

“The Headliner”

Newsletter of the Northern Ohio Regional Group #20 Early Ford V-8 Club of America Our 56th Year

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Mission Statement: “To preserve and authentically maintain vehicles manufactured by the Ford Motor Company for the model years 1932 through 1953 inclusive, and to serve as an accurate and technical source of information concerning these automobiles for the benefit of its members as well as the general public.”

Presidents Message March 2025



Greetings to my Fellow V8er's

As winter drags on, we have been getting shorts moments of spring-like weather. I was able to move some painting projects outside which was a welcomed change. Spring is near, and with that brings Driving Season! Soon all manner of charging batteries and the checking of fluids will commence. It's very close to that time to get our Early Fords out from under the covers and ready for another year of driving.

I currently have the engine for my 53 on the stand, fresh with new gaskets and a shiny coat of paint. My goal to have it back on the road by the end of March is on track.

At our February meeting we had a very impressive video of the Richfield on the Square Car show presented by our own Rick Jandrey. Rick encouraged all members to bring your car to this year's show, check the newsletter for dates.

Steve Kline impressed this author with the delicious Crunchy Fudge Sandwiches as well as coffee. Thank you Steve!

Our first group outing will be April 26th. NORG, along with the Nifty Fifties, will be joining the Greater Pittsburgh RG 48 on a trip to the Rock and Roll Museum. Following the hall we will be meeting at Blazing Bill's Restaurant for a late lunch.

Information to follow in the newsletter. I hope all of you are well, see you on the 21st. Steve

Steve

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Beth Schilling

**All Meetings are held at
Stow Community Center
3800 Graham Road
Stow, OH**

“Kick Tires”: 7:00

Meeting Begins: 7:30

Ends: 10:00 or Sooner

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March Program

Our March Program will feature Mr. Kevin Gabriel - owner of Shine & Drive, a car/truck auto detailer .



MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2025

After he subjected us to a bad joke, president Steve Kronen called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. Steve asked members to introduce themselves and say a few words about their cars.

As the program for this evening, member Rick Jandrey presented a videotape of the car show held in Richfield, Ohio in July of 2024. This is an annual local show that attracts an impressive number of cars of various makes. The show for this year will be held on July 26. Rick encouraged members to consider entering their cars for this show. Thanks, Rick, for an interesting presentation.

Co-treasurer Diane Francis reported on the state of our treasury. It is in good shape at the present, and will be even better if any of the lottery tickets she and Dan bought pays off. Rick Jandrey moved that we accept the treasury report. We did.

Craig Gorris reported that we have 41 paid memberships. Most memberships are for couples, so the actual number of members is considerably higher. He also noted that the club rosters for 2025 have been distributed. Copies will be mailed to members who have not picked up theirs in person. Once again, Guy Shively did the beautiful artwork for the cover and we thank him very much for using his time and amazing talent to do this.

Craig encouraged members to send any items that might be of interest for the newsletter to him and Annette. They welcome assistance in their search for material to include in the Headliner. Craig also encouraged members to take advantage of the monthly lunches that are announced each month in the newsletter. The lunches provide an opportunity to discover new restaurants and to share more bad jokes and stories about our cars with fellow members. He reminded us that, at the urging of Diane Francis and others, our May meeting will be designated as Ladies' Day. Wives are encouraged to be sure to attend.

President Steve informed us that the club received a number of raffle tickets from the sponsors of the Central National Meet and asked what members would like to do about them. It was pointed out that in the past the club has usually bought \$50 worth of tickets to use as prizes in our club's 50/50 raffles and sent the rest of the tickets back to the national meet sponsors. It was moved that we do the same this year. The motion passed.

Jack Bukszar reported on some of the possible social events that the board of directors discussed for the club this summer. These include a breakfast in the spring and a corn roast in the fall at the Mihalek's farm, the Keels and Wheels show sponsored by the Cleveland Yacht Club, and a joint visit to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame with the Pittsburgh group on April 26. A "don't miss it" activity will be the picnic at the Collette's farm. More information on these and other activities will be in future newsletters. Bruce Lewicki invited NORG members to join the Nifty Fifties' visit to the Skyway Drive-In in Fairlawn (Akron) on June 15. This has become an annual event that is enjoyed by all who participate.

Members Josh and Tom Madden informed us that there will be a car show in Cleveland sponsored by the Model A club on August 19. Bruce also noted that he is working on a possible clambake to be held this fall. More on this later.

President Steve reminded us that the Central National Meet will be held on June 22-26 in Springfield, Illinois. Members were encouraged to attend and to meet Dave Gunnarson, our new national president. President Steve thanked Steve and Stephanie Klein for the coffee and cookies for this evening. We enjoyed!!

Rick Jandrey moved that we adjourn. We did at 8:45 p.m.

Neal Garland,
Secretary

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2025 NORG Activities At A Glance

- **Friday, March 21st** NORG Meeting Stow City Center 7:30 and “NORG Ladies Day”
- **Saturday, March 22nd** 11:00 Lunch Inn Between Bar & Grill, located at 8684 Ridge Road, North Royalton **More Information on page 4**
- **Friday, April 18th** NORG Meeting Stow City Center 7:30
- **Saturday, April 26th** NORG Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Social with Pittsburgh Group. **More Information In April**
- **Saturday May 24th** “Keels & Wheels” at Cleveland Yacht Club. Breakfast at Claudette’s Restaurant 11:00 **More Information to follow**
- **June TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Lunch at Skyway Drive in Akron with Ice Cream afterward **More Information to follow**
- **June TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Breakfast at Mihalek’s Farm **More Information to follow**
- **June 22nd thru June 26th** Early Ford Central Meet, Springfield IL. **More Information on page 4**
- **Saturday July 26th** Collette’s picnic Portersville Pa. 1:00~4:00, Richfield Car Show 11:00~2:30 **More Information to follow**
- **Saturday July 26th**, Car Show, Richfield Oh, 9:00 ~ 3:00. **More Information to follow**
- **Sunday, August 24th** Car Show, Patterson Fruit Farm Chesterland OH **More Information to follow**
- **September TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Corn Roast **More Information to follow**
- **Saturday, October 18th** Bucket-O-Beans 9:00 ~ 3:00 Marshallville , **More Information to follow**



NORG COOKIE BAKERS

February	Steve Klein <i>Thank you</i>
March	Neal & Momoe Garland
April	John Madden
May	Diane Francis
July	Bill & Bonnie Sykes
August	Regis& Beth Schilling
September	Sharon Bukszar
October	Bruce Lewicki
November	Pat Rooney

A Note from Jean & Jay Rounds ~ Long time Members

Want to provide an update so you know why Jay and I have not been at any events. Mom is having difficulty. Also the eye inflammation has worsened for me. Early in January I experienced double vision. Have seen glaucoma retina and neurological ophthalmologists. No diagnosis Monday, March 10th, I see auto immune ophthalmologist. Wednesday I have a biopsy March 18th and an MRI

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LUNCH LOCATION FOR MARCH

Saturday, March 22nd, 11:00

Inn Between Bar & Grill

8684 Ridge Road, North Royalton

"This is a great place for lunch Nice little bar with a townie feel to it. Service is quick and polite. Food is good. Prices are fair."

Directions

The Inn Between Bar & Grill is situated on Ridge Road between Pleasant Valley and Route 82. It is located closer to Pleasant Valley on the East side of Ridge near Tilby.





Early Ford V-8's in Hollywood Movies



Tracked by two 1949 Mercuries, Fords & a Lincoln, Robber Cody Jarrett Didn't Have a Chance.

By John Emmering

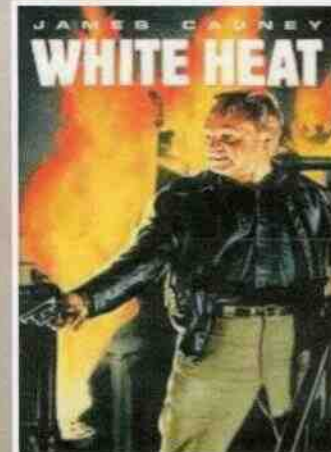
Ma Jarrett, mother of gangster Cody Jarrett had a close encounter with the FBI in a classic vehicle surveillance maneuver when a three car tag team consisting of FBI men driving a 1949 Mercury, a 1949 Ford and a 1949 Lincoln tailed her through the streets of Los Angeles. Fortunately for Ma the federal agents lost her in traffic in this scene from Warner Brother's 1949 film noir feature film "**White Heat**". Later Cody Jarrett and his gang were tracked by agents in a 1949 four door Mercury sedan and several 1949 Ford Los Angeles Police Cars.

James Cagney starred as criminal mastermind Cody Jarrett, reviving the gangster persona that had propelled him to fame in the 1930's. After a seven year hiatus from



Warner Brothers Cagney was approached for the project when the writers realized he was the only actor who could effectively fill the starring role of Cody Jarrett, a psychotic gangster with a mother complex.

As the film progresses Cody ends up in prison, but escapes after hearing of his mother's murder at the hands of one of his henchmen and disloyal wife Verna. Cody takes revenge and then commits a robbery that goes bad. Cornered by police after the robbery, Cody climbs a gas storage tank. Cody finally fires his gun into the huge tank as he shouts "Made it Ma! Top of the world" as the tank explodes. Besides being a film classic "**White Heat**" showcases Ford's line of 1949 automobiles in action.

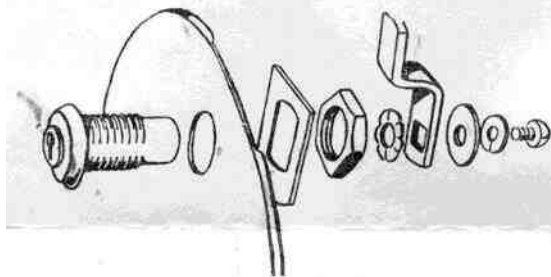


Thanks to NIRG for this article

Flathead Ford Tips

FUEL TANK FILLER LID LOCK INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS Ford PN 51A-13168

1. Adjust template carefully so that bottom edge coincides exactly with outer edge of lid and width of template occupies flattened portion of curled edge as shown in sketch. Fasten template with scotch tape. Use template as shown to prick punch lid at point marked to locate center of drilled hole from edge of lid. Cut a $3/4$ " dia. hole using a sharp cutting tool. Assemble parts of lock in order shown below.



"Remember When"

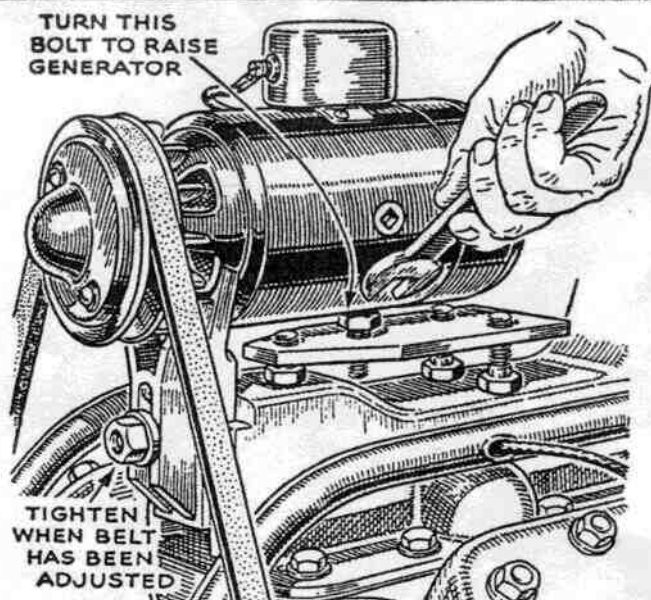
Past Members Jim Stewart (Deceased)
and Ron Wertz with Jim's Antique Midget
Racer



1951 Ford Locking Gas Tank Installation Instructions



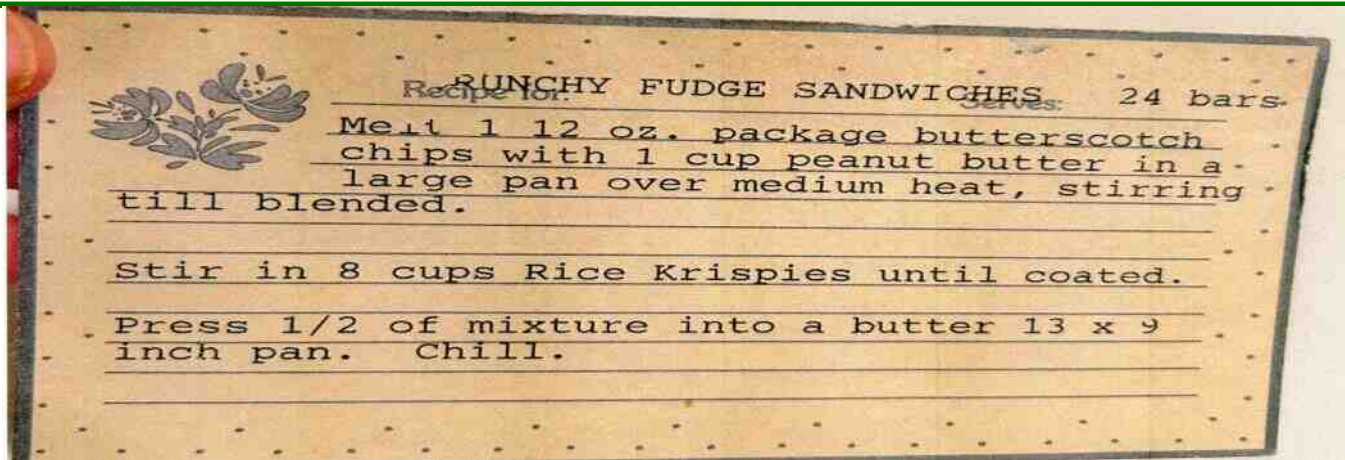
Flathead Generator Adjustment Tool



Tool Supports Generator. On some cars it's very tough to hold the loosened generator up in position while adjusting belt tension. The tool illustrated takes care of this. It consists of a piece of $1/2$ " steel plate tapped for four $1/2$ " bolts. Turning the one at the center with a wrench gives a powerful upward thrust, holding the generator at the desired level until the belt-adjustment nut can be tightened. Adjust the length of the leg bolts as required.

March Recipes

Last month we were requested to print Stephanie Klein's recipe for her delicious crunchy fudge sandwiches. We have printed the recipe as well as traditional Irish Soda Bread to celebrate St.



A RECIPE FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Irish Soda Bread Recipe



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Ingredients:

- 2 Cups all-purpose Flour
- 2 Tablespoons Brown Sugar
- 1 Teaspoon Baking Powder
- 1 Teaspoon Baking Soda
- 1/2 Teaspoon Salt
- 3 Tablespoons Butter
- 2 Eggs
- 3/4 Cup Buttermilk
- 1/3 Cup Raisin

Directions:

In a large bowl, combine flour, brown sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Cut in butter until crumbly. In a small bowl, whisk 1 egg and buttermilk. Stir into flour mixture just until moistened. Fold in raisins.

Knead on a floured surface for 1 minute. Shape into a round loaf; place on a greased baking sheet. Cut 1/4 inch deep cross in top of loaf. Beat remaining egg; brush over loaf.

Bake at 375 for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown.

WHAT TO DRINK WITH THE SODA BREAD IRISH COFFEE OF COURSE

- 1.5 ounces of Jameson's Irish Whiskey (or any whiskey but Jameson's is the choice for Irish Coffee)
- 1.5 Ounces Bailey's Irish Cream
- Combine both shots in a glass, add hot coffee, top with whipped cream and sprinkle some nutmeg



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**March NORG
Meeting
Friday, March 21st**

March Birthdays

4	Mome Garland
7	Bill Sykes
14	Sherry Ellsworth



NORG MEMBERS

Your NORG Headliner depends upon contributions from members to be a successful.

Your photos and text on club activities, ladies hobbies and recipes, technical information, and information on your restoration are needed to keep your Newsletter refreshing.

Please send us anything, we can re-write if necessary.