

# Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club, Inc.

Dedicated to the
Preservation and Restoration of
Plymouths
25 years and older

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# John's 1939 P-8 Plymouth is part of the family for 45 years

It all began back in 1956 when John and Harriet Sweeney, bought their first Plymouth a 1939 a Model P-8 4 door fastback, literally from a little old lady in her 80's for \$90.00. All it needed was a little paint, so John asked a friend from East Side Body to help him with a paint job and John wired his Army Jeep in return for the favor.

During those early years John was working for Consolidated Freightway as a mechanic. John and Harriet needed the car for daily transportation, but little did they know they would still have it to day 45 years later.

Over the years John taught all three of his children how to drive in his '39. When his daughter was learning how to drive John tells, "I would take them out to a steep hill and set the emergency brake and the tell them to slowly release the brake and then let out the clutch". He must have been a good teacher because he still has his '39 today.

The '39 has been a part of the family over the years. Their son drove it to and from football and on fishing trips to the Three Sisters in eastern Oregon, while he was in high school. On one of his sons trips, a rear brake hose blew out and the car went crashing into a tree. Fortunately the car

It all began back in 1956 when just bounced off and his son was an and Harriet Sweeney, bought OK.

In 1965 John and Jack Wolf from the H.A.C.O. Club and a Coworker from U.P.S. tore the engine out and put it back together, parts and all for \$85.00. John did some mechanic work for Jack to help him so both of them saved money.

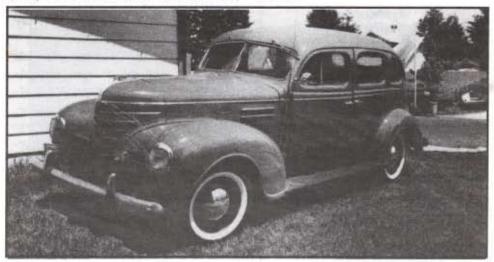
At one point John was thinking about selling the '39 but his daughter threw a fit so John kept it.

The 39' was in a movie about 10 years ago. Daughter Linda and son-in-law Scott Farnsworth (CPPC Vice President) found out a movie company needed classic cars for a movie starring; actor Dennis Quaid, which was filmed in the Hollywood District, in Portland,

Oregon. Before the movie, John spent \$300.00 to clean up the '39, renew the license and update the insurance. His daughter got the \$100.00 from the movie company for its use (about 15 sec. on the big screen).

Currently, with a little friendly coaxing from Bill Call, John is in the middle of restoration on his 1939 P-8 with the help of longtime friend Jean Brent (along time collector of Studabakers). He is ready to put it all together and soon we will see it at the meeting and on Cruises.

John and his wife are among the original founders of the Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club. It is a pleasure to feature him and his car in this issue of the CPPC newsletter.



John and Harriet's 1939 Model P-8, the kids went through all their pictures for their 50th anniversary and this is the only one we could find by our deadline.

#### Officers 2001-2002

## 2001-2002 Board Members

Bill Call

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#### Membership:

Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club, Inc. Membership dues are \$20.00 per calendar year and must hold a current membership to the National Plymouth Club. Membership runs Jan. 1 thru Dec 31.

#### **Advertising Rates:**

Advertising is free to current Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club, Inc. Members.

Advertising Rate for Non- members is: \$10.00 per newsletter.
one column by one inch.

Photos accompanying classified ads are \$10.00 per newsletter

1 inch buy 1 column (Black and White Only. Discount Rates:

Available to long term advertisements. Advertisements should be kept to Plymouth related services.

## Committee Reports Highlights

Activities Committee, by Jeff Jolly The Portland Swap meet will be April 5-7, 2002 at the at the Portland Expo Center. The Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club has reserved 2 booths sell or swap, so bring your extra Plymouth or what ever parts and help recruit new members for the club.

At the next regular Plymouth Club meeting there will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers to man 2 booths at the swap meet.

A big thank you goes out from the CPP Club to Bill and Delores Call for their donation for the cost of the 2 booths at the swap meet.

Finance, by Dennis Rice
A reminder to members that dues
for club membership are 20.00
per year. If you have forgotten
to send in money for your dues
as soon as possible.

Membership, by John Sweeney
The Club is now 118 members
strong. Welcome to, two of our
newest members:

Jim Beuzenberg of Bellingham, Washington has a collection of 1928 - 31 Plymouth Roadsters and Convertibles.

Larry & Betty Janlecke of Camrose, Alberta, Canada; who have a 1956 Fury.

#### Newsletter, by Tom Shepherd

A note from the newsletter committee that we are always looking for interesting information to include in the club newsletter. Places where you found parts, memorabilia, vendors, car collections, technical information or Photos

Tech Advisor, by Robert Dimick
The Tech Committee is putting together a list of Vendors as a re-

## **November Meeting Recap**

Now that the club is incorporated, the November meeting will always be the official "annual" meeting as required by the laws of incorporation.

Prior to the November annual meeting, the club had a potluck dinner which was well attended by about 45 people.

Many members brought their significant others who we normally don't get to socialize with.

There was great food and great company prior to the start of the meeting. The primary focus of the meeting was the election of the 2002 Board

of Director's and Officers. Each candidate gave a short talk about themselves and the following people were elected by the membership.

Board of Directors: Bill Call, Duanne Luckow, Jeff Jolly, Allen Tiffany, Clare Rogers.

Officers: President, Steve Heaton; Vice President, Scott Farnsworth; Treasurer, Dennis Rice; Secretary, Vicki Williams.

Thanks to those elected for their willingness to serve and the best of luck to them for 2002.

by Club Secretary, Vicki Williams.

## Steering Column, Presidents Message

I want to extend to everyone the best wishes of the New Year, 2002. I hope that each of you will have a great year and find enjoyment, friendship and fun in your Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club. Next I want to extend my thanks and appreciation to Bill and Dolores Call for forming the club, shaping it and getting it ready to stand on its own. Bill and Dolores have been great help to me as I ready myself for the job of President of our club. The Officers of the club are excellent and have given me wonderful help and support along with the Board of

Directors and Committees.

The Committees have been working and the Board of Directors have been meeting, taking care of the organization. I would envision the Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club being a family Car Club, where we can all enjoy our two loves. "Our Families and Our Plymouths". I want to see each Club Member take part in a committee so that each of you can take an active roll in the way the club is shaped and directed.

Activities will play a key part for our club, this is where we will be able to build and develop our friendships and enjoy our Plymouths. I would encourage each of you to keep the information flowing. You can call and talk with any of the Officers, Board of Directors and or Committee Chairpersons; these doors are always open. We want to know your thoughts about our club and where you think it should be going and how you think it should get there.

Let's enjoy the year 2002 and our Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club.

Sincerely, Steve Heaton, 2002 CPPC President

## From the Editor, Newsletter gets new format

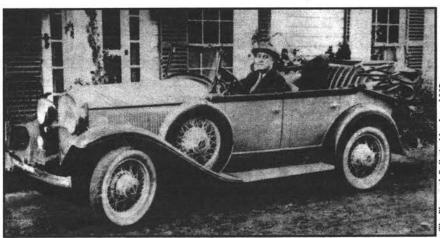
As you probably have noticed, this issue of the Cascade-Pacific Plymouth club newsletter is different from previous issues. In January 2002, the club has become an organization financially supported by the membership. The club membership dues are simply not enough to publish the newsletter in the same format you are used to seeing.

A newsletter committee member, Mike Bade has volunteered his services, as a Graphics instructor to create what will be the new and we hope, improved newsletter. Since all the newsletter committee members are novices at publishing there will be changes in both format and content. We hope to introduce new items and still keep the original ones that were favored by you the club members.

As we work through our beginning stage, adding and subtracting newsletter content, there will undoubtedly be a dud now and then. We hope you will bear with us since the newsletter, like the club will always be a work in progress striving to improve itself.

Many thanks to Bill Call, Earle Culbertson, Larry Catt, Duanne Luckow and the many other club member contributors to the CPPC Newsletter. Their ground breaking work, has set the standard for a quality, which I am sure is the envy of other clubs around the country.

As the new newsletter committee takes over the reigns of responsibility we endeavor to keep up the quality of the clubs newsletter.



Did you know President Franklin D. Roosevelt was the owner of a 1931 PA Phaeton. His was fitted with special controls which enabled him to drive. Photo taken Nov. 29, 1933

nouth Bulletin, May-June 1985

#### Letters to the Editor

One of the new features starting this month is a "Letters to the Editor" section. For members who want to speak out in print with Concerns or constructive criticism, this section is for you.

Please confine the subject of your comments to the clubs, Plymouths, and related matters.

Keep in mind that all submissions may be edited, ignored or forwarded to Attor ney General Ashcroft.

You can write us at: Cascade Pacific Plymouth Club P.O. Box 2988 Clackamas, OR 97015 or email to tjsves@yahoo.com

Sincerely, Tom Shepherd

## Members' Cars by the year

In the December 2000 newsletter, we listed the 67 cars owned by our members at that time. Happily our club has grown! As of October 2001, we have 113 members who own 157 Plymouths from years 1928 (the first Plymouth) through 1976 (25 years old - the minimum age recognized by our national POC). Our cars/pickups are in these age groups:

#### 1 each year:

'28, '46, '53, '57, '58, '59, '61, '62,

'63, '67, '69, '72, 76

2 each year:

'34, '37, '42, '54, '68.

3 each year:

'30, '36, '40, '52, 73

4 each year: '31, '64

**5 each year:** '35, '51, '65

6 each year: '38, '56

7 each year: '39, '47

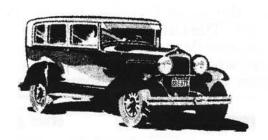
8 each year: '32

11 each year: '33, '41, '49

**12 each year:** '50

**16 each year:** '48

Submitted by Larry Catt



## eBay Fever, becarefull what you bid on

Many of us"surf the net" for information and parts for our Plymouths, and likely go to eBay in the search. Its easy to get excited when an item appears that we think is rare, and we buy "incase we need it in the future".

A recent item in the P-15-24. com web site "Forum" illustrates the risk in this approach. It reported that a recent auction for NOS 1936 Dodge and Plymouth Pinion Shaft Seals was bid to \$37.00.

The Forum writer also reported that these seals are still available at parts stores at about \$6.00. This information was provided:

Mopar P/N 600230. is cross referenced to:

Federal Mogul P/N 5711 or, Chicago Rawhide P/N 17682

An advantage of the new seal is that they wil be of current manufacture, and made of new (and likley) improved materials.

Obviously, seals for other years will also be available from the above, and possibly other, manufacturers. The lesson here, is to check your favorite supplier first before getting into a bidding frenzy on the "net".

Submitted by Larry Catt

### Parts on the Web

For lots of Plymouth sites of varying interest, go to <a href="http://www.Google.com">http://www.Google.com</a> and enter Plymouth Auto Parts in the box that appears, and click in the "Search" box.

Several pages of sites will come up, and you can click on the ones that seem interesting. You can also modify the search criteria to any other title, and google will find any matching sites

For NOS 1930-1960 sheetmetal:

http://home.att.net/ ~mopar.parts/index.html

Submitted by Larry Catt

# **CASCADE PACIFIC PLYMOUTH CLUB**

## **Newsletter Information Form:**

Return Form To: P.O. Box 2988 - Clackamas, OR 97015	_
Member Name:	Birthday:
Spouse:associate Member)	Birthday:
Res. Phone: Wk. Phone:	E-mail:
Photo included: ( ) Yes ( ) No Note: Photos can be re	eturned upon request.
When did you join the Plymouth Club:	
How long have you been a member of the National Plymouth	Club:
Other Car Clubs you are a member of:	
What Plymouth or Plymouths do you own:	
Other Hobbies and Interests:	
Other Special interest Cars Owned:	
Children:	101
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Give a full description, Year, Model, Color, How long owned, You found the car and Reason you bought a Plymouth. (Use I	What work has/is being done, How back of this form or extra pages if needed)
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Special Events Attended and/ or Awards Won:		

## Rinky-Dink Service Station in Kingman, Arizona, by Dave Cole - Santa Maria, Calf.

Accustomed as we are today to service stations along major highways having acres of concrete or blacktop surfacing, dozens of electronically operated gasoline pumps, and a convenience store behind them, full of fast foods and beverages, auto supples and such things, it is pretty hard to believe that sixty-odd years ago, a gasoline station as rinkydink as the one pictured here could really have existed on a transcontinental highway, but it did! This modest little board and batten shack, scarcely larger than a single car garage, was a working Conoco Station on U.S. 93 as well as U.S. 466.

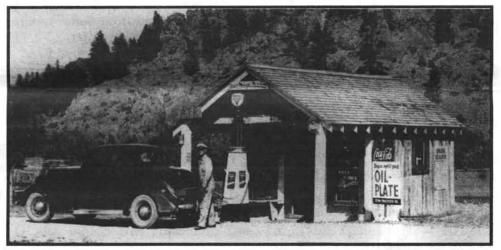
As a filling station, this place is the absolute minimum. It has one pump, one attendant, and together, they can serve one car at a time. That ten-gallon visible gas pump was a relic even in 1939. but it had the last Continental Oil Company gasoline up there in that glass tube -- Conoco 'Bronz-z-z' Gasoline, they called it. (Up to 1938, it was known as Conoco Bronze, with out all the extra Z's but that didn't have enough Pizazz.) The grizzled old boy pumping the gas wore a proper gas station attendant's uniform with a billed cap, and even kept his sleeves buttoned and in all that scorching heat, too.

And as you can see, that's a 1936 Plymouth Coupe, if you look very hard you can discern where that Plymouth came from: Rio Grande county, just east of Wolf Creek Pas in southern Colorado.

There is no sign of the driver here, he probably in the building looking for something cool to drink. The front windows of the building advertise bakery goods, groceries and Weber fishing tackle, on the side of the building are signs for cold drinks, candy auto accessories and Chesterfield Cigarettes. The sign across the gable end of the roof identifies this dealer as "Your Milage Merchant", a slogan that Conoco used in those days.

Certainly there could not have been very much of any of

the advertised commodities in that little building, or there would not have been any room for the Plymouth driver to squeeze into find something to buy. But check that list of stuff again. It's practically everything you find in a modern convenience store attached to a gas station today! This place was small and modest as one would ever find yet it had all the services and supplies that motorists on busy, Route 66 needed in 1939. My, how times do change.



1939 Plymouth near Kingman, Arizona

## Club Member Passes Away, a Bid Fairwell

We have learned that a club member member, Bob Ripley of Olalla, WA. passed away on Sept. 28th.

Bob was an early supporter of our club and even though he was quite a distance from Portland, he came to a couple of our meetings with his son Mark.

We spoke of Bob and his wife Sylvia in our July 2001 newsletter, along with a picture of he and his wife.

Bill's son Mark also a member of the CPPC will carry on his fathers love for Plymouths.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### January 8 ......Board of Directors 20 ...... Northwest Drag Race Assoc. High Permormance "Swap Meet" Clack. County Fair Grounds, Canby 22 ..... Regular Club Meeting **Guest: Portland Powder Coatings February** 5 ...... Board of Directors 14-17 ..... Rod & Custom Show Portland Expo Center 26 ..... Regular Meeting March 1-3 .... 46th Portland Roadster Show **Oregon Convention Center** 5 ...... Board of Directors 26 ..... Regular Meeting **April** 2 ......Board of Directors 5,6, & 7..... Portland Swap Meet Portland Expo Center 23 ..... Regular Club Meeting Regular Monthly Meeting: (4th Tuesday), 6:30 kick tires, 7:00 General Meeting.

## Plymouth Parts/Cars for Sale/Wanted

#### 1936 Plymouth

"Commercial Sedan" large folder Makes a good service car (first car) restoration.

#### 1939 Plymouth Sedan

large folder "Panel Delivery". Shows many application including ambulance.

Bob Bries, Ph:303-771-3622 3901 S. Spruce St., Denver. Colorado 80237

#### 1928-1931 Collection of Plymouths

1928 Ply Roadster, Restored \$13,000 1930 Ply Roadster, Unrestored \$12,000 1931 Ply Roadster, Unrestored \$12,000 Jim Beuzenberg Ph:360-733-1655 Bellview , WA

#### Parts for 1931 Plymouth PA

Head, water pump, bellhousing with cover, stater and front motor mount yoke. \$125.00 or Best offer. David Hochhalter Ph: 360-573-8788

#### 1947 Plymouth Woodie Wagon

Sheet metal pretty good, but bad wood. Most wood there for templates. Top wood could probably be used. Save it from the burn pile. \$2,200.00. Reese E. Gullickson Ph:503-550-4574 P.O. Box 1179, Newberg, OR 97123

#### 1950 Plymouth P20 Convertable

6 cylinder - Price, 16,500 William Domarotsky, Ph:253-631-3947 email:wdomarotsky@compuserve.com 15908 SE 232 St - Kent, WA 98042

#### **WANTED:**

#### 1964 Sports Fury Literature:

Service Manual, Parts List Book, Operators Manual, Spinner hub caps and trim parts.

Larry Janecke Ph: 780-672-7529 4209 S. Ave., Camrose AB.



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