



San Diego Model A Ford Club Inc.
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MARCH 2015

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Dave Johnson

Sixty two at the February meeting! Thank you all for a great turnout and your support at the meetings and tours for the Club this year. This month's normal long distance to Laughlin is cancelled -- it looks like indefinitely. That's a bummer because I was going to do the drive this year. So the next long distance is to the Orange County Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 26. I can smell the pancakes already! Don't forget to make your reservation at the Best Western in Orange for Sat night, April 25 for the Pancake Breakfast weekend. This is the motel we have stayed at for several years. Be sure to ask for the \$89 special rate for the club (*Best Western Orange Plaza, 1302 W Chapman Ave, Orange, CA, 714-633-7720*).



It was good to see many of you at the Big Three Swap Meet at Qualcomm Stadium. I hope you had as much success as I did last year. Friday was a day of hunting but not finding much this year, but Betsy scored a nice era image dress at Patty's though, yea! Our member, Ric Bonnarant, receives a big 'Way to Go' for presiding over this year's Swap Meet. Way to go Ric!

Our membership drawing is up to \$40.00 for March, so don't let us draw your name and not be there. There is a Board of Director's meeting on the 29th at Ed & Peggy's home and you all are invited. Remember, the Board welcomes any ideas you may have for events, so let's get our 'A's out and have fun!

UPCOMING EVENTS: Mark your calendar

MARCH:

- 13 Business Meeting 7 pm San Carlos Rec. Center
- 21 Tour to the old Edgemore County Farm (Santee)
- 30 Board Meeting 7 pm @ Ed Woodruff's

APRIL:

- 9-12 MARC Membership Meeting Joliet, IL.
- 10 Business Meeting 7 pm San Carlos Rec.
- 18 Lakeside Parade
- 25 Orange County overnights
- 26 Orange County Pancake Breakfast

- MAY:** 3 All Ford Picnic, Santee Lakes
- 8 Business Meeting 7 pm San Carlos Rec. Center
- 16 Tierrasanta Parade



*Back in the day when we did the St. Patrick's Day parade
 The Machado Boys + 1*

QUAIL CALL

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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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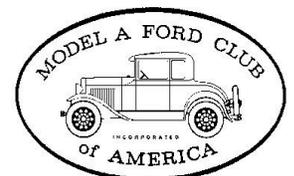
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**GENERAL MEETING OF
SAN DIEGO MODEL A FORD CLUB INC.
February 13, 2015**

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Director Dave Johnson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Report - Dave mentioned that due to Stan Baker's illness, Mary will be unable to do refreshments. Joan Dainer and Shari Hughes have stepped up. Jean Anderson who has audited books for a long time has retired so Lori Schwebke has completed them. Any ideas for web design bring them up.

The January minutes were approved as written in the Quail Call.

Treasurer's Report - The account balances were read. The members voted to pay the bills. Ray Beardslee was concerned about the club monies spent for gifts at the banquet and felt that due to the amount spent, club members should have been told before the expenditure was made and asked for their approval. The question was raised that at what point does the membership get notified. Ray felt that the amount spent was a bit extensive without the approval of the members ahead of time. Carol Weckman made a motion seconded by Ray to give Laurie Schwebke a \$50 gift card for Auditing the books.

Refreshments: Patty Winchester shared the names that went along with the mystery pictures from the banquet. Joan Dainer will notify those signed up to bring refreshments ahead of time by email. If you have no email she will call. Shari Hughes will also be helping with refreshments.

Parades- Bud Swartwood discussed the upcoming Ford Tri-motor plane and car display to be held at Gillespie Field February 26-28 and March 1st. April 18 is the Lakeside Parade and the Eastlake Car Display will be June 14th Bud will continue with his hitch a ride program for anyone who wants a ride to a club activity.

Tours-Paul Winchester mentioned that we are unable to do a tour to Borrego Springs at this time but will try for a future tour there. March tour will be a Santee Historical Tour followed by a picnic lunch. April 25-26 is the Orange County Pancake Breakfast.

Club Apparel: Betsy has a jacket and patches as well as other items to sell. Large white patch pre order only due to cost.

Quail Call-Cost of printing has gone up. Rosters here. First one free, additional rosters \$1.50 each. Pick up your membership card if you didn't receive it.

Membership- 62 members present. Club welcomed Judy Jo's sister Jeannette from Homer, Alaska and welcomed back Glen Silvers

Fashions- Nayola shared some ideas for an inexpensive outfit for men and women.

Technical- Arlyn Bieber presented Paul Winchester \$10.00 for guessing the Mystery Part, a ratchet nut for the crank. He didn't recommend the Evans Coolant. Warrantee of the Model A:Free inspections, change oil, check water level in battery, inspect generator, inspect distributor, inspect all lights, adjust brakes, check shock absorbers. , check tire pressure. Open choke rod about 1/4 turn. Most people open it too much. Very few Model A's have shock absorbers. Oil leaked out and they froze up. Shock absorbers can be rebuilt but it is difficult. Use STP here in California.

Membership Drawing: \$30.00 tonight. The Rothsteins were not here. \$40 in March.

Defender-no report.

New Business- Historian Penny Smiley a hard time getting pictures of events. Please email pix to Dave Sohr.

Joke-Ric provided us with our evening entertainment. He also mentioned the Big Three Swap Meet.

Adjournment-Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm

Respectfully submitted, Joan Minnick,

Acting Secretary for Judy Boyer



TOURS: Paul Winchester

On Saturday February 7th we had a great **Technical Tour** to Tom Hurley's to see his new 1931 AA truck. We took an easy drive through east Jamul to Lyons Valley. I was surprised on how many people had not driven Lyons Valley road. It was the main and only road in Lyons Valley until the mid 1970's when skyline truck trail was built. I banged the mirrors on tree limbs overhanging the road with many a vehicle when I was a teenager. On the way back from Tom's we stopped at a great Burger and Beer place. See Arlyn Bieber's article for details about the technical part of the Tour.



16,649 original miles



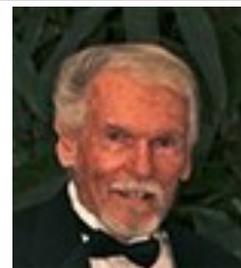
Upcoming Tours:

On **March 21st** we have a **Tour to the old Edgemore County Farm** in Santee, which is now the Santee Historical Building and Museum. After seeing the Museum we will find a place for a picnic lunch. Meeting place is Target in El Cajon on Broadway, leaving at 9:30am.

April is the Orange County Pancake Breakfast. The breakfast is on **Sunday April 26th**, if you drive up on Sunday get there early or the food will all be gone. For those driving up on Saturday and spending the night on **April 25th**, you will need to get a room. Our first choice is the Best Western we are paying \$89 plus tax of \$8.90. (This is the Model A Rate, we were told) Be sure you tell them you are with the Model A Ford Club group. Best Western Orange Plaza, 1302 W Chapman Ave, Orange CA., Motel telephone: (714) 633-7720. Details about a meeting place and departure times will be in the April Quail Call.

**SEE BETSY JOHNSON FOR THE CLUBS NEW JACKETS AND SHIRTS
FOR OUR ORANGE COUNTY PANCAKE BREAKFAST TOUR IN APRIL,
SHE HAS SOMETHINGS IN STOCK OR ORDER IN MARCH, PICK IT UP IN APRIL...**

PARADES & Car Displays: Bud Swartwood



Our first Car Display was the end of February. The Ford Tri-Motor made a stop at Gillespie Field in El Cajon and our Model A's made the Event more significant. Over 20 Club Members signed up to participate. The 1939 Ford Tri-Motor is one of 199 built from 1926 through 1933. This particular plane was number 146 off the assembly line. Passenger service began with Eastern Air Transport, then on to Cubana Airlines in 1930. In 1949 she became a barnstormer, later used by smoke jumpers in 1958. She survived various crop spraying businesses, enjoyed a bit of stardom with Jerry Lewis and "The Family Jewels" comedy show. In 1985 EAA put the Tri-Motor on display after a twelve-year restoration, returning to active flight service in 1991. Only two are still actively flying. Ron Peterson and Gene Amy flew on Thursday. Friday Ed Woodruff, Ray Beardslee, Paul Winchester and Bud Swartwood took advantage of a piece of history that shared the same era as our Model A Fords.



The Club Parade schedule already includes:

Lakeside Parade scheduled for Saturday, April 18th.

The **La Mesa Parade** will be on Saturday, May 30th.

Our opportunity to display our cars at The **Eastlake Center** in Chula Vista is scheduled for Sunday, June 14th.

This year the contribution to our Club will be \$200.00 in response to our providing cars to support this Community Event. Continue to watch your Club e-mail for additional Events to be added as they are scheduled. Please mark your personal calendar and plan to join in the adventure.

The **La Jolla Concours D'Elegance** is scheduled for April 10 - 12. I have received application forms and information. Let me know if you are interested in this Event or need the forms necessary for your personal Entry. At the moment, this is NOT being presented as a Club Event.

The trend toward local Community Parades requesting a fee/donation for Parade Entries is continuing this year. Not only are Municipalities experiencing additional direct costs to put on an Event, they are facing new regulations to insure safety and to deal with legal issues. This has resulted in a request for copies of our forms to insure we are driving a car legally registered in the State of CA. I bring this to your attention so you are aware of our Club Policy to not pay a fee or make a donation to participate in a Community Parade. I find providing copies of car registration and/or a CA Driver's license objectionable. Let me know if you have any comments regarding either of these two issues.



The **"HITCH A RIDE"** for Club parades and car displays continues again this year. If you would like to ride along as a passenger or have room for a passenger in your Model A, let me know or contact a fellow Club Member directly. I hope you will consider being active in the Club outreach for the coming year.



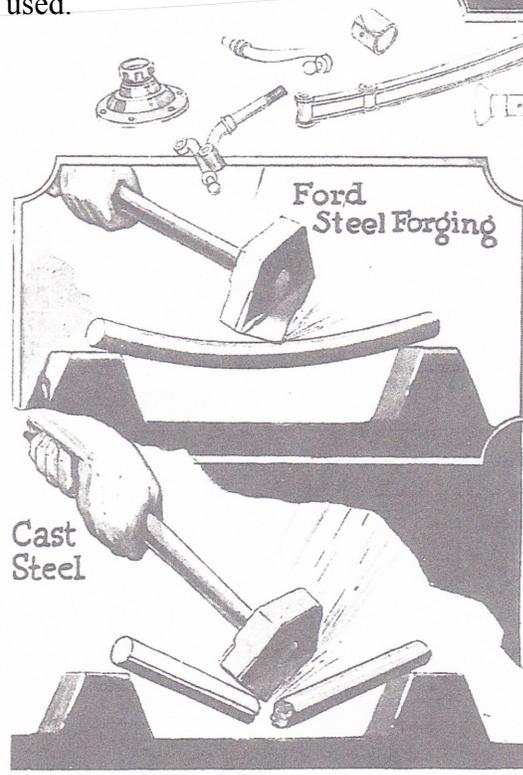
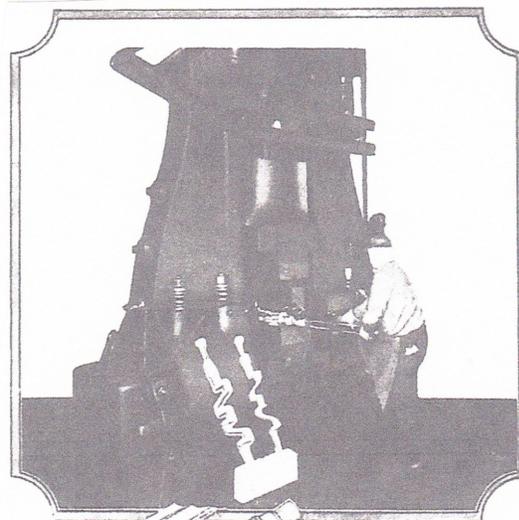


DROP FORGINGS FOR STRENGTH

66 Drop Forgings Used for Maximum Strength with Minimum Weight

The unusually large number of steel forgings used in the Ford forms another striking illustration of the quality of its construction.

These forgings are formed while red hot under powerful, high pressure hammers, bringing strength combined with lightness of construction not to be attained by castings or steel stampings such as are ordinarily used.



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| Gear Shift Lever | Spring Hangers & Perches |
| Differential Housing | Radius Rod Ends |
| Cross Shaft End Lever | |

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 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 February meeting.

Remember you must also attend the February meeting to receive the \$10 award. Good luck guessing this month's mystery part!

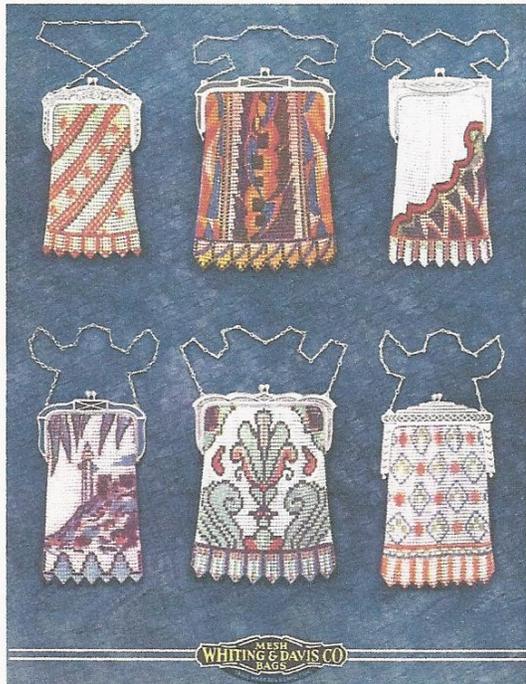




EVENING BAGS

Evening bags of our Era were designed in many styles and fabrics. Most popular were velvet, tapestry, seed pearls, steel beaded and rhinestones. Real gems were often set in the frame or in the clasp. The majority were small to carry the minimum of items and were beautifully lined and “fitted”. **Era evening bags will be featured at the March meeting. Please bring your evening handbag(s) for show and tell.**

Very popular during this Era was the enameled mesh bag; manufactured by many companies and decorated through silk screening accomplished over several days – one color dried for 24 hours before another color was applied. Two types of mesh were used; ring mesh or flat mesh. Ring mesh did not accept color in the same way as flat mesh. The ring (fine) mesh bags, also known as Dresden mesh, had softer hues and a more muted look giving the appearance of watercolor painting; where the flat mesh were painted with vivid patterns in a distinctive design. A metal frame, often beautifully decorated, was secured with a delicate chain used as a handle. Design elements for the exterior were stunning. Nature scenes and geometric designs in bold colors were very popular.



Most prominent was **Whiting & Davis**. In 1929, W&D produced flat, Dresden, and added Beadlite (designed in conjunction with French fashion designer Paul Poiret; what is now referenced as the Poiret Pouch). Beadlite handbags featured Art Deco frames and were lined with a structured silk fabric, giving them a more pouch-like shape.

W&D marked their purses. A “**banner**” shaped mark on the bag frame is from the early 1920’s. The bow shaped mark on the frame was the later 1920’s. The W&D label, sewn in blue, in the lining was from the early 30’s.

A WORD OF CAUTION: if you want an original purse or hat...if it has a “union Label” it is later than our era. Also, it is easy to find bags marked W&D when they really aren’t. And since the W&D bags have been made continually across the decades, you need to be sure it’s as old as you think before paying a high price.



Mandalian mesh bags, sold during our Era, focused on quality more than quantity. These bags used an invention of applying crushed fish scale to the mesh, creating a ‘pearlized mesh’ sold under the name of Lustro-Pearl. Their advertisement stated, “Can be washed with hot water and soft brush without injury to its surface! W&D bought out Mandalian in the early 30’s.



TOP OF THE WORLD TOUR By Bill Corson

Thanks to the Winchesters, Biebers, et.al for another fantastic tour. They just keep getting better. Kudos to Tom Hurley, for hosting the event at his Heavenly eight and a quarter acres. What a view...

Tom has an extensive collection of cars, trucks, and parts, that captured all the club members attention. They were like kids in a candy store. There were so many things to see I nearly suffered whiplash trying to take it all in. Getting there was a big part of the experience. The roads were made for Model A's. (and pack mules), with steep hills and switch-backs that kept drivers on their toes. At one point traffic was stopped while a flock of wild turkeys meandered across the road as if they owned the place. And they probably do.



Going downhill was a challenge when my coupe's brakes began to fade. I considered pulling off the two lane road to let them recover but thought better of it when the only spot was a huge cactus patch. **Ouch!** I don't know about the rest of you but, my "A" talks to me when it is not happy. We have all been taught to listen to your engine. Several times on this trip mine was screaming at me. Do model A's go through menopause?

After taking in the sights at Tom's most of the group went down the hill to Brody's burgers for lunch, topped off with cake and ice cream to celebrate our Fearless Leader's birthday. (Dave professes to be 70 but it was suggested the only way to really know is through carbon dating). Yeh, another recycled joke..... Brody's served delectable food with generous portions. Not like a steak house in San Diego I made the mistake of frequenting where, upon receiving my check the waiter asked how I found my steak? My response. I took my knife, pushed aside 5 peas, and there it was..... Never again...

Once again. Hat's off to everyone involved with this most enjoyable tour.....



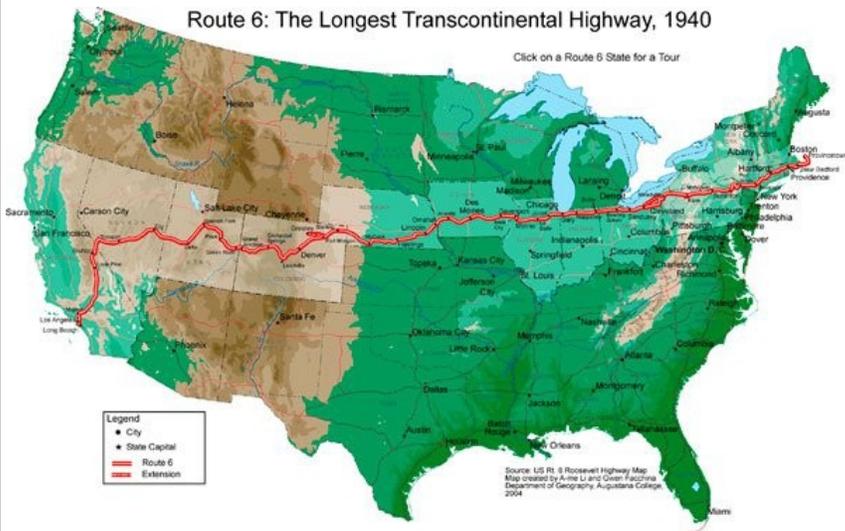
THANKS TOM FOR SHARING YOUR HOMESTEAD WITH THE CLUB

Those driving a Model A on the tour: (24As): Ron Avakian, Valarie Basham, Ray Beardslee, Arlyn & Nayola Bieber, Bob Bowie, Ric & Billie Bonnorant, Bill Corson, David Fanning, Bill & Sue Hansen, Tom Hurley, Roy Jensen, Dave & Betsy Johnson, Gary Karr, Reen Kotas, Steven Levell, Don Minnick, Ron & Joyce Peterson, Richard Potts, Rich & JoBeth Stelzer, Bud & Judy Swartwood, Jim Taber, Mark Williamson, Paul & Patty Winchester, Ed Woodruff

Others participating: Fred & Barbara Dacy, Fred Meyers, Vic & Joyce Patterson, Ed Poffenberger, Mike & Karen Richardson, Vern Schwebke, Dave Sohr, George & Donna Trapnell, Karl Wehrle

U.S ROUTE 6 TRIVIA LONG BEACH, CA. TO PROVINCETOWN, MA.

Submitted by our roving reporter Bill Corson



U.S. Route 6 (US 6), also called the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, a name that honors an American Civil War veterans association, is a main route of the U.S. Highway system. While it currently runs east-northeast from Bishop, California to Provincetown, Massachusetts, the route has been modified several times. The highway's longest routing, from 1936 to 1964, had its Western terminus at Long Beach, California. During this time, US 6 was the longest highway in the country.

The Ford Tri-Motor made a stop at Gillespie Field



WOW!

L KING FOR: Website Designer

The clubs web site was designed back when dinosaurs roamed the earth, (that maybe an exaggeration), but things have changed and we need a new look to go with our new name. Are YOU the person we are looking for, do you have a son/daughter, grandchild, niece/nephew, friend who knows how to design a new webpage for us? If so we'd like to talk to you? Please contact Dave J, Paul W. or Valarie B. Contact numbers can be found on the second page of this issue. Thanks for your help.



Refreshments: Shari Hughes

Make sure you sign up to help with refreshments this year. This months goodies will be provided by:



Betsy Johnson	Karen Richardson
Valarie Basham	Patty Winchester
Barb Dacy	Judy Swartwood
Billie Bonnoront	

NEED A LOCKSMITH??

Tom Hurley recently had a key made for the door handle lock on his AA truck. He had no key so he removed the door handle from the door and took it to LYNN'S LOCKSMITH SERVICE located at 1380 East Main St. in El Cajon. The phone number is 619-447-7332. The locksmith was familiar with the Model A door lock and made keys to fit.

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:

Jennifer & Scott Rothstein's weren't at the February meeting so the pot is growing again. Sorry Jennifer may be next month.

\$40

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



**HAPPY
IRISH
BIRTHDAY**

- 1 Richard Potts
- 3 John Watt
- George Trapnell
- 5 Patty inchester
- 6 John Frazee
- Karen Richardson
- 7 Irvin Thrush
- 8 Larry Withem
- 10 Jane Wehrle
- 12 Scott Rothstein
- 17 Barbara Miller
- 18 Ron Peterson
- 20 Shirley Thrush
- 21 Ginny Ludtke
- 22 Colin Wied
- 23 Jim Taber
- Walt Novinger
- 26 Jim Croff
- 27 Lorrie Ball
- 29 Ric Bonnoront
- Sue Winnett
- 31 Dan Seeman

MARCH Anniversaries

- Roger & Eleanore Phillips
- March 17, 1945
- Wayne & Pamela Lollis
- March 19, 1960
- John & Dianne Frazee
- March 26, 1961
- Larry & Bettie Withem
- March 8, 1981



Rest Your Mind

I know you have been laying awake at night wondering why baby diapers have brand names such as "Luvs", "Huggies," and "Pampers", while undergarments for old people are called "Depends".

Well here is the low down on the whole thing.

When babies crap in their pants, people are still gonna Luv'em, Hug'em and Pamper' em. When old people crap in their pants, it "Depends" on who's in the will!

Glad I got that straightened out so you can rest your mind.



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