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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The end of 2025 is speedily arriving and for me it has been a very memorable year as your President. Our monthly meetings have been well attended and interesting in the variety of topics that have been discussed. Last month I was extremely relieved that we could come up with a new slate of officers and committee positions. Thank you all for volunteering.

At last month's breakfast at the Broken Yolk, several asked how Jeff was doing. I can report he is still doing well and is in storage in El Cajon. Roseanne and I go out about once a week to dust him off and take a ride. He did let us down once when after starting and pulling out of the barn he decided No Go. The gas tank read 1/4 so we first added a gallon of gas, but that didn't change the problem.

Guy McElroy played with the choke/richener cable and got Jeff started, but still very little power. Guy managed to drive up to the local Chevron station and I pumped gas for the first time. That was not an easy task leaning over the hood and trying to prevent spills on his nice paint job.

We drove back to the barn, but he still wasn't happy. It was getting late so Roseanne and I drove home and Guy promised to take a look at the carburetor. Next day he sent me a picture of a very plugged fuel jet. It was easily cleaned so over Thanksgiving we drove around El Cajon some more. A local neighbor was driving a car that I think is called a Zimmer (modern chassis with classic touring car body) that looks like a Mercedes from the 30's. He beeped at us and we "ooga"ed back. Big waves and smiles on a beautiful Thanksgiving drive.

Next event will be on the thirteenth at Hungry Hunter which is now called Hunter Steakhouse in Oceanside. We have a little over 30 signed up for the Christmas Banquet so there is still plenty of room for more. See you there!

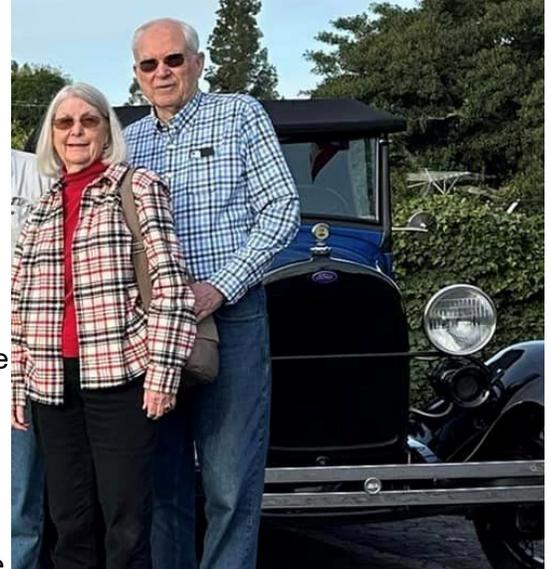
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NOVEMBER MINUTES

Minutes from November 5 2025 - Meeting of the Palomar A's was called to order by President Bruce Furbush at 7:05 PM with 25 in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Bill Adams.

PREVIOUS MINUTES - A motion was made by Roseanne Meyerhoff to approve the minutes of the October meeting as published in the Reflector, and seconded by Chuck Grabowsky. Motion passed by those in attendance.



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NOVEMBER MINUTES CONTINUED

TREASURER'S REPORT – Bill Adams reported numbers on memberships paid for 2026 as well as deposits for the upcoming Holiday brunch.

SUNSHINE & SORROW – David Frazee announced his niece Alyssa had a baby boy born 2 days before. David indicated the baby was named Jim McKay and wondered if there might be sports in the baby's future. David also said he finally received the automobile he won but unfortunately there is no top or upholstery.

Bill Adams is a new grandpa to a boy born 3 weeks previous. The baby, named William, becomes Bill's namesake.

BREAKFAST GET TOGETHER – Greg Wilson said there had been a nice gathering at the Main Street Café. He then reminded us of the next event at the Broken Yolk, November 19, located 101 S. Los Posas, San Marcos. Arrive by 8:45 for the 9:00 AM seating.



On a similar vein, for the Holiday gathering December 13 at Hungry Hunter we are asked not to go into the restaurant before 11:30 AM. This allows the staff to efficiently set up the room for us.

MISCELLANEOUS – David Frazee reviewed the brick status at the Ford Museum. Anyone can contribute (purchase) a brick to be included in the museum. Periodically the Club has voted on purchasing bricks to honor long time members or those that have contributed valued time, knowledge and support.

Russ Parks was excited to relate finding a dream roadster that has a Model T body and 1938 Ford transmission. Originally found on line, Russ was leery of the condition but discovered the location was close, Bonsall. Even better, when he went to see the vehicle, he discovered it at Nostalgia Ranch Speed Shop [760-532-6914] owned by Jay Dean. Russ said there were impressive automobiles everywhere he looked. Also said that Dean was a master mechanic that had worked for Ferrari. Russ highly recommends visiting this local treasure.

LONG TOURS – Bruce Howe participated in the recent Grand Canyon Tour. Events included visiting Lake Havasu, London Bridge, 29 Palms and a set location for Hollywood westerns. They also visited a honky-tonk in Williams and rode the Grand Canyon train.

TECH REPORT – Mark Greenlee passed around a hand tool and took suggestions as to what it was for. Actually, its' purpose was for holding the keeper in place for valve stems in the engine.

Chuck Grabowsky had many past frustrations with his pickup but now is extremely happy with how it runs. He did mention it was hard for him to see the small speedometer so installed a tachometer on the steering column to help calculate MPH. He also indicated that he had to re-learn how to change a tire.

NEW BUSINESS – Discussion of Slate of Officers for 2026: President - Bill Adams, Treasurer - Bruce Furbush, Secretary - Karla Maxwell, Newsletter Editor – Barbara Kruegel, Breakfast Coordinator – Mark Greenlee, Membership & Entertainment - David Frazee, Publicity - Ed Simpson, Tours - Mark Greenlee & Chuck Grabowsky, Hospitality - Donna & Anthony Lugo

HOSPITALITY – So close to Halloween, Donna & Anthony Lugo set up a nice presentation that included desserts and Trick or Treat goodies along with a large pumpkin pie. Thank you to all that donated.

ENTERTAINMENT – Birthday Prizes went to West Leffingwell for November and Ed Simpson for December plus Russ Parks landed the 50/50 prize.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Submitted by Karla Maxwell, Secretary

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- December 13 Christmas Party, noon at Hunter Restaurant 1221 Vista Way, Oceanside
- December 13 Dianne Frazee's Birthday
- December 15 Sandra Yancey's Birthday
- December 22 Betty Foster's and Katie Mylar's Birthdays
- December 24 Ed Simpson's Birthday
- December 28 Donna Lugo's Birthday
- December 29 Irene DeAmbrogio's Birthday
- December 31 Fred and Donna Slikker's Anniversary



I picked up the prize from the Pasadena High School Model A Ford Club drawing: this 1930 Model A Coupe. One unusual fact is that I am the great, great, great nephew of a longtime teacher of Pasadena High School, English teacher, Susan Isabel Frazee.

She taught at PHS between 1902 and 1934 and just may have owned and driven a Model A Ford to work from the home she shared in 1930 with PHS principal, Helen MacKenzie, 422 California Terrace, Pasadena. Helen and Belle were longtime companions teaching together in San Diego before Pasadena, and according to the Blade traveled the world together.

Frazee also taught at Pasadena City College just uphill from her home (Which the car and I visited) and had a book published in 1930 "Adventures in Verse Making by the Classes in Room 135 of Pasadena Junior College". Pasadena City College continues to have the Susan Isabel Frazee scholarship award (\$500 for creative works of lit.)

I've recently returned from the National Awards Banquet in Mobile Alabama where it was voted that I will continue as Board Secretary for 2026. This year was a trip with half the Board being former presidents. Next year it's down to a third. There are plans in the works to drive to Pendleton Oregon for the Natl Convention. I hope you can join us on the trip.

Win a 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 convertible and support the San Diego Automotive Museum Click [HERE](#) or on the photo



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Original Ford Block

Engine Date Code: May 1930
Inside of block has been sealed with Glypbal paint *
The block is setup for external oil filter assembly *
Rebuilt high output oil pump * Aluminum timing gear *
New valve springs * tested for correct & even pressure * Valves ground and hand lapped * Adjustable lifters * Connecting rods and pistons balanced *
Balanced crankshaft pulley balanced * Touring cam *
Police head (B) * Gooseneck drilled and tapped for water temp gauge * Bell housing was dial indicated for output shaft alignment * Lightened and balanced flywheel *
I replaced this running engine for a Burts engine *
All this for \$2500.00 — Jim Kruegel 619 386 8697

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Membership is \$20 per year and club information, including a membership application and an archive of past newsletters, is available on www.palomarmodelclub.org

Business Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, except December, at the Palomar Estates East Clubhouse: 650 S Rancho Santa Fe Rd, in San Marcos at 7:00pm. Check the website, newsletters, or Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/palomarmafca> for future events. All Model A Ford hobbyists are welcome.

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