



## **EARLY FORD V8 CLUB #109**

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# October 2015 Newsletter



*Clickity Clack Road Trip - Port Alberni, B.C.*





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*We gratefully welcome contributions from EFW8 members and associates for inclusion in the Rumbles Newsletter.*

*Thank you to everyone who has assisted so far!!*





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## **EARLY FORD V8 CLUB R.G. #109**

**Victoria, British Columbia**

*Gary Nordstrom, Secretary.*

October 13th, 2015 Ford V8 Club Meeting at The Well 7:30 PM

Attending: Vic N, Murray A, Laurie S, Norrie S, Dave P, Tony C, Reg A, Robert and Donna B, Dave W, Rae R, Louise S, Dennis M, Svein H, Gary N, Bob M, Chris C, Jim J, Don L. Guest: Mike Mortimer

Welcome: Vic. Bill P is traveling in the eastern USA

Minutes: Accepted - Murray/Tony

Membership: No change

Regalia: No report, Fraser absent

Business Arising:

Christmas Party: Fri Dec 4th 5:30. Phoning committee will confirm attendance

Annual Picnic: July 17, 2016 at Heritage Acres. Bruce and Laurie in charge

Clickety Clack Tour: Port Alberni. Jim J reported. Great variety, well done.

Blackstaff Tour: Ladysmith. Vic reported: the collection continues to grow.

Well worth seeing.

Fall Tours: Gary Clarke, Camaro collection seen last week. Chris is preparing photos

Upcoming events:

Meeting Nov 10: Elections

Christmas at Heritage Acres is being readied, announcement soon

**Treasurer's Report:** Jim J. Some details listed on agenda. Accepted - Bob M/Tony

**Budget for 2016:** Discussion and Decisions



Rainy Day essential balance needed. According to Vic, \$3910.35 plus sponsor money. Also, need a budget for the remainder of the year. Tony will attend donor's reception at Camosun College. Oct 22. He will report to help us decide on next years' donation.

\$500 donation to Salvation Army. Accepted Chris/Murray. Cheque to be presented by Chris C in person.

\$500 to Artifacts Society. Contract commitment. Next meeting-decision re extra donation.

**Nov Election: Volunteers for executive positions needed.**

**New Business:**

Reg proposed a quality T-shirt with embroidered logo. Offered to members first and then sold at the car show. Probable cost: \$20. (Ocean Promotions) Also could have sponsors on shirts (Coop, Old Car Centre, Carson Grp) Motion: Reg to arrange for T-shirts for members only. Will consider sponsors later. Accepted: Norrie/Laurie

Produce tickets for next year's car show to be given to sponsors. Chris and Reg to work on this.

Christmas Party costs: Phoning committee to determine the numbers attending by November. Club will cover the cost of spouses. Accepted: Murray/Don

National Membership: Jim finalizing list for payment. Rae to help. Form to be filled out.

**Buy and Sell:**

For Sale: Dick Hansen's 38 Ford Coupe plus other parts

For Sale: 89 Lincoln Town Car 652 1166

**Tech Talk:**

Advertisement for Shine on Chrome and Graphic Finishes in Nanaimo

Adjournment: Tony/Murray

50/50: Dennis M won \$11



# 2015 CLUB AGENDA / SCHEDULE.

**NEXT CLUB MEETING IS NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>.**

## ***ACTIVITY AGENDA – September through December***

September 8 <sup>th</sup>	Regular club meeting at The Well.
Sept. 12 & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Clickity Clack Road Run. Details to be confirmed. Jim J.
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Esquimalt Car Show
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ocean Park Car Show. White Rock.
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Blackstaff collection tour. Noon to 4:00 Ladysmith
Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Shop tour Camaro collection
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting – Nominations and bursary update.
Nov 10 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting – Elections.
Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas in the Village – Setup. 9:00 to 12:00 LUNCH INCLUDED.
Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parking cars & kitchen help for Christmas in the Village. See Dave W.
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	Annual EFV8 club Christmas party. 5:30 PM

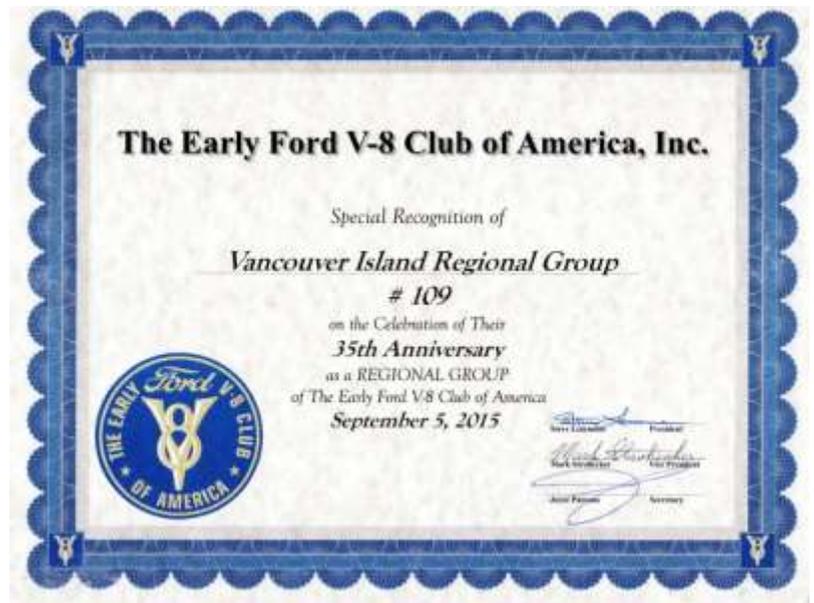




# CLUB NEWS.



Thank you to the National EFV8 for recognizing our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



# Our Wonderful “Clickity Clack” Tour

*By: Marie & Jim Jennings. Tour team co-ordinators.*

Armed with a map and point by point booklet describing the history behind the sights we would be seeing, we left Ice Cream Mountain at Goldstream at 9 am. Everyone followed Marie & Jim in “Miss Daisy”, our 1947 Monarch as we ventured forth over the Malahat. At the Bamberton Campground turn-off we travelled down to the Mill Bay waterfront. Stopping briefly for a breath of fresh air, we were thrilled to see two grey whales spouting and feeding out toward Ardmore on the far side of the bay. A big bonus before we had really started our tour!! Moving on, we drove along the Mill Bay Road and back to the highway. A short distance up the highway, we turned down Kilmalu Road and took the back roads through to Cowichan Bay and a coffee break at the Great Grains Bakery. (Wonderfully delicious goodies to be had) Departing there at 10:30, we wound around the back roads past the Robert Service Cairn, the famous South Cowichan Lawn Tennis Club and through the local 1<sup>st</sup> Nations Reserve, past the Stone Butter Church, St. Anne’s Church, & Providence Farm. (Tour for another day) Reaching the Maple Bay Road we snaked down through Maple Bay, Osbourne Bay, through Chemainus and Saltaire, all at a leisurely and calming slower pace. The scenery was beautiful and the weather likewise.

Reaching Ladysmith we drove up the old highway and through to 1<sup>st</sup> Street, where we stopped to wonder at the “swastika’s” decorating the old Travellers Hotel. It seems these represented prosperity and peace prior to the 2nd WW, and so we were to learn some different history here, and we also learned where Bill & Sue Pritchard had found the bakery with the best sticky buns ever.

Leaving Ladysmith it was decided that we would take the old route through Nanaimo and along the Seaside Route to Parksville. Stopping at the old “Rod and Gun Hotel” for lunch, we decided that, due to time restraints, we would have to leave a visit to Coombs until another time.

Arriving in Pt. Alberni, we checked into our hotel and then met with our host, Bob East, who took us out to visit Laurie Steven’s cousin, Ross Stevens, who had several buildings of restored trucks. Back to the hotel after a thoroughly entertaining visit, we freshened up and then were off to dinner at the “Little Bavaria Restaurant” with our hosts, Bob & Irene East, Ross & Shari Stevens, and friends, Chris and Peg Whittaker, who had volunteered to help with the local “Fall Fair” exhibition of vehicles that day. What a fabulous spread of food!!

Sunday morning, the boys went to the “Industrial Heritage Centre”. So much to see and so much more restoration to do. Old train cars, ancient logging trucks, historic steam locomotives, and much more, created a very successful working display of old-time logging and transport technology. Meanwhile, the girls went down to the Harbour Quay and poked around the tourist traps, and tried to find some other interesting spots in town. Thanks to Sue Pritchard and her capable driving, we knew every street in town by lunchtime. Unfortunately, most shops were closed as it was Sunday.



After joining the boys for lunch at Tim Horton's, we headed out to "The McLean Mill". So much history here and so much to see. The amount of work that the local volunteers put into this historic site is phenomenal. This is the resurrection of the last working steam mill on Vancouver Island and the homes of the people who worked there. Many years of restorative work to be continued on this site for years to come.

Following a much-enjoyed visit here, we had to push on to our last point of interest, the residence of Allan Mason. WOW....this fellow has a passion for small gauge trains and boats. In his yard there was a pond approximately 50' x 80', which had several sets of small gauge rail tracks artistically set around this pond. He had landscaped to scale, log loading yards with equipment, bridges, floats & float planes, station house, small buildings, vehicles....on and on. His "to scale" display vehicles were all metal, beautifully painted and set in carefully laid out "to size and texture" landscaping. In his bedroom he had several beautifully hand built fish boats which he had made and displayed. A very quiet man with an incredibly artistic eye. You can view 18 videos he has posted on "You Tube". Look for Allan Mason. Also he had 3 wonderful vehicles, an original "47 Monarch, a gorgeous '46 Buick, and a 1942 Chev pick-up with a flat deck on the back, which he uses to drive around Pt. Alberni to pick up supplies.

Finally, a great seafood dinner at Bare Bones and then a jaunt down to Victoria Quay to watch several bears trying to catch their dinner in the Somas River. We were on one side of the river, they on the other. Great fun!!

Monday morning, after a super breakfast at Boomerangs, we each headed off, some bound for home, some to Tofino. For us, an uneventful return, Miss Daisy surprised us with her perfect manners and a marvelous 21 miles to the gallon. Could we ask for more?? Many thanks to our Pt. Alberni host, Bob East, & our travelling historian, Vic Nordstrom, we had a fabulous weekend!!

*Several EFV8 club members that attended this great tour were kind enough to share a whopping great load of photographs for us. I wish I could load them all into Rumbles but there is simply not enough space. I have included a selection of all locations and I thank Marie Jennings, Vic Nordstrom, Bill Pritchard and Lauri Stevens for sharing so much with us.*

*Very special "Thanks" to both Jim and Marie Jennings for putting this all together and making it such a huge success!*

**Enjoy**













**Thank you everyone for the photos.**



## ***The Fantastic Shop Tour – Lloyd Houston's Camaros!***



On Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> the EFV8 club 109 had the special privilege of touring a dream shop with a marvelous collection of Camaros. This tour was organized by Gary Clark and the turnout was one of the best yet. We also enjoyed a very nice lunch at the Apple Tree Restaurant before the tour. Our host, Lloyd Houston, was kind enough to join us and share many insights to his impressive collection of White Camaros. This unique collection was a treat to view and our warmest thanks go out to Lloyd for welcoming so many EFV8 Ford enthusiasts into his dream garage.



**Photos compliments of Carol Liggett**



**Special thanks to Gary Clarke once again for doing such a brilliant job of setting this up.**



**Fun from the web.** Great links for your personal enjoyment – all contributions from EFV8 club members. All you have to do is right click and open hyperlink to connect to the site. Have fun. Thank you Lauri and Tony for the latest contributions!

**New stuff In October.**

<http://themetapicture.com/photographing-a-town-that-never-was/> **Tony Cond**

**August & September**

<http://www.rkmotorscharlotte.com/sales/inventory/active#%21/>

<https://vimeo.com/100670266>

<http://www.americantorque.com/game/car-show-50s/>



**TECH TALK**

If you have any technical issues you would like to share please submit to the Rumbles editor. Thank you.

**TEN things that will ruin your car and drop its resale value**

*There are some things you absolutely know will ruin your car (and/or its resale value): excessive smoking, major damage, starting a fire in the backseat. Then, there are the other more minute things that you probably do not even think about. If you want to make the most out of your next trade-in, pay very close attention to this handy list. In addition, stop starting fires in the backseat.*



### **1. You are shifting into drive while the car's still rolling backwards.**

You may be thinking that going from reverse to drive before the car has fully stopped isn't horrible, but think about this: at just 4 mph, today's average car exerts more force than a bullet fired out of a rifle, and you're asking small pieces of metal to stop it instantly. When you think about how expensive transmission repair can be, you'll realize why this is shooting yourself in the foot. Which is also extremely costly to repair.

### **2. You are filling your radiator with nothing but water**

If you're driving hard or stuck in traffic during the extreme heat of summer, untreated water can approach its boiling point given the pressure of most cooling systems. Then, if that water freezes in the winter, it will wreak some serious havoc as it expands, like cracking your engine block. Use a 50/50 mix of water and coolant, just like the book says.

### **3. You are cleaning your tinted windows with Windex**

Windex has ammonia in it, and if it comes in contact with the tint film on your car's windows, it will discolor it. Use a dedicated automotive window cleaner instead. If you've ever seen someone driving down the road with purple tinted windows, it's fair to assume they sprayed some Windex on it.

### **4. You are using the wrong oil**

The thickness—or viscosity—of an oil is hugely important to how effectively it does its job, and your engine was designed around a specific viscosity. With very few exceptions, you won't see any benefit from changing your viscosity. Always stick with the manufacturer recommendation, conveniently found in your owner's manual.

### **5. You are not giving your car enough time to warm up**

Your oil doesn't lubricate nearly as well when it's cold, and all those parts in your engine are designed to operate within a certain temperature range. What happens when you start your car and drive away? You are stressing everything under the hood when it is at its most vulnerable moments. New cars warm up much faster, thanks to environmental legislation, but you should still wait at least a minute before starting up and driving off.

### **6. You're driving with your ASS**

Your car's automatic start/stop system (ASS) is designed to make your car more environmentally friendly, and save you a few bucks at the fuel pump. Make no mistake: using it *will* cause premature wear on parts. Today's cars have beefier starters to compensate for this, but if you take two brand new cars and disable the start/stop function of one and not the other, the one without the function will lead a longer and much happier life. However, your car will put out more greenhouse gas, so the choice is yours.

### **7. You are not slowing down for speed bumps or potholes**

This will absolutely destroy the life of your shocks and can lead to other damage to the car's undercarriage.



### **8. You're not fixing the small things**

A small mechanical issue can—and will—inevitably lead to a much larger one. For example, a worn shock absorber stresses things like bushings. When suspension bushings go, you're looking at excess movement in the tires, which increases wear and decreases stability. When engine and transmission bushings go, you have extra movement in your drive train. This butterfly effect will cause serious damage to your car and bank account.

### **9. You're ignoring the Check Engine light**

One of the most common misconceptions about cars is that a Check Engine light isn't serious, and can therefore be ignored. Sure, it doesn't always signal immediate doom, but it does mean something is off with your engine. It could be something minor, but if left untreated, it could snowball into something very costly. If any of your other dashboard warning lights come on (Check Oil, Water Temp), pull into a parking lot and shut the car off ASAP.

### **10. You're defrosting an icy windshield with hot water**

If you don't know what happens when you pour hot water on ice cold glass, allow me to inform you: it breaks. Actually, it shatters. This can and will happen to your windshield, probably in front of every neighbor on your block. Park the car facing the sun, and let nature do its work in the morning. Combine that with turning the defroster on at full blast and pulling out the 'ole ice scraper is still the safest way to get your windshield clean.

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## **Buy & Sell.**

I have a 1951 Ford radio that I am restoring for eventual installation in my 51 Merc M3 Pickup. I have cleaned up the radio and it has all the original tubes, but I do not know if it will power up because I am missing the connecting wiring plus aerial and associated connectors to the radio.

Does anyone know who in the local area would be able to help me with this project?

Tony Cond 250-389-1369



***For Sale: 1938 Ford Club Coupe. Dick Hansen, owner for 40 years!!***

Dick Hansen, retired EFV8 member, is downsizing and has reached the point where he wants to sell his 38 Club Coupe. This car is an original with very few modifications. The coupe has mechanical brakes, original flathead, and standard transmission. Several extra parts would be included in the sale. If you are interested please call Dick directly at 250 479 1118. Best offer will take it.



# JUST FOR FUN



Ever wonder how they used to paint the centerline on the highways in the old days?  
**Check out the right front wheel.**

*Compliments of Don MacPerson – Parksville (honest) B.C.*

If you want to blame someone for the following look no further than Lauri Stevens. Thanks again Lauri.

THIS WAS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT... THE ANSWERS WERE ON THE TIP OF MY TONGUE... I REMEMBERED, BUT...I couldn't reel it in!

1. After the Lone Ranger saved the day and rode off into the sunset, the grateful citizens would ask, Who was that masked man? Invariably, someone would answer, 'I don't know, but he left this behind.'  
What did he leave behind?\_\_\_\_\_.



2. When the Beatles first came to the U.S. in early 1964, we all watched them on The \_\_\_\_\_ Show.
3. 'Get your kicks, \_\_\_\_\_.'
4. 'The story you are about to see is true. The names have been changed to \_\_\_\_\_.'
5. 'In the jungle, the mighty jungle, \_\_\_\_\_.'
6. After the Twist, The Mashed Potato, and the Watusi, we 'danced' under a stick that was lowered as low as we could go in a dance called the '\_\_\_\_\_.'
7. Nestlé's makes the very best \_\_\_\_\_.'
8. Satchmo was America's 'Ambassador of Goodwill.' Our parents shared this great jazz trumpet player with us. His name was \_\_\_\_\_.
9. What takes a licking and keeps on ticking? \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Red Skeleton's hobo character was named \_\_\_\_\_ and Red always ended his television show by saying, 'Good Night, and \_\_\_\_\_.'
11. Some Americans who protested the Vietnam War did so by burning their \_\_\_\_\_.
12. The cute little car with the engine in the back and the trunk in the front was called the VW. What other names did it go by?  
\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.
13. In 1971, singer Don MacLean sang a song about, 'the day the music died.' This was a tribute to \_\_\_\_\_.
14. We can remember the first satellite placed into orbit. The Russians did it. It was called \_\_\_\_\_.



15. One of the big fads of the late 50's and 60's was a large plastic ring that we twirled around our waist. It was called the \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Remember LS/MFT \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_?
17. Hey Kids! What time is it? It's \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_!
18. Who knows what secrets lie in the hearts of men? The \_\_\_\_\_ Knows!
19. There was a song that came out in the 60's that was "a grave yard smash" its name was the \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_!
20. Alka Seltzer used a "boy with a tablet on his head" as its Logo/Representative. What was the boys Name? \_\_\_\_\_

Answers might be found on the very back page. No peeking!!

## COMMITTEES / UPDATES. 2015



### Membership & Newsletter.

Vic Nordstrom, Bob Cox, Chris Chown



### Ford & Friends Car Show & Shine 2015

*Bruce Somers & Lauri Stevens co-coordinators.*  
July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015



**Annual BBQ.** At "The Well" in May 30 2015.



### Tours.

*Gary Clarke coordinator* with Vic Nordstrom





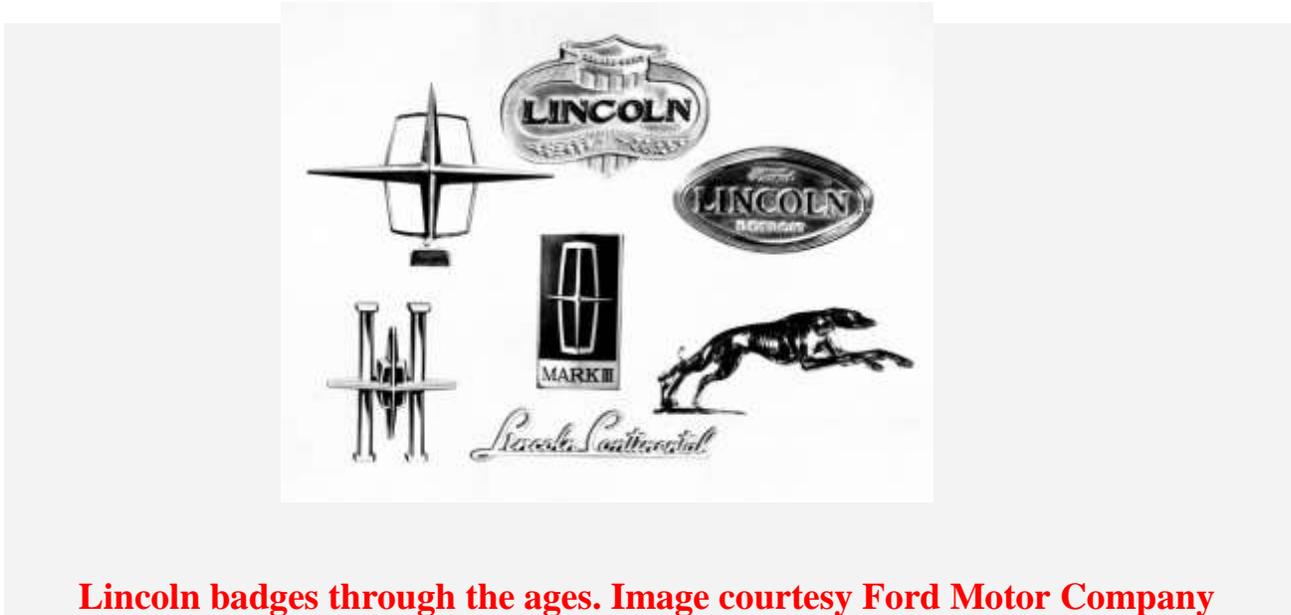
## Annual Christmas Party

*Steve Butler & Anna Meyer.*



# *Fun Page* **This Day in History.**

**Ford buys Lincoln - February 4 1922.**



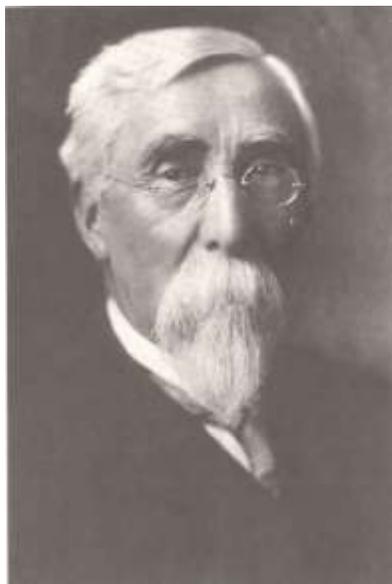
**Lincoln badges through the ages. Image courtesy Ford Motor Company**

On February 4, 1922, Ford Motor Company officially closed the deal on the purchase of the bankrupt Lincoln Motor Company from Henry Leland, giving Ford a true luxury division to compete against the likes of Cadillac, Packard and Auburn.

Founded just a few years earlier, in 1917, by Henry Leland to manufacture V-12 aircraft engines for the war effort, Lincoln's valiant attempt at selling a luxury car was as much an exercise in bad



timing as anything. The economic instability following World War I made for a tough market for a \$6,000-plus car when a Model T could be had for \$400. Despite an initial \$8 million capitalization, Lincoln found themselves stretched thin, their first car, the Model L, having appeared only in 1920. Henry Ford came to the rescue and was able to quickly turn Lincoln into a world-class luxury leader, a status the marque enjoyed for decades.

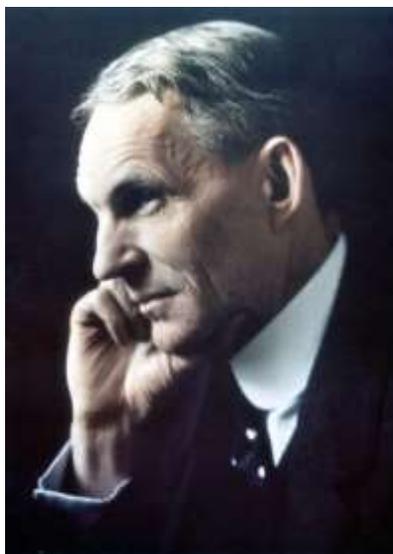


### Henry M. Leland

In an incredible example of the incestuous nature of the early days of the automotive industry, Leland's claim to fame was in creating the Cadillac Automobile Company 20 years previous from the ashes of the Henry Ford's first eponymous car company. Leland convinced a group of investors that had ousted Ford to not liquidate the Henry Ford Company when they started Cadillac instead. A veteran machinist, Leland used his experiences in the gun industry, where interchangeable parts were the norm, to change the fledgling car industry. In 1909, Billy Durant purchased Cadillac for \$4.5 million as part of the creation of General Motors. When Durant returned some years later, he had a dispute with Leland, namely that Durant was a pacifist and did not want to get involved in the war materiel business.

Leland didn't last long and left in 1917 to create Lincoln, which was named after the President he so greatly admired. With a government contract in hand, Lincoln made thousands of Liberty V-12s for allied aircraft. After the war, they invested \$6 million in converting the factory to produce luxury cars. The 1920 Lincoln L was powered by a narrow 60-degree V-8. With the economy in depression throughout 1920 and well into 1921, demand was soft for such a car and Lincoln fell into receivership, necessitating Ford's rescue.

Henry installed his 28-year-old son, Edsel, in the top job at Lincoln and the company had decent success throughout the rest of the decade, managing to turn a profit after just one year under the Ford umbrella. Lincoln would go on to become the number one competitor to Cadillac for much of the post-war era before the rise of European and Japanese luxury cars in recent decades.



Henry Ford. Photo courtesy of Ford Motor Company

### [Early Ford V-8 Museum shelves Rotunda replica plans for expansion](#)



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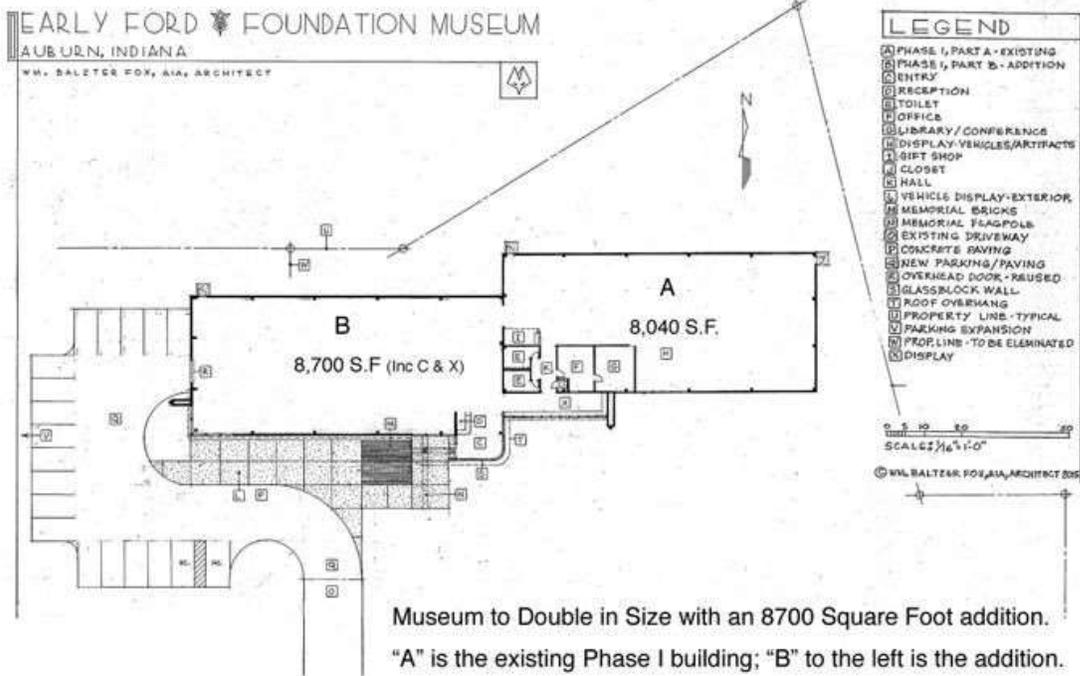
*Images courtesy Early Ford V-8 Foundation.*

With the Early Ford V-8 Foundation set to inherit about 60 vehicles from donors and members—and with enough space in the foundation’s museum for maybe four more cars—foundation officials have decided to put their \$9 million Rotunda replica plans on the back burner and instead focus on a \$1.3 million expansion that will double the size of the existing museum.

The expansion plans, revealed over the Labor Day weekend, call for an 8,700-square-foot addition on the western side of the existing 8,040-square-foot museum, located on 13 acres just outside of Auburn, Indiana. All but 700 square feet of the addition will be used for exhibit space, which means room for another 45 to 50 cars, according to Frank Scheidt, the foundation’s newsletter editor. The existing museum, which includes a gift shop and other facilities, currently houses 16 vehicles as well as the museum’s various engine displays and other automobilia.

Josh Conrad, the museum’s collection coordinator, said the foundation’s officials are just trying to prepare the museum for the future with the expansion. “A lot of guys are sending us one or two cars at a time because they don’t want to see them hot rodded,” Conrad said. “But we also have bigger collections—17 cars, 26 cars—promised to us that could come at any time. Where are we going to put them?”





Since 2007, the foundation has been making plans to [build a smaller replica of the Rotunda](#)—the Albert Kahn–designed gear–shaped exhibit hall originally built in 1934 for Ford’s display at the Chicago World’s Fair and later moved to Dearborn, Michigan—to serve as the museum’s multipurpose room. However, those plans have only progressed as far as preliminary drawings. “The trustees just weren’t comfortable spending \$9 million on it,” Conrad said.

He noted that foundation officials haven’t entirely dropped the Rotunda replica plans. Rather, the \$100,000 that the foundation has raised for the Rotunda since 2009 will now go toward the museum expansion and the existing fundraiser for the expansion will continue indefinitely. “We’ve laid the building out so we can put the Rotunda smack dab in the middle of the existing museum and the expansion,” Conrad said. The plans for the expansion also include one corner set up as a Ford dealership’s showroom floor.

According to Scheidt, the foundation may break ground on the addition next spring, depending on the success of its current fundraising campaign.

For more information on the Early Ford V–8 Foundation and museum, visit [FordV8Foundation.org](http://FordV8Foundation.org).





This newsletter is provided free of charge to members and associates of the  
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Should you wish to contribute an item or offer comments please contact:

Chris D. Chown via email at [cdchown@outlook.com](mailto:cdchown@outlook.com).

*Thank you.*

### **ANSWERS:**

1. The Lone Ranger left behind a silver bullet.
2. The Ed Sullivan Show
3. On Route 66
4. To protect the innocent.
5. The Lion Sleeps Tonight
6. The limbo
7. Chocolate
8. Louis Armstrong
9. The Timex watch
10. Freddy, The Freeloader and 'Good Night and God Bless.'
11. Draft cards (Bras were also burned. Not flags, as some have guessed)
12. Beetle or Bug
13. Buddy Holly
14. Sputnik
15. Hoola-hoop
16. Lucky Strike/Means Fine Tobacco
17. Howdy Doody Time
18. Shadow
19. Monster Mash
20. Speedy

