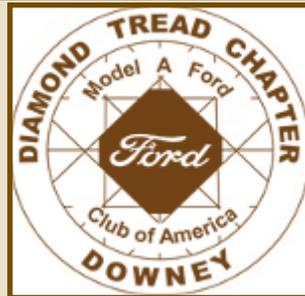
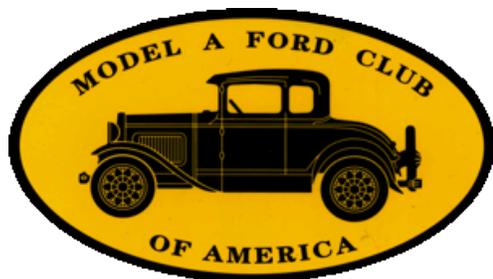


DIAMOND TREAD NEWS



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

GROUNDHOG DAY - February 2nd

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GENERAL MEETING - February 3rd

24 Hour Real Estate at 6:30 p.m.

Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

8635 Florence Avenue, Downey

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RED HOT SPARKS - February 10th

B.J.'s Restaurant at 11:30 a.m.

11101 183rd Street, Cerritos

See page 7

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VALENTINE'S DAY

February 14th

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WEEKLY BREAKFAST - Thursdays

Village Café at 8:00 a.m.

4148½ N. Viking Way, Long Beach

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THE STEERING WHEEL

Hello fellow members,

Our club provides us with a sense of belonging, purpose, camaraderie, and friends we can rely on. For example, on Thursday, January 15th, eight members came together to help Larry install a new engine in his Model A. The next day, seven members assisted Kenny with his engine installation. Both tasks were successful, and everyone enjoyed spending time together.

We enjoyed having Wade Ratzlaff as a guest at our January meeting. Before the meeting was over, he had donated a raffle item and became our newest member. Welcome to Diamond Tread Ratzlaff Family!

I believe we had 28 members at the January meeting. Looking forward to even more on February 3rd to enhance our camaraderie.

Your "A" would like it if you took it for a ride.... You would enjoy it too!

Regards,

Bill



MEETING MINUTES

DIAMOND TREAD CHAPTER
of the MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA
General Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2025

Location: 24-Hour Real Estate, Downey

Participants: 28 meeting attendees

- The Board met at 6:00 p.m.
- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Bill Paige
- The flag salute was led by Vice President LeRoy Kehret
- Bill P. read a note from Vicky Bartlett about her recent heart attack and two stents placed, she won't be attending club stuff for awhile, her family came down to help her. Louise sent a get well card around the room for Vicky and will mail it to her.
- Mr. Wade Radcliff is our visitor tonight, many club members know him from different area tours. He has a 1929 Tudor and his dad has one also. When he was in Texas he bought two Calif. license plates that are DMV approved and they are consecutive numbers. He and his dad will be putting them on their cars. Just an interesting tidbit he shared with us.
- Bill P. opened a forum for all of us to pitch in ideas. Kenny asked for help putting in his transmission so it gets centered correctly, in the alignment, Wayne and two others volunteered, and Chuck will be asked to help and Mark asked if he could come and sit in the peanut gallery to observe, sure come on!
- Louise told club who Jeannie Jaite was as there are many new couples who did not get a chance to meet her and Louise said she is still a member.
- Bill B. handed out the flyer about Feb 7 Garden Grove Little League Parade for opening day. He wants us to bring our cars for the city officials to ride in. He told us that this is a fun day. More info where we meet to drive there together at the Feb. 3 meeting.
- Larry talked about the Horseless Carriage tour and thru Pasadena Hills. Steam cars, Model A cars and some Pierce Arrow show cars, and Jay Leno was there too. Larry said they did well and everyone should do this tour at least once. He said it is amazing, the directions get complicated but they managed to safely make the tour through the hills of Pasadena. Bonnie called this an excursion, as it tests your patience. Then they ate at the Hat Sandwich place and everyone split up to go their separate ways.

MEETING MINUTES (cont.)

- Pauline told us how appreciative our server was upon being given a hefty tip for serving us at the Dec. 6 Sizzler Downey Restaurant. She cried when she told me that we blessed her and helped her pay a small bill that she had, and her kids got a decent surprise present and they had a wonderful Christmas dinner, she gave me a hug and said tell everyone they were a Christmas blessing and I really do appreciate you all. So hugs to everyone who pitched in for her appreciation of being there to serve us without question!!
- Bill declared meeting adjourned, and let the snacks by Ken and Bobbie begin and remember to buy raffle tickets for 1/3, 1/3 & 1/3 to club. Bobbie will bring pumpkin squares recipe to the Feb. 3, meeting. YAH!
- Social time, snack time and raffle time at 7pm
- We dismissed about 7:40pm

Respectfully,
Pauline Issa
Diamond Tread Secretary



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.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST!



Orange County Model A Ford Club

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 12, 2026

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

7:30am-11am

We look forward to seeing you & your Model A's (& other classics)



Adults \$10
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HENRY'S HELPERS



Chuck Mayhew and Barry Beckley helped Larry Ryan remove his engine. It is nice to see Diamond Tread members helping each other out. Good times were had by all!

Photos by
Louise Beckley



2026 Board of Directors

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Vice President	LeRoy Kehret
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Red Hot Sparks Luncheon

When: Tuesday, February 10th
at 11:30 am

Where: B.J.'s Restaurant
11101 183rd Street
Cerritos

Hosted by Pauline Issa

RSVP before Friday, February 6th to
Pauline at (562) 864-5780

All ladies of Diamond Tread
and Whittier Chapters are welcome

*The Red Hot Sparks Meet on the 2nd
Tuesday Of Each Month*

FEBRUARY MILE MARKERS



*Greg Earhart Jr.
Koko Witz
Arthur Babigian
Isabel Valencia
Lisa Miller*

Happy Anniversary

Arnold and Isabella Valencia

HOSPITALITY

*February: Linda Seagroves
March: Wayne Wiedle
April: Pauline Issa
May: Steve Sixt
June: Vicky Bartlett*

TOURS

Garden Grove Little League Opening Day Parade

February 7, 2026 8:00am

Meet at 7:30am - McDonald's parking lot. 6407 E. Spring Street. Long Beach

Destination: 6202 Cerulean in Garden Grove

Orange County Model A Ford Club 63rd Annual Pancake Breakfast

April 12, 2026 7:30am to 11:00am

Meet-up time and location to be determined

Destination: Hart Park, 701 S. Glassell Street in Orange

Breakfast will be served from 7:30am to 11am



They will be serving pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, and coffee. There will be a raffle with many exciting opportunities to win!

Bill Bahr
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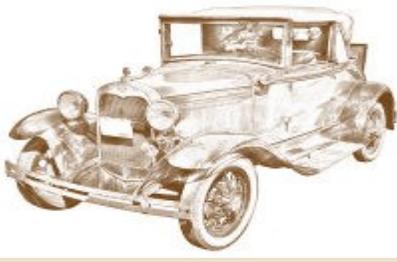
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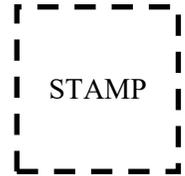

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If not a member consider joining!

Join us on Saturday, July 18, 2026 for the 72nd annual Long Beach Model T Club Swap Meet.

New location for 2026 is the solar panel covered parking area at Cerritos College.

7:00 AM until it is over! .

