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Presidents Message March 2026

“March comes in like a Lion and goes out like a Lamb”

While I will admit to not being good with words and phrases. This 1732 proverb has always spoken to me about this time of year. The obvious example is the change in the weather on the west coast, but also the beginning of spring, the days get longer and have better weather to take out the old car out for a drive. One of the luxuries of living on Southern California is having several weeks from March to June where it's a nice drive with the top down or the windows open while many of our other club charters across the US are still buttoned up until April or May.

So, the question remains. What do you need to get you car back on the road? Have you started it? Charged the batteries? Check the fluids? Tested your tire pressure? These are on my list of projects this week, so I can take a drive while the sun is out and enjoy the sound of the car.

I am still trying to make it to one of the Saturday tours but as for now,

Birthdays and Anniversaries

March Birthdays:

- 1 Jim Gasparo 3/23
- 2 Mark Greenlee 3/20
- 3 Louise Greenlee 3/25
- 4 Jeanette Smith 3/17
- 5 Sue Jacobson 3/7
- 6 Sue King 3/15
- 6 Linda Thamer 3/22
- 7 Peggy Williams 3/14

No Anniversaries

my calendar keeps giving me conflicts with work. It is encouraging to see so many people make it out to some of these gatherings. I do need to lend credit to Mark and Chuck for organizing these trips and finding different and interesting places to meet up, sometimes when only a few people can attend.

A couple of note worthy facts for the month of March:

March 1929 The Cabriolet roadster with roll up windows was introduced.

March 1930 Sales of the Model A reached three million vehicles

March 8th is Daylight savings where we “Spring forward” an Hour

March 1876 The Telephone was Patented

March was named after the planet Mars

MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 4, 2026

The meeting of the Palomar A’s was called to order by President Bill Adams at 7:05 PM with 25 in attendance.

The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag was led by veteran, John Burrel.

PREVIOUS MINUTES – A motion was made by Mark Greenlee to approve the minutes of the January meeting as published in the Reflector and seconded by Roseanne Meyerhoff. Motion passed by those in attendance.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Bruce Furbush reported some outstanding bills along with an update on additional members paying dues. Motion to approve the report and pay the bills was made by Steve DeAmbrogio and seconded by Karen Frazee. Motion passed by those in attendance.

BREAKFAST GET TOGETHER – Mark Greenlee gave the details for the February 18th breakfast at Mariah’s Westwood Restaurant, 1691 Melrose Dr, San Marcos, CA. Please arrive by 8:45 for the 9:00 seating.

SUNSHINE & SORROW – Mark Greenlee shared that Chuck Grabowsky had a heart attack a few days before. Chuck is now home. Ed Simpson was feeling under the weather so missed the meeting but said HI to all. Norm Linek underwent cataract surgery for both eyes. Betty stonebreaker moved to Nashville to be near her son.

MEMBERSHIP – David Frazee listed a few new members taking the total to 50.

TOURS – Chuck Grabowsky and Mark Greenlee took a mini tour down the coast in late January. It was a beautiful day, and they ended up in the LEGO Land Restaurant. Mark also gave details for a February 7th tour with the Temecula group that would travel through Fallbrook and end at the San Luis Ray Bakery. Meet at HWY 76 & 15 Park and Ride. The tour will leave at 9:00 am.

David Frazee handed out a few post cards with information regarding the June 13-18, 2027, MAFCA National Tour, Durango Colorado – Hosted by The Model A Ford Club of Colorado. This will include driving tours to: Aztec Ruins National Monument (New Mexico) – Mesa Verde National Park – The Million Dollar Highway – Pagosa Springs / Wolf Creek Pass/ Also a day on the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, car games, an ice cream social, Model A car display, Hubley derby, welcome and farewell dinners and more. Mike Laurita (Chairman 303-523-5788, Bret Plue (Co-Chairman) 303-503-1632 – amfcatur2027@gmail.com

MISCELLANEOUS – Anthony Lugo thanked Mark Green lee for helping him install 4 tires and tubes on his Model A wheels. Anthony appreciated that Mark knew what to do and had the tools to do it. Maybe not to Indy pit speeds but they got the job done in an hour.

David Frazee reported that the Model A Ford Museum had recently approved our request for 3 new bricks. In the past Reflector, David had included photos of many of the established bricks. Bill Adams added that he just returned from a visit to the Museum and couldn't find any of the existing bricks even after asking staff to help with the hunt. David also indicated he had information regarding membership application to MACA

REFLECTOR REPORT – Barbara Kruegel is refining the new format and distribution for the Reflector. Any complaints, comments or suggestions please send to her.

ENTERTAINMENT – David Frazee awarded the birthday prize to Anthony Lugo and Bruce Parker won the 50/50 drawing.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Submitted by Karla Maxwell, Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS: Save these dates!

Wednesday, March 4th – Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Sunday, April 12th – Orange County Pancake Breakfast. The 63rd annual event will take place at Hart Park, 701 S Glassell Street, Orange. As it is tradition our club tours up on Saturday and spends the night at the Best Western Orange Plaza to be able to get to the park early Sunday morning for better parking to display your cars. There is usually a group touring up on Sunday morning that don't want to go up Saturday. The phone number for the hotel is (714)633-7720. Call early as they book quickly. No registration is needed for this event.

Wednesday, May 6th - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Sunday, May 1-3 – CCRG Jamboree in Bakersfield. The first Jamboree was held in 1993 so this should be the 33rd. Registration is April 30th with the planned activities starting May 1st. Registration forms and information is now on the Bakersfield Model A Club and MAFCA websites. The host hotel is The Marriott Convention Center Hotel, 801 Truxton Ave., Bakersfield 93301, (661)565-9320. The code name to mention when calling is the Bakersfield Model A Club for the group room rate.

Friday, May 22nd-24th - NCRG Roundup in Sonora. NCRG is the oldest regional group starting in 1972 sponsored by the Northwest Regional Model A Group. Events are held at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds, 220 Southgate Drive, Sonora. Go to the Model A Group and MAFCA websites for registration and meeting information.

Sunday, May 31st-June 7th - MAFCA National Convention in Pendleton, Oregon. Registration and meet information are found on the MAFCA website but hotel information will be sent out once they have received your registration. The hotels and events fill up fast so get your registration sent early. The website is www.2026mafcanationalconvention.com.

Wednesday, June 3rd - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, July 1st - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, August 5th - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, September 2nd - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, October 7th - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, November 4th - Business Meeting 7:00 PM, Clubhouse.

Wednesday, December 9th-13th – MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Cincinnati, Ohio. It will be held at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza Hotel, 35 West Fifth Street, Cincinnati. There is no information on the MAFCA website yet.

Saturday, December 12th – Palomar A Club annual Christmas Party at the Hunter Restaurant in Oceanside, 12:00 PM.

Other local events and breakfasts will be included in the calendar as they are scheduled. Meeting dates may be changed as needed if conflicts occur due to holidays or events.

TECH REPORT by Mark Greenlee

Mark emerged us in the care and upkeep of bees. The focus was general hive health plus the actual steps required to harvest the honey. There were specialized tools and very impressive stainless-steel hopper that removed the honey using centrifugal motion. He shared some unique situations that have happened to him over the years. He also said not to panic if encountering a bee swam. He said their goal is not to cause problems but rather to find a safe home for their relocation. We were also surprised to learn that bees steal honey from other hives.

St. Patrick's Day

