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## FORDS, FOOD & FUN HIGHLIGHT PSRG SUMMER PICNIC

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More than 50 V8ers gathered at the Carnation mini-farm of Steven & Susan Young recently for our annual club summer picnic. Perfect weather and the promise of a delicious catered barbecue meal attracted members from as far away as Shelton (Tom Yocum, who drove his '40 Ford convertible) and Cle Elum (Cliff & Shelly Winfrey with their '41 Ford pickup). The Young's property proved to be a perfect setting for the gathering while the barbecue buffet did not disappoint. The day prior, Mike & Trina Rees and Elmo Lewis set up our club's tent structures, tables and chairs to accommodate the crowd. Steven's vintage Lamborghini tractor was on display and his large, well-outfitted shop was open for perusal. Since he sold his gorgeous '40 Ford pickup last year, Steven has embarked on a new restoration project: a '56 Chev hardtop. An impressive line-up of V8s park on the Young's backyard lawn.



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Brand new 2025 PSRG members: Brian Pickrell (Bothell), Rich & Colleen Menzell (Stanwood), and Scott & Donna Kilmer (Edgewood) received a warm welcome at their first club event. Nice to see some fresh faces! And, long-time member David Weber (who spends most of his time in AZ) showed up as well. A couple new cars also made debuts: Jesse & Amy Quillizapa brought their two-tone '51 Ford, while Jim & Joanne Cormier displayed their sleek all-black '50 shoebox. Enjoying the barbecue: chicken, ribs, baked beans & coleslaw plus an array of desserts brought by PSRG members..



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# Presidents Words

*Paul Keller*

Hello V8er's,

Summer's end is near, but we still have one more club event coming up soon. I am speaking of the Tour of the Year. This year we will be traveling to Sequim & Port Townsend. These tours arranged by Guy Genereux are great fun and always provide great memories. They also are an opportunity to show off our members' beautiful cars. I have seen amazing sights on these journeys. From meticulous private auto collections to beautiful scenery and unique sights. I have seen the world's largest totem pole and what must be the world's best Yugo on these journeys. What will be discovered this year?

The tours are a great way to get to know each other better as we travel and stay together for a couple of days. After the day's drive it is nice to relax and catch up over dinner or around a pool. This year it appears we will be having a pizza party on a roof. I can't wait! Hope to see you there.

The tour is September 13 & 14 this year. Because of the conflict with our regular meeting date (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday) we will not be having a meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> at the Eagles. A week later on the 20<sup>th</sup> we will have a Board meeting at the Eagles to deal with items that need attention before October. Of course, any member may attend the Board meeting.

We will need to prepare for election of next year's leadership and gather nominations this month. If you would like to serve next year, please let it be known so we can get you nominated. You can let us know on the tour or come to the board meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>. You can also email me, and I can present the nomination on your behalf. Please state why the person you are nominating should hold the position.

I had to miss our Summer Picnic. I have been told it was a great success with approximately 50 members in attendance. I want to thank Steve Young for hosting this year.

Happy Fording,  
Paul Keller



# Meeting Minutes

*Mary Lamken*

No meeting minutes due to the Picnic



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Many thanks to the Youngs for hosting and to Elmo, Mike & Trina for set-up and tear-down! The next big event is our 2025 PSRG Tour of the Year (Sept 13-14) to Sequim & Port Townsend. Please Note: it falls on the same date as our monthly general club meeting. Due to the conflict, the meeting will be cancelled for September.

*Our hosts: Steven & Susan Young with their 1979 Lamborghini tractor. Check out the size of those tires!*



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Here is a link to vote for the style of **Club Jackets** and the sizes.  
<https://forms.gle/4cDueKe7qU9245Df6>

#### Jacket Poll

#### New Poll Regarding Jackets:

The goal is to have this all settled prior to September meeting so that we can get them ordered. We may not be able to please everyone. It is recommended that we go with the majority vote. It has been more than 2 years to get us this far - let's get this done!







# Membership

*Guy Generaux*

## New Members

Bob Dye (Marina)  
Hansville, WA  
1928 Ford Roadster  
1948 Ford Deluxe Station Wagon

Scott & Donna Kilmer  
Edgewood, WA  
1940 Ford Tudor  
1940 Ford Coupe

Brian Pickrell  
Bothell, WA  
1946 Mercury Tudor  
See page 8 for Brian's story

## Leads & Needs

Leads & Needs listings are free for club members. All listings will run for 3 months unless they are renewed or terminated early.

Contact Scott to have them kept in another month or to have them removed earlier.

E-mail your listing to the newsletter editor at [editor@efv8psrg.org](mailto:editor@efv8psrg.org) or call 206-778-9097

**Need:** Your editor is always looking for **articles or photos** for the newsletter, Please send them my way at [editor@efv8psrg.org](mailto:editor@efv8psrg.org)

### Lead: 1953 FORD

Owners: Pete & Lois Lowman. Model: Custom line Fordor / Present miles 25244. V8 Flathead engine & Fordomatic transmission with dual exhaust Cascade green (medium light green) a spring color – only offered for a limited time, Interior: dark gray green, cloth, Additional features: full hubcaps / radio / clock / front seatbelts / P205/75R15 white wall tires. The car has always been driven to National Early V8 Ford meets and many other car events winning several awards. Asking price: \$18,000 will consider offers. Contact Lucetta at email [lucettalightfoot@msn.com](mailto:lucettalightfoot@msn.com) or phone 206.282.2641 for more information or questions.



Does your significant other enjoy the hobby? How?

No

When did you start, why?

1988, I bought a '55 Chevy just because it was cheap

Favorite car you sold and wish you had it back? Why?

If I had the '55 Chevy back today, I'd have enough money to get all the rust fixed and it would be nice to drive.

Current "almost perfect" cars. (none are perfect) List any awards.

Ha ha!

Current major projects and status.

Just bought a '46 Mercury that has a good body but doesn't run. Trying to get the engine unstuck and figure out what ignition coil is compatible with the aftermarket distributor it came with.

Current minor projects. (drivable but needs a little more than a paint job)

Daily driver is a '08 Saab; not old enough to be collectible.

Hook Awards {Hook as in had to be towed} or stories received or eligible events you were able to keep secret.

How many classic cars do you own and how many could be driven to a PSRG club meeting?

Just the one ('46); hopefully it will be mobile in a couple of months.

Current dream "classic" car you wish you owned.

Beaver airplane. Fantasizing about classic cars is a slippery slope.

Do you do most of your own work or just the minor stuff. What types of things do you do yourself.

I do minor stuff like brakes and engine accessories. I have one engine rebuild in my life but it was a Beetle so hardly counts. Will probably be looking for recommendations for mechanics, especially if I can't get the flathead engine going soon.

Family information such as significant other, children, grand kids and other details.

I have a wife and 2 teenaged kids but they're not interested in cars.

Profession, either current or retired from.

Programmer

Significant road trips you have completed.

My biggest antique car project was a '63 Pontiac Grand Prix I had in the late 90s; I drove it from Seattle to L.A. in 2000 and it was my daily driver for a couple of years.

Club offices held, awards received and committees chaired. None

Activity you would like to see the club organize.

Engine repair and body work clinics!

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New Book in Stock:

## Fundamental Carburetion

by Dean G. Tryon

This book is a must have for your automotive library! Everything you want in a textbook: lots of photos, diagrams, charts, and easy-to-understand language! There are even restoration tips along the way.

Check out the photos and index pages for an in-depth preview.

This soft cover book is available for \$35.00 plus shipping.

Call The Early Ford V-8 Foundation at 260-927-8022 to order over the phone or stop in the gift shop to pick it up. We have 10 copies in stock!

Thank you for supporting your Early Ford V-8 Foundation!





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Loyd & Diane Issacson's original '32 sedan was the oldest Ford in attendance.



Below: A nice overview of the picnic venue



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Elmo Lewis lifts the hood of his '34 coupe. L-R Colleen Menzel, Scott Kilmer, Robin Ordonez, Rich Menzell & David Weber look on.



Below: A showdown for the "whitest legs" award between Mike Rees and David White was a close call. See more on page 14





"YOU GET THE NEW  
'MID SHIP' RIDE"



"IT'S GOT A 'LIFEGUARD' BODY..."

AND 'MAGIC ACTION'  
KING-SIZE BRAKES THAT  
OPERATE 35% EASIER!"



57% MORE LUGGAGE SPACE

# The '49 Ford

"THE REAR WINDOW IS  
WINDSHIELD BIG"



"NEW 'PICTURE WINDOW'  
VISIBILITY."

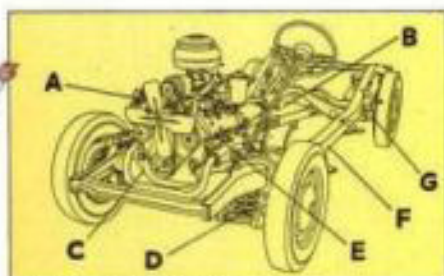


"SEATS SOFA-WIDE!"



Wide Side Wall has  
available at extra cost.

# The Car of the Year!



"NEW FROM THE GROUND UP"

- A New "Top-Side" Distributor Mounting. B New Overdrive\*
- C New Lubrication System. D New "Hydra-Coil" Springs.
- E New 100 h.p. V-8, or 95 h.p. Six. F New box-section frame.
- G New "Para-Flex" Rear springs. \* optional at extra cost

There's a <sup>NEW</sup> Ford in your future



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Brothers of the Ford truck shirts.



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*A group portrait captures not all, but most of the attendees.*





How many of you have gone to look at an Early V8, and ended up finding other unanticipated treasures?  
Story and photos from Guy Generaux

PSRG member Guy Generaux was recently snooping around an industrial area near the Palm Springs Airport to get a better look at remnants of a couple old Fords in a vacant lot. Slipping through a hole in the fence he snapped pics of a '50 Ford sedan and what remains of either a chopped-up '47 Ford convertible or woodie wagon. The '50 still has the flat-head under the hood. In an attempt to learn more, Guy entered an open door of a building nearby, where he discovered several cars housed (mostly '60's -'70's models). Nobody seemed to be around.

Guy proceeded through the warehouse to an open storage yard where he encountered quite a surprise: two 1941 Dodge coupes that had been spliced together! A worker came in - he knew little about the Early V8s next door, other than some homeless folks frequently hung out at one corner of the lot. He related the story he heard behind the two-way Dodge oddity: it served as a factory promotional vehicle and three were originally produced. Guy was able to snap a few photos with his cell phone before leaving. Back home he conducted an online search. Seems the Dodge was likely a one-of-a-kind brainchild of a fellow named Charles Pine, as detailed in an old newspaper article. The search also led to a 2021 posting of the car advertised for sale on craigslist in the LA area. There's no information on who purchased the car, but somehow it has made its way to Palm Springs. More details and pics can be found by searching: Coming or Going? Dual Nose 1941 Dodge For Sale. See more on the next page





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**Auto Strap for  
front-seat tots**

**\$1.88**

Guards your child as you're busy driving through traffic. Lets him sit, stand, kneel or sleep without disturbing driver. Prevents spills from sudden stops. Heavy web harness attaches to safety strap that snaps to car seat frame. Removes easily. Also use as walking harness. For 1 to 10-year olds. Fits any car. Shpg. wt. 9 oz.

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Having retailed for US \$1.88, in 1961 the 'Auto Strap' was described as a tool that “guards your child as you’re busy driving through traffic”, and was designed for ages one to ten. It also claimed to allow one’s child to “sit, stand, kneel or sleep without disturbing the driver” and also “prevents spills from sudden stops”.



**2025 Event Calendar**  
**General meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month**

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| <b>January</b><br><b>11th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm                                                    | <b>February</b><br><b>8th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm<br><b>15-16th</b> 57th Annual Early Bird<br>Swap Meet Puyallup | <b>March</b><br><b>8th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Meeting. Board meeting at 1 pm<br><b>15th</b> St. Patrick's Day Parade                      |
| <b>April</b><br><b>12th</b> General meeting With BINGO<br>Board meeting at 1 pm                                                         | <b>May</b><br><b>10th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Board meeting 1pm<br><b>17-18</b> Monroe Auto Swap Meet                                           | <b>June</b><br><b>14th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Board meeting at 1 pm<br><b>21st</b> Carol Scott memorial<br><b>28th</b> Greenwood Car Show |
| <b>July</b><br><b>12th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Board meeting at 1 pm <i>trunk swap<br/> meet</i><br><b>20th</b> North Bend Car Show | <b>August</b><br><b>9th</b> No general meeting, Picnic see<br>page 5<br><b>30th</b> 47th LeMay Annual Show                                          | <b>September</b><br><b>13th</b> No general meeting , due to<br>the Tour of the year                                                            |
| <b>October</b><br><b>11th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br><b>20th</b> Board meeting at 1 pm                                                 | <b>November</b><br><b>8th</b> General meeting 2pm. Board<br>meeting at 1pm                                                                          | <b>December</b><br><b>13th</b> General meeting. 2pm<br>Board meeting at 1 pm                                                                   |



Bob and Becky Eilert's  
47 Mercury Station Wagon