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### Rumble Mumble from Arthur

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - July Happenings - 2025-06-01

*"Your time on earth is limited, don't try to age with good grace. Age with mischief, audacity, and a damned good story to tell"*

Summer is in full swing and so far it seems to be cooler than last year. Our two most recent outings, to the Calvary Car Show and Descanso Gardens enjoyed sunny days with no sweltering heat or cars overheating. Our next event, a July 4th BBQ on July 5 at our VP Wade Ratzlaff's home has the same pleasant forecast as the other events.



I'm proud to announce that our Tour Director, Brendan Beatty has a new lady in his life. her name is MAFCA Doll, and man is she! She's all "A" and Brandon has already had her move in with him. This little minx has dated a goodly number of our club members. Some say she is attracted to a forceful Klaxon Horn, others say she's crazy about Double-Clutchers but those of us who know her best know that what she really likes is to be a Wall Flower and hang out at home. Congratulations Brendan!

Attendance at our last two general club meetings and activities has been very light and we always look for new ideas and ways to stimulate your participation. To that end I will be sending a questionnaire to each club member in their email about their participation and views of the club. I ask that each of you respond to that email so that we can more clearly understand how our members feel and let us better tailor our activities and meetings.

Please remember you can contact the A-Team either through the link on our website: [SFValleyModelA.com](http://SFValleyModelA.com) or send an email to [Repairs@SFValleyModelA.com](mailto:Repairs@SFValleyModelA.com). Snacks and refreshments plus reimbursement for any parts needed are on you, The A-Team brings the repairs and good times. Join us won't you.

Finally, be sure you attend our July meeting and the Smokin' Hot presentation that will light a fire under your seat but not to worry because they'll teach us how to squelch those flames—LAFD in the house!

### Instagram

Follow Us on Instagram...

Some of you may know we have an active Instagram account. Instagram has been very popular for searching pictures of interest. Facebook owns Instagram, but Instagram has become increasingly popular over the past several years. The club has an active account, and I encourage you all to follow. Heck, you may enjoy "following" an account that shows all Models A's or classic cars in general. You can literally find anything searched for. If you do join by adding this App to your Smartphone or Tablet, you can follow our clubs account which is "@sfvmodelaclub". Here's some basic instructions to add this App.

- 1.If using a Smartphone or Tablet, open up the App Store (Apple) or Play Store (Android), and search "Instagram".
- 2.Download the App to your smartphone or tablet and create an account.
3. Once created, you can now use the search function to find personal accounts, company accounts, etc.
4. Once you find an account of interest (Family members account or Brand name account), you click "Follow" so that every picture/post they add to their account, will show up in your newsfeed in which you can scroll through.
5. Another popular function to use for finding Model A's for example would be to use a "hashtag" which is the symbol, #. To find all pictures of a Model A that accounts have posted, you could type into the search function something such as #fordmodela or you can type in something like #roadsters, #classicford, #vintagecars, #oldcars, etc. You get the picture! Hope to see you online! You can also find a link on our website <https://sfvalleymodela.com/> under 'Links'

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# TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

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**Thursday, July 10**

6:30 PM

**Board meeting**

Mimi's Restaurant, 19710 Nordhoff Place, Chatsworth All are invited, however comments and remarks are permitted only if on the agenda.

**Saturday July 5**

**Ron Mosher Memorial BBQ, Newhall Hosted by Stacie and Wade Ratzlaff. Starts at 3PM—Bring a chair and a side dish to share. See flyer p.10**

*Please respond to Wade and Stacie if you're going to go - [wratzyx@gmail.com](mailto:wratzyx@gmail.com)*

**Saturday July 19**

**8:30AM**

Meet at Denny's on the corner of Topanga Canyon and Burbank Bl. Trip through Hidden Valley (West Hills) to Camarillo for lunch. After a leisurely drive through some beautiful horse country, we'll wind up in Camarillo for lunch at Café Ficelle. Our return trip will bring us thorough Santa Rosa valley and Simi valley.

**Thursday July 17**

**7:30 PM**

**General Membership Meeting**

Galpin Motors 15505 Roscoe Bl. North Hills

Very special presentation from **Los Angeles City Fire Department** on fire prevention and, in the unfortunate case, extinguishing the flames. Certainly a timely topic. Make sure you're there and bring a friend!

And we'll be having dinner at Galpin's HORSELESS CARRIAGE restaurant around 6PM.



**Most Every Wednesday**—Lunch with the fellas at Lulu's Feel free to join us any Wednesday at Lulu's Restaurant, 16900 Roscoe Bl., Van Nuys at 11AM for master classes in Model A maintenance, marital functioning, world problems (state and local) solving and other general yucks.



**Hey you! yeah, you—** Have you got an idea of a tour that everyone would like (or at least a few??) Do you have a suggestion to spark up our general meetings—be it guest speakers or group activities. President Arthur blew his wad with his trivia game followed by his balloon hats. His bag is EMPTY! He needs your help. If you have any recommendations, offer it (them) to any board members.

## LOOK AHEAD...

**Friday July 4** Ventura Model A Club is participating in the Ojai July 4 parade. If interested contact Brendan.

**Saturday 7/19 71st Annual LB Model T Swap Meet** 500 Lew Davis St. Long Beach Open at 7AM.

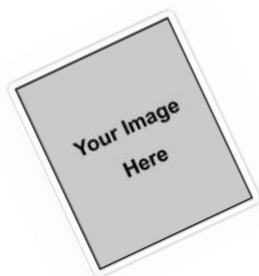
**Saturday 8/9 12th Annual Swap** meet hosted by So Cal Early Ford V-8 Club ; Elks Lodge, Buena Park

**Sat. Sept. 13 International Model A Day.** Activities TBD.

**Sept. 29 to Oct 3 CCRG Grand tour** , Solvang and Santa Barbara

**Sat & Sun 11/ 1&2 Club car show and swap meet** (Set up on Saturday 11/1, event on Sunday 11/2)





# SUNSHINE



Whilst this position remains fallow, several volunteers stepped up to furnish snacks at the meeting for 2025 and nearly all months were filled. ***The volunteer for the July is Mark Sutter.*** With Mark in charge, you can bet it will be aesthetically pleasing and probably structurally sound!

A not so subtle reminder that the July meeting will feature a couple of firefighters from Los Angeles City Fire who will give a red hot presentation on preventing fires in and around the house and how to put them out if they do occur. Don't hesitate to bring a friend for this informative evening!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

7/ 2 Terri Padgett  
7/ 3 Liz Frazee  
7/ 4 Skip Watson  
7/ 9 Jeff Robin  
7/12 Ron Jones  
7/13 Warren Kreis  
7/15 Harry Hirschensohn  
7/16 Jhoe Abejon  
7/22 David Van Elgort  
7/26 Amy Srio  
7/28 Stacie Ratzlaff  
7/30 Lynley Margules



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

7/ 1 Stewart and Catherine Levin  
7/ 1 Norman and Suzanne Goodwin  
7/ 1 Ron and Janet Waters  
7/ 5 Alejandro and Margarita Platon  
7/ 8 Warren and Sharon Kreis  
7/ 8 Stan and Kathy Monheit  
7/22 John and Nadine Bury

*Words of wisdom for your pondering...*

**“The only reason why God created man is because he was disappointed with the monkey.”**

Mark Twain

## From where I sit...

President Arthur recently sent out a questionnaire to the membership querying what they wanted to see in our club. None of the questions are “Gotchas”. Arthur and the board truly want to know if there is something they can try to do to fix the ennui that seems to permeate our club. Arthur and V.P. Wade established the A-Team and have worked on several club members’ cars in order to get them on the road. There was a

suggestion made earlier this year that meetings be moved to Saturday morning's, so people can drive and drive their Model As. That was poo-pooed.

So here's your opportunity to speak up and tell them what you want out of this group. Please take a moment and respond to his questionnaire. Not only for your good, but for the good of club!

***There's a Ford in your past!***

Jim

# ERA FASHIONS

Bob Mackie



Greta Garbo

## Women's wear 1930

Increasingly, women looked to movie stars for fashion inspiration during this period. Hollywood disseminated fashion to the masses and stars like Greta Garbo (Fig. 10), Marlene Dietrich (Fig. 11), and Bette Davis, among others, became some of the first Hollywood style icons. Many women all over the world attempted to emulate their style. Making this a little easier was a rise in makeup and the beauty industry, allowing women to copy their favorite stars at a small cost. Blackman writes:

“Every woman could imitate and buy into, at relatively little cost, the look of her favourite stars, if only through copying their makeup and hairstyles: cinema democratized the empire of fashion by making glamour accessible.”

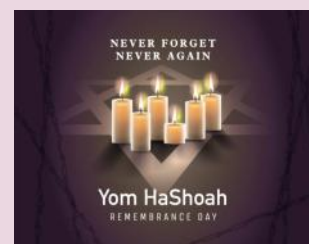
## Henry Ford—Antisemite?

### Public apologies to Jews

After several of his articles were republished by different magazines with remarks and misunderstood, Henry Ford was proclaimed as an enemy of Jewish nation by some of organizations. In order to calm the situation down and to make everything clear, he made an official statement in the American Jewish Year Book (1927). In this statement he explained what exactly happened with those articles of his and how everything happened.

He said: “Had I appreciated even the general nature, to say nothing of the details, of these utterances, I would have forbidden their circulation without a moment's hesitation, because I am fully aware of the virtues of the Jewish people as a whole, of what they and their ancestors have done for civilization and for mankind and toward the development of commerce and industry, of their sobriety and diligence, their benevolence and their unselfish interest in the public welfare.”

And then added: “Those who know me can bear witness that it is not in my nature to inflict insult upon and to occasion pain to anybody, and that it has been my effort to free myself from prejudice. Because of that I frankly confess that I have been greatly shocked as a result of my study and examination of the files of The Dearborn Independent and of the pamphlets entitled ‘The International Jew.’”



## Make sure you say howdy to our newest members



Ron Jones and Michelle  
1931 Coupe

1/25



Drew Lord

1930 Standard Coupe  
1930(?) Closed cab pick-up

3/25



David Hamilton  
1929 Tudor (Fire Chief)  
1930 Tudor

4/25

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*Hello - As you may know My mom (Sandra Norris) passed away in April. I know she hasn't been a member in years, since selling her Model A but I am going through her stuff now and she does have **some hats and dresses** that maybe the club would like, as well as some memorabilia that club members might be interested in. There also might be **some parts in the garage** If someone would like to contact me I would appreciate it.*

Nancy Norris

Contact Nancy at: [lvmyharley@gmail.com](mailto:lvmyharley@gmail.com)



Just some of the stuff Nancy has.

**And from the other side of the valley via Sondra and Steve Kurtz**



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refrigerator /**



# SFV Chapter MAFCA General Meeting Minutes

## June 19, 2025



Judy Hall wins back to back. She says she'll try the hat trick!

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:35PM and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance. President Arthur explained our withdrawal from ACCC, allowing the club to scuttle the idea of raising dues for the near future at least. It seems that dues will be going to \$30 per year, just applying the ACCC fee we collected to the dues.. No pushback.

Membership chair Clark draws tickets and announces Judy Hall winner of the bouquet of flowers (2nd time in a row) and Harvey Jacobs the winner of the cash prize formally known as the Membership drawing.

Harvey wins the pot for just showing up!



Arthur was concocting was not completed by this meeting, and he is apparently going to go a different route, and maybe have it ready for our July meeting. We'll see.

President Arthur holding back tears, explaining MAFCA Doll, but alas 'tis time to say 'Sayonara'.



V.P. Wade was caught in traffic and thus unable to bring us up to date on the A-Team and on the club gear he looking into but confirmed the Barbeque at his and Stacie's house on July 5. A sign up sheet was available. Strats at 3PM. Bring a chair and a side dish to share.

Treasurer Hunter informs us that the club is solvent.

Tours and activities director Brendan posts that besides the BBQ at the Ratzlaff's on July 5, we will have a tour through Hidden

Valley to Camarillo for lunch on July 19.

Arthur made an emotional bestowment of the MAFCA Doll to Brendan Beaty, but not before introducing the club, especially the newer members of the lengthy legacy that the MAFCA Doll has enjoyed with our club. As deep as

Arthur's sorrow over her parting, one could sense the overwhelming joy when Brendan embraced her!



Chris wins 50/50 again. It's not fair! He buys too many tickets!

Member at Large Steve made some choice remarks and editor Jim reminded the club of our Car Show and Swap Meet in November and of a successful Model A Youth campaign for 2025 (19 applicants!)

Steve drew the inning 50/50 ticket and Chris Haynes once again was the winner.

Arthur thanked Jim and Whitney for the refreshments and the meeting was adjourned . 23 members showed up.



Sparks flying as Brendan meets MAFCA Doll! Can it be love??

dan





*Presented by the Los Angeles Police department*

At the “Still Saving Lives” car show on Saturday May 31, who else but Harvey wins the Best in Class trophy for his 1931 Slant window Model A sedan!

Here’s Harvey accepting his trophy from not one but two Rams cheerleaders. He is certainly the thorn between 2 roses.

*Thanks, Bob Sarnelle, for the picture.*

*signs of the Times*

**I just received a ‘Save the Date’ message. I didn’t even know they were an endangered fruit?**

**I made a paper airplane, but it just hovered in one spot like a helicopter. Then I remembered it was stationery.**

**Tiny Tips**  
 From MAFCA Members

From George Beyers, Benton, Arkansas  
 Illustrated by John Pratt, Urbana, Illinois

**Maintaining Your Car Cover**

To prevent your Quail radiator cap from poking holes in the car cover, cut a slit about 1" long in a tennis ball. Poke the beak of the Quail into the slit. No more holes in the cover! Easy and cheap.  
 NOTE: Wear gloves and use a very sharp knife. Tennis balls are tough.

If you have a helpful tip about Model A restoration or maintenance that you'd like to share with MAFCA members, please forward it to the MAFCA Office, 250 S. Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631-5515 or e-mail to: [restorer@mafca.com](mailto:restorer@mafca.com).

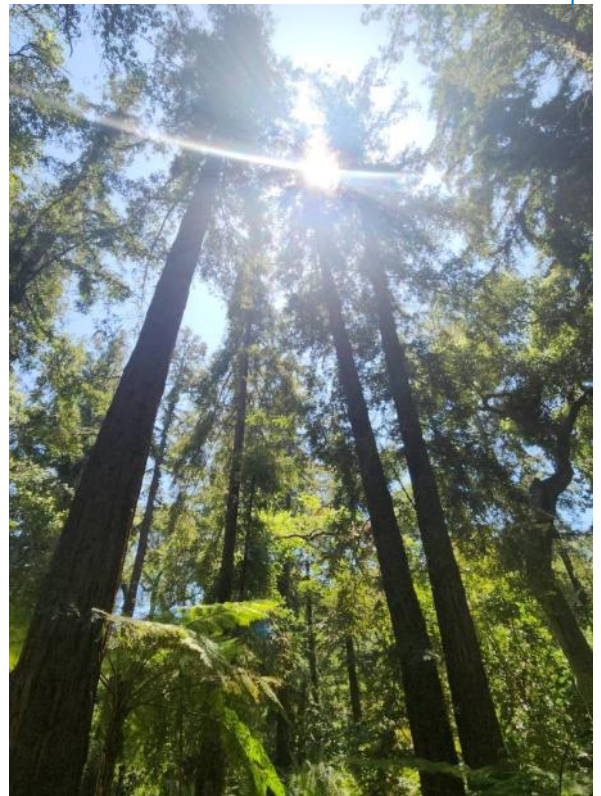
## Descanso gardens

June 21, 2025

On a beautiful June morning, tour director Brendan lead Steve and Sondra Kurtz and some Simi Valley As over to La Canada / Flintridge for a morning at the gorgeous Descanso Gardens.



Upon the completion of the morning in the park, all headed over Montrose for some great ice cream!



## LA City Fire

July 17, 2025



We've invited the Los Angeles City fire department to come and speak to us at our next general meeting, to be held on Thursday July 17 and we can expect Deputy Chief Jaime Moore. Deputy Chief Moore is in charge of the San Fernando Valley and has some family ties to Ford cars (the connection is unknown.)

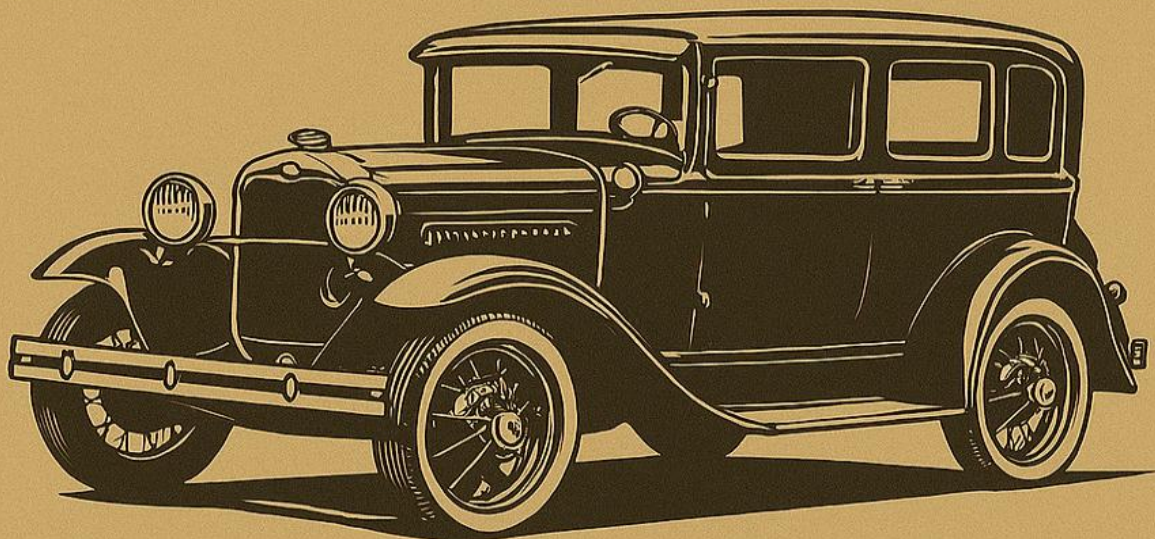
My contact at the LAFD asked what topics we would like addressed and I suggested 1. land-scaped for fire safety (inlight of last January's fires) and 2. garage fire safety (in light of our hobby). So, we're sure that Deputy Chief Moore will come loaded for bear.

We'd sure like a large turnout. Bring a friend and family!



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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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# July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Fellas' lunch at Lulu's.	3	4  Independence day	5 BBQ at Wade and Stacie's in Newhall.
6	7 National Highway Act passed 1955	8	9 Fellas' lunch at Lulu's.	10 Board meeting 6:30 at Mimi's.	11	12
13	14	15	16 Fellas' lunch at Lulu's. OKC gets first parking meter 1935.	17 General meeting with LAFD 7:30.	18	19 Tour through Hidden Valley; lunch in Camarillo.
20	21	22 US Gov't begins civilian gas rationing 1942.	23 Fellas' lunch at Lulu's.	24 Two millionth Model A built 1929.	25	26
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## WHO WE ARE

The San Fernando Valley Model A Club (SFVMAC), a chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA), is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information and parts for enthusiasts of the Model A Ford car, to aid members and other enthusiasts in their efforts to restore and preserve the car in its original likeness. The Rumble Sheet is the newsletter of the SFVMAC, published monthly, January through November. The organization disclaims any liability for the technical information provided herein. The material published are the opinions of the authors and not those of the organization. We invite all those interested in the Model A Ford to join us. Ownership of a Model A Ford is not required. All members must join MAFCA. Membership includes a subscription to the newsletter. Material in the Rumble Sheet may be used in other publications provided that credit is given for the source.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

General Meetings are held at Galpin Motors 15505 Roscoe Blvd., North Hills, CA (just east of the I-405) on the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except in December - No Meeting.