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# Model A Ford Club of Santa Barbara



December 11/30-12/2 MAFCA Nat'l Awards Banquet Santa Maria See page 7 2 Goleta Holiday Parade 6-9 Be there at 5 pm



3 Christmas Dinner 5 pm



7-15 Hanukkah 16 No Tour 20 Ladies Lunch 25 Christmas Day



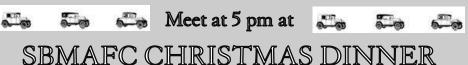
January

3 General Meeting 7 pm **Guest Speakers: members,** Bob and Susan Carty, who will give an enlightened and informative talk about something extremely interesting!



Next meeting, January 3 at 7pm South Coast Church 5814 Cathedral Oaks Guest Speakers: Bob and Susan Carty

Goleta Holiday Parade



Mulligans 5 pm Social Hout 6pm Dinner It's not too late to get tickets. Call Annie!

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## Ladies Lunch

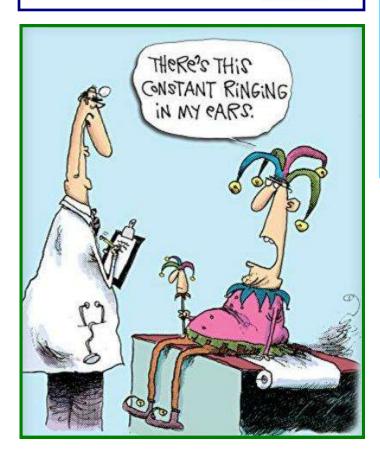
Ladies Lunch 3rd Wednesday of the month December 20, 12:00 pm Cody's Cafe 4898 Hollister Please RSVP to Janet





**Tuesday Weekly** Men's Lunch Call Lorne Johnston for time and location

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# From the President

Hello Everyone, I hope you had a great Thanksgiving! We had ours at the Grand Canyon and with John's two brothers in Arizona. A first for me!

My thanks to everyone who hosted and participated in the Lunner. The food was delicious and it was fun visiting with everyone. Special thanks to Annie for her presentation on Oslo, Norway and to Steve and Phyllis' article about their visit to a New Zealand Club. It gave me the idea to reach out to a club in France and it worked out very well! This month there will be the Ladies Lunch, Men's Tuesday Lunches and we had the Goleta Parade and Christmas dinner already. I'm sorry for the lateness of this flyer but due to my trip to Paris and good things happening with the French Model A'ers right away when I got here, it delayed me. I spent Sunday, (your Saturday) afternoon with 2 of them. So thankful! Then afterwards there were a flurry of email exchanges providing info for them about our club for their newsletter and receiving info for our flyer next month. So much to tell!

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



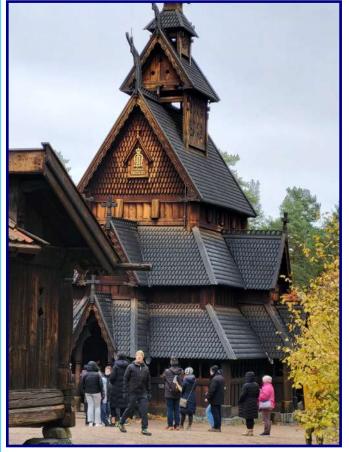


## November 2023 Meeting

## Annie's travels to Norway and visits the Oslo Model A Club



Annie Villarreal giving us a PowerPoint presentation at our meeting of her trip to Europe and meeting the Oslo Model A Club, Jan Frederick and Chris Christensen



Old Viking church on the open air museum in Oslo.





The Oslo Club has their own garage to repair cars

## Steve McGowan sporting his new Fedora hat he bought. He was inspired at last month's meeting's presentation on era fashion accessories.





# LUNNER

Salads

Thank you, John and Janet











# Appetizers

Thank you Jack and Mary Ann









Main Course Thank you Steve and Phyllis



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# LUNNER DESSERTS! Thank you Fred and Cyndy





Prosperity Soup A Traditional New Year's Day Supper Serves twelve generously. 1/4 cup of each of the following:

Black eyed peas Bu Pinto beans Pearl barley Small beans Lentils

Butter beans or large lima beans Navy beans Split green peas ns Red beans

Great Northern beans

Wash thoroughly, place in large container, cover with water and add 2 tbsp. salt. Soak overnight. In the morning, drain, add 2 quarts of water and 1/2 lb. ham bone. Bring to a boil. Stir occasionally. Simmer for 2 to 2 1/2 hours, then add:

- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 large can of tomatoes (29 oz.
- 1 tsp. chili powder



juice of 1 lemon salt and pepper to taste



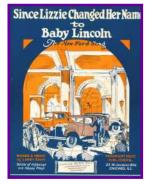
Simmer another 30 minutes. Makes a very large pot of soup. Serve with crusty French bread, green salad or relish plate. The soup is even better made a couple of days ahead and aged in the refrigerator.

Thanks to Peter and Ruth Geotgi

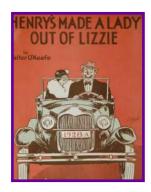
# Two Songs About the Model A Ford

# Since Lizzie Changed Her Name To Baby Lincoln. (1927)

The 1st Model A Ford Song. There were initially about 8 songs in 1927 Short Documentary about the song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IcLT90qvgbM The song without commentary: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nATXiUTv7Do







<u>Henry Ford's Model A</u> (1968) Performed by The New Lost City Ramblers Though city born and suburban bred, the Ramblers immersed themselves in the sounds of traditional southern mountain music. ~From Smithsonian Folkways Recordings

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HL1VdW9YmrE

#### Lyrics:

All you folks, listen to what I say Buy a new Ford that they call the Model A Old John Henry sure knew his biz When he said "I'm going to make a lady out of Liz"

Now a feller bought one just the other day And went to try it out on the new highway When he got to sixty, well he lost his nerve He forgot to shut it off when he went around the curve

Now he passed two Packards and a Cadillac, too With his speed meter sittin' on seventy-two Folks along the road, they could hear him shout "The darn thing in second and I can't get it out"

Now if you want to get the girls, I tell you what to do Buy a new Ford that's big enough for two When you go for a ride, she'll greet you with a smile And she'll want to stop and kiss every time you go a mile

Now if you want to get to heaven, I'll give you all a tip Buy an old Ford, it'll surely make the trip But if your gonna go a touring, buy a Model A It'll out run the Devil and you're sure to get away



## MAFCA and MAFFI NEWS



2023 National Awards Banquet Nov 30<sup>th</sup> - Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Santa María



11/30 Santa Maria Style BBQ Buffet 12/1 Hearst Castle Tour- 12/2 Solvang Tour and Saturday Banquet Registration Form: https://www.mafca.com/documents/2023%20NAB%20REG%20FORM.pdf

# THE MODEL A FORD FOUNDATION (MAFFI) IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE! WE'REEXPANDING





Your Model A Museum is growing FAST, and it's time to grow with it. We are thrilled to share with you that we are adding an additional 11,200 sq. ft.of space to our existing museum. We're adding on to the back of the museum with More exhibit space. More vehicle storage, including a complete garage workshop area! The Gilmore is thrilled about MAFFI's interest in expanding, and developing additional engaging exhibits to support the shared educational missions that we both hold.

SHORTLY WE'LL SHARE WITH YOU HOW YOU CAN BECOME A VITAL PART OF THIS EXPANSION, AND MAKE THIS EXCITING GROWTH FOR YOUR MODEL A MUSEUM BECOME A REALITY.

#### VISIT US AT MAFFI.ORG

For More information and becoming a donor please contact John Begg at 803-727-4392 or Jerry Morrissey at 269-615-3719 jwbegg@gmail.com or jertrudy@sbcglobal.net

#### Santa Barbara Model A Ford Club Monthly Meeting Minutes November 4, 2023



The meeting was opened by the President, Janet Cox, at 7:14 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Janet introduced our own member, Annie Villarreal.

Program: Annie gave us a wonderful slide program of her river cruise through Holland and Germany. After the cruise, she went to Norway, and among other things she visited the Model A Club of Norway in Oslo. She was treated to a royal tour through the club's facilities and she gave a presentation to their club about our club. This was all arranged with Chris, their liaison person ahead of time, through the efforts of Jill Thach. It was very interesting !

Secretary's Report: Susan read the minutes from the October meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer, Bob Davis, seems to have solved the Lost Pizza Problem, and reported a balance in the savings account of \$5995.05. He also noted that the church has been paid for our meeting room.

Old Business: It was announced that Model A pins are available from the Vintage Ford Forum, as well as an emblem to put on your license plate. It was also suggested that we could invite the public to the gymkhana if it is held at a different location. The South Coast Church is willing to host the event if the dates work out. Janet and the gymkhana committee will work on it

New Business: The Club's Holiday Dinner will be held at Mulligan's on December 3rd. The Club will pay for dessert, so the final cost is \$42 per person. The Lunner will be held on November 18th, starting at Janet's and ending at Fred's. Jack and Steve have the middle 2 courses.

Car Projects: Steve M. wore his new 1920s Fedora. Smashing! The Texas Rangers won the World Series in the middle of reports. Your secretary got distracted.

Raffle and Drawing: A lot of people won and were happy; losers grumbled. Go figure....Steve Penniman won \$5 in the alarm clock game, but it wasn't announced because the program speaker was speaking at the time. Lorne Johnston won the Name Draw, and he was present!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.







#### 2024 Goleta Calendar \$12.99

All the photos were taken right here, in the greater Goleta area by our former guest speaker Tom Modugno. The last photo has one of our Model A's. Also available at Surf Country Surf Shop, Chaucers Books, Island Seed and Feed, Lazy Eye Shop, Santa Cruz Market Goleta and the Stow House gift shop. Enjoy, and have a great 2024!

See Tom at Santa Cruz Market and get it for \$10.



## **CLUB OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT Janet Cox

VICE PRESIDENT Steve Penniman

SECRETARY Susan Carty

**TREASURER** Bob Davis

AUXILLARY BOARD

Randy Douglas

Ed Firth

# Joke at the doctor's office:



Q. What did the spider do when he got a new car?

A. He took it out for a spin.



Q. What do spiders eat in Paris?

A. French Flies.

Q. What do you call it when a shark, crocodile and a spider walk into a bar?

A. A typical day in Australia.

# <u>Recommended reading:</u> 20 Yards to the Outhouse Written by Will E. Makit Illustrated by Betty Don't



From my Aunt Carolyn who drove a Model A. It was the only joke she ever told. -Ed.

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#### Model A Mechanical

# Tiny Tips

Tiny Snell wrote for the Restorer in the 50s and 60s. Members would send in their tips for his column then perhaps win a new firewall patent data plate. Here are a few tips on repairing or restoring your Model A that might be worth revisiting.

- The Restorer often runs into a major problem when approaching the installation of the rear spring. This can be accomplished with little effort by inserting the spring into the rear frame member and installing one shackle complete. Place a 2"x4" block under both ends of the spring. Roll hydraulic floor jack under center section of the rear frame member and under the jack. Then bolt ends of chain together. As you jack the rear end up the chain prohibits the frame rom rising. The spring will spread to a place where the other shackle can be inserted and hooked up. Remove the top of the spring. The center bolt heqd will drop into place in the rear member. Attach the "U" bolts and tighten securely. Before removing the instrument panel or doing any work at the ammeter or ignition switch the battery should be disconnected.
- To prevent the drain hole in the flywheel housing from becoming plugged up be sure to insert a cotter pin from inside and bend open. This cotter key will help keep the hole open.
- When filling the pan for the first time in a rebuilt engine put the oil in through the distributor shaft to be sure main bearings receive oil at once.
- In cold weather the generator voltage is considerable higher than normal. This is sometimes noticeable by the blueish white color of the light from the bulbs. The increased voltage is caused by low temperature of the electrolyte, which increases the internal resistance in the battery, and in order to maintain a constant charging rate, the generator voltage correspondingly increases. The voltage increase often exceeds normal operating limits due to charging rate set too high or due to loose connection in the battery gen circuit. This can result in prematurely burned out light bulbs. To correct this situation



first clean and tighten all connections starting at the battery terminals. Don't forget the ground connection. If bulbs continue to burn out, generator output should be reduced 2 to 4 amps. The battery can be used as a guide in determining the correct charging rate by making successive hydrometer readings and recording them. Gen charging rate should be adjusted until the battery registers no consistent loss of gravity or does not use an excessive amount of water.

# Model A Era Fashion Corner Antique Clothing Collectors Criteria by Nancy Willet

https://vtauto.org/author/nancy-willett/

Collecting antique clothing can be lots of fun and rewarding. To avoid costly mistakes here are some guides to use.

•Condition: Inspect the fabric carefully, a small tear could mean something larger later. Look for repairs, as sometimes these are not done in the best interest of the fabric. A garment in mint condition could fetch a higher price, but might be a better investment in the long run.

•Style: Does the garment have beautiful lines and is it well made?

•Design: Vintage clothing should have clear lines, quality of structure, color and texture.

•Structure: How a garment, or fabric is made is crucial to determining the age and price.

• Material: What is it made of, or from? Is there more than one type of workmanship involved, and is the material and workmanship still used today?

•Quality: Thought in designing or the care given in workmanship can never be underestimated.

When shopping for vintage clothing have a tape measure handy to measure clothing size and fabric length. Standardized sizing started in the forties as a result of fabric rationing during the war. Taking measurements is the best way to size a garment. Look carefully for rust stains on whites and perspiration stains on all clothing before you purchase, because they are not easy to remove.

But, most of all have fun looking for that great vintage outfit!

\$119.00 1920s Dress Wool Suit Antique Vintage 20s Cream Stripe 2 Pc Dress -As Is Shop: <u>SawbuckSupplyCo</u>



**\$76.50** Original Price:\$90.00

Black chiffon jacket with cascade collar, Great Gatsby sheer jacket, 1920s high tea cardigan, black flapper jacket, Downton Abbey jacket

Shop:<u>LaVieDelight</u>

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# 1959-1960 SBMAFC History- Restorer Magazine

Nov-Dec 1959 Restorer

THE SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

With a roadster door given as a "Door Prize," the Santa Barbara Chapter held its first official meet since becoming a chapter of MAFCA. The gymkhana event was held at the Santa Barbara Airport under open skies and warm weather. The first meet was attended by 12 cars and 20 people, which indicates a strong interest in the Channel City area.

In the interim period from its formation in August and its first business meeting in December, the Santa Barbara Chapter is headed by Bill Berger, former president of Northern California MARC, and their directors, Al Leenders, John Sloan and John Thorson.

Judging from the activities planned for the balance of 1959, for example, tour-picnics, restoration sessions and evening meetings, the Santa Barbara Chapter can look forward to a successful future.

Jan-Feb 1960 Restorer:

#### LETTERS to the Editor

The latest RESTORER is a real beauty. It really summed things up in a nutshell. The way the membership is going indicates very strongly that MAFCA is headed for a great future. We in Santa Barbara will work hard to help.

#### THE SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

The Santa Barbara Chapter is entering its first full year of activity with an eager look in its eye. Many fine events are planned for 1960, with a possible tour of Vandenburg Air Force Base, America's large missile base in California. It is rumored that John Sloan's Roadster is going to be sent into orbit around the earth. Wonderful—another first for Model A.

Mar-Apr 1960 Restorer:

#### THE SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

The Santa Barbara Chapter started the year off in a big way with a gymkhana held on February 14. Highlighting the meet was a safety driving test over a six mile course.

The March meeting was a progressive dinner. During April, the Santa Barbara Chapter will attend a drive-in movie, and May will bring the first overnight trip.







