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December Meeting

Sunday 12/9 at *2PM



**Russ & Gayle Roark's
Holiday Party**

See page 4 for details

***Please note later start time!**



President's Message

By Bruce Williams



Dear V8 Club folks,

We yet again had a fun monthly meeting, this time at a new place, Favazza's on the Hill. It was a delightful time, with lively conversation and great food. I had just spent the week before in Italy and France on a business trip, and I'm very confident that Favazza's qualifies as "real" Italian food. It was really, really good! And we all had lots of laughs. But I noticed a few dirty looks, when for the second month in a row, I pulled the winning 50/50 ticket, only to find that Theresa and I had won! I think next time I will ask Al Hartnagel to pull the winner. And just like last month, a big "thank you" goes out to Jan and Dave Conrad for hosting the meeting. It was a fantastic choice for a meeting locale, and Jan brought some awesome desserts. There was a rumor that Dave, in addition to making some of the coolest cars in St. Louis, is also a great dessert chef. But the bar codes on the packages gave away his secret. In any case, we packed away the desserts with abandon.

During the "Business" part of our meeting, we did indeed manage to come up with a slate of candidates for election of our 2019 officers. Some are "the usual suspects", who will serve in their current role for another year. But I'm hoping to have a bit of a beauty pageant for President, with more than one candidate. A couple people who were not in attendance were nominated, and I have reached out to them to see if they'll agree to be on the ballot. Whatever the outcome, I have volunteered to assist any candidate in any way needed so that they are comfortable in the role. And we all know that we're a pretty easy-going club that doesn't require a lot of pomp & circumstance. I think you'll find the ballot elsewhere in this newsletter, so please send me your ballot via mail or email, or bring it to the December Christmas party.

As has become a bit of a tradition of late, we will have our Christmas meeting at the Roark's. It is always a great highlight to the year, with tons of food and fun, situated among Russell's awesome collection of Fords. If you haven't been for a while, please join us. It is always a big treat. Thanks to Gayle and Russell for once again opening their place to us for such a special event.

That's it for now. See you at the Christmas party.

Bruce

MINUTES FROM THE NOV. 2018 MEETING

Bruce called the meeting to order and thanked Dave and Jan Conrad for hosting the meeting at Favazza's on the Hill. 13 members attended. Others members heard we going to take nominations for next year and they decided to leave the city. In spite of the low attendance, all offices received a nomination. Charlie, Theresa, Betty, Howard, and Mary are keeping their positions. Barb is resigning as a board member so she has time to eat her Bons Bons. Peggy Crawford and Bonnie Abler are the new board members. Mike Huber also resigned as a board member. He decided to climb the club ladder and is our new president. Congratulations Mike and Happy Birthday! Thank you, Bruce, for being our president for the last 3 years.

This is a special month for the Crawfords. Howard and Peggy celebrated their 44th anniversary on November 9 and Peggy is celebrating a special birthday on the 30th. Aren't all birthdays special?

Our treasurer says we have an additional \$16.50 from the 50/50 in the treasury. Bruce picked the winning number for this month's 50/50 and Theresa had the winning number. She received \$11.00 and the treasury will have another \$11.00. Diane, when Mike starts drawing numbers your luck should improve.

The Roarks will host our December meeting and Christmas party. The date is Sunday, December 9, at **2 pm**. Please bring a side or dessert. The club will supply meat and drinks.

The Crawfords will host the installation meeting on Saturday, January 12, at 1:00.

Bruce thanked the Conrads again for hosting and especially for the delicious cakes we had for dessert. The meeting was adjourned and goodbye Bruce. We'll miss you but we know where you live.



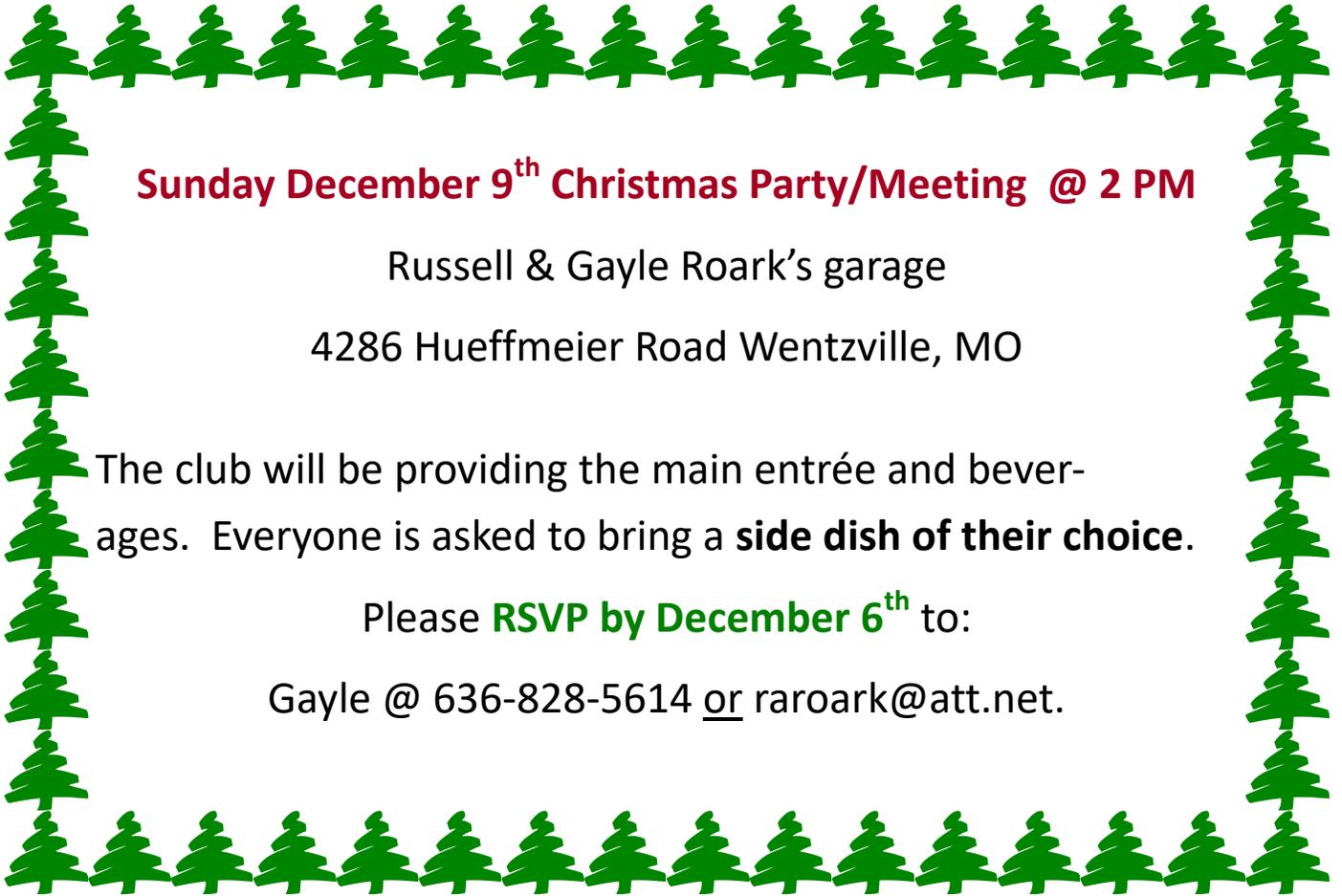
Peggy & Howard Crawford



Betty & Charlie Henerey



Diane Huber & Bonnie Abler



Sunday December 9th Christmas Party/Meeting @ 2 PM

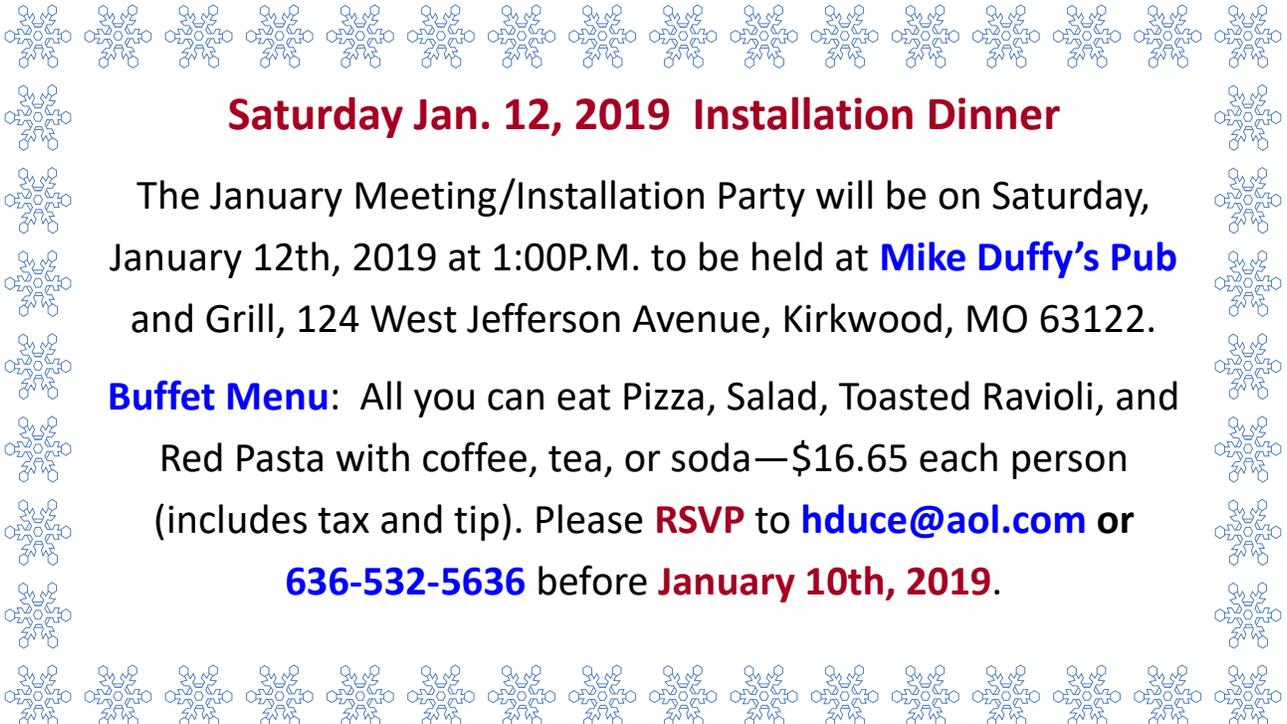
Russell & Gayle Roark's garage
4286 Hueffmeier Road Wentzville, MO

The club will be providing the main entrée and beverages. Everyone is asked to bring a **side dish of their choice**.

Please **RSVP by December 6th** to:

Gayle @ 636-828-5614 or raroark@att.net.

Upcoming Event



Saturday Jan. 12, 2019 Installation Dinner

The January Meeting/Installation Party will be on Saturday, January 12th, 2019 at 1:00P.M. to be held at **Mike Duffy's Pub and Grill**, 124 West Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122.

Buffet Menu: All you can eat Pizza, Salad, Toasted Ravioli, and Red Pasta with coffee, tea, or soda—\$16.65 each person (includes tax and tip). Please **RSVP** to **hduce@aol.com** or **636-532-5636** before **January 10th, 2019**.

Out of the Blue

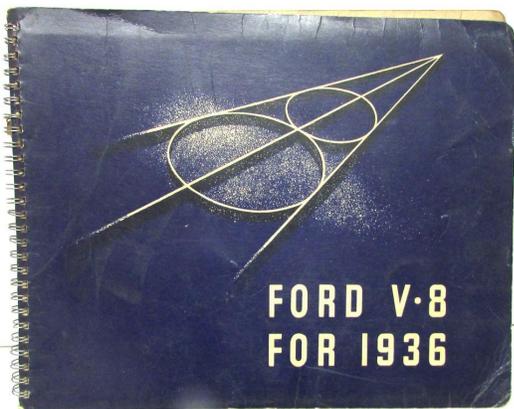
By Bruce Williams

Recently, I received an email from a stranger who asked if I might be interested in a pretty rare Ford collectible, a 1936 Ford Dealer Album. Well, of course!!!

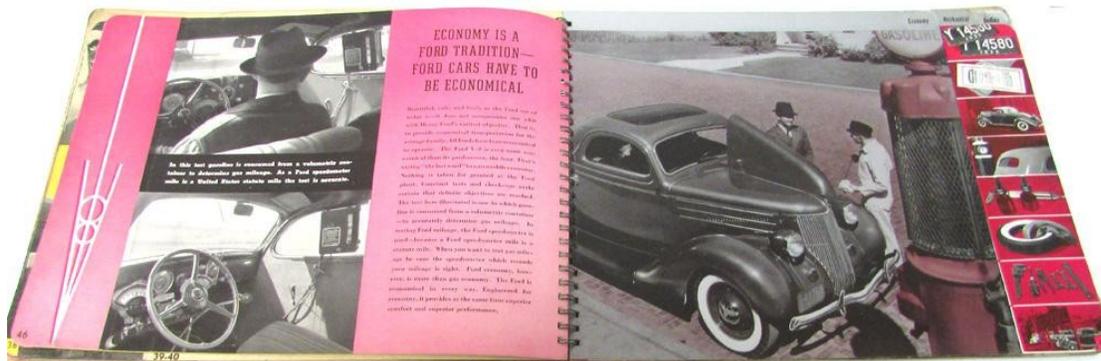
The gentleman's name is Jim, and he told me that his grandfather started a Ford dealership in the early 1920's in Park City, MO. He said it was in business for many decades, but it had closed long ago and he was selling a couple items that had been passed down to him. For those not familiar with Dealer Albums, they are one of the nicer and more desirable pieces of Ford literature, in that each details all the body styles, features, upholstery & color options, etc. Salesmen used it to walk their highest probability prospects through their sales pitch, and at about 90 pages, they were kept by the dealer and weren't given to the customer. So they're a lot rarer and pricier than the average collectible brochure.

Jim and I corresponded over price, and I shared some insights from Don Rogers and some versions I found on eBay that were in comparable condition. We made a deal, and we agreed that Jim would stop by for a garage tour and for an exchange of cash for the Album. So Jim recently visited. As I walked Jim through some of the literature and dealer photos I had in my collection, he indicated that he had a couple old photos that were similar. Later that day, Jim sent me cell phone photos of what he had, and they're shown below.

So out of the blue, I made a new Ford friend, and made a special Ford connection to the past. It was a real treat.



Cover



Typical album content



Park City Ford in the 1920's



Park City Ford Parts Department in 1940 (Jim's grandfather on the right wearing a hat)



Ballots & Membership Renewals

Your 2019 membership renewal and ballot are included and need to be sent back ASAP! Be sure to include a check for your dues.

This month's contributors include Peggy Crawford, Bruce Williams, Jan Conrad & Don Rogers. Thanks to everyone for your help and contributions this year!

Mary Rogers mrogersstl@aol.com

Holiday Events Around St Louis — A Sampling

Sun. Dec 2, 11am—4pm Webster Christmas House Tour

Nov. 16—Jan. 1 Way of Lights at Our lady of the Snows, Belleville, IL

Nov. 17—Jan. 1 Garden Glow, Missouri Botanical Garden



Thursdays thru Sundays until Dec. 30 Brewery Lights

Nov. 28—Dec. 23 *A Christmas Story* The Rep

Nov. 23—Dec. 24 Christmas Traditions

Main Street St. Charles, MO

What are your favorite holiday events??

DATES TO REMEMBER:

DEC. 1 – Breakfast at 8 AM at Village Café,
6127 Ronald Reagan Dr., Lake St. Louis, MO
63367. Just off Hwy 64 at Hwy N across the
street from Walmart. 636-561-0235

EVERY WEDNESDAY – The ROMEOs meet at
Steak & Shake in the Hawk Ridge complex on
HWY N in Lake St. Louis at 11:30 AM

EVERY THURSDAY – The ROFers meet at Lion’s
Choice 17294 Chesterfield Airport Rd.,
Chesterfield, MO 63005.at 11:00AM

DEC. MEETING — **Sunday Dec. 9 at 2 PM**
Russ & Gayle Roark’s 4286 Hueffmeier Rd,
Wentzville MO 63385. See details on page 4.

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