



San Diego Model A Ford Club Inc.

Over 65 years of Model A'ing

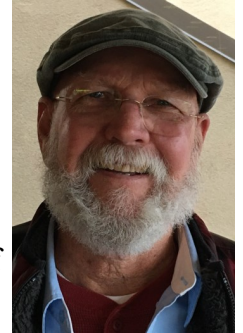


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February 2025

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: *Guy McElroy*

I thought that once the New Year came in things would slow down a bit; boy was I wrong. It has been one hectic January. We had two very tall Cottonwood trees removed and I was too cheap to have the stumps ground down. Judith has been trying to keep you all updated on my stump removal progress. I finished on the 23rd. I probably should have paid them.



New Year's Day we had the annual breakfast at The Omelette Factory. What a great way to start off the year. We had about 40 people and as I recall about a dozen Model A vehicles there. The morning was super foggy all the way there but cleared up after a while. There was a bit of a nip in the air, but the coffee was hot and there was a lot of warm friendship to be shared. The Baehrs showed up in a Model A pickup I had not seen before. Michael said he bought it for Jenn, they both seemed very happy with the new acquisition. There was no talk of Club business, it was totally a social event, good food, good friends and lots of smiling faces.

On the 12th of January The 110th Anniversary Excursion of The 1915 San Diego Exposition Road Race was held. Registration started at 0700 at the Auto Museum in Balboa Park. I had family coming over so I just went down to count heads on the attending Model A club members. I left at 0900 when all the cars started out for Shelter Island to stage for the actual race route. The sponsors had said that they were going to limit it to 100 entries of pre 1942 non modified vehicles. When Michael Dainer and I arrived at 0700 the sponsor said he already had 92 cars pre-registered. I'm sure they surpassed the 100 number. There was everything from 1924 camping rigs to Bentley racers, from Rolls Royce sedans to a little tiny Austin phaeton. Our club had 16 vehicles in attendance and there were other model As from all around the county. I think I counted 4 Model A Victorias.

On January 18th we had our Annual Installation Luncheon at the Alpine Community Center, it was fantastic. My heartfelt thanks go out to our Installation Committee. The theme this year was Small Town "A"merica. The team that put it all together was: Jenn Baehr, Fred Crone, Dave and Kris Francis, Steve Lovell, Rochelle Svelling, Tina Weisenseel, Patty Winchester and Ed Woodruff. I wish you all could have been there, I can't even start to tell you how great it was. Since this was called an "Installation Luncheon" we decided to install someone. We installed Paul Winchester as our new Technical Director/Board Member, Jennifer Baehr as our new Refreshment Chairperson, Rochelle Svelling as our new Membership Chairperson, and we left the Merchandise chairperson position vacant as we had no volunteers. None of the other board members or chairs were being vacated this year and they remained as they were. (*Continued on Page 9.*)

UP-COMING EVENTS: *Save these dates!*



The Valentine Issue

FEBRUARY	8	Hawk Watch Tour Ramona
	14	Business Meeting—Santee 7 PM
	15	Valentine Car Display—Jamul
MARCH	14	Business Meeting—Santee 7 PM
	15	St. Patrick's Day Parade

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BUSINESS MEETING HELD THE 2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 PM

**Carlton Hills Lutheran Church;
9735 Halberns Blvd.,
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The San Diego Model A Ford Club was first founded in 1957 by a few dedicated Model A owners. Our purpose is to help preserve the Model A, which was in production by the Ford Motor Company from 1928-1931. Ownership of a Model A is not a requirement for membership in the club. Membership dues are \$30.00 per calendar year. Membership in one of the National Clubs is mandatory (either MARC or MAFCA) and the responsibility of each member. Contact information to join a National Club is listed below:



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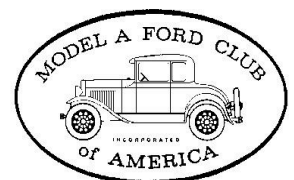
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SAN DIEGO MODEL A CLUB, INC.

General Business Meeting – January 18, 2025



President Guy McElroy called the Awards & Installation Business Meeting to order at 1:40 PM and led the flag salute. This was followed by a moment of silence to commemorate the passing of club members Valarie Basham, Ron Engen and Vic Patterson in 2024. Guy welcomed everyone, and thanked the Banquet Committee for their hard work. Victor Figueroa moved to approve the minutes of the December 2024 meeting as published in the Quail Call; 2nd by Jim Train – motion passed.

Tours (Dave Kelsen) Reported on our upcoming February 8th tour to the Hawk Watch in Ramona. In case of rain, the tour will move to February 15. **2024 Mileage & participation Awards:** Dave Kelsen recognized members for first tours and Mileage awards. **First Time Tour Awards** (driving their Model A first time on a tour): Mike & Jenn Baehr, David & Karyn Frazee, Teri Nance, and Terry & Carol Tennebaum. **500 Mile Award:** Mike & Jenn Baehr, Victor & Gloria Figueroa, Ahna Holder, Phil Kowalewski, Rob & Robin Roland, Zach & Rochelle Svelling, Ben & Nina Taravella, and John & Tina Weisenseel. **1,000 Mile Award:** Ahna Holder, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling, Ben & Nina Taravella, Mark & Tamara Williamson **Participation Award:** Ron & Linda Niemeyer. It was noted that Valarie Basham was just a few miles short of reaching 50,000 miles before her passing in March 2024.

Parades (Ron Niemeyer) – Only upcoming parade is the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 15th. Sign-ups will be available at the February meeting, but we can only have 6 cars. Vice President Ron Niemeyer presented President Guy McElroy with a personalized Club Jacket and a gold name badge as a club thank you for service in 2024.

Treasurer – Nayola Bieber: Nothing to report this month.

New Business:

Committee Chairs: Guy thanked each committee chair: **Membership – Outgoing:** Patty Winchester, **Incoming:** Rochelle Svelling. **Refreshments – Outgoing:** Dave Sohr, **Incoming:** Jenn Baehr. **Era Events & Fashions-** Cliff Hughes (Remaining). **Club Property** – Jim Taber (Remaining). **Ways & Means** – Tina Weisenseel (Remaining). **Merchandise** – Julie Halter (No replacement). **Web Master** - Chris Halter (Remaining). **Mailbox & AAAC/Defender** – Ray Beardslee (Remaining). **Board Members:** President Guy McElroy thanked each 2024 Board Member: **Vice President:** Ron Niemeyer, **Secretary:** Kris Francis, **Treasurer:** Nayola Bieber, **Tours:** Dave Kelsen, **Technical: (Outgoing)** Arlyn Bieber, **Past President:** Fred Crone. The only change to the 2024 board is Paul Winchester will take over as the new Technical Coordinator. Guy recognized Ross Piper for his work on member badges and plaques.

Installation of New Board and Committee Members for 2025: The slate of new officers and committee chairmen for 2025 was presented: **Technical:** Arlyn Bieber, **Membership:** Rochelle Svelling and **Refreshments:** Jennifer Baehr. Jim Train moved that we approve and elect this new board, which was seconded by John Weisenseel; motion carried. Guy noted that for the time being we will not have a Merchandise Chairman. Instead, a flyer with the club merchandise will be available at the membership table for merchandise pick up at the following meeting.

Membership Awards: Guy recognized membership awards: **5 years** (2019): Mike & Mary Joslyn, Guy & Judith McElroy, Ross & Sue Piper, and Russ & Lynn Sarnecki. **10 years** (2014): Fred Crone, Steve & Nancy Lovell, and Joe & Susan Valentino. **15 years** (2009): Hugh & Anne McMillan and Ray & Barbara Miller. **20 years** (2004): Walter & Roxy Faust, Bill & Sue Hansen, Gary Karr, Mark & Linda Sawyer and Dave & Sherill Kelsen. **30 years** (1994): Terry & Carol Thrush. **40 years** (1984): Reen Kotas. **45 years** (1979): Sue Winnett.

Ways & Means: (Tina Weisenseel) 12 amazing raffle prizes were presented. Tina noted that all raffle prizes were donated.

Membership drawing prize [10.00]: Joe & Luisa Costa's names were drawn, however they were not present. Next month = \$20.00.

Hard Luck Trophy was returned by Paul Winchester, but no one has "earned" the award lately. Paul felt that folks were not driving enough.

Adjourned: The centerpieces at each table were "won" by the person from the smallest home town. Jim Train moved that we adjourn; Marv Munzenmaier 2nd. Motion passed and the event ended at 2:30 PM.



Respectfully submitted,

Kris Francis,

Kris Francis (Recording secretary)



Installation and Awards Luncheon

January 18, 2025



TOURS COORDINATOR: *Dave Kelson*

We had a very busy month in January. Lots of fun activities. On Wednesday, New Year's Day morning, was the **Annual New Year's Breakfast** at the Santee Omelette Factory. 40 people were in attendance. 11 Model A's. Display Points goes to: Mike & Jen Baehr, Arlyn & Nayola Bieber, Fred Crone, Dave & Kris Francis, Guy & Judith McElroy, Ross Nelson & Susan Ramsey, Ross Piper, Ed Poffenberger & Anne Di Napoli, Dave Sohr & Penny Smiley, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling, Bud & Judy Swartwood. Participation Points: Richard & Janet Books, Stan & Judy Boyer, Michael & Joan Dainer, Reen Kotas & 2 guests, Danny & Karen Machado, Clyde Marion, Marv Munzenmaier, Ron & Linda Niemeyer, Jim & Jerriann Taber, John & Tina Weisenseel, and Sue Winnett



Our 2nd activity of the month was held on Sunday, January 12th. Our Club participated in the **Point Loma Vintage Car Parade**. It was the San Diego Excursion celebrating the 110th Anniversary of the 1915 Panama Exposition Road Race. The course followed the old Point Loma Race Route. Our members gathered at the Air & Space Museum in Balboa Park early in the morning displaying their Model A's. From there, they made their way over to the Pt. Loma Race course. A great time for all and we know of no breakdowns! This event earned both Tour points and Display points. Mileage goes to: Mike & Jen Baehr, Ray & Judy Jo Beardslee, Fred Crone, Michael Dainer, Chris Halter, Ahna Holder, Tim & Theresa Johnson, Teri Nance, Ross Nelson, Ron & Linda Niemeyer, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling, Joe Valentino, Mark Williamson, Paul & Patty Winchester. (Prospective New Member, John Ravens, joined in the Tour in his

newly obtained Victoria and drove it in the event). Display Points goes to: Guy McElroy. Participation Points goes to: Dave & Kris Francis

Our 3rd activity of the month was held on Saturday, January 18th. It was our **Annual Installation & Awards Luncheon**. Thank you to all the people who made it happen! Everything was perfect. From the Hometown Map, Fred Crone's stand-up Hometown Front & Flour Sack Children decorations, Tina's centerpieces, award packets, the food, Jim & Cliff's music, Ed Woodruff's Pick-Up, Ruby, parked in front for Photo-Ops, and so much more completed by the Banquet Committee. Thanks for all who attended. It looked like everyone had a great time! Display Points goes to: Tom & Lorrie Allingham, Victor & Gloria Figueroa, Larry & Carolyn Kaiser, Tom & Karen Lazar, Guy & Judith McElroy, Ron & Linda Niemeyer, Ed Poffenberger, Rodney Tuttle, Paul Winchester, Ed Woodruff. Participation Points goes to: Mike & Jen Baehr, Ray & Judy Jo Beardslee, Arlyn & Nayola Bieber, Stan & Judy Boyer, Fred Crone, Michael & Joan Dainer, Gary & Lisa Elliott, Glenn & Pat Frehafer, Dave & Kris Francis, Chris & Julie Halter, Ken & Jane Hatfield, Cliff & Kathryn Hughes, Betsy Johnson & Gary, Dave & Sherill Kelsen, Howard & Barbara Kruegel, Steve & Nancy Lovell, Ray & Barbara Miller, Marv Munzenmaier, Ross Nelson & Sue Ramsey, Richard & Patricia Potts, Vern & Lori Schwebke, Dave Shor & Penny Smiley, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling, Bud & Judy Swartwood, Jim & Jerriann Taber, Nina Taravella, Jim & Gene Train, John & Tina Weisenseel, and Sue Winnett.

Upcoming February Tour: On Saturday, February 8th, Guy & Judith will lead us on a Tour to **Hawk Watch Wildlife Research Institute** in Ramona. Entrance is Free. We attended last year and it was an amazing Tour which most said they wanted to return. They only have their Presentations on Saturday and Sunday during the months of January & February ~ so we have waited a whole year to return! The audience is able to interact with the wildlife and view very close. We will meet at Target in El Cajon, 250 Broadway at 8:15am, departing at 8:30am. We will stop on Highway 67 at Scripps Poway Parkway about 9:00am to meet members closer to that location. We will then drive to 18528 Highland Valley Road in Ramona. The Presentation begins at 10am; lasts about 2 hours. Bring chairs, Binoculars, warm clothes (it's windy), and picnic lunch (they have tables) for after the Presentation. **Note: We do not have another Club Meeting prior to this event. If you need to sign-up, call Dave (619) 772-2625 or Sherill (619) 997-0598, or email kelsens@hotmail.com.**



Fabulous February

Looking Back out the Rear Window

January 1, 2025 -New Year's Day Breakfast - A new day, A new year and a new "A" appeared in the Omelet Factory parking lot. The Baehrs showed up in a new-to-them '30 Pickup, congratulations! A hearty breakfast, camaraderie and tire kicking afterwards always is a good time with the club. A's in attendance were Guy and Judith McElroy, Zachary and Rochelle Svelling, Ed Poffenberger and Ann DeNapoli, Mike and Jen Baehr, Ross Piper, Ross Nelson with Susan Ramsey, Fred Crone, Bud and Judy Swartwood, Arlyn and Nayola Bieber, Dave and Kris Francis, Dave Sohr and Penny Smiley. (Photos left and below)



January 12, 2025- 1915 Celebration of the San Diego Exposition Road Race - 16 Model A's met at the Balboa Automotive Museum with numerous other vintage vehicles from far and wide. What an event! A's in attendance were Ron and Linda Niemeyer, Ray and Judy Jo Beardslee, Paul and Patty Winchester, Tim and Theresa Johnson, Zachary and Rochelle Svelling, Mike and Jen



Baehr, Michael Danier, Fred Crone, Ahna Holder and her dad Curt, Ross Nelson, Chris Halter, Mark Williamson, Teri Nance, Joe Valentino. President Guy McElroy showed up with his AA and although he did not drive in the commemorative race with us, he receives display points for being there. Dave and Kris Francis receive participation points. (Photos left and right)



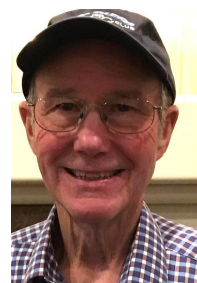
January 18, 2025-Installation and Awards Luncheon - We had 11 A's in total sitting pretty in glorious weather on display while we enjoyed the festivities inside the Alpine Community Center. A's in attendance were Guy and Judith McElroy, Ron and Linda Niemeyer, Larry and Carolyn Kaiser, Paul Winchester, Ed Poffenberger, Tom and Karen Lazar, Ed Woodruff, Michael and Joan Danier, Betsy Johnson and friend Gary, Victor and Gloria Figueroa, Rod Tuttle and Tom and Lorrie Allingham. (Photos page 4)

Looking Forward out the Windshield A-head

- Saturday, February 15 - Valentine themed Car Display - Jamul Tractor Supply 9:00 am-2 pm
- Saturday March 15- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Saturday April 26- Lakeside Western Day Parade
- May-All Ford Picnic (date to be determined)



Thank you all for giving me the pleasure and challenge of being the Technical Director this year. I am not suggesting everyone modify their cars or follow everything I may put in these articles, but I find them interesting.



The following article was taken from the Ft. Worth Model A Ford Club on-line.

Horn Rewiring: Model A Sparton Horn

I'm interested in rewiring a Model A Sparton Horn from 6 volts to 12 volts. Could you please provide guidance on the wire size and the number of turns required for this conversion?

To convert a Model A Sparton Horn from 6 volts to 12 volts, you'll need to rewire the two field coils while leaving the armature as it is. Here's how to do it:

1. Disassemble the horn to remove the brushes and the armature.
2. Unsolder the two wires at the connector clip (one from each field coil).
3. Pay attention to the direction of winding on the coils; they are wound in opposite directions.

The general rule for doubling the voltage is to use half the wire size and double the number of turns. In this case, going from 6 volts to 12 volts, you should use 24-gauge wire. While the original wire is 20-gauge, it's challenging to find 23-gauge wire (which would be half the size), so 24-gauge wire, readily available at places like Radio Shack, is a suitable choice.

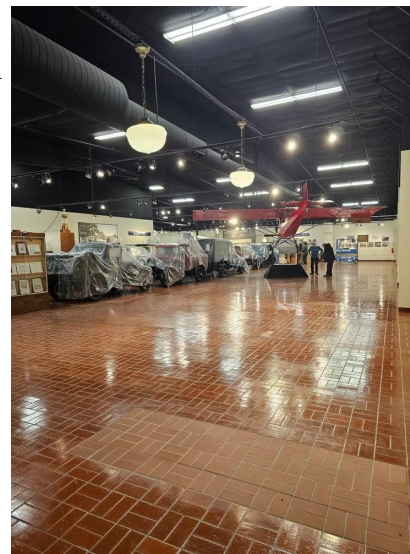
The 6-volt coils typically have 45 turns each. To convert to 12 volts, you can wind each coil with around 100 turns of 24-gauge wire. It's essential to use coated wire, usually used for winding RF radio coils or speaker coils. After winding the horn coils, consider applying a light varnish coat to help with insulation.

When winding the coils, they don't need to be wound tightly or in perfectly neat rows. Some original horns had precise and straight windings, while others were wound more haphazardly. Experimenting with slightly looser windings and a less structured approach may yield better results in horn operation.

January 2025 MAFFI Minute

January 2, 2025 was a busy day of "moving" at the Model A Ford Museum in Hickory Corners. MAFFI Trustees Jerry Dennany and Randy Czubko worked with a crew from the Grape A's Model A Club in Kalamazoo, MI. Executive Director, John Marshall brought a crew up from Illinois with him to help move everything at the museum too. Vehicles, vignettes, and all memorabilia had to be carefully moved and covered (construction dust) because the back wall of the museum was opened up to connect the expansion to the current museum. Many thanks to these folks for all the volunteer effort on behalf of all of us Model A hobbyists.

The Model A museum is closed for the rest of the month of January while work is going on. In fact, the whole Gilmore Auto Museum is closed for the month of January because new floors are being installed in several buildings. The photos show the Model A exterior and the interior with vehicles all covered in plastic. The expansion is moving along as expected. In the meantime, ZOOM meetings are being held for planning the 2025 Model A Days in September and "the christening"!



Stay tuned, *Cindy Ellenbecker, MAFFI Trustee/Secretary*

THE ST. VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE

Although we think of Valentine's Day as the day of Love, in 1929 it marks the most infamous gangster mass murder in history, when mobsters Al Capone, "Bugs" Moran, and others fought for their share of the profits from illegal activity in Chicago.

The St. Valentine's Day Massacre shocked the world on February 14, 1929, when Chicago's North Side erupted in gang violence. Gang warfare ruled the streets of

Chicago during the late 1920s, as chief gangster Al Capone sought to consolidate control by eliminating his rivals in the illegal trades of bootlegging, gambling and prostitution.

This rash of gang violence reached its bloody climax in a garage on the city's North Side on February 14, 1929, when seven men associated with the Irish gangster George "Bugs" Moran, one of Capone's longtime enemies, were shot to death by several men dressed as policemen. The St. Valentine's Day Massacre, as it was known, remains an unsolved crime and was never officially linked to Capone, but he was generally considered to have been responsible for the murders.

From 1924 to 1930, the city of Chicago gained a widespread reputation for lawlessness and violence. Not coincidentally, this phenomenon coincided with the reign of chief crime lord Al "Scarface" Capone, who took over from his boss Johnny Torrio in 1925. (Torrio, who was seriously wounded in an assassination attempt in 1924, had "retired" to Brooklyn.) Prohibition, ushered in by the passage of the 18th Amendment in 1920, had greatly increased the earnings of America's gangsters through



bootlegging (the illegal manufacture and sale of alcohol) and speakeasies (illicit drinking establishments), as well as gambling and prostitution. Capone's income from these activities was estimated at some \$60 million a year; his net worth in 1927 was around \$100 million. Over the years, Al Capone consolidated control over most of Chicago's crime rackets by ruthlessly gunning down his rivals. In 1924, authorities counted some 16 gang-related murders; this brand of slaying continued until 1929, reaching a high of 64 murders in one year during that time. Federal authorities, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, had much less jurisdiction than they have today, and did not include Chicago's gang-related activity.

Chicago's gang war reached its bloody climax in the so-called St. Valentine's Day Massacre of 1929. One of Capone's longtime enemies, the Irish gangster George "Bugs" Moran, ran his bootlegging operations out of a garage at 2122 North Clark Street. On February 14, seven members of Moran's operation were gunned down while standing lined up,

facing the wall of the garage. Some 70 rounds of ammunition were fired. When police officers from Chicago's 36th District arrived, they found one gang member, Frank Gusenberg, barely alive. In the few minutes before he died, they pressed him to reveal what had happened, but Gusenberg wouldn't talk.

Police could find only a few eyewitnesses, but eventually concluded that gunmen dressed as police officers had entered the garage and pretended to be arresting the men. Though Moran and others immediately blamed the massacre on Capone's gang, the famous gangster himself claimed to have been at his home in Florida at the time. No one was ever brought to trial for the murders. It remains one of the biggest unsolved crimes in history.



President's Report, Continued from page 1.. Dave Kelsen awarded dash plaques to everyone that passed certain mileage goals this past year. I got to announce the people who had passed certain year milestones with the club and had received certificates. Vice President Ron Niemeyer presented President Guy (me) with an awesome present, a fully embroidered front-and-back club jacket with a Presidential name tag on it. How great is that, I guess there are some perks with being president, plus my table got called first to eat.

Last week I received a nice note from the Ron Engen family, and they asked that it be put in The Quail Call. The note went as follows:

Dear Model A Club,

On behalf of Joyce Engen and family we would like to extend our sincere gratitude for attending, driving and displaying your Model As at Ronnie's service. One of his greatest pleasures was being part of the club and (he) enjoyed driving in parades and tours. He was very proud of his car. He purchased his car when his older brother Orin passed about 17 years ago. We are happy to share (that) Ronnie's niece, Shelly (Orin's daughter) will be purchasing it and is heading to Gardnerville, Nevada. When the time comes, when Shelly is done with the car, Ronnie's youngest granddaughter Jessica plans on taking over the car, as she has many memories riding in it with her grandpa around town and in parades and .shares a special connection with him. We appreciate all the love, support and condolences you have shown our family as we navigate through this journey.

With Love, Joyce and Family



A Home Town Visit by Carolyn Kaiser

As we celebrated our hometowns at the January 18th Luncheon, Carolyn Kaiser brought me a handwritten story of her family's hometown of Denmark, Kansas (about 10 miles NW of Lincoln.) Founded in 1869 by Danish settlers, the city of Denmark has a rich history and a fascinating story of perseverance and togetherness. Read on as Carolyn tells the history of her maternal grandfather, Peter Bertelson, and Denmark, Kansas.



“Peter left home in Denmark in the night, got to London and shipped to the United States. He knew about Denmark, Kansas and settled there. It wasn't long before he met my Swedish grandmother, Emma Nelson. They married when he was 40 and she was 18 in the church with a white steeple. Peter and Emma had several children there. Two died and were buried next to the church. Emma was born in a cave or crevice in the Spillman Creek during the last Indian raid through Denmark in 1889. I heard a few stories about them through my mother, Lena Hekanson and her brother Olaf of twenty years older.

“In about 2000, Larry & I traveled to Sterling, Kansas to see 2 of our grandchildren at Sterling College. I had just learned that we were close to Denmark, so we went to find it, but it wasn't easy. The same well-groomed church and hall were there but that's all. After snooping around miles of fields we found a sign that said “Nielson”, so we drove down a long dirt and gravel driveway and were welcomed by a pack of dogs. After 20 minutes of hearing my story, Merrill believed these California people. I told him about my grandmother Emma being born here and her mother died when she was 8. Her father let her and her brother roam and were later adopted by a neighbor by the name of Nygaard. To make a long story short, Merrill Nielson is the grandson of the Nygaards. He said the little white frame house, which is down a long continued driveway, is where she lived and he uses it for a hunting lodge. He said in May (6 months later) was the 150th anniversary of the town hall. He invited us to come and stay in the Nygaard's. So my cousin, her son, Larry & I did just that! Amazing! Had much pleasure with what God plans for us!”



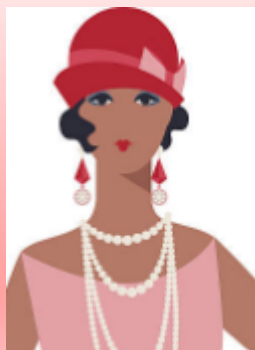
SUNSHINE REPORT

Dalene Jensen was in the hospital this past week for diagnostics. She says she misses everyone! **Danny Duncan** reports that he is not mobile now and is unable to participate in club activities.



FASHION SALE

At the February 14th Business Meeting, Judy Jo Beardslee will have era fashion items available for sale. Be sure to bring your cash or check book! Buy your valentine a new outfit, shoes or hat!



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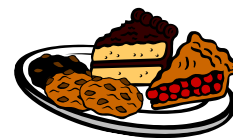


From the book, Advertising the Model A Ford, we snipped the artwork and information from the advertisement titled "Admiring Tudor".

"As the women say "hello", a man pauses to admire the new Ford Tudor Sedan he has parked in the driveway. The new Ford has also caught the attention of the man holding his newspaper. In this "winter" ad version, both ladies wear furs—given the cold February weather." This ad had both a winter and spring version. In the spring version the women don't have furs! This ad was published in 11 magazines between February and May 1930.

REFRESHMENTS: Jennifer Baehr

Dave Sohr
Nina Taravella
Zachard & Rochelle Svelling
Sherill Kelsen



February Birthdays

- 4 Walter Faust
Mike Miley
Carol Tennebaum
- 5 Terry Tennebaum
- 12 Ross Nelson
- 13 Carol Thrush
Mike Richardson
- 16 Judy Norman
- 19 Betsy Johnson
- 20 Clyde Marion
- 23 Vern Schwebke
- 26 Brian Terry
- 27 Rob Roland
- 28 Joe Costa
- 29 Dalene Jensen



February Anniversaries



Tim & Sonya Hill
Feb. 2, 2002
Richard & Janet Books
Feb. 15, 1986

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

\$20

The January Membership Drawing was \$10.00. **Joe & Luisa Costa's** names were drawn, but were not in attendance. Ric In February the pot increases to \$20.00. Be sure to attend our February meeting and the next winner could be YOU!



Bill Hansen's

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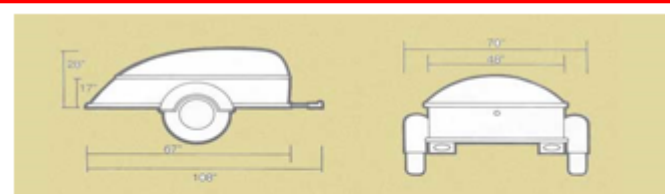
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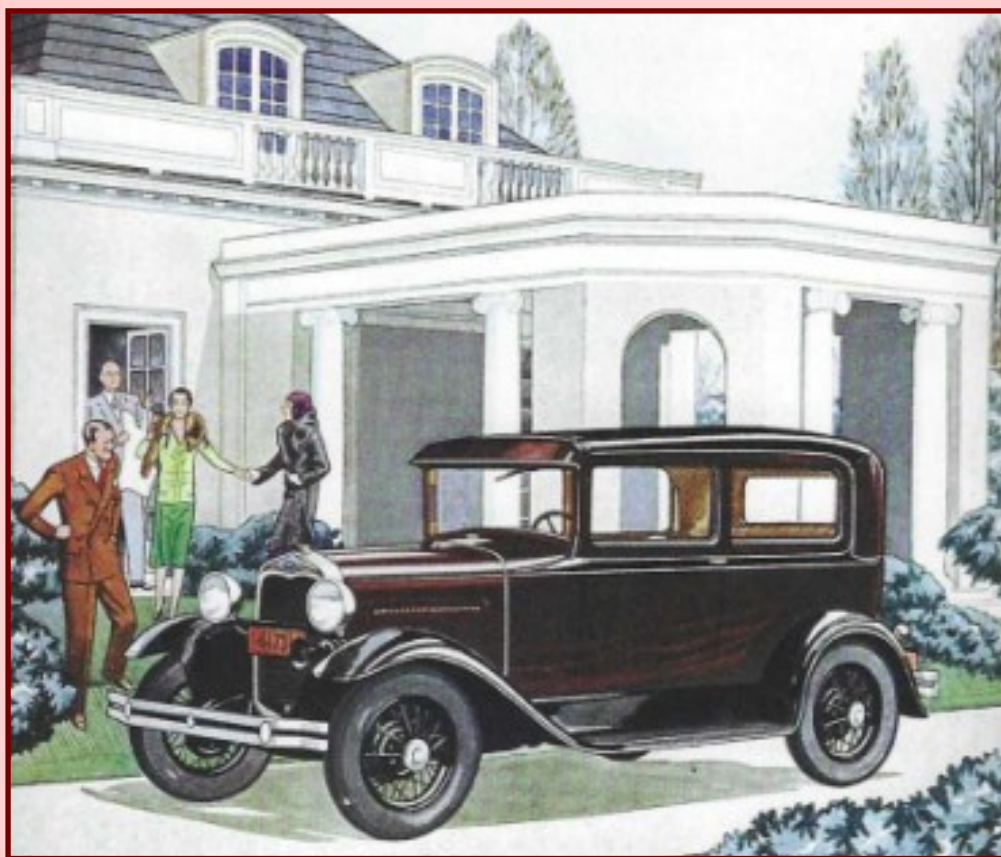
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