



News From the Backseat



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Lincoln's Little League Season begins

The Rods & Relics Club is not all about cars. We have a desire to enrich our community and felt a good start would be to help the youth by sponsoring a Little League Baseball Team.

Saturday, the 20th, the annual Lincoln Little League Opening Day Parade and ceremony was held in beautiful downtown Lincoln. At the presentation of the sponsor, our own Kent Parsell signaled our interest in the Yankee Ball Team.

By being one of the sponsors of a Little League Team, a banner with our logo will be displayed at the ball games.

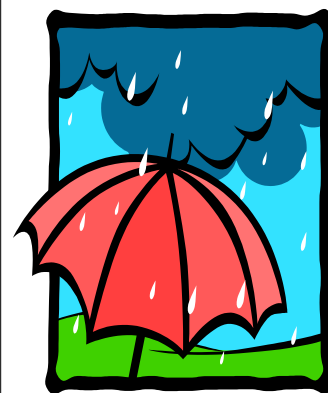


The Yankee Team of the Little League with club members Jon Solander, Kent Parsell & Dennis Doane. George Funk & Ernie Farrington also brought their cars & took the boys for a ride.

Rich & Elna Ragan attended the Monday night game when the Yankees came from behind to win in the last 5 minutes. An exciting game with chilling suspense.

Mission Statement

The "Rods & Relics" Car Club is an organization formed by individuals with an interest in the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of collector vehicles such as: Antiques, Classics, Special Interest and Modified vehicles.



Club Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM at Strikes

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Club Officers

President, Rich Ragan	408-1950
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Treasurer, Craig Kirkpatrick	434-5182
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Caught in the HEADLIGHTS GETTING TO KNOW David Fibush



I was born in Oakland, in 1937. We moved to Seattle in 1940 and returned to California (Coalinga) after the war in 1946. In Coalinga there were three water taps in our home, Hot, Cold and Soft. All the soft water was brought in by tank car. One year was enough there so we moved to Contra Costa County living in Lafayette, Pacheco and finally four years in Walnut Creek while I was in High School. In 1954 I joined the Navy in preference to waiting for a draft notice.

My first car was a 1933 Plymouth 4-door sedan. I rescued it for \$10 on its way to the junk yard. It lasted about 6 months and was replaced with a 1936 Dodge Pickup then a 1941 International Pickup. When I got out of the Navy in 1957 my Father gave me the 1949 4-Door Ford he had bought new. When it died I made a big mistake and bought a 1960 Renault Dauphine. It died in the middle of the 2-lane San Mateo Bridge when I was commuting from home/school in Berkeley to work in San Carlos. I would have saved money if I had pushed it into the bay instead of getting it repaired. I graduated from UC Berkeley with a BSEE in 1962 and MSEE in 1965.



There were no memorable cars during my 40 years as a television equipment design engineer and manager. I was with Ampex (Redwood City) for 23 years and with Tektronix (Beaverton, Oregon) for 14 years. It was at Ampex where I met Judi. We were married in 1981 on Valentine's Day. We moved to Rocklin in 2001 for the usual reason people buy in this area instead of the Bay Area. We decided to reduce our vehicle inventory to 1 in 2004, no need for the 4-wheel drive pickup in the Sacramento valley especially with no AC. Suddenly there was an empty space in the garage so we started looking for a Shoebox Ford. Judi had a 1950 Ford in the early '60s. We had decided to stop looking but Daisy (our 1949 Ford Tudor) showed up on eBay and we couldn't resist. She was pretty much restored but we managed to double our investment with repairs and improvements. Judi would like to have a Model A but unfortunately we don't have room in our garage.

I have been playing with personal computers since 1980. When we became members of the Early Ford V-8 Club, Sacramento Regional Group I offered to take over the website ClutchChatter.org. Since then I have developed websites for 6 other car clubs as well as some non-profit organizations. We particularly like the variety of cars, activities and members in the Rods & Relics club. Some of our other interests are reading, cruising (Alaska and Europe), cats, antique quilts, soft sculpture and computers.

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Your Board held a Planning Session in conjunction with the regular Board Meeting on March 15. Here is a brief summary of Board members' key objectives:

President – Rich Ragan:

- Visit other local car Clubs and discuss items of mutual interest
- Work with/assist Board members in the execution of their duties
- Promote teamwork and meaningful communication throughout the Club

Vice President – Ray Geiger:

- Put on a successful Car Show
- Get more members involved in Club activities
- Keep members informed of legislation that can help or hurt our hobby
- Increase community awareness of the Rods & Relics.

Treasurer – Craig Kirkpatrick:

- Computerize the Club's accounting records
- Strengthen internal control for Club's expenditures
- Pay all bills in a timely manner

Secretary – Julie McVey:

- Ensure all members receive the newsletter
- Take and distribute minutes for the Board and General Membership Meetings
- Involve members in writing articles of interest to Club members

Membership Chairman – Ray Blasquez:

- Maintain the membership of Rods & Relics at a respectable level
- Design a kit for new members
- Promote member participation in all events and projects that the Club undertakes

Activities Director – Judy Rezendes:

- Notify members of various car shows and encourage more participation by all
- Inform Webmaster of events/shows for posting on our Website
- Organize and plan the Christmas Party

Member-At-Large – Kent Parsell:

- Put on a successful Car Show
- Plan a picnic for Club members
- Support the Yankees, the Little League Club we are sponsoring

As you can see, your Board is stepping up to the plate and wants to hit "Home Runs" this year. Your "support" and "involvement" are critical to accomplishing these objectives!

Cards were available, at our March 18 General Membership Meeting, with the following three questions on them. Twenty-four of you responded ... over 50% of those in attendance. THANK YOU!!

President's page continued....

1. What are your ideas and thoughts for our continued growth and improvement?

- Have a Club picnic/potluck. (Four responses)
- Hold a 50/50 Raffle at the General Meeting. (Two responses)
- Take more short day trips.
- Ideas for speakers for the General Meeting.
- Organize a Rods & Relics Ladies' Bunco Group.
- Interact with other Car Clubs.
- Participate in more overnight Car Shows.
- Add a Swap Meet to a Car Show.

What are your concerns for the Club

- Control number of members.
- Want to get to know others
- Our Club is outgrowing the Waffle Farm.
- Set minimum age.
- No low riders or rat rods.
- Members need to attend more than one car show during the year.
- Interest in involving the women more. (No dish washing)
- Raise more \$\$'s ... a 50/50 Raffle.

What are you willing to do to contribute to the Club?

- Anything I can help with, whatever is needed! (Six responses)
- Help with the Car Show (Two responses)
- Help in designing future Club apparel.
- Work on clothing for the Club.
- Just ask.
- Work on building a "Trivia Quiz."
- Volunteer to attend events other than car events.
- Help with advertising.
- June 5 Car Show parking.
- Continue as the registrar at June 5 Car show.
- Continue as the Webmaster.
- Help with the June 5 Car Show, whatever is needed.
- Nothing!

I am extremely pleased with the creative ideas and the overall willingness to come together, contribute to the Club, and have a lot of fun at the same time. Your concerns will be studied and the Board and I will get back to you with the results.

We welcome the challenge of accomplishing our objectives. Your help is paramount to these successes. Your input is always welcome. Contact me or any Board member!

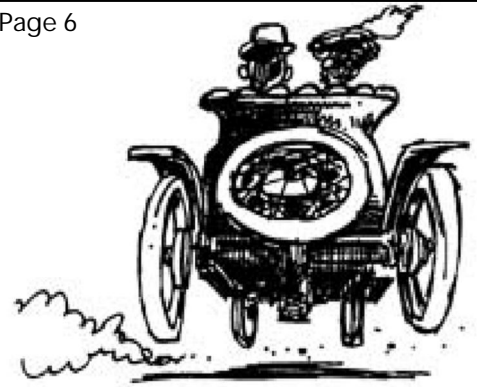
Rich Ragan, President

RODS & RELICS CAR CLUB

Minutes of the March 18, 2010 Meeting

- Ray Teegarden of Teegarden Motorsport Specialties attended our meeting as a guest speaker and began with a short movie clip on the benefits of AMSoil, artificial oil with great benefits for your vehicle, your wallet and your time.
- An added treat was the Club apparel table which will become a feature at all General Membership Meetings. Ed McVey brought samples of the available club clothing items. Members were invited to check out the table and make purchases.
- After the presentation, we had a break and then an "Introduction Activity" during which members went around the room meeting new members or those they haven't seen before—or in a long time.
- Rich Ragan, President, then called the meeting to order and asked for the Secretary's report. Ray Geiger moved to approve the Minutes as published in the Newsletter, Craig Kirkpatrick 2nd the motion and the membership signaled their approval.
- Craig Kirkpatrick, Treasurer, reported a balance to date of \$1970.69 in our checking account, we are doing well. Craig is working on a form for members when requesting club funds which will make it easier to keep track of transactions.
- Judy Rezendes, Activity Director gave a run down on the timeframe of the Little League parade and presentation following at McBean Park, Saturday March 20th. We are invited because we are sponsors of the Yankee's, their website is: www.LincolnIbaseball.org for more info. Judy's full report is on the next page. Current Car Show plans include the Gold Rush Car Show in downtown Oroville on May 7 & 8, Julie McVey will organize; May 14, Auburn Cruise Night's begin on Lincoln Way, Judy Rezendes will organize; May 15 Annual Gold Country Cruise Car Show in Old Town Jackson, W. Ernst & Craig Kirkpatrick will organize; June 19th the Ride to Walk Foundation has asked us to display our cars at their facility to bring more attention to their 5 K run to raise money for their organization.
- Kent introduced Tom & Dorothy Atkinson with their '38 Chevy coupe who live in Sun City, Roseville and were attending their 2nd meeting and still wanted to join our club. They were voted into the fold. Another prospect is Craig Lyman who owns a feed store, has a '64 Chevy flat bed hay-hauler & was looking us over as was Mark Price, who owns the All Muffler Shop on Pacific St. in Rocklin. He invited us to attend his Customer Appreciation Day on May 1st. He starts at 7 AM so we can come early if we want.
- Kent then put on his Car Show Hat and told us that Thunder Valley Casino, Riebes NAPA and Wave Broadband are all Gold Sponsors. At the NAPA Store he & Ray also received great hats and NAPA might be able to host a booth featuring a Corvette with Chuck Yeager in it for a photo OP. Kent also displayed the Thank You Certificates for the trophy sponsors giving one to "Kirkbride Photo" and another to "Malone Motors". He also thanked Judy Rezendes for her work in obtaining generous insurance coverage for only \$308. Posters are now available to post and the Registration forms are available to take to car shows to distribute. Be sure to see the Wave TV ad regarding our show. Kent also said that he will represent our club at the Saturday Parade & presentation on Opening Day.

NOTES FROM THE GLOVEBOX



Breakfast at the Waffle Farm has become a regular tradition for many member families. Everyone is welcome to attend, sunny days bring your show ride. Waffle Farm Breakfasts for April are the 12th & 27th. We caravan from Orchard Creek Parking Lot at 8:45 or meet up at the Waffle Farm, 815 Twelve Bridges Dr. Lincoln at 9 AM for a fine breakfast with a bunch of really nice folks who have even better cars! I'd love to talk about them. 'Ya'll Come!

Continued..... Meeting Minutes

NEW BUSINESS

- Tom Kirkbride asked that we attend the Chevy Club 3rd Annual Car Show in Loomis at 3636 Taylor Road, on May 1st because they supported our Car Show.
- Kent would like to have a Pot Luck Picnic at McBean Park after Labor Day with all the members of the car club attending. Sounds like a good idea to me! Details will be decided upon and be published here.
- Judy Rezendes has a friend in Livermore, Herbie Mast-ing who does pin striping and will come for a weekend to decorate our cars for a reasonable charge. Ralph Garcia said that we now have a local talented pin striper living amongst us, Mike Klein, and we should think about that as an alternative.
- Dan Larsen is back as the Apparel guy, he missed his job and is formulating a new form to order all sorts of apparel-of course. We do get a discount when the quantity is higher and we have many new members who are not wearing our distinctive jackets.
- Julie McVey made a motion to adjourn; Tom Kirkbride 2nd the motion, all approved and went home.

Julie McVey, Secretary

ACTIVITY REPORT by Judy Rezendes

All of the recurring events begin in May and are listed on the website but the Car Shows for April are listed here.

- April 17th—Saturday Loomis, Show, Shine & Rod Run, 3325 Swetzer Rd., show and shine, 10 am-2pm, rod run 2-5 pm. Entry fee \$20 per vehicle, BBQ, drawing, info 916-652-7022
- April 14—18th. Redding—Kool April Nites, Redding Conv. Center. Info; 530-226-0844.
- April 22—25. Anderson—American Auto Shows-Hot-O-Rama, Shasta District Fairgrounds, 8 am-10pm. \$35. info, 530-226-7766.
- April 24th, Saturday. Sacramento Boulevard Image Show & Shine, Johnson High School, 6879 14th Ave., 9:30 am-5pm, entry fee \$15 car or motorcycle, live DJ, raffle info 916-265-8259.
- April 25, Sunday Citrus Heights—Capital City Cruisers, Springfest Car Show @ Lowe's Home Improvement Center, Greenback at Sunrise Blvd, 8am-2:30pm, entry fee gate \$25. 50 classes, awards, info 916-723-8840

MARCH MADNESS SHOWS

New members Tom & Dorothy have been attending shows & bringing back pictures. Saturday March 13th they went to the Westside Elementary 3rd Annual Car & Bike Show. I think the schools are on to a new way to raise money and show car folks a good time. They even provide a rain out date just in case the weather is normal.



On Sunday they attended the Show at Lowe's Home Improvement parking lot hosted by San Juan High School Students but all proceeds went to fight breast cancer. The rat rod shown here is only one of the many different cars at the show.



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