

February 2020

Spoken Wheels

THE NEXT MEETING

General Meeting

General Meeting - Friday, February 31, 7:00 PM, Church of the Good Shepherd, 400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia.

Program

This is it! No meeting, no program. Just the world famous annual Santa Anita A's club auction. Bring your stuff to donate for the auction, bring money to buy other stuff, and a truck to take it home.

NEWS BITS

Annual Club Auction

Here is a good reason to clean out your house, garage, basement or any other storage place where you have carefully placed things for future use. Find these treasures, put them in boxes and tote them to the club meeting on Friday February 28 and present them



for sale at our annual auction.

You will need, of course, to bring money so you can bid on the treasures others have brought to the party. There will be some special offerings this year; Club members Jon DePew and Pete Henderson who passed away in the past year will have portions of their parts collections offered for sale.

When you arrive at the meeting, pick up your bidding "paddle" which you will need to place bids. And a reminder,- if an item you bring doesn't sell, you must take it back home to its original storage place.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -

BOB HARBICHT

One of the fun things the Santa Anita A's offers its members is tours in our beloved vehicles. The tours are very important to our club and should be important to you. A tour is not only a good chance to give your Model A some exercise, but it is also a great opportunity to get to know some of your fellow members better. If you haven't toured with the club lately, I encourage you to come on out in the near future.



Jim Kroeger, Bob Travis, Joe Wilson and I met recently to lay out the tour plans for the year. We are planning some short tours (20 miles or so), some longer tours and even a couple of multi-day tours. There is something for everyone!

Last month Jim Kroeger was our tour leader and did his usual outstanding job. Jim set up a special tour of the Burbank historical museum. This turned out to be a terrific museum with something of interest for everyone. After an hour or so at the museum we made the short drive to the Tally Rand Restaurant a few blocks away for lunch. We even saw some long-time members who haven't been active with the club for a while and it was fun to get re-acquainted.

So if you're a relatively new member or one who hasn't joined us for a while, c'mon out and have some fun. Everyone keeps an eye out for everyone else and we haven't lost a member yet. We "bring 'em back alive." Don't let concerns about your car or getting lost dissuade you from joining the fun.

As an example of a multi-day tour, we're planning a weekend in Big Bear. Drives around the lake and other scenic areas, barbecues, and attitude adjustment hours with adult beverages are all part of the planning.

We're also planning tours to the Live Steamers in Griffith Park, the Highland Park Police Station, (now a police museum), a tour of Mulholland Drive and several others. Watch the Spoken Wheels for the specific time and date.

A highlight of the Santa Anita A's year is Ladies Day. Vicky Balmot is planning this year's event and has come up with what I think sounds like a lot of fun. There will be a bus to take everyone to the Home Town Buffet in Covina for lunch. Then you will be off to Citrus College for the Citrus Singers and a live orchestra performing songs from Pop and Rock to Broadway show tunes. A great chance to get to know the other ladies in the club with no discussion of advancing the spark or brake jobs or replacing kingpins. Watch for more information.

CALENDAR OF TOURS & EVENTS

February

28 - Club Meeting, 7:00 PM, Church of the Good Shepherd 400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia - Annual Club Auction

- 7 Tour to Valley Relics Museum, Van Nuys Airport, see page 4
- 9 Ladies Brunch, Annia's, 11:00 AM, San Gabriel Valley Airport
- 11 Board meeting, 7:00 PM, Church of the Good Shepherd
- 14 St Patrick's Day Party. See page 4
- 19 Men's Breakfast, 9:00 AM Annia's, San Gabriel Valley Airport
- 27 Club Meeting, 7:00 PM, Church of the Good Shepherd
- 29 Orange County Pancake Breakfast, see page 4

April

- 8 Wrightwood Tour, see page 5
- 16 thru 19 CCRG in Bakersfield, see page 5

- 17 Ladies Day Lunch and stage show, see page 5
- 7 Mount Baldy Tour, see page 5
- 30 Tour to the Pasadena Museum of History & the Fenyes Mansion

PUBLIC NOTICES

Sunshine Lady -

- A condolence card was sent to Susie Bennett and family after Alan's passing
- A get well card was sent to Bev Kniest recovering from kidney stone operation

Cookie Bringers - No Head Cookie

Photo Donors - Jim Kroeger, Joe Wilson

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Joined 1/2020 1929 Ford Roadster PU



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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

March Birthdays

- 1 John Emanuelli
- 4 Jim Constantian
- 10 John McDannel
- 14 Fred Weideman
- 18 Lyla Eddington
- 19 Randy Harper
- 21 Bart Bartholomew
- 22 Mike Plessner 22 - Lary Metz
- 24 Dick Canzoneri

March Birthdays Cont.

- 24 Nancy Stancil
- 27 Warwick Nethercoat
- 28 Jennifer Sandberg 31 - Steve Concidine

March Anniversaries

- 3 Larry & May Pare
- 10 Larry & Suzanne Rummens
- 12 Jim & Jamie Frick
- 25 Daniel & Jacki Boardman

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Check Out Our Ads

Go directly to page 9 of this newsletter where you will find some deals on Model A stuff offered by our club members. While you are on the backside of the newsletter take note of the companies who utilize our newsletter to advertise their goods and services.

NEWS BITS - MORE

Sue and Carl Rogers

On a recent Saturday morning we gathered at Jim Kroeger's home in preparation for a tour to the Lummis House. I thought the couple standing there were new members and I introduced myself and welcomed them to the club. Much to



my surprise, Sue and Carl Rogers have been members of the club even before it was an official club. At the time, the club organizers were looking for members to start a club. Carl and Sue just haven't been active in recent years.

Sue and Carl remember their early outings with their first child Jason who was about 1 year old. Eventually, their other two children joined them on the club outings. Carl and Sue remember the Pancake Breakfasts at Wilderness Park, the entire club going to the Pancake Breakfast in Orange County, the swap meet they held at the old Ford plant in Pico Rivera, and the Pomona Swap Meet where the club ran the concession stand. Carl remembered the four or five trips they would take as a club to Santa Barbara, to San Luis Obispo, Yuma Arizona, Lake Havasu and San Diego.

Sue and Carl's 1929 Model A tudor was purchased new by Sue's grandfather in Pasadena. It was continuously garaged for its first 30 years. When the grandfather moved in with Sue's family, the car sat outside. Sue's father disassembled it, putting the parts in boxes and buckets and not protected from the elements. He did however have the engine rebuilt.

When Sue and Carl inherited the car, it and the parts were covered in rust and the parts were in the same boxes and buckets. Sue and Carl's ground up restoration started with the entire body and fenders being dipped in an acid solution to remove all paint and rust. Sue and Carl reassembled it, installed the upholstery kit and replaced the glass with safety glass.

For the last 16 years, family issues have kept them very busy because their parents needed their almost constant attention. For the past year, Carl has been catching up with the things he needed to do around the house. I expect we will see them more often. Carl is in the process of installing a Mitchell overdrive in his Model A.

Carl was a mechanic for the City of Los Angeles at their Hyperion Wastewater Treatment Plant. He retired as the Maintenance Manager.

Club Member Alan Bennett Passes

SAA's club member Alan Bennett passed away on January 25, 2020. Alan and his wife Suzie were long time members of the San Fernando chapter of MAFCA and joined the SAA's Model A club in May of 2018. Alan had been President of the San Fernando club and was very active in the Model A Touring club. Susie and the family ask that we respect their

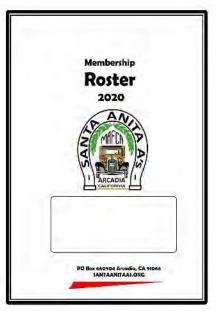


privacy although a card would be appropriate: 3930 Coral Place, Calabassas, CA 91302

Alan will be remembered for his energy and vision and, oft times, not very subtle expressions of his views.

New 2020 Club Rosters Now Available

The new 2020 Santa Anita A's club roster has been printed and will be available for pick up at the February 28th meeting. This roster includes all the names and photos of our club members as of February 1, 2020.



Some members chose to replace their photos in the roster with ones that more accurately represents their current state of appearance. So, please, don't make any sarcastic comments which might embarrass them.

A copy of the roster with your name engraved on the cover will be available on a table at the rear of the meeting room. This is the same night as our club auction so please

make an effort to find your copy while you are placing bids at the auction.

Additional copies are available for traveling in your "other car" at a cost of \$2.00 each. Or they can be downloaded from the club's web site and printed at home. Simply go to the club's web sit (santaanitaas.org)

COMING TOURS & EVENTS

Valley Relics Tour

Saturday March 7

by Jim Kroeger

Our museum tours continue as we travel through the San Fernando Valley to the Van Nuys Airport and explore the Valley Relics Museum on Saturday, March 7th.

This museum, located in an airport hangar, contains a vast display of historical artifacts pertaining to the San Fernando Valley. The collection includes vintage neon signs, photographs, art, automobiles and rare documents and will be a docent-led group tour.

We will meet at at 9:30 AM the McDonald's in Canada located at 449 Foothill Blvd. Our onehour drive will be a surface-only street tour through the local foothills thereby avoiding most traffic.



Don't worry if your Model A is not equipped with overdrive. We will travel home the way we came via surface streets. The cost of the museum tour is \$10 and begins at 11:00 AM.

Our SAA's tour would not be complete without the traditional lunch stop, (no Mexican food here Brad), and we have a great restaurant reserved for you - the 94th Aero Squadron! This aeronautic-themed restaurant overlooks the airport tarmac and is a favorite of valley residents. Club members will select from a pre-set menu of four different items.

Let's re-cap. We have a great driving route, a museum no one has seen and a fantastic dining experience lined up. Sunday March 29 What could be better? This will definitely be one of your favorite tours of the year; so don't miss out. Sign up at the general meeting/club auction on February 28th or call tour leader Jim Kroeger at 626-710-6592 to reserve your spot. One more thing-drive your Model A. See you on tour.



An "Almost" St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday March 14

By Bob Moore

The Santa Anita A's have been invited by San Gabriel Valley Model A Restorer's Club to their fifth annual St. Patrick's Day party. It's "almost" as it is 3 days early. It will be on Saturday, March 14 at 12 noon at the Peppertree Restaurant, 1020 E. Rt. 66, Glendora. A traditional Irish lunch will include a salad, corned beef and cabbage, potatoes and cake for dessert. Nonalcoholic drinks are included. There will be music, singing, costume contest, jokes and games. E.J. Callahan, the club's truest Irishman, has the date on his calendar.

The price for the lunch including tax and tip is \$15.00 per person. Bob Moore and Sheri Johnson will be at the next meeting to accept your payment. Checks should be made payable to the SGVMARC. If you can't attend the meeting, mail your check, payable to SGVMARC, to Sheri Johnson, 844



Diamond Street, Monrovia, CA 91016. Wear your green and bring your Irish spirit.

Drive your Model A, especially if it is green or has black fenders. Join the group that will depart from the Chase Bank parking lot, 1000 Huntington Drive in Duarte at 11:25 AM. Chase Bank is across from Denny's at the entrance to the Target parking lot. Surface streets for the 8 ½ mile drive.

Orange County Pancake Breakfast

Lots of cars, people and pancakes. If you want to see a bunch of Model A's in one place (300 expected), schedule a trip to the 59th Annual Orange Couty Model A Club's pankake breakfast on Sunday, March 29.

Breakfast is served from 8:00 AM to 11 AM. Donation \$8.00. Same place - Hart Park, 701 S. Glasell St. Orange, CA. Donations; Adult \$8, Children \$4 (2-10)



COMING TOURS & EVENTS - MORE

Wrightwood Tour

Wednesday, April 8

by Bob Travis

Once again we will climb over the mountains for lunch at our favorite alpine restaurant in Wrightwood. It is a delightful drive with a stop at Newcomb ranch to rest our cars and bodies. If you haven't made this drive before, you need to sign up.

Bob Travis will be our Tourmeister for the day. He will have a sign up sheet at the February and March meetings. Details on



departure times and place will be figured out and made public sometime before we depart.

CCRG

April 16 thru 19

Every year one of the Model A clubs in the Central California Regional Group (CCRG) hosts a regional Jamboree. This year it's Bakersfield's turn. The Jamboree involves tours, food seminars and lots of Model A fun. This has been a popular tour for SAA's members.

Registration form and motel information can be found on www.bakersfield-mafca.com

Registration deadline is March 16, 2020.

Mt Baldy Tour

Thursday, May 7

by Bob Moore

Yes, it's that time again for the short trip to Mr. Baldy Lodge for brunch. Our day will start at 8:50 AM at Royal Oaks Retirement Center on Royal Oaks Drive North, Bradbury.

Our cars will be the centerpiece of a very brief car show for the residents. The Royal Oaks minister will bless all the cars, drivers and passengers before we depart. But no offering plate.

At 10:00 AM, we will depart for Mt. Baldy, a leisurely 25 mile drive with no freeways. Weather permitting, superb buffet brunch on the patio starting about 11:15 AM. After brunch, down the hill to find our ice cream sundaes. This is a great opportunity for new members to get their Model A's on the road.

The cost for brunch is \$18.00 per person including tax and tip. Sign up for the luncheon by paying Chuck Davies.. Last day to pay is meeting night, April 24.

Ladies Day Lunch and Stage Show

Sunday, May 17

by Vicky Balmot

Join us for a Ladies Day filled with fun, food and lively melodies!

Meet us at the bus in the parking lot between the Bank of America and the McDonald's located at 143 East Foothill Blvd., Arcadia, Ca. 91006 at 11:00 AM on Sunday, May 17, 2020.

The bus will take us to the Home Town Buffet located at 1318 N. Azusa Avenue, Covina, Ca 91722. Enjoy an all you can eat lunch buffet including tax, tip and coffee, tea or soft drinks from 11:30am to 1:00pm. The bus will then take us to the Haugh Performing Arts Center located at Citrus College in Glendora, Ca. for a show from 2pm to 4:30pm. The show will highlight the Citrus College Singers with a live orchestra performing the most iconic songs of all time. The performance will take you on a musical journey from Pop and Rock legends to Broadway's best show tunes.

The cost of lunch, show and transportation, including all taxes and tips is only \$10/pp for Santa Anita A's paid up members. Non-member guests may join the tour at a cost of \$35pp. **Sorry, but there can be no refunds.** Seating is first come, first served, and is limited to 35 people. Please call Vicky Balmot at 626-695-5483 with any questions or to make reservations.

Please mail your check <u>payable to Santa Anita A's cooleteles almot</u>, 1279 Oakglen Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006 **no later than Friday, March 27, 2020** or pay at the February or March club meeting. Include your name, address and phone number on your check.

Vicky Balmot and Carol Emanuelli

OTHER STUFF

Record Performance Open House

February 6 by Joe Wilson

Club member, Warren Record, invited the SAA'S to an open house at his business in El Monte where he does repair and restoration of vintage and classic vehicles. He served us food from a taco cart while we viewed a variety of his personal and his customer's classic vehicles. Warren had one of our club member's engine in his shop undergoing a complete major rebuild.





PAST TOURS & EVENTS

Burbank Historical Society Tour

Saturday, February 8

by Jim Kroeger



What does the Mentzer House, a P-38 Lightning airplane and a Moreland bus have in common? They were all built in Burbank, California.

Our second tour of the year had eight Model A's leading a group of thirty-one members to the Burbank Historical Society. This large complex displayed the rich history of the city in spectacular fashion as five docents kept us entertained throughout our private tour.

Upon entering the museum we were greeted by many antique automobiles. There was a 1904 Franklin, a 1912 Ford Speedster, a 1937 Rolls Royce and a big, green 1922 Moreland bus. In 1917 the Moreland Truck Company was founded and became Burbank's first major industry. The abandoned bus had been plucked from the mud fields in Los Angeles and restored by volunteers. It was



also featured in the Academy Award winning film "The Artist". All of the vehicles run and are used for parades and special occasions.

For all you boxing fans, Burbank was home to James Jeffries, who was heavyweight champion of the world from 1899 to 1905. He fought Jack Johnson in "the fight of the century" in 1910 and lost but remained on his 107 acre ranch in Burbank where he became the country's foremost supplier of thoroughbred bulls. His big, red barn was dismantled and re-located to Knotts Berry Farm.



Burbank is also know for the Lockheed Corporation which set up shop here in 1928 to produce aeroplanes. Founded by brother's Alan and Malcom Loughead, they officially changed their name to Lockheed because it kept being mis-pronounced as "log-head". This company became an

aviation giant and was home to the "skunk works" which developed the stealth technology for the B-2 bomber that flies over the Rose Bowl Game.



Located on the property with the museum is the Mentzer House. It was one of the early versions of tract houses built in 1887 and was moved here from its original location near Palm Avenue

and 6th Street. All the rooms are decorated with authentic period furniture dating from the late 1800s to the 1930s.



Our time at the museum was ending as lunch beckoned yet a few members promised a return to explore the rest of the museum. The destination was the Tallyrand Restaurant and our curator recommended the hot turkey sandwich with gravy. It was absolutely delicious and the perfect way to end a great day.



Swimming With Your Model A

As Spring will soon be upon us, we will once more visit a special piece of fashion history, the fashions of swim wear in our 1920s era, and the history of the swimming suit as well.

A bathing suit made of....wool? Come on! Really?! No!! But yes, that is right, wool was the choice of fabric first selected for use in making bathing suits in the 1920's. In the 1920's, the idea of going to the beach and actually getting into the water to swim was relatively new. Functionality in swim wear was not as important as fashion so the prevailing theory was that wool would keep you warm. As swimming for recreation came into vogue in the 1920's makers of swim wear had to adapt and make swim wear, well, for swimming. Jantzen revolutionized swim wear material with a stretchy ribbed Jersey that fit more snug than regular jersey and was certainly more comfortable than thick wool.

This made swimming easier, however, it showed off more of a woman's curves. Necklines dropped to deep boat necks or v-necks. Armholes grew bigger in order to make real swimming easier. Colors were as bright as other '20s sportswear- red, blue, black, grey and Kelly green with contrasting stripes. An optional white rubber belt helped to keep the two piece suit from floating up in the water. An "aviator" style rubber swim cap fit as tight as a cloche hat with an optional strap under the chin. A swim cap also helped keep a gal's hair from losing its shape and kept it dry as well. The idea of swimming was very popular; the actual sport was limited to serious athletes. Most beach goers merely played by the water, waded, and maybe doggy paddled around in shallow waters.



As swimming became more popular swim wear became shorter and women had to be on the lookout for beach police who patrolled the area with measuring tape in hand. These

skin censors would measure the distance between the bottom of a woman's bathing suit and her knee. Too much skin could result in a hefty \$10.00 fine or even being hauled off to jail! WOW!! Would that be \$100.00 in today's money? Most of these modesty rules were lifted by the end of the decade as too many women simply didn't care to follow them and far too many men enjoyed the new view!

Modest women could still wear the swim dress, a longer skirt over attached shorts. However, Jantzen created a very popular suit that looked like it was two pieces. If you were to sew a tank top onto a pair of swimming trunks today, you would have something similar to the Jantzen suit. Still ,swim trunks or skirts typically could not be higher than a few inches



above the knee, but they could still be rolled up, and the stockings could just be rolled down! Why wear them at all was the attitude of the early 30's.



What about footwear? Some women simply wore flat street shoes over their stockings but the truly fashionable wore their beach boots. Lace up boots rising above the calf were the most common.

They looked like men's wrestling shoes today. Later in the decade lower beach slippers made of canvas duck appeared, resembling flat Mary Janes or Oxfords. All rubber slip on shoes were another new item and were suitable for rocky beaches, rivers and lakes.



Happiness Is a Clean Gas Tank in Your Model A

Most of us have had to deal with a problem with the fuel system in our Model A's and often it is a result of a gas tank that is not clean. For many years, we have been dealing with problems that is caused by rust in the tank that can plug up the fuel line and shut off valve or will even find its way into the carburetor and plug up the jets. With today's fuel that contains ethanol, old varnish deposits in the tank can dissolve and find its way into the carburetor and plug up the jets or get into the engine and coat the valve stems causing them to stick and stay open. If sometime in the past, the gas tank in your Model A had been coated with a sealer, today's fuel will often soften and dislodge these older coatings which will plug up everything. Coatings available today are formulated to not react with fuel that contains ethanol but coating the inside of the tank should be done only as the last resort.

Years ago, just about the only way to deal with a dirty or rusty tank was to remove it and have it "boiled out" by a radiator shop. This process would usually clean the tank and sometimes remove the rust but it would always remove the paint from the outside of the tank. Removing the tank to have it cleaned was not only a lot of work but also required re-painting.

Today, there are alternatives that deal with the problems of rust and old varnish without removing the tank. Rust911 and Metal Kleener 2014 are 2 products, available thru "rust911.com" that I have used with very good success. Both are non-toxic, bio-degradable and come in concentrated form. If the tank is just dirty and has a lot of old varnish, it can be cleaned in place with Metal Kleener 2014. With the tank empty, just add one gallon of the concentrate and fill the rest of the way with water and let sit for several days. Periodically, rock the car from side to side to help dissolve the old deposits. Drain, flush out with water and leave the tank open for several days to dry. You should not allow Metal Kleener to come in contact with the paint but if you do, just immediately wash off with soap and water.

If the inside of the tank also has rust deposits, after using the Metal Kleener, fill with a mixture of 1 part Rust911 concentrate to 15 parts water, and let set for several days, occasionally rocking the car. Drain and flush with water and let the tank dry for several days. Again, if you get any Rust 911 on the paint, just immediately wash with soap and water. In order to get the best results, always clean the tank first with Metal Kleener 2014 before using Rust911.

This procedure may not work in every case but it is definitely worth a try before going to all the work and expense of removing the tank and having it "boiled out".





Tech Tip

One of the easiest and most cost effective ways to help prevent fuel related problems is to install a "Fuel Tank Strainer Screen" in the fuel valve in the bottom of the tank. This little filter screen, available from the better parts suppliers, will help prevent dirt or rust from entering the fuel system. With the tank empty, just remove the shut off valve, insert strainer and re-install the valve. This little strainer costs about \$6.00 and is one of the least expensive and best improvements you can make to your Model A. It works best on Model A's with the fuel shut off valve inside the passenger compartment under the tank but will also work on the late 1931's with the fuel shut off in the engine compartment.



LOW END BOYS

BY MICKEY FRUCHTER

Friday, January 31st saw the "Low End Boys" getting Don Dawkins Model A up and running. He is trying to sell his coupe and it is worth more if it is running. The car was backfiring and losing power. Chris Whickersham suggested that the condenser in the distributor was at fault. We replaced the condenser and set the timing and it passed the road test.

The following day (February 1st) we met again to work on DePews' 1931 Wide Bed Pickup truck. Jon passed away sometime ago and was working on the truck to get it running again, but never finished. It needed a new battery and a new gas line, with filter, going to the carburetor. We got the truck started. It is a nice truck, no rust and a recently rebuilt engine and the family would like to sell it.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

For Sale

Jon DePew 's 1931 Pick-Up

This is a late square bed but soft top insert, NOT a All-Steel Budd Cab. Good old original Pasadena truck, no rust, not restored but engine recently completely re-built including new Babbitt Bearings. New battery, wiring replaced recently. New top covering. Runs, drives and stops but



brakes need to be looked at (pedal goes almost to the floor). Will need tires, (old but hold air) and suspension work (leans to one side).

\$7500 OBO Contact Deborah Shepley 626-797-2617

For Sale

5 - 15" Steel Wheels, Powder coated red With 5 P215/75R Kelly radial tires. Virtually new. 5 good hub caps and beauty rings. \$400 for all. Contact Bart 562-397-8907

For Sale

Radiator Stone Guard For 1930 Radiator
New still in original packaging.
All stainless steel. Half of catalog price. \$80.00
Dick Canzoneri 626 305-2410

Wanted

1930 gas tank - Either oval or round speedometer opening **Contact** Mike Pleasner 424-366-7627

For Sale

Original 4:11 ring & pinion \$225.

Excellent condition. Contact Tom Endy
714-897-5861 or Bryan Thompson 562-305-4973.

For Sale

Old style Model A
2 door Phaeton hot rod
project car. 265 Chevy w/
stick, drum brakes, decent
body, not drivable, bill of
sale only. \$6,500.
Mike Plessner
424-366-7627



MEETING MINUTES

SAA General Meeting Minutes January 31, 2020

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Harbicht at 7:04 PM.
- The flag salute was led by Bob Harbicht
- Announcements:

Photo Contest - Bob Harbicht announced the winners of the SAA Photo Contest: 1st Place Tom Endy, Second Place Jim Kroeger

• Recognition of 2019 Support member Staff:

Bob presented each of the following 2019 support staff member with a set of four Model A coasters and thanked them for all their help. Elaine Perry, John Emanuelli, Susan Homet, Mickey Fruchter, Randy Harper, Joe Wilson, Bea Fruchter, Nancy Stancil, Nancy Sharpe, Vicky Bartlett, Keith Smith, Tracy Perry Butkus, Diana Kincart, Chris Wickersham, Eric Sandberg and Wilbert Smith.

Bob announced the names of the 2020 support staff.

- Dues: Dues are due if you have not already paid your dues pay tonight so that you will not be left out of the Roster.
- Car Cover: The Victoria car cover that was for sale was purchased by Pete Gutierrez and the \$100.00 was donated to the Youth Restoration Award.
- Membership: Randy Harper introduced guests: Ben Stone, Ginger Stone, Bill McCormick and Donna Wong.
- Sunshine: Sue Chandler sent Get Well cards to Dick Canzoneri and Joy Wilson and Sympathy card to Susie Bennett and family.
- Tours: Jim Kroeger asked for a moment of silence in honor of Kobe Bryant and the other helicopter victims before he announced the following tours:

Feb. 8 Burbank Historical Society tour

Mar. 7 Relics Museum, Van Nuys Airport

Mar. 14 St Patrick's Lunch Peppertree in Glendora. Invitation from SGVMARC

- Spoken Wheels: Joe Wilson is working on the 2020 Roster. Send him updates if you have any by next week.
- Minutes The minutes were approved as printed.
- Treasurer's Report The Treasurer's report was approved as read.
- Program: Bob Travis said that Diane Wood was not able to present her program tonight due to a technical problem. Bob showed a video of the SAA Death Valley tour several years ago put together by Joe Wilson.
- Break.
- Remember the auction is next month.
- 50/25/25 Richard Ware/Sheri Johnson \$18.00 each
- Name Badge: Pat and Martha Utter
- Drive your Model A: Richard Ware
- Raffle: Thank you to Mickey Fruchter and Elaine Perry for Raffle prizes
- Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

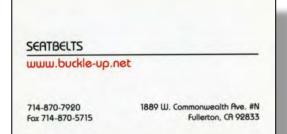
Respectfully submitted, Elaine Perry Secretary.

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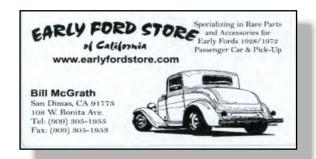






















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Take an Inventory

In preparation for the SAA's annual auction you need to take an inventory of everything in your garage, in all closets and under every bed. There are things there that you don't need and others deserve. Load them in one or more boxes and tote them to the meeting on February 28.

Call it a good reason to clean house.



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