



# PUGET SOUNDS

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## General Meetings

*1st Tuesday*  
Luther Memorial Church  
13047 Greenwood Ave N  
7:30

2011

May	3rd
June	7th
July (At the XXX drive in)	5th
August	2nd
September	6th
October	4th
November	1st
December	6th

## 2011 Board Meetings

*4th Wednesday*

April 27th	McCutchen
May 25th	McLeod
June 22nd	Winfrey
July 27th	Jenkins
September 28th	Bunn
October 26th	Kelson
November 16th	Heckel

*No Board Meetings August & Dec.*

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## Butch Kent's Cool School Bus

In October of 2004 I Received a call from a friend in Yuma AZ telling me that there was an auction the next weekend, in Yuma, of a number of collector vehicles including a 1939 Ford School Bus.



auction so most bargain hunters had gone home or were low on cash.

After having it Trucked Home at a cost of nearly as much as I paid for the Bus, the revival began. The Bus had not been used in 8 years as the brakes had failed and the Owner with 20 or more other collectable vehicles had not found time to make the repairs.

The Bus sounded interesting, So I asked another friend in Yuma to go look at it for Me. It turned out to be a complete School Bus in reasonable condition and not a 39, but a 1940 Cab Over Engine (COE). Very unusual.

The Bus drew only one other Bidder as the Auction had not been well advertised, and it was late Sunday of a long two day



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*The Puget Sound Regional Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. At the Luther Memorial Church, 13047 Greenwood Ave N. in Seattle.*

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## Sunshine

*Dick Jauch*

So far this month there have been no reports to the Sunshine Committee of needs of comfort for members. A couple of cards were sent to members who had extended family members pass on.

Along that line in the March/April edition of The V-8 TIMES Dave Cole wrote an excellent article about the "aging of our International club". We, as a club, are no exception. Since 1/1/11 four of us have passed the diamond of birthdays. What Dave Cole is alluding to is that we should get our stuff in order so our families can disburse our treasures in an orderly manner when, not if, the time comes. It will take us some time to group the "stuff" in the garage and designate a value and a place for it to go. But do it now, he says.

You, and me, might consider donations to the local high school auto shop for use by the youngsters we hope will some day take up the reins of the Ford V-8's that are still around, and there are many. One of the guys in the Bellingham area had members of their club do a garage sale to a limited buyer group. That kept folks looking for old ash trays and "gee-gaws" from the premises. I did note that there were boxes of seals and bearings with no names or applications on the packages. Unless a "buyer" knows the thousands of applications such an inventory would go to the dump for lack of finding a new home. There were such things as fender skirts in like new condition with no application ID on them.

Now for some "real SUNSHINE" news, the sun was out for one hour and 31 minutes yesterday. Taking into consideration last year I guess Summer was here already so put the short pants, "T" shirts and sun block back in their places and try for using them in 2012.

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## Membership

*Guy Generaux*

### New Members

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Please update to continue receiving the emailed newsletter and any general announcements.

Our club is dedicated to the preservation and restoration of Ford Motor Company products manufactured from 1932 through 1954.

Guests are always welcome and you do not need to own an early V-8 to be a member. However, National Early Ford V-8 Club membership is required.

Contact Guy Generaux at 206-323-5709 or generaux@msn.com for additional information

## A Twister of Twists, A Tangler of Tongues

Tho a kiss be amiss  
She who misses the kisses  
As Miss without kiss,  
May miss being Mrs.



## Temporary

## Newsletter Editors

*Ray & Sherry Bunn*





# Presidents Words

*Bob Heckel*

Greetings,

CONGRATULATIONS to Carol and Mark for doing such a fine job in organizing the potluck at the April General Meeting. Everything worked out super! Thanks to all those who participated, brought the delicious food and beverages, worked in the kitchen and helped clean up!

As things were winding down, Bruce Anderson and I were reflecting upon the events of the past 16 months. A year ago January, the Andersons, Herbers and McLeods developed the Questionnaire, which was then mailed to all members. You said we should consider other facilities and wanted potlucks. Then came the relocation process culminating in the move to Luther Memorial Lutheran Church and now the potluck. I think we have finally achieved closure!!

The April Meeting was our 6th at Luther Memorial. Take a moment and compare our current facilities to our old ones. Consider the parking-lighting exterior components, do the same with the interior and don't forget the kitchen facilities as well as having access to additional tables etc as needed. Has it made a difference? Our attendance at the Armory was 30's to low 40's here it has been 40's to low 50's with 57 at the potluck.

One of the challenges the Board faces is to select programs you find interesting. Not just something to occupy a segment of the Meeting but something you'd really enjoy! Our best source for this information is you. If you like a program, don't care for one or have some ideas about what you'd like please share your thoughts with our Vice President, Mr. Keenholts, or any Board Member.

On the Good News front:

Save August 13th, it's The Summer Picnic at Woodards on Marrowstone Island

Sounds like Guy maybe planning a 2011 Tour of The Year

I was contacted by a new member who might be interested in "helping" with the Fall Banquet

Ford Picnic, our concern about losing a large chunk of the area we traditionally rent from Bellevue College, is a non issue. We'll have our usual area. Bill Meade will have a sign up sheet at the next meeting!

Bob Heckel

## Tour of the Year

*Guy Generaux*

Our 2011 PSRG Tour of the Year is still in the planning stages. A date has not yet been set, however I can tell you it will be a special weekend and you'll enjoy some terrific car collections that our club has never seen before. Those members who might have an interest in attending will need either a passport or enhanced driver's license to participate. If you don't have either of these credentials, act now to secure one of them before our event!

## Portland Auction

*Guy Generaux*

PSRG member John Karas is coordinating the liquidation of an estate in Portland. About 100 high-point vehicles from a personal collection will be auctioned in the no-reserve event. Among the cars are numerous Early Fords and Mercurys plus more from the 50s and 60s. Numerous convertibles are listed. In addition, several other makes such as Chevrolet are in the mix. Bonham's Auctioneers has been hired to operate the sale which takes place June 11, with preview days June 9 & 10. Admission is free. The auction will be held on site in a warehouse, not far from the Portland Swap Meet grounds.

Go to the following link for a partial preview: <http://www.bonhams.com/usa/carsusalewispreview/>

Following are some of the Fords that will cross the auction block.

### Description

- 1930 Ford Pick-up Truck
- 1930 Ford Model A Roadster
- 1936 Ford Cabriolet Convertible
- 1936 Ford Convertible
- 1936 Ford Coupe
- 1936 Ford Pheaton 4Dr
- 1936 Ford Pickup
- 1936 Ford Roadster Convertible
- 1939 Mercury Convertible 2Dr
- 1940 Ford 2Dr Coupe
- 1940 Ford 2Dr Pick-up Truck
- 1941 Ford Coupe 2Dr
- 1948 Ford Convertible
- 1955 Ford Crown Victoria 2Dr
- 1955 Ford Sunliner Convertible
- 1955 Ford Thunderbird 2Dr
- 1956 Ford Crown Victoria 2Dr
- 1956 Ford Sunliner Convertible
- 1957 Ford Fairlane Convertible
- 1959 Ford Skyliner Retractable
- 1963 Ford Thunderbird 2Dr
- 1965 Ford Mustang Convertible
- 1965 Ford Mustang Convertible
- 1966 Ford Mustang 2Dr
- 1966 Ford Thunderbird 2Dr
- 1966 Ford Thunderbird Convertible

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## Leads & Needs



Leads & Needs listings are free for club members. All listings will run for 3 months unless they are renewed or terminated early. Listings will be dated so you will know the expiration date.

To submit your Lead or Need you can:

1. Fill out the listing form at the monthly club meeting.
2. E-mail your listing to the newsletter editor at - [psrg18newsletter@msn.com](mailto:psrg18newsletter@msn.com)
3. Mail your listing to the newsletter editor to: Ray and Sherry Bunn  
19064 Sulfer Springs Road  
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**1939 Plymouth** - All original as far as we can tell. The car has been re-painted in the original color. Front seat and driver door panel need new upholstery. Running boards need to have new rubber installed. (Have new rubber and is included with car) First year with headlights (square) in fenders. Drives great. A nice car that needs to be owned by someone who can drive it more than we do. Asking reduced to \$10,000. Contact Ray Bunn - 360-422-7314 - Cell 206-979-1752 - [nubyar2001@msn.com](mailto:nubyar2001@msn.com)

## Leads



**Rare 1928 Model A "R" roadster.** Full frame off restoration in 1992. Less than 300 miles on the car since restoration. Needs a home where it can be driven more than we do. Runs great. Has been awarded the Senior National 1st place award. Missed a perfect score by 1 point because an exhaust clamp was on backwards. Needs to be seen to appreciated. We have upgraded the water pump to one that has better seals and replaced the distributor with a Gary Duff unit. All original parts have been saved and are included. Asking price reduced to \$29,000 which is about 15% less than our investment.

Contact Ray Bunn - 360-422-7314 - Cell 206-979-1752 - Email [nubyar2001@msn.com](mailto:nubyar2001@msn.com)

**Complete rear Axle for 51 Ford Pickup.** Drum to drum with Springs and Hangars. in Kirkland 425 827 5302 5/11

## Needs

### Newsletter Contributors Needed!

Current editors are retiring as soon as possible. We are soliciting articles, short or long from all members and about any member. The plan is to approach a member or two to submit an article for a particular month. Topic can be of the members choice, if submitted voluntarily and in advance, or possibly an assigned topic of the editors choice. Be forewarned that the failure to submit an article voluntarily could result in an article written by a committee of club members that may have no regard to the embarrassment of the subject matter or member. The committee members will remain anonymous to protect the guilty. Also remaining anonymous will be authors who submit articles regarding another member. Our thanks go out for the content submitted by members. Submit yours soon.

## Swap Meet

Latest photos. Completion date is projected to be after our spring swap meet.



## Ford Is My Car

Contributed by Joanne Hendry

- The Ford is my car, I shall want none other
- It maketh me to lie down in wet places
- It solace my clothes
- It leadeth me into the paths of ridicule for its namesake.
- Yea, though I run down the valleys, I am towed up the hill.
- It anointed my head with oil.
- Its tank runneth over.
- It prepareth a breakdown in the presence of my enemies.
- Its rods and engines discomfort me.
- Surely to goodness it won't follow me all the days of my life or I shall dwell in the house of the insane forever.

*Author Unknown*

# WHAT'S UP 2011

<p><i>January</i> 4th General Meeting Swap Meet Mailing party 26th Board Meeting</p>	<p><i>February</i> 1st General Meeting 23rd Board Meeting</p>	<p><i>March</i> 1st General Meeting 23rd Board Meeting</p>
<p><i>April</i> 5th General Meeting Pot Luck 9th Tech Seminar at McCutchens 16th Mt. Vernon Swap Meet 27th Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>May</b> 3rd General Meeting 14-15 Swap Meet (Set up 12th- 13th) 25th Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>June</b> 5th Ford Picnic Show &amp; Shine?? 7th General Meeting Trunk Swap event before meeting 8th Tour to Oregon W/Cascade RG 22nd Board Meeting</p>
<p><b>July</b> 5th General Meeting 5:30-6 At the XXX Drive-in 9th Run to Roslyn 27th Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>August</b> 2nd General Meeting 13th Summer Picnic No Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>September</b> 6th General Meeting Officer &amp; Board nominations 28th Board Meeting</p>
<p><b>October</b> 4th General Meeting Show and Tell Officer &amp; Board nominations close 26th Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>November</b> 1st General Meeting Election of Officers and Board 16th Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>December 2010</b> 7th General Meeting Gift Exchange No Board Meeting</p>



# 2011 Swap Meet May 13, 14 & 15

## Swap Meet Volunteers (VIP's)

We need you to volunteer! Volunteer to work as much as possible. If we can't get PSRG people to do the job and we have to look out side the Club. **Read paid help**, our finances are further strained.

Exactly how many people we'll need and where we'll need them we don't know yet. What we'd like you to do is call and see where you are needed, refer to the "Job Descriptions" published in last months newsletter for an explanation of each job and add one final position "Where needed." Send me an e-mail or sign up at the next General Meeting or call and let me know when you can work and what you'd like to do.

Because of all the variables involved this year, we would like to have everyone signed up by April 30th. As more information becomes available, we'll pass it on to you. Those who are Area Captains, Co-captain and others who have received a letter from Pete, should sign up with Pete as you have in the past.

Bob Heckel



## Around The Club



by Oli  
Ostercan  
and Dward  
Farquard



Missing in action, we hope they can return soon.

### ALL CLUB MEMBERS

Is anyone going to the Central National Meet in Auburn, Indiana?

We are planning to make the trip in August.

Anyone who may be interested in travelling together let us know.

Pete & Lois Lowman.

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## Help!!

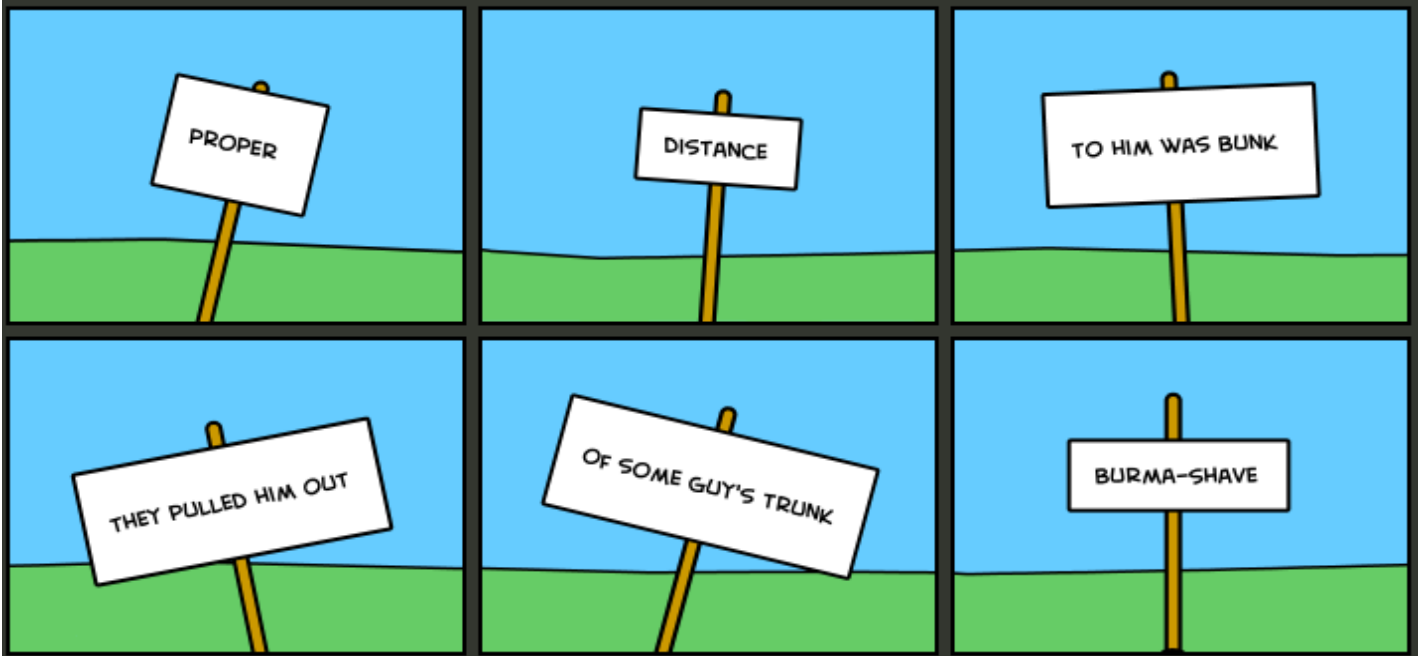
**Fall Awards Banquet Committee  
needed soon**

**Remember the committee gets  
to choose the venue, the menu  
and entertainment**

**Doesn't get any better than that.  
Plus everyone complements you  
on a job well done.**

ROADSIDE ADS

BY TREED





## April General Meeting Minutes

The first Pot Luck night, Vice President Mark Keenholts called the come and get at 7:25.

We had lots of food and very good food I must say. I think all had a very good time, by the amount of talking that was taking place, and by the way most of the food was gone by the end of the night.

Bob opened a short meeting at 8:20.

Bob thanked every one for the food tonight and for making our first Pot Luck a success.

Ken read a short report on the last Board meeting, and was accepted.

Norm had a very short treasure report, and then talked about the accessories he had for sale tonight.

Norm also talked about the new locking system at the church and stated that it really worked well.

Pete talked a little about the Swap Meet and about the situation at the fair grounds. We will have a event, he stated that we are at par for stalls sold for this time.

Tour of the year, Guy said that you will need a pas port or an enhanced driver's license, no date for where is set yet, he just wants to keep us guessing.

Raffle time, no list of winners this time, there were just to many to keep up with, sorry. Merrilla Stobbe won the \$50.00 drawing.

Adjourned at 9:30 PM

Attendance was 56

Secretary

Ken Stobbe

### Remember

**June 5th is our annual Ford "All Makes" Picnic**

**If we should lock up all the feebleminded, who would write all our hit songs?**

**Bus** - continued from page 1

He had been using the Bus for Parades and to take Seniors Christmas Caroling.

After all new brake components, front axle rebuild, all new wiring, new & rebuilt engine accessories, some outside painting, all inside repainting, some seat recovering and a number of discolored windows replaced the Bus was ready to Parade again. I ran the Bus with the Engine that came in it for several years, But have since replaced it with the correct rebuilt 1940 engine.

I called the School District that is located about 30 miles South and East of Fresno CA and learned quite a lot about the Bus. The CA State Patrol had made the District park the Bus due to new standards that would have been very expensive for the Bus to be upgraded too. In spite of that the School District kept the Bus for a number of years after that.

They Auctioned off the Bus in 1977 to a Museum. Later the Museum sold it to the Collector that I bought it from.

I also contacted Gillig the Bus body builder to see how many may have been built of this type. I was told that all the records for those years were in storage and not available to view. The Internet turned up a web site devoted to Gillig Buses, but the Web Master had no information on My Bus.

When the Bus appeared in the V/8 Times's coverage of PSRG's 2006 Western National Meet in Tacoma. I was contacted by a Gillig Bus enthusiast and He made a special trip from northern CA just to see the Bus, take pictures of it and tell Me what had been changed on it from original. I also got a call from a CA man that had been on the School Board when it was sold. His Children had ridden on the Bus to attend School. He provided me with more information and some older pictures of the Bus. He is a member of the Early Ford V/8 Club.

The Bus gets 4 to 6 outings a year and draws a lot of attention. The comment usually is "I've never seen one like that before". The Bus is over 8' high, 23-1/2' long and weighs almost 5 tons. That's almost a ton over Ford's rated capacity before adding Passengers. It was designed to carry 36 School Children. It's size allows me limited storage options, so it sits in the prime stall of my shop. The Bus has Power Brakes and Drives very well. It is a pleasure to drive and the visibility is really good.

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The Sunshine Committee is happy to announce that club member Leon Sherlock had a chemo treatment on April 17, the last of a series. He is now at home, still a bit under the weather but doing well considering the ordeal he has had. He and his wife Gladys send their thanks for the thoughts and prayers of their fellow club members.

**May 1st - They Shall Walk  
 Cruise in Shoreline.  
 Details at WWW.  
 theyshallwalk.org  
 Register early to get the  
 best parking space.**

**Note to members:**

Check a new feature on the clubs web site. There is a link at the bottom of the home page in the Links To Miscellaneous Items of Interest to **Collection Car Classified**. This is a world wide listing of over 6,000 cars, parts and much more. There is a feature where you can list something for sale, free.

**May 3rd Meeting**

**Newsletter Deadline is  
 May 19th**

**Leads**

**Misc West Nat Meets license frames \$15, 32-48**

NOS shock links, Ford Script batt box \$25, 42-8 Ford jack \$275, Flathead Auburn clutch \$30, 4ea 36 reproduction hub caps \$120, West National meets gear shift knobs \$12, 42-8 top irons complete no wood \$750 another almost \$500, 16" wheels 36-39 \$35, 15" wheels, \$35, 50-53 steering column w/wheel/box/automatic \$150, Harmon-collins mag for Ford W/adapter  
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