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Hi-Country Regional Group

Meeting Place

The Hi-Country V8 Club meets at the Englewood Bible Church. 3190 So. Grant St., Englewood CO, at 7:30 PM, on the first Tuesday of each month except January. Parking is on the east side of the building with the entrance being the East side. Entrance door to the right. Board meeting's are also at the church, on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

January 2022 President's Message

HO! HO! HO! Tis the time to enjoy both the reason for the season and the fellowship that brings us together. All in all we have had a good year not a great year, but a good year, have you helped create a good year? I sure hope so. We have had lots of fun venues for our tours and seminars. Even though we live in different times both Faith and Fords keep us focused on the things that matter most, Family and Friends. As we embark on a new year let us recommit our energies and activities to a journey worthy of respect and enjoyment such that we have experienced these past fifty plus years.

We are breaking with tradition in 2022 by having a seminar this January 8th. We are going to steer right into the straight and narrow with the fixing of our steering gear boxes so we can arrive at our next destination safe, sound, and whole. Driving today on our roads and highways is quite a tall order in our vintage Ford's Mercury's and Lincoln's, so Steve Estep and Bernie Sawin say mark your calendars for learning and camaraderie at Bernie's place starting with coffee and donuts at 8:30 A.M.

Safe driving to you and all who made 2021 better.
Nick

Board Meeting Election Results

President: Abe Jones
Vice President: Steve Estep
Recording Secretary: Scott Turnage
Corresponding Secretary: Loren Helfenbein

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Scott Turnage.....	Recording Sec
Loren Helfenbein	Corresponding Sec.

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Debbie Jones (2022)..... Alternate

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Comforts & Concerns

By Patti Jantz

The following members are in our thoughts & prayers for medical or other issues:

None this month

From the Editor

First I want to thank Len for his 6 years of dedicated newsletter editing. It is not an easy job turning one out every month. I just hope I can do as well as Len did.

Some of my background for those who don't know me, I am also a member of the local Jaguar club and do that newsletter as well, hopefully I won't get the two mixed up. I am still working so if you need to call me, evenings are best.

The deadline for the newsletter is the 18th of the month, but that does not mean I can receive some big article on the 17th and get it in. I will be working on the newsletter all month and hope to get it wrapped up by the 18th. Please get items to me as early as you can or it may have to wait until the following issue.

Stories about past events are interesting and welcomed, but current events and photos have priority. Thanks Eddie, our lead photographer, for all of your photos!

We can always use interesting articles. If you are working on a project that you think might be of interest or helpful to others, please do write something up and take lots of detailed Step-by-Step photos.

If you need to reserve some space in the newsletter, please let me know ahead of the deadline.

Steve 303-489-3955 skennedy@ecentral.com

Minutes from Last Meeting

By Scott Turnage

The V8 meeting was called order 7:30 pm, December 7, 2021. There were 30 members and guests present.

Fred Hower gave the treasury report. We still have a boat load of cash.

Abe talked about his plan for the installation luncheon on January 16th. He is working out the details with the Fox Hollow Golf Club. The cost is \$28 per person.

Bernie Arellano introduced the body shop faculty staff from Warren Tech as well as the recipient of the club donation, Miss Samie (Samie Anderson). She is the 8th recipient of the scholarship.

Loren Helfenbein and Debbie Jones were nominated for the board. Their fate will be determined at the December Board meeting. Loren's position will be three years and Debbie's will be one year.

We discussed the possibility of having our meetings during the day. Show of hands, or the lack there of, determined we will continue to have meetings in the evening. It was suggested we have volunteers to drive members who are home bound, or have the meetings via Zoom.

Jim will host a seminar at his garage at 1200 W Lehigh on December 11, 2021.

A seminar about steering boxes will be January 8, 2022 hosted by Bernie Sawin, 1111 Holland St. Lakewood.

Jim gave his CCCC report.

Patty reported on people who are currently not feeling well.

There was no program.

Show and tell consisted of a rare hood ornament for a '36 Ford. Also, Wayne Svingel presented V8 emblem night lights.

Fred requested help rebuilding his 1941 flathead engine.

The Board meeting will be held December 21, 2021 at the church at 7:00 pm.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Minutes are the best recollection of Scott Turnage.
Scott



Upcoming Tours

By Jim Hatfield

There are no Tours planned for January and the dates for Forney's tour in February have not yet been set.

New Members

By Debbie Jones

Samie Anderson from Warren Tech. joined the club at the December meeting. Samie also offered to create and maintain a Facebook page for the club.

About the Cover

The January's cover shot is of Patti's beautiful '37 Ford sedan.

Show and Ask

At the December monthly meeting Leonard Gminski brought a hood ornament from, what he thinks, might be a 1935 Ford truck. He was not sure. No one at the meeting knew. If you have an idea, please let him know. Leonard also brought a December 1981 Distributor for everyone to look at.



Warren Tech Scholarship

By Bernie Arellano

When I retired in 2012 I was looked into the Collision and Custom program at Warren Tech which is part of Red Rocks Community College. I enrolled as a student and after the first semester I realized that I could be of greater benefit to the program if I volunteered in order to help the students. I discussed it with Mr. Porter and he agreed that I would be a great asset to the program. I remembered that somewhere along my career there were people who had helped me along and that it was my turn to help students gain knowledge of the industry. It has been one of the most gratifying things I have done. to date. Our Early Ford V8 club has sponsored a scholarship for the last eight years and this year our recipient is Samie Anderson. I have seen her work and it is evident she will excel in her goal of owning her own restoration business. I would like to thank the instructors: Mr. Porter, Chris Small and all the students who have made my time at Warren Tech a great learning experience for all.

Happy V8ing,
Bernie Arellano



**Bernie
Arellano**

**Samie
Anderson**

**Jim
Porter**

**Chris
Small**

**Samie also joined our club and
volunteered to become our Face Book Editor**

Upcoming Seminars

By Steve Estep

January: In a break from tradition, we will be having a January seminar, on steering boxes. Due to urgent need and requests by a couple of members for help with their steering boxes, Bernie Sawin has offered to provide the seminar at his shop. As most of you know, Bernie has a wealth of knowledge in most every facet of Early Ford restoration and presents an excellent seminar. He also has a good inventory of parts to use in his presentations. Don't miss this very informative seminar.

Date: January 8, 2022

Coffee and donuts at 8:30 AM. Seminar starts at 9:00. Bring your chairs.

Address: 1111 Holland St, Lakewood, CO 80215 (near Kipling and Colfax). From Kipling go east on 11th Ave to Holland.

February: Bernie Arellano has arranged a visit to the Surplus Tools and Commodities Inc store. This store, owned by Roger Cox, has been in business for 74 years, so there is a great collection of tools, hardware and other stuff. Bring a list of individual tools you may need to replace with American made items, such as wrenches, drill bits, taps, dies and hand tools. Much more to see.

Date: February 5, 2022

Coffee, donuts and shopping at 9:00 AM. You won't need your chairs.

Address: 1411 W Alameda Ave, Denver, CO 80223. It's a few blocks west of I-25.

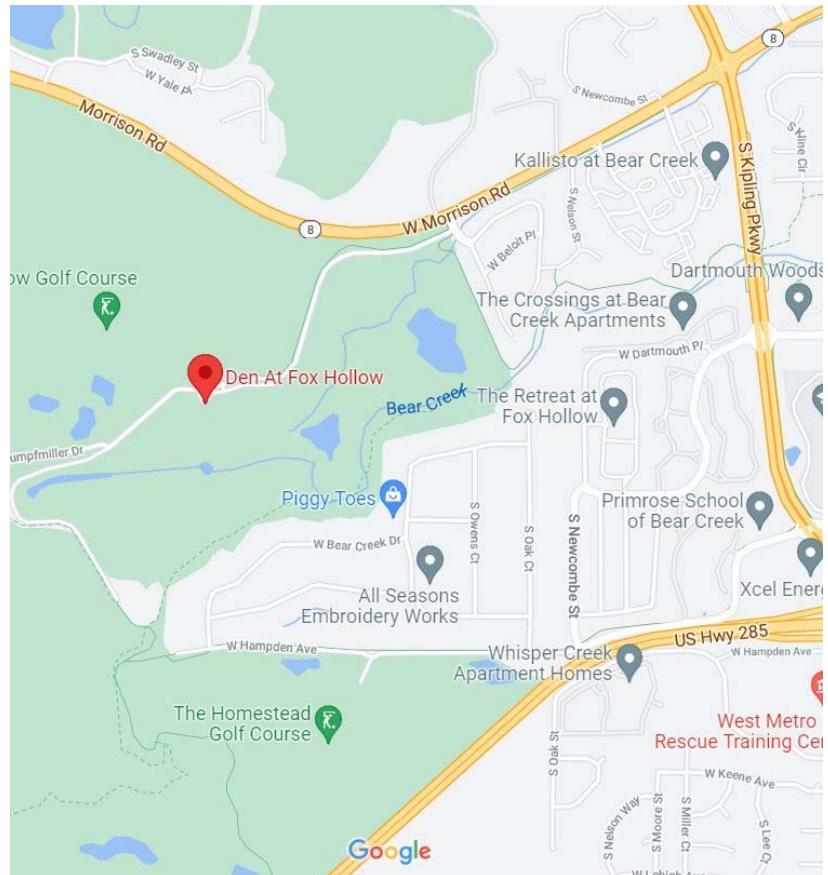
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2022 Installation Banquet

Just a reminder about the installation banquet coming up Sunday, January 16th at The Den at Fox Hollow, 13410 Morrison Rd, Lakewood, CO 80228 from 11:00 to 2:00. As it was in 2020 it will be a buffet brunch. As of right now the menu has not been set, I am working with them to get that set and also the price so please bear with me and I will get this info as soon as possible. I would like for you to let me know how many are going to attend so if you could let me know by phone 303-232-9458 or by email abej2850@gmail.com so when I find out the info, I can tell them how many will attend. The cost will be \$28 per person. Please make your reservations by January 10th. If you have put your name on my list and have not already paid, please send me your money Please! Hope to see every one there for the last event.

Thanks Abe Jones 303-232-9458
8521 W. 32nd Ave.
Wheat Ridge, CO 80033



Holiday Party at the Elks Club

Well folks we had another fantastic Christmas Party yesterday at the Elks Lodge, we had a great turnout with about 96 people enjoying the party. Everyone enjoyed visiting with each other before the food was served. Steve Bennett told a joke or two. . Lou Mraz gave the prayer; Patti did a great job and as usual she was busy making sure everything was going OK which it was. Then the food was on and we had wait for Steve to call out the table numbers to get in line. The food was good the chicken and beef were very good along with everything else. When the everyone was done eating the Bert Marsh award group got set up to give the award to the member, they felt did a fantastic job this year. They gave the award to BERNIE ARELLANO for all the work he had done going back and forth to Alamosa and then unfortunately the National Organization ended our dreams. The members who choose Bernie were Gene Pastor, Eddie Rockwell, Steve Bennett, Arnel Kimmett, these guys did a great job, at the end of the party Patti and Steve called out numbers for the table ornaments on each table and I think there was enough for everyone. Deb made the place cards and we gave them out as everyone came in and Charlie Clark gave each member a copy of his book he wrote, everyone was happy. Though the day went quick, I think everyone was ready to go home. I will say it was a great day. Thanks Abe and Deb



Holiday Party at the Elks Club



Mary and Bernie Arellano



Vaughn & John Becker



Duane & May Helms



Margo & Bob Wilson



Steve Bennett & Gene Pastor



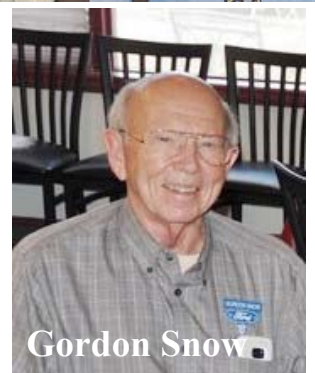
Julie Webb visiting with Margaret Ziehm



Anne and Jay Svigel



Charlie Palmer



Gordon Snow



Judy & Pete Miller



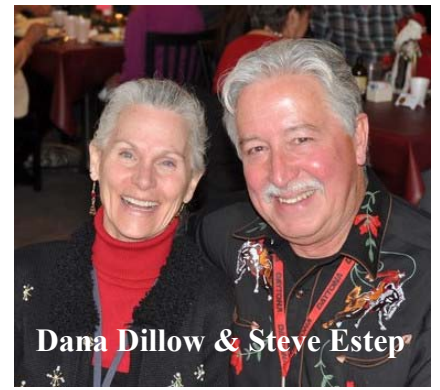
Dave & Kay McCord



Patti & her team spent lots of time finding all of the center pieces



Patti Jantz



Dana Dillow & Steve Estep



Dick & Mercedes Fell



Francesca & Mark Merritt



Jeff Malwitz

Jim Nielsen and his family

Ginger Nielsen

Becky Malwitz

Nichols Malwitz

Guest



Lou Mraz getting Charlie Clark to sign his copy of Charles book, "The Boot-legger '40 Ford"



Bernie receiving the Bert Marsh Award



Steve and Roseanne Bennett



Marianne & Casey Hayes



Loren & Denise Helfenbein

Lots of Great Fords & Mercs Turned out for the Party



Steve Carmack's '53 Convertible



Arnel Kimmett's '53 Convertible



Patti's '37 and Eddie's '40



Wayne Svigel's '35 Tudor Touring



Gary Hansen's '50 Custom



Jay Svigel's '49 Mercury Sport Sedan



Charlie Palmer's '33 5 window



There was a great turn-out of cars



Cayce and Marianne Hayes '66 Thunderbird

Purchasing Cars and Parts by Jim Nielson

We had a fantastic seminar on "Purchasing Cars and Parts". It was held at Jim Nielsen's Shop, Jim was the host. The turn-out was great, we had 36 members that filled up his shop almost standing room only. Jim started out talking about tires and all the different sizes prices, white walls, black walls, some used to be white walls on both sides. He said he had a set put on but they put the white wall on the inside so they had to change them. Then he started to talk about carburetors and all the different ones that he had, there were several to pass around. As a novice, I had no idea there were so many different types and sizes, some that even had throttle rods that went through the dash. Mr. Ford had his hands full keeping up with all of them. Then Jim went into engines, that was interesting if you could keep up, it sounded like there was several engines for every car Henry made. Everything was interesting, I want to thank Steve Estep for the coffee and donuts, they went over well. With the temperature at 18 degrees, he quickly ran out of coffee and donuts. Thanks Jim for putting on a good seminar.

Abe

Photos by Eddie and Steve



Jim talking about
Double Whitewall
Tires



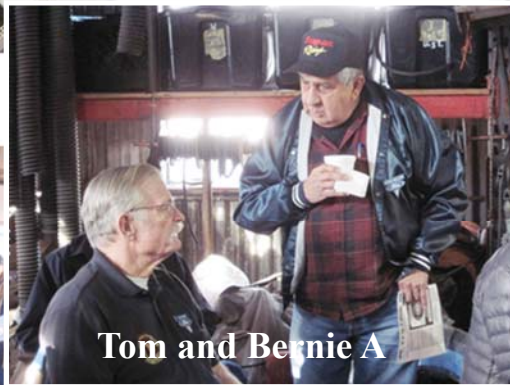
Lots of different carburetors



Patti and Mark



There was a
great turnout



Tom and Bernie A



Steve Estep, Greg Squires
and Mike Jacobs



Mike says he is
moving
to Florida. We will
miss him.

Mark says he is
staying here, where
there are not as
many bugs



Lou and Bernie S

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB OF AMERICA

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2022 Schedule of Events

Seminars are held the first Saturday of the month

Tours are held the third Sunday of the month.

Board Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of the month, unless otherwise rescheduled.

January

4th, NO Monthly Meeting
8th, Steering Box Seminar at Bernie's*
16th, Installation Banquet *
22nd Polar Bear Swap Meet-Adams Cnty Fairgnds
25th, Board Meeting

February

1st Monthly Meeting *
5th Seminar at Surplus Tools, Bernie A *
5-6 Tri-State Swap Meet at National Western Complex
?th, Forney's Tour*
22nd, Board Meeting

March

1st, Monthly Meeting *
5th Seminar at _____, Host? *
13th Daylight Savings Time Begins
20th, Tour _____, Host? *
22nd, Board Meeting

April

5th Monthly Meeting *
8th Seminar at _____, Host? *
17th, Easter
24th Garage Tour at _____, Host *
26th, Board Meeting

May

3rd, Monthly Meeting *
7th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
8th, Mother's Day
15th, Front Range Affair Tour*
24th, Board Meeting
30th, Memorial Day Car Show at 1st Bank
on west Colfax & Miller

June

1st– 5th Eastern National Meet in Franklin,
TN *
4th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
5th, Tour at _____, Host? *
7th, Monthly Meeting *
19th, Father's Day
28th, Board Meeting

July

4th Independence Day
5th Monthly Meeting *
9th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
7th- 14th, Western National Meet
Wenatchee, WA *
24th, Tour _____, Host? *
26th, Board Meeting

August

2nd, Monthly Meeting *
13th, Club Auction (Seminar) Wilson *
14th, CCCC Car/Air show in Broomfield
21st Anderson Park Car Picnic (Tour) -Abe *
23rd, Board Meeting

September

5th, Labor Day
6th, Monthly Meeting *
10th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
11th, All Ford Day (Tour) -Abe *
25th, Annual Banquet *
27th, Board Meeting

October

4th Monthly Meeting
5th-9th Hershey Swap Meet
8th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
30th, Turkey Trot (tour), Gene & Abe? *
25th Board Meeting

November

1st, Monthly Meeting *
5th, Seminar at _____, Host? *
6th Daylight Savings Time Ends
11th, Veteran's Day
13th, Tour at _____, Host? *
22nd Board Meeting
24th, Thanks Giving

December

4th, Holiday Party (Seminar) at _____ *
6th, Monthly Meeting *
10th, Tour at _____, Host? *
25th, Christmas
27th Board Meeting
31st, New Year's Eve

ATTENTION

The 2022 dues are due by December 31st. Starting on January 1st, they will go up to \$35.

The deadline to have your name in the Roster is February 10.

There are a lot of you whom have not paid yet.

Please fill out a form and write a check ASAP and mail to Debra Jones. Address is on the form.

2022 Membership Form for New or Existing Hi Country V8 Club Members

Member Name: _____ Spouse Name JM: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Membership Number for the National Early Ford V8 Club _____

Changes to your roster listing. Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, list changes (Year and Car Models)

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Do you want: To receive the "Distributor" by E-mail _____ Regular mail _____

Important Notices by E-mail _____ by Telephone _____

Your E-mail Address listed in the Roster? Yes _____ No _____

Annual Hi-Country Early Ford V8 dues are \$30.00, or \$35.00 if received after December 31st.
JM (joint membership additional \$3.00)

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Dues are Due

CALENDAR OF EVENTS						(*) Indicates Points Event	January 2022
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
						1 New Year's Day	
2	3	4 * No Monthly Meeting	5	6	7	8 Steering Box Seminar at Bernie Sawin's	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16 Installation Banquet	17	18 Distributor Article Submission Deadline	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25 Board Meeting	26	27	28	29	
30	31						