

# Quail Call

**San Diego Model A Ford Club Inc.**  
Celebrating over 50 years of Model A'ing



P.O. BOX 19805 SAN DIEGO, CA. 92159

SEPTEMBER 2015

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Dave Johnson

Well Club, we've almost made it through the hot summer, and hopefully we will see cooler days by the end of October or maybe even Thanksgiving! It looked like it was a nice day at the Chula Vista Harbor Fest at the Bay, cool breezes, good friends and Model A Fords. Thank you Bud Swartwood, for putting together another fun day and taking the helm again at the last general meeting. We were at my niece's wedding up in Fallbrook at The Grand Tradition, which has beautiful grounds, waterfalls, great food and a good place to tour. I was excited to hear that Stan and Judy Boyer are taking us on a tour to The Grand Tradition on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Take it from me, this is a tour not to be missed. I feel as though my 29 Town Sedan has been crying to be driven and feels forgotten. As I write this report, we have been getting the girls rooms ready for college with a new coat of paint and accessories. Dad has taken both girls on separate tours of the SDSU Campus showing them the shortcuts to classes and where their Dad hung out during college. This is another new era of our lives bringing up twin art students, and it is very exciting. I'm looking forward to driving "Chuckie" (my 1929 Town Sedan is named after my Dad, Chuck Johnson) at the International Model A Ford Day tour on September 19<sup>th</sup>. "Chuckie" will also be present that night at the Aztec Football game with the Thunderbird Club at Qualcomm Stadium. It looks like the membership drawing is up to \$40.00 for this month. Remember, you have to be there to have a chance win. I will be there for sure. The hard luck trophy has spent the last month at the Richardson's and will return ready for the next victim, so be sure to check your oil, water and tires before parades and touring. That's about it for this month, so let's keep having fun and having Model 'A' days!!



## **UPCOMING EVENTS:** Mark your calendar

**SEPTEMBER:** 11 Business Meeting 7pm  
19 International Model A Day (morning & early afternoon)  
19 S.D. State Football game (afternoon & evening)  
28 Board Meeting@ Johnson's

**OCTOBER:** 3 Tour to Grand Traditions in Fallbrook  
7 Business Meeting 7 pm San Carlos Rec.  
8-11 Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey PA.  
11 5th Ave. Car Display 11- 4:00 pm  
24 Boo Parade (College Area)

**NOVEMBER:** 8 Fall Back Festival  
13 Business Meeting 7 pm



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### BUSINESS MEETING HELD THE 2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 PM

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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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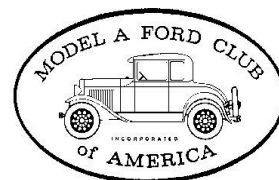
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# GENERAL MEETING OF SAN DIEGO MODEL A FORD CLUB INC.

August 14, 2015



**Call to Order** - The meeting was again opened in due form by our Vice President, Bud Swartwood at 7:00 p.m. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. **President's Report** - Bud Swartwood welcomed one of our new members - Tim Johnson. He reported on ill members - Larry Kaiser recovering from heart valve surgery and Roy Jensen recovering from knee surgery. He also announced the passing of Glen Silvers who had been a member of our club since 2009. Glen will be missed. Bud announced that we had received a thank you note for our donation to the Model A Youth Scholarship Fund.

**Treasurers Report** - Roxy Faust reported there were outstanding bills that needed to be paid for Quail Call, Ways and Means and Refreshments. A motion was made for the bills to be paid. It was seconded and voted upon favorably. The bills were to be paid. **Refreshments** - A sign-up sheet was sent around for members to donate goodies for the next few meetings. Joan Dainer encouraged us to put our names down.

**Ways and Means** - Some new items were available for our drawing to be held later in the meeting - a beautiful set of knives, a Henry Ford tote bag, the first volume of Les Andrews book, The Model A, an assortment of "How to Restore Your Model A" pamphlets and our #1 and beloved Julian apple pie. **Quail Call** - Our hard working Valarie Brasham announced that our dues will be raised from \$40 to \$45 by MARC. MARC is also requesting that we give them our e-mail addresses.

**Parades** - Bud Swartwood put on his second hat and told us about upcoming parades and displays - August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Mt. Helix Anniversary car display, August 22<sup>nd</sup> is the Chula Vista Harbor Fest, September 19<sup>th</sup> is the San Diego State football game, October 11<sup>th</sup> is the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Auto Showcase, October 24<sup>th</sup> is the BOO Parade and November 8<sup>th</sup> is the Fall Back Festival. There are lots of activities to participate in, and we hope you do. Please check the Quail Call for details.

**Tours** - Paul Winchester informed us of the Model A Ford Days event to be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>. It was moved and seconded that our club pay for the International Model A Day patches for those that attend the event. The vote was favorable. It was also moved and seconded that the club pay up to \$400 for sandwiches and drinks for those that attend the event. Again the vote was favorable. More details can be found in the Quail Call. He called on Stan Boyer to tell about an upcoming tour to Fallbrook on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be a walk through the Grand Traditions Gardens followed by lunch at the Garden Café across the street. Next there will be a ride into town to see the scarecrow exhibits and to possibly enjoy some time on your own to walk around the historic downtown area before driving home. Sign up for this fun day!

**Club Apparel** - Patty Winchester again filled in for Betsy Johnson and showed us the new hats that are available to buy this evening. They look great! She also had shirts available to purchase that are on display in the refreshment room. **Fashions** - Judy Jo Beardslee brought her wonderful collection of old hangers. It was amazing how many there were and how different each one was. She did a great job telling us how each of them worked. There were some interesting designs and inventions to see. What a great and unusual collection. Thank you Judy Jo! Have you ever displayed them in the Del Mar Fair? We think you should.

**Membership** - Ed Woodruff introduced our new member and two visitors. He reported that 59 members were present. By the way, we missed you Peggy Dalby! The new member was Tim Johnson - welcome! The visitors were Joseph Norton and Craig Bollinger - we hope you enjoyed the meeting and will join us. We do have a lot of activities and have a lot of fun together! **Technical** - Paul Winchester gave his presentation in place of Arlyn Bieber who was on vacation. Paul gave us his account of trying to locate a very annoying squeal. After taking apart his transmission and going through several other things, he realized that his speedometer was vibrating. Finally putting two and two together the squeal was caused by the speedometer cable. It was in need of lubricating. Problem solved! Lesson learned - look for the simplest things first.

**Drawing** - Roxy Faust's name was drawn for the \$30. She had left early soooo, the amount goes up to \$40. Be sure to come to the meeting, wear your nametag and stay the whole time. Your name may be drawn next!

**Defender** - Ray Beardslee had no new information for us, however, he brought in a great little movie for us to see. It was titled How To Get A Model A. Very cute!

**Joke** - Ric Bonnorant shared some jokes with us that tickled our funny bones. Thanks Ric for making us smile!

**Adjournment** - The meeting was closed by Bud Swartwood at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Boyer, Secretary



## TOURS: Paul Winchester

For August 2015 we did not have a Tour. In July we went to Peterson's in Descanso and I did not get Karen Wittkop's name on the list, so... we had twelve Model A's and Karen gets mileage too, sorry Karen for not writing your name on the list.



Picture from last years event 2014

**Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> 2015** is the **International Model A Ford Days** event, a tour through San Diego ending at the Automobile Museum at Balboa Park. The Club will provide a sandwich lunch (at this writing we are still working on the caterer, we will let you know by the next meeting.) If you have special dietary needs you may want to bring your own lunch. We will meet at the IHOP parking lot in Mission Valley at, 2169 Fenton Pkwy, leaving at 10:00 am for a Tour around metropolitan San Diego, if it is really hot expect to head west toward the water. The sign-up sheet will be at the next meeting, 25 cars have signed up so far. The club has ordered patches for each driver, bring along your folding chairs.



**October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015** is a tour to the "**Grand Traditions**" in Fallbrook, lead by Stan and Judy Boyer. Lunch will be at the "Garden Center Café" nearby. We will be meeting at IHOP parking lot, 9449 Kearny Mesa Rd. off I-15 and Miramar Rd. (old Keith's) leaving at 9:00am. Sign-up sheets will be at the next meeting, 14 cars are signed up so far.

*Editor's Note: I found these pictures on line never been myself but looking forward to it. Sign up at the Sept. meeting*

We are two thirds through this year, 2015. I will not be doing Tours next year, if you would like to help out the club and lead Tours next year please let me or Dave know. YOU are what makes this club fun, take your turn, and lead Tours next year.

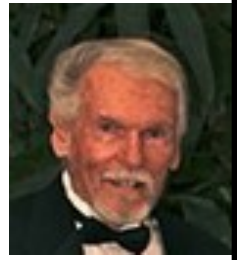


## PARADES & Car Displays: Bud Swartwood

### Completed -----

*Mt Helix Car Display, 8/16.* Thank you **Dan Seeman** for organizing this interesting Event.

*Chula Vista Harbor Fest, 8/22* turned out to be a fun Event. **Don & Joan Minnick** won the Mayor's Choice Award, a good day.



### Coming up -----

**Saturday, September 19** is the **San Diego State Football Game at Qualcomm Stadium** . This Event will follow the International Day celebration. We will be joining with the San Diego Ford Thunderbird Club. Expect a enjoyable experience.

**Sunday, October 11** is the **5th Ave Auto Showcase** . We originally had space for 5 cars, now we can have 10 Model A's. This Event begins at 11AM, ending at 4AM. Check your Club e-mail for final list of participants and staging details.

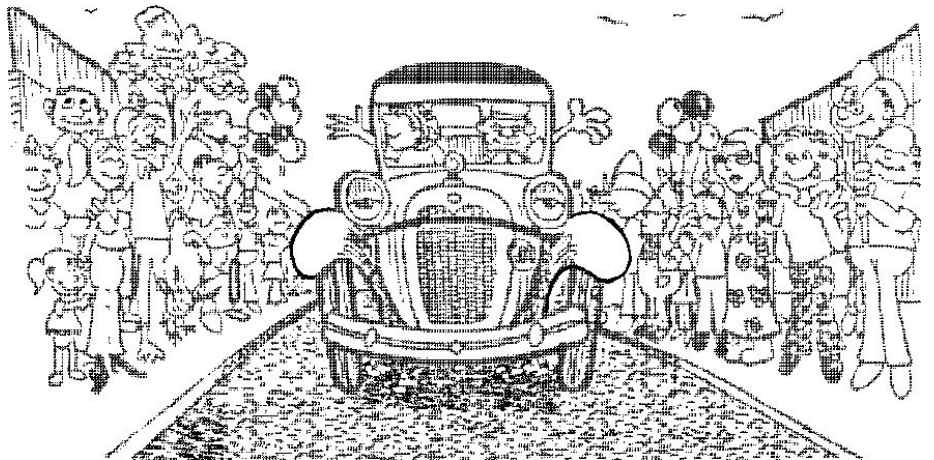
**Saturday, October 24** is the **BOO Parade** , our second time to support this annual Event. Last year we found this Parade to be well organized and fun. Make plans to join us. Meet at the closed Coco's (5550 Lake Murray Blvd. in La Mesa) for an 8:20AM departure.

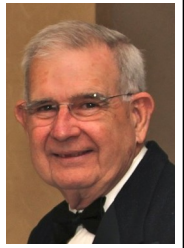
**Sunday, November 8** is the **Fall Back Festival in Downtown San Diego** . Kids of all ages enjoy this opportunity to join in the many varied activities. Event time is 11AM - 4PM. Staging details and location will be provided via the Club e-mail.

The **2015 La Jolla Community and Holiday Parade** is scheduled for **Sunday, December 13**. A new Club Event for our club, **2PM Parade**.

**FYI:** I have not heard from the organizers for the Pacific Beach Holiday Parade. The North Park Holiday Parade committee has yet to verify they will waive their entrance fee.

*Parades are another great way to share our hobby with the community.... Come join us!*

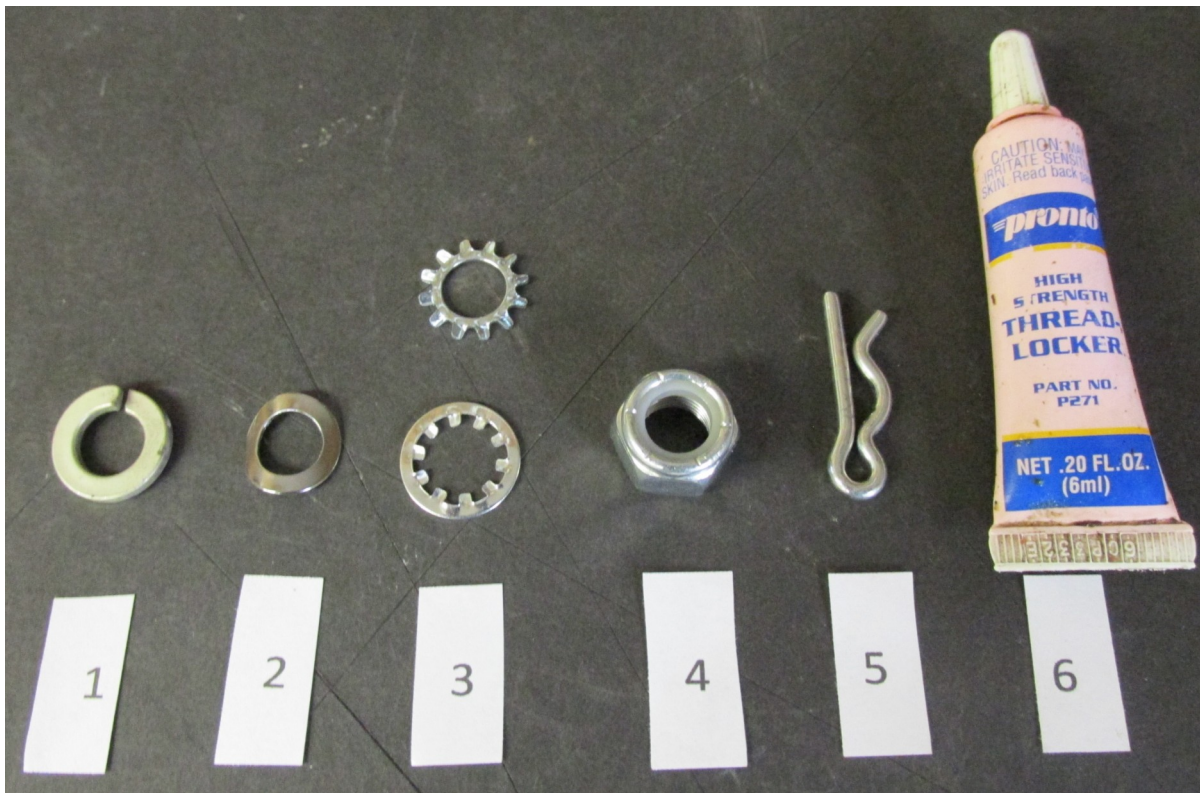




## MODEL A BOLTS TIGHT??

Everyone knows the Model A has a tendency to vibrate which can cause bolts and nuts to lose their tension. Ford knew this was a problem so every nut and bolt on the Model A had either a cotter pin or some type of lock washer. Some of the cotter pins today are made of very stiff steel and nearly impossible to spread the legs especially if they are in a small area. Unless you are building a show car, today you have other options that work just as well and are easier to use. The following are examples of what is available.

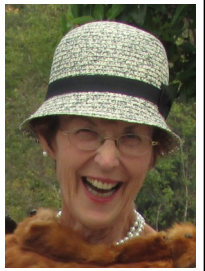
1. The most common is the old fashion lock washer. It is an incomplete circle that has a twist that is flattened when tightened. They are used on most of the nuts and bolts on the frame.
2. A spring washer is made from spring steel with a slight crown or twist. When tightened the crown is flattened and this pressure holds the fastener tight. A spring washer is used between the brake and clutch pedal and also under the windshield knob used to hold the windshield open.
3. Star washers have little fingers that dig into the surface to hold tight. They are made in internal and external styles. These were used under the flat head machine screws holding the door hinge to the body pillar on the some models. Also used under the machine screws holding the gas tank to the firewall on the 30-31 models.
4. Self-locking nuts have a nylon insert to keep the nut from loosening. Remember they can only be used one time. Not originally used on the Model A, however they are useful holding the spring tension on the radiator mounting bolts and springs.
5. A spring clip can be used in place of cotter pins and are easy to remove and can be used several times. They are especially useful on the brake clevis pins.
6. A liquid thread lock can be applied to the threads. Loctite is a popular brand. Loctite makes several different strengths. Most can be broken free with a big enough wrench, however the high strength requires heat to break the bond. This can be used on the camshaft nut and the crank pulley nut. These are two examples of parts that have a tendency to work loose.



Hopefully this information will help you when working on your Model A.  
See you at the September meeting for further information.

## 1909 to 1929-The End of an Era in Fashion

An excerpt from an article on 1920's fashions found on [glamourdaze.com](http://glamourdaze.com)



Had a fashionable Edwardian lady of 1909 hopped on to HG Well's Time Machine and zoomed forward just 20 years, she would have thought she was on an alien planet. Compared to her ruffles and curves and un-powdered face, the girls around her as she strolled down Paris's rue de la Paix, would have seemed emaciated and in desperate need of clothing cover. She would have been amazed by the sheer legs of the 1929 woman, her painted face, her cropped hair, and above all her independent demeanor as she motored about in the amazing horseless carriage – the automobile.

**The Hemline Index Theory – What goes up must come down.** It appeared in the weeks following the Wall Street Crash in October 1929 that the Hemline Index theory by economist George Taylor in 1926 was coming to pass with the unveiling of the *Chatillon-Mouly-Rousse Autumn Collection*, where some outfits (not the entire collection) by designer Jean Patou presented a dramatic drop in hemlines to the ankle and skirts hanging on the natural waist again.



However – Madame Fashion had already been dictating a move to more conservative use of fabrics earlier that year and designers like Jeanne Lanvin and Bernard & Co as well as long forgotten names in fashion such as Jean Michelline, were dropping hems in both day and evening wear to suit a less throwaway culture in fashion houses.

The first Spring collections of 1930 showed a return to the 'feminine' in both fashion and beauty. Female shape was in vogue again as a silent revolution grew among fashion designers, couturiers and stylists. Hair loosened up and waves were becoming softer. The sale of girdles and newer more comfortable shape wear rose as the severe angular lines of 1920's modernism grew less *a la mode*.

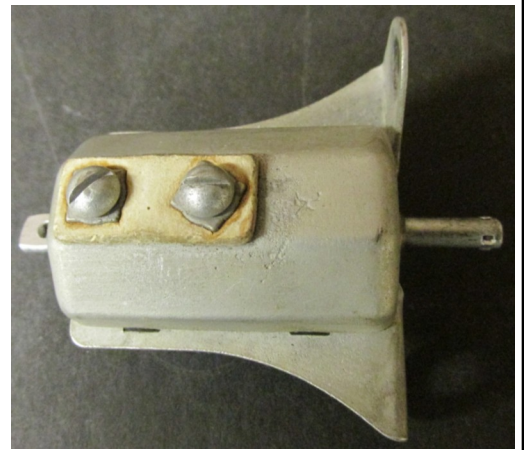
The era of the chic garconne, with her Eton crops and beaded short skirts was over, but we'll never forget her, that vivacious young woman of the 1920's. She lit a fire that has never gone out. It shimmers to this day.



1930's Fashion

**MODEL A MYSTERY PART:** Here is a part used on the Model A. Can you identify the part?

For “bragging rights” send an email to [anbieb@san.rr.com](mailto:anbieb@san.rr.com) with your answer. Your answer may be Ford’s part number, part name or an accurate description. In other words descriptions such as that thingamajig on the back of the car probably won’t win. Good luck! The names of those who correctly identify the part will be placed in a box for a drawing at the September meeting. Remember you must also attend the September meeting to receive the \$10 award. Good luck guessing this month’s mystery part!



**MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB**  
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MARC thanks all those members who have send in their e-mail address. MARC is sending more and more information via web blast and wants all their members to be informed. If you haven’ t yet done that please call Shelia or Peggy at the office or email it to: [modelarestorers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:modelarestorers@sbcglobal.net)

The Board of Directors of MARC have made a difficult decision to raise the MARC Membership dues for 2016. Efforts have been made to reduce operating cost but some of these are out of the hands of the Board Directors. In order to take the club forward and maintain a solid financial future the Dues will be raised for 2016 USA will be \$45.00 and is effective immediately.



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You should have received from MAFCA by way of snail mail, your 2016 membership renewal notice, payable at any time. ( you can pay and shop online at [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com) )

Also in that envelope, were your ballots for the upcoming election of Board Members. Please take the time to read the profiles on those running for the Board of Directors for the 2016-2017 term. Those ballots must be post marked by October 15, 2015 in order to count. Results will be announced at the MAFCA National Awards Banquet on Dec. 5, 2015 in Medford, Oregon. You can find all the information about the upcoming Banquet in the July/August issue of the Restorer Magazine.



## The DASH In Our Lives

**Glen Vernon Silvers**

October 4, 1925—July 20, 2015

Upon receiving news of the passing of fellow club member Glen Silvers I began to ponder something we seldom consider when reading an obituary column, or inscriptions on headstones, or other grave markers. In most cases it will indicate the date of birth, followed by the date the person's physical being left this earth. Those dates are separated by a dash, which indicates their experiences, accomplishments, and thoughtfulness to others, everything about them. Some people's dash is very thin, while others is super thick.

The dash is what we will be remembered by, especially if we are sincere and compassionate to others as we go through life. Over time some folks may forget the dates, however: they will remember the dash content, The real part of a person. I have no doubt the dash associated with Glen will be very thick.

That is the kind of person he was. Bill Corson



**We don't need you in Washington DC**

**OR even SACRAMENTO, CA.**

**for that matter, but**

**WE NEED YOU RIGHT HERE**

**in your local **SAN DIEGO Model A FORD Club****

**Please start thinking what you can do to keep  
this club moving forward in 2016**

**A new slate of OFFICERS will be needed soon!**

**FREE TO GOOD HOME:** Paul Hastie has inventoried the donated Model A Magazines. There are approximately 80 of them. They will be on the kitchen counter at the next meeting. Take as many as you need to complete your collection. They are free. If you would like a copy of the inventory list prior to the meeting, email him at [prhastie@sbcglobal.net](mailto:prhastie@sbcglobal.net).

Have you signed your kids/grandkids up for A-World yet? If not, **WHY NOT?** It's free and it's purpose is to help the next generation interested in Model A's.

Any MAFCA member may request subscriptions for grandkids, children, or other school age youth interested in Model A's.



At the present time the subscription is free. Just mail the child's name, address, age, and year in school to: A-WORLD, C/O MAFCA, 250 South Cypress St., La Habra, CA. 90631-5515 or fax the information to 562-690-7452 or email it to [AWORLDEDITOR@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:AWORLDEDITOR@HOTMAIL.COM)

That's all there is to get this free newsletter started. And hopefully those kids will enjoy reading their newsletter as much as you enjoy reading yours!

**For Sale**

I have a 1929 woody station wagon for sale old restore 1979 fresh H and H motor, rebuilt rear end, 411 gears, will entertain offers send me an email if you are serious buyer [Michael.crews@baesystems.com](mailto:Michael.crews@baesystems.com) phone number 619-977-4388 leave a message and I will call you back

4 White wall tires used only while rebuilding Model A. \$100 each. Mike Hughes 619-807-8689



## LOOKING FOR:

I am looking to buy a Model A Roadster or convertible. I can be reached at 619-804-1769 or [paul@zuckersystems.com](mailto:paul@zuckersystems.com) Paul Zucker

## MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:

Roxy was at the meeting, she did her Treasurer stuff and left at the break. Walter was home on the couch nursing A sore back. Oops, guess whos name was drawn. Sorry Hope you're feeling better Walter. Pot is worth \$40 bucks this month. See you at the September 11th meeting (with your name tag on).

**\$40**

## SUNSHINE & RAINDROPS REPORT

It's been a while since you've seen this column so here's a quick update:

**Larry Kaiser** is getting back on his feet after heart surgery.

**Gene Amy** also had heart surgery and is feeling a little better.

**Carol Thrush** is recuperating after a stay in the hospital, at one point they lost her and thanks to the quick action of the hospital staff they got her back. She is feeling much better and getting stronger every day.

**Roy Jensen** had knee surgery, he send us a picture & message before the last meeting, he sure looked comfy in his hospital bed, he's now home.

**Karen Wittkop** has responded amazingly to her cancer treatment and it's good to see her out in the Model A again & back to the meeting when she isn't working.

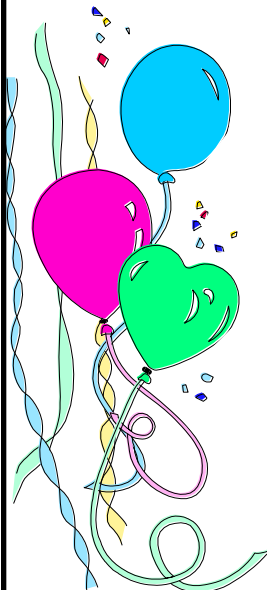
## Refreshments: Shari H. & Joan D.

Joyce Pattersen  
JudyJo Beardslee  
Mary Baker  
Carol Weckman



Thank You!

## September Birthdays



- 1 Maryellen Huhn
- 12 Gail Eicholtz
- 13 JoAnn Edwards
- 17 Lorrie Allingham  
Jeff Huston
- 20 Jessica Novinger
- 22 David Fanning
- 24 Terry Thrush  
Tina Huston  
Ian Bowman
- 25 Bud Swartwood
- 30 Tom Allingham  
Ladd Graham

## September Anniversaries

Larry & Carolyn Kaiser Sept. 17, 1955  
Ron & Joyce Engen Sept. 20, 1958  
Bud & Judy Swartwood Sept. 4, 1966  
Rich & Jobeth Stelzer Sept. 6, 1980  
Tom & Lorrie Allingham Sept. 22, 1984  
Danny & Karen Machado Sept. 18, 1988  
Mike & Lisa Dodge Sept. 1, 2000  
Stan & Mary Baker Sept. 6, 2006  
Paul & Patty Winchester Sept. 29, 2006



## FUN FACT from Gene Amy

Martha Washington's bathing suit had weights sewn into the hem at her ankles to ensure modesty. *Editors Note: I found this picture of the First, First Ladies suit, it really was more like a gown. Yikes!*



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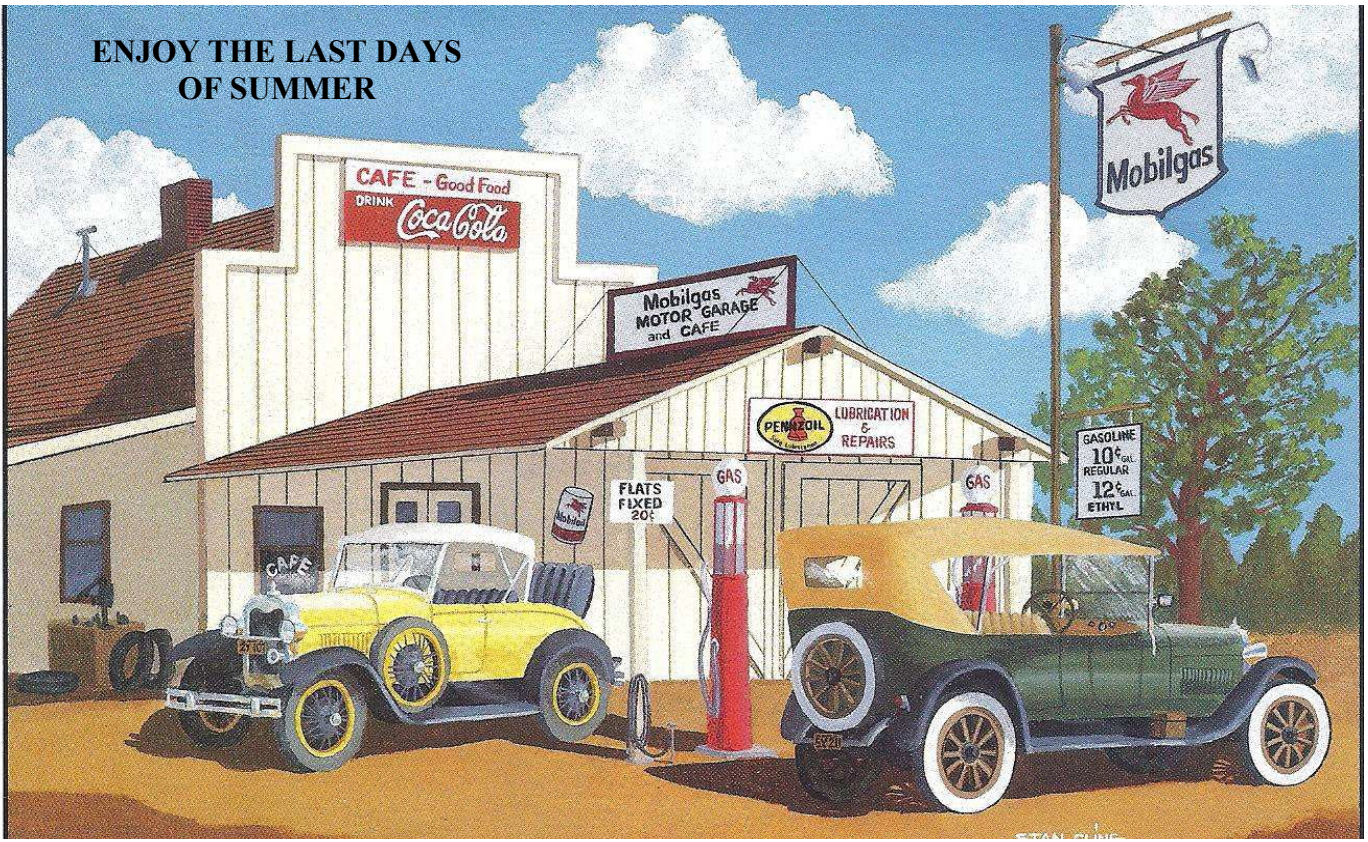
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