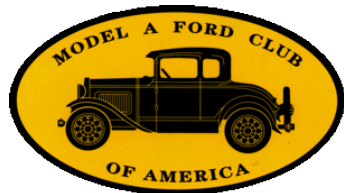


# DIAMOND TREAD NEWS



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

ISSUE: MARCH 2024



## MARCH EVENTS

### NEXT MEETING - March 5th

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

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### MARCH TOUR - March 9th

Segerstrom Shelby Event Center

Irvine, CA

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### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS March 10th

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### RED HOT SPARKS - March 12th

Maggie's Pub at 11:30 a.m.

11900 Telegraph Rd., Santa Fe Springs, CA

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### St. PATRICK'S DAY - March 17th

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### FIRST DAY OF SPRING - March 19th

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## THE STEERING WHEEL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - FEBRUARY 2024

Greetings Model A Ford Club Members,

The March Diamond Tread newsletter is here to keep you updated on all the exciting happenings within our beloved Ford club.

With the arrival of milder weather, it's time to roll down the windows, rev up those engines, and hit the open road. Spring is the perfect season for socializing, and we're all about creating opportunities for our members to connect and share their passion for Model A Fords.

Our club meetings this month will focus on enhancing the social aspects of our membership. It's not just about discussing the technicalities of Ford models but also about forging friendships and creating lasting memories. We encourage members to bring their stories, experiences, and, of course, their enthusiasm to the meetings. Let's turn these gatherings into a time for laughter, shared interests, and a celebration of our common love for Ford.

Remember, being a part of the Model A Ford Club is not just about the cars; it's about the people who share your love for the iconic Ford brand. Whether you're a long-time member or a newcomer, our club is a welcoming community that values the connections made between fellow enthusiasts. Thank you for being a part of the Diamond Tread Chapter Model A Ford Club of America. As we usher in the season of renewal, let's embrace the opportunity to build lasting friendships and create memories that go beyond the rubber meeting the road.

Happy cruising!

Best regards,

Dennis Stephens  
President, Diamond Tread Model A Ford Club

## 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.

# MARCH TOUR SEGERSTROM SHELBY EVENT CENTER

**What:** Tour to Segerstrom Shelby Event Center

**Address:** 5 Whatney, Irvine, CA 92618

**Where:** \$15.00 per senior, \$20.00 per adult, \$5 per child (AAA discount is 10%)

**Meet:** McDonald's at 3562 Katella in Los Alamitos. This is about 33 miles one way, which will be about a 90-minute drive with no freeways.

**When:** Saturday March 9th, meet at 8:30 a.m. and depart at 9:00 a.m.

**Contact:** LRyan41724@msn.com or text at 562-484-8415 with any questions.



Larry Ryan, Tour Director

<https://segerstromshelbyeventcenter.com>





# DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER SANTA MONICA FLYING MUSEUM TOUR REPORT

What a gorgeous day at a fantastic museum! Photos by Pauline Issa



Chuck has worked on about 12 of these engines as airplane mechanic!

In 1950 Robert Fulton Jr. built this AirAuto flying car. The wings go out to fly and come in to drive on land. Pretty cool !





# DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER SANTA MONICA FLYING MUSEUM TOUR REPORT



Pilot fully dressed to fly a fighter jet

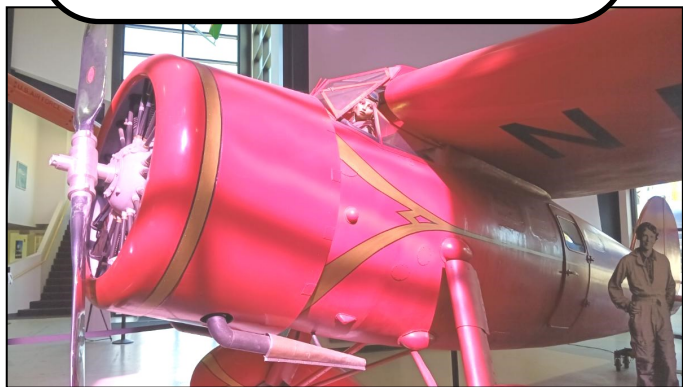
Nurses were the first stewardesses hired on passenger airlines



Neat picture!



Replica of Amelia Earhardt's plane she flew across Atlantic. It was built it for the movie "Night at the Museum." This plane flies and was given to the Santa Monica Flying Museum. The plane was flown to the museum for donation.



# 2024 MAFCA NATIONAL CONVENTION



The Southwest Model A's Present:  
The 2024 MAFCA National Convention



## Southwest "A"ventures

June 23-29, 2024, Ruidoso, New Mexico

**ALL ATTENDEES MUST BE MAFCA MEMBERS**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ MAFCA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ Convention Registration# \_\_\_\_\_

Attendee 1: Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MAFCA# \_\_\_\_\_ (Required)

Attendee 2: Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MAFCA# \_\_\_\_\_ (Required)

Youth – Names & Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>MODEL A</b>	Are You Bringing a Model A? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Year: _____ Body Style: _____ YES! I'd be happy to have a fellow MAFCA member ride along with me if they're unable to bring their own car! YES! I'd like to ride with a fellow MAFCA member. Do you want your car to be <i>judged</i> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Judging Class: <input type="checkbox"/> Restored (Blue Ribbon) <input type="checkbox"/> Touring (Red Ribbon) <input type="checkbox"/> Original (White Ribbon) <input type="checkbox"/> Modified (Green Ribbon) Do you want your car <i>evaluated</i> in the Restorers Class? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Primarily for "driver" cars rather than "show" cars) For judging class descriptions visit: <a href="http://mafca.com/v_classes.html">mafca.com/v_classes.html</a>
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<b>FASHION</b>	Attendee 1: Will you be a Fashion Model Judging entrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Will you be a Fashion Display Judging entrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Will you participate in the "Land of Enchantment" Fashion Show at the Awards Luncheon? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Show Era Fashions Only? (not judged) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Sell at the Era Fashion Boutique? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Attendee 2: Will you be a Fashion Model Judging entrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Will you be a Fashion Display Judging entrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Will you participate in the "Land of Enchantment" Fashion Show at the Awards Luncheon? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Show Era Fashions only? (not judged) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Sell at the Era Fashion Boutique? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>HUBLEY</b>	Will you compete in the Hubley Derby? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Competitor's Name(s): _____ # of Cars? _____ Will you participate in the Hubley Swap Meet? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Buy/Sell/Trade: Hubley cars, parts, anything of Hubley interest. NO CHARGE
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<b>MAFCA JUDGES &amp; EVALUATORS</b>	Attendee 1: Are you willing to be a <b>CAR JUDGE</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Apprentice Test areas certified (1,2, etc., or all) _____ Preferred areas to Judge: _____ Are you willing to be a <b>RESTORERS CLASS EVALUATOR</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Are you willing to be a <b>FASHION JUDGE</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Test areas certified (1,2, etc., or all) _____ Preferred areas to Judge: _____
	Attendee 2: Are you willing to be a <b>CAR JUDGE</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Apprentice Test areas certified (1,2, etc., or all) _____ Preferred areas to Judge: _____ Are you willing to be a <b>RESTORERS CLASS EVALUATOR</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

<b>MAFCA JUDGES &amp; EVALUATORS</b>	Are you willing to be a <b>FASHION JUDGE</b> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Test areas certified (1,2, etc., or all) _____
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See complete application at  
[2024\\_Convention\\_Registration.pdf \(mafca.com\)](http://2024_Convention_Registration.pdf(mafca.com))



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### *Red Hot Sparks Luncheon*

**When: Tuesday, March 12th  
at 11:30 am**

**Where: Maggie's Pub  
11900 Telegraph Rd., Santa Fe Springs  
Hosted by Vicky Bartlett and  
Marilyn Gentry**

**RSVP by Friday, March 8th to Vicky at  
(213) 445-2962 (call or text)  
All ladies of Diamond Tread  
and Whittier Chapters are welcome**

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

## MARCH MILE MARKERS

### BIRTHDAYS

- Dianne Runyon*
- Gary McCaughan*
- Darwin Kibby*
- Imelda Mayhew*
- Wayne Switzer*
- Mark Williams*
- Frank Azucena*
- Mark Conceicao*
- Ralph Neely*
- Jim Williams*

### *Happy Anniversary*

- Jim and Jan Williams*
- Mike and Vicki Spearman*
- Larry and Bonnie Ryan*

### HOSPITALITY



- March: Jim Barger*
- April: Bill Paige*
- May: Dennis Stephens*

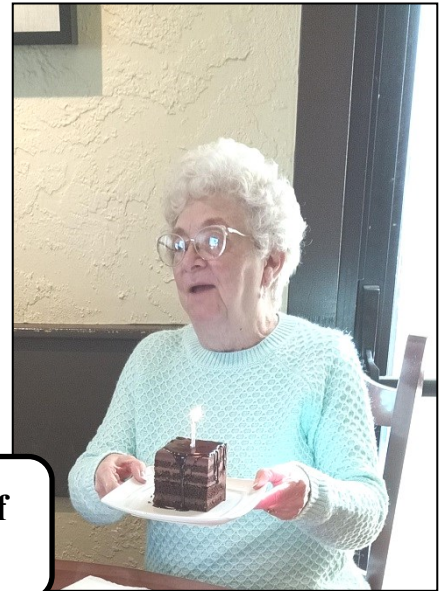
# RED HOT SPARKS JANUARY FUN



Pauline Issa submitted these photos of the January Red Hot Sparks luncheon on at the Olive Garden - three birthdays were celebrated this month!



Mary Ann Johnson of Whittier Chapter



Marilyn Gentry of Whittier Chapter

Jordan Simmons', granddaughter of Joyce Simmons formerly of Diamond Tread Chapter





# PANCAKES!

## **OCMAFC - 61st Annual Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

Hart Park, 701 S. Glassell St, Orange, California

7:30am-11am

**Large Raffle Selection**



Adults \$10 / Children \$5 (Ages 2-10)  
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Aaron Magdaleno  
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# DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

Our popular monthly distinguished speaker series will continue in March, 2024:

**Speaker:** Ed Tolman, Diamond Tread Member and  
MAFCA Vice President

**Date:** March 5th (general membership meeting)

**Title:** Welcome to our newest member, Ed!



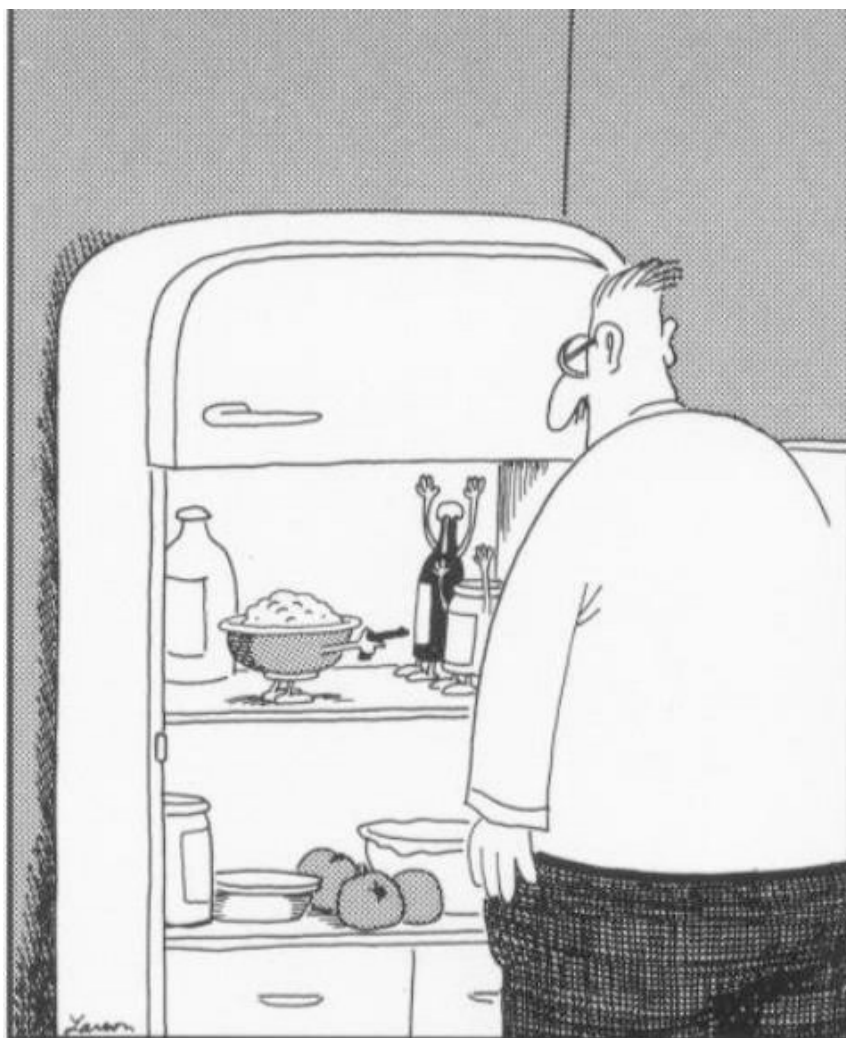
# EDITORIAL MUSINGS

- So sorry we had to cancel the February meeting - let's hope for better weather!
- I would love to hear about you! About your cars, your families, your weekends, your joys and sorrows, or anything - big or small.
- Don't forget that members can post free For Sale notices in the newsletter. If you have some old cars or parts, this is a fun way to sell them.
- It's way past annual dues time, please renew ASAP.

Please send any submissions, pictures, tour reports, remembrances, or stories to:

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Rex Bartholomew



When potato salad goes bad



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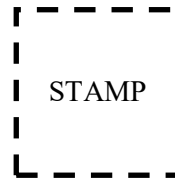
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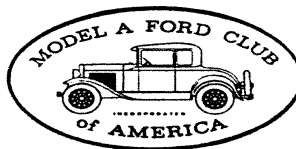
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