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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 80210.

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

A successful April 2024 garage tour was a great success with club member's Charlie Clark, Bob Wilson, and Trevor Squires proudly displaying their garages for club members to take the wonderment of a clean area devoted to the car hobby. It's great to see how each person takes time to keep memories afloat in a world surrounded by so many car enthusiasts devoted to their specific hobby.

As I am reading my latest magazine "The Latest Scoop" so many car related activities kick off in April and continue on through October. You can never lack for things to see, or participate in, or plan a group get together with friends that evolve around a vintage car year or style. Whether it be cars, license plates, swap meets, tours, or just absorbing the changes to the automobile. We can always plan on "crashing" an event that is on the horizon, mostly because we don't have an event that is of interest to everyone in our immediate club. Many ideas have been circulated at club general meetings, but individuals are doing things for their own cars, but not wanting to host any sort of seminar. Two club members have purchased overdrives for their vehicles, and are just starting the process to install. Maybe notes and pictures will accompany these upgrades that could be shared with our club in the future. Some previous seminars have been recorded and maybe one can be found to fill in as a "Seminar Saturday"! Still a location needs to be located for future

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events. I am busier than a “one armed paper hanger” so I never lack for things to do. If you have the yearn to step up and put together a seminar or club function, let me know. Thank goodness there is a picnic, auction, and tours on the horizon. Keep sharing those ideas.

President Jay

April Monthly Minutes

President Jay called the Meeting to order at 7:31 with a roar from the mic.

Vice President: Tom reported 250 books were in circulation. He also proposed awarding 250 points for driving our old cars out in public and for picking up members for rides to events.

Treasurer's Report: Fred talked about money again and we still have some. He also talked about changes he is making to more accurately track our expenses by category in support of creating a budget. This is particularly useful in making sure we have enough resources for donuts.

Secretary's Report: None

Seminars: Last seminar was at Patti's and fun was had by all 21 attendees. April is Cars and Coffee in **Lafayette** at Flatirons Church on 4/6/2024, meet at Adams Polish Tent at 9:00AM. Sorry, and I know this will break a lot of hearts but, no donuts.

Tours: April Garage Tour is Saturday, April 21st. Starts at Charlie Clark's House at 10:00AM, then we'll head to Bob Wilson's and end up at Trevor Squires. Lunch to follow at 4Gs Mexican Restaurant. Charlie has a special Hot Rod parts he says you don't want to miss because you've never seen anything quite like them. Sunday May 19th Tour will be at Wings Over The Rockies, at 12:00. Price of entry is \$12.

Colorado Collector Car Council: Jim Nielsen reported the Denver Auto show started today. New cars. April meeting was in Falcon, CO at the Police Station. Legislative session is almost over and lucky us, Old Cars were not caught up in the most recent round of Air Quality legislation. April 27th, Gateway Classic Cars, first 10 cars get \$10 and Gateway will donate \$200 to the CCCC. Lincoln Tech Car Show is the same day and you need to pre-register to display. Jim says he doesn't think any of us can be in two places at

once, so you best make a decision on which event you want to attend. Tri-State Car Show was a success despite poor weather. CCCC Car Show still on the calendar for August 3, 2024 at Rocky Mountain Airport. Jim then gave a summary on the state of the car hobby and the need to get more young people involved in the hobby. He then tried to buy all of Patti's cars for \$50 each and, shocker, she was shocked at his low ball offer. Jim insisted he had a book on market prices but he didn't say if it was published in 2024 or 1924.

National Club: No report.

New Business: Neal East, reported the Denver Roadster Club will have their swap meet May 18 at Bert's Model A. Bernie Arellano reported he is ready to send back all the inventory he has left over from the National Meet which was cancelled. Jay suggested the quilt that was donated to the club for the meet be returned to the makers. Next Board Meeting is 04/25/24 at 7:00PM.

Old Business: Correction: In the last meeting minutes and copy in the Newsletter we left out Casey Hayes as one of the founding members of the club. Apologies Casey. The National Early Ford V8 Club was established in 1963 and the Hi-Country Regional Group was chartered as the 28th club in 1970. Donuts came up again and, I repeat, there won't be any at the next Seminar.

Show and Tell: Nothing to show or tell.

Newsletter: ACC Show is June 9th at Arapahoe Community College. Contact Steve K for more info. skn-skn-edy@ecentral.com, 303-489-3955.

Membership Reports: One new member so now we are now 128.

Remembrances: Steve Carmack is out of rehab and back at home. Steve E. saw Casey Hayes recently and he's getting around pretty well.

Wanted or For Sale: Pete Lansing has a couple of cars for Sale. Randy showed off his hand made transmission stand and he has three for sale at \$20 each. Give him a call.

Program: We watched part of an old Loren Sorenson Video on 1935-36 Fords provided by Tom Webb, but the DVD jammed. So if you want to know how the story ends contact Tom.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45PM

Tri-State Antique Engine & Threshers Association

71st Annual Show
July 25-27 2024
Bird City Kansas
Featuring Gibson
Tractors
and a bonus feature of
Pre-World War II
Automobiles



17 Operating steam engines, 200 + Tractors, 100 + Pedal Cars.
Visit our historic buildings and museums. There is something for everyone. Daily demonstrations of wheat binding, threshing, plowing, sawmill, blacksmithing, and tractor pull. See the gas engines, quilts, and printing press. Enjoy the chuck wagon breakfast and food vendors. Local vendors and parts swap. Kids activities, pedal car races, scavenger hunt, and pedal tractor pulls.

Fun for all ages!

Admission is \$10.00 per day for adults, kids 12 to 5 are \$5.00, kids under 5 are free. 3-day passes are available for \$25.00 and 2024 paid members get in free.

Gates open at 9:00 a.m. Located at 1375 County Road 29, Bird City, KS

Inviting all collectors to bring items for display!



We have RV parking, food vendors, and an onsite shower house

For more information:

www.threshershow.org

Facebook: Bird City Thresher Friends

Show Phone: 785-734-2291

Thresherassociation@gmail.com

Bird City, KS is 3 hours east of Denver on Hwy 36.

April Seminar

Debra and I went to Lafayette for seminar that Jay talked about at the club meeting we assumed some club members would go but we

were the only ones from the club that went, we were supposed to meet



at the Adams Trailer but no one came. We got there at 7:00 AM started walking around and found the trailer so we waited for a while but one else came. As we walk around, we noticed very few old cars. We saw a '28 coupe, '33 Ford pick up, and two Model Ts, one coupe and a sedan. The Model T that is in the picture had a Hit & Miss running with a vertical pump turned to lay horizontal and was made into can crusher so the sign reads COLORADO CAN CRUSHER, The lady was showing me how it worked the slot at the end of the tube you can barley see but put the one can at a time and you had to be FAST or smash your fingers very interesting and fun to watch. For the rest of the show we seen the age group that filled the parking lot, more young adults then anything and the cars they drove Honda, Toyota, BMWs I think what most people call rice burners they made a lot of noise. Lots of different Vehicles nothing in what we have, not even any street rods. We waited around till about 9:30 the wind was starting to get cold, the crowd started to break up and we thought it was time to head home. It was defiantly a different type of show. Didn't see any coffee or donuts so we come home they had one burrito wagon. Adams Trailer had different kinds of cleaners and polishes. Then Sunday, we woke up to no electricity for two days. It came back on, on Monday around 3:00 PM. What a weekend.

Abe

March Board Minutes

March Board Notes, March 21, 2024

The March board meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Jay. Also in attendance were Tom Webb, Fred Hower, Loren Helfenbein, Patti Jantz, and Jay took minutes as Mark Merritt was absent.

Fred gave the treasurer's report and we are still solvent as of end of business March 20, 2024.

Seminars: Cars and Coffee is the next seminar for the month of April, so on the 6th we will meet at the Adams Polish Booth at around 8:00am. If you plan to bring a vintage car and be in the show, then getting there about 7:00 am would be advised. The show location is at the Flatirons Church property at 355 W South Boulder Road, Lafayette, CO 80026. Show times are 7:00am-10:00am.

Tours: The April 21, 2024 Garage Tour is taking place at two locations! Charlie Clark's and Bob Wilson's garages. Final details will be updated at the general meeting in April.

Budget Preparation and Audit: As Fred and Jay are tasked with compiling a budget model for 2024 and forward, it has become apparent that there is a severe lack of details as to how our money is being spent and documented. Going forward Fred and Jay are reverting back to a voucher system so that when money is spent for club functions and events, to get reimbursed, you must fill out in detail your expenditures. Forms will be emailed to those that regularly submit requests to be compensated. Call Fred or Jay if you have any questions.

Meeting Program: The April 4, 2024 general meeting will be a Loren Sorensen movie about Ford's Rouge Plant.

New Business: A discussion was held regarding us giving St. Michael's Church a donation to cover striping of the east church parking lot. Several members have noted that it is difficult to park for meetings. Tom asked that the Church come up with estimates as to how much it will cost to do the work and that our club could contribute one-half of that estimate. Jay will contact the group responsible with that project.

Adjourned at 8:07pm

Second Backup Secretary

President Jay

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During a recent trip to Charlotte, NC, Steve and Deanie got to tour a couple of museums. The first was a private collection of race cars, vintage cars and vintage hot rods. The second was the NASCAR Hall of Fame. Lots of fun stuff to see.





Applebee's Car Show

The annual Applebee's car show at APPLEBEE'S Restaurant is on May 27th, located at 10625 W. Colfax Lakewood Co. This show is a large show bringing around 1700 vehicles of all makes if you drive it you can bring nothing turned down. They have race vehicles from Drag cars to Midget racing, Motor Cycles there is a lot to look at there are vendors that sell what the make I was told there will be some different vendors, one will have C&C machine to engrave metal with what you want. There will be food trucks for you eat what you want, Applebee's will have a pancake special in the morning so you won't go hungry. So bring your classic to

the show, the way it works is you show up and pay \$10:00 per car and you will know all the money is a donation that goes to Hero Puppies For Life they train them for different needs. We've been there for many years and it is a good show, there will be a magic show just before the trophies, it can be a fun day. If have questions give a call 303-232-9458 or email abe-j2850@gmail.com I will be happy to answer them if I can. Hope to see you there.

Abe

Comforts and Concerns

Walt Hume is in Morning Star Assisted Living, 5344 South Kipling Pkwy, his room number is 309 and his phone number is 720-452-8988.



Anyone know who this young fellow is?

Answer on page 10.

May 19th, Wings Tour

For the May Tour, we will meet at the Lowry Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum, 7711

E. Academy Blvd.,
Denver,
CO

80230 on
Sunday



May 19th. We will tour the museum around noon. The cost is \$12 per person.

If you would like to join everyone for lunch at the Lowry Beer Garden for lunch, please be there around 11:30.



March 4, 2024

Mr. Bernie Sawin
1111 Holland St.
Lakewood, CO 80215

Dear Mr. Sawin,

On behalf of the Red Rocks Community College Foundation (RRCC Foundation) Board of Directors, I would like to express our sincerest gratitude for your generous donation of \$2,000.00 to Early Ford V8 Club Scholarship Fund. Our Foundation believes that by giving the gift of education, we positively impact not only our students and College, but also the greater community in which we reside.

"Through your generous support, I will be able to focus on putting all my energy in excelling in my courses to achieve my educational and professional goals. I look forward to becoming a donor one day and helping other students achieve their goals and dreams."
— 2023 Foundation Scholar

Established in 1991, the RRCC Foundation's mission is grounded in scholarship support. We strive to remove the barrier of financial resources by helping students of all income levels gain access to higher education. A wide variety of scholarships are awarded annually, based on both need and merit. Our programs have helped more than 5,100 students realize their dream of going to college. An applicant's grades, academic goals, professional aspirations, financial need, and community service are all evaluated in the awarding process.

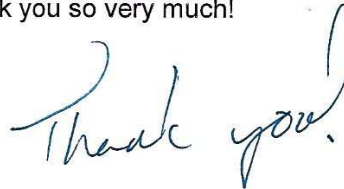
What your support means to RRCC students:

- 80% said the scholarship relieved the financial stress of paying for college
- 90% took academic performance more seriously
- 88% said the scholarship increased their confidence in meeting educational goals
- 39% were first-generation college students
- Nearly 60% plan to transfer to a four-year institution after completing requirements, while 78% intend to graduate from RRCC

I think it is safe to say that we are truly paying it forward and making a tremendous impact on the lives of our students. Your support has helped make Red Rocks an excellent place for our community to learn, grow, and succeed. Thank you so very much!

Sincerely,


Angela Baber
Executive Director



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Wanted/For(D) Sale

1936 Ford Deluxe Fordor Humpback Sedan For Sale



Washington Blue with metallic in it. Great Condition. Fresh rebuild on the 59AB motor with 800 miles on it. \$26,000 neg, Loren, 720-289-2019, Denver, CO lorenhelfenbein@gmail.com for more details.



For Sale: 1940 Ford 4 door sedan, disc brakes, radial tires, leather seats, rebuilt '48 Merc engine, dual exhaust, Folkstone gray, best looking and driving '40 Deluxe sedan in the world, \$25,000 firm!! It is a dandy FORD!!!

*Steve Carmack, 303-589-4803,
FirehouseSteve@msn.com*

Jim Nielsen has a Ford Merkur for sale, give him a call if you are interested, 303-788-0519W.

Wanted:

- Engine pans (All 37-40 Pass/Comm) , LH 91A 6776 RH 91A-6775, (Engine Block to frame)
- Exhaust Pipe (78-5245) 37-39, C/L R EXH to muffler inlet 43.75", (2" OD Pipe)
- Cross Over Pipe 78-5267 (37-41), C/L Exhaust man flange to muffler inlet 19.75", (1 1/2" OD Pipe), 91A - 8157A (39 STD only)
- Chrome center grille (vertical piece)

Tom Webb, 303-827-5446



Four Black 1936 Reproduction hub caps for sale, \$100 Loren, 720-289-2019, lorenhelfenbein@gmail.com



Three Washington Blue 1936 Reproduction hub caps WITH Red stripe for sale, \$75 Loren, 720-289-2019, lorenhelfenbein@gmail.com

1941 Ford Coupe: Engine overhauled several years ago but never installed. Most all the parts are there but in boxes. \$4000 neg. Gary Werner, 303-808-3519, calls only, no text or email.



Cover Photo

This month's cover photo is of a very nice '39 Washington Blue, Deluxe Convertible at the RK Motors collection in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Answer to picture question on page 8.

Ray Ziehm, he was 19 at the time when he drove his custom Ford from Detroit to LA in 1948.

EARLY FORD V8 CLUB OF AMERICA HI- COUNTRY REGIONAL GROUP 2024 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.

January

4th, **NO Monthly Meeting***
6th, **NO Seminar or Tour in January ***
21st, Installation Banquet *
25th, Board Meeting
27th, Polar Bear Swap Meet-Adams Cnty Fairgrounds

February

1st **Monthly Meeting ***
3rd **Seminar Tri-state Swap Meet ***
18th **Tour***
22nd, Board Meeting

March

7th, Monthly Meeting *
9th **Tour (Tentative)***
9-10th, Tri-State Hot Rod **Car Show**
10th, Daylight Savings Time Begins
16th **Seminar (Tentative)***
21st, Board Meeting
31st, Easter

April

4th, **Monthly Meeting (1st Thursday)***
4-7 Denver (New Car) Auto Show, at the
Convention Center
6th, **Seminar (Tentative)***
21st **Charlie, Bob & Trevor Garage Tour***
25th, Board Meeting

May

2nd, **Monthly Meeting ***
4th, **NO Seminar**
12th, Mother's Day
19th, **Tour of Wings Over the Rockies (Lowry)***
23th, Board Meeting
27th, Memorial Day Car Show at Applebee's
on west Colfax & Miller

June

6th, **Monthly Meeting ***
8th, **Seminar***
8th, Pre-war Swap Meet, Adams County Fairgrounds
15th, **Drive Your Ford Day Tour***
16th, Father's Day
17th to 24th Central Meet
27nd, Board Meeting

July

4th, Independence Day
11th, **Monthly Meeting ***
13th, **Seminar***
21st, **Tour***
25th, Board Meeting
30th, Henry Ford's Birthday

August

1st, **Monthly Meeting ***
3rd, **Rocky Mtn Car & Air Show**
10th, **Club Auction-Seminar***
18th, **Anderson Park Car Picnic (Tour) Abe ***
22nd, Board Meeting

September

2nd, Labor Day Car Show at Applebee's
on west Colfax & Miller
5th, Monthly Meeting *
7th, **Seminar***
8th, **All Ford Day (Tour) Abe ***
16-24 **Eastern Meet**
26th, Board Meeting

October

3rd **Monthly Meeting ***
5th **Seminar***
7th-11th Hershey Swap Meet
20th **Turkey Trot (tour), Gene & Abe***
24th Board Meeting
31st Halloween

November

3rd Daylight Savings Time Ends
7th, **Monthly Meeting ***
9th, **Seminar***
11th, **Veterans Day Ft. Logan (Tour) ***
21st, Board Meeting
28th, Thanksgiving

December

5th, **Monthly Meeting ***
7th, **Seminar, Holiday Party**
15th, **No Tour***
19th Board Meeting
25th, Christmas
31st, New Year's Eve

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Wings over the Rockies Tour on May 19th

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May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 V8 Monthly Meeting*	3	4 NO Seminar
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Lowry V8 Tour*	20	21	22	23 V8 Board Meeting	24	25
26	27 Applebee's Memorial Day Car Show	28	29	30	31	