

THE RUMBLE SHEET

Welcome

The Rumble Sheet is your go-to source for all things Model A. From the President's message to club announcements, activities calendars, and a classifieds section – it's your insider's guide to the Model A world.

A Year of Gratitude: Reflecting on 2024 as Temporary Editor...

Dear Model A Club Members,

It has truly been a pleasure and an honor to serve as your temporary editor of the Rumble Sheet throughout 2024. Our newsletter is more than just a collection of updates—it's a reflection of the camaraderie and passion that make our Model A club such a remarkable community.

When I stepped into the role after the sad and untimely passing of our beloved club president, Ron Mosher, I knew I had big shoes to fill. Ron's leadership and enthusiasm were the heartbeat of our group, and his absence has been deeply felt by us all. Adding to the changes this year, Carol Mosher, Ron's wife, needed to step back from her roles as the club's Sunshine and Historian. Carol's dedication to serving alongside her husband in roles that greatly benefited the club set an inspiring example for others. Her commitment and the legacy she and Ron built together will long be remembered as a guiding light for our community.

What makes our Model A community truly special is how present and engaged everyone is—whether tinkering with an engine, swapping stories from the road, or honoring the history of these iconic vehicles. This is a place where knowledge, tools, and laughter are shared freely, and where adventures with our Model As bring us closer together. From local club events to national gatherings and car show competitions, the friendships and memories formed here are ones to treasure.

As we look ahead, I am pleased to share that our former editor, Jim Lank, will be returning to the helm of the Rumble Sheet. Jim's dedication and expertise have always been invaluable to the club, and I'll be here to assist him in any way he needs.

Thank you all for sharing this wonderful Model A community with me this past year. Your warmth and enthusiasm have made this experience deeply rewarding. Here's to many more miles of Model A adventures ahead!

With gratitude and appreciation,

Aimee McNatt

2024 Editor, Rumble Sheet



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TOURS & ACTIVITIES

REVVING UP HOLIDAY CHEER

Sunday, December 8th, the 21st Annual Motor4Toys Toy Drive, presented by Porsche of Woodland Hills, roared into gear with holiday cheer and horsepower! A massive crowd turned out to support the cause, with the Grinch stealing the show—not Christmas—by cracking jokes and striking poses next to a Shay Model A. Scott from the San Fernando Valley Model A Club was spotted ogling the Batmobile like a kid in a candy store. Meanwhile, a vibrant red 1920s firetruck added a touch of vintage flair, proving it's never too old to join the fun. With toys piling up and engines revving, the event was a roaring success, blending festive spirit with automotive eye candy. Who knew Christmas could be this cool?



MEMBER STORY

REPLACING MITCHELL OVERDRIVE TORQUE TUBES

On a recent excursion with the San Fernando Valley Model A's, my Mitchell overdrive failed. I started feeling resistance while shifting, and just as I was about to get on the freeway, I heard a clunk—it felt really bad. I quickly turned around and coasted to a parking lot, where I stopped to inspect the issue. I discovered the overdrive had rotated about 45 degrees. Both torque tubes were sheared at the flanges that connected to the overdrive.



While waiting for a tow, I left a message for Steve Mitchell, who called me back within 5 minutes. He said this is the first time he had this happen in 35 years and was very surprised and apologetic. He promised to send replacements the following week, as soon as possible, which he did. During the week, I coordinated a work party that Larry Singler generously offered to host, so we could use his lift.

On the following Saturday, about a dozen generous Model A'ers met at Larry's and attacked the rear end of my Tudor. In the process, we realized that one of the leaves of my rear spring was broken, so we had to figure out a plan to replace that. So, this wasn't going to get finished in a day. I also had been planning to soon replace my rear brake drums, as they were still the steel type. So, we added that to the workplan as well. When we concluded for the day, the rear end was assembled with the new torque tubes, minus the leaf spring.

The following Monday, Larry disassembled the rest of the leaf spring, took it to a sand blaster and had them all cleaned up, then got them all painted for reassembly. He had a replacement leaf for the one that was broken from my spring set, so we reassembled the spring that day and installed it in the rear end.

The next day Larry, Russ Evans and I attacked what should have been the fairly simple task of setting the rear end back in and bolting the spring back on. However, fate had a different plan for us. When we got the spring set up into the frame, we discovered the U bolt was stripped. We cannibalized Larry's project car for a replacement, but had to cut a hole in the bottom of the body to replace it. Then, we decided to check if the U spring bolt was lined up properly, which it wasn't, so we fought that for a while before we got everything back together. After four hours, we called it a day.

The following Saturday, Larry and I visited Randy Gross to get parts to replace the rear brakes. We got almost everything put back together when we got back, then finished the next day, adjusted the brakes and I was back on the road.

I appreciate everyone that came to help. It was also great to get greasy again with my long time friend and second dad, John Addington who taught me auto mechanics when I was a teenager and got me into this crazy hobby in the last few years. I couldn't have done it without everyone's help. - Brendan Beatty 7-Dec-24

LUNCH WITH THE FELLAS

Join us every Wednesday at 11:00 AM for the San Fernando Valley Model A Club lunch at Lulu's Restaurant. Indulge in delicious food while surrounded by fellow enthusiasts. Engage in lively discussions about all things Model A, creating the perfect midweek escape filled with camaraderie, laughter, and a shared passion for classic automobiles. LuLu's 16900 Roscoe Blvd. Van Nuys



GET INVOLVED

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Membership Application

Welcome to the San Fernando Valley Model A Club, where the spirit of Model A camaraderie comes alive! We're not your typical car club; we're a community of enthusiasts bound by our love for the iconic Model A Ford. Established in 1960 as a proud chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA), we've been cruising together for over six decades, and the adventure continues!



Why join? Because Model A's are meant to be shared! Our club provides a laid-back space for Model A aficionados in the San Fernando Valley and surrounding areas to unwind, swap stories, and revel in the charm of these timeless classics. Whether you own a Model A or simply admire their beauty, we invite you to join us in celebrating the essence of these legendary automobiles.

As a member, dive into a world of Model A fun with driving tours, lively Wednesday member luncheons at Lulu's Restaurant, engaging general membership meetings, thrilling Swap Meets and Car Shows, and our informative monthly newsletter, The Rumble Sheet.

We're more than a club; we're a Model A family ready to welcome fellow enthusiasts. Ownership of a Model A Ford is not a prerequisite – if you're passionate about these classics, you're already one of us! Ready to enhance your Model A experience? Join the San Fernando Valley Model A Club today! Hit that join button, and let's create lasting Model A memories together. We can't wait to welcome you into our Model A family!



Model A Youth Restoration Awards

Rev up your engines, folks! Welcome to our car restoration program, where we turn rust buckets into roaring classics! We get it - convincing the younger crowd that a '31 Ford Model A is cooler than the latest electric wonder can be a tough sell. But fear not, our [Model A Youth Restoration Awards](#) are here to bridge the generation gap!

Forget the ancient tales of uphill both ways in the snow – today's youth can choose from 50s, 60s, and 70s gems! We're not just restoring cars; we're restoring coolness. Help a young grease monkey bring a Model A back to life, and we'll reward them with gift certificates to car parts heaven. Because nothing says "future classic" like a teenager covered in grease with a wrench in hand!

Model A Museum

Show your support for the Model A Museum with a snazzy blue bumper sticker! For just \$3, proclaim to the world, "My other car is a Model A Ford." Stick it proudly and cruise down memory lane. Order now and revitalize your ride while supporting a classic cause. Visit the [Model A Museum website](#) for more revved-up goodies!





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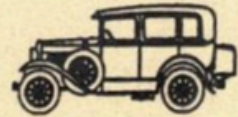


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