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# Hi-Country Regional Group #28 Meeting Place

The Hi-Country Regional Group meets the first *Thursday* of each month at 7:30 pm, at the Saint Michael and All Angels Church, 1400 South University Boulevard, (Univ & Arkansas, one block north of Florida) Denver, CO 20210.

The parking lot is on the east side of the Church and we enter the community room through the last door on the south side of the building.

Board meetings are also at the Church, on the fourth Thursday of each month.

President's Letter November 2023 "As The World Turns!" Man this World is a mess. There are at least four things I hold on to! Faith, Family, Friends and Fords. Not always in that order. My dear friend Don Sarver has always said! "From the day you are born to the day you ride in the Hearse, there's nothing so bad that couldn't be worse" So what that say's to me is get that Old Fliver out, put the Pedal to the Metal, assuming you can get through the rust, and enjoy every moment you can cause there's only so many minute's you have, so use them wisely. By the time you read this we will be trying to recover from The Turkey Trot and while your taste bud's are still at attention, know that there is more Tooty Fruity to come, so mark your calendar's for some more Tours, Seminars and Elections. Make life seem like an eternity, run for Board, better yet, Chair the Seminars or Tours, please remember we are "The We Ate Club" where we serve up LO CAL Memories. P.S. Remember The Christmas Party! It is so much more enjoyable when you attend.

Nick

# New 1949-51 Mercury Book

The Early Ford V-8 Club of America has recently announced the availability of the much anticipated and long awaited 1949 - 1951 Mercury Book. If you want to order the book (with a delivery before Christmas), download the announcement from the website and follow the instructions. Go to the National Club website (www.earlyfordv8.org). Now go to the "Current News" line in the topic listings and single left click. Up will come the announcement. At the bottom of this announcement is a line which says "Flyer: 1949 - 1951 Mercury Book announcement 10 2923.pdf". The price will be only \$60 (plus shipping), and that gets you more than 400 pages of detailed Mercury information.



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# **September Board Minutes**

President Nick called the September Board Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: Nick Morstad, Stephen Estep, Mark

Merritt, Loren Helfenbein, Jay Svigel

Treasurer's Report: Fred was unable to attend.

**Seminars:** October 7<sup>th</sup> Automotive Restoration Masters, 1980 S. Quebec, Denver. Mark Merritt to identify a place for lunch after the seminar. November 4<sup>th</sup>, NGD Collector Car Storage, 2155 S. Sheridan. Loren also asked if we have any distance limitations members can travel to get to a seminar. Members of the board could not recall a limitation. We will need a Seminar for February 2024 and need to remind members to submit ideas for Seminars to the Chairman.

**Tours:** October 22<sup>nd</sup> Turkey Trot, November 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day Ft. Logan. December Christmas Party.

### **New Business:**

- President Nick moved to modify the By Laws to make the Alternate Board Member serve a term of three years as all other board members. Article III section (d.) last sentence would be modified to read "The Term of the Alternate expires three years after selection". After further review we decided Mark will draft new language for the By-Laws reflecting the change to Alternate to just be Board Member with a three-year term and send to the Board for additional review prior to our October Board Meeting.
- Board further discussed 2024 Board elections. Nick and Steve's terms are lapsing and Steve Estep will not be able to serve in 2024. Nick will also talk to Scott about resigning from the board as he is no longer able to attend meetings. We assume Debbie and Abe Jones will run for the Board so we will need two more members to run for positions in December. Board discussed the need to recruit and nominate new Board Members for 2024 at the November Club Meeting.
- New member Alan has some Video skills and recorded the last seminar. He may be a resource for enhancements to the club website. Enhancement to the website could encourage new membership.

Old Business: Board discussed Club Archives (Auction Forms and Outcomes, etc.). For now, Loren will hang on to the standard forms and will pass them along to the next Seminar Chairmen. Steve Estep provided a new update on Wyoming State Police, 1930 Paddy Wagon. After not running for many years Steve got it started and it promptly failed him on the first test drive so had to be towed by home. He found a few creative historical attempts to stop previous fuel leaks and is making progress fixing

them the right way, the Estep Way.

Newsletter: None

Member Reports: None

Meeting Adjourned: 8:04PM

Mark Merritt

# **October Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** 10.5.23

President Nick called the Meeting to order at 7:27.

**Treasurer's Report:** Fred could not attend as he had an accident which resulted in a head injury. But being the tough guy he is,

Fred still produced a Treasurer's Report which reflected the most recent receipts and expenses for All Ford Day.

**Secretary's Report:** Yours truly provided the highlight notes from the 9/28/23 Board Meeting.

**Seminars:** October 7<sup>th</sup> at Pete Lansing's Automotive Restoration Masters. Then on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 2100 South Sheridan MVD Collector Car Storage.

**Tours:** October 22<sup>nd</sup> Turkey Trot, Abe got his directions mixed up initially (something about swapping horses in the middle of the stream) but it's all straightened out now and has been sent to members via email. Meet at 9:00 and Tour starts at 10:00. November 11<sup>th</sup> it's Veterans Day at Ft. Logan.

Colorado Car Council: Jim reported lots of interest in what California will be doing to monitor Collector Car usage and environmental impact (1968 and Older vehicles). Our Colorado Legislature is concerned about the recent Suncor Refinery issues and possibly shutting it down in the future, also implementing controls on Lawn Mowers. Old Fords can't be far behind. Good news over \$5000 was earned on the recent Car Show but the current Car Show Chairman has resigned so CCC is looking for a new chair for 2024. CCC is proposing a Car Show Competition where member clubs could be recognized. Council has 15 SEMA passes but 28 people want to go. So if you want to go let Jim know so you can join the Lotto. Leo Boyle is working on our behalf to prevent State Legislation on Air Quality and Emissions that could have a negative impact on our ability to operate our cars in the future.

National Club: Lou Mraz announced a new, long awaited, book for the 1949-51 Mercury will go to print in December. The Hershey Swap meet has gone down-hill and the Hershey Chocolate company is putting pressure on the venue and event so the Swap Meet may not be long for this world.

**New Business**: President Nick reminded members we need volunteers for the Board of Directors for 2024 and ideas for Tours and Seminars. He reminded everyone

Cars and Coffee events are an option as well.

**Old Business:** None **Show and Tell:** None

**Newsletter:** Steve Kennedy reported that he messed up on the Membership Form that is in the newsletter. We already gave him a mulligan last month so not sure what the penalty should be this time. On the other hand he continues to do an excellent job producing our Newsletter so we should probably go ahead and give him another mulligan.

**Member Reports:** New member Phil Peter, 1947 Ford Deluxe. The New/Renewal Membership Form is in the newsletter this month.

**Remembrances:** Eddie looking to be back in January. Tom Webb is having a hernia surgery this week.

**For Sale:** 1941 Ford for sale by member Gary Warner. Call Abe for details.

**Program:** Jay presented a program with video on young people from McPherson College demonstrating their fabrication and car building skills on a custom bike. Awesome work.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50PM

Mark Merritt

# **Seminars & Tours**

The November 4th seminar will be held at NGD Collector car storage. Owner Dave Fitzgerald at 2155 S. Sheridan Blvd., the old Target building on the west side of Sheridan and the entrance on the north side of the building. He has invited us to see his collection and to hear how he makes older cars more dependable to drive. He has had us over before and is looking forward to seeing our club again. Have your chairs handy and we will have coffee and donuts at 8:30.

**Note:** The Coffee is Free, the donuts are a dollar *each*!!!

## Celebrating the Bob McGee '32 Ford Roadster

This video is about 20 minutes long--it tells the story of how many of us got hooked!!! Watch and enjoy. <a href="https://www.macsmotorcitygarage.com/video-celebrating-the-bob-mcgee-32-ford-roadster/">https://www.macsmotorcitygarage.com/video-celebrating-the-bob-mcgee-32-ford-roadster/</a>

## **ADOPTION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

# **Cover Photo**

This month's cover photo is of Steve and Roseann Bennett's '37 sedan. In 1988 Steve purchased their 1937 Ford Sedan from Bob Knight (ex Denver cop turned oil man) who lived by Ivan Fiechter. Buster Snyder was also a Denver policeman, who Steve knew for a long time, and he worked with Bob Knight. He mentioned that the 1937 Ford was for sale and wondered if Steve wanted to buy it. Steve said yes, sight unseen!. Buster and Steve went to Bob's house and got it going in an afternoon. The car had been sitting there outside, for 10 years. Bob Knight bought it in 1976 from the estate of William Wack. He never titled it until Steve purchased it. When Steve got home, it sat there for a couple years while trying to get enough money to restore it. At about that time, Denver International Airport was under construction; he was the chief plumbing and fire protection inspector to oversee the construction of DIA. With the overtime he earned, he was able to fix up the '37 and get it drivable again. Steve and Ann joined the V-8 Club about 1989.

## **2023 EFV8 Holiday Party**

Our Last Tour of the Year will be our Holiday Party. Sunday, December 3rd, Location: The Broken Tree Golf Course, 2101 W. Oxford Avenue, Englewood, CO 80110.

The price per person this year is \$30.00, Cash Bar, 1:00 pm, Dinner 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

To sign up, call Patti, 303-795-8444, or mail a check to the club post box 3137, Centennial, CO 80122, or directly to Patti Jantz, 6696 S. Lafayette St. Centennial, CO 80121.

**Special Note:** The Bennett's will be collecting underwear and new clothing for the Samaritan House. Please bring donations, unwrapped. We do this in honor of Bud Roth's memory who initiated this project.

At the last general meeting there seemed to be a lot of interest in the future of both our EFV8 cars as well as our daily driver cars in relation to the onslaught of EV (Electric Vehicles) being produced. Our old Fords could zoom in value as they may be the only thing you can drive while you wait for your charging allotment to become active! If you are curious here is the direct access link to Charlie Clark's analysis which he is glad to share with you.

https://charlesclarkauthor.com/2022/02/28/think-about-it-the-effect-of-the-wholesale-adoption-of-electric-vehicles/

### **NOVEMBER TOUR**

### **By Tom Webb**

This 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Tour to Fort Logan National Cemetery, Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup> will begin at Monaghan's (3889 S. King Street). We will meet here at Sheridan's oldest continuous business (1892) for breakfast @ 0900.

The 40+ years of having a Veterans Day ceremony is no longer! – with no plans of ever reinstating! We will make the most of it "never the less"! After eating we will leave Monaghan's around 10:30 and drive over to



the Cemetery. I would like a group photo of the club cars (32-53) as in the past. Hopefully it is still important to us to reflect on the Day! Hoping on 3 straight nice weather Veterans Days, but we will see. Drive and dress accordingly. If you are new to this event and location, give me a call @303-827-5446. Call me if you will attend and miss the meeting on Nov. 2, to sign up. I need a fairly close head count for their staff.

# My Last Cruise with a V8-60hp Engine Posted on windshield at 52<sup>nd</sup> AFD

I bought this '39 STD Coupe when I was 19 years old, 56 years ago. The odometer read 43K and now 155K. It was wrecked 2 weeks ago yesterday at 51<sup>st</sup> and Federal. The front clip was destroyed except for a savable LF fender. Intake manifold was broken when the ruined fan hit the radiator. They have been replaced from spare parts so I could drive it here for her 20<sup>th</sup> showing at ALL FORD DAY (2004 – 2023). In 2004 I drove it around

Hudson Gardens (frame and running chassis only!) Finished resto and started driving it in 2006.

The car has been driven in all 48 states, over all Continental Divide Passes (named and paved) in the continental USA. (Colorado, Wyoming & Montana). Last year I finished driving in all of Colorado's (64) Counties.

The Coupe has served me well with 81K mi. since restoration. My son Bob said he'd never sell the Coupe. Three years ago, Bernie Sawin and I rebuilt an 85hp flathead and tranny. This is the time to replace the "60" with the front clip off and frame needing minor straightening. It has proven to be a "real **flathead**" to a few doubters, just underpowered and slow. I will enjoy my different ride and sure my son will in the future! Thanks, good ol' girl!

Thanks for reading, Tom Webb

Gene Pastor Life member and Bert Marsh Distinguished Service Award recipient has been inducted into the *National Midget Auto Racing Hall of Fame* at Angell Park Speedway in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin along with such

greats as Mario Andretti, Gary and Tony Bettenhausen, Parnelli Jones, A.J. Foyt, Tony Stewart, Bobby Unser and 259 other distinguished members. Gene is also a member of the *Colorado Motor Sports Hall of Fame* inducted in 2014 and is a member of the *Belleville High Banks Hall of Fame*. One or two of the midget cars he drove are enshrined in the *Museum of American Speed* in Lincoln, Nebraska at the Speedway Motors complex.



Gene drove Midgets, Sprint Cars and Big Cars for several owners, including Earl Kouba, Warren Hamilton, Curt Stockwell, Willy Hardman, Sid Blanford, Bob James, Ed Silk, Jack Kline, Tom Bentz, Dean Dugan, Bob Lively, Chuck Jameson, Dave Claussen, Bob Olds, Dennis Giulliam and the Schleiger Brothers. Gene retired from racing as a driver in 1979 with more than 14 feature wins and many top 10 finishes. He then went on to serve as a flagman at the Belleville Midget Nationals and has served as an official for the RMMRA for several years. He was a member of the RMMRA Board of Directors from 1991 through 2009. He has also served as an official for the American Independent Midget Series, Southwest Midget Series and Professional Open Wheel Incorporated. Gene still has a prominent roll with the vintage race car scene, restoring cars and also participating in events. Recently, Pastor flagged the Big KAR Bill Hall Memorial races at 81 Speedway in Wichita, Kansas.

Next time you see Gene congratulate him on his outstanding accomplishments. (Courtesy Charlie Palmer)

# **Auto Restoration Masters—Pete Lansing Collection**



















## **Hi Country V8 Website**

Hello early ford v8 club members who know what a computer is and choose to use it for something besides a paper weight. Our website <a href="https://www.HiCountryV8.org">https://www.HiCountryV8.org</a> has been greatly improved with the skills of one of our newest members, Alan White. His knowledge of computer programs like WordPress, Google, and various other computer files has changed the way the website looks. Added security, ease of navigation, and items of interest are easily found.

Pictures of recent events with the help of Steve Kennedy, Alan, and other club members are slowly finding their way onto the website for everyone to enjoy.

The seminar of Jeff Albert is there so that those that were unable to attend can see what Jeff showed us about paint and upholstery repair. Newsletters can still be found if a person needs to find information as to what is going on within the club.

Take the time to research and enjoy what the club has to offer, and if you have suggestions as to how we can keep our website intriguing, let Alan White, Jay Svigel, or Steve Kennedy know.











### MASONIC RETIREMENT HOME PARADE

RECEIVED A CALL MONDAY FROM THE MASONIC HOME THANKING OUR MEMBERS FROM OUR CLUB FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME TO THE PARADE SATURDAY.ALSO FOR DRIVING OUR BEAUTIFUL CARS, THE SMILES ON THE RESIDENCES FACES WAS SO NICE TO SEE.I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE MEMBERS THAT CAME. THE #3 STEVES THAT CAME MR BENNETT, MR ESTEP, AND MR. KENNEDY, PLUS RANDY ALLEN, JAY SVIGEL, BOB TAPP, CHARLIE CLARK, COTY CARMACK, ALSO COTYS MOTHER AND HUSBAND HIEDE AND RON. GREG FROM THE T BIRD CLUB WAS GOING TO COME, BUT STAYED AT LANCINGS TO CLEAN UP.

> THANKS AGAIN TO ALL THAT CAME FOR THE PARADE.

> > PATTI

Danny Rademaker Celebration of Life is Saturday, November 4th at Wyatts Broken Tee Golf Course, Englewood, just west of Santa Fe Dr. on Oxford.



## For Sale

**1941 Ford Coupe:** Engine overhauled several years ago but never installed. Most all the parts are there but in boxes. \$5000 neg. Gary Werner, 303-808-3519, calls only, no text or email.



## 1932 Ford Pickup

Uncut original frame. 1932 Ford rear end, 1939 Ford Transmission, 1940 Ford rear brakes, 1956 Ford Steering Box, 1956 Ford F100 front brakes, 15" Steel Wheels, Walker Radiator, 283 Chevy Motor, **Price \$22,000 OBO**, Grant Shelton, a friend of Charlies, TEXT TO (303) 870-1844



## For Sale: 1953 Ford Crestline Victoria (Vickie)

Purchased in 1995, by long time EFV8 member Frank Sims, it had been stored in a heated garage for 26 years. It had 20,000 miles on it at the time. It has never been restored but, after the long storage period, the rubber was replaced, the radiator recored, a kit in the carburetor, the gas tank was cleared, etc. It had an electric fuel pump installed in 1997 and has been well cared for since purchased. It now has 58,035 original miles on it. There is no clearcoat so a thorough oxidation removal, polish and waxing was done in 2020. The car has been parked indoors. Comes with complete care/maintenance file.

Details: 110HP Flathead V8, 239 ci. engine, Fordomatic transmission, overdrive, power steering, radio, heater, clock, tinted glass, windshield washers. Color: Seafoam Green with cream roof.

Asking \$18,000.00 Contact: Debora Jerome (Frank's daughter) 303-288-4469 (land line) jerdoghouse@yahoo.com



Nick Buccola's son has some of Nick's 1940 parts for sale. Contact him at (303) 748-1770 for more information.



# Bert Marsh Distinguished Service Award

It is that time of the year again, time to come up with nominations for the **Bert Marsh Distinguished Service Award**. All V-8 club members are asked to submit their candidate for the award. The nominee is to be submitted in writing to a committee member. Any active, paid, V-8 club member is eligible to receive the award.

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# **ALL FORD DAY**

First of all I want to thank all of club members for coming to the ALL FORD DAY SHOW on September 10th at the Sheridan High School parking lot. I was hoping for a good turn out and it was, considering the weather looked a little cool. I also had several other car shows to contend with but we pushed on to put the show on. The morning started at 6:00 am in the dark. When we got to the school, Wes Johnson was already there with his dragster, Wes helped with putting out the trash containers, tables, sponsor board, by 6:30 the cars started showing up and the day started. As usual every one was in a hurry, Wes and I went to unload his dragster, it was going the wrong direction it took some work to get it going in the right direction, Charlie Palmer came over and helped, Charlie and I picked up the front end and walked it around and put the dragster in the right direction and in his spot. The cars started to come in fast, it looked like it might fill up. I had Gene and Randy Allen at the east entrance telling all the Pre-registered folks where to go and asked them to send the none pre-registered to the west area where Charlie, and Jay worked. For each entrance the guys did a super job, everything went well with no complaints that I know of.

The rest of the working club members were working their assigned jobs. Patti was doing the pre-registered table, checking each individual and giving them a dash plaque. Deb was working the Tee-shirt table, we even had some orders from people who did not order the Tee-shirts earlier. We unfortunately were short some shirts from the print shop but everyone was patient and worked with us. I asked several members to please work some spots and they agreed. Dave Overholt, Fred Hower, Wes Johnson helped park cars in the lot. We had about 100 cars and a few came and went as spectators.

The DJ showed up a little late but he made it. He played the music that fit the type of cars and people that came to the show. His trivia question had a lot of people coming forward to answer his question and get their prizes. Some of the questions were quite funny and a lot of people knew the answer or the Item he asked for, One question he asked was to, Bring him a part from their vehicle. In the front row, a young boy walked over and brought him a Dip Stick from the engine of his Dads Truck, now that's thinking, Patti won a sack of nuts for having the right count of nuts in the sack. We also had a food trailer there. Archies Hotdogs was pretty busy as usual. Well, about 1:00 pm it started to sprinkle and people started to leave, then it started with a little heaver rain. We loaded everything up and left. The sad thing was when we got on 285 west and we got to Sheridan the rain stopped. We live in Wheat Ridge and it was dry.

Again I want to thank everyone that came and worked the show for me I do appreciate it very much.

Abe







# 2024

# Membership Form for New or Existing Hi-Country Early Ford V8 Club Members

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## EARLY FORD V8 CLUB OF AMERICA HI- COUNTRY REGIONAL GROUP

## 2023 Schedule of Events

Monthly Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month Seminars are held the first Saturday of the month, unless otherwise rescheduled. Tours are held the third Sunday of the month, unless otherwise rescheduled. Board Meetings are held the 4th Thursday of the month, unless otherwise rescheduled.

November

2<sup>nd</sup>, Monthly Meeting \*

4<sup>th</sup>, Seminar, Fitzgerald Collection\*

5<sup>th</sup> Daylight Savings Time Ends

11th, Veterans Day Ft. Logan (Tour) \*

16<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting

23<sup>rd</sup>, Thanksgiving

December

3<sup>rd</sup>, Seminar, Holiday Party at Broken Tree\*

7<sup>th</sup>, Monthly Meeting \* 9<sup>th</sup>, Seminar\* 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas

28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

31st, New Year's Eve

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## RG Publisher's Liability Insurance Coverage

Folks: Here is some information you need to know. The National Club recently purchased Publisher's Liability Insurance coverage, and this policy will also insure (at no cost to you) regional groups. You are now probably asking why your RG even needs such coverage. Because, whether or not you recognize it, many regional groups are actually involved in publishing. Do you produce a periodic regional group newsletter or information sheet --- or other occasional regional group communications? Do you maintain a RG website? Do you produce information and/or documentation (think pictures /written materials/stories/etc.) about regional group organized/sponsored activities, or activities in which your RG participates --- which then gets distributed? All of the above activities (and many more) are considered to be publishing. What is legally recognized as publishing can be much more extensive than you might realize. And often, it seems, these publishing activities use pictures, information, written material, cartoons, stories, and other such copyrighted materials as well as other intellectual property for which explicit "permission to use" documentation does not exist. We've all probably been just a little too "loose and goosey" in this area. And such poorly managed use can lead to potentially difficult problems which can have serious consequences (which has happened).

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### Louis Mraz --- North Central Director

PS: Thus we need pictures of our own for things like Thanks Giving, Christmas (a V8 picture of your own with a tree or something) etc. If you can draw cartoons, great, as long as we have your permission to use them. Steve

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November 2023							
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