Some jokes, pictures and other information are obtained from other publications. We would like to thank these publications for sharing this information. We are glad to share any articles in our newsletter that would be of interest to other clubs providing proper credit is given.
Hey there Model A'ers:

Oh my goodness, will this ever get better!! I know this situation is temporary, BUT..I am ready for my self-imposed quarantine to END!! I have cleaned and or rearranged every drawer, cabinet and closet in the house, and all our shoes are spit shined.....now what? I know you all probably feel the same way, and are doing your part to help end this mess.

The Board meeting and General Meeting for April are CANCELLED until further notice. We will try to reschedule something later in April if possible. This was done because of older age of most members and the "less than 10" rule which will still be in effect. Just wanting everyone to stay healthy. Make chicken soup and work on your A.

Our Tour Calendar has been shot to BLAZES!! We were lucky to have had a nice tour in February. Since then, everything has had to be CANCELLED, the latest being our trip to Texas for the National Convention. I know we are all disappointed by this turn of events, as a lot of work and effort had gone into planning tours and seminars for our members. Thanks go out to Keith, Stan, Ron and also to Teresa, John and Nancy. So far, we will still be going to the Car Show on May 2nd and the mini NCRG Round-up in Sonora in June. Hopefully we can reschedule some of our outings that were cancelled. WE ladies are on for our rumble on April 25th.

Our condolences go out to the family and friends of long time club member, Pat Oletta, who passed away last week. Please remember all of our club members who are not able to come to our meetings for various reasons. Some are ill, some are recovering from broken bones and surgeries, and some are just tired, keep the calls and cards coming as they are greatly appreciated.

No time for a driving lesson this month, where did the time go?? I am always behind.

Keep those A’s Rolling

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Club News and Information

April 7. ......................... Tina Shinn
April 8. ....................... Stacey Gonsalves
April 9. ......................... Ronna Lubker
April 17. ....................... Sharon Ott
April 20. ....................... Joe Johnson
April 21. ....................... Paul Lubker
April 23. ....................... Jack Hanney
April 25. ....................... Emily Sciabica
April 30. ....................... Gwen Schulze

None

Fashion Swap Meet
Saturday, April 25

Today’s update from the President & CDC re quarantine has forced me to cancel our upcoming Fashion Swap Sale. I will try to reschedule at a later date. Please stay health and WASH YOUR HANDS!

Sunshine
by
Jo Ann Bledsoe

Joe Johnson had a pace maker inserted in Feb. and his wife Kathy fell in their front yard on March 5 and broke her Tibia bone below the knee and hit her head which caused a blood blister. She has a soft cast and her blood blister has gone away. Will see surgeon March 19th to check things out. At this point, she and Joe are doing ok.

Betty Stanton was able to go home March 16th. She is receiving in-home care. Her speech has improved 100%, is using a wheelchair to get around, and focus is getting better.

Paul and Teresa Gissible both have been dealing with sinus infections and are doing better.

Mary DeKasha no longer needs home care and therapy and is doing good. She said she has decided to give up driving.

Nancy Johnson saw her doctor March 16th and everything looks fine. She wore a blister on her leg from over using the prosthesis and will start using it again in two weeks.

Stan and Carol Braden are good. Doctor released Stan and Carol is walking to strengthen her back.

Gail Waters started chemo treatments March 12th, every 3 weeks for 18 weeks. No major side effects so far.

Shirley Mattos broke a bone on the bottom of her right foot at home March 17th and is in a soft cast and will have a hard cast soon. Her daughter is staying with her until she is able to get around better.

The doctor removed John Nixon’s staples 2 weeks ago and he is doing fine. Mary Ann is working very tirelessly in the medical field, so let’s pray for her health and safety.

Dolly Terra’s mother passed away at 101 on March 28.

This has been a challenging time for our members who are now recovering and then we have the Coronavirus. Let’s keep sending the get well cards to those who are under the weather and be safe in dealing with the virus.

We loss Pat Oletta who was a Life Time Member, at 12:05 am on March 8th. Her Daughter Shelly, will advise us when the service will take place at a later date.
**Roster Updates**

Mary Adams  
3420 Shawnee #412  
95350  
The spelling of Mary Lou Lucero’s town  
Gardnerville, Nv

**Patterson Apricot Fiesta Parade**  
**Saturday, May 30th, 2020**

Don’t miss your chance to drive your A in the Fiesta parade this year. We are limited to how many cars we can enter.

The deadline for sign ups is May 15, 2020.

We will meet between 7:45 A.M. and 8:30 A.M. for refreshments and pastries at Francesca’s Restaurant, 2959 Speno Drive in Patterson, inside the Best Western Hotel.

We will start lining up for the parade at 8:45 A.M. and the parade will start at 10:00 A.M.

It is likely, like last year, we will be placed near the front of the parade. After the parade, we will return to the restaurant for an Italian buffet lunch and surprise apricot dessert. For those not driving in the parade but joining us for lunch, please note that we will be having lunch as soon as we have completed the parade route.

A deposit of $15 per adult and $10 per child 10 yrs. and older is required. Under 10 yrs. old is free. Wine and other alcoholic beverages are a no-host service which is available in the bar.

If you have any questions, please call Tina Chircop at 209-649-5237.
Tours and Activities - 2020

May 2..................... Patriots Drive-In Car Show.................. Ron Crum
May 23.................. Tour to Twain Harte Car Show Concert......... Kevin Nelson
May 30.................... Apricot Parade, Patterson............... Tina and Rich Chircop
June 6 and 7........... Northern California Regional Meet, Sonora.... Paul Shinn
July 4...................... Fourth of July Parade, Modesto........... Stratt and Wally Nicolua
July 19.................... Duarte Garage in Livermore............... Ken Cooper
September 19........... Model A Days - Gilmore Car Museum. Carol and Stan Braden
November 7.............. Golden Valley Chorus Fall Show........... Stratt Riggs
November 11............. Veterans Day Parade, Modesto........... Nancy and John Carvalho
The entry must be e-mailed to Mike by April 9 or call Ron 209-522-3872. The Club will pay the $20 entry fee.

The Patriots Drive-In
Classic Car Show & Vendor Marketplace
Saturday May 2, 2020
Car Show 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

FREE ADMISSION for SPECTATORS
Beyer High School in Modesto
(GPS: the street address is 1717 Sylvan Avenue, Modesto CA 95355)

Advance vehicle entry $20 by 4/1/20 $35 with shirt (order below)
Sponsor Choice Awards, Best of Show, Prize opportunities all day. Door prizes,
Food available on site. Vendor marketplace / Music & Fun /

Early registration bonus special - FREE lunch

No Alcohol - No Rain Date

All non-refundable donations benefit the Fred C. Beyer High School Marching Band & Color Guard. To find out more visit us on the web at BeyerBand.org or on Facebook (The Patriots Drive In)

Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________

Phone: ___________________________ City ___________________________ State __________ Zip ______

Make ___________________________ Year ______ Style ___________________________

Advance registration ( ) $20.00 BONUS, Day of Event registration ( ) $30.00, goodie bags for early register
Save $$$ Pre-order Event t-shirt $15 ea. Size ______ Additional t-shirts $15 ea, indicate sizes ______ ______.

I understand that by accepting this invitation to our fundraiser car show that I can not hold the organizers, property owners or their volunteers liable for any mishap, accident or other complications arising from my attendance at the event. We may also use any photos taken by us at the event.

Signature (required) ___________________________

Checks payable to Beyer Band Boosters, 2401 E. Orangeburg Ave. Ste 675-174 Modesto, CA 95355

Member of Car Club ___________________________

For additional entry or sponsor info Contact Mike at appraisalsmike@sbcglobal.net or 209-545-2456

Entry #
Era Fashion News . . . From Teresa Gissible

Spring is here! The rush is on for all of you going to Texas. It’s time to get those outfits ready. Some of us love to thrift shop, others no way. So, where do you go to fine something that fits for both mens and ladies things?

Amazon! Yes, that’s right. You’d be surprised at the variety of items they offer. Ok? How do I search? Start with what your looking for 1920’s - 1930’s, Vintage or Gatsby, Flapper dresses or art deco. Now look for cloche or bucket hats, lace gloves, shoes Mary Jane or dress pumps, vintage oxfords, T-straps. 1920’s accessories for necklaces or jewelry. 1920’s shawl, beaded wraps, cover up. Now, you are dressed from hat to shoes. Maybe, you want a day time outfit. Look for A-line skirts, bias cut or pleated styles.

Blouses -- try bow tie neck line or vintage office or work, argyle sweater, vest, jackets. Day dress V-neck Midi Flapper, 1920’s Tea Dress. Finally, seamed stocks of all colors and sizes. Beaded Flapper handbags you’re finished. All the items I’ve listed come in a variety of colors and even plus sizes.

Gentlemen, you have the same selection of Era items. Look for bowler, fedora, Newsboy caps, Gatsby, gangster or 1920’s styles for men. You can find suits in all sizes, vest, suspenders, bow ties, wing tips in 2 tone or black, brown. How about sometime different Men’s 20’s Beach side Clyde outfit. Or a stripped boater jacket, Good Time Sam costume, maybe a tweed suit that comes in a wide verity of colors, pin stripes suits, Charlie Chaplin, knickers golf outfit, or bib overalls w/a Henley shirts, canvas work pants, suspenders, and pocket watches. Check it out. Try something new.

I know I’ll hear from someone about the years (1920’s) but it’s only a search to find what styles are available. There’s not a search for Model A era fashions. Enjoy the Era!
FLOAT-A-MOTOR MOUNTS

VS

CASTER ADJUSTMENT

If you are using float A motor engine mounts, you need to read further. If you don’t already know the float-A-motors could affect the caster setting of your wheel alignment. Does your car tend to wander when driving, are you constantly steering to keep the car on the road? These symptoms could be caused by incorrect caster. One simple step to take is to check the rear engine height.

Put the car on an even surface and measure under the top rail frame near the motor mount to the

ground. Fig.1 Now measure from under the mounting lip of the flywheel housing to the ground. Fig.2 These distances should be the same. Many times the inside (flywheel housing) measurement will be a little longer. This indicates the engine is too high in the back and has affected the caster, making it harder to control your car. In order to
correct the engine height, you can try tightening the pad bolts a little to see if this will pull the back of the engine down about a 1/16”. Don’t tighten too tight as this will defeat the purpose of the motor mounts. If that does not correct the height, you will need to shave a little material off the lower rubber mount, about 1/16” or more. Retake your measurements and take a test drive. If you have not changed your motor pads in the last 8 years you should do so as the rubber pads get hard, defeating the purpose of the float-A-motors.

Bratton’s is making the float-A-motors out of ductile iron, not aluminum — very nice set.

It’s wine time, see you next time
In Memory of

Patricia Oletta

July 16, 1934 - March 18, 2020

Pat and her husband Ernie Oletta joined the Modesto Area A’s in 1982. Ernie and Pat were selected Outstanding Members in 2007. Pat served as a board member, chairperson for Points and Mileage, Sunshine and Refreshments. Pat and Ernie were Tour Leaders and for many years were in charge of the Kids Christmas Party.

Pat was a very friendly, kind person. She will be missed.
The General Meeting for March was cancelled.

**Correspondence:** Since our last meeting, Tina Chircop received a letter from Izzy who is asking for a Model A and driver for his wedding day on May 30. This is the same day as the Patterson Apricot Fiesta Parade. See Tina Chircop for Izzy’s contact info.

Another letter was received from a Scott Alexander who is selling his 1931 Model A Coupe for $15,000.

John and Mary Nixon sent us a thank you card.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Chircop
Secretary