



October 2025

Spoken Wheels

General Meeting

General Meeting –Saturday, Oct. 25th, 10:00am
Church of the Good Sheperd
400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia, CA

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS – MEN

- TODD DIRKS – 1
- LARRY PARE – 2
- JIM AUSTIN – 3
- BOB MOORE – 3
- MARK GOLLHARDT – 9
- JOHN CHICHESTER – 10
- DON McBRIDE – 14
- AUSTIN JANISCH – 15
- FRANK SEPULVEDA – 15
- MARLIN PERRY – 17
- WILBERT SMITH – 19
- RICHARD ANDERSON – 20
- SCOTT BONNER - 20

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS – WOMEN

- ELISIE JOHNSON – 11
- SUE GUARRERA – 19
- MARIA FOYE – 24
- MAY PARE – 24
- JUDI MOORE – 26
- CAROL EMANUELLI - 28

ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?

As we enjoy our 50th anniversary as a club, we are now on Facebook and sharing with the world what we are doing and who we are. Just search for Santa Anita A's in the Facebook search bar and you'll see all the posts of what's going on with our club. It's exciting and fun and you can join in the comments.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Once again, hello! Are you ready for more fun? Yes, you are! Just as we celebrated last month's celebration with 85 cars we jumped into September. Our inaugural International Ford Model A Day gathering was spectacular. Games in cars and without cars were played by around a hundred members from our and other clubs. 37 Model A's were there to help make this an unbelievable event. Many thanks to Bob Moore for spearheading the event with Chris Wickersham & Isaac Ramos by his side. The list of helpers who worked this event is very long but they worked hard to make this a huge success. We will definitely be repeating this next year. Watching so many members pitch in reminded me of pictures and videos I've seen from past events. I can't thank the volunteers enough for their efforts.



Dino Falabrino

I began this message with ready for more fun. Well, here we go again! On October 18th we are invited to the estate of Richard Anderson for an Oktober Festival and gathering of fellow members. Richard is getting his chuckwagon ready for the beer and brats and the members will bring the rest. If you've never seen this property, you're in for a treat. Truly impressive.

Remember to RSVP to be sure they have enough food for everyone.

Most of all, lets celebrate that we have had one heck of a year of great events. 2025 will go down as our 50th year of great events, one after another!

Take care, Dino Falabrino

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- TRACY PERRY & LARRY BUTKUS – 1
- JOHN & SUSIE LACEY – 15
- RICHARD & RHETA ANDERSON – 18
- STEVE & BARBARA VOORS – 22
- STEVE & KATHY CONCIDINE – 23
- CLIFF & ALICE MOUNT - 27

UPCOMING EVENTS

October

- 2 –Men’s Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 4 – Body & Paint Seminar – See page 6
- 5-13 Grand Canyon/Route 66 Tour – See page 9
- 9 -Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 13 - Ladies’ Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 13 - Legends Diner on Route 66 in Glendora – See page 2
- 18 – Founder’s Day Oktoberfest – See page 8
- 16 –Men’s Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 25 –General Meeting – Church of the Good Shepherd

November

- 6 –Men’s Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 11 - Ladies’ Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 15 - CGRG Picnic – 11:00am to 2:00pm See page 7
- 13 - Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 20 –Men’s Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 29 –General Meeting – Church of the Good Shepherd

December

- 3-6 – National Awards Banquet – Mobile, AL
- 4 – Men’s breakfast - 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 9 - Ladies’ Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 11 -Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 18 – Men’s Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 20 - Annual Christmas Party – Luncheon at noon with officers installation following. Almansor Court located at 700S. Almansor Street Alhambra, CA

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PEOPLE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Sunshine Report – We send a get well card to Bob Moore this month. We do send thoughts and prayers out to those who are battling illnesses on an ongoing basis.

Cookie Bringers – Dennis Chapman provided the goodies for us this month. As always we need volunteers for this monthly task. The club will reimburse you.

Photos and articles provided by Nancy Stancil, Janet Beggs, Bob Moore and others just to name a few.

ROUTE 66 VISITOR’S LUNCHEON

On October 13th, a Monday at 11:30 am, the Santa Anita A’s will be meeting the visitors who are traveling Route 66 from Chicago to Santa Monica at Legends Classic Diner 1155 E. Route 66 Glendora, CA 91740

Some will have already met up with them as they travel through Arizona and California. Some will travel on West from Glendora with them and enjoy the sights of Route 66 through Southern California.

Please join us to show them our club hospitality and Model A friendship.

SAA INTERNATIONAL FORD DAY

What a party we had! If you missed it, you really missed it. There were driving games, table games, raffles and food. We had 39 Model A's, 2 mid 30's cars and approximately 105 people attended. It was a party!

The volunteers made everything run smoothly and the event planners had things worked out so everyone could enjoy themselves whether they were driving, playing or just watching.

The next few pages will show just how much fun we had. For videos of the event go to Facebook and see our page. Follow and like us if you want to keep up to date.

THE HEROS OF THE EVENT



The official MAFCA patch that was sold at the event.

THE HEROS OF THE EVENT



THE WINNERS



GRAY SKIES DIDN'T DAMPEN THE DAY



39 MODEL A'S TURNED OUT



WALT READING THE RULES



THE PEANUT GALLERY



HOLD YOUR WATER!!



THE BEAN BAG TOSS



BODY & PAINT SEMINAR

On October 4th at 9:00 am there will be a body and paint seminar held at Carl and Sue's place. The location is 1145 South Meeker Ave. West Covina, CA 91790.

We will discuss various methods of bodywork, preparation for painting and the products used.

Preferred parking for Model A's. Coffee, drinks, doughnuts and cupcakes will be served.

Please sign up at the monthly meeting or contact Carl at FCR31CHEVY@AOL.COM



HONORABLE MENTION

Congratulations to all!

We have several members who I'd like to give a big pat on the back to and hope you'll congratulate in person real soon.

MAFCA Membership Longevity Milestones

Carl and Susan Rogers – 50 years

Brad and Vicky Balmont – 50 years

Joe Farino – 25 years

Donald and Carloyn McBride – 25 years

The MAFCA Virginia National Tour Farthest Away Participant – Gary Larson

LOVELY NEWS BITS

LADIES' BRUNCH 11am

Every second Monday of the month the ladies gather at Annia's Kitchen, 4233 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte, CA. Come join in the fun.



NOT SO LOVELY NEWS BITS

MEN'S BREAKFAST 9am

Club men meet up for great conversation and food twice a month. Join when you can on the 1st and 3rd Thursday for great food and conversations.

Tire kicking starts around 8:30am and food at 9:00am.

San Gabriel Airport's Annia's Kitchen,
4233 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte, CA.



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held at Church of The Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Arcadia, CA.

Dino Falabrino brought the meeting to order at 10:00am and the salute to the flag was conducted by Ed Tolman.

The minutes for the August meeting were approved.

A new member in attendance was David Rios who was attending his second meeting and also introduced our visitor Matilda from Arcadia.

Dino then thanked Dennis Chapman for providing the donuts and reminded everyone that the donut sign up sheet for future meetings was on the table in the back.

Dino spoke of International Ford Model A Day and what a well organized and fun event it was. He thanked Bob Moore, Chris Wickersham and Isaac Ramos along with all the helpers by name along with their functions that day. He also suggested we do it again next year.

Chris Wickersham spoke also about the event. He also thanked Bob Moore and all the volunteers. He announced there were 21 cars on the car games and 14 people playing the table games. The cars games went well with the spectators watching and cheering people on. He also announced that the Spark Plug Challenge results were very interesting. People were either really good at it or really bad at it. He then announced that next year's coordinator could contact him for the games and instructions.

Matilda was introduced. She is with the city of Arcadia Festival of Bands Parade that will be held on November 22 and asked for cars to haul the dignitaries of the parade. She said the volunteers make the difference and thanked us for our past participation. Dino gave a brief statement of where and when to meet and to contact him or sign up at the back of the room.

Dino spoke of the Monrovia Historical Society Auction that night for the elementary school and asked for cars to come and park on the street for aesthetics. Drivers would get a free meal and the auction was from 5:30 to 10:00pm that night.

Dino spoke about Oktober Fest coming up on October 18th and wanted people to sign the sheet in the back or sign up on line from the email

that was sent out to members in order-to-order food. Jim Kroeger announced he would be heading up the caravan to Oktoberfest and all going should meet him at the Walmart Monrovia parking lot at 10:00am.

Carl Rogers spoke of the upcoming paint seminar being held at his garage.

Ed Tolman was introduced and gave a wonderful speech and slide show of his trip across America. He drove his Model A with his 16-year-old grandson to the National Tour in Virginia.

Dino thanked everyone again and reminded everyone of the sign-up sheets in the back and that the Carcadia car show was tomorrow morning.

Dino then introduced Carol and Bea who conducted the raffle and drawings.

Chuck Davies – Drove a Model A

Larry Butkus – Badge

John Emanuelli – Club clothing

Raffle winners: Ed Tolman -\$35, Paul Cella – \$25,

Gina Falabrino - \$40 and Larry Rummens - \$25

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Chapman sitting in for

Warwick Nethercoat, Secretary

SCRG FALL BBQ



**Southern California Regional Group (SCRG)
Model A Ford Club of America
Fall BBQ**

Sat Nov 15th 2025
11AM-2PM (Lunch will be served)
4241 Emerald Cir
Cypress, CA 90630

All Club Members Are Welcome

Please RSVP:
562-833-9497 or
jjrentalproperties@gmail.com

The flyer features a background of autumn leaves. On the left is a small image of a red Model A Ford, and on the right is a larger image of a blue Model A Ford.

WANTED

Trevor Sandberg is looking for a 1930 or 1931 Ford coupe for around \$12,000. If you have one or know of one, please call 818-330-9311 or email snowbug778@gmail.com

Isaac Ramos is looking for a closed Model A panel truck, station wagon or Tudor. Something under \$20,000. If you have one or know of one call 215-490-2801 or email ramochan@gmail.com



Santa Anita A's Model A Ford Car Club invites you to celebrate 50 years



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Departs Duarte Walmart @ 10 AM taking surface streets

2. ARRIVE CHINO

Model A's park on Lawn Modern cars please park separately

3. BEER & BRATS

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4,



Saturday ♦ Oct 18, 2025 ♦ 11:00 am

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Enter off Chino Ave; turn right on Serenity Trail (GPS doesn't always work)

Your RSVP is very important

Janet Beggs 626-773-2806 or janetbeggs17@outlook.com

Please RSVP by October 10



Grand Canyon/Route 66 Tour October 5-13, 2025



Southern California Regional Group

The SCRG would like to invite you on a fall tour, guaranteed for adventure. We will be meeting up with a group going from Chicago to Santa Monica and seeing sites in our own backyard that most of us have never seen before. You'll need to make your own hotel reservations, but mention that you will be on the Model A Tour in case a discount has been arranged at that hotel.

October 5th, Arrive at the SureStay Plus by Best Western, 71487 Twentynine Palms Hwy Twentynine Palms (760) 367-9141 total w tax \$113. To see the stars, we'll visit Sky's the Limit Observatory and Nature Center 9697 Utah Trail just outside Joshua Tree National Park. Bring chairs and blankets. \$10 donation per vehicle.

October 6th, Take Highway 62 to AZ highway 95 north to the London Bridge at Lake Havasu for lunch, then back into California on Highway 40 and north on the Needles Highway, to end after 219 miles at Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort 1650 S Casino Dr, Laughlin, NV (800) 227-3849 total w. tax \$94

October 7th & 8th, Take Highway 68 to the 93 to I-40 to Williams, 148 miles to Grand Canyon Railway and Hotel 235 N Grand Canyon Blvd, Williams (928) 635-4010 Grand Canyon Railway Tickets \$70 round trip each – park entry which is not included \$17.50 for single time entry for each adult. Lifetime National Parks military pass \$20, Senior (62 +) "America the Beautiful" lifetime pass \$90 bought online incl. fees, potentially takes longer than two weeks to arrive by mail. This pass can also allow you to Total for two days of standard room for two, train to and from park, and entrance fee totals \$708 including tax. This does not include south rim bus tour. Bus tours are available for all along the south rim between train arrivals and departures which cost \$47.50 per without lunch and \$67.50 with lunch.

October 9th, Join the Route 66 tour and drive 115 miles on Route 66 to El Trovatore Motel, 1440 E Andy Devine Ave, Kingman, AZ (928) 753-6520 \$99

October 10th, Leave Kingman to visit Oatman, and Topock (population 2) after 68 miles end at Best Western Colorado River Inn 2371 Needles Hwy, Needles (760) 326-4552 \$138

October 11th, Visit lots of towns you've never been to while driving 150 miles to Quality Inn on Historic Route 66, 1520 E Main St, Barstow (760) 307-8003 \$95

October 12th, Hotel MdR 13480 Maxella Avenue, Marina del Rey (310) 822-8555 \$250 about \$280 incl breakfast

October 13th The Santa Anita club has invited us to meet them for lunch on the 13th at the Legends 1155 E., Route 66, Glendora and some of them will drive with us to the pier.

To register, fill out this form & send it and send a check for \$20 made out to SCRG to 107 Wilton Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90004

Name _____ Additional Adult _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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MAFCA Member # _____ Chapter _____

Circle the dates you plan to be with the tour: October 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13

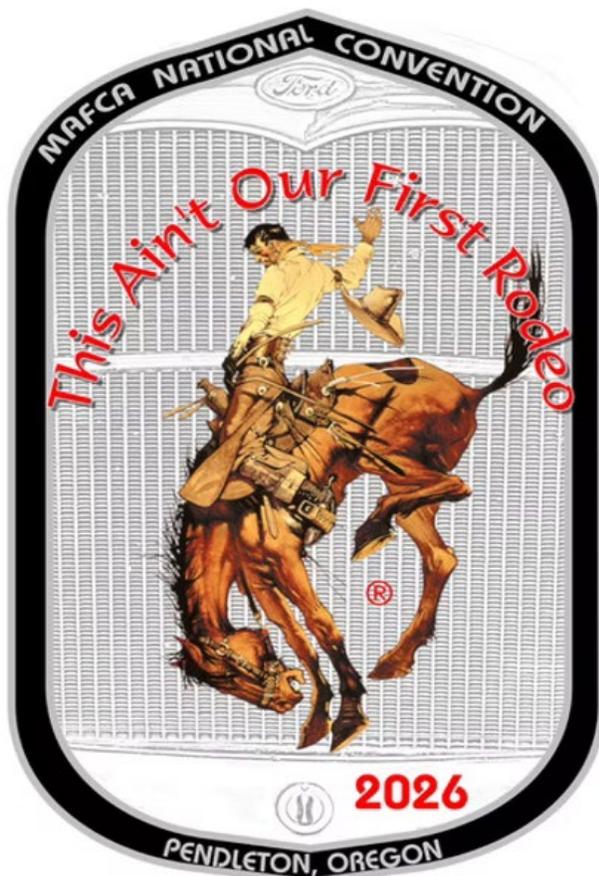
A BLT BANNER DAY 9-2-2025

Another banner day was observed by the BLT Guys organization with the installation of a Mitchell overdrive in a 1929 Roadster owned by Nathan Sherry, who lives in Lomita, California and is a member of the Orange County Model A Ford Club.

The installation took place at Tom Endy's house on Tuesday, September 2, 2025. We began the effort at 10am and were finished by 3pm. The owner made a \$500 donation to the Model A Youth Restoration Award program.

There was one show stopper that had to be overcome. Both rear shackle bolts and bushings were shot and had to be replaced.

At the end of the day the roadster and the overdrive performed as Henry Ford and Steve & Cindie Mitchell had ordered.



MAYBE YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?

Have an idea for the newsletter? Maybe a photo or an interesting tidbit you think the members would enjoy. If so, contact Dennis Chapman at the monthly meeting, a club event, or email at dennisofdb@verizon.net or by phone at 909-762-5654. This phone will accept text and photos.

Thanks in advance, Dennis

ALUMINUM CAN TABS

Sheri Johnson has been collecting the aluminum can tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities for several years. The recycled aluminum is sold and the money goes to support the mission of providing a home away from home for families with sick children.

Bring them to the monthly meeting or contact Sheri at 626-485-3073 or misslux844@yahoo.com

2025 MAFCA NATIONAL AWARDS BANQUET

MAGIC CHRISTMAS IN LIGHTS

USS ALABAMA

In Mobile, we will celebrate our 2025 National Award Winners and meet the 2026 Board of Directors.

- Enjoy seminars by Sherry Winkhofer and Paul Shinn
- Hear the history of Alabama's roadways
- Tour the beautifully lit Gardens of Bellingrath, all decked out for Christmas
- Visit the USS Alabama and enjoy lunch under the planes
- Explore Mobile's history by Trolley

Join us in Mobile, Alabama

December 3 - 6

Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel

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Free

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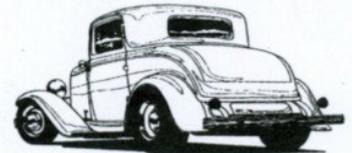
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Address: PO Box 660904, Arcadia., CA 91066. Website:



Read the newsletter and sign up for everything.

Model A Ford Club of America

Santa Anita A's is a chartered member of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). It is a California not-for-profit corporation and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles as manufactured from 1928 through 1931.

We encourage our SAA's members to also participate in the MAFCA organization. Check out their website. It contains a wide variety of information about the organization, activities, technical references and instructions on how to join the organization.

(www.mafca.com)



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