



August 2014

SPOKEN WHEELS

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Bob Travis

Every once in a while I get lucky when someone else writes my President's message, as is the case this time. Dan Foulk, current President of MAFCA has penned the best explanation of the MAFCA insurance coverage for individual chapters I have seen in 50 years of my membership. I trust you will agree. His comments on this subject were contained in his July President's message which appeared on the MAFCA web site in July of this year. A copy of his message is repeated on page 7 of this newsletter. Please check it out.



Remember, drive an A every day.

GENERAL MEETING - Friday, August 29 at 7:30 PM - Arcadia Red Cross, 376 Huntington Dr., Arcadia

PROGRAM - Gale Banks will tell us what the cars we drive 20 years from now will look like. Gale is well known in the automotive aftermarket as a manufacturer of high performance gasoline and diesel engines and components. This will be a good one. This program was originally scheduled for the July meeting but had to be rescheduled for August.

BOARD MEETING - Wednesday, September 10, 7:00 PM - Temple City City Hall

Come join us and see what is really going on.

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SAA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- 23 - SAA Pancake Breakfast - Wilderness Park, Arcadia, 9:00 AM
- 26 - Tour to Route 66 Museum - See page 4
- 29 - General Meeting

September

- 6 - Club Yard Sale - See page 4
- 6 - Pasadena Library event & car show - See page 7
- 7 - Car Show - Arcadia Retirement Center - See page 4
- 8 - Ladies Brunch - Annia's, El Monte Airport, 11:00 AM
- 10 - Board Meeting - 7:00 PM, Temple City City Hall
- 12 - Picnic at Whittier Narrows with SGVMARC - See page 4
- 18 - Men's Breakfast - Annia's, El Monte Airport, 9:00 AM
- 20 - Ticket to Twenties - See page 4
- 26 - General Meeting
- 27 - Arcadia "Walk of Champions" Grand Opening, See page 7

October

- 18 - Temple City Car Show - See page 4

November

- 2 - Horse show at Cal Poly Pomona - Details TBA

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

September Birthdays

- 4 - Mary Garduno
- 6 - Bonnie Nelson
- 7 - Larry Rummens
- 9 - Suzan Wiley
- 13 - John Lacey and Helen Cortez
- 14 - Suzanne Rummens
- 15 - LaVada Hancock
- 18 - Sandra Kurtz
- 19 - Hal Anthony
- 20 - Stu Levin and Steve Voors
- 21 - Terri Lawrence and Catherine Levin
- 23 - Mark Henzel
- 29 - Vicky Balmot

September Anniversaries

- 4 - Hal & Joanne Anthony
- 6 - Tom & Sheri Johnson
- 8 - Bob & Patsy Harbicht, Art & Olive Moore
- 10 - Joe & Karen Blaylock
- 13 - Mike & Beverly Kniest
- 28 - Charles & Diana Lohr
- 29 - John & Carol Emanuelli

OTHER CLUB SPONSORED EVENTS

August

- 24 - Parts Exchange and Classic Cars Swap meet - Sponsored by the San Fernando Model A club, Rancho San Antonio, 2100 Plumber, Chatsworth. 6:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Contact Alan Bennett 818-317-2531

September

- 13 - International Ford Day - Orange County Model A Club.

November

- 2 - Hill Climb - Murrieta, Sposored by FAST, details TBA

THE SUNSHINE LADY

A get well card was sent to Sally Baquet
A sympathy card was sent to Sandy Killian

Cookie Bringers of the Month Club

Ruth Ann LeVay, Sheri Johnson, Josi Byrd, Bonnie Nelson

This Month's Photographers Include:

Vicky Bartlett, John Emanuelli, Joe Wilson

NEW MEMBERS

Here are the new members who joined in the last six months. Welcome them into our club.



Larry & Gerry McKinney
Fountain Valley
Joined March 2014
1931 Victoria



Charles & Diana Lohr
Sunland
Joined February, 2014
1930 Pick-up, 1931 Tudor



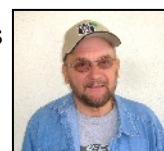
Larry & Gloria Metz
Arcadia
Joined March 2014
'29 Roadster PU, '32 Coupe



William Peet
Sierra Madre
Joined June 2014
1931 Sport Coupe



Charles & Myrian Davies
San Marino
Joined February 2014
'29 Tudor, '30 Cabriolet



James & Lan Skalicky
LaVerne
Joined April 2014
'28 AR Phaeton

FICTION & FACT

Ponder This

by Joe Wilson

What's in your closet?



At the last SAA Board meeting I was asked to provide an update on the Santa Anita A's Clothing program. Considering that all of our members might also be interested, I decided to include some of the data from that report in this month's newsletter.

The new clothing program was introduced at the November 2013 general meeting where samples of the new clothing were on display and orders were accepted. An "Apparel Catalog" and order form were prepared and made available to members. The catalog is now available on the SAA web site and at the "Accessory Table" during our regular meetings.

Orders placed through August :

Total value of clothing orders placed - \$2,384
Total number of individuals ordering 1 or more items - 33
Jackets purchased - 17
Polo shirts ordered - 18
Dress shirts ordered - 12
Ball caps ordered - 11
Women's visors ordered - 2
Straw hats ordered - 3
Total items purchased - 63

I invite those of you who have not yet placed an order for any of the club's clothing to take a look at what is available and consider updating your wardrobe. I'll have samples at the next meeting and will be preparing a new order to place with our supplier.

Think About It

No matter how smart you are you can never convince someone stupid that they are stupid.



I was always taught to respect my elders and I've now reached the age when I don't have anybody to respect. - George Burns

Model A Ford Club of America

Santa Anita A's is a chartered member of the Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. (MAFCA). It is a California not-for-profit corporation and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles as manufactured from 1928 through 1931.



We encourage our SAA members to also participate in the MAFCA organization. Check out their web site. It contains a wide variety of information about the organization, activities, technical references and instructions on how to join the organization. (www.mafca.com)

New Member Spotlight

By Bob Harbicht



Tom Endy & Lynn Neal



Tom and Lynn joined the Santa Anita A's the first of this year, but they're not newcomers to Model A'ing. They bought their 1931 Victoria in 1994 and have driven it over 45,000 miles in the last few years. The car has been to Canada twice and Hawaii once on tours. On all three of those trips the car was transported by ship. Plus, it's Tom's daily driver.

Tom and Lynn had been a member of a Model A club in Orange County, where they live. They met Mickey & Bea Fruchter when they toured with them to the 2012 Vancouver meet. Then, a couple of years ago, they toured with some members of the Santa Anita A's to Bakersfield. Along the way a few of the cars had problems and Tom was able to fix them.

Tom has extensive experience as a Model A mechanic. He has a part-time hobby/business rebuilding transmissions, rear ends, and other drive-train components. In fact, he built the drive train on the car our club helped restore that now sits in the MAFCA Museum.

Tom has written an extensive list of articles on Model A repair and has forwarded them to the Santa Anita A's for inclusion on our website. They can all be viewed under the "Technical Reference" tab on the web site.

Tom conducted a seminar on Model A electrical trouble shooting and theory for our members on August 9. It provided an opportunity for everyone to meet him and welcome him to our club.

Art Killian Passes



Club member, Art Killian passed away on August 8. Art and his wife, Sandra, joined the Santa Anita A's in November of 1993 and were active members in the earlier years. Art and his wife

Sandra toured in a 1930 Coupe purchased from club member Butch Johnson. He gave the coupe to his grandson who lives in Ojai on the condition that he join and participate in a Model A club, which he did. Services will be held on August 23, 3:00 PM at the Church of the Good Shepard located at Holly and Duarte in Arcadia.

COMING EVENTS

Tour to the Route 66 Car Museum

Tuesday, August 26

by Bob Moore

We will tour to the Route 66 Car Museum, a private collection in Azusa, housing about 30 cars from the 30's through the 70's. In addition, there is a strong emphasis on racing cars as that is the hobby of the owner and his wife. Following the tour, we will go to Dick and Norma Canzoneri's who are hosting us for lunch.

Ken Mallory will lead the tour. The tour group will assemble at the Walmart Parking lot at 10:15 AM on Tuesday, August 26. The group will depart Walmart at 10:30 AM, arriving at the Route 66 Museum by 10:45 AM. After our visit we will depart for Dick and Norma Canzoneri's home for lunch. If you haven't already made reservations call Ken Mallory (626-827-6242).

SANTA ANITA A's OCCASIONAL YARD SALE

Saturday, September 6, 2014

by Mickey Fruchter

PLACE: Mickey & Bea Fruchter's home, 1472 N. Michigan Ave., Pasadena, **TIME:** 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

It is time to clear out your unwanted items (household, car or any non-junk things) we can sell and raise funds for our club. You can bring your treasures over during the week (September 1st through the 5th); just call ahead to make sure that someone will be home to secure your items. (626-797-2048)

We will need helpers to set up for the sale on Friday, September 5th and members to help at the Yard Sale on the following day. There will be a sign-up sheet at the August 29th meeting. Please join in and help as much as you possibly can.

Picnic with the San Gabriel Valley MARC Club

Friday, September 12, 2014

We have been invited by the SGVMARC Model A Club to join them for a picnic at Legg Lake at the Whittier Narrows Recreation Area on Friday, September 12.

We will meet at the park at 10:30 AM. Enter off of Durfee between Santa Anita Ave. and Rosemead Blvd., turn in at Whittier Narrows Recreation Area sign that says "Legg Lake Fishing Pier, Model Boat Launch".

MARC will provide hot dogs, you sign up to bring something to "go with". There are tables for lunch, but you might want to bring your chairs, to "hang out" in. The park barbecues are very sad. If anyone has a portable one, can you volunteer to bring it? Join us for Food, Friends, Games

Questions? Call Carolyn McBride 626-792-8652

Santa Anita Retirement Center Car Show

Sunday, September 7

by Joe Farino

Car show, Fun, Food and Drinks

Come join us at the Santa Anita Retirement Center on September 7, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The Center is located at 5600 Gracewood, Arcadia, across from Live Oak Park in Temple City. There will be good food, an Ice cream bar and surprise entertainment with plenty of shade. Bring your Model A and join in this renewed event.

Any questions, call Joe Farino (9626-445-4589)

Ticket to the 20's

Saturday, September 20

by Nancy Stancil

The tour to the Workman Temple "Ticket to the Twenties" event will be on Saturday, September 20th. We will gather at Marlin and Elaine Perry's home and then depart to take surface streets to the event. The Perry's are located at 5528 N. Lenore Ave, Arcadia. At 12:00 noon we will head out. Maps will be available; it is a very short distance.

Please bring your chairs, water, sun screen, hats, and any food items. The past two years they have had food trunks there, but I don't know about this year.

Its a fun afternoon with music, dancing, vendors, silent movies, and tours through the homes. Era clothing is encouraged; many people will be dressed in "twenties attire". There will be lots of picture taking; the crowd loves our cars. A great day to sit back, people watch, visit with club members and meet members from other clubs.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the August meeting. Hope to see you on the 20th.

TEMPLE CITY CAR SHOW

October 18, 2014

by Marlin Perry

The Santa Anita A's will again assist the City of Temple City with their annual car show. Members are requested to help Marlin with set-up, car check-in and tear-down. If you are available to help please call Marlin at (626) 443-0638 or sign up at the August meeting. This is our way of thanking Temple City for the use of their facilities for our board meetings.

There is a registration fee for entering your car, however this fee will be waved for the first 15 Santa Anita A's members registering their cars.

PAST EVENTS

Puyallup or Bust

Our trip to the MAFCA National Convention

July 14 - 18

by Mickey Fruchter

More than a year ago members from the Santa Anita A's started thinking about driving to the 2014 National Model A Ford Club of America convention in Puyallup, Washington. After many meetings to organize our trip, a group which included: Vicky Bartlett (and her 2 dogs), John & Carol Emanuelli, Mickey & Bea Fruchter, Tom & Sheri Johnson, Charlie & Diana Lohr and Gene & Julie Reinhardt left for the event on July 8th.

The group decided to take highway 99 as it was the shortest and fastest way north. It was very hot in Bakersfield and Fresno and remained so during most of the trip up and back.



The cars ran well. Charlie Lohr had problems with his overdrive shifter so he drove the tour without overdrive and had no problem keeping up with the group. We made it to Fife, WA, which was near the Meet outside of Tacoma and Puyallup. On July 12th we took a chartered cruise around the area of Tacoma/Seattle and ended up at Blake Island where we had a fantastic salmon dinner and a wonderful show put on by the local Indian tribe.



There was something at the meet for everybody: seminars, tours, meetings, fashion shows, car judging, Hubley car races, and raffles. John Emanuelli, Vicky Bartlett and Gene Reinhardt entered their cars into the Hubley Derby.

Gene Reinhardt won a Bronze medal for his car in the "Restorers Class". This class is for "Daily Driver" cars that are restored and maintained in original form.



Many wonderful prizes were donated to the raffle and our members did well in winning them. One of the tours we attended was to see the new LeMay car collection near the Tacoma Dome. His total collection is 3,500 cars, all at the museum, his family collection and his home. Bob and Judi Moore joined us at the Awards Banquet where Bob gave out the "Youth Restoration Awards" to deserving young Model A enthusiasts.

We made a few changes in our planned returned route due to the fires in Oregon and California. We were invited to join the Bend, Oregon Model A Group for breakfast at a local café. The men sat on one side of the room and the women sat on the other side (that was a decision made by the women). The Bend, Oregon group was a fun crowd and made us all very welcome. We also visited the garage of Bill Barlow (former MAFCA Technical Director). He has a Model A collection and he rebuilds engines.

Mickey had a problem with his water pump and the replacement would not fit. What was normally a simple job... was not!

The weather was very uncomfortable but we all had a great time and we drove almost 3,000 miles. We are looking forward to driving to Loveland, CO for the 2016 National MAFCA Meet. Care to join us?



PAST EVENTS - CONTINUED

Technical Seminar

Saturday, August 9

Tom Endy gave a seminar on electricity - how it works and affects the operation on the Model A. The seminar was held at Bob Moore's house where coffee, bottled water and donuts were provided prior to and during the seminar. Lunch was served following the seminar which lasted two hours. We had a good turn out with a few visitors from other clubs.



Tom has authored many articles on servicing the Model A, many of which have appeared in the "Restorer" magazine. All of his articles are now posted on the Santa Anita A's web site.



Mickey Fruchter wants to thank the person who left a "Wheel Chock", custom made with the Santa Anita A Logo on it, in his car at the seminar. Nice gift.

OTHER STUFF

Hidden California Gas & Diesel Tax Set to be effective January 1, 2015 by Bob Moore

Stop California's Hidden Tax on Fuel

In 2006, Governor Brown signed into law, AB 32, The California Global Warming Solutions Act. This law requires that greenhouse gas emissions be reduced to the 1990 level by 2020. Annually, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) sets a statewide cap on emissions which translates into individual caps for large industrial facilities. The caps are reduced by 1 to 2% per year. A "cap and trade" system allows companies that will exceed their emissions cap to purchase surplus carbon allowances of other companies.

California's cap and trade regulations have applied only to large industrial facilities and not gasoline or diesel. Effective January 1, 2015, the AB 32 regulations are set for the first time to cover gasoline and diesel. This means that fuel providers, refiners and importers, will be required to purchase carbon allowance or permits for every gallon of gasoline and diesel fuel they sell in California.

This is the hidden tax. How much cost will this tax add to a gallon of gasoline? CARB estimates the cost could increase 16 cent to 76 cents per gallon over the next few years.

I encourage our Santa Anita A's members to contact Governor Brown at 916-445-2841 or click on link <https://govnews.ca.gov/gov39mail/mail.php> to tell him you oppose the new hidden tax on fuel.

Much of the information in this article comes from information provided by the Association of California Car Clubs. Santa Anita A's is a member of ACCC.

Ladies' Brunch

We are back to our normal schedule. The Ladies' Brunch will be on the second Monday of the month, September 8. Same routine - The group meets at Annia's which is located at the El Monte airport, 11:00 AM. Call Bea Fruchter (626-797-2048) if you are confused.



MORE OTHER STUFF

SAA Web site is home to Tom Endy's Model A Technical articles

Club member ,Tom Endy, has been writing technical articles on the Model A Ford for over 20 years. At this time he has written 82 articles which cover a wide variety of topics on servicing and repairing Model A Fords. Many of these articles have appeared in the Restorer magazine published by MAFCFA as well as other Model A club newsletters.

Tom has offered the technical articles to the Santa Anita A's as a home for his library. Our Web Master, Eric Sandberg has posted them on our Web site where they will be available to SAA members and visitors alike. Some of these articles have never been published before. Check them out by going to our web site (santaanitaas.org), click on the "Technical Reference" tab, then click on "Tom Endy's Tech Articles".

Commemoration of the 1930's American Dust Bowl at the Pasadena Library

Saturday, September 6

We have been invited to participate in the program commemorating the Dust Bowl of the 1930's by exhibiting our cars in the West parking lot of the Pasadena library from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. They asked if we could provide about 5 or 6 cars. Participants will be provide lunch. Rick Phillips is the organizer. Contact him at 626-447-0611

Arcadia "Walk of Champions" Grand Opening

Saturday, September 27

By Bob Harbicht

Arcadia is establishing a "Walk of Champions" in its downtown area. It is similar to Hollywood's "Walk of Fame" except that the sidewalk plaques honor prominent figures from horse racing, i.e. jockeys, trainers, famous horses, etc.



Saturday, September 27 from 5:00 to 8:00 in the evening will be the grand opening of the installation. To add to the ambience, the organizers want to have about five Model A's parked on the street where the festivities are taking place. Bob Harbicht has taken on the responsibility of recruiting the Model A's and is asking our club to help.

All that is involved is to drive your Model A to the corner of First & Huntington in Arcadia. You will be shown where to park and then you can take part in the festivities. A box dinner for all drivers will be provided by Matt Denny's Ale House.

If you would like to participate, please contact Bob (pbharbicht@gmail.com or 626-484-4214)

Model A Ford Club of America

Below is a report written by Dan Foulk, President of MAFCFA, which appeared on the MAFCFA web site in July. Dan comments on the Insurance coverage provided by MAFCFA for the benefit of all MAFCFA chapters. This has been a topic of concern and discussion by our SAA board of directors.

MAFCFA Insurance

By Dan Foulk, President - July 2014

Insurance! With the advent of the Affordable Care Act, it's a word we hear a lot these days. What I want to discuss in this column is a very different kind of insurance, the insurance that MAFCFA provides for its chapters.

MAFCFA provides two policies, liability and D&O (Directors & Officers) insurance for its chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico and Canada. Liability insurance has been provided for chapters since the 1960's. Chapter D&O insurance was added in 2009. It is important that you understand the insurance covers chapters and chapter leadership, it is not a substitute for your own personal insurance. The liability insurance that MAFCFA provides means that if your chapter has a claim for some reason, the chapter would be represented by our insurance company. D&O insurance is provided for any chapter member performing a chapter leadership function. The amount of coverage for chapter liability insurance is two million dollars, chapter D&O insurance coverage is five million dollars. There is an additional four million dollar umbrella policy. This means that if the initial two million dollars of liability coverage is inadequate, then the umbrella policy kicks in and provides four million more of coverage.

MAFCFA insurance covers chapters and chapter leadership, not cars or individuals. If you are under the impression that you don't need insurance on your Model A because it is provided by MAFCFA, you are wrong. If you are driving without automobile insurance, then you better get some, because you are not covered under MAFCFA's policies.

Those of you in leadership positions in your chapters know that for the past three years, MAFCFA has solicited chapters to share in the cost of insurance. Ten years ago chapter liability insurance cost MAFCFA \$3,679 annually, D&O insurance hadn't been added yet. In 2014, the cost for chapter liability insurance is \$33,100, nearly a 10-fold increase. Chapter D&O insurance adds another \$6,500 for a total of \$39,600. In 2006, we had a lawsuit, because of that, the insurance underwriter looked more closely at our activities and determined our liability was greater than anticipated. The cost of our liability insurance jumped \$11,744 in 2007, and has increased an average \$2,500 annually since.

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FROM THE SHOP BENCH

by Bob Travis



MAFCA Insurance - continued from page 7

You might ask, why doesn't MAFCA get quotes from other companies? We've tried that! In January 2007, when we received our liability renewal notice, the amount was \$92,000. This caused much consternation among the board. There was no way MAFCA could pay that much! It was looking like MAFCA would no longer be able to provide chapters with liability insurance, clearly an important benefit to chapters who belong to MAFCA. Chapters were told that March 1, 2007 would be the last day that MAFCA could offer liability insurance to them. If they had events scheduled after that date, they would need to provide their own insurance.

The search went out for new insurers. Approximately 25 companies were contacted and asked to provide quotes. By mid-February, we had received three quotes; the other companies could not, or did not want to insure us. The three quotes we received were \$52,000, \$44,000, and \$38,000, still too expensive! Prolonged negotiation with one company followed, and eventually, the price of \$15,432 was worked out with our current insurer, J. C. Taylor. Our insurance continued uninterrupted.

Our policy is a blanket policy. The same policy is sold to multiple organizations; the coverage is the same for all. There have been a few chapters who have requested to be dropped from MAFCA's insurance because they have their own policies. MAFCA cannot drop individual chapters. All chapters that are in countries as stated in paragraph two above are covered, if we drop any, we get into a policy customized for MAFCA, and the overall cost goes up. If your Chapter has their own insurance, you have double coverage, in the event of a claim that could be beneficial.

What I have attempted to do here is to give you a summary of the insurance that MAFCA provides for the chapters. The liability and umbrella insurance policy is 214 pages long; the D&O policy adds another 26 for a total of 240 pages. If you need further or more specific information, contact our Insurance Liaison with your questions. Additional information can be obtained from our website by reading the MAFCA policy on insurance. The policy number is P2S03. You can find it by going to the site index, and looking under "P" for policies.

The article below appeared in "Volcano Views", the newsletter of the Volcano A's Model A club in Vancouver, Washington

Bumper Clamp Safety Tip

By Lynn Sondena Sandy, Oregon

This safety tip is just something to think about. Original Model A bumper clamps were a one piece forging that was chrome plated in 1928, 1929, and early 1930. In 1930 and 1931 the clamps were a one piece forging with a stainless clad cap. The original bumper clamps are very strong and usually will not break. Our modern reproduction bumper clamps are made by one of the following four production processes:

- A pot metal casting poured around a bolt, also known as die casting. These are very cheap to purchase and have a high tendency to crack and break, especially if they are over tightened.
- Cast steel poured around a bolt. These are also prone to cracking and breaking. The more they are tightened the greater the chance of failure.
- Forged steel. These are like the original construction and very strong, they are also expensive.
- Forged stainless Steel. These are bullet proof bumper clamps that are one piece and they do not break or rust. They too are very expensive.

This is a safety thought. Do not over tighten your bumper clamps. They only need to be torqued between 25 to 30 foot pounds. More torque than that will place undue stress on the clamp. Make sure the lock washer is in good condition with spring. I use the reproduction 1928 Ford script bumper clamps on my Model A. These are a pot metal bumper clamp, so I also use a clear zip tie as a safety restraint. I would suggest using zip ties to anyone using the pot metal or cast steel bumper clamps. The zip ties will prevent the bumper from falling off of the Model A if the bumper clamp breaks. Use heavy duty-high strength nylon ties rated at 120 pounds of holding power. This type of strength is only made in the United States. It would not be much fun to run over your own bumper.



MARLIN'S MUSINGS
By Marlin Perry



Seminar News

This month found Brad, Mickey and myself in a big, or one of the biggest, can of worms or, better yet, the worst burned distributor in the club. It was at Thurston Levays in his Phaeton. It went all the way through his dash including ignition switch, AMP meter and wires leading to his alternator. So far we have worked on the car two days and hope to finish up on next visit. We have had sub sandwiches one day and Tommy hamburgers the second day. Thanks, Ruth Ann and Thurston. We are not positive but I think a pop-out switch was the problem; it was a reproduction switch.

Our second job this month was at Jack Dawson's on his beautiful pickup truck. It was backfiring and sputtering off and on. With a little work on the distributor and new ignition switch, it runs great. Thanks to John Emanuelli, Mickey and Marlin, Jack has a happy truck. While at Jacks we solved his truck back-end from leaning to one side in the rear of truck. With a little shaking from side to side, the center spring bolt fell into a square hole. Yes it is a square hole.

These two A's took care of this month. Gotta go, Joe Principe's pretty Sedan is calling us.

Low End Boys: Mickey, John, Dick H., Gene, Chris W., Larry R., Brad, Louie, Randy G. Ted, and Marlin

For Sale - Early 1928 Model A Phaeton.
Older restoration with good body. Brand new metal top frame as original with new custom canvas. Engine overhauled approximately 2000 miles ago. Tune-up in 2014 with rebuilt modern points in distributor, new wiring harness, new coil, new ignition switch, added fuse block for battery. Has temperature gauge, front seat belts, powder coated wheels with new white wall tires and custom cover. Has 1928 California plates. Includes spare rebuilt carburetor and water pump. Car is located in Monrovia, California. \$19,500.
Contact Thurston LeVay 626-599-9170

FOR SALE

- 4 each 4.75-5.00-19 Firestone Whitewall Tires made in New Zealand. Age unknown. Tread about 40% worn . With tubes. \$20 each.
- 30 Coupe Front Seat, brown mohair (one hole on front of seat bottom). \$40
- 29 Rear Bumpers with all brackets. \$60

Contact Rick Phillips in Arcadia, (626) 447-0611

SAA General Meeting Minutes July 25, 2014

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Travis at 7:31 PM.
- The flag salute was led by John McDannel.
- Membership Report - Randy Harper introduced new member Bill Peet and guest Larry O'Toole, Larry is visiting from Australia with Chuck and Nancy Sharpe

Program

John Mc Dannel gave a short explanation about the program change for tonight. He then introduced Bob Travis who presented a program on Henry Ford and the "Early History of the Ford Motor Company".

Break

Announcements

- Model T Swap Meet tomorrow at Los Alamitos raceway
- Hill Climb Nov. 2nd.
- Thanks to Wilbert Smith for setting up sound equipment tonight.

Tours Bob Moore told about the following tours

- Aug. 9 Tom Endy Seminar
- Aug. 23 SAA pancake breakfast at Wilderness Park.
- Aug. 26 Tour to Rt. 66 car museum and picnic lunch, courtesy of the Canzoneri's
- Sept. 20 Ticket to the Twenties at Homestead Museum
- Nov. 2 Horse Show and also Hill Climb on same date
- Sept. 7 Santa Anita Retirement Center car show (sign up with Joe Farino)

- The minutes from the June meeting were approved as printed in the Spoken Wheels
- The treasurers report was read and approved.

Sunshine Report

- Cards sent to Bev Kniest and John Chandler, Joyce Travis is a little better she has good and bad days.

Old Business

- The minutes from the June meeting were approved as printed in the Spoken Wheels
- The treasures report was read and approved
- Don McBride announced we need members to sign up to be cookie bringers.


New Business

- New Rosters available at back of room.
- Marlin showed a very inventive filler made by Bob Harbicht to put oil in the Model A rear end.
- Technical Bob Travis gave a Model A tip of the Month. He demonstrated a useful tool to use on gas pump nozzle when filling your Model A

Thank you to cookie bringers: Joy Wilson, Patty Lutz and Joyce Travis.
Thank you to Patty Lutz for Ladies raffle prizes.
50/25/25 winners: Joe Principe and Richard Favela \$26.00 each
Name badge winners – Rick Phillips - \$5.00
Drove Model A to the meeting winner - Chris Wickersham - \$10.00
Men's and Ladies' Raffle
Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM
Respectfully submitted, Elaine Perry, Secretary

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