



May 2013

SPOKEN WHEELS

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Thank you for electing me President, although I didn't work very hard getting the job! One of my favorite tunes is "On the Road Again" by Willie Nelson. Now that I am President for the second time, I better switch to "Back in the Saddle Again".

You have elected a very impressive slate of Officers and Board members. I thank them for their willingness to serve. All of the committee positions are filled with dedicated, hard working members motivated to provide the club with their support. On behalf of all members, I thank Mickey Fruchter for his two years of leadership and hereby convey on to him the title of "Immediate Past President".

At the Board meeting I shared with the new board my vision for moving forward. Many of you have heard me say that the strength of our club lies in its diversity. We offer something for everyone and we do it well. The proof of this is in our continuous growth. We have added 20 new members over the last 16 months.

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Remember– There is no General Meeting in May. If you show up you may be alone with no cookies.

GENERAL MEETING - No meeting in May. Find something else to do that night.

BOARD MEETING - Wednesday, June 12 at 7:00 PM - City Hall, Temple City.
Come join us and participate in the exciting discussions.

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Santa Anita A's General Meetings:

Last Friday of most months at 7:30 PM

Arcadia Red Cross,
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PO Box 660904 Arcadia, CA 91006

Web Site: www.santaanitaas.org

SAA'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

- 24 - No meeting this month
- 29 - Cherry Picking Tour, See page 4

June

- 10 - Ladies' Brunch - Annia's, El Monte Airport, 11:00 AM
- 12 - Board meeting - Temple City, City Hall, 7:00 PM
- 20 - Men's Breakfast - Annia's, El Monte Airport, 9:00 AM
- 28 - General Meeting - Arcadia Red Cross, 7:30 PM
- 30 - Quakes Ball Game Outing, see page 5

July

- 4 - Fourth of July Parade, see page 5
- 20 - SAA's Pancake Breakfast, Details TBA
- 27 - USS Lane Victory Tour, see page 5

October

- 10 to 15 - Tour to Paso Robles, See page 2

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

June Birthdays

- 9 - Cliff Mount
- 12 - Bea Fruchter
- 17 - Sandra Killian
- 20 - Patsy Harbicht
- 21 - Barbara Voors
- 27 - Gail Boekenoogen

June Anniversaries

- 4 - Steven & Sandra Kurtz
- 9 - Gene & Julie Reinhardt, Joe & Joy Wilson
- 17 - Dick & Norma Canzoneri, Bob & Joyce Travis
- 18 - Bob & Diana Kincart
- 20 - James & Tracy Slater
- 24 - Don & Carolyn McBride

OTHER CLUB SPONSORED EVENTS

June

- 2 - Antique Nationals, Irwindale, see page 4
- 23 - Henry Ford Picnic, See page 4
- 29 - Parts Exchange & Car Show, Orange County Model T Club
El Dorado High School, 1651 Valencia Ave. 6:00 AM - 2:00 PM

July

- 12 to 13- Vintage Parts Exchange, Long Beach Model T Club
Fri. 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM, Sat 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Los Alamitos Race Course, 4961 Katella Ave. \$6.00

THE SUNSHINE LADY - SALLY BAQUET

Get Well Cards sent to:

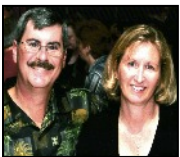
- Nancy Stancil
- Ellis Hurst
- Joy Wilson
- Bev Kniest

Sympathy Card sent to:

- Vicky Trepanier

NEW MEMBERS

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



Jim and Jamie Frick

Monrovia, Joined December 2012
1930 Phaeton, 1929 Pickup



Don Kennedy & Terri Lawrence

Monrovia, Joined February 2013
30 Sports Coupe, 30 Pickup



Rick & Carolyn Phillips

Arcadia, Joined January 2013
1930 Town Sedan



Roger Morrison

Glendale, Joined February 2013
29 Roadster



Larry & Suzane Rummens

Covina, Joined January 2013
1929 Fordor Sedan



Victor Cohen

Valley Village, Joined March 2013
No Model A



Robert Langton

Pasadena, Joined January 2013
1931 SW 4 Door Sedan



Bonnie Nelson

Temple City, Joined April 2013
1930 Briggs Fordor Deluxe Sedan

FICTION & FACT

Ponder This

by Joe Wilson

It's important and happens every year

The elections are over and we now have a new group of crazy people in charge. Well, they may be crazy, but they're really nice folks.



At the "Activation Ceremony", those elected were charged with the responsibility of serving the members well. And in turn, the members were charged with the responsibility of supporting their new "Management".

The new Officers and Directors were also asked to utilize the following concepts as they lead us into the future.

1. Communicate
2. Set your goals and Chose a Direction
3. Be Pro-Active
4. Accept Change

I invite you to read the biographies which I have included in the report on the Installation Banquet (Pages 7, 8 & 9).

Paso Robles and the Pioneer Day Tour

October 10 – 15, 2013

by Bob Moore

YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUESTED

This fall a tour is planned to Paso Robles in Central California. We will leave early on Thursday morning and drive to Paso Robles where we will spend three nights.

On Friday, we will stay in the area and have an early evening BBQ at a large ranch, courtesy of John Spielmann and Bill Jacobson. Saturday we will take in the events of Pioneer Day, a tradition since 1931 in Paso Robles. Check out the day at pasoroblespioneerday.org

Sunday begins with a drive to Cambria where we will spend part of the day. Later, we will drive down the coast to Arroyo Grande where we will spend two nights. Details to follow.

Bob Moore, the tour leader, needs an approximate head count to block rooms at both locations. **If you are thinking of going, please advise Bob Moore by June 1**, Call Bob if you have questions.

MAFCA News

by John Emanuelli

This years MAFCA national tour has begun. Our members Are on their way to the beautiful country sides between Charlettsville VA and Gattlinburg TN. You can visit the MAFCA web site to follow the blog of Happy Begg a Member from South Carolina.

Bob Trepanier Passes

Long time club member Bob Trepanier passed away on May 13, 2013. Bob was born in California on May 7, 1940 and lived in Alhambra. Bob owned and operated Harry's Radiator Repair and was an avid collector of many things, specializing in bicycles.

Funeral services were held at the First Lutheran Church, Temple City. He was buried at Savannah Memorial Park, Rosemead, CA.

New Members Spotlight

by Randy Harper

Robert Langton:

Robert grew up in Pasadena, attended the public schools and still resides there. He bought his first Model A when he was 12 for \$200 and his second one for \$125. He used the second for parts and then his dad made him take it to the scrap yard, for which he received just under \$5.00. One of his friends in High School owned a Model A which had a blown out transmission. It sat in his garage for 40 years. He got a call from the father who asked him if he wanted it, which he did. He owns that car and is in the process of restoring it. He hopes to get it running by summer. Bob also owns a '35 Ford and a '66 Mustang. He helped find the Roadster that Roger Morrison now owns. Robert sells and manages property from Ventura down to the Harbor area.

Robert, welcome to the club.

Bonnie Nelson:

Bonnie was a previous Santa Anita member from the 80's, and used to be Mrs. Santa Claus. She grew up in Temple City, went to PCC, then moved to Pasadena and later to Monrovia. She attended Cal State LA and received an Art Degree. She taught for 18 years at UC Riverside. Bonnie and her husband owned a Graphics Design Business until he got sick, then sold it off. Bonnie has owned her Model A since 1972, which she purchased from Chris Wickersham's father.

Bonnie, welcome to the club.

Think About It



Going to church doesn't make you a religious person any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

The last thing I want to do is hurt you, but it's still on the list.

Cookie Bringers Of The Month Club

No meeting - No cookies - No cookie bringers

COMING EVENTS

Henry Ford Picnic

Sunday, June 23

by Bob Moore

The Henry Ford Picnic sponsored by the Diamond Tread Chapter will be held at Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs on Sunday, June 23. We will depart from the Citi Bank parking lot, 100 South First Avenue in Arcadia at 8:45 AM. It is a short block south of Huntington Drive. Surface streets will be used. Tom and Sheri Johnson are leading the tour. There will probably be an ice cream stop at Baskin Robins on the way home.

If you want to go you should do three things.

1. Print out this email and complete the registration portion of the flyer. Mail it and your check payable to the Diamond Tread Chapter for \$10 per person.
2. Call Sheri Johnson at 626-446-3367 to RSVP.
3. Shine your car and bring chairs, hats, and sun screen and some cash to participate in their raffle. Our club's own Vicky Bartlett is President of the Diamond Club Chapter. Let's really support this event.

The flyer (Reduced in size) announcing the event is shown below.

Antique Nationals

Sunday, June 2

by Joe Wilson

You might want to check out the Antique Nationals this year at the Irwindale Speedway. This is a drag racing event that is restricted to cars 1954 and earlier and includes a variety of classes, including some for Model A's. In addition to the racing, they will hold a car show open to cars up to 1974. There will be various vendors on hand displaying their Model A wares.


Gates open at 7:00 AM. Racing will start around 9:00 AM.

Admission charge this year is \$15 for spectators and \$45 for racers.

43rd Annual

Antique Nationals

43rd



FOUR EVER
Ford
CYLINDER

HOST CAR CLUB

DRAG RACE & CAR SHOW

JUNE 2, 2013
(Sunday)

IRWINDALE DRAGSTRIP

500 Speedway Drive
Irwindale, CA 91706

RACE

The Antique Nationals is the original nostalgia drag race. Racing is open to any 1954 or earlier type vehicle (Ford trucks OK thru 1956). Race cars must pass tech inspection which requires seat belts and helmets in all cars. Open cars running 13.99 or quicker must have an NHRA approved roll bar. For tech info, call (626) 827-4004


OPEN CARS

ARM RESTRAINTS REQUIRED FOR OPEN CARS.
Arm restraints available at: DJ Safety - 323-221-0000

GENERAL ADMISSION: Adults \$15, Children under 12 free with parent.
Tech Cards \$40 INFO: Dan Eubanks at (626) 827-4004

GATE OPENS AT 8:00 AM

DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER
Model A Ford Club of America
PO Box 4563 Downey CA 90241



PRESENTING OUR ANNUAL

Henry Ford Picnic!

WHERE: Heritage Park, 12100 Mora Drive
Santa Fe Springs CA 90670

WHEN: Sunday, June 23, 2013
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

WHO: Model A Ford Enthusiasts and Lovers

WHAT: Car show & judging, trophies, door prizes, raffle, park amenities (carriage barn, museum, railroad, Indian exhibit) games and much more!
Bring your favorite chair.

\$\$\$\$? \$10.00 per person ~ Includes catered BBQ lunch and reserved parking for featured cars.

We need to plan for food and parking. Please complete this form and return with your payment to: DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER, PO Box 4563, Downey CA 90241 not later than June 14, 2013.

Name: _____ Phone: () _____ - _____

Chapter or other Affiliation: _____

Number of Attendees: Adults _____ Children/Ages _____

Type/Make/Year of car(s): _____

Please make checks payable to: Diamond Tread Chapter, Inc. MAFCA

Fair-Weather Cherry Picking Tour

Wednesday, May 29

by Bob Moore

Don't miss the cherry picking tour to the Leona Valley. We will leave the La Canada McDonalds at 8:45 AM with a pit stop in Palmdale. Bring a picnic lunch along with drinks. We will have lunch at the cherry picking grove. You may want a hat while you are doing the picking. If the day is going to be too hot for a Model A trip to Leona Valley, an alternate cooler

destination for the picnic lunch will be selected if one can be found. Bob Moore will confirm our destination on the previous day by phone with all that have signed up for the tour. Those signed up so far are Fruchter, Wickersham, Knox, Wilson, both Moores, Rummens, Giocomarra, Dawson, Emanuelli, Lutz, McBride.

Contact Bob at 626-358-2027 or www.bobmoore1.@Aol.com if you want to be added to the list.

COMING EVENTS - CONTINUED

Quakes Baseball Game

Sunday, June 30

by Sheri Johnson

See the Rancho Cucamonga Quakes (Class A affiliate of the Los Angeles Dodgers) play against the Lancaster Jet Hawks (Class A affiliate of the Houston Astros).

The day will consist of a drive to the stadium, followed by an All-You-Can-Eat BBQ of hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken breast sandwiches. A variety of sides and drinks will be available. After the BBQ, we will enjoy the baseball game. Cost for the food and game is \$22 per person.

We will depart from Citi Bank, 100 S First Ave., Arcadia at 10:15 AM. The BBQ lunch will begin at approximately 12:30 PM. and game time is 2:05 PM.

Contact Sheri Johnson (626-485-3073). Cancellations can be made up to June 14.

South Pasadena 4th of July Parade

Thursday, July 4th

by Marlin Perry

The South Pasadena Fourth of July parade is again being held on July Forth in South Pasadena.

We will meet at Vicky Bartlett's home (1625 Fletcher, South Pasadena) at 8:30 AM for coffee and donuts before we depart for the parade staging area at 9:45 AM. There you will have time to decorate your car before the parade starts at 11:00 AM.

After the parade, we will meet at Bob & Joyce Travis's house (2334 S. Third Ave., Arcadia) for a hot dog lunch with fixin's, drinks and ice cream provided by the club.

Please consider volunteering to carry dignitaries. We need help. Call Marlin Perry (626-443-0638) if you haven't already signed up, or need more information.

Please RSVP. If you don't, we won't have any food for you.

Lane Victory Ship Tour

Saturday, July 27

by Bob Moore

The San Gabriel MARC club has invited the SAA's to tour with them for a day at sea on the last fully restored WWII Victory Ship. While sailing toward Catalina, you will hunt down an escaped German Spy, the ship will ward off a Luftwaffe air attack and you can dance on the deck to a live band. There is a museum on board. This is a modern car tour as you will board the ship at 7:00 AM in San Pedro.

The cost is \$165 per person, \$90 for children age 12 and under. Carolyn McBride is organizing the tour. If you would like to go, send your check, payable to Carolyn, no later than June 20. If 25 or more sign up, a group rate of \$150.00 applies. She will refund the difference. Call Carolyn for more information.

PAST EVENTS

Steering Box Replacement & Tune-up Seminar

April 20

by Joe Wilson

The Tech Seminar at Marlin's house brought a big turnout. Over 30 people showed up to "help" install a Mel Gross replacement steering box in Wilbert Smith's coupe. The seminar was headed up by Ted Bruns.



Mel's son, Randy was on hand to answer questions about their product. Despite all of the extra help, the conversion was made successfully.

Bob Travis, our Technical Director, put on a seminar "The Art of Tuning a Model A and Other Helpful Hints".

As usual, Elaine Perry put on a nice lunch for everyone there, even for those who didn't work on Wilbert's car or listen to the seminar.



MORE PAST EVENTS

Orange County Pancake Breakfast

April 28

by Joe Wilson

Were you there? If not, you missed one of the really, really big Model A events in California. This was the 52nd annual Orange County Model A Club Pancake Breakfast. Twenty-two Santa Anita A's members crossed the border into Orange County to look at cars, buy raffle tickets and eat pancakes. It was a very good Model A weather day.



I contacted the Orange County Club to ask how things turned out. Their club recorded 220 Model A's and 96 "other" cars, which included Model T's, Hot Rods and some Moderns, for a total of well over 300 cars. They reported they had fewer A's and more T's this year with the total to be about the same.



They sold 1150 tickets, but used up about 1300 plates. The raffle was a success, with the two bicycles drawing the most tickets. They estimated the total attendance to be over 2,000, but have

no way of knowing because many people bring their cars but don't eat breakfast, or come but don't show a car.

They plan to hold the event again next year; same place, in late April. I recommend it.



Mount Baldy Tour

May 2

by Joe Wilson

We had it all; a car show at Royal Oaks, a prayer for our cars (it was National Day of Prayer), a beautiful drive in the mountains, a great lunch at the village, ice cream at the Moores' in Upland and wonderful weather.



Well, yeah, there were a few A problems: one car was replaced by a Modern car, one had to borrow gas, and one was escorted home by a AAA tow truck. In total, just another exciting "Model A adventure".



Monrovia Home Tour

May 12 by Joe Wilson

This "Mothers Day Tour" is offered every year by the Monrovia Historic Preservation Group and we are invited to participate as part of an antique car group organized by Robb Stewart. We get free passes to tour the homes and reserved parking in front of the homes. Following coffee and doughnuts at Robb's home, he took us on an interesting back road tour of Monrovia. We then toured the homes on our own. Those of you who have asked for easy one-day tours; this one is for you next year.



They had almost 700 visitors to the seven houses included in the tour. Also included was a stop at the Monrovia Historical Museum where one of Monrovia's first fire engines, a 1917 unrestored Seagrave, was on display.



Our own "Music Man" Jim Constanian was on hand at one home playing period music on his period phonograph.

Club members attending were the Fruchters, Wilsons, Randy Harper & Parents, Lutzes, Constanian, Fricks and Kroger.

Installation Banquet

May 19 by Joe Wilson

Santa Anita A's Officially "Activate" Their Newly Elected Officers and Board Members



I invite everyone to read through the short biographies I prepared and included in this article on each of the newly elected Officers and Directors. We have a diversified membership in our club and you will enjoy learning more about our leaders. Editor

The actual "Activation Ceremony" was performed by Joe Wilson who read a revised version of a famous Lincoln speech. Following the reading of the Club's Installation Ritual he charged both the inductees and the general membership with specific goals. That was followed by a "Group Cheer" for the Santa Anita A's.

The newly elected Santa Anita A' Officers and Board Members were officially "Activated" at the Installation Banquet held at the Monrovia Restaurant on Sunday, May 19th. Forty-nine members attended the event.

Prior to the activation ceremonies, the "Immediate Past President", Mickey Fruchter presented awards to the retiring board and committee chairs. Mileage awards were presented by Nancy Stancil on behalf of Marlin Perry who was attending the MAFFI museum dedication in Michigan.



John McDannel presented Mickey Fruchter with a very nice gavel made from Model A parts mounted in a frame.



Jay Munns provided a musical background during dinner and took us on a musical history tour with hits from the 1928 -1931 Model A years.

The evening was closed out with an inaugural address by our new President, Bob Travis. Bob spoke about our club's successes, changes to be made, and some of the things he would like to accomplish this year.



PAST EVENTS - CONTINUED

Bob Travis – President

Bob was born on a farm January 18, 1934 in Western New York. In 1952 he enlisted in the US Army where he completed Officers Candidate School. He remained on active duty for thirty years, retiring as a full Colonel. After retirement he worked for several companies, eventually moving to Pasadena where he retired again in 1955. He and Joyce has been married for 58 years. They have three daughters and five grandchildren. Bob joined the Santa Anita A's in 1996. He has served on the Board several times and has served as President for two years. This year Bob is celebrating his 50th year membership in MAFCA. He owns three Model A's and has served as the club's Technical Advisor since 1998.



John McDannel - Vice President

John Grew up in Hollywood, Inglewood and Covina and graduated from Covina High School in 1959. He is a graduate of Mt. San Antonio College, LaVerne and USC. He and his wife, Mary, were married in 1956. They and their three daughters moved to Pasadena in 1970. He was a USAF pilot for four years and flew for United Airlines for 32 years, serving as an instructor pilot, Flight Manager and Chairman of the Airline Pilots Association. John has been a member of the Santa Anita A's since January 2004.

His hobbies include picking up after dogs, cats and chicken and gathering fruit and vegetables from his garden. He is affiliated with Pasadena Rotary, Pasadena Masonic Lodge, Pasadena 911 Memorial and the Scottish Rite.

Sheri Johnson - Secretary

Sheri was born in Iowa then moved to California at age 7. She grew up in Temple City and graduated from Temple City High School. Sheri worked for a bicycle parts manufacturing company for over 37 years and left the company in October of last year.

She and her husband, Tom, joined the SAA's in June of 1997 and has held positions on the Board including Secretary for 7 years in a row.

She and Tom have been married 38 years. They have 4 children and 7 grandchildren.

Her hobbies include reading and enjoying dinner with family and friends. But, the thing that makes her the happiest is being the "Best" mother and grandmother she can be.

Carol Emanuelli – Treasurer

Carol was born in the Bronx, and moved to California in 1942. She and her family lived in four different places before settling in Alhambra. She met her husband, John, in the seventh grade at Lincoln High School, began going "steady" in the 10th grade then after graduating from Lincoln High in 1958, she and John were married in 1962. They have three children and five grand kids. Carol worked at C F Braun, an engineering company in Alhambra for five years.

Carol and John joined the Santa Anita A's in April of 1996. They both worked as Hosts for Refreshments and then went to a Board meeting "just to learn how the club works". This led to more club involvement. Carol became Treasurer after John Chandler. She was Treasurer for four years, took some time off and is now back for another four-year run. She says, "I must admit, I enjoy it".

Mickey Fruchter – Immediate Past President

Mickey was born in Los Angeles, California on April 6, 1939 and graduated from Los Angeles High School in 1957. He then attended Los Angeles City College majoring in music. He later attended Los Angeles State College where he majored in music education.

Mickey and Bea were married in 1961 and one year later he was drafted into the US Army and served in the Army Band at Fort Ord. After his release from the Army in 1964 he returned to his previous position at Cal State LA and was hired to teach Recording Arts and Audio Production in addition to his regular job.

Mickey teaches violin at the Neighborhood Music Settlement School and was Director of the Saturday Conservatory of Music at the Cal State LA. He is a member of four banjo bands. He is the Director of the Corona Symphony Conservatory and also a member of the Board of the Corona Symphony.



Mickey and Bea joined the Santa Anita A's in 1985 and he has served in various positions including President 5 times.

PAST EVENTS - CONTINUED



Ken Mallory – Board Member

Ken was born and raised in Pasadena. He attended local schools until he was drafted into the Army in 1943. After his discharge, he returned home to continue his education. After several sales positions, he joined Dow Chemical in sales and marketing, retiring over 20 years ago. He met his wife, Betty, at a local church and has been married over 60 years. They have two children, a son and a daughter, both who live locally.

Ken purchased his 1930 Model A Cabriolet about 30 years ago. It was featured in a Disney movie. Ken and Betty have traveled extensively both on Model A tours and independently. Ken joined the Santa Anita A's in 1985. He has been a board member several times, Vice President, led local car tours and participated in many club activities.

Jerry Lampassi - Board Member

Jerry was born in Somerville, Massachusetts, then moved to New Jersey at age 3 where he was raised and schooled. He worked for his father in the transportation industry until 1972. He then moved to Orange, California in 1972 with a 5 month old son, Jerry Jr. where he got into the food industry sales with a large meat processor.

Jerry now resides in Rancho Cucamonga with his wife Patty. They have two sons, one daughter and five grand children. Jerry retired in 2009 and Patty retired from the Hacienda/La Puente School District in 2011, after 40 years. (Jerry says Patty started when she was 10 years old).

Jerry and Patty love to travel; touring throughout Europe, Asia, Hawaii, Mexico, Canada and even the United States. They have family in Vail, Colorado, Mass., New Jersey, and Florida. They have more places on their bucket list. Jerry and Patty joined the Santa Anita A's in January 2012 and this past year was the club's "Accessories Chairman".

Bob Moore- Board Member

Bob grew up on Long Island, New York, graduating from high school in 1957. He has degrees from Franklin and Marshall College and the University of Pennsylvania. He has worked in the Human Resource departments of several companies including Northrop and Western Gear where he was in charge of Belt Buckles and Employee Benefits. After retiring in 1995, he worked more or less as a full time salesman for his son's company that developed and sold proprietary software.

Bob and his wife Judy joined the Santa Anita A's in November, 1996. His first Model A was a 1929 Roadster Pickup purchased from a former member, Andrew Morrison. Later he purchased his current sedan from a family who had purchased it from John Chandler in 1958.

Bob was the president for two years (2001 & 2002), Secretary for one, Vice President for two or three years, then as the past president, became a Board Member and later as the tour director for several years. Bob and Judi have two children, Mari, who lives in Pasadena and John who lives in Tustin.

Marlin Perry – Board Member

Marlin was born in Woodruff, South Carolina and has one brother, William Perry and a sister Nancy Stancil. Marlin worked for Ralphs Grocery Co. for 41 years. He bought first Model A when he was 14 years old, a Coupe which cost \$25.

Marlin was one of the founding members of the Santa Anita A's and served as President in 1980, 1983 and 1986. He is the leader of "The Low End Boys" and organizer of the highly successful Santa Anita A's men's breakfast.

He served as a MAFCA National Board member for two terms and a MAFFI Trustee for four years. He has also served as the Santa Anita A's representative to the Southern California MAFCA region.

He currently owns 14 Model A's, a '34 Chevy and lots and lots of parts. As he says, "Model A's are my life".



FROM THE SHOP BENCH

by Bob Travis



Valuable advice, and I did not know this.

GOOD VISION IN A DOWNPOUR

Driving in the rain -- This may save your life

How to achieve good vision while driving during a heavy downpour. We are not sure why it is so effective; just try this method when it rains heavily. This method was given me by a Police friend who had experienced and confirmed it. It is useful....even driving at night. It is one method used by Canadian Military Drivers for years.

Most of the motorists would turn on HIGH or FASTEST SPEED of the wipers during heavy downpour, yet the visibility in front of the windshield is still bad..... In the event you face such a situation, just try your SUN GLASSES (any model will do), and miracle! All of a sudden, your visibility in front of your windshield is perfectly clear, as if there is no rain. Make sure you always have a pair of SUN GLASSES in your car, as you are not only helping yourself to drive safely with good vision, but also might save your friend's life by giving him this idea.. Try it yourself and share it with your friends! Amazing, you still see the drops on the windshield, but not the sheet of rain falling. You can see where the rain bounces off the road. It works to eliminate the "blindness" from passing semi's spraying you too. Or the "kickup" if you are following a semi or car in the rain. They ought to teach that little tip in driver's training. It really does work..

This next warning is a another good one! I wonder how many people know about this: A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her car. A resident of Kinburn, Ontario she was traveling between Kinburn & Ottawa. It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydro-plane and literally flew through the air.. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence! When she explained to the OPP Officer what had happened he told her something that every driver should know - NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON . She thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe consistent speed in the rain. But the Officer told her that if the cruise control is on when your car begins to hydro-plane and your tires lose contact with the pavement, your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed making you take off like an airplane. She told the OPP Officer that was exactly what had occurred. The Officer said this warning should be listed on the driver's

seat sun-visor - NEVER USE THE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN THE PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY, along with the airbag warning. We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speed - but we don't tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry. The only person the accident victim found, who knew this (besides the officer), was a man who had a similar accident, totaled his car and sustained severe injuries. NOTE: Some vehicles (like the Toyota Sienna Limited XLE) will not allow you to set the cruise control when the windshield wipers are on.

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We need to continue what we have been doing but offer more. For example, our new Tour Coordinator is Bob Moore. I have asked Bob to offer at least one tour (outing) a month, plus any others he might come up with. In addition, I am looking for an "Activities Coordinator" to fully integrate all the events into the club's calendar. More on that later.

We need to be open to change and to introduce change where warranted. I believe that the format of our monthly meetings can be improved. Therefore, beginning next month the meeting will be conducted as follows: We will open with the flag salute followed by the program (guest speaker). At the conclusion of the program we will take our refreshment break then reconvene for the business meeting, followed by the raffle(s). There are some other changes that are worth looking into, so be prepared.

For several years we have been working hard at developing a youth program under the leadership of John Chandler, John Emanuelli, and Bob Moore. I thank them for their efforts and believe we should continue to look for ways to move forward. I also believe we need to review our support of charities and will probably need a new meeting place soon. Not only are we outgrowing the room, parking has become a problem.

Last, but not least, I want to say something about membership in MAFCA. As you know, our club does not require membership in MAFCA. It could, but has chosen not to. I am a 50 year member of MAFCA this year and proud of it. I believe in MAFCA and its support of the local chapters. If you are not a member, you are missing a lot.

Until next time, "drive an A everyday".

MARLIN'S MUSINGS

By Marlin Perry



Did you go to Mt. Baldy? What a great tour. Nancy Stancil and Joe Principe read in the Times paper that the lodge where we eat up there was up for sale; not good news. When we got there Ted Bruns asked the owner about selling and she said no, but the one at the top of the mountain was for sale, asking \$1.8 million. She said many people read the story and thought it was her place for sale. Thanks, Ted. Now we can go back next year unless one of our club members buys the one up at the top. HO HO

Do you need transmission work or brake work? I am listing some options that have been recommended.

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SEMINAR NEWS

This month I found some good friends of Ted and Paulette Bruns working on their late model pick up truck. One might ask who are they? Well, believe this, they have been in the Model A club over 30 years. Ted is a 2 year Past President and has helped work on more Model A's than you can imagine. They are what you might call snow birds. They own a trailer out past Palm Springs and go there about 5 months a year. As our club has grown, some of the newer members have not met them since they are not as active as in earlier years.

The Low End Boys this month worked on Don Dawkins' Coupe. We also worked on Jim Constantian's pick up.

As the Low End Boys we have been asked to do a lot of different things. At this time I want to mention things we do not do: Oil leaks, brake work, over drives, transmissions, and add on's such as muffler insulating shields. Our goal is to help keep your Model A running, but not restore it. If you need us, call us.

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Important Things to Do and Remember:

- 1. Read the Calendar. There are lots of activities in June.**
- 2. Support your friendly club Officers and Board members.**
- 3. Be sure to sign up and show up for all the events the Club offers.**
- 4. Find one of the new members and tell them that you are glad they want to participate.**

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