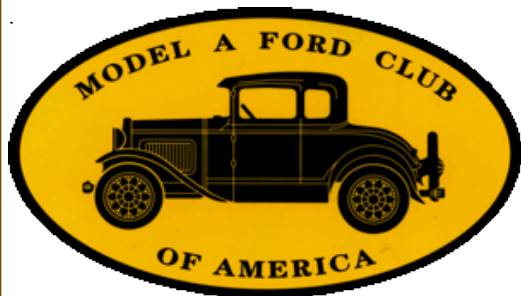


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APRIL EVENTS

APRIL FOOL'S DAY - April 1st

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NEXT MEETING - April 2nd

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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RED HOT SPARKS - April 9th

Oriental Chinese Restaurant at 11:30 am
2380 W. Whittier Blvd., La Habra

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APRIL TOUR - April 14th

OCMAFC Pancake Breakfast at Hart Park
Orange, CA

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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 - FEBRUARY 2024

Dear Diamond Tread Chapter Members,

I hope this message finds you well as we transition into the month of April. March was indeed a memorable time for our chapter as we gathered together for an exhilarating tour to Segerstrom Shelby Event Center. Our visit was nothing short of spectacular, as we were graciously welcomed by one of the owners and given the exclusive opportunity to explore their remarkable collection of Shelby Cobras. It was truly a treat for all automotive enthusiasts present. Following our tour, we indulged in delicious pastrami sandwiches at The Hat, adding a savory touch to our day of exploration and camaraderie.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Larry Ryan for his unwavering dedication in meticulously planning not only this tour but all of our chapter's outings. His efforts continue to enhance our experiences and strengthen the bonds within our community.

For those who may have been unable to attend recent meetings, I encourage you to join us as we embrace our new format. We have exciting guest speakers lined up, raffles to participate in, and of course, refreshments to enjoy. These gatherings serve as invaluable opportunities to connect with fellow members, share our passion for automobiles, and foster a sense of belonging within our esteemed Diamond Tread family.

As we venture into April, let us carry forward the spirit of camaraderie and enthusiasm that defines our chapter. I look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcoming newcomers alike as we continue our journey together.

Warm regards,
Dennis Stephens
President
Diamond Tread Chapter of MAFCA

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 MEETING MINUTES

Minutes

Club Meeting

Date March 5, 2024

Time 6:30 PM

Meeting called to order by Dennis Stephens

In attendance

Jim Williams, Norman Saw, Rex Bartholomew, Chuck Mayhew, Bonnie Ryan, Larry Ryan, Luke Sayer, Gary Gaffney, Jim Runyon, Mark Simons, Louise Beckley, Barry Beckley, Vicky Bartlett, LeRoy Kehret, Jim Barger, Bob Toerge, Pauline Issa, Bill Paige, Joe Beason, Bill Bahr, Ed Tolman.

Approval of minutes

The Minutes of January meeting as printed in the February DTN were approved. (February meeting was rained out)

REPORTS

Dennis: La Palma Parade on 27th of April. Rusty Jack type awards will be continued. Extra raffle for engine repair will not be continued.

Jim Runyon: Orange County Pancake Breakfast, Sunday April 14th

Louise: Letter of Longevity from MAFCA for our club's 55 years in existence.

Rex: Appreciates pix submitted by members for the DTN, would like to see more pix and news of cars, families, etc.

Vicky: Rosters will be handed out at the April meeting. We have 61 members in our club.

Larry: March Tour on the 9th to Segerstrom Shelby Event Center.

SPEAKER

Vice President of **Model A Ford Club of America**, *Ed Tolman* gave an interesting talk on the innerworkings of the MAFCA board of directors. Interesting fact: there are 260 local chapters, 80 of which are in California. *Thank you*, Ed, for the insights and driving so far to speak with us.

Next meeting

April 2nd at The Village Cafe

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Paige, Secretary

SEGERSTROM SHELBY EVENT CENTER

MUSEUM TOUR REPORT

At 9 a.m. on Saturday March 9th, Diamond Tread Chapter met at McDonald's in Los Alamitos for a 32-mile tour to Segerstrom Shelby Center in Irvine. We had a total of 16 members attend, and most drove their Model A Fords.

Vicky Bartlett, Rex Bartholomew, Norm Saw, Emma DeLaCerna, and Gary Gaffney along with son Dylan Gaffney and grandson Noah Gaffney drove in their modern iron. Chris and Monique Risdon in their 1928 Business Coupe met us at the Shelby Event Center. Jim Brenny met us at the City of Orange roundabout with his 1930 Fordor Sedan. From McDonald's, Chuck Mayhew, in a 1931 Fordor Sedan, Mark Simons and his grandson James in his 1931 Deluxe Roadster, Dennis Stephens with his 1931 Sport Coupe, and Bonnie and Larry Ryan with our 1929 Murray Sedan. The drive was smooth, and easy going traveling east on Chapman toward Jamboree Road then down to the City of Irvine. It was quite a drive!

We rendezvoused at 10:30 am to view this fabulous collection of Shelby Mustangs and Cobras. This is a newer museum of a private collection of rare cars, many are one-of-one production, and some with sequential VIN numbers or sequential CX numbers. Mrs. Rae Segerstrom was our docent and she explained how the collection started. All Mr. and Mrs. Segerstrom wanted is a restored Shelby Mustang to drive. Well, their first and second car were both one-of-one. Now the collection is 68 cars with 36 on display. These cars are perfectly restored in Massachusetts, with original paint materials that are not allowed in California. New old stock parts only were used. The collection also includes the Hertz rental GT 350s in all the colors, Black, White, Green, Red, and Blue with original decals.

After a group photo and viewing these fine Shelybs we got hungry. We drove a mile to The Hat for their famous pastrami for lunch. Great food, great people, and a fun means of transportation! After lunch, we were off for a more scenic drive back to Chapman and home through Santiago Canyon Road in the back hills of Orange County. That is a nice drive with no stop lights for about 15 miles of glorious country driving at 45 mph. A perfect day of fellowship and motoring - let's do more of this with shorter round trips this summer.

Larry Ryan

Tour Director

**Photos by
Segerstrom
Event Center**



SEGERSTROM SHELBY EVENT CENTER MUSEUM TOUR REPORT (cont.)



Photos by Segerstrom Event Center



SEGERSTROM SHELBY EVENT CENTER MUSEUM TOUR REPORT (cont.)



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Bonnie and
Larry Ryan

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Red Hot Sparks Luncheon

**When: Tuesday, April 9th
at 11:30 am**

**Where: Oriental Chinese Restaurant
2380 W. Whittier Blvd., La Habra**

Hosted by Liz Lee

**RSVP by Friday, April 5th to Liz at
(562) 818-7948 (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*

APRIL MILE MARKERS

Birthdays!

*Louise Beckley
Bill Bahr
Zachary Wakefield
Poem Beason
Bill Paige
Carolyn Ingwersen
Katherine McCaughan
Jeanne Jaite
Jan Williams
Ed Tolman*

Happy Anniversary

*Charlie and Joan Sento
David and Judy Thomas
Bill and Deborah Bahr*

HOSPITALITY



*April: Bill Paige
May: Dennis Stephens*

LA PALMA FESTIVAL OF NATIONS

Put this event on your calendars, and tour information will be forthcoming.

For further details visit La Palma's website at www.cityoflapalma/festival



SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

Central Park, 7821 Walker Street

Parade 10:30 AM

Festival 11:30 AM - 4:30 PM



FOR EVENT INFORMATION, APPLICATIONS, OR QUESTIONS

CALL 714-690-3350

www.cityoflapalma.org/festival | festival@cityoflapalma.org

APRIL TOUR: PANCAKES!

OCMAFC - 61st Annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 14, 2024

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

7:30am-11am

Large Raffle Selection



What: Tour to Hart Park

**Meet: McDonald's
3562 Katella, Los Alamitos**

**When: Sunday April 14th,
meet at 6:00 a.m. and
depart at 6:30 a.m.**

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

Adults \$10 / Children \$5 (Ages 2-10)
Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs,
Juice, Hot Cocoa & Hot Coffee

**For more info contact:
Aaron Magdaleno
714-862-5773**

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

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

Speaker: Ben Stone, 17 year old owner and restorer of his 1930 Model A Tudor

Date: April 2nd (general membership meeting)

Title: Ben's Restoration of his 1930 Model A Ford

Ed Tolman presented at the Diamond Tread March meeting. He gave helpful insight about the inner workings of MAFCA, and about technical assistance is provided to its members. Ed provided a few great technical resources that many of us can use. Here are the links to sites that can help you:

- modelatechquestions@gmail.com - e-mail box for those pesky Model A problems you need a little help solving
- www.santaanitaas.org/technical-reference - Santa Anita As has a great reference library on their website, and its free!

EDITORIAL MUSINGS

- Football season starts in September!
- Big thanks to Larry Ryan for planning the March tour event to the Segerstrom Shelby Event Center. It was an unforgettable, plus getting to meet Rae Segerstrom was awesome. The Segerstroms are a real asset to our community and the car hobby!
- 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.

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

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Rex Bartholomew



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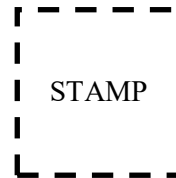
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