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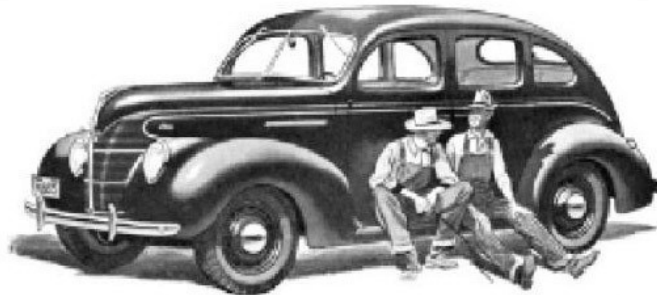
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Thank Goodness It's Not a Ford!!!!

- ♦ **Don't Forget This months Installation meeting hosted by Howard and Peggy Crawford on Jan. 16th at the Walnut Grill.**
- ♦ **This will be a fun meeting with a special traditional swearing in ceremony for our 2022 Officers**
- ♦ **Also don't forget to sent me some articles for the newsletter. Please consider hosting an event in 2022. A calendar will be published in next month's newsletter**

*Heard on the Running Board*



A state trooper saw a woman knitting and driving at the same time. He rode up beside her and yelled "Pull over!" "No officer," she shouted, "it's mittens!"

Time flies like an arrow, fruit flies like a banana.

"A cement mixer collided with a prison van. Motorists are asked to be on the lookout for 16 hardened criminals."

I'm addicted to brake fluid, but I can stop whenever I want.

I saw a guy spill all his Scrabble letters on the road. I asked him, "What's the word on the street?"

# December 19th Club Meeting

(Minutes by Gayle Roark, Photos by Peggie Crawford)

Minutes 12/19/2021 (Christmas party)

Attendees:

Don Rogers, Russell & Gayle Roark, Lee & Laura McDurmont, Maxine Carroll, Bonnie Abler, Howard & Peggy Crawford, George Ball, John & Debbie Schmid, Bruce & Theresa Williams, Don & Rosie Taylor.

Our meeting was brief this month. We met at the Wildwood Pub. Our Installation dinner in January will be at the Walnut Grill at 1pm January 16<sup>th</sup>, located at Clayton and Clarkson. We will order off the menu. Peggy will bring the dessert.

This month we need the ballots and dues. Laura McDurmont will make a sign up sheet for next year's meetings. Russell suggested looking at what we did this year and who hosted, and see if they would be willing to host the same month next year. George asked for suggestions for any tours we might take.

Don needs suggestions for articles for the newsletter, which is an ongoing request. George has the "president's tie" and will bring it next month. Russell has the PA system and will not bring it next month. We thanked everyone for coming.

We wrapped up with the 5 birthdays this December, and Maxine Carroll served up brownies and huge chocolate cupcakes complete with candles to: Gayle Roark, George Ball, Don Rogers, Theresa Williams, and herself.



# December 19th Club Meeting Cont'd



# Two Pleasant Surprises in Chicago

By Bruce Williams

A couple weeks ago, Theresa and I went to Chicago for the weekend to visit our son Tim and his bride Micaela. While they were both at work, we thought we'd do some sightseeing and try to check out a car museum. We googled "car museums near me" and found the "Klairmont Kollection". It was a 45 minute drive from Tim and Micaela's house, but we were up for it. We set off in heavy Friday morning traffic, and soon found ourselves motoring northbound along Cicero Avenue in an older part of the city northwest of downtown.

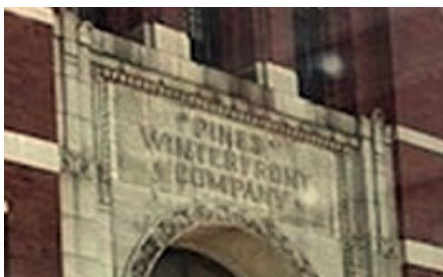


## Surprise #1:

After a couple miles of driving on Cicero Avenue, off in the distance I could see a very large and older brick office building rising majestically up and out of an old factory. The overall place was very large, and it was in generally good shape; not at all in a run-down condition that matched the rest of the neighborhood. I admit to liking old factories, and this was obviously the "home office" and manufacturing plant of an old business, that was still showing activity and some level of commercial vitality.



When we got to the place directly in front of the headquarters building, I was shocked and thrilled to see the words "Pines Winterfront Company" carved in stone over the entrance.



I had found the birthplace of those super rare Pines Winterfronts for '32 Fords and the equally rare Pines trim for '36 Fords. Theresa somehow didn't share the same level of excitement that I had, but she was indeed intrigued to see this old factory, and to know that it had a rich automotive history.

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## *Two Pleasant Surprises in Chicago (cont)*

And what added to the moment, not far away was a fairly complete '36 Ford 4-door sitting under tarps and plywood at a small used car lot. For those who aren't familiar with what a Pines Winterfront is, it is a thermostatically controlled set of shutters that block off airflow thru the car's radiator to allow your engine to heat up and run more efficiently in cold weather. In the early '30's, manufacturers started putting thermostats directly in their engines' cooling systems, and Pines' days were numbered. I believe the factory now is used to produce polypropylene woven straps and webbing.

### **Surprise #2:**



We made it to the Klairmont Kollection, and it was awesome! About 350 cars of all types, makes, and years, from one of 1905 vintage, to Michael Jordan's Bentley. The 100,000 square foot building was crammed with vehicles and displays, with little room to squeeze between the cars. There were a lot of '40's Lincolns and a couple Model A's and T's, but only a few Ford V8's to see. The car that stood out was the one-of-a-kind '40 Town Car limo. I recalled reading about it many years ago in the V8 Times, and here it was. This place also had a Tucker and a little display of a motor, accessory radio, advertising, and so forth... just a lot of rare Tucker stuff. There were just

so many little gems of details, and so, so many nice cars. If you ever have a chance, I would strongly recommend taking in the Klairmont Kollection.

You can check out the cars and learn more about the Klairmont museum at [www.Klairmontkollections.com](http://www.Klairmontkollections.com)



# JANUARY INSTALLATION OF 2022 OFFICERS



The Installation Party will be held on Sunday **January 16th, 2022** at 1:00 P.M. at the Walnut Grill located at 1386 Clarkson Clayton Center, Ellisville, MO 63011.

Hosted by Howard and Peggy Crawford.

Please **RSVP by January 12th, 2022** to

636-532-5636 or by email to [Hduce@aol.com](mailto:Hduce@aol.com)

We look forward to seeing you and thanking our Officers and Directors .



## Future Events:

**Second SATURDAY OF JANUARY**— Breakfast at 8 AM at Village Café, Just off Hwy 64 at Hwy N across the street from Walmart. 636-561-0235

**See You Jan. 8th !!!!**



**This Months meeting... January 16th 1 pm.** Walnut Grill Hosted by Peggy and Howard Crawford

**February Meeting... T.B.D.**

## January

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2 Carolyn Aumann
- 8 Laura McDurmont
- 15 Cathy Stirneman
- 18 Krause Anniversary (1951)
- 24 Barb Hartnagel
- 28 Joy Drennan



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