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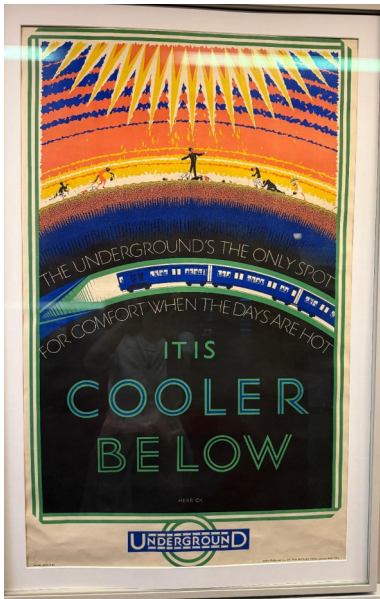
August 2026

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: *Kris Francis*



We have returned from visiting our son in London, which was a much-needed break after a busy July filled with car displays, parades and Hubley racing. Again, many thanks to Ron Niemeyer and Ross Nelson for coordinating these events and Guy & Judith McElroy for opening their home for

Hubley races and a wonderful lunch. It's these club activities outside of the monthly business meetings where we have the opportunity to swap car stories and enjoy the fellowship of others. As a reminder, you are always welcome to join us in your modern car if your "A" (or you) aren't ready for the road.



While in London this past week, one of our activities was visiting the London Transport Museum. The museum detailed how transportation in London progressed through horse-drawn trams to busses and trains. Displayed were many versions of double-decker busses from 1900-1960, but alas, none from the Model A Era. However, an exhibition of Art Deco London Underground Posters was very entertaining and presented views of 1920's life in London. Check out this summertime poster from 1930 advising tube riders that "It is Cooler Below." (My son says that's a lie, as there is no A/C in the underground trains or in the stations and it tends to get steamy!) A winter poster stated the opposite: "It's warmer below" when the days are cold. He verified that claim is accurate. The London Underground can get you everywhere in the city as long as you can decipher the map.

Hope to see you at our August tour of the Montgomery Field Fire Facility. Check out all of the details on Page 4.

Cheers!

UPCOMING EVENTS: *Save these dates!*



Freedom on Wheels

AUGUST

- 8 Tour to Montgomery Field Fire Facility
- 14 Business Meeting—Santee 7 PM
- 29 Christian Rods & Customs Car Show

SEPTEMBER

- 11 Business Meeting—Santee 7 PM
- 12 Poway Parade
- 19 International Model A Day—Julian
- 26 Paradise Valley A's Swap Meet
- 29 Board Meeting

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Santee, CA. 92071**

The San Diego Model A Ford Club was first founded in 1957 by a few dedicated Model A owners. Our purpose is to help preserve the Model A, which was in production by the Ford Motor Company from 1928-1931. Ownership of a Model A is not a requirement for membership in the club. Membership dues are \$30.00 per calendar year. Membership in one of the National Clubs is mandatory (either MARC or MAFCA) and the responsibility of each member. Contact information to join a National Club is listed below:



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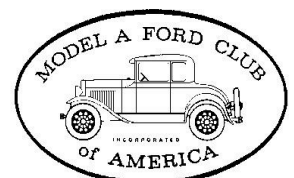
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Dues are \$50.00 per calendar year.

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Website: www.mafca.com
Dues are \$50.00 per calendar year.



General Business Meeting July 10, 2026



The General Business Meeting of the San Diego Model A Ford Club was called to order by President Kris Francis at 7:00 PM on July 10, 2026. U.S. Navy Veteran Victor Figueroa (Machinist Mate) led the Pledge of Allegiance. Zachary Svelling moved that we accept minutes from the June 12, 2026 Meeting as published in Quail Call. Betsy Johnson 2nd, motion passed.

Tours: [Ross Nelson]: Brief slideshow of trout fishing trip to Idaho, Utah and Montana, including petroglyph paintings and Yellowstone National Park. **Upcoming Tours:** **July 11th – Hubley Car Races** at Guy and Judith McElroy's house. **August 8 – Montgomery Fire Fleet Maintenance Facility**, 10am behind the scenes guided tour, lunch at Filipi's Restaurant. **September 19 – International Model A Day in Julian** with Temecula and Poway clubs. Meet at Target 8am. Reserved spot on Main Street in Julian to park cars and enjoy apple pie. **October 3 – Alan Schmitt Tour.** Poway restoration facility, lunch at a winery. **November 13-14 – Cattle Call Rodeo Parade in Brawley with Model T Club.** Meet at 10am Friday Nov 13th, Tour Salvation Mountain. Dinner and Rodeo Friday night. Ross reserved 12 rooms Best Western Main Street \$163/night, trailer cars in, participate in Rodeo Parade on Saturday, attend Rodeo. BBQ brisket dinner.

Parades/Displays: [Ron Niemeyer]. **Past Events:** **June 13 – La Mesa Flag Day Parade:** Delayed 45 minutes because anthem singer was MIA but still fun. **June 18 – Display at Good Samaritan:** 8 Model A's present, nuns enjoyed a ride. **June 21 – Father's Day Display at Shadow Mountain Community Church.** Enjoyed by all. **June 27 – All Ford Picnic.** Guy McElroy won award! **June 28 – Eastlake Village:** 8 Model A's participated. **July 3 – Covenant Village Retirement Community display.** 6 Model A's attended. **July 4 – Alpine Community Center display.** 13 cars showed up! Great turnout! **Upcoming Parades/Displays:** **July 15 – El Cajon Cruise.** 4pm. **July 25 – Pine Valley Parade.** Meet at Target 7am. Ok to throw candy for kiddos. **September 12 Poway Rotary Parade.** More to come.

Treasurer: [Julia Halter for John Weisenseel] Checking account and CD account balances were given as of July 10, 2026. CDs are earning interest! **Income:** \$30 Membership, \$62 Hospitality, \$47 Ways & Means, \$136 Merchandise, \$200 Eastlake Village display, \$200 Good Samaritan display, interest on CDs and checking \$28.47. **Bills paid in June:** \$27.60 nametags, \$40 Ways & Means, \$36.38 Hospitality, \$300 to Lutheran Church for rental of meeting space for 6 months. No new bills presented in John's absence.

Old Business:

4th of July Fireworks & Potluck: [member] Thanked Dave Sohr for graciously hosting club for fireworks display.

Hard Luck Trophy: [Kris Francis] Valarie Basham Hard Luck Trophy awarded to Phil Kowalewski for running out of gas.

Saturday Neighbors: [Kris Francis] Church is still accepting donations of gently used clothing for homeless, adult sizes only.

New Business:

MAYRA Youth Ambassador: [Kris Francis] Ask membership if anyone wanted to assume this role, to encourage youth to join the Model A hobby, attend 1-2 zoom meetings per year, organize one annual youth event. No takers. Also asked if club was interested in donating to MAYRA for annual scholarships. Club declined.

A Speed App for I-phones: [Kris Francis] Presented flyer for app to download if interested

Membership: [Rochelle Svelling] 48 members in attendance tonight with 4 visitors.

2027 Banquet: [Rochelle Svelling] Accepting volunteers for banquet planning committee, first meeting announced soon.

Merchandise [Jennifer Baehr] Not in attendance but has new vendor for tee shirts.

Property: [Jim Taber] Nothing to Report

Defender: [Ray Beardslee] Nothing to Report

Refreshments: [Betsy Johnson] Thanked members for treats and Dave Sohr for bringing flowers. Need sign-ups for coming months.

Webmaster: [Chris Halter] Online signups for tours. Add your info to photo roster on website (voluntary).

Correspondence: [Kathryn Hughes] Not present.

2027 MAFCA National Tour: [John Frazee] June 13-18, 2027. Six day "hub and spoke" tour with 4 driving tours into the Rocky Mountains, includes car games and historic train ride. Deadline for Durango, CO hotel reservations coming soon in August. Encouraged members to register soon if attending, limited hotel space available.

Presentation (in lieu of Technical): [Paul Winchester] Presented slide show of his trip to National Convention in Pendleton Oregon. Patty Winchester and Dave Frazee also attended from club. Total mileage 3,184, including 399 miles at convention. Brief synopsis: Route 66, Mojave Desert, Lone Pine, Bishop, Topaz Lake (snowy conditions), Reno, Lassen National Forest, Burns, Pendleton. Return trip: Colombia River, Bend, Crater Lake, Grants Pass, Fern Canyon, Willits, Golden Gate Bridge, Monterey, Carmel, Big Sur, Carmel, Cambria, San Luis Obispo, Buellton, Malibu and home! Paul recommends everyone have overdrive for safe free-way driving and CB radios to stay in touch. Described unfortunate manhole incident and unfortunate things that happened to David Frazee's car during trip. Fun times!

Ways & Means: [Rochelle Svelling for Tina Weisenseel] Happy winners of raffle items, \$20 Trader Joes gift card for Door Prize.

Membership Drawing Prize [\$10.00]: Danny and Karen Machado received prize. Next month \$10

Closing: Jokes by Ric Bonnorant. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 by Dave Sohr. Ben Taravella 2nd. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, *Julia Halter*

Julia Halter (Recording secretary)

Welcome to those ♪♪Lazy-Hazy-Crazy days ♪♪ of AUGUST

The SDMAFC five-phased **July Tour** on July 11th included a procession with the Model A's through the La Mesa Hills & foothills of Mt Helix, a visit to Mark Williamson's garage/ restoration facility, a tour of Guy McElroy's man cave, a tasty all BBQ lunch including homemade salads and Judith's gourmet cupcakes, and last but not least, the actual Hubley Races. The entire day was planned and executed by Judith & Guy McElroy which was a huge success and WOW! Thank you to all of you who participated.



Club members receiving mileage for this event are: Bieber, Arlyn & Nayola - Crone, Fred - Dainer, Michael & Joan - Francis, Dave & Kris - Franke, Pete - Furbush, Bruce & Rosanne Meyerhoff - McElroy, Guy & Judith - Niemeyer, Ron & Linda - Taravella, Ben & Nina - Valentino, Joe & Susan - Williamson, Mark & Tamara - Winchester, Paul

Club members receiving participation points are: Baehr, Mike & Jenn - Beardslee, Ray & Judy Jo - Figueroa, Victor & Brian - Green, Bob - Halter, Chris & Julie - Hughes, Cliff & Kathryn - Nelson, Ross & Susan Ramsey - Swartwood, Bud - Tuttle, Rodney.

A special "Thank You" goes out to the McElroy's family for jumping in and helping out. If you add the McElroy "staff" of grandson Roman, son Adam, daughter-in-law Andrea, and daughter Lori Ann, there were **a total of 40 people** turned out for this special event.

Here is Kris Francis' account of the day: *"Thanks to Guy & Judith McElroy for planning today's Model A Tour and opening their home for our Annual Hubley Races! We had such a wonderful time: the driving directions were flawless; the food was delicious and the Hubley racing fierce! So great to have the opportunity to visit Mark Williamson to view his shop and car collection along the way. Members who missed today's tour missed a lot! 17 Hubley cars took to the racetrack, with Fred Crone taking top honors and Julie Halter winning the People's Choice award. A very enjoyable day all around!"*



Upcoming Tours:

August 8th – Montgomery Fire Fleet Maintenance Facility – The Model T Club San Diego is also invited to this one, come see our older cousins! We have 19 cars and 27 people signed up so far for Clyde Marion's August tour. If you are still on the fence about this tour, I can still take a few more sign-ups but let me know ASAP so I can adjust the restaurant reservation. Sign-up online, (or) call or text me at 619-938-5609. **We'll meet at the Target parking lot at 08:45** in El Cajon and do a surface street tour to their facility on 8050 Othello Ave. Join in on a behind the scenes guided tour of San Diego's Fire Truck Maintenance Facility in Kearny Mesa. Lunch afterwards at the Filippi's Kearny Villa.

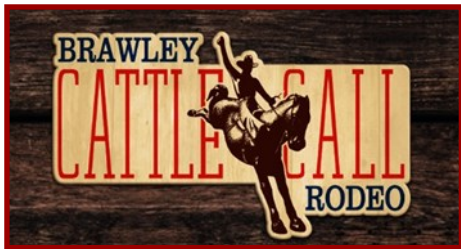
September 19th – International Model A Day in Julian - A Joint Club Venture between the **San Diego Model A Club, Palomar A's, & the Temecula Valley A's** – Help us celebrate International Model A Day by attending this tour to Julian. **San Diego club members will meet 08:00** at our Target El Cajon Meeting point and drive to the second meeting point (approx. 09:30) at Dudley's Bakery in Santa Ysabel where we will meet up with our **North County club members** and our friends from the **Palomar and Temecula Clubs**. After a brief stop and reconnoiter in Santa Ysabel, we will all caravan in the rest of the way into Julian where the Julian Chamber of Commerce is providing reserved parking on Main St for us to display our cars, mingle with the public, and enjoy the local restaurants and shops. Don't miss out! The Chamber of Commerce is also offering welcome bags for the Model A Day participants with coupons and momentums, so please sign up early so I can give them a car count ahead of time.

October Tour TBD – I am postponing the tour to Allan Schmidt's Restoration Facility to early next year. (probably February) Any ideas for a tour for October? LMK

November 13-14 – The 70th Annual Brawley Cattle Call Rodeo & Parade – Trailer in, or drive your “A” to Brawley on Friday morning for this multi-faceted tour that includes a local tour with the A’s, a BBQ brisket dinner, attend the Friday night rodeo, entry into the Cattle Call Rodeo Parade, and lots of good eating along the way. In addition to signing up with our club make sure to take advantage of our group rates and reserve your own room. *(see flyer below for more info)*

Tour Director Ross Nelson

2026 Brawley Cattle Call Rodeo and Parade Weekend November 13-14, 2026.



Howdy y'all, gather 'round and lend an ear!

We've got ourselves a date for this year's **Cattle Call Rodeo Weekend**, so go on and circle it on your calendars.

A joint venture with the Model T Club San Diego. Along with a **local tour** on Friday this rootin'-tootin' weekend offers a brisket dinner on the Rodeo grounds at the **Dirt Floor BBQ**, a night of boot-stompin', dust-flyin' action at the **Friday Night RODEO**, a Saturday morning **Chuck Wagon Breakfast**, and entering our iron carriages into Saturday mornings' **RODEO PARADE**. Last year's posse had themselves a mighty fine time—just ask any of the rowdies who rode along and they'll tell you straight!

Now, start squirrelin' away your **greenbacks** for this year's rodeo admission. The **reserved seat** ticket prices haven't yet been posted, but last year they ran **\$32.49**. We bought 'em in advance so we could all sit together, and if we're fixin' to do that again so I'll **need a head count** & a little **gold dust** up front. More details on that comin'.

We've also wrangled **group rates** at the **Best Western Hotel - 1562 Main Street** in Brawley. The hotel proprietors have kindly agreed to honor last year's prices **@ \$162 a night**. This price includes their complimentary breakfast chow and plenty of trailer parking. Click [**HERE**](#) to stake your claim on a room. Your credit card holds the room; nothin' gets charged to your card 'til you mosey on in at check-in time.

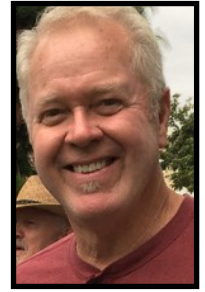
IMPORTANT NOTE:

The hotel reservation defaults to **three nights**, but most of us are only stayin' **one**. Be sure to click **"Edit Your Stay"** to remove Saturday & Sunday night—unless you're hankerin' for an extra night under the desert stars!

Don't get left in the dust on this one, partner....



Another Awesome August 2026



Looking Back Out the Rear Window:

Friday July 3-Covenant Village Parade. 6 A's met in Spring Valley to take the brief ride to Covenant Village for patriotic decorations at the staging site. We paraded along the short route enjoying the cheerful faces of residents and their families on the sidelines. Ron and Linda were privileged to share in celebrating a resident couple 70th anniversary by giving them a ride in the back seat of their '29 Phaeton. That actual day, July 3rd was in fact the couple's wedding day! The couple's family walked along side of us, donning custom T-shirts made for the occasion and shouting "Happy 70th Anniversary to Walt and Ginger and also Happy 250th to our Nation!" Under the shade trees a feast of a lunch followed with dessert and a live band to keep things festive. **Participants: Ed Woodruff, Guy and Judith McElroy, (friends of Guy in their '34 Hotrod), Dave Francis, Betsy Johnson, Ross Nelson and Susan, Ron and Linda Niemeyer.**

Saturday July 4th- The Alpine Community Center Car Display. To compliment Alpines July 4th celebration, 13 A's met at the Alpine Community Center to display our rolling pieces of American history. **Participants: Ed Poffenberger, Paul Palombo, Kris and Dave Francis, Phil Kowalewski, Victor Figueroa, Rod Tuttle, Joann Cordtz, Bill Corson, Howard and Jim Krugel, Arlyn and Nayloa Bieber, Zachary and Rochelle Svelling, Tom and Karen Lazar, Betsy Johnson and Ben Taravella.**



Wednesday July 15th- Downtown "Cajon Cruise." 7 A's made their appearance on the west end of the car show at Orange Ave and Main St. A warm evening kept crowds at less than capacity. Dave Sohr showed up with his '35 pick up loaded with a cooler of welcome icy water bottles! Thanks Dave! Two model T's driven by Janna Laughon and John Chapman joined us on Orange

Ave. **Participants: Ben Taravella, Mark Williamson, Pete Franke, Greg Drilling, Kris and Dave Francis, Guy and Judith McElroy and Ron Niemeyer.** The Car Cruise judges awarded Greg Drilling "The Best 20s-30s Vintage Car. Although this was offered to him, he did not stick around until the award ceremony at 6:30 to receive it. Dave Francis stayed to receive the award instead. Ross Nelson and Dave and Sherill Kelsen participated as well with their moderns.

Saturday July 25th-Pine Valley Parade. Due to the expected very warm weather, we decided to forego this event as a club, but left the opportunity open for individuals who might choose to. **Participants: Paul and Patty Winchester, Patty's son Dan, and their 4-year-old granddaughter.** Paul reported, *"We were the only Model A there. The 4 year old really enjoyed throwing candy to the other kids and wanted to stay to watch the rest of the parade and catch the candy they were throwing. The temp was about 88 when we completed the parade. It was hotter on the way home, but we all had a great time."*

Looking Out the Windshield A-head:

August shows no parades or displays.

Saturday September 12-Poway Rotary Parade

October date TBD-Edgemoor Car Display

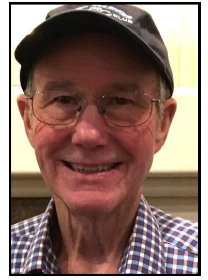
Sunday November 1st-Gaslamp Quarter Fallback Festival Car Display

Wednesday November 11-Veterans Day Parade

Saturday December 12- Pacific Beach Holiday Parade

Ron Niemeyer- VP Parades and Displays

Model A Clutches



August is here and the Grandkids are about to go back to school. I always loved the first day of school; the rest of the year was not always so good. My mother made sure we had new clothes for each school year, so the week or two before the first day we were in town shopping for school clothes. When I got home from school I had to take off my school clothes and put on my regular patched clothes to go and play in. I think I will get myself a new shirt and pants just to re-live those good old days.

I want to talk about clutches for the Model A. There are the standard original ford clutch pressure plates that have adjustments. The original Model A clutch disc is not sold by many retail vendors as most people use the later V8 style clutch disc with the springs. This is the setup most cars have today. A properly installed clutch should last as long as you have the car. They will all work if you drive like the car is 100 years old.



This is an original Model A style clutch pressure plate



This is the original Model A clutch disc



This is the Ford V8 style clutch disc



This is a diaphragm style pressure plate, it is not adjustable

Paul Winchester, Technical 2026

A teenage boy had just passed his driving testand asked his father as to when they could discuss his use of the car.

His father said he'd make a deal with his son, "You bring your grades up from a C to a B average, study your Bible a little and get your hair cut. Then we'll talk about the car" The boy thought about that for a moment, decided he'd settle for the offer and they agreed on it.

After about six weeks his father said, "Son, you've brought your grades up and I've observed that you have been studying your Bible, but I'm disappointed you haven't had your hair cut."

The boy said, "You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that, and I've noticed in my studies of the Bible that Samson had long hair, John the Baptist had long hair, Moses had long hair, and there's even strong evidence that Jesus had long hair."

The father responded, "Did you also notice that they all walked everywhere they went?"

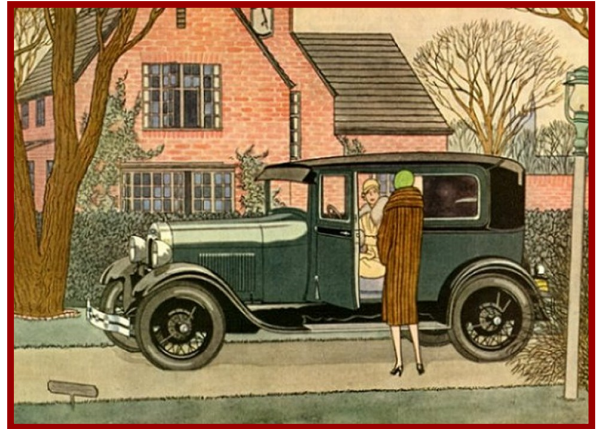
Freedom on Wheels – Women Drivers in the Model A Era

In the 1920s, the automobile became a powerful symbol of independence for women. Accounting for over 20% of all drivers in many areas by the decade's start, female motorists used cars to access employment, escape crowded, dangerous public transit, and embrace modern lifestyles. The rise of the female motorist dramatically reshaped society, fashion, and infrastructure: During this era, the car was far more than a luxury, it was a powerful symbol of mobility and liberation. No longer confined to the domestic sphere or reliant on male drivers, women, often sporting bobbed hair and flapper fashion, took to the driver's seat with confidence.

Automotive Design: Early in the century, women preferred electric cars over gas-powered ones because they lacked heavy manual transmissions and were easier to start. In the 1920s, automakers recognized this demographic and began marketing specifically to women.

Independence and Controversy: Driving gave women immense geographic and social freedom. However, this sparked pushback. In cities like Los Angeles, male-dominated city councils and streetcar operators attempted to restrict women from driving downtown. Despite this, women fought to protect their right to the road.

Fashion Evolution: In the 1920s, women's driving attire transitioned from heavy, all-enveloping gear to chic, practical sportswear. Female motorists wore tailored tweed, wool, or fur-lined coats, and snug cloche hats, leather caps. Leather gloves were essential for gripping the steering wheel and protecting hands from the cold or mechanics of the vehicle.

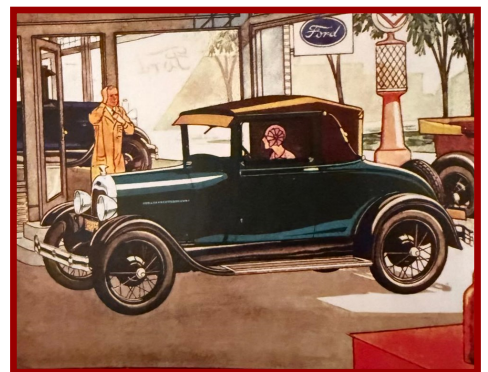


Ford's Model A advertising campaign strategically targeted women by highlighting the vehicle's ease of handling, safety, and mechanical reliability. Ads ran in popular women's magazines like *Vogue* and *Good Housekeeping*, showcasing women driving confidently and emphasizing the car as an accessible, stylish symbol of independence. Ford shifted its advertising away from the strictly utilitarian focus of the Model T, pivoting to an art-deco aesthetic to attract female buyers. The campaigns specifically focused on:

Ease of Handling: Copy from the July 1928 Tudor Sedan ad noted, "Women like the new Ford because it is so safe—so sure—so easy to handle"

Comfort and Aesthetics: Marketing materials touted the car's "smooth riding ease and restful comfort" while visually pairing the vehicles with the latest flapper-era fashions.

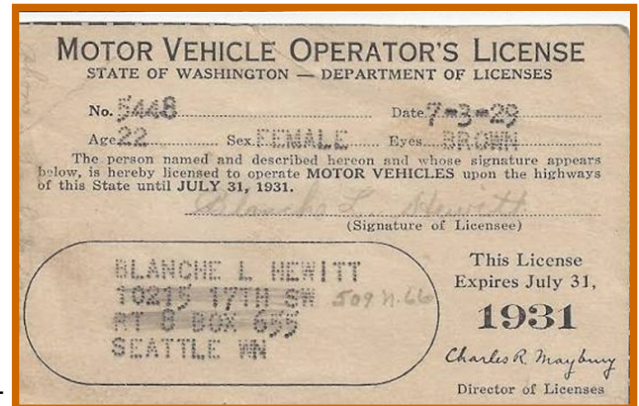
Independence: The Model A was marketed to modern mothers, daughters, and independent women, pitching the car as a reliable way to run errands, drop off children, or travel to leisure activities. Women in the advertising illustrations were pictured at social gatherings, standing outside their vehicle or sometimes driving to their own business. Ad tiles included: "A splendid car for the busy mother" and "Prompt, courteous, Economical Service for the *Woman Motorist*".



Freedom on Wheels – Teenage Drivers in the Model A Era

Created in the 19th century, the driver's license has been the crucible through which all must pass in the quest for liberty.

California, now known for its car culture, started requiring driver's licenses in 1913 and exams in 1927. However, it took several decades for licenses and tests to be adopted by all states. In 1930, only 24 states required a license to drive a car and just 15 states had mandatory driver's exams. South Dakota was the last state to begin issuing licenses (without exams), in 1954. Additionally, a handful of states didn't impose driver's tests until the 1950s, including Alaska (1956), Arizona (1951), Idaho (1951), Illinois (1953), Missouri (1952) and Wisconsin (1956). In 1959, South Dakota became the final state to institute a driver's exam requirement. In 1919, when Henry Ford's native state of Michigan started issuing driver's licenses, he got his first one at age 56!



Most early permits were simple paper documents without photographs, often just stating the driver's name and address. Because federal standards and standardized testing did not exist, many new motorists were taught by family, friends, or automobile salesmen. Drivers Education through high schools didn't come on the scene until the 1930s.



In the 1920s, the modern teenager and youth culture emerged, largely fueled by the rising affordability of vehicles like the Ford Model T. By 1926, the Uniform Vehicle Code recommended setting a minimum driving age of 16, sparking an era of unsupervised mobility for young people. Owning and driving a car gave teenagers unprecedented personal freedom, allowing them to participate in after-school activities, sports, and weekend excursions away from adult supervision.

The single greatest factor that led to the emergence of the independent teenager was the automobile.

Teens enjoyed a freedom from parental supervision unknown to previous generations. The courtship process rapidly evolved into dating. In earlier times, young boys and girls spent their first dates at home. The boy would meet the girl's parents, they would have a sitting in the parlor, followed by dinner with the entire family. Later in the evening, the couple might enjoy a few moments alone on the front porch. After several meetings, they could be lucky enough to be granted permission for an unchaperoned walk through town. The automobile simply shattered these old-fashioned traditions. Dating was removed from the watchful eyes of anxious parents. Teenagers were given privacy, and a sexual revolution swept America. Young Americans were now able to look beyond their own small towns at an enlarged dating pool. Freedom on Wheels!



Upcoming Events

**Annual
Antique Car Swap Meet
Saturday—
September 26, 2026**

**Little League Headquarters
6707 N. Little League Drive
San Bernardino, CA 92407**

20 x 20 Vendor spaces \$35.00

Vendor gates opens Saturday by 6 AM

No overnight parking

No pre-registration & No rain date

Buyers Admission—FREE!

Chairman & Contact person:

Richard—909-658-5914

Event hosted by

Paradise Valley Model A Ford Club



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th
9 AM—2 PM
9400 Campo Road, Spring Valley**

Registration \$35.00

**Register on line by August 9 at
www.CRACSD.COM**

Or on site day of event

**CONTACT INFORMATION:
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2027 MAFCA National Tour Update

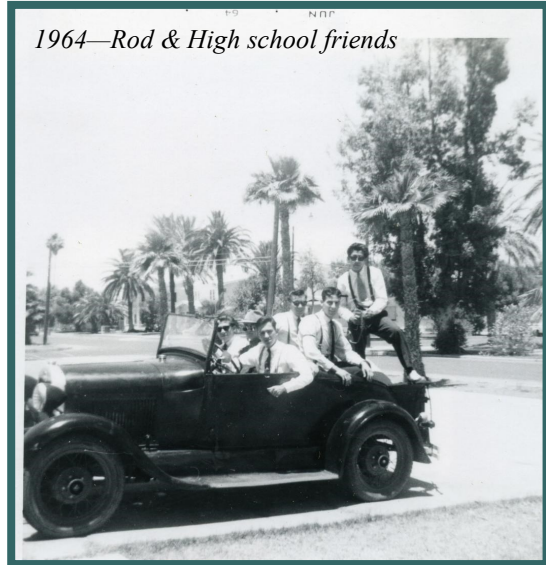
MAFCA announced that they will be opening registration on August 1, 2026 for the Durango Tour to be held June 13-28, 2027. This is an extremely popular tourist destination and there is concern that hotel/motel/campground accommodations will fill up quickly. Keep your eyes open for an email from MAFCA announcing the host hotel and registration. info. **REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 500 PEOPLE!** If you plan on attending, register and book your accommodations ASAP so you don't miss out!

What's in a Name?

Victor & Gloria Figueroa's 1929 Roadster

"Brother Sebastian"

While adorning our cars at Alpine's July 4th Festival, I noticed that Victor Figueroa's car had a plate that read "*Brother Sebastian*". Since I knew that Victor's brother's name was Rod and not Sebastian, I figured that there must be a story here that needed investigating. Victor directed me to speak with his brother Rod Tuttle for the details.



Rod told me that when he was a teenager in the early 60's, his father received this A in lieu of cash for a \$40.00 job he'd performed. Rod stated that it had belonged to a farmer, who had a pick up bed on the back and used the A as a feeder for his goats. Rod cleaned it up some, and it was his high school driver. His grandmother dubbed it "*Brother Sebastian*" after a popular comic strip character who was a spectacled, robed Roman Catholic monk who navigates everyday temptations, spiritual rituals, and minor misadventures with a gentle, clever sense of humor. (Perhaps the Grandmother felt that *Brother Sebastian* would help keep her teenage grandson away from everyday temptations too.)



Years passed and Rod married and had a family. As with many family-owned A's, it enjoyed space in the family garage over the years, running or not. Then one day his wife Guille informed Rod that *Brother Sebastian* had been stolen. Little did Rod know that Guille was the thief, and she had "stolen" *Brother Sebastian* to have it restored for Rod. Imagine his surprise and joy when *Brother Sebastian* returned home in pristine condition!

Several years ago, Rod gifted *Brother Sebastian* to his younger brother, Victor Figueroa. Victor & Gloria Figueroa and Rod Tuttle are a dynamic threesome who love to share *Brother Sebastian* with the community by participating in parades and displays. *Brother Sebastian* was showcased as our "gangster car" at this year's Installation luncheon last January. Here's to the 3 Brothers!

JUST BEING SILLY: Blond Rides Shotgun

Two girls speed down the highway at 90 MPH. "Hey," asked the brunette at the wheel, "Do you see any cops following us?" The blond turns around, "as a matter of fact, I do!" "Damn!" says the brunette. "Does he have his flashers on?" The blond turns around again "Yep. Nope. Yep. Nope. Yep."

Model A Marketplace



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Early 1928 Tudor

Runs, title, low serial #s, re-stored late 70's or early 80s. \$8,500.

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Two 1931 MODEL A's FOR SALE

For sale: A 1931 Model A Roadster and a 1931 Model A Huckster (Wagon). If interested, please contact Michael Joslyn. Call or text for more details at 858-692-6809



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SECOND SATURDAY NEIGHBORS

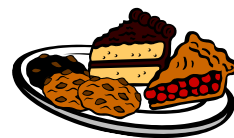
A homeless outreach that partners with Carlton Hills Lutheran Church is looking for gently used adult clothing and shoes for their guests. **Most needed are adult T-shirts, sweats, jackets, jeans, sneakers or boots.** Bring any freshly laundered donations to our monthly Model A club meetings, and we will make sure they are donated. Thank you!



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August Birthdays

- 2 Sue Piper
- 6 Debra Kruegel
- 7 Cyndi Croff
- 8 Tim Hill
- 9 Julie Halter
- 11 Sherrill Kelsen
Cathy Piccus
- 14 Penny Smiley
- 18 Raymond Ganong
- 20 Larry Kaiser
- 25 Jim Kruegel



August Anniversaries

Ed Poffenburger & Anne DiNapol Aug. 16, 1964

Webb & Avalee Smith August 20, 1966

Stan & Judy Boyer August 3, 1968

Mark & Linda Sawyer August 21, 1976

Jim & Cindy Croff August 28, 1976

Tom & Karen Lazar August 20, 1980

Ray & Barbara Miller August 3, 2002



MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

\$10

The July Membership Drawing was \$10.00. **Ka-ren & Danny Machado** were drawn and they were in attendance wearing their name badges. In August the pot returns to \$10.00. Be sure to attend in August and the next winner could be **YOU!**

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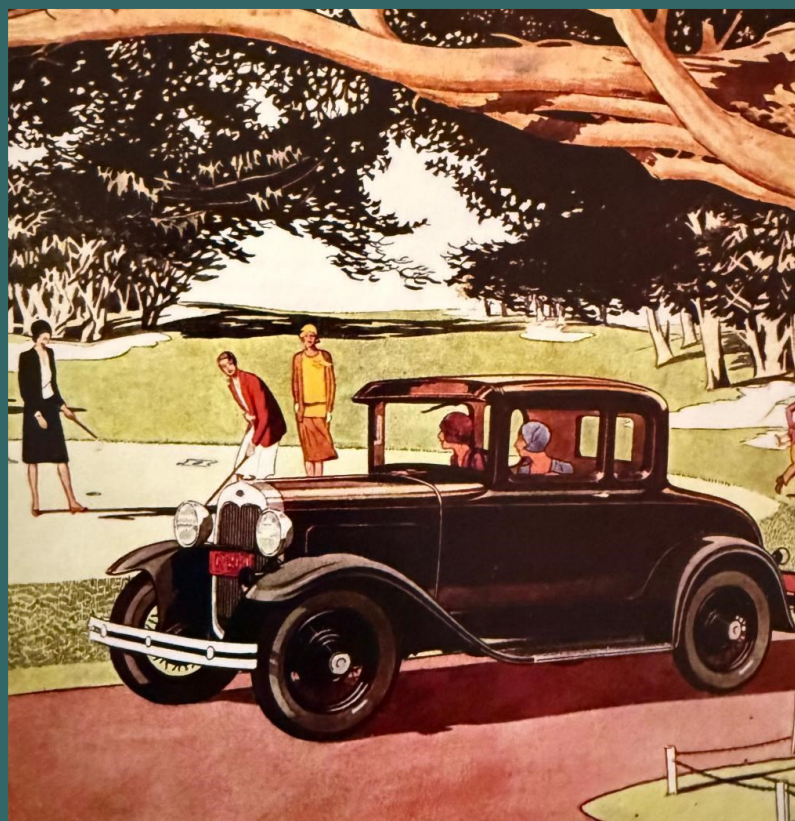
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Advertising the Model A Ford

From the book, Advertising the Model A Ford, we snipped the artwork and information from the advertisement titled "Interrupted Putt".

"Two women in their new Ford Coupe drive by the golf course at the country club. As their caddies watch, three women golfers in the process of lining up their putts interrupt their game to admire the new Ford car."

This ad ran in 13 magazines between March and May 1930.

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