

**Upcoming Events**

**April 2009**

28 (Tues) ..... Membership Mtg

**May 2009**

2 (Sat) ..... Tacoma Train Trip and Museum Tours

12 (Tues) ..... Board Mtg

13 (Weds)..... Mayflower Tour: Latimer Quilting, La-Tea-Da

26 (Tues) ..... Membership Mtg

**June 2009**

9 (Tues)..... Board Mtg

23 (Tues) ..... Membership Mtg

Regular Membership Meetings:  
4th Tuesday of each month at the  
Clackamas Community Club  
15711 SE 90th Avenue Clackamas, OR 97015  
6:30 PM Kick the Tires,  
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forwarded information about two 5-  
speed overdrive adapter kits for old  
Mopars. The printed material will be on  
the back table at the April meeting, or go  
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**April 2009**

**Group Effort Reaps Profits at Swap Meet**

Many CPPC members' garages and shops must have a little more room in them as a lot of items were donated and sold at this year's Portland Swap Meet held Friday, April 3 through Sunday, April 5.

Although attendance was supposedly down this year, most likely due to the economy, sales were brisk at the Club's booth in its usual spot inside Hall D. Set up on Thursday went quickly thanks to the many members who attended the March Tech Meeting out at Don Hufschmid's shop to pre-price and label items for sale.

The Club took in \$954.90. After the pre-payment of \$180 for three stalls next year and four paid admissions for volunteers this year the total profit to the Club was \$746.90. This was less than last year's \$1,383 but surprisingly we sold almost the same number of single items. This year we had no high dollar items for sale. Our two highest sales were \$40 for a carburetor and \$35 for a lubester. Beyond that everything was \$20 or less.

We had a ton of magazines donated this year and that is probably literally! We sold our magazines for \$.50 each or 3 for \$1 and we were able to unload 310 magazines! However, coming from someone who helped load up what was leftover, there's still a ton of magazines left.



Thanks to everyone who volunteered to work the booth. We couldn't do it without you. Also, our members were great ambassadors for the Club. We signed up four new members and have a list of over 15 people who showed interest in obtaining more information. There are a lot of old Plymouths out there we haven't met yet.

Every year as time gets closer to the swap meet date it looks like we won't have anything for sale but the members always seem to come through. Don Hufschmid's van was loaded top to bottom and front to back with "stuff" to sell.

Thanks again to Bob Dimick who goes out of his way to bring the van over to the Expo Center on Thursday and then takes it back on Sunday. Lining up in all that chaotic traffic is not something fun.

Thank you, Allen Tiffany, for agreeing to store what was left till next year's meet and thanks to Don Hufschmid for storing it this year and loaning us his van.

CPPC member Doug Hendrickson stopped by the booth and donated some

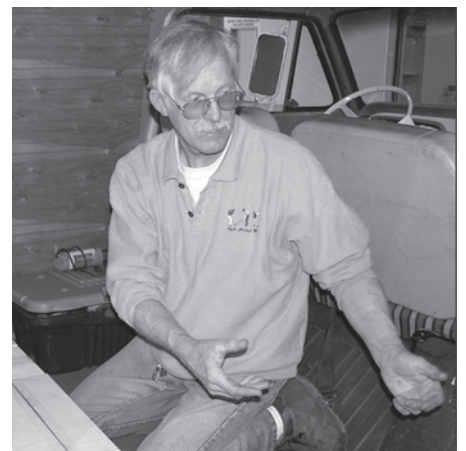


*Good news, bad news: Sold! Dave Williams and Doug Hendrickson admire the '36 before the sale.*

great 1936 Plymouth parts to sell as he had his '36 outside with a For Sale sign on it. He was reluctant to sell it but someone came along, recognized a good deal, and now Doug is in the market for his next project. The sale of Doug's Plymouth was featured in the Sunday Oregonian that weekend, basically to say people can still afford a good Plymouth classic in today's economy.

Also, thanks to Philomath member D.J. Freeman who went out of his way to mail some items to sell. And finally, thank you to all the many other members who donated items to sell. It wouldn't be a meet without your generosity.

*By Vicki Williams*



*Ken and Philis Van Coelen, Dave and Vicki Williams load Duanne Luckow's van with new car dollies from Miller Engineering for the swap meet using the Henry Ford assembly line loading technique. Photos, caption by Duanne Luckow*

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March Meeting Highlights

Introductions: Don Turner, a long-time member, was present. Bill Call introduced his guest and the speaker for the evening, Frank Kirkland. Members Richard and Viki Cerruti were introduced from the floor.

Treasurer's Report: \$10,183.34 was approved as submitted.

Duanne Luckow provided the first part of the program for the evening, a 1937 Plymouth commercial of the type that ran in movie theatres.

Frank Kirkland, from Frank's House of Tops, described his business -creating roof inserts and wooden interior trim for 1920s-1930s cars, and other custom woodworking as needed. His website is www.houseoftops.com. He brought some sample roof bows and window trim to display.

The second part of Duanne's presentation was a video from Jay Leno's garage, describing a machine that scanned small car parts, and reproduced them for casting.

Body Shop/Member Care: John Sweeney's son Tim is at home, in critical condition.

Richard VonAllmen's wife, Liliane, is recovering from surgery on her left shoulder.

Question: A general question about powder coating: Gary Rusher has an Eastwood powder coating system and oven for small pieces. Class Act on Johnson Creek Boulevard, was recommended for larger pieces, and Dave Williams said his sons could do powder coating in their shop, Portland Powder Coating at 26th & Holgate.

2010 Meet: Gary Rusher said that the president of the Plymouth Owners Club, Bob (Robert) Keriko had called to congratulate CPPC on the decision to go ahead with the 2010 Meet, and also to praise the quality of our newsletter. Gary said he had emails from every POC director and board member in support of the decision.

Gary mentioned that it might be possible for POC members to charter a train or a bus if they didn't want to drive to Portland for the meet.

From the floor: JulieAnn Edman, a Geriatric Mental Health Specialist at Concordia Behavioral Health, had a wish list from one of her clients: a talking wristwatch, and a snap-together model of a 1964 Plymouth coupe.

Cool Desert Nights: The Tri-Cities (Washington) Chamber of Commerce will be holding their annual event on June 25-27, 2009. Last year 800 cars were registered. If 10 or more cars register from a single club, they'll get their own special section.

NW Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum is soliciting donations. For the last couple of years, CPPC has donated \$300 from the proceeds of our Cruise-In.

May Club Event: May 2, 2009 is the date of the train trip and Glass Museum tour in Tacoma. One rail car has already been reserved for CPPC. Information packets will be available at the April meeting.

September Cruise-In: The Ten O'Clock Church in Beavercreek will hold its annual cruise-in on September 26, 2009.

2010 Meet Planning Meeting: Members interested in helping with the planning of the 2010 National Meet will gather at the Clackamas Community Club (the house in front) at 2PM on April 18, 2009.

West to East Tour: Tom Nachand reported that he has the trip planned, with only 2 hotels left to hear from. The longest day's drive will be 385 miles. The first night will be spent in Orofina, Idaho. The round-trip to Oconomowoc, WI will take 18 days. Stops are planned at Custer State Park, Mt. Rushmore, and the Buffalo Bill Museum, among others.

Grand Ronde Car Museum: Gary Harden reports that in spite of previous information, cars were not damaged by the collapse of the roof during last winter's snow. He estimates there are 100 cars there. Someone is redoing the roof on the building.

Don's Trivia Test: Robin Will won a candy bar for listing all of Portland's auto bridges, south to north. Elizabeth Dole was the woman, still alive today, who suggested the third brake light on modern cars. The world city with the most registered Rolls-Royces is Hong Kong. The remote-controlled side mirror first appeared on cars in the USA in 1958.

Miscellaneous Car Stuff: Dennis Markovich is looking for a Pitman arm and a '37-'38 Plymouth steering box.

Marlo Edman needs 2 wire-style radiator hose clamps.

Gary Rusher is looking for a clutch pressure plate. His 6-spring pressure plate is not rebuildable. Automotive Friction Supply was recommended. Somebody suggested Gary call Loren Bennett in Arizona. Retha Harden suggested that he buy a machine like Jay Leno's, and make his own.

Door prizes were won by Philis Van Coelen, Dolores Call, Marlo Edman and Karen Ryan. The 50/50 pot, amounting to \$65, was won by Bill Call. (Excerpted from the minutes prepared by Robin Will)

Guest Speakers Set for April, May, June Include Car Club Reps

Make a note of the interesting guest speakers for our upcoming membership meetings.

Mike Porter of the local Mopar Club will join us at the April 28 meeting. Be ready to discuss all things Mopar and find out if our two clubs will coordinate an event in the near future.

On May 26 a representative from Donate Life Northwest will tell us about the organ donor program and the Threads of Life quilt project. Every April since 1999 the organization has collected quilt squares commemorating individuals who have shared life through organ replacement. The stories that are stitched together are enlightening tributes and reminders of how one person can make a difference. This year the quilt will include a square commemorating our own Ray Dunn.

The local WPC Club will send a representative to our June 23 meeting. Our shared interests will make for a great exchange of ideas and stories. Perhaps our two clubs will plan an activity for later this year.

Thanks to the Membership Committee for continually finding such a wide range of topics and guests for our meeting programs.

2009 REFRESHMENTS SCHEDULE

- April Scott Johnson
May Dan & Sverne Barthe
June Catts & Conners
July John & Harriet Sweeney
August Hot Dog-ust Night
September Jerry & Joanne Dixon
October Steph & Chuck Willis
November Annual Potluck

Please coordinate with Dennis & Jeanne Mowery, Refreshments Chair, regarding access and supplies.

Mayflower Tours:

May Trip Will Revisit Latimer Quilting, La-Tea-Da Tea Shoppe, Brie in Tillamook

Two Tillamook destinations are scheduled for the May Mayflower tour.

We will visit the Latimer Quilt and Textile Center and La Tea Da Tea Room and Gift Shoppe next month in Tillamook on Wednesday, May 13, 2009. We will meet at McDonalds, exit 57 off Hwy 26 and Hwy 6, leaving from there at about 8:00 a.m. Our tour at Latimer begins at 10:30 a.m.

with a demonstration of spinning, weaving, and quilting.

Lunch/tea will be at La Tea Da at 12:00 p.m. If there is time afterwards the Blue Heron is open to explore and sample their famous Brie.

Hope you can join us. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Yates, (503) 705-6416 or email susanyates@ccwebster.net

By Susan Yates

Whole Foods Market Explored in March

The March Mayflower tour occurred before the last membership meeting but after newsletter production time. As always, it was a fun and informative day.

Fifteen of our members took a guided tour of the Whole Foods Market at Bridgeport Village in Tigard. Megan, our tour host, gave a very thorough explanation of every department. Instead of managers the departments have team leaders.

Whole Foods is committed to organic and natural foods. Their prepared fresh foods have no unnatural sweeteners or additives. In addition to standard groceries, there are departments for fresh meat

and fish, sushi, burritos, salad bar, sandwiches, pizza, produce, bakery, and cheese. The Bridgeport location is one of 30 stores to offer hands-on cooking classes, tastings, demonstration dinners and workshops. There is an extensive wine selection.

After seeing all the foods we were ready for lunch next door at the Claim Jumper which is always eye catching, especially the chocolate cake that is a foot long. Since we were at Bridgeport, that meant some shopping needed to be done.

Please come join us on our upcoming expeditions.

By Susan Yates

2009 Mayflower Tours

Revised 2/15/2009

Table with 3 columns: Date, Location, and Contact Name. Rows include May 13 (Latimer Textile Center and La Tea Da, Susan Yates), June 10 (Butterfly Garden, Virginia Dunn), July 8 (Downtown Portland and Trolley, Jeanette Dimick), Aug. 12 (Water Resource Center, Vancouver, Mindy Benfield), Sept. 9 (Chestnut Farm, Virginia Dunn), Oct. 14 (Soy Sauce Tour, Barbara Rice), Nov. 11 (Western Culinary Inst. Cordon Blu School, Karen Ryan), Dec. 9 (Woodburn Settlemeir House and Outlet Mall, Vicki Williams).



## Body Shop and Repairs

Spring has sprung at last. It's time to open the garage doors and let the breeze sweep out the dregs of winter. Throw off the car cover and let the sunshine warm the hood and upholstery. Someone else can clean the showroom windows!

Liliane VonAllmen underwent surgery last month to repair her left shoulder but she's ready to file a claim for warranty work. The rotator cuff and tendon repair is causing more pain than before the surgery, and compromising the progress she made after last year's procedure on her right shoulder. Her next consultation with the body shop is at the end of this month.

Pat and Patty Brost and their family experienced a stunning loss this month when their 22 year old nephew died in his sleep. Our hearts and thoughts are with them.

Harriet Sweeney had successful cataract surgery this month. The doctor told her she'll have 20/20 vision after recovery. Watch out, John. She'll be able to see what you're doing now.

Unfortunately, John and Harriet's son Tim's condition has worsened. They are taking care of Tim at home with daughter and CPPC member Linda Farnsworth enlisting all available forms of support and in-home care.

Keep those calls, cards and visits rolling to our friends. And let the Board know of any other members who need support from the Caring Plymouth People Club (just one more definition for CPPC).

## Hot Dog-ust Day Cruise-In Sponsors, Raffle Prizes Needed; Forms Available

"Now is the time for all good men (and women) to come to the aid of their car club."

This is not a typing exercise but a call to all of you to start gearing up for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual cruise-in at the Oregon City Haggen Food and Pharmacy on Saturday, August 15, 2009.

This is the Club's largest fund raiser and the Club has always had great participation from its members. As always we will need to solicit sponsors for our awards. This may be a leaner year for that with businesses cutting back wherever they can, so start early. Even with a broken arm, we know Joanne Dixon will be out there trying to break her past records of getting sponsors.

Any prizes that can be donated for our raffle tent are also most appreciated. Check your own stashes and see if you need to re-gift something you got from Uncle Meanswell.

There will be sponsor letter forms at the April meeting as well as flyers announcing the show. If

you have a favorite parts store you frequent they are often willing to post a flyer.

Also, start polishing and tuning your own cars as it's always a great sight to see all those Plymouths lined up together. If you have any questions or suggestions contact Dave or Vicki Williams.

*By Vicki Williams*

## A Special Thank You...

A special thank you to the Tech Committee for putting their heads together to identify the problem with the Belvedere's brakes. Dave Williams and Ken Van Coelen followed the referral from Les Conner then went out of their way to have the booster rebuilt and installed.

This has been a long-term problem with The Blue Beauty and it's a relief to know everything is road-ready once more.

I appreciate everyone's help. You are wonderful!

Lorraine Griffey

## Happy April Birthday Wishes to the following members:

Allen Faltus – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Jeanne Mowery – 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Elizabeth Daniels – 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Kathy McLean – 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Gary Petersen – 10<sup>th</sup>  
 Frank McNatt – 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Sandi King Jolly – 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Loren Bennett – 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Ann Klinger – 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Paul Henrichsen – 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Retha Harden – 21<sup>st</sup>  
 Mick DeSantis – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 Sherry Reifschneider – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 Scott Johnson – 27<sup>th</sup>  
 Ben Neumayer – 30<sup>th</sup>

And to any others who prefer to celebrate anonymously



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## The Steering Column, A Message from the President

By the time you read this we should have had our first 80 degree day for this spring. But don't get too excited; we are by no means done with the cold nights and cool, rainy days. It does, however, signal the beginning of something new. This is the season for growing things. Around my house it signals the time to plant. Yeah, we did plant about ten acres of oats the other day, but what I mean is FLOWERS.

Before this weekend is over we will have removed about 25 feet of old boxwood hedge, replaced an old gazebo, transplanted about 120 various flowers out of Vera's greenhouse and planted about 20 other shrubs she got from the local nursery. Vera still has a few hundred flower starts in the greenhouse or the cold frame yet to set out. We also have a garden patch this year, which we haven't had for a good many years.

But for my side of the family this time of year means "Get the cars ready." Thanks to help from Dave Williams and Ken VanCoelen I have a new clutch setup in my '30U. There was a problem with the throw out bearing that developed during the three-garage tour. Took a while to gather up all the new parts, but everything is all new now and seems to work very well. Now it is on to the other list of things I want to get fixed or cleaned up on it. My '67 Fury also has

a bunch of things that need attention. Like replacing the heater switch. (What a pain that appears to be. Like take out half the dash.)

Luckily I got out of some of the planting duties by going to the 2010 Committee kickoff meeting this afternoon. Although there weren't many people Mike Bade had a great worksheet to go over and I think we got a great start. We will be contacting people about work needed on various committees and help needed.

Several of the club members attended the memorial services for Ken Rose this last Friday in Portland. Ken was a long time member of the Club and will be missed. He was one of those who truly enjoyed the friendship of the group and was always there to help anyone at any time.

Hope to see you all at the next Club meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Happy motoring.

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## Participants Needed for June Journey to Summer Meet, Historical By-ways

The trip to the 2009 Summer National POC meet in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin is in jeopardy. At least half a dozen cars are needed; right now there are two confirmed and maybe two more, depending on medical circumstances.

The round trip is 18 days and about 4,500 miles. There will be a fair amount of sight-seeing with stops to see Custer's Last Stand, Custer State Park, Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park, Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming, and Yellowstone National Park. Most stops are already set with only the Badlands area and Cody, Wyoming to be finalized. Cars taking part go back to the early '30's so the pace will be around 50 miles per hour.

If interested in taking part please contact Tom Nachand at [33plym@centurytel.net](mailto:33plym@centurytel.net) or 541-764-2011.

*By Tom Nachand*

## Alternative to I-5 Will Leave the Driving to Amtrak for May 2 Tacoma Museum Tours

Remember, the train leaves the station on Saturday, May 2nd for a Club tour of the Tacoma Museum District.

Ingenious as ever, Vicki Williams and Mindy Benfield planned the train trip to Tacoma and tours of the Museum District.

The Club will have a private train car, with overflow to other cars, when Amtrak train #500 leaves Vancouver, Washington at 8:45 a.m. Members may still make reservations for the same train. Call Amtrak and make reservations for train #500 going to Tacoma and train #509 returning from Tacoma at 6:15 p.m. arriving in Vancouver at 8:29 p.m. Reservations can also be made on line. Seniors (62+) receive a 15% discount.

Some members are riding the train from Salem; others are boarding in Oregon City but all will meet in Vancouver to depart as a group. Members are responsible for getting to Vancouver on their own. There is free parking at the Vancouver station located at 1301 West 11th St. Amtrak suggests arriving about an hour before departure.

The train arrives in Tacoma at 10:56 a.m. A two block walk to the Link Train

(Tacoma's version of MAX) will take us right to the door of the Tacoma Museum of Glass. Our guided tour will begin at 1:00 p.m. The exterior of this museum is every bit as spectacular as the interior with the Dale Chihuly Bridge of Glass which leads to the Washington History Museum.

First, however, at 11:30 a.m. the group will have lunch nearby at Harmon's Brewery. You can check their menu on their website at [www.harmon.harmonbrewingco.com](http://www.harmon.harmonbrewingco.com).

After the glass museum tour people can do self-guided tours of either the History Museum or the Art Museum or wander over to the University of Washington-Tacoma which is a unique cluster of buildings utilizing old storefronts. The University's library boasts a 20 foot long red Dale Chihuly chandelier.

Some of our Washington members might like to join us in Tacoma for lunch and the museum tour. Just let Vicki Williams (503-266-4287) or Mindy Benfield (503-829-3435) know so the lunch and tour reservations can be amended.

## Tech Members Prep for Swap Meet, Offer Referral to Complete Plymouth Repairs

Dave Williams and Ken VanCoelen, co-chairmen of the Tech Committee, report an active past month for the committee.

On March 28, the weekend prior to the Swap Meet, a large group turned out at Don Hufschmid's shop to sort, label and price items donated for the upcoming sale. This helped tremendously with the set up at the swap meet as all the hard work was done.

Bonnie Turner, the lone female, infiltrated the usual guys group. She said if you want to know what really goes on at those meetings she can now tell you!

While the others were labeling and pricing, Dave Williams and Ken VanCoelen were diagnosing a problem with Lorraine Griffey's '67 Belvedere II. Lorraine had reported that it wasn't stopping like it should. Dave and Ken determined that the power booster was bad - there was no power assist to the brakes.

Les Conner knew of a power booster repair facility so Ken took the unit there. The following week Ken went back out to Don Hufschmid's and installed the booster, gave it a test drive and the problem was solved. So now when Lorraine goes she can also stop.

The name of the repair facility is Power Brake Booster Exchange, Inc. located at 4331 SE 63<sup>rd</sup> Ave. in Portland 503-238-8882. Thanks, Les, for the good recommendation.

A few days after the Swap Meet Ken and Dave were back at it again working on Gary Rusher's '30U Business Coupe. The retainer spring for the throw-out bearing was broken. He thinks it was that way when he bought the car. Dave and Ken replaced the bearing, spring and clutch and pressure plate. The job went pretty late into the evening so Gary came back the next day and he and Dave reassembled the car and it was better than when he got it.

By Vicki Williams

## April Trip Takes Mayflowers to AM-NW, The Grotto

*It was like a bad dream.*

Late Thursday evening Bill told Mary that they would be leaving town on business early Saturday morning. Preparations for the house, the motor home and everything between whirled through her mind. The next morning as she hurried through her tasks she heard the TV from the next room, "Today's show on AM-NW on KATU in Portland..."

"Oh, no! I'm supposed to be in that studio right now!" Mary had coordinated the Mayflower tour and forgotten to attend! (Editor's Note: Dramatization based on a participant's recounting.)

On April 10, 2009 our group of 11 members joined the studio audience for AM-NW on KATU television.

The hosts of the show, Helen Raptis and Dave Anderson were a great pleasure on and off the camera. They are really funny and very natural.

We were entertained by a group of young "Dancing with the Stars" Junior Dance Champions. They were in town as part of Mad Hot Ballroom Gala, which is fundraising for Young Audiences, a non-profit group whose mission is to enhance children's learning with creative resources within the arts community.

It was also nice to meet Tracey Cadonau of Alpenrose Dairy who we have heard on many commercials promoting



Clockwise from left: Lorraine Griffey, Don Ryan, Karen Ryan, Retha Harden relax before the AM-NW program begins.

their 47th annual Easter Egg Hunt. Of course, the last treat was meeting the "Big Easter Bunny." He/she was about 6 feet tall, not counting the bunny ears. Segments of the show can be seen at <http://www.katu.com/amnw/segments/42768292.html>.

We then headed to The Grotto, where Mary joined the group, and toured the beautiful gardens. The Special Meditation Chapel built in memory of Marilyn Moyer has a panoramic view of the Portland area and Cascade Mountain Range ([http://www.thegrotto.org/meditation\\_chapel.htm](http://www.thegrotto.org/meditation_chapel.htm)).

A great lunch at The Prime Rib, now called Clyde's Prime Rib, ended our tour. Thanks to everyone for making it a good day.

Story and photo by Susan Yates

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If you have a question for the Technical Committee, please call one of the above. We will do all we can to help you with your car. NOTE: Keep this list in a handy place for the future.

## Ken Rose Remembered as Helpful Friend, Proud CPPC Member

Almost one year after his diagnosis, Ken Rose lost his hard-fought battle with brain cancer.

Ken stood up at last year's April membership meeting and told us about his upcoming surgery and the prognosis. He said he was going to need his friends' support in the coming weeks. Then with his usual self-deprecating humor he said he hoped the doctors didn't cut out too much.

When John Sweeney and Jimmie Fox brought Ken to the May meeting he was surrounded by well-wishers. We were all so glad to see him up and about. Many CPPC members diligently made phone calls, visits and sent get well cards throughout his treatment, remission and recurrence.

Sixteen CPPC members attended the funeral service for Ken at St. Charles Catholic Church on April 17. The memories shared were similar to ours - a kind, generous and humorous friend. At the reception several family members and friends told how Ken would brag about the number of cards he received in any given week. Many of the people were familiar with the Plymouth Club and how important it was to Ken.

Ken would have been 60 years old in May. He leaves behind his wife Melodina, his young daughter Alexa, three siblings and an extended family.

As a Marine, Ken received military committal at Willamette National Cemetery.

Rest well, friend.



Ken at the May 2008 membership meeting. Destination: Dessert Table. Photo by John Madden.

## Tony Gemma Shares Experience with Ken and his Primer Project

Well, first off I want to say I will miss Ken. He was a good friend to me. With that said, let me take you back a bit.

One day he calls on me and in a rather lengthy play he somehow talks me into helping him with his 1935 Plymouth - meaning it needs a coat of paint so it won't look so bad in his drive way. Well, I told him I can't really do that anymore for various reasons. One thing led to another and after talking about it for a couple of weeks he decided it would just be nice if he could get it primed.



He invited me over to see the job and, wow, was that thing a mess. We talked a bit about it and he said the shops wanted a small fortune to do the job - not a fancy paint job, just a primer job. Then he told me the price went up. Before he got any further into it he asked, "How much would you charge me to do it?" I was not in it for the money so I sent him into shock when I said, "If you are willing to help and I mean do the work needed, I will supply the place,



the tools and a hand to help you out." I can still see the look on his face; it was one of those are-you-for-real looks. You know, that deer-in-the-headlights look. Then with a smile and a handshake he said, "Okay. Let's do it."

The car showed up at my home and for the next few weeks so did Ken, with sand paper in hand and rearin' to do some work. It was hot and dusty but we worked and worked on the car, joking and laughing, listening to golden oldies and just doing what car guys do best: having a really good time working on an old car. Fortunately this oldie was a Plymouth.

During the short time I spent with Ken we found out that in our younger days we hung out at some of the same places and knew some of the same people, too, but never met each other. This brought up countless hours of conversation about our old school. Our friendship grew from there.

Anyway, all the old paint came off clear down to the metal. Then we did a few mudded-in spots, pounded out a few spots, mixed up a little primer and I shot the car for him. When it was done his response was, "WOW, that doesn't even look like the same car!" For just being primer I kind of thought the same thing. It still needed a lot of work but he said he was very happy with the results and glad he got to be in on the work. After a couple days of dry time we gave it a bath and Don Hufschmid came over with his tow truck and took it home.



Those days of working on the Plymouth with Ken will be with me forever. I can still see that huge dust cloud and two eyeballs looking at me and just have to smile.

It was short but a fun time for me and my friend Ken Rose. A time that I will never forget.

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