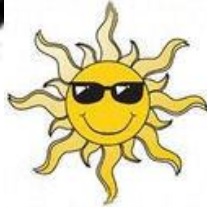


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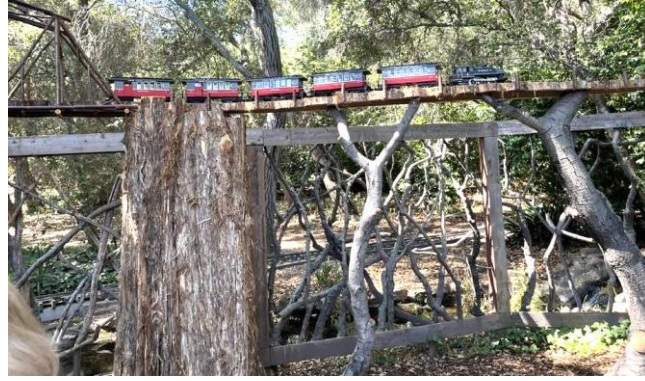
**2024 AUGUST TOUR** – The Los Angeles area is well known for its theme parks. Among them is the Descanso Gardens in La Canada Flintridge which just happens to be in our neighborhood. And being as it is, the Jewel City chapter has several members that are also members of Descanso Gardens.

Descanso Gardens sits on 150 acres of cultivated and wild land nestled into a natural bowl by surrounding mountains where one can explore many paths and trails, verdant woodlands, lush gardens, and colorful native flowers. The Garden is a botanical gardens, living museum, an urban oasis and a wonderful place to wander at your leisure in a very pleasant atmosphere viewing a large variety of flowers, plants, water ways and wildlife. A place where you can escape the urban buzz and enjoy the best of the season.



Well, along with their train you can ride that takes you through the various areas of the garden, they have recently installed a 'G' scale Garden Railroad train layout that is nothing other than spectacular. The primary interest for our visit today was to view this new train layout. The builder was Applied Imagination and the layout is being operated and maintained by the gardens employees. All the sculptures and buildings are made from real botanical materials. They have several trains that continually running daily. The pictures herein give a pretty good sample of what you will see there and is truly enjoyed by kids of all ages.





Just looking



Lunch at the North Shore Burger

As per usual, our tours somehow wind down at some eatery in the immediate vicinity. Since we were in the area of Montrose, we decided on going to North Shore Burgers, where they do offer more than just burgers.

Joining us for today's tour we had: Pat & George Erhard, Ellen & Eric Fuller, Frances & Jerry Geisen, Carol & Al Magee, Conrad Padilla, Ruth & Darrell Payne, Bob Reeves, Mary & Walt Thompson and Bev Wardle.

\*\*\*\*\* For more information about the gardens, go to [descansogardens.org](http://descansogardens.org) \*\*\*\*\*

## TOURS & ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 2024

- Sept 04 - Jewel City business meeting - as you see here by this **revised edition**, this year in September we are going back to normal. (whatever that might be?) This month our meeting will return to the Star Ford in Glendale, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room, starting at 6:30 pm.
- Sept 14 - Columbus Day
- Sept 21 – Tour - The COBRA KING, Lynn Parks. Meet in the Big Lots parking lot at 9:30am, 2243 Foothill Blvd, La Canada Flintridge. Be sure to let Al Magee know if you plan to go.
- Oct 02 – Well, Keeping to whatever normal is, the October meeting will be held at Star Ford, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room, starting at 6:30 pm.
- Oct ?? – Proposed tour –
- Nov 03 - SFV Car Show and Swap meet, to be held in Chatsworth.
- Nov 06 – Business meeting at Star Ford, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room starting at 6:30 pm.

Additional model 'A' activities that Jewel City members participated in this month was:



August 15 - Pictured here with Bob Reeves' Theodore is a few more of the A's that showed up for the San Gabriel Valley Chapter breakfast held at Annie's Restaurant at the San Gabriel Valley Airport. This breakfast is a regularly scheduled event for the third Thursday of each month. Good food, lots of model A and other talk, well worth the drive.

Bob

San Fernando Valley model A club's "Valley tour and Taco Run".



August 18 - Here again we see Theodore pictured with some of the A's on the San Fernando Valley Chapter tour at the Equestrian Center. The group was met by the namesake owner of the gift shop who told us a bit of history of the Park and Center. By the way, which is a public facility similar to the Planetarium and Zoo.

We watched competitive jumping in the arena then drove a pleasant route through Griffith Park and winding up visiting the L.A. Live Steamers site. There we were given a tour of the facility and train rides around the area courtesy of our own Darrell Payne. After that, it was on to lunch at a

nearby restaurant known for their tacos. Was a great day having the A's out and in our own back yard!

**ENDING NOTE:** Why do people do what they do? Why do people don't do what they don't do?

Author unknown

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Meetings: The Jewel City Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at Star Ford in Glendale, CA located at 1101 S. Brand Blvd. Meetings start at 6:30 PM.  
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