



VOICE OF THE V8

A monthly newsletter of the Early Ford V-8 Club of the Inland Empire #23

NOVEMBER 2025

Hi Early Ford V-8er's,

Our Thanksgiving-hour delay at Darcy's turned frustration into an unexpected positive. With the extra time, we were able to sit, browse, and chat with the roughly 42 club members we rarely get the chance to visit with during our regular meeting format. It actually turned into a really enjoyable evening, followed by a quick meeting wrap-up. We may try to build on this idea for a 2026 summer meeting—everyone driving their V8 car—and maybe even get treasury approval to kick in for a trophy or two!

Our beautiful Washington State trees have provided a perfect backdrop with their fall colors and long-lasting beauty for this season of harvest and gratitude.

From the officers and board to all of you: **Be careful on the roads, stay off ladders, and have a terrific and Happy Thanksgiving!**

Sam
I. G. Sam Kohlmeier.
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Upcoming EVENTS

DECEMBER 7
@4:00PM

Christmas Part at Darcy's

DECEMBER 31

Dues are **DUE**

JANUARY 4

Regular Meeting

FEBRUARY 1

Regular Meeting

MARCH 1

Regular Meeting

APRIL 1

Regular Meeting

MAY 5

Regular Meeting

JOIN
the
FUN

THIS MONTH'S Feature Car



Tom & Jeannie Davis'
1953 Ford Sunliner

Attention

If you would like to have your car featured in our newsletter, please send a photo of it to earlyfordv8ie@gmail.com.

Photos must be in original format, not screenshots from your phone or downloaded from Facebook. Those are usually low quality and will be blurry.

Be sure to put "V8 Club Newsletter" in the subject line so your message isn't missed.

In your email, please include:

- Your name
- The year, make, and model of your car
- An optional short write-up or story about your vehicle

Your car will also be showcased on our club website, where we have a page dedicated to members' vehicles. Click [here](#) to view the page.



HAPPY

Thanksgiving

Give thanks not just on Thanksgiving Day, but every day of your life. Appreciate and never take for granted all that you have.



2026 DUES

Please pay your membership dues by **December 31, 2025**. A renewal form is included in this newsletter. It is also available to [download here](#).

**EARLY FORD V-8 - REGIONAL GROUP #23
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2, 2025 – 6:00**

Officers in attendance: Sam, Tom, Dale & Annette

Meeting called to order: 6:50 pm

This was our Thanksgiving dinner and everyone seemed to have a good time. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Flag Salute – Dale Furnish

Grace – Dale Furnish

Sam made an announcement that after doing the roster for 10 years Gary Davis is retiring from that position. Sam thanked both Gary and JoAnn for all of the years they have worked on that and other things. They will still be in the club of course, just letting go of the roster duties.

New Members and Guests: No new members or guests

Treasurers report – Dale read the report

Moved: JoAnn Davis

Second: Shirley Adams

Motion Carried

Motion to accept old minutes:

Moved: Judy Little

Second: Lorri Clarizo

Motion Carried

Committee reports:

Nominating Committee: Annette Long

Annette reported that we do have a slate of officers and asked for any nominations from the floor. Hearing none a motion was made by Harvey Dunham, to accept the slate of officers, 2nd by Wally Graham. Motion carried.

Our 2026 officers are as follows. Thank you all for stepping up to hold an office.

- President – Sam Kohlmeier
- VP – Richard True
- Treasurer – Dale Furnish
- Secretary – Deana Solomon

Bereavement: BJ Hokanson – No Report. JoAnn Davis did comment that Mack Cain’s daughter’s service was very lovely. She also said that Mack appreciates all the love and support.

Badges/Property: Shirley Adams – Shirley still has our items in her shop and she did not have any new badges for anyone.

Charitable Giving: Gail Whitman/Shirley Adams – No report

Sunshine: Brigitte Leidel –No report.

Ladies Luncheon: We will resume the ladies’ lunches in the spring.

INCCC: Wally Graham- Said the INCCC was in the process of electing their officers. The calendar of events will change their process a bit. They will only take the dates by application. They will be sending them out and also should have them in some retail stores. Hopefully, this will cut down on any errors.

Tours: Tom Davis – BJ Hokanson said that she and her daughter were the only ones that showed up for the boat cruise in October. They said it was a lovely day and cruise and were sorry that more people did not show up.

Old Business:

Christmas Party 2025: BJ Hokanson

5:00 pm for dinner and 5:30 or so for some presentations. We will have a DJ. Please bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots. We will also be collecting food for the local food bank. Plus, our 50/50 raffle will be divided between Idaho and Washington charities.

White Elephant – Women bring a wrapped women’s gift and men bring a wrapped men’s gift. It was decided to keep the value at \$15 to \$20 max for the value of the gift.

Renee Shawgo – Raffle

Gail Whitman – Toys for Tots

501 (c) (3) status. We have not yet heard anything on our filing. We may not hear anything for a while as we filed right as the government shut down.

New Business:

No New Business

Website / Newsletter: Please send any tidbits or news articles to Becky Swenson so she can get it in the newsletter.

For Sale or Wanted: If you do have something please let Becky Swenson know.

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Wes Pemble

Second: Kelli Pemble

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Annette Long

FOR SALE:

- 5 - Show condition double pin striped wheels
- 5 - 650 x16 WW, pie crust, biased tires with tubes
- Under 500 miles on tires.
- \$1200 for the set.

Sam Kohlmeier 617-650-8775



For sale or wanted listings are free for club members. They should be old car or vintage related. All listings will run for three months unless they are renewed or terminated early. Email your listing to earlyfordv8ie@gmail.com. Pictures are welcome to be included. Be sure to put a price for your items for sale and include your name and contact info (can be phone and/or email address). **Please put “V8 Club Newsletter” in the subject line.**



Year: **2026**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

P.O. Box 176
Veradale, WA 99037

“Dedicated to the Preservation of Ford V8s 1932-1953”

Renewal DUE DECEMBER 31ST No Changes_____ Changes_____

New Member_____



Fill in name, include insurance carrier name and national membership status in the spaces provided. Include any changes. Be sure to check the appropriate renewal space above (no changes/changes). All members must return a membership renewal form. Be sure to check below if you want a newsletter mailed to you.

Please fill out this form completely. Thank you!

Name _____ Spouse Name _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Spouse Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____ Spouse Email _____

FORD CARS: List make, model, body & condition

S=Show Condition, **PR**=Partially Restored,

PRR=Partially Restored & Running, **UR**=Unrestored, **OC**=Original Condition

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

* Insurance Carrier: _____
(all cars taking part in V8 activities must be covered by liability insurance)

* Are you a member of the National Ford V8 Club _____ (write Yes or No)
(all Chapter Members must be National Members)

All members agree to abide by all of the rules and regulations of the Inland Empire Regional Group #23

- Annual dues are \$30 per membership, which includes an emailed newsletter.
- There is a \$25 charge for members wanting a hard copy of the newsletter mailed to them.
(this includes REGULAR, CHARTER, GOLDEN and LIFE members)

Please check appropriate boxes and include payment with this application

_____ \$30 Annual Dues

_____ \$25 Hard copy of newsletter mailed to you

_____ TOTAL PAID (to be enclosed with this application)

Thank you RG #23



Next Regular Meeting
Sunday, January 4th
Dinner at 5:00 p.m. - Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Darcy's Restaurant and Spirits
10502 E Sprague Ave, Spokane Valley, WA 99206

"The gifted man bears his gifts into the world, not for his own benefit, but for the people among whom he is placed; for the gifts are not his, he himself is a gift to the community."

~Henry Ford



The Early Ford V8 Club of America, Inland Empire Chapter #23 is dedicated to the restoration and preservation of all Ford Motor Company vehicles, 1932 through 1953

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