



Gas Gauge

Ye Olde Car Club

June 2016 Newsletter

The President's Message

Happy Summer Time to Everyone

This month's newsletter is a bit late, sorry, it's my fault for not getting a president's message in a timely manner. Now that's out in the open, how is everyone?

We have moved into the summer months and for some of us, our cars don't like too much heat just like me. To help keep your ride cool, inspect your hoses, clamps and coolant. When things heat up they expand and start a leak that only happens when it's hot. Hoses, just like all the other rubber items on the car, deteriorate with time. A sitting car can cause leaks and air pockets in the cooling system and you will develop hot spots. Engine coolant can be a tricky and hot topic. There is the good old fashion "green stuff" we all grew up on, sweet smelling is good, musty is bad. Color is another indicator of it's condition and rusty coolant is turning up the Ph level and can cause gasket damage.

Think how little we drive our toys. About every two years I flush that stuff to keep the rust down and the Ph level good. They also make an additive that helps super cool the ethylene glycol coolant and I have always wanted to try that out and I think I will go tonight and pick some up for the Bronco. The other popular coolant for GM products is the extended life Dex Cool. I have had nothing but good luck with it and use it for new rebuilds with new cooling systems. Dex Cool doesn't work well with others. I found that out the hard way many years ago. If you add the "Green Stuff" to Dex Cool it will turn the coolant to a jello mess, and it's very hard to get out. In a pinch, water can be added to Dex Cool, then after repairs you will have to flush the system and refill with 100% Dex Cool for best results.

I hope this brings back some memories from days gone by and remind some of us to check our toys before taking a cruise on a hot day. Speaking of that, we have a couple of cruises coming up at Cool Desert Nights and I want to keep my cool. (funny how all the events are during the Hot Desert Days, I guess that doesn't sound as good).

See You At the Meetings and our Events

Rick Ball, Car Guy

BITS & PIECES

*** **DID YOU KNOW:** there are more stars in space than there are grains of sand on every beach on Earth.

*** **Be careful** when you follow the Masses...sometimes the "M" is silent.

*** **MY DOCTOR**...Let me tell you about my doctor. He's very good! If you tell him you want a second opinion, he'll go out and come in again.

*** **Real newspaper headlines:** Meeting on open meetings is closed.

*** **Hummingbirds** while in flight have the highest metabolism of all animals. Their heart rate can reach as high as 1,260 beats per minute with a breathing rate of 250 breaths per minute, even at rest. They consume more than their own weight in nectar each day, and to do so must visit hundreds of flowers. They are continuously hours away from starving to death and are able to store just enough energy to survive overnight.

from wikipedia.org

So get out those hummingbird feeders!

The Remarkable Body: The cells in your stomach lining produce an alkaline substance every few milliseconds to neutralize stomach acid. If they didn't do this, your stomach would digest itself because some of the acids are strong enough to dissolve metals.

EVENTS

Thursday June 23 thru Sunday June 26 - Richland Cool Desert Nights

Retirement visits:

Friday, July 1 – Riverton Retirement 11:00 – 2:00 (Lunch) 1800 Bellerive Drive, Richland

Friday, July 8 – Brookdale at Richland, 11:00 – 2:00 (Lunch) 1629 George Washington Way, Richland

Friday, July 15 - Richland Rehabilitation Center, 11:00 – 2:00 (Lunch) 1745 Pike Avenue, Richland

Thursday, July 28 - Fieldstone Memory Care, Young St, Kennewick, 11:00 - 2:00 (lunch)

Friday, September 2 – Hawthorne Court – 11:00 -2:00 (Lunch) 524 N. Ely Street, Kennewick

Friday, September 9 – Guardian Angel - 11:00 – 2:00 (Lunch 245 Van Giesen Street, Richland

Saturday, September 17 – Chenoweth House – 4:00 – 6:30 (Social) 1108 W. 5th Ave , Kennewick

Ladies Luncheons:

July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10

Rosie's Sock Hops, Saturday evenings, 6:00 - 9:00:

July 9, August 13, September 10

A long friendship by Randy Bunch

Don Buckles and I have been close friends for over 52 years. We grew up living across the street from each other, in Pasco, went to school together, we shared an apartment together, and worked together off and on for nearly 30 years. Our wives, Jean and Debby, are also long time friends and went to school together.

Another common interest that Don and I have shared for more than 40 years is the love of cars, especially the classics. Don and I both own "Fat Fendered Fords," I bought my 1941 Ford Super Deluxe Tudor Sedan 17 years ago and Don bought his 1947 Ford Super Deluxe Coupe, 15 years ago. Don and I have belonged to several other car clubs, the Columbia Classics, which we put together with our wives, five awesome historical scrap books and we both are past presidents and life time members of the Olympia Beatniks.

In addition to my 41 Ford, I also own a 1928 Ford Model A, Tudor Sedan. Previously, I owned an "Early" 1928 Ford Model A Roadster, which was numbers was matching. Many refer this to an AR Model A. I was nearly finished, when I was involved in an accident at work, which resulted in the limitation of my hands, including a severe back and neck injury. Back in the early 1970's, I used to work in the body and fender industry, the injury made so I was unable to continue the restoration of the Model A Roadster, so I sold it and bought the Tudor. I've owned many cars in my lifetime, several 1958 Fords, numerous Volkswagen Bugs, 1965 Pontiac GTO, 1961 Chevy Impala, 1946 Ford Coupe, 1967 Ford F100, a 1966 Chevrolet pickup that drove all over the states for work and was totaled in Texas, during a tornado, by baseball size hail, and many more.

Don has owned his fair share of classic cars too. Presently, he also owns a 1965 Chevrolet El Camino, which has been fabulously restored and is waiting for paint, 1962 Pontiac Catalina Convertible, and is building a Model T rat rod. In the past, Don owned a 1971 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS, a 1934 Ford pickup with a Studebaker V8 and no brakes, a 1942 Studebaker pickup, which we were going to work in, when the muffler fell off and our secretary ran over it, driving 55 mph, 1962 Chevrolet Nova, 1972 Plymouth Scamp and quite a few more.

When Don turned 16, we drove over to the DMV in my 1956 Pontiac Tudor hardtop, which had no front shocks and lots of blow-by. I remember the DMV tester asking Don to step on the brakes to see if the lights worked and then give it some throttle, blowing a gigantic puff of blue smoke in his face. Don did pass.

Don and I have attended many car shows, swap meets, and events together, including driving out of town to chase parts and cars. For me, my favorite car show is Dayton's All Wheels Weekend, thinking it may be Don's too. We've helped each other work on our cars when we've needed it. Since my injury, Don has helped me quite a bit more and it is greatly appreciated. I remember a few years ago, Don wanted to install a Melling hi-volume oil pump in the flathead engine in his 47 Ford. The plan was to use my new lift and use tarps to protect the concrete floor until I got a chance to paint it. Well, that just didn't work out too well, he make a big mess, oil all over my new shop floor. Still haven't painted it, but maybe next year.

Jean bought a motor home last year and Don and Debby went with us on our first trip to Leavenworth. We took four trips with the motor home and then Jean sold it and bought a new 5th wheel trailer. All four of us just got back from spending a week in Seaside, Oregon and had a great time. On June 9th, all four of us will be heading to Joseph, Oregon for five days. During that time, we will be attending the 27th Annual Oregon Mountain Cruise in Joseph, as participants. We've been to it before and it is a very nice show.

July 9th, we're thinking of spending a few days in Spokane, during the Early Ford Swap Meet. Don and I will attend the swap meet, Jean and Debby will go shopping or scrapbooking. Jean and Debby's hobbies are scapbooking, stamping, card making, and other crafts. We've been friends for many years; we all consider each other family and do spend time with each during many holidays and birthdays. Our kids grew up together and for some time, our grandkids have been growing up together too.



SMILE

A group of women were at a seminar on how to live in a loving relationship with their husbands. The women were asked, "How many of you love your husband?" All the women raised their hands. Then they were asked, "When was the last time you told your husband you loved him?" Some women answered "today", a few "yesterday", and some couldn't remember. The women were then told to take out their cell phones and text their husband: "I love you, Sweetheart." Next the women were instructed to exchange phones with one another and read aloud the text message they received in response to their message. Below are 11 hilarious replies. If you have been married for quite a while, you understand that these replies are a sign of true love. Who else would reply in such a succinct and honest way?

1. Who in the world is this?
2. Eh, mother of my children, are you sick or what?
3. Yeah, and I love you too. What's wrong?
4. What now? Did you wreck the car again?
5. I don't understand what you mean?
6. What in the world did you do now?
7. Don't beat about the bush, just tell me how much you need?
8. Am I dreaming?
9. If you don't tell me who this message is actually for, someone will die.
10. I thought we agreed you wouldn't drink during the day.
11. Your mother is coming to stay with us, isn't she?
Kinda tugs at the heart, doesn't it?

August Samuel Duesenberg was a German-American automobile pioneer manufacturer. Duesenberg was born in Kirchheide, Lippe-Detmold on December 12, 1879. His brother **Frederick** was born on December 6, 1876. His large family immigrated to the United States when he was five, settling in Rockford, Iowa.

In the 1890s, August Duesenberg started building and racing bicycles with his brother Frederick. In 1900, they then began playing with gasoline engines and also motorcycles. In 1906 the brothers obtained financing to manufacture cars from Edward Mason, an Iowa lawyer. F. L. Maytag, washing machine and appliance magnate, bought 60 percent of the company. The result was the Maytag-Mason Motor Company at Waterloo, Iowa. But neither Maytag nor Mason were experienced in the car business, and the company gradually folded.

The Duesenberg brothers went off to St. Paul, Minnesota to work on racing car engines, and in 1913 they founded Duesenberg Automobile & Motors Company, Inc. to build engines and racing cars. Duesenberg Motors Company (sometimes referred to as "Duesy") was an American manufacturer of race cars and luxury automobiles. It was founded in St. Paul, MN, United States by brothers August and Frederick Duesenberg in 1913, where they built engines and race cars.

The brothers moved their operations to Elizabeth, New Jersey in 1916 to manufacture engines for WW I. In 1919, when their government contracts were cancelled, they moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, home of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, established the Duesenberg Automobile and Motors Company, Inc. (Delaware) and built outstanding automobiles. In late 1926, E.L. Cord added Duesenberg to his Auburn Automobile Company. With the market for expensive luxury cars severely undercut by the Depression, Duesenberg folded in 1937.

Wikipedia

'Tis a Puzzlement

"I do not know where family doctors acquired illegibly perplexing handwriting; nevertheless, extraordinary pharmaceutical intellectuality counterbalancing indecipherability transcendentalizes intercommunication's incomprehensibility."

The person who made this sentence must be a vocabulary GENIUS.

Reason:

This is the sentence where the first word is one letter long, the second is two letters; the third word is three letters long....the eighth word is eight letters long, and so on....the twentieth word is twenty letters long!

Thanks to Frances Wyland for this contribution.

See if you can figure out what these seven words all have in common?

1. Banana
2. Dresser
3. Grammar
4. Potato
5. Revive
6. Uneven
7. Assess

Look at each word carefully. You'll kick yourself when you discover the answer.

Answer is below!

Answer:

In all of the words listed, if you take the first letter, place it at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word.

3/4 Scale Screen-Side Dodge Replica



Volunteers: Jim Ayers, Willie Gould, Gary Osborn, Phil Prather, DaJuan Recknagle, Tom Smith, Jim Vetrano and Denny Wellington met to get this replica back in shape. Good job fellows!

To Do List:

1. Buy four pigs.
2. Paint numbers 1, 2, 3, and 5 on their backs.
3. Release them in Wal-Mart.
4. Sit back and watch security search for number 4.

The 'President'

Amazingly awesome to think of the life of this tree! Thank God no loggers took it down - nor forest fires, nor earthquakes. Just a quiet life in a California forest for all these years. Not every tree has a nickname, but the 'President' has earned it. This giant sequoia stands at 247 feet tall, and is estimated to be 3,200 years old. Think about it, it was a large tree when Jesus was born. The trunk of the 'President' measures at 27 feet across, with 2 BILLION needles from base to top. Because of its unbelievable size, this tree has never been photographed in its entirety. Until now. A team of National Geographic photographers have worked along with scientists to try and create the first photo that shows the 'President' in all its glory. They had to climb the tree with pulleys and levers, and took thousands of photos. Of those, they selected 126 and stitched them together, to get this incredible portrait of the 'President'.



Incredible, is it not?

Women's Corner

Mystery they name is woman

Women's Revenge

"Cash, check or charge?" I asked, after folding items the woman wished to purchase. As she fumbled for her wallet, I noticed a remote control for a television set in her purse. "So, do you always carry your TV remote?" I asked. "No," she replied, "but my husband refused to come shopping with me, and I figured this was the most evil thing I could do to him legally."

Understanding Women (A man's perspective)

I know I'm not going to understand women. I'll never understand how you can take boiling hot wax, pour it onto your upper thigh, rip the hair out by the root, and still be afraid of a spider.

Wife vs. Husband

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?" "Yep," the wife replied, "In-laws."

Words

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day: 30,000 to a man's 15,000. The wife replied, "The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men." The husband then turned to his wife and asked, "What?"

Creation

A man said to his wife one day, "I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time." The wife responded, "Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me. God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!"

Who Does What

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, "You should do it because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee." The husband said, "You are in charge of cooking around here and you should do it because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee." Wife replies, "No, you should do it, and besides, it is in the Bible that the man should do the coffee." Husband replies, "I can't believe that, show me." So she fetched the Bible and opened the Old Testament and showed him at the top of several pages,, that it indeed says...'HEBREWS'

The Silent Treatment

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment. Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight. Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and lose), he wrote on a piece of paper, 'Please wake me at 5:00 AM.' He left it where he knew she would find it. The next morning, the man woke up only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight. Furious, he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed. The paper said, 'It is 5:00 AM. Wake up!' Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

God may have created man before woman, but there is always a rough draft before the masterpiece.

Thanks to my dear friend Sylvia Stein for this amusing list.

TIRES



This happened in early June, my truck was sitting in the garage while we were in California. Although the tire tread looks new, the 353 date code indicates it was manufactured in 1993. Had this happened at 60 mph there would have been mucho excitement.

When I went to the tire department at Costco for a replacement tire, the clerk found I was shopping for old truck tires and turned me over to, "the guy who is better with old vehicles." That turned out to be Kurt Galloway, Jim Galloway's son. It is a small world in Tri-Cities.

Dennis McGillis

Birthdays and Anniversaries in June



Birthdays

Jane Armstrong	June 5	Wendi Ball	June 2
Thomas Brown	June 19	Don Buckles	June 11
Mike Bughi	June 18	Kelly Carothers	June 1
Richard Chastain	June 22	Karen Crutchfield	June 30
Barb Donaldson	June 9	Pete Jackson	June 11
Robbin Johanson	June 24	Carolyn Johanson	June 7
Linda Kehl	June 14	Clarence Kummer	June 23
Norma Kummer	June 8	John Lindberg	June 1
Bob McClary, Sr.	June 26	Victor Nelson	June 25
Ernie Oeder	June 9	Laura Osterwyk	June 27
Mike Sams	June 17	Doug Stone	June 5
Jay Thomas	June 10		



Anniversaries

Larry & Sue Campbell	June 5	Roy & Sharon Holmes	June 7
Richard & Marlene Kuch	June 12	Joe & Jolene Kuhns	June 6
Dennis & Frances McGillis	June 9	John & Mary Ellen Nelson	June 10
Stan & Renee Nesbitt	June 27	Mike & Linda Porter	June 22
Rick & Mary Rickard	June 18	Roy & Sharon Scioli	June 29
John & Thora Trumbo	June 5	Steven & Gail Wood	June 29

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