



July 2025

Spoken Wheels

General Meeting

General Meeting –Saturday, July 26th, 10:00am
Church of the Good Sheperd
400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia, CA

**An annual Auto Inspection Day is being organized.
Valley Brake is a possibility for this. Stay tuned!**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS – MEN

MIKE KNIEST – 2
E. J. CALLAHAN – 13
JERRY CLELAND – 17
GEORGE HOTALING – 21
LONNY JOHNSON – 25
SOLI SOLOMON – 28
DENNIS CHAPMAN – 29

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS – WOMEN

ALICE MOUNT – 1
PAM KEHRET – 5
REINA ROGERS – 14
BRIANNA MILLER – 16
SHERI JOHNSON – 22
BETTY SULLIVAN – 26

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

DAN & MICHELLE PAIGE – 1
MARLIN & ELAINE PERRY – 4
MICKEY & BEA FRUCHTER – 6
JOE & SUE GUARRERA – 8
JAY & MARGARET RUSSELL – 9
LARRY & GLORIA METZ – 10
JOE & BARBARA FARINO – 19
MARK & KAREN GOLLHARDT – 19
MICHAEL & BETTY SULLIVAN – 23
DAVID & PATTY LUTZ – 27
RICHARD & SANDRA LOE - 30

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

No June gloom here at our club. In fact, it was all sunshine as we held our 50th Anniversary Gala Celebration at the famous Shakespeare Club in Pasadena. The event went well with great food, drinks and entertainment from the local singing trio, "The



Dino Falabrino

Sugar Sisters." It went so well because it was organized by our entertainment specialist, Janet Beggs. We can't thank her enough and the bartending by Jim Kroeger kept the drinks flowing. It really was a great event.

The men's breakfast gatherings and the ladies' brunch continue to be monthly fun for all.

I need your help and your Model A's help for our really big event scheduled for Sunday August 10th. It's our next anniversary event held at the Elks Club in Pasadena. The event is our ABC day. A is for Model A and we want at least 50 vehicles for our 50th. B is for breakfast in the basement which the Elks sell and serve for \$17.00. C is for car show. Lots of our members and members of many area clubs will be attending. It will start at 8:30am and end at 11am. In reaching our goal of 50 for our 50th please spread the word, invite all Model A enthusiast to come and share in the fun.

As always, take care.

Dino Falabrino



UPCOMING EVENTS

July

- 3 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 4 – Sierra Madre Parade – Application emailed
- 10 -Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 14 - Ladies' Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 17 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 19 – Long Beach Model T Swap Meet – See page 8
- 26 –General Meeting – Church of the Good Shepherd

August

- 7 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 9 –So Cal Early V-8 Ford Swap meet – See page 8
- 10 -ABC DAYS 50 cars on our 50th. See page 3 & 5
- 11 - Ladies' Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 14 -Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 21 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 30 –General Meeting – Church of the Good Shepherd

September

- 4 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 8 - Ladies' Brunch – 11:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 11 -Board meeting – 7pm Church of the Good Shepherd
- 13 - International Model A / Day Club BBQ See page 3
- 18 –Men's Breakfast – 9:00am San Gabriel Airport
- 27 –General Meeting – Church of the Good Shepherd

PEOPLE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Sunshine Report – Get well cards were sent out to Bob Travis, Mickey Fruchter and Jennifer Sandberg. We do send thoughts and prayers out to those who are battling illnesses on an ongoing basis.

Cookie Bringers – Marlin and Elaine Perry provided the donuts for us this month. As always we need volunteers for this monthly task. The club will reimburse you.

Photos and articles provided by Nancy Stancil, Janet Beggs, Randy Harper and others just to name a few.

ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?

As we enjoy our 50th anniversary as a club, we are now on Facebook and sharing with the world what we are doing and who we are. Just search for Santa Anita A's in the Facebook search bar and you'll see all the posts of what's gone on with our club.

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The ladies always look their best in evening wear when out on the town.



<p>Sunday Aug 10 8:30 – 11:00</p> <p>Meet @ 400 W. Colorado Blvd Pasadena</p>	<div data-bbox="586 174 1377 243" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>A – <u>August</u> + All <u>A's</u></p> <p>B – <u>Breakfast</u> in the Basement ♦ \$15</p> <p>C – <u>Car Show</u> ♦ meet at @ PASADENA ELKS LODGE</p> <p>Let's Show The Public 50 Cars For Our 50th Anniversary! <i>coordinated by Mark Hensel</i></p>
<p>Saturday Sept 13 TBD</p> <p>Meet @ 5001 Via De Mansion La Verne</p>	<p>International Model A Ford Day</p> <div data-bbox="589 640 893 858" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1019 640 1252 741" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>@ La Verne Heritage Park details pending</p>
<p>Saturday Oct 18 Noon</p> <p>Meet @ To Be Determined</p>	<div data-bbox="662 892 1297 991" data-label="Section-Header"> <h2>HAPPY FOUNDERS DAY</h2> </div> <p>Celebrate the founding day of the Santa Anita A's 50 years ago with an</p> <div data-bbox="662 1064 1297 1281" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><i>hosted by Richard Anderson</i> Caravan of Cars – details developing</p>
<p>Sunday Dec 20 Noon</p> <p>Meet @ 700 S Almansor St Alhambra</p>	<div data-bbox="634 1398 1325 1600" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Buffet Luncheon @ Almansor Court followed by Installation of New Officers</p>



NEW MEMBERS

Mark and Pamela Muccillo joined on 6/1/2025.

Their cell is 626-831-7916 and their email is markasito@yahoo.com

John Chichester and Vanessa Vogel joined on 6/1/2025.

Their cell is 323-481-6941 and their email is chichest@chapman.edu

Gary Weber is a returning member from 2019.



Frank Galassi is the brother of Dave Galassi who has been a member of our club since 2015. Frank has a 1930 Standard Roadster



LOVELY NEWS BITS

LADIES' BRUNCH 11am

Every second Monday of the month the ladies gather at Annia's Kitchen, 4233 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte, CA. Come join in the fun.



NOT SO LOVELY NEWS BITS

MEN'S BREAKFAST 9am

Club men meet up for great conversation and food twice a month. Join when you can on the 1st and 3rd Thursday for great food and conversations.

Tire kicking starts around 8:30am and food at 9:00am.

San Gabriel Airport's Annia's Kitchen, 4233 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte, CA.

There were mighty slim pickings at the Men's Club Second Breakfast this month but with so much going on and vacations starting up the ones that did come together had a great time and talked about the men that were missing. Come join the fun or get talked about! Your choice!



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was held at Church of The Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Arcadia, CA.

Dino Falabrino brought the meeting to order at 10:04am and conducted the salute to the flag.

The minutes for the May meeting were approved.

Dino thanked Elaine and Marlin Perry for providing the donuts this month. He also encouraged members to sign the sign up sheet at the back of the room for others months. Members are reimbursed for the donuts.

New member Frank Galassi from San Gabriel was present. He has a black standard roadster and is the brother of Dave who is also in the club. Also present was Gary Webber who has rejoined the club after a 10-year absence.

Dino thanked Janet Beggs for organizing the 50th Anniversary Gala that was held at the Shakespeare Club. He also mentioned how honored those present were of the founding members from 1975 Elaine and Marlin Perry as well as Brad Balmont were in attendance.

Dino mentioned that Joe Farino will be sending out a reminder email to all those participating in the Sierra Madre 4th of July Parade. The meeting place is Sierra Donuts at 3837 East Sierra Blvd. around 8:30 and drive to the staging area together. The Parade starts at 10:00.

Dino thanked Isaac Ramos for his work on our Facebook page and encouraged members to check it out.

Dino said the speaker had canceled at the last minute. Also, it was told that Mickey had taken a bad fall and has a concussion, which explained them missing the meeting.

Dino reminded all members of the 2 men's breakfast and the ladies' brunch. Isaac attended his first and was pleasantly surprised at the turnout.

Prize Money Winners are as follows:
Susan Rummens, Elaine Perry, Elaine Perry
And you guessed it, Elaine Perry

Raffle Winners are as follows:
Susan Rummens – Wore club clothing
Olive Moore – Wore a name badge
Randy Harper – Drove a Model A
Respectfully submitted, Warwick Nethercoat

50 MODEL A'S FOR OUR 50TH



We have been promoting the August 10th car show at the Pasadena Elks Lodge and getting a good response from our members and from outside clubs.

“ 50 A's for 50 years”

That's our goal. We've reached out to all the club presidents and newsletter editors from Conejo to Orange County. We've also been attending local parades and events and inviting every Model A we see.

Fifteen Santa Anita A's cars have signed up already. Will we make our goal? Will you help us make it?

The Elks have a great chef and a good breakfast is available for purchase. \$17.00 and RSVP is recommended so they know how much food to have on hand. Contact our Activities Director Janet Beggs at janetbeggs17@outlook.com or questions can be directed to Jim Kroeger at 626-710-6592.

SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH, 2025

8:30 TO 11:00 AM

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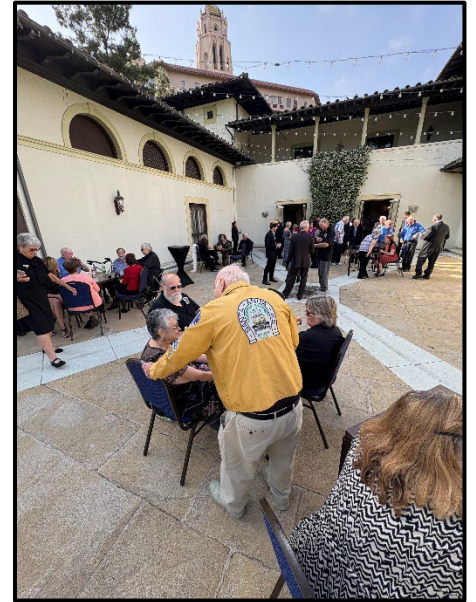
PRESERVING HISTORY

If you have relevant pictures, videos, audios, etc. please contact Scott Doudrick at 626-437-0947 or email to 1939mars@gmail.com

Scott is making slide shows to have at our monthly meetings for our viewing pleasure. With so many things lost in the fires it's become very important to preserve all the history we can.



Cocktails on the Terrace. Dinner in the Ballroom. Vintage Entertainment by the Sugar Sisters.



We had a wonderful time at our 50th Gala Event at the Shakespeare Club Ballroom in Pasadena, CA on Saturday June 12th.

Around 50 members gathered to reflect on our past, celebrate our present and look forward to our future as a Model A Club.

Janet Beggs again put together a very elegant setting for us to enjoy one another along with great food and entertainment. We know what goes into the planning and execution of putting an event like this together and with the help of her Jim K. it turned out perfect. Again, we as a club and I personally thank you both.

Dennis Chapman



Grand Canyon/Route 66 Tour October 5-13, 2025



Southern California Regional Group

The SCRG would like to invite you on a fall tour, guaranteed for adventure. We will be meeting up with a group going from Chicago to Santa Monica and seeing sites in our own backyard that most of us have never seen before. You'll need to make your own hotel reservations, but mention that you will be on the Model A Tour in case a discount has been arranged at that hotel.

October 5th, Arrive at the SureStay Plus by Best Western, 71487 Twentynine Palms Hwy Twentynine Palms (760) 367-9141 total w tax \$113. To see the stars, we'll visit Sky's the Limit Observatory and Nature Center 9697 Utah Trail just outside Joshua Tree National Park. Bring chairs and blankets. \$10 donation per vehicle.

October 6th, Take Highway 62 to AZ highway 95 north to the London Bridge at Lake Havasu for lunch, then back into California on Highway 40 and north on the Needles Highway, to end after 219 miles at Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort 1650 S Casino Dr, Laughlin, NV (800) 227-3849 total w. tax \$94

October 7th & 8th, Take Highway 68 to the 93 to I-40 to Williams, 148 miles to Grand Canyon Railway and Hotel 235 N Grand Canyon Blvd, Williams (928) 635-4010 Grand Canyon Railway Tickets \$70 round trip each – park entry which is not included \$17.50 for single time entry for each adult. Lifetime National Parks military pass \$20, Senior (62+) "America the Beautiful" lifetime pass \$90 bought online incl. fees, potentially takes longer than two weeks to arrive by mail. This pass can also allow you to Total for two days of standard room for two, train to and from park, and entrance fee totals \$708 including tax. This does not include south rim bus tour. Bus tours are available for all along the south rim between train arrivals and departures which cost \$47.50 per without lunch and \$67.50 with lunch.

October 9th, Join the Route 66 tour and drive 115 miles on Route 66 to El Trovatore Motel, 1440 E Andy Devine Ave, Kingman, AZ (928) 753-6520 \$99

October 10th, Leave Kingman to visit Oatman, and Topock (population 2) after 68 miles end at Best Western Colorado River Inn 2371 Needles Hwy, Needles (760) 326-4552 \$138

October 11th, Visit lots of towns you've never been to while driving 150 miles to Quality Inn on Historic Route 66, 1520 E Main St, Barstow (760) 307-8003 \$95

October 12th, Hotel MdR 13480 Maxella Avenue, Marina del Rey (310) 822-8555 \$250 about \$280 incl breakfast

October 13th The Santa Anita club has invited us to meet them for lunch on the 13th at the Legends 1155 E., Route 66, Glendora and some of them will drive with us to the pier.

To register, fill out this form & send it and send a check for \$20 made out to SCRG to 107 Wilton Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90004

Name _____ Additional Adult _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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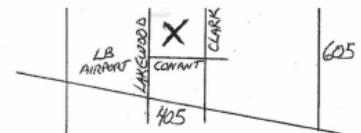
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We encourage our SAA's members to also participate in the MAFCA organization. Check out their website. It contains a wide variety of information about the organization, activities, technical references and instructions on how to join the organization.
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