

January 2019

Spoken Wheels

THE NEXT MEET ING

General Meeting - 7:00 PM, Friday January 25

Live Oak Community Center, 10144 Bogue St. Temple City

Program - The program this month will be a presentation by our very own Vice President, Bob Travis. He will be speaking about "Going on Tours" He will present a series of Touring Guidelines followed by a video of a club tour to death valley.

NEWS BITS

SAA's Membership Renewal - Past Due?

Not all members have paid their 2019 dues to continue their membership in the Santa Anita A's. If you have not yet paid your 2019 dues, you are encouraged to do so before the end of January.

Members who have not paid their dues by January 31, 2019 will have their names removed from the club membership data base and will not be included in the new 2019 Membership Roster which will be published in February.

Send your \$30 dues payment to Sheri Johnson, 844 Diamond Street, Monrovia, CA 91016 or bring it to the January meeting.

2019 Santa Anita A's Membership Roster

The 2019 membership roster is now being prepared for printing. We have asked that all members review their information as shown in the current 2018 roster to determine if it is current. We will update the new roster based on your response.



If you have not yet reviewed the the roster information, we ask that you do so and advise Joe Wilson of any

changes or corrections by January 31. (joejoy@pacbell.net)

You can view your information by looking at your 2018 Roster or go the SAA's web site (Santaanitaas.org). Look under the "Membership " section.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -

The very first Ford sold was to Dr. Pfennig in 1903, for a grand total of \$850 (\$24,400 in today's money). The "Model A" had a 2-cylinder engine, and could reach a dizzying max speed of 30 mph. Ford's current CEO, Bill Ford, currently owns that first Ford vehicle ever sold in 1903.



BOB HARBICHT

That first "Model A" is not the Model A that we all know and love. Ours didn't start coming out until 1928. Though not as old as the first edition, some of us have Model A's that are ninety years old! And they're still on the road!

Although our first excursion of the new year was rained out, I hope we get a lot of you out on the road in your near-ninety-year-old cars soon. Jim Frick and his advisory committee have planned some terrific tours for us in the upcoming months.

If you haven't toured with the club recently, please plan to do so. This is how we all get to know each other better. And there's always help available in the event of a breakdown or problem. Let's face it, if we're driving cars this old, we're no stranger to an occasional problem. So, don't worry about it.

One of the benefits of belonging to the Santa Anita A's is that help is always available. Mickey Fructer and the "Low End Boys" are ready and willing to offer help with getting your car running or fixing what's wrong with it. Expert help is available at no charge (oh, it is customary to buy the boys lunch after they've put your car in tip-top shape, a small price to pay). Feel free to give Mickey a call (818-512-2556). If he can't solve it on the phone, he'll gather a group of "experts" to come out and take a look at it.

We want those cars on the road and on our tours!

This Pen Can Be Yours



This is one of the items included in the new Santa Anita A's Promotional Catalog. Show up at the January general meeting and get one free. For more info see page 3 & 9.

CALENDAR OF TOURS & EVENTS

January

26 - 27 - Turlock Swap meet

February

- 9 -Technical Seminar, see page 4 for details
- 11 Ladies Brunch, Annia's, 11:00 AM, San Gabriel Valley Airport
- 13 Board meeting, 7:00 PM, Live Oak Community Ctr., Temple City
- 16 L.A County Fire Museum w/ MARC Club, details TBA
- 21 Men's Breakfast, 9:00 AM Annia's, San Gabriel Valley Airport
- 22 General Meeting Annual club auction
- 22 23 San Diego Swap Meet, see page 5

March

- 9 Santa Anita Race Track (Sea Biscuit Tour), details TBA
- 22 General Meeting NOTE THE DATE CHANGE
- 24 Orange County Pancake Breakfast, see page 5
- 26-31 CCRG Merced, Sierra Motoring Adventure Tour, see page 5

April

13 -Dodger Stadium Tour, details TBA

May

2 - Mt Baldy Tour, details TBA 18-19 Orange Empire Railway Tour, details TBA

June

- 1 Maloof Furniture Tour, details TBA
- 9 Henry Ford Picnic, details TBA
- 15 Hubbley Derby Day, Sponsored by Pomona & Paradise clubs
- 23 Mom and Pop's Night Out, Candle Light Pavillion, details TBA
- 26 East Fork Picnic, details TBA

July

4 - South Pasadena Parade

NEW MEMBERS

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



Bart Bartholomew

562-421-5277 562-397-8907 Cell 2813 Knoxville Ave., Long Beach CA 90815 RLBART2@aol.com Joined 10/1/2018 1931 Closed Cab Pick-up

Mike & Andrea Plessner

310-707-3262 424-366-7627 CA 90717 26229 Appian Way, Lomita saxotenor54@aol.com Joined 6/2018 Two 1931 Dlx Phaetons



Jerry & Marlys Cleland

818-957-3442 310-429-3617 Cell 3904 Mayfield Ave, La Crescenta CA 91214 jerrycleland@me.com Joined 1/1/2019 1929 Roadster Pickup

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Sunshine Lady - Diana Kincart - Mrs. Sunbeam

Get well cards were sent to: Tom Endy - triple bypass surgery, Sally Baquet - carpal tunnel, Tom Johnson - blood pressure problem, Bart Bartholomew - fell and hit head and fractured wrist, Alan Bennett - recovering from a serious fall last Nov., Bea Fruchter -broken ribs, Olive Moore - knee replacement.

Cookie Bringers - Vicky Bartlett - Head Cookie Jean Ware, Patty Lutz, Sally Baquet, Elaine Perry

Photo Donors -

Vicky Bartlett, Joe Wilson, Mick & Mack

BIRTHDAYS & ANIVERESARIES

February Birthdays

- 2 Patty Lampassi
- 5 Keith Smith
- 5 Karen Blaylock
- 6 Nancy Sharpe
- 8 Myriam Davies 21 - Beverly Kniest
- 21 Lori Bonner
- 29 Michael Sriro

- February Anniversaries 10 - Patrick & Martha Utter
- 14 Brad & Vicky Balmot
- 14 Tony & Kathy Cotroppa
- 24 Sue & Carl Freeman
- 25 Mark & Lisa Henzel
- 28 Mel & Maria Foye

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NEWS BITS - MORE

Club Member's Model A to be Featured at the Grand National Roadster Show

SAA's member, Tony Catroppa will have his 1930 Deluxe Coupe featured at the Grand National Roadster Show at the Pomona Fairgrounds on January 25-27. The Roadster show is featuring the Model A in a building dedicated to model A's in all forms of modification.



Tony's car will be a featured display along side the famous car builder and racer Art Crisman. The Model A display is sponsored by C.W. Moss and occupies building 91 at the show.

Donation Made to Model A Club Events

The board voted to donate \$25 to the CCRG (Central California Regional Group) Jamboree to be held in Merced, A number of our club members will be participating in this event.

The board also voted to donate \$25 to the Henry Ford Picnic event which is organized every year by the Diamond Tread Chapter. This event is supported by many of the regional MAFCA chapters and members.

Also the board made a \$100 donation to the "Foothill Unity" Organization which is an area food bank. This donation was made in lieu of the collection of food stuff donated in previous years by members when attending our Christmas party.

Historic Route 66 Closer to Becoming National Historic Trail

Cub Reporter, Janet Beggs, called our attention to the effort being made to designate Route 66 a "National Historic Trail". Below is a statement made by the Pasadena Heritage organization which urges support for this legislation.

Pasadena Heritage has joined the National Trust for Historic Preservation in supporting a National Historic Trail designation for Historic Route 66. This designation would call attention to the most celebrated highway in America, which passes through Pasadena, and help preserve and bring needed investment to communities situated along it. We understand that two U.S. Senators, Tom Udall and Jim Inhofe, introduced legislation in late November that would name Route 66 a National Historic Trail under the National Park Service. With this legislation, the chance of official designation has significantly improved. .

Alternate Meeting Site to be Investigated

Some members have expressed concerns about our meeting facilities at the live Oak Community Center. Parking difficulties and the loss of the "pre meeting" socializing are the two main concerns expressed. It is believed this is the reason our meeting attendance decreased after our relocation from the the Red Cross facilities in Arcadia.

To address these concerns the board has created a committee to investigate alternative locations for our meetings. Bob Travis has agreed to head up the committee. He will be assisted by board member Steve Concidine and a non-board member to be appointed by Bob Travis.

If you have suggestions or comments regarding a new meeting location please contact Bob Travis.

New Club Promotion Package

The variety of promotional material available to club members has been expanded with the addition of a variety of new items. The current clothing catalog has been replaced with a new promotional catalog. The new catalog includes, in addition to the clothing items, a variety of items carrying the Santa Anita A's logo. These items are identified separately in this newsletter.

In conjunction with the publication of the new promotional catalog and material, the board has approved a statement of policy regarding the promotion of the club to both members and non-members. A copy of this policy can be found elsewhere in this issue of Spoken Wheels.

Members are encouraged to actively utilize these promotional items and personally share your enthusiasm for participating in the activities offered by the Santa Anita A's. Model A club.

All of the items included in the catalog can be purchased by contacting Joe Wilson (818-790-0995).

February Meeting Auction Night

At our February meeting we will hold our annual auction. Please be prepared to bring to the auction all those "things" that you don't need, don't want or know what they are. Also bring some money to purchase other things at the action you might not want or need. This is our major fund raiser for the year and a fun event.

Low End Boys

Micker Fruchter reports that with the help of Randy Harper, (and his rebuilt carburetor), the Low End Boys were able to get E. J. Callahan back on the road (again).

Remember, if you are in need of help getting your Model A to start... call the Low End Boys. They will help you to get your "A" on the road.

NEWS BITS - MORE

Board Creates New Club Policy Manual

In order to document in one place the various policies the board adopts, a new official club "Policy Manual" has been established. Decisions to guide the operation of the club will be included in the manual. Prior to this policy decisions were just recorded in the minutes, requiring board members to rely on their memory to follow the previously established decisions. Two of the policies are directives which involve members themselves and are described elsewhere in this newsletter.

Members Alerted to Current Club Policies

Below are two current member related policies which are included in the new Santa Anita A's Policy Manual.

Spoken Wheels Classified Advertising Policy

The paper will accept only automotive related items for sale by a club member.

Santa Anita A's Promotion Policy

The Santa Anita A's as an organization recognizes the need to conduct itself in a manner that will encourage member's participation in its activities. It is recognized that the club should create an enthusiastic attitude among its members and that it actively "promote' itself to members and others.

The Santa Anita A's as an organization and as individual members shall actively:

- 1. Promote the organization to both its current and potential members.
- 2. Encourage members. to participation in SAA's activities.
- 3. Communicate the existence of club activities to current and potential members.
- 4. Participate in appropriate outside events.
- 5. Provide members with materials to assist in promoting the club and its activities
- 6. Utilize the promotional materials available (clothing, literature and promo items).

SAA's Web Site includes Tom Endy's Library

Club member, Tom Endy, over the past 20+ years has written technical articles which cover all aspects of the Model A. This library of information resides on the Santa Anita A's web site. Some of these articles and documents have been featured in the MAFCA Restorer Magazine, other club's websites, and some are not published anywhere but here! Check out "Tom Endy's Technical Articles" tab on the home page of our web site (santaanitaas.org).



COMING TOURS & EVENTS

The Grand National Roadster Show is now in its 70th year. Once known as the Oakland Roadster Show, it is the longest running indoor car show in the world! Produced at the Fairplex in Pomona for the 13th consecutive year.

Show Times

Friday, January 25 - 12:00 AM to 8 PM Saturday, January 26 - 10 AM – 8:00 PM Sunday, January 27 – 10 AM -6:00 PM Location: <u>Pomona Fairplex</u> (1101 West McKinley Ave., Pomona, CA 91768)

Ticket Prices (CASH ONLY):

General Admission: (13+) \$25 each day, Junior Admission (6-12 yrs) \$10 each day, 5 & Under FREE. Pre-Sale tickets are available at O'Reilly Auto Parts Stores. Parking fee is \$12. Use Gate 9 off White Avenue.

Model-A Ford Featured

Our feature building 9 will celebrate the 90th anniversary of the 1928-1931 Ford Model-A. This will be a special display with historic and iconic roadsters, coupes, sedans, Tudors, & pickups. This historic display will be presented by C.W. Moss Ford Parts in Orange CA.

Grand Daddy Drive-In

Over 500 show vehicles will compete for awards inside all of the Fairplex buildings. Another 400-800 vehicles will join the event Saturday & Sunday for the 9th Annual Grand Daddy Drive-In. Vehicles will park between buildings as part of the show.

Tech Seminar - King Pin Installation

Saturday, February 9

A seminar on replacing King Pins is scheduled for Saturday Feb 9th at the home of Bob Travis beginning with coffee and treats at 10 AM followed by a presentation at 10:30 AM to 12: 30 PM. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up at this Month's meeting. Bob's address is 2334 S. 3rd Ave Arcadia. Questions-626-574-0665.

COMING TOURS & EVENTS - MORE

LA County Fire Museum

Saturday, February 16	oy Bob Moore
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The Los Angeles County Fire Museum, 16400 Bellflower Blvd., Bellflower, is a public museum dedicated to the history of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. It officially opened in July, 2018.

We will see the progression of fire equipment and memorabilia from the days of horse drawn fire vehicles up to now. Exhibits include all the featured vehicles of the fictional Fire Station 51, Squad 51 and both trucks designated Engine 51, from the popular 1970s television series, *Emergency! The docents are retired firemen and we have lined up John Tucker to be one of ours.*

We will gather up in the parking lot behind Clearman's North Woods Inn on the SW corner of Huntington Drive and Rosemead Blvd. at 8:40 AM and depart at 8:55 AM. Rosemead Blvd. will be our route; it is 18.6 miles. Shortly before the museum, we will turn off of Rosemead Blvd and go a few blocks. Our tour is 10:00 AM.

Sign up sheet at the January meeting. Admission is \$5.00 per person. A near by restaurant for lunch will follow the tour.

Big Three Swap Meet in San Diego

February 22, 23

Dates for the Big Three swap meet have changed this year to Friday, February 22 and Saturday 23. This is the 22nd year for the event which is held at San Diego's Qualcomm stadium. Gates open at 8:00 AM.

Orange County Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, March 24

The 58th pancake breakfast sponsored by the Orange County Model A club will take place on Saturday, March 24. Same location, Hart Park, 701 S. Glassell St.,Orange, CA.

Pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice & hot coffee served from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Adults \$7.00, Children (2-10 yrs.) \$4.00.

There will be many raffle opportunities. Over 300 Model A's will be on display. Be sure to drive your Model A to get preferred parking.

Sierra Motoring Adventure

March 26 - April 1

Tour to the CCRG Jamboree in Merced by way of Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks.

The Central California Regional Group (CCRG) Jamboree will be held in Merced this year and we are organizing a seven day club tour for the event. The tour will include a route which will take us through the Sequoia and Yosemite National parks.

We will depart on Tuesday, March 26, driving to the town of Three Rivers for our first overnight. The next day we will drive through Sequoia National Park and continue on to the town of El Portal which is located just outside Yosemite for a two night stay. We will spend the following full day in Yosemite Valley.

On Friday we make our way to Merced where we will check in for the CCRG. There will be a Friday evening BBQ, three optional local tours on Saturday and an evening banquet. We will depart on Sunday with an overnight in Tehachapi arriving home on Monday afternoon April 1.

Those interested in participating should contact Joe Wilson. He will provide you with information to register for the Jamboree and provide contact information for the motels to make room reservations at the convention and our tour stops. We have blocked a limited number of rooms for the motels in Three Rivers, Yosemite and Tehachapi.

If you are interested in participating, we suggest you proceed quickly . You need to make your reservations to assure that you get registered for the convention and have places to sleep during the tour.

Bob Moore & Joe Wilson - Tour organizers

Alternate Tour Group to CCRG

John & Carol Emanuelli and Mickey & Bea Fruchter are planning to drive to the CCRG in Merced, CA. They plan to leave on Thursday, March 28th and stay overnight in Visalia and make it to the CCRG on Friday morning (29th). The plan is to leave the Meet on Sunday, March 30th and make it home that day. They will be taking some freeway and old Highway 99 up and back. Anyone interested in joining them should contact John or Mickey so they can begin to plan for this trip.



Thought for Food Remember this: You are always responsible for how you act, not matter how you feel.

PAST TOURS & EVENTS

Horseless Carriage Car Show and Excursion December 30

This year the Horseless Carriage Excursion moved to a new location on New York Drive in Pasadena. The parking lot was crowded but if you drove your old car you were allowed into a special reserved area. As always, many very nice cars were there, including a Stanley Steamer, a Calliope equipped car and, of course, Jay Leno with one of his collectables. We had probably 12 or more club members there some with their A's. The weather was good and the attendees were rated as good to better.



















FROM THE BENCH BY CHRIS WICKERSHAM

Automatic Ignition Timing Control

Last month, we talked about how to use the spark lever to better control the igniting timing for improved engine performance. I am sure a lot of readers may have said "why bother, my car runs just fine with the spark lever set in one position after the engine is started" while others thought "this is all way too complicated for me".

By 1932, Henry came to the conclusion that the manually operated spark lever was no longer needed because ignition timing could automatically be controlled with the use of a centrifugal advance unit in the distributor.

Starting in 1932, all Fords had this automatic spark advance control which not only made operating the car easier but better power was developed over a wider range of engine speed. The 1932-1934 Model B distributor was designed with 15 degrees of mechanical advance. When initial advance was set at 18 degrees before top dead center of number 1 piston, the resultant advance curve is close to the optimum for our engines.

Original Model B distributors in good condition are getting hard to find and quality replacement parts are difficult to obtain, but there are other options. The early Mallory Model A distributors work very well but these also are getting hard to find. Another very good choice is the older Mallory V-8 dual point 4 lobe cam distributors that have been modified for 4 cylinder operation and machined to fit the Model A engine. These are very high quality distributors with an adjustable advance curve that can easily be tailored to fit the requirements of either a stock or modified Model A or Model B engine.

New replacement distributors with mechanical advance are also available but their advance curve may not always be optimum for the Model A engine. Look for a distributor that has about 15 to 20 degrees of mechanical advance (engine) with no mechanical advance at idle and full mechanical advance occurring at about 2300 to 2500 engine RPM.

Ignition timing should be adjusted for 30-32 degrees advance at 2000 engine RPM. Most distributors with mechanical advance will require the installation of a timing tab and a mark on the front pulley with the #1 piston at top dead center on the compression stroke. You can then use a timing light to adjust the timing.

If you are using a Model B distributor, timing can be set with the conventional manner using the timing pin if you also have the Model B timing gear cover installed on the engine. The timing pin hole in the Model B cover is indexed at 18 degrees (engine) before top dead center which results in 18 degrees of ignition advance at idle, 30 degrees at 2000 RPM and 33 degrees at 2600 RPM. This advance curve is close to ideal for most Model A and Model B engines, either in stock or touring configuration. Having 15-18 degrees of initial ignition advance will greatly improve performance off idle and thru the low and mid range RPM of the engine. More heavily modified engines may require a slightly different advance curve and initial timing settings.

Tech Tip

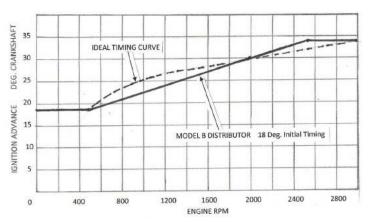
When looking at distributor specifications, and timing curves, keep in mind that while most specifications are expressed in engine RPM and degrees of crankshaft rotation, some distributor specifications may be expressed in distributor RPM and degrees of distributor shaft rotation. The distributor turns at one half the speed of the engine therefore it takes two full revolutions of the crankshaft for one revolution of the distributor. Specifications expressed in distributor degrees and distributor RPM must be multiplied by 2 to convert to engine RPM and crankshaft degrees.





Model B Distributor

Mallory Distributor



Model B Distributor automatic advance curve and ideal curve

ERA FASHIONS BY SUSAN HOMET

The year of 1930 spoke of change. Gone were the carefree roaring '20's and the Flappers living life to the fullest each and every day! With the very recent stock market collapse people were not feeling so free and easy. A much more conservative manner was being felt by all.

As in life, fashion was changing, and the newer look was longer and leaner. Hair styles were growing longer as were the length of women's skirts. For day wear skirts had reached all the way down to the middle of the calf. For evening wear they reached down to touch the floor. Clothing was fitted more closely to women's figures and created a longer slimmer silhouette. Frocks with sleeves usually had sleeves that were tightly fitted. Occasionally short puffy sleeves were seen mostly during the day. Occasionally bell shaped sleeves were worn, and they were either to the elbow or the wrist. Some of the bell style sleeves were fashioned so that they were loosely belled then brought back to the wrist, and had elastic or narrow cuffs holding them to the wrist. The bell sleeves were either long to the wrist, or ended at a three quarter length.

Many of the new dress styles were sleeveless. During the day women would usually wear small cape like shawls which would cover some of the arms. A continuing and very popular style was the bolero jacket. These short jackets were worn over sleeveless dresses. The overall look was very feminine. Another look made use of detachable shawls which were convenient and smart looking.

For evening attire sleeveless gowns were accompanied by either three quarter length, or elbow length gloves. Fluttering capes were still being worn when a light wrap was desired. Many gowns were cut very low in the back.

By 1931 formal evening wear had long and fitted bodices along with full and flowing skirts below. The back of many of these gowns were cut extremely low and were sleeveless for the most part. Women wore a cover up for arms and backs. These cover ups might be scarves which would be caught up with a flower or jeweled pin. Occasionally ladies would wear piano scarves usually long and beautifully embroidered by hand. Scarves worn during the day were many times tied.

The dresses of the early thirties were romantic and sensuous. The fashions could be seen on the big silver screen at the moving pictures, as worn by the actresses of the day. The styles and movies were a wonderful antidote to the more difficult times!

Interesting Philosophy

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and two glasses of wine.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large, empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes'.

The professor then produced two glasses of wine from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

'Now,' said the professor, as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things; your family, your children, your health, your friends, and your favorite passions; things that if everything else were lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house, and your car. The sand is everything else; the small stuff. If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all our time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you.

Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal.

Take care of the golf balls first, the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.'

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the wine represented. The professor smiled. I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of glasses of wine with a friend.



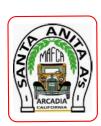
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Santa Anita A's Promotional Items

These items are offered in the new club promotion catalog and are now available for purchase by club members.



Magnetic Car sign 8" x 12 "





Polo Shirts Men's & Women's.

Available with club logos and your name



Dress Shirts Men's & Women's.

Short & long sleeve Available with club logos and your name





Decal 2 1/8" x 2 3/8 ' Static cling, reusable'

Decal 3 1/8" x 3 5/8 ' Static cling, reusable'



Denim Shirts Men's & Women's

Short & long sleeve Available with club logos and your name





Decal 11 x 2"Static cling, reusable







- **Light weight Jackets** Either navy or bone color
 - Available with club logos and your name





Hats Three styles-Baseball, Straw Safari,





Small embroidered patch



Embroidered Patch

Large size -For sewing to back of jackets

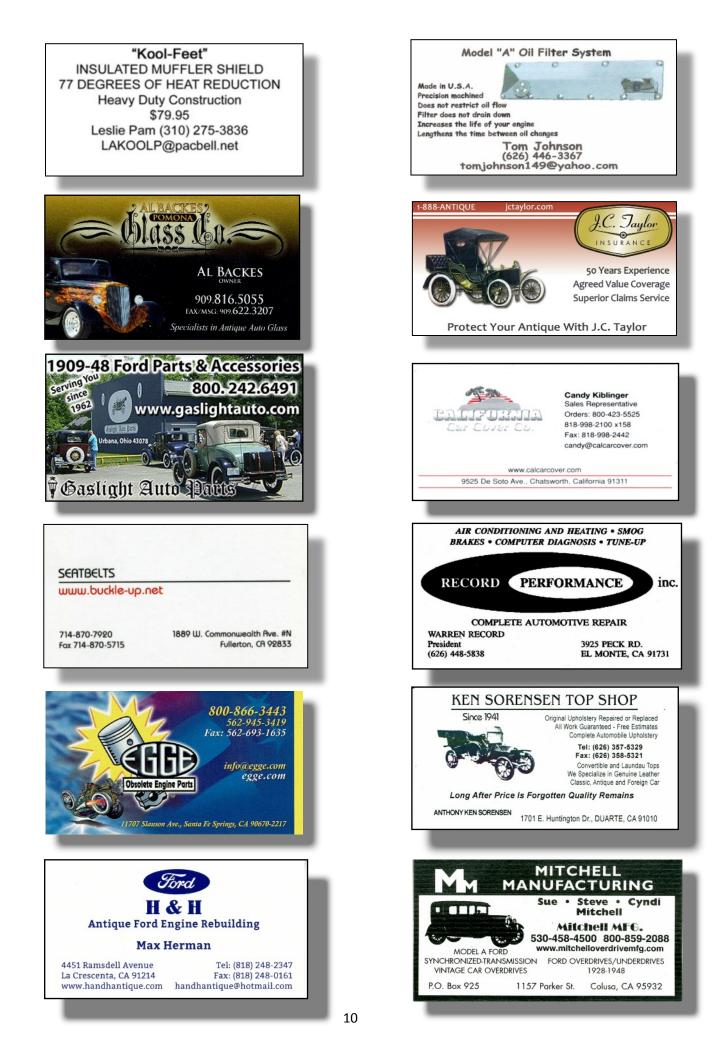


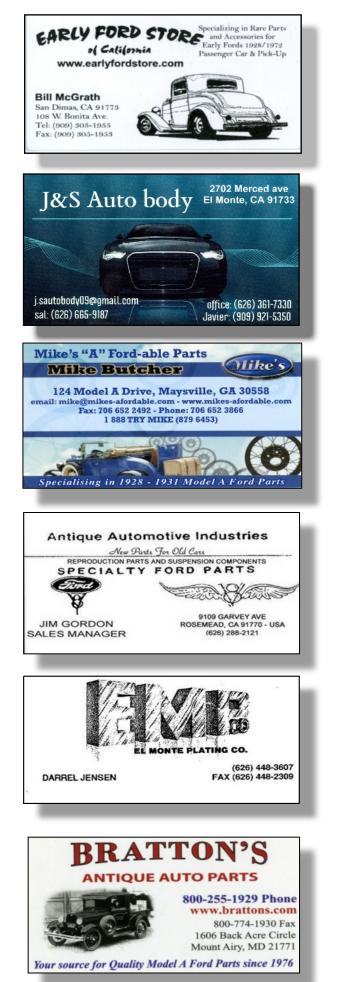














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Things To Do:

Dues - Last Chance to pay them!

Attend the next meeting and get a free pen - see page 1



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