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March 19—Crockett Museum, Crockett John & June Rosploch

General Membership Meetings held Third Friday of the month, **except December**, at Faith Christian Fellowship Church, 860 Bancroft Rd., Walnut Creek., **doors open at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.**

Guests are welcome.



**April. 15—
Spring Pot Luck &
Food Drive**

**Doors open at
6:00 PM**

**Food Assignments
on page 3**

**(Remember to bring plates
and tableware along with
any serving
utensils).**



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What better way to welcome spring then to get Henry's ladies out for a spin. It was a bit chilly in the morning when we meet at Harbor Freight but once we were on the road the sun came out to further add to the days adventure. What a sight it was to see 14 Model A's winding through the country side in route to Crockett.

The groups first stop was at the Crockett Museum and Historical Society housed in the original train station. Entering the museum you immediately stepped back in time. Inside was memorialized everything from eras past, and documents about the key players and movers/shakers that formed Crockett.....from the story of Superior Court Judge Joseph Crockett, to his story of obtaining the land that is now Crockett from the Soto/Briones families which was rendered as payment, Tom Edwards and his "Little Valley" and the wonderful evolution of the C&H Sugar Factory. Sugar is still a thriving business and supports Crockett and the surrounding community's.

We jumped into our cars for the 5 minute drive to Valona Deli on Pomona Street in the older part of town. The Model A's were right at home amid the old buildings. Our group for lunch of 25 took up every table space and then some of this old town style deli. What a great place to relax and visit with each other giving the newer members an opportunity to get to know us not so new members.

John and I want to thank those that chose to participate by sharing their Saturday with us.

Thanks again, John and June



2016 MAFCA Membership Program

This year, MAFCA is providing our chapters with unlimited 2 year memberships for the price of 1 year, \$40. This offer is for new members who have never been members of MAFCA. This is a fresh new program that was kicked off in late 2015 during the Model A Days at the Model A Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan and at the MAFCA booth during the Hershey Swap meet. The success of this program is up to you; so we ask that you give it your full support and go out and get some new members!

We are available to answer any questions your members may have and can be reached at membership@mafca.com (Jay McCord) and chaptercoordinator@mafca.com (Trudy Vestal).

We are very excited to be working on this membership program and we hope you will help us achieve the goal of increasing our membership to 15,000.

Thank you for your help and support,
Jay McCord, 2016 MAFCA Membership Director
Trudy Vestal, 2016 MAFCA Chapter Coordinator

[Click here for a copy of the application](#)

Tips On Getting New Members —

There are many people with an interest in the Model A Ford and its Era who would love to be a part of your club. You might find them as you meet people who show an appreciation for your car. We ask you to actively recruit new members for your chapter and when you have a new member, offer them the new 2 for 1 membership in MAFCA. This, of course, will apply to those members of your chapter who have never been members of the National Club. Many of our Chapters have been working this program with great success.

We know that all new members need the following to become active in your clubs:

1. A friend or mentor -This person will bring them to meetings, help get their car running, introduce them to the other members of the club and help them feel comfortable in new surroundings.
2. A responsibility or reason for coming to the meetings—This may be as simple as a refreshment assignment, assisting with a presentation at a meeting or a phone calling assignment.
3. Good fellowship and inclusion in the activities provided by the club. An invitation to ride along on a tour or something as simple as recognizing them by name or a short feature in your newsletter makes a big impression on someone new.

Moto-Meter Elected Officials 2016 Board of Directors

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Meetings: Meetings are held on the third Friday of the month at 7:30 PM at Faith Christian Fellowship Church at 860 Bancroft Rd., in Walnut Creek unless otherwise indicated in the Calendar of Events. GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

Membership: Membership in the Model A Ford Club is not a prerequisite to join The Diablo A's. Both MAFCA and The Diablo A's membership commence on January 1st, and expire on December 31st. **MAFCA dues are \$40.00 (MAFCA, 250 Cypress Ave., La Habra, CA 90631, www.MAFCA.com).** The Diablo A's dues of \$45.00 per family is payable to the treasurer. **Diablo A's Model A Ford Club mailing address:** P.O. Box 6125
Concord, CA 94524

We thank the various clubs for the use of the many articles, jokes, fashion and technical advice that we have used. Permission to reproduce items in The Moto-Meter is hereby granted provided credit is given to The Moto-Meter.

Friendly Reminders



2016 MEETING REMINDERS

Doors open at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM unless otherwise noted.

April 15—Spring Pot Luck & Food Drive Food Assignments —



**A-G Dessert,
H-P Salad,
Q-Z-Main Dish**



**Doors open at 6:00 PM
Please bring plates and table-
ware along with any serving
utensils**

June 17—The Longest Day-Drive Model A's to meeting

July 15—Ice Cream Social , Food Assignments-
A-G Toppings, H-P Cookies, Q-Z Ice Cream

Sept. 16—Autumn Potluck & Food Drive, Food
Assignments—A-G Main Dish, H-P Dessert,
Q-Z Salad

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Oct. 21—Lady's Auction Night

Please donate an item for the auction.

Nov. 18—Pie Social

A-J Pie

Refreshment Volunteers

Refreshment volunteers for general membership meetings.

2016 Refreshment Volunteers

General Meeting	Refreshment Volunteer
May 20	Rose Estrella, Sandi Rigor
June 17	Ed James, Alicia & Steve Mick
August 19	Ruth Janke, Patty Howard
October 21	Donna Truesdell, Caryn Borba

UPCOMING TOURS & EVENTS



- March 26—Cars & Coffee Seminar
Doug Freeman & Herb Neumann (Details on page 4)
 - April 10 —Car Blessing & Show, Concord
Bob & Sandi Rigor (Details on page 12)
 - April 15-17—CCRG—Clovis, CA, Host Sierra A's
 - April 29-May 1—Spring Opener, Host Lake County A's
Herb & Marilyn Neumann (Details on page 4)
 - April 30—Sturgeon's Mill
Larry & Diane Trimpey (Details on page 4)
 - May 22—(Sunday) Rosie the Riveter, Richmond
Bob & Rose Estrella (Details on page 4)
 - May 27-29—NCRG Round-Up
Bob & Lynn Grady (Details on page 4)
 - June 18—Byron Park, Senior Living Facility
Bill & Donna Truesdell (Details on page 4)
 - June 19-24—MAFCA National Convention, Loveland,
CO, Host Colorado Model A's
 - July 3rd—Benicia Parade—Pete & Marianne Goodson
 - July 4—Concord Parade—Bob & Sandi Rigor
 - August TBD—Presidents Picnic
 - Sept. 2-4—Apple Hill, Placerville
 - Sept. 17—Walnut Festival Parade, Walnut Creek—
Wayne & Peggy English
 - Oct. 15—John Marsh Heritage Day Near Clayton
Jesse and Linda Cruz
 - Oct. 22-23—Mystery Tour—Mike Cozad and Alex &
Ruth Janke
 - Nov. TBD— Club Tours TBD
 - Dec. 5-8—MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Reno
NV, Host Sagebrush A's
 - Dec. 14—Christmas Banquet—Oakhurst Country Club,
Clayton —Herb & Marilyn Neumann
- For up to date tour information go to —
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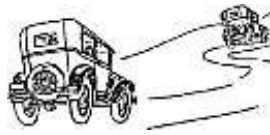
Board Meeting Schedule

Board meetings at 7 PM unless specified otherwise.

- ⇒ Members welcome as observers.
- ⇒ Please R.S.V.P. to meeting host.
- ⇒ Board Meeting Minutes will be published in the news-
letter.
- ⇒ For hard copy of minutes contact Diane Trimpey.

Board Meeting	Host
CANCELLED—April 4	N/A
NOTE DATE CORRECTION— May 2	Bob & Rose Estrella
June 6	Marty & Nancy Larsen
July 5	—
August 1	Roland & Xiu Smith
September 6	Larry & Diane Trimpey
October 3	Wayne & Peggy English
November 7	Bob & Rose Estrella
December 5	Marty & Nancy Larsen

Tour Details



PLEASE NOTE — If you plan to attend a tour and have not signed up please let the tour leaders know your intent. This will ensure notification of any last minute tour changes.

April 30—Sturgeon's Mill, Sebastopol

We will meet at Harbor Freight at 8:00 AM and leave by 8:30 AM. We plan to be there when the mill opens at 10:00 AM. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated to keep this working museum operating. There are self-guided maps available but we are hoping to have a docent. No dogs or alcoholic beverages allowed. Wear comfortable shoes, however it is easy walking on dirt. At approximately 11:30 we will have lunch. Lunch at the mill is hamburgers and hotdogs. If enough people want to go to Union Hotel in Occidental for lunch we will make arrangements. Please sign up for lunch at the mill or at the Hotel on the sign-up list. For additional information please call tour leaders, Larry and Diane Trimpey.

April 29-May 1—Spring Opener, Upper Lake

Sign-up sheet is available at the meeting. For more information contact tour leaders, Herb and Marilyn Neumann.

May 22—(Sunday) Rosie the Riveter, Richmond

Tour details pending. Sign-up sheet is available at the meeting. For more information contact tour leaders, Bob & Rose Estrella

May 27-29—NCRG Round-Up

Tour details pending. Sign-up sheet is available at the meeting. For more information contact tour leaders, Bob & Lynn Grady

June 18—Byron Park, Assisted Living Facility

The hours will be the same as last time, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. So, we will meet at Best Buy at 9:15 am and leave at 9:30 am for a leisurely drive across town. We have to cap the group at 12 cars due to space. They will reserve the paved parking lot for our use. They have offered lunch to our folks. Sign-up sheet available at the meeting or please call tour leaders, Bill and Donna Truesdell.

Club News



Cars & Coffee Seminar— March 26

Remember the Cars & Coffee Seminar in on March 26 with a rain date of April 23rd, at 9:00 AM, at Doug & Reyanne Freemans place. The focus is on –changing a clutch disk—examining a rear main oil seal—and installing a “no leak” pan gasket.

Resignations

Thank you to those that had faith in me as the Moto-Meter Editor and board member. I was passionate about the responsibility that was entrusted in me. Effective immediately, I resign as Editor.
June Rosploch

Effective immediately I am resigning my position as President of the Diablo A's. Thanks to all those that supported me and understand the importance of following the rules so that all members are treated fairly and equally.
John Rosploch



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Diablo A'S GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETI
March 18, 2016
FAITH CHRISTIAN CHURCH
PENDING APPROVAL

Meeting called to order by President John Rosploch
@ 7:33 PM.

- > PRESIDENT: President John Rosploch welcomed members and visitors.
- > PAST PRESIDENT & MEMBERSHIP: Marty Larsen introduced Bill Truesdell's guest, Mark Pighin.
- > SECRETARY: Diane Trimpey asked for a motion to approve the minutes of Friday, February 19, 2016. The motion was made by Ed James, seconded and approved.
- > TREASURER: Roland Smith reported on our current financial status.
- > VICE PRESIDENT: N/R
- > TOUR COORDINATOR: Peggy English went over upcoming tours as presented in the March newsletter.
- > EDITOR: June Rosploch reminded us that the April meeting will be our potluck and for everyone to check the newsletter to get their food assignment according to their last initial also to bring their tableware. She reminded us that March 23 is the deadline to get information in for the March newsletter.

APPOINTED SERVICES;

- > ROSTER MAMAGER: Bill Pugh : No Report
- > NCRG: Bill Pugh reported the next meeting for NCRG will be held at the NCRG roundup in May, and they will be discussing the 2018 National Conference being sponsored by the Acorn A's in Reno, Nevada.
- > CLUB VESTS; Xiu Smith Absent
- > . Roland Smith stated Xiu is ready to receive requests for vests anyone might need. There is no charge when they buy the club patch.
- > ACCC: Herb Neumann : Absent
- > MAFFI Representative Bill Truesdell: N/R
- > PHOTOGRAPHERS: Ed Pond & Tom Howard: N/R
- > PUBLIC RELATIONS ; CLUBWEAR: Bob Rigor reminded everyone to keep a look out for any car shows or events in the area and report to him. He asked members to check the MotoMeter for upcoming local events. He reminded everyone he has clubwear forms to order any hats, shirts, etc.
- > REFRESHMENT COORDINATOR; Deb Pugh and Patti Howard thanked those that brought re-

freshments this evening.

- > SUNSHINE: Nancy Larsen gave a report on members health issues.
- > WEBMASTER: Steve Mick Absent

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- > Ticket Club: Alicia Watson Absent
- > Insurance: President John Rosploch gave us an update on club liability insurance which is still in the process of being investigated. There was some discussion with members.
- > "Cars and Coffee" seminar will be held on March 26th, at the home of Doug and Reyanne Freeman at nine AM unless it rains. Call Doug with questions on what will be covered.
- > Lynn Grady read a motion, endorsed by past club presidents, regarding posting board minutes in the MotorMeter. It also included board members approving the minutes via email, after reading them, in order to allow the secretary to send the minutes to the editor early enough to be included in the MotorMeter.
- > Motion: We move that the following procedure be adopted by the Diablo A's club and be immediately implemented by its Board of Directors.
- > The Secretary will prepare minutes of each Board meeting and send them to each voting board member for changes or approval.
- > Board members will send the Secretary all changes, or their approval. Absence of a reply will constitute approval.
- > The Editor of the MotoMeter will include Board minutes in the same month's edition of our newsletter and distribute copies to members, prior to the next general meeting.
- > Discussion by club members and members of the board followed.
- > The motion was made as read by Lynn Grady . The motion was seconded. A call for approval by a raise of hands was made. The majority were in favor. There were a couple objections and approximately five abstentions.

The Good Of The Order was read by Marty Larsen. Next Board Meeting will be on Monday, May 2, 2016 at the Estrella's home at 7:00PM.

Bill Pugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Trimpey, Secretary

March 18, 2016

A motion from Diablo A's past presidents:

Recently, our Board of Directors has changed a long-standing policy and has stopped publishing minutes of Board meetings in the MotoMeter newsletter. The explanation offered is that there is only one other club publishing its board minutes and we don't want everyone to know our business.

In fact, we have a long tradition of sharing with our members what the Board of Directors do at their meetings. Our members have a right to know what actions the Board has taken on all issues it discusses. We have never published dollars in the minutes regardless of the subject. There is nothing that should be withheld from our members and there is no reason anyone else shouldn't also know. The Board should have no secrets from anyone, inside or outside of our club. Board business is not confidential. It is not secret. And, it should not be treated that way.

Another argument suggests minutes can only be approved at a subsequent Board meeting. That is also not true. We have a long history of routing Board meeting minutes to Board members by email. Email has also been the vehicle for attaining approval or corrections to those minutes. That procedure has always allowed publication of the minutes in the upcoming MotoMeter.

Collectively, we 14 former Diablo A's presidents put forth the following motion and urge members to approve it.

We move that the following procedure be adopted by the Diablo A's club and be immediately implemented by its Board of Directors.

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2. Board members will send the Secretary all changes, or their approval. Absence of a reply will constitute approval.
3. The Editor of the MotoMeter will include Board minutes in the same month's edition of our newsletter and distribute copies to members prior to the next general meeting.

Our members must have access to Board meeting minutes in each edition of the newsletter. Anything less allows the Board to protect its actions from scrutiny. As part presidents of Diablo A's we want to see our club offer fun for members not contention. We ask that you join us and approve this motion for openness in our club operations. The current arrangement is just unacceptable.

Signed:

Lynn Grady
Past President—2005
Bill Truesdell
Past President—2004
Ed James
Past President—2012
Ron Wolfman
Past President—1976
Alex Janke
Past President—2002-2003
John Bailey
Past President—2007
Doug Freeman
Past President—2013
Pete Goodson
Past President—200-2001
Steve Mick
Past President—1998-1999
Her Neumann
Past President—1994-1995
Bob Rigor
Past President—2009
Bill Pugh
Past President—2010
Sue Lindstrom
Past President—1991
Marianne Goodson
Past President—2006

Editor Note:

The above text was submitted to the membership one year after the actual change to the posting of the Board Minutes was approved.

**Diablo A's Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, January 4, 2016
June & John Rosploch Home**

Board Members present: President: John Rosploch; Vice President Bob Estrella; Secretary: Diane Trimpey; Treasurer: Roland Smith; Tour Coordinator; Peggy English; Past President: Marty Larsen; Editor; June Rosploch

Guests: Sue & Tim Lindstrom, Bill & Donna Truesdell, Wayne English, Rose Estrella, Larry Trimpey, Marilyn & Herb Neumann

6:00 PM Dinner for board members and spouses

- > 7:00 PM Meeting called to order by President John Rosploch. Welcome, thank you, and introduction of 2016 board members. Written introduction of appointed services members, Reminder to use Bylaws and Robert's Rules as guideline for our meetings.
- > Secretary- Diane Trimpey: The motion passed to approve the minutes of BOD Meeting 12/7/15
- > Treasurer's Report –Read by Roland Smith
- > Vice President: Bob Estrella: Bob brought up the fact that our current website states any members interested in attending board meetings are always welcome. This document and others need to be review and made current. Discussion followed. It was pointed out that any member is welcome to attend board meetings as an observer, please R.S.V.P the host. If members have items they wish the board to discuss, they can contact any board member to have it included in the agenda.
- > Past President: Marty Larsen: Reported transition is complete including a P. O. Box key.
- > Tour Coordinator –Peggy English : Update on tours as posted in MotoMeter.
- > Editor - June Rosploch: Update on newsletter. Discussion of new member booklet update.

Committees:

- > Christmas Banquet: Herb and Marilyn Neumann reported on expenses for the 2015 Banquet and are looking into finding ways to lower the cost for 2016. They will report back to us shortly.
- > Advertising: Marilyn Neumann presented her final status report on Advertising. She reported that she spoke to all of our current advertisers to inform them we are discontinuing the solicitation of paid advertisers for the foreseeable future. The response from each of them was very positive, and they all said they would renew ad-

vertising with us if the need were to arise in the future.

New Committees:

- > Audit : Reyanne Freeman, Herb Neumann.
- > Budget: Sue Lindstrom, Roland Smith, John Rosploch, Marty Larsen (March target date)
- > Mystery Tour: Mike Cozad, Alex & Ruth Janke (Wayne & Peggy English as backups)
- > Christmas Banquet: Herb & Marilyn Neumann

OLD BUSINESS

- > Revised BOD Meeting Schedule location was passed out and discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

- > Discussion on posting minutes for Board Meetings and General Meetings. (The procedures manual will be update.)
- > Discussion on Appointed Services reports. (The procedures manual will be update.)
- > Change of Vice President duties : Past President will now be in charge of taking photos of new members. (The procedures manual will be update.)
- > Discussion of retroactive donation of a set of DVD's to Lincoln High School Autoshop in Lincoln, Ca. Motion was made by Marty Larsen, seconded and passed, 7/0/0, to cover this donation and reimburse Bill Truesdell. It was agreed that future donations of DVD's would have funds for educational purposes available in the budget for use at the discretion of the DVD Coordinator. (The procedures manual will be updated.)

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:00PM . Next BOD Meeting to be held on February 1, 2016 at home of Roland and Xiu Smith at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Trimpey

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING DIABLO MODEL
A CLUB
JANUARY 15,2016
FAITH CHRISTIAN CHURCH
REVISED MARCH 7, 2016**

Board Members Present: President John Rosploch, Vice President Bob Estrella, Past President Marty Larsen, Treasurer Roland Smith, Secretary Diane Trimpey, Tour Coordinator Peggy English, Editor June Rosploch.

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Guests: Herb & Marilyn Neumann

President John Rosploch called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM. He explained the purpose of this meeting is to decide on the location and date of the 2016 Holiday Party. Marilyn and Herb Neumann are here to give us an update on the Oakhurst Country Club location.

June Rosploch stated she did phone research on Zio Fraedo's Restaurant in Pleasant Hill where the party has been in some years past. She talked to the owner and he stated he could accommodate our club. He has a room that holds eighty people. Discussion was held and some board members stated it was very crowded in the past. The price would be per plate with no minimum. Due to size restrictions, it was decided not to have the party at this location this year.

Herb and Marilyn gave an update on Oakhurst with a reminder that the deadline to receive our deposit back is the end of January. They discussed options of having the party during the week or at lunchtime to reduce the cost.

Discussion followed with most board members feeling we should keep the Oakhurst location this year and look into other location possibilities in 2016. It was agreed that the location needed to be special and parking, accessibility, size and atmosphere considered.

A motion was made by Marty Larsen to hold the Holiday Party at Oakhurst Country Club on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 and have Marilyn and Herb Neumann continue to be the committee. It was seconded and passed. 7/0/0.

Meeting adjourned by President John Rosploch at 7:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Trimpey, Secretary

**Diablo A's Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, February 01, 2016
Roland & Xiu Smith's Home**

> Board Members present: President: John Rosploch; Vice President Bob Estrella; Secretary: Diane Trimpey; Treasurer: Roland Smith; Tour Coordinator; Peggy English; Past President: Marty Larsen; Editor; June Rosploch

- > Guests: Wayne English, Rose Estrella, Larry Trimpey, Xiu Smith
- > 7:00 PM Meeting called to order by President John Rosploch.
- > Secretary- Diane Trimpey The motion was made by Marty Larsen and passed to approve the BOD minutes of January 4, 2016. 7/0/0
- > Motion was made by Marty Larsen to approve special board meeting minutes of January 15, 2016 as emailed on February 7, 2016. Discussion on paragraph regarding Christmas banquet change. Motion was made by Marty Larsen to accept changes. Motion passed. 4/3/0
- > Treasurer's Report –Read by Roland Smith.
- > Vice President: Bob Estrella made the Restorer Magazine for March.
- > Past President/Membership: Marty received a renewal check for membership and gave it to the treasurer.
- > Marty stated we need to change the procedure manual to have the past president update new membership roster.
- > New members badge requests to be given to Ed James.

NEW BUSINESS

- > DVD reporting and royalty disbursement was discussed. A yearly versus a quarterly report and disbursement was discussed. Peggy English volunteered and was designated to ask Bill Truesdell about the possibility of receiving quarterly reports and disbursement. The consensus was that a quarterly report and disbursement would assist the budget needs of the club.
- > MAFFI Youth Membership: John announced MAFFI is offering one free membership to any person under 21 years old per chapter. He went over the benefits of this award.
- > Roland Smith stated our club is a Mutual Benefit Non-Profit Corporation.
- > Liability Insurance: President John Rosploch stated our present liability insurance company (Allstate) will not renew our liability insurance. Board members were asked to contact any person or club they know to find out what other insurance companies might be available to make a new policy. We were reminded this is an urgent matter.
- > Bob Estrella discussed making club members feel welcome at board meetings. Members wishing to attend, need to notify the host and let any board

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member know of any item they wish the board to discuss.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Marty Larsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:15PM

Next board meeting to be held at March 7, 2016 at the Trimpey's home.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Trimpey

Secretary

Diablo A's Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 7, 2016

Larry & Diane Trimpey's home

> Board Members present: President: John Rosploch; Vice President Bob Estrella; Secretary: Diane Trimpey; Treasurer: Roland Smith; Tour Coordinator; Peggy English; Past President: Marty Larsen; Editor; June Rosploch

> Guests: Wayne English, Rose Estrella, Larry Trimpey, Marilyn Neumann, Bob & Lynn Grady

> 7:05 PM Meeting called to order by President John Rosploch.

> Secretary- Diane Trimpey The motion was made by Peggy English and passed to approve the BOD minutes of February 1, 2016. 7/0/0

> Vice President-Bob Estrella: No Report

> Treasurer's Report –Read by Roland Smith. He handed out a Cash Summary Report Year to Date.

> Past President/Membership: Marty turned in a membership check and is adding a name of a new member to the roster.

> Tour Coordinator: Peggy English reviewed upcoming tours as posted in the newsletter.

> Editor - June Rosploch noted two upcoming events, a technical seminar on March 26, 2016 and the annual car blessing on April 10th. Details in the Mo-toMeter.

OLD BUSINESS

> June reported the updates and typo corrections to the Procedures Manual have been made and is pending. Marty Larsen made a motion to accept the revised Procedure Manual, which had been emailed to the board to review, and the motion was passed 7/0/0.

> There was discussion about where the board minutes should be posted with guest, Lynn Grady participating in this discussion. Points about posting the BOD Minutes on the members only website versus in the newsletter was discussed

> Peggy English reported back on her discussion about the reporting of DVD sales and income with the Video Coordinator, Bill Truesdell, and that it

was his decision to report once a year and turn in sales income once a year.

NEW BUSINESS

> The topic of a previous revision of the Special Board Meeting of 01/15/2016 was raised and input from Secretary Diane Trimpey and guest Marilyn Neumann was heard by the board. After hearing a review of Robert's Rules regarding recording of minutes and the remarks of guest, Marilyn Neumann, Marty Larsen made a motion to revise the minutes as decided by the board, and the motion passed 6/0/1.

> Marty Larsen passed out the proposed budget for 2016 as drawn up by the budget committee. A motion was made by Marty Larsen to accept the proposed budget and the motion passed. 7/0/0.

> Club records are being turned over to the Audit Committee this evening for the annual review.

> President John Rosploch reported his findings about liability insurance for the club and stated more investigation is taking place and will be reported on at the next meeting.

> Rental of the club meeting house was discussed and it was reported we are being offered a contract involving an extended contract of three years, with no increase in rent fees. A motion was made by Roland Smith to sign this contract and the motion passed. 7/0/0

> A request for donation of a set of DVD's was made by Lake County A's to be hand carried by Herb and Marilyn Neumann, for the raffle table at the Spring Opener. A motion was made to donate the DVD's as requested by Herb & Marilyn Neumann by Peggy English and the motion passed. 7/0/0.

> There will be no audio technician at the June 2016 general meeting. Volunteers are being requested to fill this position as Wayne English will be out of town.

> Some of the board members will be unavailable to come to the April board meeting so it will be cancelled. The April general meeting will have some board members absent so those present will fill in, It was noted the treasurer will be gone in April and Lynn Grady will fill in for Roland Smith.

President John Rosploch asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion was made and passed by Bob Estrella to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM .

The next board meeting will be held on May 9th at the home of Bob and Rose Estrella at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Trimpey, Secretary

Era Fashions By June Rosploch



Aprons!

By Harriet McNeill

Source: <http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Aprons.pdf>

Aprons make acceptable gifts!

Aprons have been around a long time but there are lots of choices today.

They appeared in Medieval and Renaissance paintings and mostly looked like they were rectangles of cloth. Today they are more of a fashion statement but just as utilitarian. In the past people did not have the luxury of a large wardrobe nor did they have the laundry facilities as we have today so aprons served the purpose of covering your dress to protect it from soiling. The apron could be washed every couple of days or more often whereas the dress under the apron maybe only was washed once a week.

Aprons followed the lines of the dress during the 1920's, long and no waistline. During later years, they were sometimes cinched at the waist.

Up until the 1940's large quantities of flour and chicken feed arrived in cotton sacks and were durable enough to withstand washings and rough handling. The sacks came in bright, colorful, floral patterns. If the apron had seen its better day, the best parts were cut out and used for quilts. No wasting in those days!

I always thought an apron was an apron but they had different names:

Full apron – covers the whole front —Half apron – tied at the waist, no bib —Princess apron – full apron with bib and skirt, cut in one piece and no waist seam. This style was very popular in the 1920's and 1930's. —Pinafore – bib style that covered the chest and fastened with a pin, thus the name —Pinny – British slang for pinafore or apron —Hostess—50's term for a half apron, dainty fabric and made for show —Bib – top portion of apron that covers the chest and made from a simple square —Smock – more like a dress. Popular for painting and gardening —Cobbler – covers front and back, generally straight with ties or buttons at the sides —Chef's – one piece with straight 'skirt' and bib. Ties in the back So when you need a gift, think of an apron. There are lots of patterns to choose from!



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Montgomery Ward, EPW 1928

Sunshine Report By Nancy Larsen



This morning (Tuesday March 22) Donna Truesdell had her second cataract surgery. It went well. She's home and will go to her follow-up tomorrow morning. She will need some eye drops for a week or so and they say she will be fine then.

Heal quickly, Donna

Cal's Garage By June Rosploch



Muffler Tail Pipe Clamp

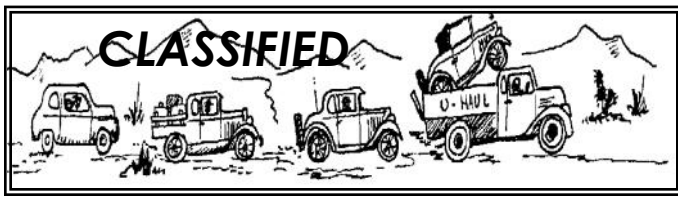
Source: Tiny Tips For Your Model A (Page 152)

Have you ever wondered why the exhaust manifold on a Model A becomes distorted and leaks after years of operation? Why the outlet of the manifold is no longer vertical? No, that condition is not normal; they were always that way.

There is a reason for this and it is not just because of continuous heating and cooling. Many people installing the muffler will tighten the clamp bolt where it fastens the muffler/tail pipe to the frame, obviously to keep it from rattling.

This bolt is only supposed to be little more than hand tight. That is the reason for the castellated nut and cotter pin; so that the bolt will not become unscrewed and fall off. The reason for this is to allow the tail pipe to slide forward and backward when the exhaust system is heated and cooled alternatively. When the clamp is tightened the exhaust manifold actually bends when the muffler expands. Yes, cast iron will "bend" under these conditions.

So remember, do not over tighten your muffler/tail pipe clamp.



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Courthouses of Contra Costa

Source: Old Times in contra Costa, A Journey To the Past, page 14

After the county was formed in 1850 F. M. Warmcastle was elected judge of the court of sessions, replacing Alcade Elam Brown. Court trials were held in private homes at first because there was no courthouse (or any other public building, except for a jail). In 1854 a two-story brick courthouse was built on Court Street, Martinez. It had a small bell tower on top. The bell was used to call court to session. The courthouse shown here is as it appeared in 1890, amid a small park with curving paths.



County government outgrew the original courthouse and it was replaced in 1901 by the building shown next, located at Pine and Escobar Streets.



This Greco-Roman structure served as the count's only big office and courts building until 1933, when the Hall of Records was built. In 1954 the supervisors were worried about the cupola falling through the roof of the courthouse if there were an earthquake and ordered the cupola removed. When the contractor got started on the job in July 1956 it was found that the sheet-iron cupola was quite sturdy and that the fears were unjustified. However, since he had a contract to remove it, the contractor went ahead with the job, taking the cupola apart piece by piece. The job took until March 1957. In 1964 a 12-story county administration building was completed, initiating the movement of various county departments. In 1966 the courts and the designation "courthouse" were shifted to the Hall of Records and the building in the photo became the Public Finance Building.



Source: The American Legion Magazine, September 2015

A traveling Salesman was driving down a country road when he noticed that a three-legged chicken was running alongside his car. He stepped on the gas, but at 50 mph the chicken was still keeping up. After about a mile, the chicken ran up into a barn behind an old farmhouse.

The salesman had time to kill, so he drove up the lane. He knocked at the door, and when the farmer answered he told him what he's just seen.

The farmer knew about the chicken. "As a matter of fact," he said, "my son is a geneticist, and he developed this breed of chicken because he and his mother and I all like a drumstick when we have dinner. This way we only kill one chicken."

"Wow," the salesman said. "How do they taste?"

The Farmer replied, "I don't know. We can't catch them."



Public Relations, Please let Bob Rigor know about any local "Show & Shine" events.

Car Blessing, Concord

Sunday, April 10, Car Show & Blessing 11AM- 3 PM.



Car blessings at noon. FREE ADMISSION. Setup begins at 10 AM. Food and refreshments will be available on site. St. Agnes Catholic Church, 3966 Chestnut Ave., Concord.

More information contact Bob & Sandi Rigor

Elks Car Show, Walnut Creek

Saturday, May 7th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. 1475 Creekside Drive, Walnut Creek. Free Admission to the public. Registration Fee \$35 (one free meal with car registration). Raffle, T-shirts, Food, Awards given for : Best in Show, 1st and 2nd, ER Choice. Proceeds benefit Purple Pig! (Disabled Children) Contact Mike at JSCHAAF007@aol.com or Lisa at IDREBEL5@yahoo.com

Fridays on the Main, Martinez

Join us every Friday from May 15 through September 11 for the Fridays on the Main and Market event!

Featuring...Farmers Market on the 800 block of Main St. 4pm-8pm
Cool Cars & Music on the 500, 600 & 700 blocks of Main St. 6pm-8pm
Free to attend! Restaurants are open!

2016 Goodguys Local Car Shows

Alameda County Fairgrounds, 4501 Pleasanton Avenue, Pleasanton
June 4 & 5, Nov. 12 & 13

Hornet Car Show, Alameda

I know most of you are in parades on July 4th but I would like to let the club know that there is an open house & car show at the Hornet aircraft carrier at pier #3 in Alameda. There is no charge for the car show. Thanks Al Aldridge

American Iron Car Show, Pleasant Hill

When: Sunday, August 14
Where: Downtown Pleasant Hill (on Crescent Drive)
Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Pleasant Hill Parks & Recreation Department presents an upbeat 1980's American Iron Car Show featuring the classics. It will offer fun music, food and entertainment from 10am – 3pm. Admission is free.

Sunday, September 11—Antique Autos in History Park, 2016



"The largest annual Antique Auto Show in the West."

The 16th annual Antique Autos in History Park (635 Phelan Ave., San Jose, CA) welcomes all pre-1946 original or restored-to-original-condition vehicles. This year we are featuring early Lincolns.

There is no registration for this event, nor a fee to enter.
Peder & Maria Jorgensen
Antique Autos in History Park Coordinators

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From the Mailbox

MAFCA Communications

Source: <http://www.mafca.com/>



March 6 - Our page [Members with Email](#) is where members may voluntarily list their email address, chapter name, and Model A interests to allow others to contact them for questions on their specialty or their Model A.



Note that **the email address are hidden from the search engines** - you have to click on the little mail icon to send an email.

Many of the listing on this page haven't been updated in several years, and I'm sure there are a few obsolete email addresses there. Please take a look at the [Members with Email](#) page and check your information. If it's not up to date, click on the link at the top of the page to fill out an update form.

Board of Directors Meeting

April 23, 2016

250 South Cypress St.

La Habra, California 90631

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

All MAFCA members are invited to attend Board meetings. Come learn how the club is managed and get to know your Board of Directors.

For more information, call 562-697-2712

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2016 MAFCA MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

There are only a couple more weeks left to pre-order your 2016 Membership Roster. MAFCA will accept pre-orders until April 5, 2016. The Membership Roster is a MUST to take with you when you're traveling in your Model A. If you ever have a breakdown while out touring, the Roster will allow you to find fellow MAFCA members nearby to help you get back on the road.

Don't wait - pre-order today from the MAFCA Store:

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THE RESTORER MAGAZINE

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NCRG Communication

Source: <http://www.ncrgmafca.com/>

54th Annual Roundup, May 27-29, 2016

Hosted by the Modesto Area A's

www.modestoareamodelclub.org

Warm up those A's for a drive to Modesto in May. The 54th NCRG Roundup is not far off. Registration forms, and lodging & meet information are all available on this website. There's one change to the meet schedule. The NCRG Breakfast has been canceled but the NCRG meeting will go on as scheduled at 8:00 am Sunday. If you've never been a car or fashion judge, take one of the tests available on the MAFCA website <http://www.mafca.com> and become an apprentice. You'll get to meet people and see the best cars and fashions close up. Plan to be there and register now! The Northern California Regional Group is composed of 28 MAFCA Chapters and the NCRG Board is asking one or more of you to host the Roundup in 2017. Let's keep the tradition going.



ACCC Communications

Source: <http://www.acccdefender.org/>

President's Message - March 2015

The ACCC Supports Gaines Legislation!

Rex Roden, President of the Association of California Car Clubs (ACCC), thanked Senator Ted Gaines (R-Roseville) "for standing up for the thousands of classic car collectors in the state." Roden said his group strongly supports SB 1239 by Senator Gaines. It would change the present smog inspection exemption for classic cars from 1975 & older to 1980 & older model year vehicles.



MAFFI Communications

Source: <http://www.maffi.org/>

Bumper Sticker for sale- "My other car

is a Model A Ford" is one of the items that can be bought to benefit the Model A Ford Foundation Endowment Fund!



Show off your hobby while driving your modern car. A Ford blue bumper sticker with can be bought for \$2.00. Shipping is included in the price. Please make the

check out to MAFFI and send to:

MAFFI Items

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Go to http://www.maffi.org/My_Homepage_Files/Page10.html to see other items for sale.

April 2016



April Birthday's

- 1 Jan Anderson
- 1 Denny Desmond
- 1 Lloyd Harrich
- 3 Terry Freeman
- 6 Pat Woerner
- 6 Karen Haugse
- 8 Cassandra Antkowiak
- 11 Sue Lindstrom
- 12 Nancy Larsen
- 13 Pam Lee
- 13 Pete Goodson
- 15 Audrey Mitchell
- 16 Karen Haugse
- 22 Barbara Sharman
- 23 Bill Cartwright
- 24 Felix Boston
- 26 Herb Neumann
- 30 Michelle Webber
- 30 Tim Lindstrom

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Board Meeting Canceled	5	6	7	8	9
10 Car Blessing & Show	11	12	13	14	15 General Meeting Spring Pot Luck	16 CCRG 4/15—4/17
17	18	19	20	21	22 Passover	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Spring Opener 4/29 —5/1	30 Sturgeon's Mill Tour

April Anniversary's

- 1 Ed & Patsy Pond
- 4 John & Carole Price
- 5 Larry & Jan Anderson
- 6 David & Mary Bentley
- 7 Bob & Rose Estrella
- 10 John & Claire Bailey
- 12 Troy & Loretta Whitehurst
- 13 Ronnie & Debbie Sherman
- 13 Lewis & Jane Ripsteen
- 21 Tom & Ellie Van Voorhis
- 25 Dale & Susan Frost
- 27 John & Marge Tait
- 29 Frank & Georgianne Champion
- 29 Larry & Barbara Hollinger
- 30 Roger & Donna Staggs
- 30 Jesse & Linda Cruz

May 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Board Meeting @ Estrella's	3	4	5	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20 General Meeting	21 Armed Forces Day
22 Rosie the Riveter Tout	23	24	25	26	27 May 27-29 NCRG Round-Up	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

May Birthdays

- 1 Maria Marshall
- 5 Joe Wisher
- 5 Patsy Pond
- 6 Katie Wolfman
- 9 Bill Pugh
- 9 Stewart Bowers
- 13 Joyce Bowers
- 13 Steve Mick
- 16 Adell Kirk
- 20 Doug Freeman
- 22 Kon Anderson
- 24 June Rosploch
- 30 Ruth Janke



May Anniversary's

- 5 Ken & Elaine Matheson
- 7 Denny & Dee Desmond
- 8 Bob & Lynn Grady
- 14 Tim & Sue Lindstrom
- 27 Larry & Pam Lee