



June 2019

# Spoken Wheels

## THE NEXT MEETING

### General Meeting - 7:00 PM, Friday, June 28

Live Oak Community Center, 10144 Bogue St.  
Temple City

### Program

Club member Joe Blaylock is a fan of River boat cruising and will speak to us on his cruises on rivers far far away. Is it true that he is planning future cruises on the Rio Grande and LA Rivers?

## NEWS BITS

### Progress in Search For New Meeting Place

A committee headed up by Bob Travis has been searching for a new location to hold our monthly meetings. Parking at the Live Oak Community Center is inadequate and fewer members are now driving their Model A's to our meetings.

Possibilities for a new meeting facility have been identified and details of relocating are now under discussion. Hopefully we will be able to finalize arrangements and relocate in the next few months.

### New SAA's Photo Contest Announced

Our President, Bob Harbicht, has announced a club wide photo contest designed to add another dimension to our club's activities. So take out your old box camera or your new cell phone and start taking your award winning photos.

Don't forget about all those photos stored in the cigar box or hidden someplace in your computer files. They are all eligible for consideration.

Every month a photo or photos will be selected from those submitted for the photo contest and will be published in the Spoken Wheels.

No previous experience required. Go for it!

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - BOB HARBICHT

In the last issue of "The Restorer" there was an article about a subject I thought might be fun for our club: a photo contest. This would be a way to get our creative juices flowing and be alert to what may make a good picture on tours and club events.

I thought we might start now and have an award for first, second and (maybe) third, at our annual Christmas party. Prizes are yet to be determined, but they will be something groovy, although probably of little intrinsic value.



Here are the rules:

1. What kind of picture quality are we looking for? A cell phone camera will work just fine.
2. Who can participate? Anyone. Club member or family member.
3. Do I have to participate? Nope; this is entirely voluntary. The only purpose is to have fun.
4. How many pictures can each person submit? Three, 3, tres.
5. What can the pictures be of? Model A, era fashions, Santa Anita A's tours, seminars, anything related to our cars, the club or club members.
6. How do I submit a photo? Email it to me ([pbharbicht@gmail.com](mailto:pbharbicht@gmail.com)).
7. Who will do the judging? Probably a small committee; I'll figure something out.

Those are all the rules, let's not make this too complicated!

Let's have some fun with this.



California Cruz'n -

SAA's Photo Contest Entry - Joe Wilson

## CALENDAR OF TOURS & EVENTS

### June

- 23 - Mom and Pop's Night Out, Candle Light Pavillion, see page 4  
 28 - General Meeting, 7:00 PM, Live Oak Community Center, Temple City  
 29 - Seminar -Roof installation on a closed car - See page 4

### July

- 4 - South Pasadena Parade - See page 4  
 8 - Ladies Brunch, Annia's, 11:00 AM, San Gabriel Valley Airport  
 10 - Board meeting, 7:00 PM, Live Oak Community Center, Temple City  
 18 - Men's Breakfast, 9:00 AM Annia's, San Gabriel Valley Airport  
 19 - Wrightwood tour - see page 4  
 20 - Long Beach Model T Club Swap Meet - Long Beach City College, Veterans Stadium , 500 Lew Davis St. ,7:00 AM  
 28 - Quakes Baseball game - See page 4

### August

- 3 - SAA's Pancake Breakfast - See page 4

### September

- 22 - International Model A Day - Details TBA  
 25 - East Fork - Details TBA

### October

- 5 - Ticket to the 20's - Details TBA

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**Sunshine Lady** - Diana Kincart - Mrs. Sunbeam  
 No one on the sick list - Hooray!

**Cookie Bringers** - Vicky Bartlett - Head Cookie

Sheri Johnson, Bart Bartholomew, Vicky Bartlett, One more volunteer needed—(if you can help, phone Vicky at 213-445-2962)

**Photo Donors** -

John Emanuelli, Vicky Bartlett, Tracy Butkus, Joe Wilson, Wilbert Smith, etc.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANIVERESARIES

### July Birthdays

- 3 - Michael Valentine  
 6 - Gloria Henderson  
 6 - Carole Weideman  
 7 - Mel Foye  
 17 - Ronald Martinez  
 20 - Walt Wiley  
 22 - Jon DePew  
 23 - Gina Falabrino  
 26 - A. C. Byrd  
 26 - Amy Siro  
 27 - Gloria Metz

### July Anniversaries

- 1 - Stewart & Catherine Levin  
 7 - Marianne & Rob Barrosa  
 7 - Scott & Lori Bonner  
 16 - Bill & Nancy Stoner  
 20 - Bob & Judi Moore

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## NEW MEMBERS



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 Joined 1/1/2019 1929 Roadster Pickup



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 Joined 6/1/2019 1931 Deluxe Coupe

## THINGS TO PONDER

Today a man knocked on the door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.

I'm great at multitasking - I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at the same time.

## SAA Member Wins Car Show Award

By Joe Wilson

Tony Catroppa won an award at the San Marino Motor Classic Car show held at Lacy Park in San Marino on June 13. He won second place in his class which was "Pre WWII American Manufacturer" with his nice 1930 Model A Deluxe Coupe.

The San Marino show is a premier Concours De 'elegance car show in Southern California akin to the Pebble Beach and Amelia Island cars shows. Congratulations to Tony.

## SAA Member Wins Car Show Award

by Jim Kroeger

For many of us Father's Day traditions have included baseball games, watching the U. S. Open Golf Tournament and getting together with the family. You can also add car shows to that list. Our own Dr. Wilbert Smith had quite the Father's Day recently at the Pasadena Chalk Festival and its 18th annual car show sponsored by the Pasadena Police Department.



*Dr. Wilbert Smith accepts Chief's Pick award with SAA board member Jim Kroeger and event organizer Sergeant Thompson at the 18th annual Pasadena Police Car Show.*

Wilbert took home the Chief's Pick award for his 1929 Model A Paddy Wagon that was a big hit with the public. Cameras were clicking all day long as families had to get that special shot next to the police vehicle. Wilbert spent half the day keeping the kids from swarming the paddy wagon but did so with a smile on his face. Congratulations to Wilbert for the award and continuing to promote our Model A hobby.



## Bonnie Nelson

One of my first questions to Bonnie Nelson was how did you come to purchase a 1930 4 Door Sedan Model A. She replied "It was cute as bug". In 1972, she heard about the car from her husband who worked with Chris Wickersham at Clayton Manufacturing in Temple City.



It turns out Chris' father had a Model A that had been garaged for many years and wanted to sell it. Bonnie fell in love with it at first sight. The car ran but needed some work, some of which was accomplished by Chris Wickersham which included a transmission change. The car needed new wood in the roof and a young member of the Santa Anita A's who lived in Roland Heights installed it and a new soft top. The car came with a roll of mohair upholstery fabric and Bonnie had the car upholstered by Perez in Pasadena.

While her children were growing up, Bonnie used the Model A as a second car, often driving her children to school. While she has not driven it lately, it is driven every two weeks by a friend of hers. Two years ago, she and a friend pushed the car into her backyard and the two removed all the paint, repaired any dents and imperfections and primer coated it grey.

Back in the 1970's and 1980's, Bonnie and her husband participated in every South Pasadena parade. Becoming members of the Santa Anita A's in the early 1980's, she and her husband, who had a full white beard, played Santa Claus at the club Christmas parties for years. Ask Tracy Butkus. She sat on Santa's knee.

Bonnie was born in San Bernardino and in 1949 moved to the house where she now lives. After marriage, she has lived in Monrovia, Pasadena for 10 Years, one block away from current club members Chuck and Myriam Davies and in South Pasadena. She moved back to her parent's home in 2001 to take care of her father. Bonnie has 3 children, 6 grand-children and 4 great grand-children.

Bonnie first worked as an artist in the Advertising Department of Bullocks. Later she and her husband founded Old Mill Graphics in Pasadena. They designed logos, brochures, letterheads for large companies in Los Angeles including Southern California Gas, Southern California Edison as well as menus for many local restaurants including Beckham's Place and Twoheys.

Bonnie's specialty is calligraphy. She taught calligraphy at UC Riverside from 1980 to 1999 and that work keeps her busy today. Bonnie was previously the author of the Women's Fashion Section in the Spoken Wheels.



## COMING TOURS & EVENTS

### Mom and Pops Night Out

Sunday, June 23

by Bob Travis

Our Mom and Pops Night Out event will be a dinner performance of "Always...Patsy C" at the Candlelight Pavilion Dinner Theater in Claremont. The cost is \$35 per ticket. If you haven't already made your reservations contact Bob Travis so he can get you a seat at the table.

We will meet at the Arcadia County Park for free bus transportation to the event. The bus will be parked in the lot near the corner of Santa Anita and Huntington Drive. Be at the lot at 3:30 PM for loading and a 4:00 PM departure.

A jacket is required for men and clothes for the ladies.

### Technical Seminar

Saturday, June 29

by Bob Travis

Yes, there will be another seminar on Saturday June 29th at Bob Travi's home. Coffee and doughnuts 10 AM, seminar begins 10:30 AM. Topic : Installation of front header board and roof on a closed car. Lunch will be served.

### South Pasadena 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

Thursday, July 4

by Elaine Perry

**Start Time:** 8:30 AM for coffee and donuts at Vicky Bartlett's, 1625 Fletcher, South Pasadena. Please bring a short write-up about your car for parade announcer.

**Departing for parade:** 9:45 AM sharp. We will proceed to the parade staging area where we will have time to decorate our cars. Parade starts at 11:00 AM.

**Lunch:** Meet after parade at Marlin and Elaine Perry's - 5528 Lenore Ave. Arcadia. The club will provide hot dogs, fixings, drinks and dessert.

**RSVP:** Parade participants **must** be pre-registered. Deadline for parade was June 10<sup>th</sup>. We also need a head count for lunch by June 24<sup>th</sup>. Sign up at the June meeting.

**For info:** Call Marlin Perry (626) 443-0638. We need cars to carry dignitaries in the parade. Please consider this and volunteer.

### Wrightwood Tour

Friday July 19

by Jim Frick

It's that time of year again for our annual Wrightwood Circle Tour, so get your Model A's ready for a fun day trip.

I know most of you are aware of the rock slide/road closure on Angeles Crest Highway, but there is a detour that can bypass this by only adding about 10 miles to our trip.

As usual, we will stop at Newcomb Ranch to stretch our legs, get coffee and then proceed to the Grizzly Inn for lunch.

For those of you without overdrive, and who don't want to take the full circle home on the 15 and 210 Freeways, there is almost always a group who will return home – the same way back down Angeles Crest Highway.

Hope you can make it. There will be a sign up sheet at the general meeting, or you can call Jim Frick at 626-303-5233 to make your reservation for lunch. We will be leaving from the McDonald's parking lot at 449 Foothill Blvd. in La Canada at 9 :00 AM.

### Quakes Game

Sunday, July 28

by Jim Frick

Price is still \$26 each for lunch and tickets to the game. Game starts at 12:05 PM. We plan to get to "Loan Mart Field" in Rancho Cucamonga at 10:45 AM.

We will meet at the Chase Bank parking lot which is located at 1000 Huntington Dr. in Duarte. Please show up at 9:00 AM with your A's gassed up, oiled, and ready for a 9:15 AM departure. A Sign-up sheet will be at the meeting.

Questions - Call Jim Frick at 626-303-5233

### SAA's Pancake Breakfast

Saturday August 3<sup>rd</sup>

by Elaine Perry

The Santa Anita A's Pancake Breakfast will be held at Wilderness Park in Arcadia on Saturday August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The kitchen will be serving at 9:00 AM.



After breakfast there will be a Technical Seminar for the men and a game for the ladies.

There will be prizes for the ladies games and lots of fun. This year President Bob Harbicht has volunteered to cook your pancakes.

The cost will be \$3.00 per person to help cover the cost of the food and park; we will have pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice.

We need to know in advance how many pancakes to put on the griddle, so you will need to sign up and pay at the June or July meeting. If you are unable to attend the June or July meeting call Elaine Perry (626) 443-0638, deadline is July 26<sup>th</sup>.

We need helpers to work in the kitchen, making coffee, cooking eggs etc. if you can help please sign up at general meeting.

Directions to the park: North on Santa Anita to Elkins, turn right on Elkins, go east to Highland Oaks, turn left on Highland Oaks to Wilderness Park. Follow the road through the park, past the "do not enter" sign, then up the hill.

## PAST TOURS & EVENTS

### Henry Ford Picnic

June 9

by Joe Wilson

The annual Henry Ford Picnic sponsored by the Diamond Tread chapter drew participants from a number of Southern California Chapters. In addition to slides and swings, the event featured a large raffle, car show and of course - food.



There were 74 cars on hand including a few stray Model T's. It is believed that there were approximately 180 people there because 180 lunches were served.



Eighty Items were offered in the raffle. Club winners included: Tom Johnson - 2 items, Sheri Johnson -1, Vicky Bartlett- 3 or 4. The real big winner was Elaine Perry who won \$190 in the 1/3 - 1/3 - 1/3 cash pot split.



SAA's members participating were: Marlin & Elaine Perry, Larry and Tracy Butkus, Bob Travis, Brad Balmot, Jim Frick, Mickey & Bea Fruchter, Vickey Bartlett, Nancy Stancil, Joe Principe, Randy Gross, John & Carol Emanuelli, David & Patty Lutz, Les Eddington



Elaine Perry wins \$190

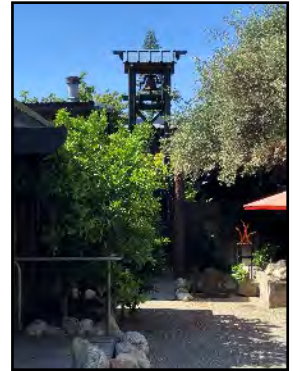
### Maloof Home Tour

June 11

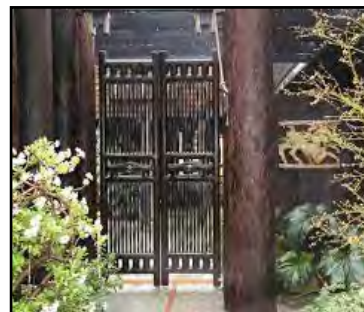
by Joe Wilson

Our tour to the Maloof home can be described as "special, unique, inspiring and impressive". The home was designed and built by Sam Malloof, who was described by the Smithsonian Institution as "America's most renowned contemporary furniture craftsman" But his business card always said "woodworker." "I like the word," he told a Los Angeles Times reporter, "It's an honest word."

The home is built on a large parcel of ground located in Alta Loma (Rancho Cucamonga). The home is surrounded by a large botanical garden. Our group of 19 were broken into two and taken through the home by two excellent docents. We were then free to tour the gardens on our own.



After the home tour we drove to the Pinnacal Peak restaurant in San Dimas for lunch. We overwhelmed the one cook on duty which provided us a long casual time to socialize. It was a very hot day so we had only two actual Model A's while the others drove air conditioners to the event.





### Fruchters Attend the NCRG Model A Roundup

By Mickey Fruchter

Bea and I planned to attend the NCRG (Northern California Regional Group) Model A Roundup scheduled for May 27- 30 in Santa Rosa, California. Not able to find anyone from the SAA's interested in going we made plans to travel up with John and Dianne Frazee from the Palomar A's club. We traveled up Highway 1 from Lompoc where we hooked up with the Frazees and then to Seaside (near Carmel and Monterey) on our first day together. It rained! It is a very scenic drive BUT lots of curves and hills and traffic because it was a holiday weekend. All of that made it difficult to enjoy the scenery.

The next day we drove from Seaside through San Francisco and crossed the Golden Gate Bridge on our way to Santa Rosa. We stopped for gas and "Pandora" would not start (dead battery). We had a portable battery so we jump-started the car. A few miles down the road I got a flat tire. Luckily there was a Metro Service Truck (part of the California Highway Patrol) going the opposite direction and saw 3 Model A's off the road. He crossed over the center divider to help me change the tire.

On Monday we arrived at the Roundup at the beautiful Flamingo Resort and Spa in Santa Rosa. In the lobby was a beautiful 1928 Town Car, which was a prototype of what was to be made in that year. There were all the regular things that go on at Model A meets. Les Andrews did a seminar about "Front end alignment". The raffle was great with LOTS of lovely prizes. One of the self-guided tours was to visit the Charles M. Schulz Museum (of Charlie Brown & Snoopy fame).

The Grand Tour was a 40-mile trip around the area, stopping in Sonoma and visiting the historic Mission and the historic Plaza. On the way back to the hotel we stopped for gas and Pandora started up without the portable battery and had no more problems from then on. That evening was the Awards Banquet where awards were given out for car and fashion judging, the gymkhana and the Hubley Derby races. The trophy for longest distance driven to the meet in a Model A was won by our friend Bruce Howe, and I received the "Hard Luck Trophy".

Our trip home was long. We drove from Santa Rosa all the way to Visalia for our first night. We made it home on Saturday without any problems



Mickey win's the Hard Luck Trophy

### Club Member Trevor Sandberg is Henry Ford

By Eric Sandberg

Trevor Sandberg, son of club members Eric and Jennifer Sandberg became Henry Ford on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Trevor's School (Fremont Elementary) where they had an open house in which the graduating 6th graders did a live wax museum and diorama display.

Trevor decided he wanted to be Henry Ford for the night. He studied and watched films in preparation to make a 1 & 1/2 minute speech from the perspective of Henry Ford.

He built a diorama of a Ford dealership which had a fake button you could push and Trevor would spring to life as Henry Ford and talk about his life. His Grandpa, Brad Balmot, lent him authentic period clothes for the event! He was the only one there wearing authentic clothes!



### What's new at the MAFI Museum?

The Museum is always striving to keep our exhibits new and exciting but also educational. We recently received a car donation of a 1930 Coupe from the Frank Corey Estate, although beautifully restored, it was a duplicate of one already on display. We wanted to use this car in some capacity so it was decided to create a "Service Bay" Display near our Part's Department.

Linda Morford, our fashion coordinator, found a mannequin that would bend at the waist, a service coat was donated by Erik Kellner, and now our new display is complete! Make plans today to attend Model A Day, September 21, 2019 to see this and other great displays at the Museum.

Your membership dollars to MAFFI helps keep our Museum what it is today, the most toured of all the museums at the Gilmore Complex. *Thank you for your continued support through membership, the purchase of memorial bricks and donations.*



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## Fashion Photography Back in the Day

Today I am going to introduce you to one of the greatest photographers of the early twentieth century. The man's name, Edward Steichen, is quite synonymous with fashion photography as he changed fashion photography for all time. Edward was born in Europe in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and was a painter by training. He immigrated to the United States and his photography was noticed and shown in the New York gallery of Alfred Stieglitz, an important and well known photographer of the time. An aside on Stieglitz is that he was also the man who "discovered", and promoted the artistic career of Georgia O'Keeffe. As a matter of fact he was showing both artists simultaneously at his gallery. This exposure was very good for young Steichen's career.



*Model Dorothy Smart wearing a black velvet hat by Madame Agnes, 1926 photo by Edward Steichen*

In 1923 Steichen was offered a position in the photography's commercial realm. He was to be chief photographer for Cond'e Nast Publications' "Vanity Fair" and "Vogue" magazines. His photographic style made use of black and white film and evoked dramatic elegance. His use of shadows and light were able to evoke emotional reactions in the viewer. He created photographically sophisticated portraits using different tones of black and white, with shimmer and sparkle as punctuation marks.

He was the highest paid and foremost photographer of the Model A era. He photographed actors, statesmen, athletes and a host of other dignitaries, in addition to his glorious images of fashions of the period using Art Deco styling as his backdrop.

His photographs were mostly of haute couture from the design houses such as Chanel, Schiaparelli, Lanvin, Paquin, Poiret, Vion Net and Worth. American women were eager to copy these styles since France was the center of the universe for haute couture. These two magazines provided the direction for the gold standard of design.

Steichen eventually grew tired of his fashion and celebrity photography. As the 1930's progressed, his work diminished in quantity but not quality. He resigned from the Cond'e Nast empire in 1938. That is not to say his career as a photographer was done. He became well-known in a completely opposite way for photographic excellence. He moved on to what he felt were "useful photographs"- World War II images.





## Does Your Exhaust Manifold Leak?

Some Model A owners find it difficult to prevent exhaust leaks between the exhaust manifold and the side of the engine. When our Model A's were new, the manifolds did not leak where they attached to the engine and with good parts and proper procedures, a good long lasting seal for both the exhaust and intake manifolds can be accomplished today.

First, you have to have a good used exhaust manifold that is not warped, distorted or badly rusted. Also check the tapered surface where the exhaust system head pipe attaches to the exhaust manifold. If this surface is badly pitted, you will find it is difficult to achieve a leak free joint at this connection. Equally important is to use a good intake manifold that is free of cracks and is in good condition. Good used manifolds are getting very hard to obtain and you may find that buying quality reproduction manifolds from a reputable parts supplier will go a long way to solve a lot of problems.

The mounting surfaces of both the intake and exhaust manifolds, when they are bolted together, must be flat. If these surfaces are not flat, there will be gaps where the manifolds fit up to the side of the block and the gaskets may not provide an adequate seal. An automotive machine shop can help you with machining these surfaces. This process is almost always necessary when replacing the exhaust manifold. If you are replacing both the intake and exhaust manifolds with new reproduction parts, some parts suppliers are offering new intake and exhaust manifolds that, when bolted together, do not require machining to make them flat. Make some inquiries if you are purchasing both manifolds.

The exhaust ports of most of the Model A engines were machined with a step or relief for a gland ring. The exhaust manifold also has a similar relief. The gland rings help support the exhaust manifold and also help to keep exhaust gases from leaking past the gaskets. Be sure these reliefs are clean so the gland rings fit properly in both the exhaust port and the manifold. Insert the gland rings in the block and without the gaskets in place. Do a trial fit to be sure the rings enter the exhaust manifold properly and the manifolds will seat up tight against the block. If the rings are too wide, when installed, the manifolds will not seat up tight and leaks can occur. Carefully, grind or file down the rings a little if they are too wide.

Be sure you are using the correct hardware to assemble the manifold to the block. Use the original design large thick slightly cupped washers and the extra thick nuts. The cup side of the washers go against the manifolds. It is not necessary to use brass nuts, steel will work just fine but be sure to use a little Anti-Seize on the threads. Correct hardware is available from most parts suppliers

I like to use the original style copper gaskets, either the early or late design. DO NOT use the solid hard white gaskets with no metal cladding that come in some gasket sets. These will become brittle with age and crack and fall apart. Apply a small bead of High Temp Silicone Sealer around all the port openings on both sides of the gasket. This is a very important step in the process. The high temp sealer will cure with heat and will provide a good seal for both the exhaust and intake manifolds. Torque the nuts to 35 ft Lbs. After a few miles and when the engine is cold after sitting overnight, re-torque the nuts.

Following this procedure will result in a long lasting leak free seal between the manifolds and the engine.



## Tech Tip

Periodically, when the engine is cold after sitting overnight, check the intake and exhaust manifolds attaching nuts to be sure they are tight. Torque to 35 ft Lbs. Also at the same time, check the muffler head pipe clamp bolts to be sure they are both tight. Because of the heat-cool cycles and vibration of the engine, these bolts tend to loosen over time.



## MORE NEWS BITS

### Hubley Derby Day in San Bernardino

These little cars with no operating engines, no drivers or steering capabilities raced to glory at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Hubley Debry Day on June 15 in San Bernardino. The event is sponsored by the Pomona and Paradise Valley Model A clubs.

The miniature cars are assembled from kits and resemble real life Model A's. They race down a slanted track at high speed reaching the finish line in mer seconds. Cars race two at a time on parallel tracks in elimination races.

A crowd of approximately 50 enthusiasts assembled to watch 20 or so adults and kids demonstrate their racing skills "at the track". No collisions or injuries were reported.



## MEETING MINUTES

### SAA General Meeting Minutes May 31, 2019

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Harbicht at 7:06 PM.
- The flag salute was led by Bob Harbicht
- Visitors: Doug and Georgette Tattle
- Tours – Jim Frick gave the following tour report:
  - 6/11 Maloof Tour
  - 6/9 Henry Ford Picnic
  - 6/15 Hubley Derby Day
  - 6/23 Mom and Pops Night Out
  - 7/4 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade
  - 7/19 Wrightwood Circle Tour
  - 7/28 Quakes Game
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Tracy gave the following information. Sign up tonight we need cars to carry dignitaries also need to know if you are coming for donuts before the parade and to the lunch after the parade.
- Promotional items: Joe Wilson gave a talk on the club promotional items available in the catalog. The catalog is available on the SAA Web site and give descriptions of each item. List of recommended literature.
- Minutes – The minutes were approved as printed in the Spoken Wheels.
- Treasurer's Report - The Treasurer's report was approved as read.
- Thank you: Thanks to cookie bringers Elsie Johnson, Joy Wilson, Elaine Perry and Patsy Harbicht.
- Program: Bob Travis introduced tonight's speaker Ron Mosher. Ron is a member of the San Fernando Club as well as many other clubs. Ron gave a very informative talk about the many Model A accessory items he has collected over the years. As he said his talk was on Model A Stuff. He also had Antique National T-shirts for sale at \$10.00 each.
- Break
- Old Business: None
- New Business: Need someone to purchase Men's raffle prizes for next month.
- Drive your Model A : Jim Frick
- Name Badge: David and Patty Lutz
- 50/25/25: John Emenuelli and Marlin Perry \$18.00 each
- Raffle
- Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted, Elaine Perry Secretary.

### FOR SALE 1930 Briggs Town Sedan - Ideal for touring

- H & H engine. Bob Travis says "It's the smoothest A engine I ever drove".
- LeBaron Bonney interior except reclining bucket seats (original rebuild-able front seat included )
- 12 volt alternator conversion, turn signals, OEM spotlight, temp gauge
- Hydraulic brakes with silicone fluid, • Mitchel overdrive
- 17 inch OEM heavy duty wheels, • Grill guard
- Rear trunk and spare

Asking \$ 19,950 Contact Jack Dawson 818-790-6592



### For Sale

#### Borg Warner Overdrive

Excellent condition. Removed from a 1956 Chevy. Needs to be converted to fit a Model A . Price - \$25.00.

### Wanted

#### Model A firewall


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