prices shown. Just remember it must be light gray or white for best results. You can send a jpeg photo to my e-mail or bring a thumb drive to the meeting. Thanks again for all your support. Irene

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NATIONAL DRIVE YOUR FORD DAY JUNE 16TH 2018  
MARCH 4TH POMONA SWAP MEET & CLASSIC CAR SHOW  
AT THE FAIRPLEX  
APRIL 6TH ESCONDIDO CRUSIN' GRAND SEASON BEGINS  
APRIL THRU SEPT. 4PM - 8PM**

## MONTHLY CLUB BUSINESS & BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS

First Tuesday Monthly  
(January thru November) Breakfast @ 8:00 am Meeting @ 9:00 a.m.  
Broken Yolk Cafe 26495 Ynez Rd. Temecula, Ca. 92591

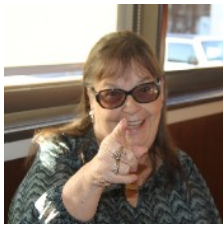
### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**March 6th Regular**

**April 3rd Regular**

**May 1st Regular**





Board of Director's &  
Business Meeting of the  
Members of  
The Palomar Mountain  
V-8's Regional Group of  
the Early Ford  
V-8 Club of America, Inc.  
A California Non-Profit Public Benefit  
Corporation

A regularly scheduled business meeting of the Board of Directors and Members of the Palomar Mountain V-8's Regional Group of the Early Ford V-8 Club of America, Inc., and a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation was held on February 6, 2018 at the meeting place of the members: The Broken Yolk Cafe, 26495 Ynez Road, Temecula, California.

**Directors Present:** Cliff Gustin-President; Kathy Shedd-Vice President; Gregg Lowry-Treasurer; Janice Gustin-Secreary; Cal Westra-5th Director.

**Members Present & Cars Driven:** Cliff & Janice Gustin; Steve Wells; Sam Jeromin, Jay Harris-51 Victoria; Ken & Merleen Magers, Jim Wells; Tom & Patsy Hamlin-46 Ford; Bob Curwin; Cal & Cheryl Westra; Ron & Kathy Shedd; Dory & Ted Thompson-36 Slantback; Gregg & Linda Lowry; Peggy Petrucci; Robert McClelland-36-4 Door; Dan Krehbiel-51 Victoria; Ron Hull; Jay Smith-59 Edsel; Jerry & Roxie Otteson-41 Sedan Delivery; Leona Spanier; Ray & Jackie Ouellette-46 Mercury; Zip & Ruth Zepede; Roger & Bonnie Bell; Frank & Irene Griffin; Tom & Barbara Keck; Marilyn & Chuck Rounds; Judd Luynn & Masako Luts.

**Guests:** Rosie & Rob Davis.

The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. President Cliff opened the meeting and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Cal Westra led us in prayer. Officer & Committee Reports were accepted: President: Cliff thanked everyone for attending and went over the birthdays and anniversaries.

**Vice President:** Kathy passed around candy for Valentines and wished everyone a great month.

**Treasurer:** Gregg reported a club balance Gregg passed out a copy of the budget and went over same with the members. Robert McClelland stated that the audit committee (himself, Cliff & Janice Gustin) had completed the audit and approved same. Kathy Shedd made a motion to accept the budget and audit. Cheryl Westra seconded and the members passed the motion.

**Secretary:** Janice presented the January minutes. Motion to accept made by Kathy Shedd and seconded by Peggy Petrucci. Motion passed.

**Director:** Cal had no report.

**Accessories:** Irene Griffin stated she was disappointed in the quality of the last shirts and advised the members that they could use their own shirts but need white or gray only.

**Advertising:** Cal had no report.

**Membership & Club Badges:** Dory Thompson said Happy Valentine;s day to everyone and advised she has about 20 more members to contact.

**Sunshine:** Jackie Ouellette advised she had sent a card to Bob & Letrice Davis over their recent loss. Also, Dave Louzek is having treatments and she will send him a card. Otherwise, all staying healthy and keep it up.

**Tours:** Jay Harris mentioned the upcoming tour in Fallbrook that he had sent out an email on and has a sign-up sheet going around. Jay asked if anyone had any thoughts on future tours and Ted Thompson mentioned a tour of a garage in Corona. Jay stated it was race cars and will check into same. Newsletter & Website: Bob McClelland stated nothing really new and asked members to send in information and pictures. He asked if anyone wanted a hard copy of the 21st anniversary party group picture as he has extras. [Cont: on pg 9]

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**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Announcements:** Last ever Big Three swap meet in San Diego on February 23,24 & 25.

**Program:** Bob McClelland showed slides from last tour of Lions Tigers & Bears before the meeting. Dan Krehbiel put on a show about steering. The early Fords (32-33 & 34) were crude and hard to turn. Dan also showed how to take the steering apart to repair it. All in all, it was Dan's usual great show. Being no further business to come before the meeting and on motion duly made and carried, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. It is directed that this action be filed in the Minute Book of the Corporation. This action is executed pursuant to the Corporation Code of the state of California, which requires accurate minutes of any meeting of the Board be maintained.

Dated: February 9, 2018  
Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Gustin - Secretary  
Corporate Minutes

**MARCH 11, 2018**



**February Tour to Fallbrook Cont:**





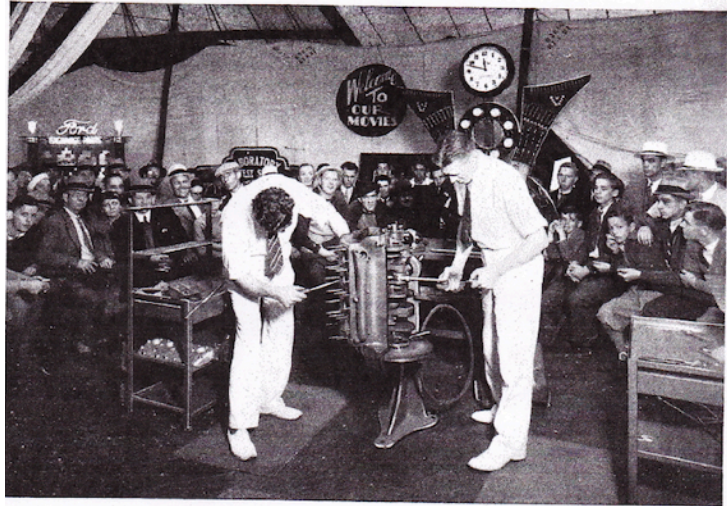
# Mechanics Make New Record

## Buffalo mechanics make new record at State Fair

Handling their tools with almost incredible deftness and speed, Ted Kessler and George Coolidge, star mechanics of Ford Motor Company's Buffalo assembly plant, smashed the world's record for assembly and disassembly of a Ford V-8 engine at the New York State Fair recently. Their official time as recorded on a large clock in full view of spectators was five minutes, 40 seconds for the tear down, and eight minutes, 23 seconds for the buildup. This is three seconds better than the previous record. Only standard tools found in every Ford dealer's service department were used.

The assembly and disassembly demonstration, a feature of the Ford dealers' exhibit at the State Fair, was staged seven times daily before large crowds to indicate the simplicity of design and ready accessibility of each part of the Ford V-8 engine.

1935 New York State Fair



Ted Kessler and George Coolidge assembling and disassembling Ford V-8 engine



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