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Larry A. Beel – The Passing of a Model A Giant

On Wednesday, January 24th, We shockingly lost long-time member Larry Beel at the age of 82.

All members were in shock, this simply could not be. Larry was so kind, so giving with his time. He has helped countless members in the club with getting their Model A road-worthy. He was our long tour leader in his 1931 Washington Blue Coupe. He

would lead us to CCRG, Orange County Pancake Breakfast and on the Thanksgiving Tour's each and every year.

But more than all of this, he was an amazing person. He was married to the lovely Karen Beel for 60-plus years. He and Karen have a beautiful home in Escondido, where every Thursday he would have anyone who wanted to come, over for a bbq lunch. His garage was so welcoming to all.

We have all had countless great times with the man. He has been an awesome part of my life since 2017. He always answered my phone calls. He was always so warm and patient with me when I was the young new one to the Model A world. I had the honor of driving Model A's with Larry leading through three western states. I will sincerely cherish every mile I got to drive behind him in his Model A.

From this day forward, the Temecula Valley Model A Thanksgiving Tour will now be named the Larry Beel Thanksgiving Tour in his honor.



UPCOMING TOURS & EVENTS

FEB 18	Sun	Tour – Temecula Historic Society – 9 AM Flag – Lunch @ Richie’s Diner
MAR 2	Sat	Tour -Welburn Gourd Farm- 9:30 AM Flag – Lunch @ Siggy’s
MAR 7-10	Th-Sun	CCRG – Clovis, CA – 8 AM Richie’s Diner, Murrieta, CA
MAR 21	Thur	General Meeting- Richie’s Diner- Murrieta, CA 6 PM
APR 6	Sat	California Wolf Center – Julian, CA Time TBD
APR 14	Sun	Orange County Pancake Breakfast- Hart Park – Orange, CA
MAY 26	Sun	57th Fallbrook Vintage Car Show – Downtown Fallbrook – 10 AM – 3 PM
JUN 1	Sat	Corona Heritage Antiques & More Tour – Corona, CA

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2/10 Elizabeth Veale
 2/22 Dale Stanfield
 2/23 Ben Iverson
 2/25 Wayne Brekke
 2/26 Valorie Sparks

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

2/13 Les & Barbara Von Nordheim
 2/26 Scott & Sue Sandersfeld

COMMON COURTESIES & RULES WHEN TOURING WITH A GROUP

- * CARS & PASSENGERS SHOULD BE READY TO LEAVE AT THE DESIGNATED TIME (GASSED UP) *
- * FOLLOW THE LEADER AND THE DESIGNATED ROUTE, MAINTAIN THE SPEED OF THE TOUR AS SET BY THE LEADER *
- * KEEP THE CAR BEHIND YOU IN VIEW, ESPECIALLY AT CORNERS OR IN TOWN. DON'T LOSE THEM *
- * THE TAIL CAR (TAIL ENDER) IS APPOINTED TO RUN LAST WITH A CB RADIO. DON'T TRY TO GET BEHIND HIM UNLESS YOU'RE IN A MODERN CAR *
- * COMMUNICATE WITH THE LEADER OR TAIL ENDER VIA CB RADIO OR CELL PHONE IF NECESSARY *
- * KEEP ENOUGH DISTANCE BETWEEN CARS TO ALLOW OTHER TRAFFIC TO PASS SAFELY *
- * NO CAR SHOULD LEAVE THE TOUR (PULL OVER AND STOP) WITHOUT FIRST NOTIFYING THE LEADER AND (OR) TAIL ENDER *
- * YOU SHOULD NOT PASS ANOTHER MODEL A ON TOUR UNLESS THEY HAVE STOPPED BECAUSE OF TROUBLE *
- * WHEN SOMEONE BREAKS DOWN, YOU SHOULD PULL OVER AND STOP ONLY IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO AND YOU'RE EQUIPPED TO ACTUALLY HELP *
- * INSTRUCT ANY GUESTS YOU MAY BRING ABOUT RESPECTING OTHER CARS, THEY ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY *
- * ABIDE BY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS *
- * ON TOURS, THE MODERN CARS SHALL ALWAYS FOLLOW THE MODEL A's *

Contributions or Photos?

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ABOUT US

The Temecula Valley Model A Club was established in the year 2000 and with an emphasis on touring, has steadily grown into a remarkable group of Model A enthusiasts who never miss an opportunity to get out and drive these wonderful old cars. Whether just going for ice cream, or across the country, you're invited to join us in celebrating the fun and friendship Model A's always seem to invoke. Membership is \$15.00 annually and is open to anyone with or without a Ford Model A. We are a chapter club of MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of

Temecula Valley A's – General Meeting – January 18, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5:59pm Pledge of Allegiance led by Ted Iverson.

President: Josh Ferguson: Josh opened the meeting with the sad news that members Joy Lieber and Richard Allen had passed. As a tribute to Richard, Josh had a bottle of Jack Daniels at Richard's regular seat, and Josh spoke a little about Richard. Rudy Perez talked a little about the Lieber's, and said that Joy's service will be February 2nd at 2:30 in San Marcos, please keep Bill in your prayers. Laura Iverson gave an update on former member Bobbie Whipple, and has her daughter's address in FL. If anyone would like to write her. Josh introduced several guests: Bill Mellor, the recipient of a youth outreach car donation (a '28 Tudor, with an article in the newest Restorer), Alex Chiniaeff, and his father, JD. Also introduced, Adrian (Andy) Navarro, and Ted and Dory Thompson. The guests spoke briefly about their cars. Josh asked Karen Beel to swear in the 2024 Board of Officers, and Josh handed out awards for the 2023 Board of Officers. **Secretary: Sheila Saxman:** I asked for additions or corrections to the November Meeting Minutes, there were none, so I asked for a motion to accept the minutes; Laura Iverson made the motion, and Kim Sparks made a second to accept them, no vote to accept the Minutes was called for.

Treasurer: Ted Iverson: Ted reported the balance, income, and expenses.

Membership: Laura Iverson: Laura reported 42 members and 1 guest present..

Tour Recaps: Josh Ferguson recapped the Thanksgiving Tour to Visalia, where they visited Project Survival Cat Haven, Superior Dairy for ice cream, the Underground Garden Tour, and the Sequoia National Park. Josh then talked about the Christmas Party.

Upcoming Tours and Events: Josh and Lori Perez talked about upcoming tours: the Turlock Swap Meet, January 27-28, there will be several members attending. The New Year's Day Tour to The Temecula Historic Society was postponed, the new date will be February 18th, and will be leaving the Big Flag at 9am. A tour to the Gourd Farm will be March 2nd, leaving the Big Flag at 9:30. C.C.R.G. Meet in March in Clovis. Larry Beel spoke about past C.C.R.G Meets and the upcoming one, which he will be leading the tour departing on March 7th and home on March 10th; see Larry applications, information, and a sign-up sheet. April 6th there will be a tour to the Wolf Center. Lori said she is trying to plan at least one tour each month.

Activities: Karen Beel: The "Incentive Drawing" collected \$145; \$72 for the club, and \$73 to be divided by 3 winners. The 3 winners were: \$30 - Les Von Nordheim, \$25 -Clyde DuPree, \$18 - Bill Veale. Donated items were won by: Alex Chiniaeff, Chuck Grabowsky, Dory Thompson, Sue Sandersfeld, Mark Greenlee, Bill Veale, Steven Currie, Les Von Nordheim, Glenn Wior, Keene Brewer, Tyava Winborne, Maya Cason, Josh Ferguson, Nancy Casarez, and Toye Vasquez.

Newsletter: Josh Ferguson: Josh covered most of newsletter articles during his tour recaps and upcoming tours previously in the meeting.

Historian: Rudy Perez: Rudy presented the club with a history on "Mascots", he brought many of them to show from his large collection. He also told the story of why Henry Ford chose the flying quail as a mascot. **Sunshine: Laura Iverson (for Sharon McBride):** Josh said that the McBrides are in Arizona and asked if someone would read the January birthdays and anniversaries, and Laura volunteered to do so. Rudy said that Jack Morehouse has had Covid and please send him get well wishes.

Open Items: Les Von Nordheim had been planning on bringing a guest to the meeting, he also mentioned that there were cars from the John Wilson Collection for sale or auction on the Hagerty Marketplace. Ted Iverson said that MAFCA gave us a form for 1 free membership to MAFCA, open to someone who has never been a MAFCA member before, and Rudy reminded everyone that our club dues are only \$15. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Secretary, Sheila Saxman



John & Karen Pepe

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480.782.0266

- Wood Kits -

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- Polishing & Chrome -

Pacific Polishing – 860 E. 2nd St., Pomona, CA 91766
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951.699.8685

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