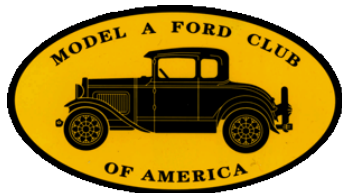


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NOVEMBER EVENTS

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

November 5th

NEXT MEETING - November 7th

Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
General Membership Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
Village Café (near Bellflower and Carson)
4148½ N. Viking Way, Long Beach

RED HOT SPARKS - November 14th

Applebee's Grill at 11:30 a.m.
1238 W. Imperial Hwy, La Habra CA

NOVEMBER TOUR - November 18th

Santa Monica Museum of Flying

THANKSGIVING - November 23rd

WEEKLY BREAKFAST - Thursdays

Village Café (near Bellflower and Carson)
4148½ N. Viking Way, Long Beach 8:30 a.m.



THE STEERING WHEEL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - NOVEMBER 2023

Dear Ford Club Members,

As we enter the crisp month of November, I hope this message finds you all in high spirits and good health. It's the time of year when we come together as a community to celebrate our shared love for the iconic Ford Model A, and to express our gratitude for the many blessings in our lives. With Thanksgiving just around the corner, I wanted to take a moment to share my thoughts and extend my warmest wishes to each and every one of you.

November brings with it a sense of nostalgia as we reflect on the legacy and history of the Ford Motor Company. Our club has been a dedicated hub for enthusiasts, collectors, and admirers of Ford vehicles, and this month is a wonderful opportunity to cherish the bonds we've formed and the memories we've created together.

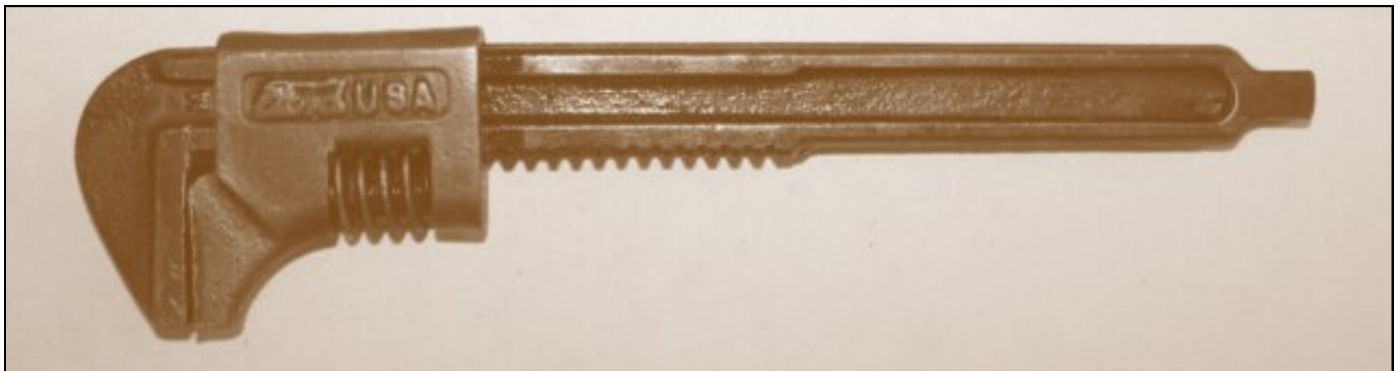
In the spirit of Thanksgiving, I encourage you all to take a moment to express your gratitude for the Ford cars and trucks that have been a part of our lives. These vehicles have not only shaped the automotive industry but have also become integral to our personal stories and experiences. I hope that this November is filled with cherished moments, good times with family and friends, and a chance to enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving feast. Let us remember to extend a helping hand to those in need and share the spirit of giving back to our communities.

In the weeks ahead, our club has some exciting events and gatherings planned to celebrate our shared passion for Ford vehicles. Be on the lookout for announcements and updates, and mark your calendars to join us in these festivities. As we move forward into the holiday season, let us continue to cherish our Ford vehicles and the camaraderie of our club. We are truly thankful for each and every one of you who make this community so special.

Wishing you all a fantastic and enjoyable Thanksgiving. May your November be filled with warmth, gratitude, and memorable moments.

Drive safe, and let's continue to make our Ford club proud!

Sincerely,
Dennis Stephens
Model A Ford Club of America, Diamond Tread Chapter, President



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 2023

DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER of the MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA

Minutes of the General Meeting, October 3, 2023

- Meeting opened by President Dennis Stephens at 6:30 p.m.
- Flag Salute led by Vice President Jim Runyon.
- Jim mentioned that MAFCA's Restorer Magazine had recognized Wayne and Martie Wiedle for their 40-year membership, and Vicky Bartlett for her 25-year membership.
- Secretary LeRoy Kehret, noting no additions or corrections to the September minutes, moved for their acceptance as printed in the newsletter on line. MSC
- Treasurer Louise Beckley and Fundraiser/Picnic Chair Bob Toerge were absent.
- Editor Rex Bartholomew requested a 3-month lead time on future tours to give time to publish in the newsletter.
- Membership Chair Vicky Bartlett reported that the MAFCA Stainless Steel Coffee Mugs have arrived.
- Nominating Committee report:

President - Dennis Stephens	Hospitality Chair - Pauline Issa
Vice President - Jim Runyon	Historian/Publicity - Bonnie Ryan
Secretary - Bill Paige	Tour Director - Larry Ryan
Treasurer - Louise Beckley	Fundraiser/Picnic Coordinator - Bob Toerge
Editor - Rex Bartholomew	Co-chair to Bob Toerge - (open)
Membership Chair - Vicky Bartlett	Webmaster - Mark Simons
Hospitality Director Pauline Issa	
- Installation Banquet will be December 2nd at the Bellflower Sizzler, Woodruff at Artesia. Motion to allot \$200.00 from Treasury to hire Jay Munns for entertainment. MSC (Details to follow in newsletter). Motion: in lieu of installation raffle, Toys-for-Tots type gift donations to needy families in Downey. MSC.
- Historian/Publicity Chair Bonnie Ryan: no report.
- Tour Director Larry Ryan: Modjeska House Tour Sat. Oct. 14th. Meet at Costco Parking Lot at 8:30 for 28 mi. (one-way). RSVP to Larry Ryan. Fri. Oct 27th Trunk-or-Treat. Leave Charlie Sento's house at 4:00 p.m. Sat. Oct. 28 L.A.Co. Sheriff's car show in Cerritos. Dec. 3rd Downey Christmas Parade. Possible location for future Henry Ford Picnic discussed.
- Webmaster Mark Simons: no report.
- Henry's Helpers Chair Chuck Mayhew: Work done on Pauline's speedometer, driver's window regulator, and Linda's frame horn-mounted tool box.
- Distinguished Speaker: Chris Risdon on the History of Electric Vehicles. (the first of a three-part series on EV's) Very interesting and informative, with a handout of some 21 photographs.

MEETING MINUTES (continued)

- Refreshments provided by Chuck Mayhew. Next month by Mark Simons.
- Raffle: coffee pot won by Rex (\$25.00 profit toward Club Model A engine project).
- Model A Driver won by Dennis Stephens. Membership Chip absent.
- 1/3, 1/3, 1/3 won by Wayne Wiedle and Dennis Stephens. (\$40 each)
- Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
LeRoy Kehret
Secretary



NOVEMBER TOUR

Where: Santa Monica Museum of Flying is a 28-mile drive from Norwalk. Adults are \$10.00 Seniors are \$8.00.

When: Saturday November 18th, meet at 8 a.m. and depart no later than 8:30 a.m.

Meet: Wienerschnitzel at 11610 Alondra Boulevard in Norwalk.

I really need some input on future tours. I have planned tours to March Field Air Museum, and Southern California Museum in Perris. These tours are ambitious, and are over 65 miles one way. What do you think? Please give me a call on my cell: 562 484 8415. Let's talk about where you would like to go. I know one everyone has places where they would like to take their Model A's.

Larry Ryan, Tour Director

DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER MISSION

The purpose of our club is to enjoy, preserve and protect Model A Fords.

To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information and parts for our members and to aid them in their efforts to restore their Model A to its original likeness. It shall further be the purpose of this club to help its members to become better acquainted, encourage and maintain the spirit of good fellowship, sociality, and fair play through sponsored activities, including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation.

The club shall be non-commercial, non-sectarian, and non-partisan. All monies shall be used for club activities and functions as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

MODJESKA HOUSE TOUR REPORT

On October 14th, Diamond Tread made the 28-mile trek from Cypress to Silverado to tour the historic Modjeska house. It was a gorgeous drive, with three of our Model As participating. Barry and Louise Beckley brought their 1928 Roadster, Chuck Mayhew drove his late 1931 Pickup, and Norman Saw joined Larry and Bonnie in the Ryan's 1929 Murray Sedan. Our tour arrived during the annular solar eclipse, and before meeting our docent we had a chance to view the eclipse through special solar glasses.

This historic home was constructed in the late 1870s and is well-preserved. Helena Modjeska was a Polish actress who broke social boundaries as a woman in the theater. She specialized in Shakespearean and other tragic roles. She broke the rules, and has been recognized as one of the greatest actresses.

In closing I wish that more of our membership community could have made this tour because it just doesn't get any better than this. The drive was great and the docent was the best: he gave us permission to have our cars on the estate for photos. We will have more tours like this, and I hope that more will start coming out for these nice drives.

Larry Ryan, Tour Director



MODJESKA TOUR (continued)



2023 Board of Directors

President	Dennis Stephens
Vice President	Jim Runyon
Secretary	LeRoy Kehret
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Henry's Helpers	Chuck Mayhew
Editor	Rex Bartholomew



Red Hot Sparks Luncheon

**When: Tuesday November 14th at
11:30 am**

**Where: Applebee's Grill
1238 W. Imperial Hwy, La Habra
Hosted by Bonnie Ryan
RSVP to Bonnie by November 10th:
Cell (562) 282-8701 (Text or Call)
All ladies of Diamond Tread
and Whittier Chapters are welcome**

*The Red Hot Sparks Meet on the 2nd
Tuesday Of Each Month*

MILE MARKERS



- Martie Wiedle*
- Judy Thomas*
- Mike Spearman*
- Jim Runyon*
- Joe Beason*
- Joan Sento*
- Bonnie Ryan*

Happy Anniversary

- Greg and Barbara Earhart*
- Wayne and Martie Wiedle*
- Frank and Maria Azucena*
- Joe and Poem Beason*
- Bill and Cindy Harris*
- Ron and Betty Boan*

HOSPITALITY

*November: Mark Simons
December: Installation*



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM



DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER MAFCA



2024 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

We are happy that you are renewing your membership with Diamond Tread Chapter.

Diamond Tread Membership Dues for 2024 are: \$30.00, if paid in 2023; and \$35.00, if paid in 2024.

To be included in the 2024 Roster, please pay before January 31, 2024.

Make Check Payable to: M.A.F.C.A. DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER INC.

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Name: _____

Spouse/Partner: _____

Family Member: _____

Family Member: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

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Wedding Anniversary (Month/Day): _____

Model A(s) Owned (Year & Model): _____

Please return in person or mail to:

Diamond Tread Chapter MAFCA – Membership
P.O. Box 4563
Downey, CA 90241

Date Submitted with Payment: _____

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



**MAFCA Diamond Tread Chapter
Christmas Luncheon and Installation of Officers**

When: Saturday, December 2, 2023

Where: Sizzler Bellflower
10153 Artesia Blvd, Bellflower, CA 90706

For Parking: Lots of parking off of Artesia Blvd, around the restaurant and in larger attached lot. Restaurant entrance is at the corner of Artesia Blvd and Woodruff Ave.

Time: 11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Cost: Pay at Cashier as you walk in; bring your drink, tray & receipt to our seating at the back of the restaurant.

Musical Entertainment provided by Jay Munns.

We will pass around an empty pitcher for tips to servers
(suggested at least \$2 per person).

Unlimited coffee, tea, soda and water by servers.

Names of Attendees _____

of Attendees _____ **Phone #** _____

Space is Limited to 50 persons. Reserve Early or By November 26, 2023:

Call either Pauline at 562-864-5780
or Vicky at 213-445-2962

To indicate whether you plan to attend or not.

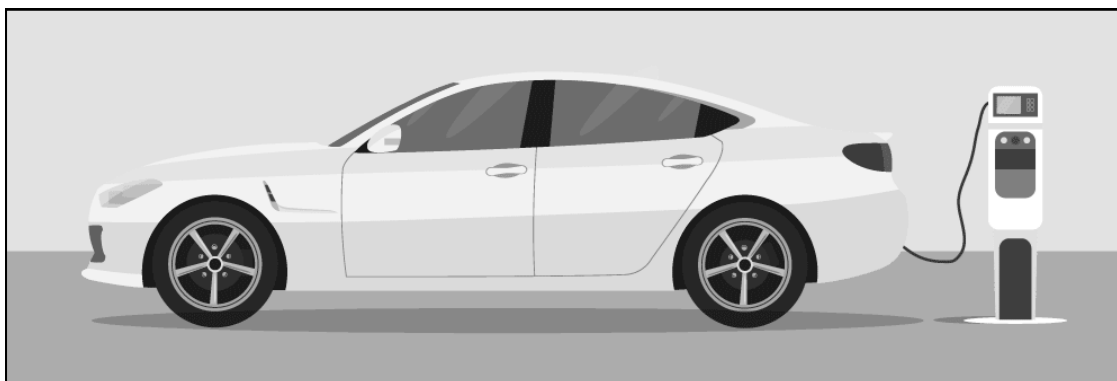
DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

At our October 3rd general membership meeting, Diamond Tread members learned about the early history of electric vehicles in the United States from Chris Risdon. This monthly series will continue in November:

Speaker: Chris Risdon, Diamond Tread Member,
Master Technician, Automotive Technical Writer, Historian, and Hobbyist

Date: November 7th (general membership meeting)

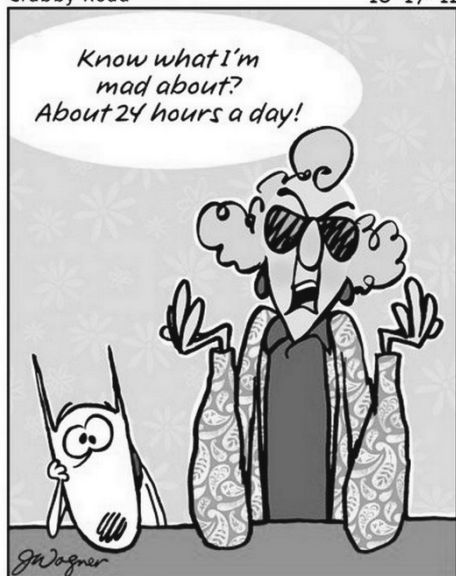
Title: Electric Vehicles
Part Two (this month): Electric Vehicles Today
Part Three: Electric Vehicles in the Future



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Crabby Road

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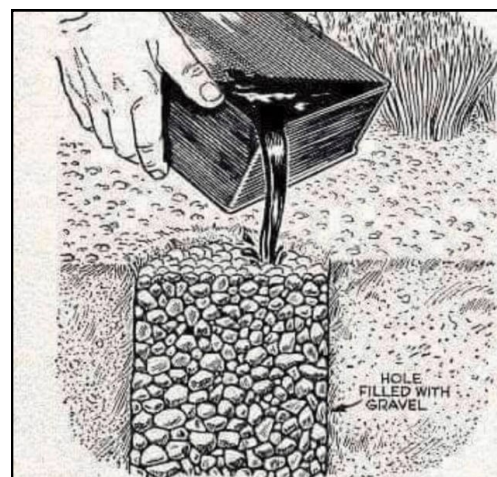


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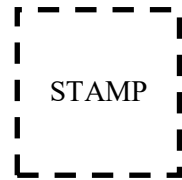
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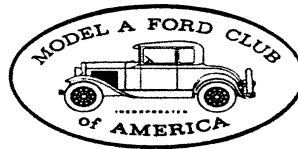
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**Red Hot Sparks October luncheon at 19 Seventy
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