



THE RUMBLE SHEET

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Hello SFV Model A Members,

Well, folks, it's getting to be that time of year again. Just like changing the oil, greasing the fittings, and checking the water before a long tour, there are a few things the club needs to take care of before we roll into 2027. And one of the biggest items on the maintenance list is this: the San Fernando Valley Model A Ford Club needs a President. Could that person be you? Before you crawl underneath the car and pretend you didn't hear me, give it some serious thought. Maybe you've considered serving on the Board. Maybe you have some new ideas, a little fresh horsepower, or simply want to help keep this old club motoring down the road. If so, now is the time to raise your hand.

A Little Election Maintenance

According to our by-laws, nominees need to be presented to the membership at the October meeting, so we need to start getting names together now. Any club member 18 years of age or older is eligible to run for the Board of Directors. Board members serve two-year terms.

The positions up for election this year are:

President

Tour Director

Membership Director

Treasurer

If we have more candidates than available positions, we'll do things the old-fashioned democratic way—without a timing light or compression gauge—and let the membership decide on the November ballot.

Want to Throw Your Hat in the Ring?

If you're interested in serving in any of these positions, please let any Board member know. Or, if you'd rather go straight to the guy currently holding the wrench, give me a call at 661-373-3721.

We need people willing to help keep this club running smoothly. You don't have to know everything, you don't need a freshly restored Model A, and you certainly don't need to know the proper torque specification for every nut and bolt. You just need to care about the club and be willing to pitch in.

Now that the club business is out of the way, I hope everyone has been enjoying our sunny California summer and putting some miles on their Model A. If your "A" has been sitting in the garage collecting dust, September is a mighty good month to wake it up. Check the oil, put some water in the radiator, give the tires a kick for good measure, and head down the road. There's still plenty of good driving weather ahead and enough time for another drive -or two, or three, or maybe enough that your neighbors begin wondering if you still live there. As Paul Shinn likes to say: "Your Model A will enjoy it too." So, get that old Ford out of the garage and make a few memories. After all, Henry built them to be driven, not to spend their retirement underneath a car cover.

Have an "A" Day, and may you have an "A" Day all through the month of September.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of being your President.

Wade Ratzlaff

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WEB GEEK

Joint venture

Wade Ratzlaff

Hunter Bloch

and a whole bunch of demons!





TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Brendan Beatty

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Thursday September 10

6:30 PM



Board meeting

Mimi's Restaurant, 19710 Nordhoff Place, Chatsworth

All are invited,

Saturday September 5

Breakfast and Scuttlebutt

Mama's Table

23340 Cinema Drive

Santa Clarita

Saturday September 19:

Tour to Filmore to meet Filmore classic car group, Meet 7 AM to meet at 8 AM in Filmore, corner Ventura St/E St
Picnic with Ventura Model A's in Carpinteria 11 AM – 2 PM, (Flyer on page 9)

Thursday September 17

7:30 PM

General Membership Meeting

Galpin Motors 15505 Roscoe Bl. North Hills

We'll be doing nominations for the 2027 board and Ed Tolman will come to address the club. Ed is running for the board of MAFCA. Join us for dinner around 6PM in the Horseless Carriage restaurant at Galpin.

A look ahead...

October 3 & 4

Club car show and swap meet at the Nethercutt Museum. Set up Saturday afternoon at 1 PM. Event on Sunday from 6AM to 1PM



SUNSHINE

Refreshments for the September meeting will be furnished by Whitney and Jim Lank. If you have any special requests, don't hesitate to call at 1-800- BITEMEE.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/ 3 Jay Russell
9/ 7 Jan Neice
9/ 8 Kathleen Smith
9/11 Stan Monheit
9/12 Dennis Neice
9/13 Lisa Conner
9/15 Heidi Van Elgort
9/17 Victor Lerma
9/18 Sondra Kurtz
9/18 Mark Sutter
9/20 Stewart Levin
9/20 Hank Frazee
9/21 Catherine Levin
9/26 Connie Jennings
9/28 Christopher McCabe

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9/ 2 Ben & Carol Hoskins
9/ 4 Dennis & Jan Neice
9/ 5 Larry & Virginia Keene
9/15 Jeff & Yolanda Robin

Words of wisdom for your pondering

A lie can travel halfway around the world while truth is putting on its shoes.

Mark Twain

From where I sit... I've known since early this year, like maybe January, that Microsoft Publisher was going away. Microsoft started touting the change last year so there shouldn't have been any surprises. I also use MS Publisher for our church bulletin, so that light in the tunnel is not the exit, but a locomotive approaching! Finally, this month I decided to give Microsoft Word a shot, and not Publisher. Wowzers! What you're seeing is a labor of LUV! Figuring out there can't be that much difference, I nonetheless started the process on Friday night. I believe that an engineer from Apple did the Publisher and a skilled Asian put the Word together and that that same Asian then wrote the *help* manual. Shortcuts I was very familiar with in Publisher were nonexistent in Word. So, here's the labor of 5 days of migration from Publisher to Word. Takeaways- in Publisher Text/ Draw boxes are everything, in Word, they are a bane! In Pub, select a picture and put it anywhere you want. In Word, you need dispensation from the Pope or higher to place a picture. But after six heart wrenching days, I present the September RUMBLE SHEET. Please, PLEASE enjoy it! Oh yeah, don't forget about the Car Show / Swap Meet on October 4! Cars and help are needed.

There's a Ford in your past!

Jim

Make sure you say howdy to our newest members...



Marilyn Nebe & Richard Osmund
1928 A/R Roadster
11/25



Vuvic Marijan
1931 Sport Coupe
11/25



Howard Levine
1930 5 Window Coupe



Boe Yeager
1928 Tudor
1931 Coupe
1931 Deluxe Phaeton
1931 Sport Coupe

Hey, if you are a newish member and don't have your picture here, seek me out (Jim Lank) at the next meeting and we'll get that corrected pronto!

Bumper s

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**Model A Ford Club of America
Membership Application**

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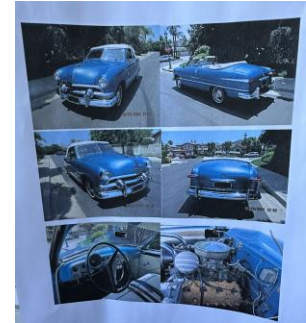
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CLASSIFIED ADS

Long time members and past tours directors, Harvey and Roberta Jacobs are selling their beautiful 51 Ford Convertible Custom Coupe. Equipped with a flat head V8 (Model # 8BA engine), four barrel carburetor and manifold, mechanical and electric fuel pump, 6V alternator (positive ground), electronic distributor (points), aluminum radiator with electric cooling fan, electric power cut off switch, dual exhaust with chrome tips; three speed manual on the column with overdrive;; white and blue vinyl seats and door panels, 6 seat lap belts, working heater but radio and clock (NOS) not working, day and night rearview mirror, secondary additional gauges : temp, volt and oil pressure. Painted dark blue metallic with all chrome and stainless, hubcaps and wheel rings in good condition. White wall tires (including spare).



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signs of the Times

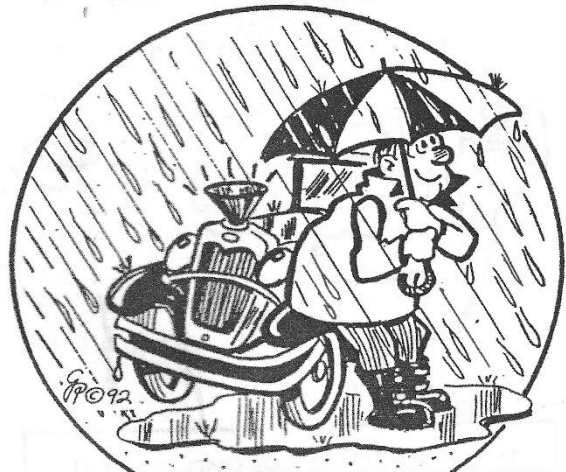


I got new glasses with anti-glare lenses but I'm looking at my wife right now and, boy, they clearly do not work

Chad Sexton

TINY TIPS

HENRY "A" SEZ...



COLLECT SOME WATER FROM THE NEXT RAINSTORM. IT'S MINERAL FREE AND GOOD FOR YOUR RADIATOR!

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 20, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:35PM. We faced the flag, put our hands over our hearts and we recited the President Wade, reminding all that this was the Ice Cream Social evening, hence there was no agenda as such.

Treasurer Hunter reported a **FAT** bank account but immediately stemmed the glee by reminding all that expenses had not been paid out of the income forthcoming from the car show / swap meet. He announced that we'd sold over 130 spaces for cars and nearly 9 spaces for the swap meet, but we know that the 'day of' sign-ups are strong.

Tour and Activities guru, Brendan, got up and spoke of upcoming events of which he warned us were still a bit fluid.

Come on, Russ, pretend you're happy.



Sorry, Clark. That won't do for an anniversary gift!

Membership Clark made some folks happy when he announced that Robin Pomeroy won the Ladies' Only nosegay. (Note to Clark- that will not suffice for your anniversary gift!) And Russ Buelna walked away \$20 to the good winning the Members' Only drawing.

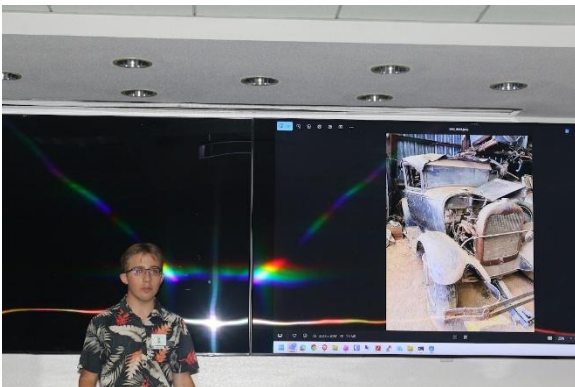


Chris is the club food tester.

President Wade then announced what we'd all been waiting for -ICE CREAM TIME. The club supplied ice cream modelamedic@gmail.com, including sherbet, toppings and other tasty sweets. Brendan, Clark, Robin and Arthur helped dish the delights.



Brendan, Clark, Robin and Arthur helping out.



Boe with his project Tudor. He got it running!

After that tasty respite, Boe Yeager, our newest and youngest member, spoke about how he and his friend got a barn find 29 Tudor, that had been sitting in a barn up near Castaic for years, running, and had pictures of their fine efforts, including a video. Way to go, Boe!

Finally, to cap off an eventful evening, the 50/50 raffle was held and Roger won that booty!



Roger reluctantly accepting the 50% he won.

Ventura County Model A Ford Club

AN INVITATION !

Picnic BBQ at the Prechtl Ranch,
September 19th 11:00 – 2:00

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Save the date! *Hamburgers, buns, plates and utensils provided.
Please bring either a side dish or a dessert and your personal drinks*

Would you like to carAvan with us?

*VCMAFC will be leaving at 10am sharp from the corner
of the Vons parking lot at 115 W. Main Street.*

*We will be taking a "hilly" and beautiful route on Hwy 33 to Lake Casitas then up and over Hwy 150 to Carpinteria (45 Minutes, 24 miles). **Alternate:** Access to Hwy 1 at "State Beaches" offramp (101 North from Vta.) may be blocked due to construction, otherwise drivers would need to take the 101 from Ventura to Carpinteria. Questions call or text Jimmy Young at (805) 570-9002*

RSVP by September 14th to:

*Debbie Rice (805) 312-5109 (call or text)
or email: DebraKRice@yahoo.com*

ERA FASHIONS

Edith Head

Women's fashions in 1929, sat a major turning point blending the classic straight, drop-waist flapper look of the early 1920s with early hints of the longer, more feminine curves that would define the 1930s.

Hemlines and Waists: While daytime dresses still featured the popular knee-length or slightly below-the-knee cuts and loose fits of the decade, Paris designers started showing longer skirts and higher waistlines.

Day Dresses: Women wore tailored, elegant dresses made of lightweight wool jersey, silk, or rayon crepe, often styled with soft ruffles, bows, or scarf coats.

Sportswear: Casual wear was very popular, including knit sweaters, pleated skirts, blouse-and-tie sport sets, and the trendy new beach pajama ensembles for warm weather.

Six chicks



And a touring car

Henry Ford

NEED FOR SPEED

Prior to his prominence and fame, Ford was an automobile racer. From designing his own vehicles, which we are not too surprised about, to racing against some of the most well-known names in the industry - such as Alexander Winton. Henry was extremely talented in this field of hobby. Astonishingly enough, the little amount of profit brought from winning these several races contributed to the building and opening of the Ford Company.

*Picture appears out of focus due to the fact that the cameras back when the picture was taken did not have the aperture speed of today's cameras, thus the motion blurred the image.
(I have a bridge I'm selling)*



San Fernando Valley Model A Club Presents

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SWAP MEET VENDOR

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E-MAIL: _____

Car Club _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
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From 29 years ago...

The San Fernando Valley Chapter MAFCA (our club) listed as its board Terry Shank-President, Jerry Hoxie- Vice President, Gail Doemland-Secretary, *Charles Lohr-*



*Betty Salverson -
Fashions*

Treasurer, Linda Radford-Membership, Parts-Frank DiDomenico and Bob and Richard Ellison, Activities-Dennis Olsen and Dick Rosen and Editor-Fern Davis. For committees, they listed Carla Maricle-Historian and Publicity, *Jo Mosher-Sunshine*, - Sgt. At Arms, Greg Steger-Tech and Safety, *Betty Salverson-Fashions* and T.R. Doemland-Raffles. Pretty much the same positions we have today. My point being, while the people's names come and go, they fill the positions in the club that give it its ballast. Your duration on the board is important, and it is you that keeps the club going, but as Wade said, the job is not eternal. You sign on, due your duty and maybe an editor of the RUMBLE SHEET will be looking back over old editions and maybe list your name. But your job is well done. Please consider stepping up!



Jim Rummel- Sgt at Arms



*Charles (Charlie) Lohr -
Secretary with his Lady Di*



*Jo Smith (nee Mosher) with
husband Keith*

These forebears of ours were not afraid of traveling. Included in the tours for the month were Frazier Park potluck, a seminar by Dr. Ron (Mosher) at Meet's Early Auto in Lake Elsinore, a trip to Kernville and a swap meet in Stanton.

October 4 Car show and swap meet



The club booth is going to be a hive of activity!

we'll be serving coffee and doughnuts there. Hopefully, we'll be getting



Let's make a real showing of the Model As!

It's gonna happen! We're now about one month out from this very major event for our club. It's generated a great deal of buzz in the collector car world. Now it's up to us to make the show as good or better than the venue we're staging it in. True, SFB forgot the sign-up sheets last meeting, but that gives you another month decide where your talents best lie. We know that we are going to need help in the club booth- early in the morning a ton of manuals, tools, toolboxes and such that will be sold out of the booth, not to mention 50/50 raffle tickets and the commemorative coffee mugs that Hunter is having made.



*This is just a smattering of what we can expect this
year*

Perhaps more importantly, though, is to sign up your Model A for the car show. To date we have only about 4 of Henry's Ladies signed up (vs close to 140 others!). Hunter has 5 trophies just for Model As. It appears that one Model A will be taking home two trophies!

September 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Lunch at Millie's	3	4	5 B & B breakfast
6	7 Labor Day	8	9 Lunch at Millie's	10 Board meeting	11 Patriot Day	12 Rosh Hashanah
13 National Grandparent Day	14 First auto related fatality 1899	15	16 Lunch at Millie's	17 General membership meeting	18	19 Tour to Filmore
20	21 Yom Kippur	22	23 Lunch at Millie's	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Lunch at Millie's			

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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.