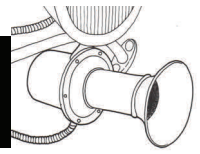




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The Klaxon is the monthly newsletter of the Delaware Valley Model "A" Ford Club, Inc. and is circulated to all club members and other interested clubs. The club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at Daley's Service Center, 2749 Bristol Pike, Bensalem, PA 19020.

If you wish to contribute articles for publication in the Klaxon please do so by submitting them to the editor Steve Organ. Other pertinent information can be obtained from the officers.

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President's Message



Greetings: Well, April showers prevented most of us from bringing our cars to the meeting. Don Fortune was the lone Model A in attendance. Hopefully it will be sunny on May 1st for our next meeting.

Remember, on Saturday, April 26th. The Hellertown Model A Ford Day at Grist Mill Park on West Walnut Street in Hellertown, PA. 9am to 3pm, rain or shine. There will be a vehicle display, swap meet, flea market and tech sessions. This should turn out to be a very good event. If anyone would like further information on the event, the contact info is: Nelson Chegezy, 610-867-4395 or cell: 610-297-6875. 2041 Peasant Drive, Bethlehem PA 18015.

Also, cars are needed on May 26th for the Memorial Day Parade. We meet at Daley's around 9am, do the parade and then return to Daley's for a great picnic by John and Donna Daley.

Does anyone have a tech topic that they could do for the May meeting? Let me know before the meeting day if you do.

From the feedback that I received, the new pizza source for the meeting was a hit. They aren't any cheaper than the previous places however the quality is much better.

See you on May 1st! Bring your Model A's to the meeting.

Jim

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Editor's Message



Hi All: As I write this the windows are open and I have driven both of my cars this week already and plan on more driving. Usually I drive all through the year but with this past winter I

only had my T out once and that was for a show. I'm sure most of you also haven't had your cars out (even Dave Miller missed a lot of days this year because of the weather) which leads me to remind you to check your car over before you start driving. Is the Battery OK? Is there water/anti-freeze in the radiator? Have any little animals decided your car looks like a great home for them? Take a few minutes and make sure your car can stop! We have our first Parade of the season on Monday, May 26th—Memorial Day. After the parade, John and Donna Daley have invited us back for a picnic lunch at the club house. If your car doesn't run, you don't own an antique car, your car doesn't run—why don't you consider riding with someone? It would be great to see some new faces at the parades! See you at the next meeting and Happy Motoring!! *Steve*

Up Coming Events

5/1/2014 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

6/5/2014 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

Happy Birthday for May 2014

If we missed your birthday please let the editor know

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HISTORY OF QUAKER STATE OIL

Quaker State got its name from the nickname for Pennsylvania, the state founded by William Penn.

A century and a half ago, Quaker State products kept steam engines puffing and wagon wheels turning. Today, their products are used by auto shops and everyday people like us who want real durable oil in their motors.



The company's rich history began in 1859 with a small marketing company in Oil City, PA that produced petroleum products to lubricate steam engines, machinery and wagons.

In 1913, Chicago entrepreneur and stockholder Charles Pape brought together 19 small oil companies in Oil City, PA to create a new corporation, Quaker State Oil Refining Corporation. As the nation entered the mechanical age, oil became the life blood of industry and transportation. Companies such as Quaker State found consumers clamoring for its products. The invention of the "horseless carriage" resulted in specific product innovations required by the new internal combustion engines.

1914—Automobile makers quickly discovered that engine efficiency increased with high operating temperatures, yet no oil on the market could handle the heat. The Franklin Automobile Company was desperate for quality motor oil for its cars. Quaker State sent the Company samples of its new, high quality oil and it proved so successful that from 1914 on, every Franklin leaving the factory was fitted with a custom five-quart can of Quaker State oil under the front seat.



1936— With the focus of staying ahead of industrial developments and continually making product improvements, Quaker State set the stage for rapid growth. In 1936, the Standard Oil Company (now Exxon) became the exclusive Quaker State sales agency in the Midwest. Soon after, all Standard Oil stations across the nation exclusively offered Quaker State motor oil.

In 1940 and 1941, the company introduced Stabilized Quaker State Motor Oil and Quaker State HD High Detergency Oil. Advertisements to consumers touted Quaker State as the "champagne of motor oils".

1955—After the war, automakers began to increase horsepower and the size of cars. Keeping pace with these developments, Quaker State products included a combination of anti-wear, anti-rust, anti corrosive and high detergency properties.

In the latter 1950's, Quaker State once again became a marketing company first and foremost and emphasized its efforts to maintain and increase its share of the consumer market. Quaker State had more than 1,000 distributors around the country.



In 1961, Quaker State contracted with Amoco, Standard of Indiana's affiliate in the east, to provide Quaker State products to Amoco's extensive dealer network throughout the East and South. Quaker State established relationships with mass marketers such as K-Mart and Pep Boys beginning in 1962.

As matters stood in 1964, Pennzoil owned 8% of Quaker State. Quaker State borrowed \$5,000,000 and bought the stock back in December 1965. Quaker State stayed in Oil City for another 30 years.

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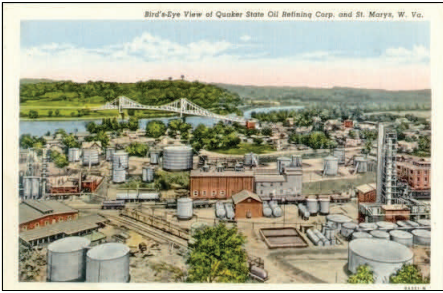
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Quaker State Continued

Quaker State improved their 3 refineries in Emlenton, Farmers Valley and Ohio Valley. A new packaging plant was built in LA with tank storage for 5,000,000 gallons of oil. A new research laboratory was built in Seneca. Relations with mass marketers were refined along with initiatives to support Quaker State's decade old distributor network.



Plans were announced in 1970 to build a new refinery, the Congo, in Newell, WV. This would be the first new lube oil refinery built in the Appalachian Field in decades. The crude oil would be piped from the company's wells located east of Canton, OH.

Quaker State moved in 1977 into a brand new office building on Elm St. in Oil City. The firm looked forward to years of continued prosperity. Quaker State diversified into coal, buying the Valley Camp Coal Co.

The Valley Camp adventure did not go well. Within a decade, Quaker State sold off as much of Valley Camp as they could.

Quaker State's venture in 1980 into a network of fast lub centers showed real promise. Quaker State financed over 100 such centers in 1980 including ones owned and operated by Artic Circle of Salt Lake City. Quaker State acquired Artic Circle for \$29,000,000 in November 1985 and reorganized it as Quaker State Minit-Lube, Inc. The Minit-Lube venture proved very expensive with disappointing returns.



As a result of a consultant study completed in 1987, top management persuaded the board of directors to approve a name change from Quaker State Oil Refining Corporation to the new Quaker State Corporation. Quaker State lost market

share in the latter 1980's.

In the early 1990's, the Quaker State brand was still recognized as one of the top premium motor oil brands in the country, but change was in the air. New top management moved the company abruptly from Oil City to Dallas in 1995.



In 1998 Pennzoil spun off its motor oil, refined products, and franchise operations—Pennzoil Products Group—into a newly traded company that merged with all of Quaker State, which it purchased for \$1 billion. The new company, called Pennzoil-Quaker State Company, became the world's largest automotive consumer products company with annual revenues of \$3.2 billion. They has control of more than a third of the domestic lubricants market. Pennzoil Exploration and Production Company, one of the largest U.S. based independent exploration and production companies, was re-named PennzEnergy Co. and began separate trading on the NYSE. Devon Energy Corp. of Oklahoma bought PennzEnergy in August 1999.

Late in the 1990's and early 2000's posed huge challenges for Pennzoil-Quaker State's growth. The company's ailing oil refining business wiped out cash flow and earnings for the company, and the company began to look for a buyer whose main business was refining. In 1999, it shut down its crude oil processing refinery in Roseville, PA and in 2000 sold close to 10 of its refineries and manufacturing products businesses, including the companies gold mining and sulfur gas division.

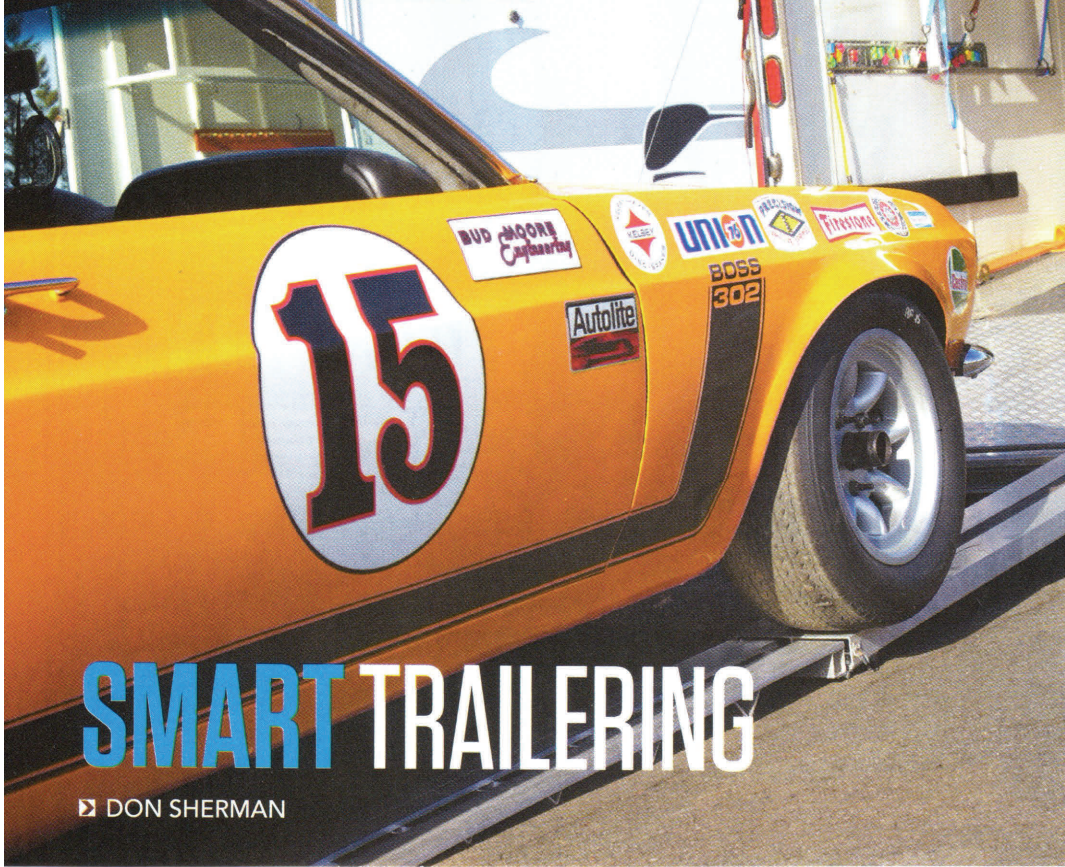
The company continued selling off ancillary assets and businesses throughout 2001: a packaging plant for lubricants and its Louisiana-based refinery in the first quarter of the year. With only modest earnings growth in 2000, the result of an unprecedented rise in the cost of motor oil, and rising fuel costs that curtailed consumer driving, Pennzoil-Quaker State nonetheless embarked on a spate of acquisitions.

In 2002, the Royal Dutch/Shell Group purchased Pennzoil-Quaker State to form SOPUS—Shell Oil Products US which continues on today.

Than Little Company, Quaker State established in 1859 has come a long way.



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EVERY CLASSIC CAR

owner knows a trailering disaster story. The tips that follow can help you to avoid ending up as a cautionary tale.

Before you begin, select a suitable tow vehicle. Buying new or used, you're best off with a factory towing package containing the powertrain and chassis equipment — brakes, coolers, axle ratio, hitch — up to task. Check the owner's manual or the manufacturer's website to ensure the vehicle's tow rating covers future needs.

Bumper-mounted hitches are only adequate for local moves. A frame-mounted receiver-type Class-III design is rated at 5,000 pounds (trailer and payload), while Class-IV covers loads up to 10,000 pounds. Tongue weight is a concern, because it strongly influences your rig's stability and sway resistance. The payload should be positioned over the trailer axle(s) so that the hitch carries about 10 percent

of the gross trailer weight.

Surge brakes are adequate for trailering sports cars, but if you're in the Cadillac class, you'll need electric brakes with a controller that the driver can operate.

Enclosed trailers provide extra security and weather protection, but they're significantly more expensive and their drag consumes more fuel. Open and closed trailers are both available with aluminum construction that costs more initially but pays back in the form of lower operating and upkeep costs.

With your classic on or in the trailer, use a minimum of four heavy-duty ratcheting tie-downs attached to its suspension or looped over the tires. Tommy Hudson, of Tommy's Trailers, cautions to never strap a car down by its frame. "Stay below the springs so they can flex. When you do it by the frame, the springs compress and the car jerks around too much." A crisscross arrangement reduces the

likelihood your prize will slide on a wet trailer bed.

Allow several minutes to run through this checklist before departure: Are the truck and trailer tires properly inflated? Is the trailer tongue securely latched onto the tow ball? Are the safety chains crossed and long enough for tight turns but not so loose they drag on the pavement? Is the cable connecting trailer lights and brakes attached? Use an assistant to make sure running, brake and turn lights work on cue. Driving slowly and check the brakes for proper operation. And don't forget to attach the breakaway cable that actuates the brakes in the event your trailer becomes detached.

Repeat this protocol after an hour on the road, and also tighten the tie-down straps and check the tire treads and wheel hubs for excessive heat.

Remember that trailering involves great care and commitment. When in doubt, consider contacting a professional transporter as an alternative. //

Yuk! Yuk!

Q: What is the difference between a Ford and a porcupine?

Q: What's the difference

Q: What's the difference between a Ford and the principal's office?

A: It's less embarrassing if your friends see you leaving the principal's office.

Q: What goes on pages 4-5 of the Ford's user's manual?

A: The train & bus schedule.

Q: What do you call a Ford at the top of a Hill?

A: A Miracle.

Q: What do you call two Fords at the top of a hill?

A: A mirage.

Q: What do you call a Ford with dual exhausts?

A: A wheelbarrow

Q: What is the Ford owner's most ardent wish?

A: To buy a car.

Q: What do you call a Ford with a seat belt?

A: A rucksack.

Q: How do you double the value of a Model T Ford?

A: Full the tank with petrol.

Q: What did the Buick say to the Ford?

A: Would you like a tow home?

Q: Why are FORD dealers giving away a dog with each FORD sold?

A: So the owner has a companion to walk home with.

Q: Why did the chicken cross the road?

A: To push his Model T FORD back into the show room.

Q: Why didn't the chicken cross the road?

A: Because his Model T got stuck.

Q: What is the aim of a Ford project car?

A: An attempt to keep their car running.

Q: Why do they fit brakes in Model T Fords?

A: So the driver can stop quicker to pick up the fallen off parts.

Q: How do you make a Ford go faster downhill?

A: Turn off the engine.

Q: What is the difference between a Ford and a shopping cart?

A: A shopping cart is much easier to push.

Q: What do the new speed limit signs say on our suburban roads?

A: Max speed - 40 miles per hour - Fords do best you can.

Q: Why do they put sidewalks beside most streets and highways?

A: So FORD owners have a safe place to walk home.

Ford Mottos

"Speed kills. Drive a Ford and live forever!"

"That's not a leak. My Ford's just marking it's territory."

"You might own a Model T FORD if you keep getting sympathy cards from the Department of Motor Vehicles."

"I could never keep a Ford under me, I was always under the Ford."

"Friends don't let friends drive Fords."

Yellow Traffic Light



The light turned yellow just in front of him. He did the right thing, stop-ping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration, as she missed her chance to get through the intersection.....dropping her cell phone and makeup.

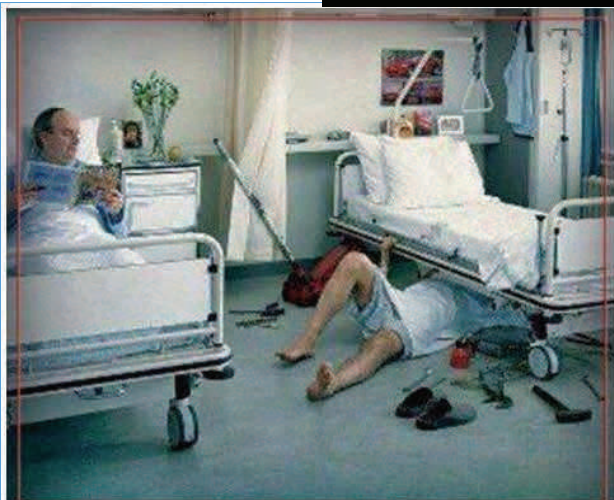
As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious-looking police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up.

He took her to the police station where she was searched, fingerprinted, photographed, and placed in a holding cell.

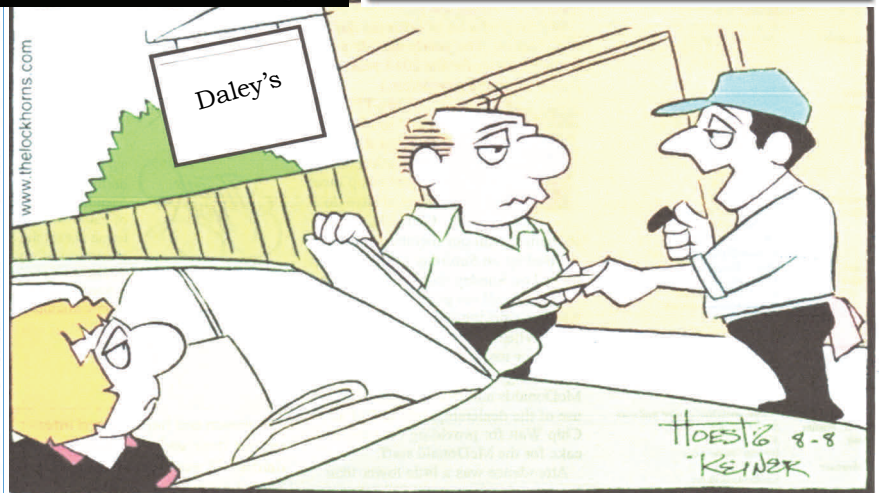
After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects.

He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you and cussing a blue streak at him. I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sun-day-School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk, so naturally....I assumed you had stolen the car."

Priceless



What happens when Old Car Guys get sent to the Nursing Home



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Lexophiles is not a disease—Plays on Words

"Lexophiles" is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless." A competition to see who can come up with the best lexophiles is held every year in an undisclosed location. This year's winning submission is posted at the very end.

- .. When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- .. A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- .. When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- .. The batteries were given out free of charge.
- .. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- .. A will is a dead giveaway.
- .. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- .. A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- .. When you've seen one shopping Center you've seen a mall.
- .. Police were called to a day care Center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- .. Did you hear about the fellow whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- .. A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- .. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- .. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.
- .. He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- .. When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
- .. Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.

And the cream of the wretched crop:
.. Those who get too big for their pants will be exposed in the end.

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Lord Byron

Thanks to member Don Fortune
for submitting these (who else??)

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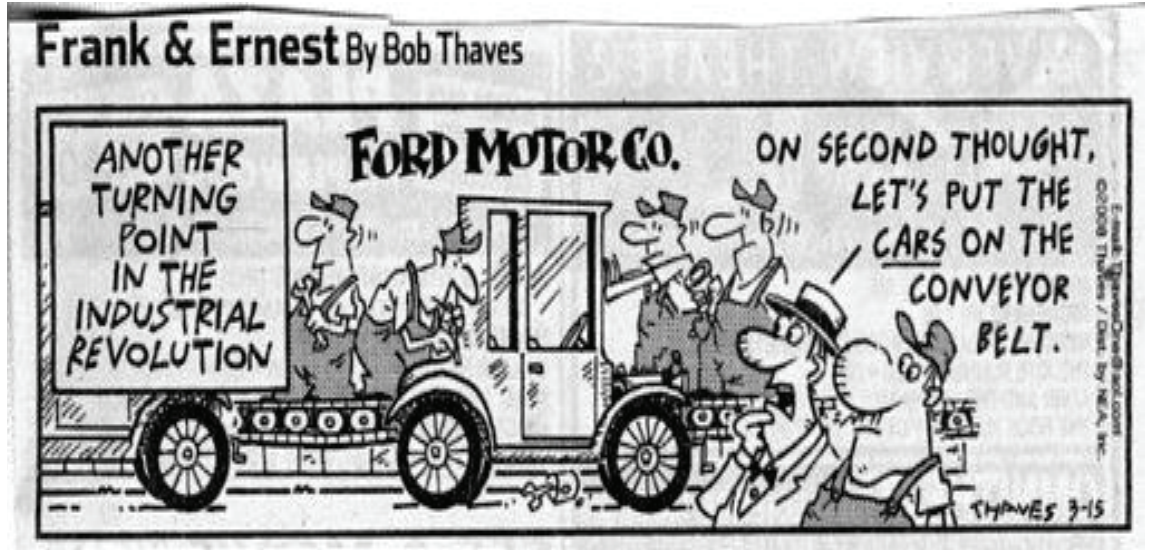
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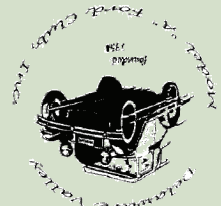
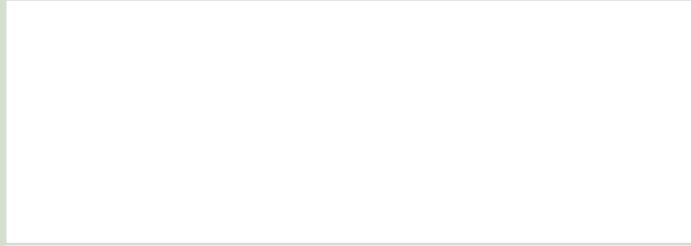
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Things Your Mother would **NEVER** say:

- Yeah, I used to cut class a lot too.
- Go ahead and keep that stray dog, honey. I'll be glad to feed and walk him every day.
- That outfit isn't sexy enough, here, unbutton your blouse.
- Why don't you hitchhike? It would totally be cheaper.
- The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It's not like I'm running a prison around here.
- Don't clean your room so often. It makes the rest of the house look bad.
- Can I borrow your new speed metal CDs?

