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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 <br> Alan Shepard became the first American in space. <br> 1961 | 6 | 7 <br> The 27th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, 1922 | 8 <br> Car Games Collins' 9:30 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Happy mother's Day | BOARD MEETING 7:00 |  |  |  | REGULAR <br> MEETING <br> 7:00 |  |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
|  | First <br> Kentucky <br> Derby horse race, 1875 |  |  | Lincoln signed the Homestead Act, 1862 |  |  |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
|  | Samuel Morse sent the first official telegraph message, 1844 |  |  | Golden Gate Bridge opened, 1937 |  |  |
| 30 | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |
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## Club News and Information



| May 6 | Dan Sutherby |
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| May 9 | Ron Crum |
| May 9 | Ann Curtis |
| May 11 | Mike Mahaffey |
| May 19 | Fred Dick |
| May 20 | Rosemay Kenner |
| May 29 | Jill Gustafson |



May 17 Gary and Frankie Bundgard May 19 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Merle and JoAnn Bledsoe May 23 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Jack and Janis Martin


## Sunshine

by
Jo Ann Bledsoe
Happy Mothers Day from the Sunshine corner.
On a sad note John Carvalho lost his brother, Jim Carvalho, on April 2, 2021. He was 70 years old and lived in the Ceres area.

No update on how Patty Ecker is doing.
Smile and stay healthy.

## Budget Update

The Budget committee held a meeting on April 12 to revise our January Bare Bones Budget. We are still staying within our working capital for the year.

The main changes were made to the Scholarships all were renewed to cover this years applicants. The Christmas Party was funded as we have a deposit unused from last year. We also reinstated funds for the 4th of July luncheon. Small amounts were also applied to Club Merchandise, President's Gift, Photographer, Scrapbook and Technical Seminars.

We will have printed copies for you to vote on at our next meeting.

Carol Hansen, Treasurer

## For sale

1931 model a deluxe coupe. Pressurized engine, high compression head, overdrive and many other decent features. This car belonged to long time club members Fred and Mary Woolf. Best offer.

Contact, Kirk Gustafson 209-552-9012

## For Sale

## Stratt's 1928 Roadster

Less than 1,000 miles on rebuilt motor with B cam, counter balanced crankshaft, lightened flywheel, V8 clutch and pressure plate, tube shocks, leakless water pump, plastic fan, Mitchell overdrive and synchronized transmission, 6v distributor, Aries Model A muffler with heat shield, seat belts. Documentation for all work available.

Price $\$ 18,000$, (club member discount available)

DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 8
TIME: 9:30 A.M.
PLACE: COLLINS' BACK FORTY
76 Linden Ave. Gustine
209-803-1064
(Watch for signs - you'll drive to the back by turning on Brenda Drive)
COST: $\quad \$ 5$ each (nonrefundable)

DEADLINE: WED., MAY 5

LUNCH: SAUSAGE SANDWICH, CHIPS, DESSERT, WATER

BRING: Drinks (water provided)
Hats
Sunscreen
Chair
(wear flat shoes - you will be on gravel/hard dirt/grass)


Wishing you a Happy Mother's Day to all of you ladies.
Here a dot, there a dot, everywhere a dot, dot. No, not the internet. Polka dots! Even in Model A era polka dots were very stylist in men's, and women's fashions even flour sacks came with dots.

Polka dots have a very long history dating back to Victorian time. 'Scarf of muslin, for light summer wear, surrounded by scalloped edge, embroidered in rows of round polka dots' appeared in a Godey's Lady's Book in 1857.

In 1926 Norma Smallwood, the first Native American to be crowned Miss American, wore a bodyhugging polka dot swimsuit. The resurgence of polka dots were the style. The most famous polka dots of all day-baud in 1928. When Minnie Mouse appeared in her red and white dress polka dotted dress.

You'll also find Swiss polka pots, which is a tufting woven into the fabric to form bump. Dots were everywhere men's tie and handkerchief, kitchen items besides women's dress.

I like the look of polka dots. They are a fun look for everyone, even with a black or white background, big or small dots perfect for spring and summer. So have a dot, dot good time with Swiss dots or not.


## Simple Jech Jalk by Keith Eollins

## STEVE’S KEEPING BUSY

During these strange months of "LOCK DOWN" Steve has found a few treasures, See fig. at right. Steve found this old spray rig. The owner said it was used by the Lion's Club to mark out the parking at the fair grounds a few years back. Of course Steve had to have this for yard art.


He has managed to stay busy dressing up the model A. As Ste-
 ve describes it,
the original paint was lacquer and was checking as we know old lacquer will tend to do. So the project was to give the car new paint, but to do it right it became a major project. As you can see the old lacquer had to come off to get a good base for the new paint.


Steve had the "A" painted near original color with a modern flare. The pin striping is gray to match the new wheels and tires. Steve is ready to hit the road, he is ready to "ROLL".


WHAT A LITTLE PAINT WILL DO!


## Modesto Area A's

## 2021 TOUR KICKOFF



## April 102021

A diverse group of fellow Model A enthusiasts gathered at the Colquhoun's at 930 am for the start of the much anticipated 2021 touring season.

After a few minutes of great conversations Al and Martha led off the Model A parade thru the retirement park in their 1930 Tudor "Amos".

Seeing many of the park residents coming out smiling and waving is always a great way to start off.

We had a total of 8 Model A's on this first tour, The Hansen's in their 1930 Town Sedan, The Bledsoe's in their 1928 Coupe, The Braden's in their 1931 Fordor, The Colquhoun's in their 1930 Tudor "Amos", The Martin's in their 1930 Deluxe Roadster, The Nicolau's in their 1928 Roadster pickup on its maiden voyage, The Nixon's in their 1930 Coupe "JD", The Pimentel's in their 1930 Town Sedan.

Al led us out Bradbury road into the countryside of Merced County thru a river bottom area with lots of diverse agricultural lands to look at. After turning north on J59 heading towards Snelling with stopped for a stretch and to look at the wildlife next to the highway. We saw emu's what appeared to be a zebra cross and some African cattle.

We resumed our tour with the next stop at the Chevron in Snelling for necessary business.


Amos out and about in 2020


Model A type Roads


The Nixon's with "JD"

As we left the metropolitan area of Snelling we proceeded onto Highway 132 and then turned west towards Turlock Lake. This was definitely a slower route with lots of high-quality paving to drive on. A real Model A type road as our Technical Director likes to say.

We returned to the Nixon's via Hickman and Vincent roads and proceeded to do what we all do best. Had a Lunch of hot dogs, sausages and hamburgers with plenty of side dishes and desserts.

The Collins family joined us for the afternoon. Many lively discussions and even more stories were shared by all.


# It's not the Destination but the 



The Bledsoe's

## Future Tours

May $8^{\text {th }}$ the Car Games Contact Keith Collins for Reservations

We would like your input on the tour schedule for the remaining months of 2021. This tour season will be" Dutch Treat" in that we can do anything your hearts desire but $100 \%$ of the expenses comes from our own pocket. This can be a learning experience as to how tours could be if we do not have the SWAP MEET in the future. Contact John Nixon @ 209-620-4184 for input on tour locations

## News of the Past

## 50 Years Ago - May 3, 1971

Pres. Jim Bergamaschi called the meeting to order at the Fire House on Scenic and Coffee.

Introduced was Martin Clay. New members welcomed were Gary Powers, Phil Renard, the Clems and Monacos, the latter two not present.

George Nunes is going to keep the accumulation of points a secret until the end of the year.

Dick Braden said that Merced wanted some Model A's at their Fly-in. The annual gymcanna is in Santa Cruz. Joe Stewart gave a full report of the up coming Round-up. Needed are ropes and stands, adding machines and stop watches, help with parking and members to wear yellow vests. It was suggested that club members mingle with others at all events.

After car judging, a parade of Model A's will go down town to show off the town and to be seen. It was $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s} / \mathrm{p}$ by Marshall Lewis that Bob Lange and wife be invited to the banquet to express our appreciation for his help each year at the Swap Meet.

Joe Stewart accepted the Hard Luck Trophy for Phil Machado from Gary Shook. Opal won the raffle prize of a twin pack thermos and snac@lgia. Hattendorf, Sec./ Treas.

## 25 Years Ago - May 10, 1996

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Crum. Guests were granddaughters Hillary of the Olettas and Shawnda of the Crums.

Ernie Oletta, Roland Barber, and Walter Langill visited Judy O'Sullivan and her 31 Deluxe Coupe.

NCRG Roundup items: Jim DeWilms stated children's party will be Saturday night. Cliff Wagoner said that we were short 30 door prizes. There will be two raffles. Nancy Carvalho asked that cookies be brought Thursday.

Mary Lou Dark said that she and Jim and Ebbie DeWilms and Betty Eberwein will decide on a scholarship recipient.

Mary Webb sent flowers to Mary Jane Vaughn, a card to Nancy Pimentel and Lucille Fine and flowers to the Walt Jones service. Mary thanked everyone for the flowers that she received.

Janis Martin thanked Stan and Carol Braden for the fun poker run. Hank Welch reported on the Motherlode

Parade in Sonora. Elroy Eberwein reported on the Apricot Parade in Patterson.

Hank Welch addressed the membership on the "Sponsored Member" bylaws proposal. It was $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s} / \mathrm{p}$ by Hank Welch and Marshall Lewis that the proposal bylaws change be tabled.

Raffle prizes were won by Roland Barber, Alex Leventini, Homer Johnson, Lauren Campbell, Fay Hill, Shirley Mattos, Jim Mahaffey, Jack Noxon, Stan Braden, Cliff Wagoner, Jim Kriese, and Ron Boudreau.

Name badge winners were Al Troglin, Myrtle Wagoner, and Brant Scott. Hillary and Andrea won Roundup T-shirts.

Linda Weaver, Secretary

## 15 Years Ago - May 12, 2006

Pres. Jack Adams called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Empire Community Center. Jerry Lutterman introduced Charlie \& Jan Leffingwell who owns a 1930 coupe.

Pat Oletta thanked the Crums and Gissibles for arranging the Half Moon Bay tour. Shirley Mattos told of getting on a narrow, steep, foggy, nail-biting road which Jack referred to as a "goat trail".

Mary Lou Dark reported that everyone will meet at the Dark Ranch for hors d'oeuvres and drinks and then go to the Wool Growers in Los Banos for dinner. Carol Braden announced there would be a Two Castles tour from the Castle Air Force Museum and then to the boon docks to Castle \#2 for lunch. Lauren Campbell is planning a tour to Sacramento to see "Fiddler on the Roof".

Roland Barber awarded the Hard Luck Trophy to Ron Crum for a blown head gasket on the Half Moon Bay tour.

Raffle winner: Stu Slattery - hydraulic Jack, Thoral Kenner - glass purse hanger, roundup cap, Mary Woolf Model A cast iron bell, Dave Hansen - Model A fan, orchid plant, Stan Braden - case of oil, Pat Oletta - oil can, Hank Welch - spark plugs, Joan Doll - mixed flower bowl, Brooks Rushing - points, Ernie Oletta - clock, Dave Hansen, Leroy Stanton, Joan Doll, \& Jerry Morrison- all club patch donated by Marshall Lewis, Vicky Morrison mesh purse, Jan Lutterman - note papers, Leroy Stanton key chair. Name Badge-Joe Gonsalves -hand cleaner. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m. Linda Weaver, Acting Sec.

## MAFFI Liaison Letter

Buy A Brick

One of the ways that you can support the museum is to purchase a brick for the walkways in front of the museum. There are currently 20 spaces left in front of the museum under the gas station canopy but we have prepared another area and will be utilizing it as more orders come in. The cut-off date is June 1st for installation at the museum on the 2021 Model A Day. If you have been thinking about ordering a brick 'In Memory' or 'In Honor' of someone near and dear to you, or if your club/region doesn't have a brick at the museum with its name on it, now would be a great time to do it. Each brick is $\$ 150$ and the form can be found at www.maffi.org. Just go to the tab that says Store and go to Just a Brick. There will be an order form for you to download.

Make your Reservations for Model A Day 2021

Our Host Hotel is ready for you to start making your reservations! You can easily do this by going to www.maffi.org . Just go to the tab that says INFO and follow it to the link for Model A Day. The Gilmore is open and running with required Covid Restrictions in place. We hope that you will be excited to come and enjoy our museum as well as the other fun activities, seminars, swap meet and tire-kicking that goes along with any Model A get-together! We look forward to seeing you there on Saturday, September 18th. (If you come a day early, there will be a few seminars on Friday afternoon and evening.)

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

## 67th Annual

LONG BEACH

# SWAP MEET 

MODEL T CLUB, INC. AUTOMOTIVE AND HOBBY RELATED ITEMS ONLY OLD CAR PARTS, ALL MAKES, ALL MODELS, WELCOME

## SATURDAY JULY 17, 2021 7:00AM UNTIL IT'S OVER

## Long Beach City College

Veterans Stadium
5000 Lew Davis St. Long Beach, CA.
Enter off Conant St. between Lakewood BI. and Clark Ave.

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\begin{gathered}
\$ 5.00 \mathrm{ADMISSION} \\
\text { FREE PARKING } \\
\text { SPACES AVAILABLE, 20ft wide } 16 \mathrm{ft} \mathrm{deep} \\
\text { Spaces are } \$ 40 \text {, or three for } \$ 100
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CALL JEFF HOOD 562-597-5936 or www.lbmtc.com

Are you ready to get out?

Dust off your Model A and join Henry's A's for a fun day of Cars and Education on Saturday, June 19 !

Meet at Blackhawk Museum parking lot off Tassajara Road Blackhawk Plaza 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Road Danville
At 9:00 A.M. for "Cars and Coffee", to check out other cars and share stories.

Around noon, we will head to

"One Room School House" 1650 Finley Road Danville

For a picnic!
Pack your lunch or pick up a sandwich at a deli at Blackhawk Plaza

