



## San Diego Model A Ford Club Inc.

*Over 65 years of Model A'ing*



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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT: *Guy McElroy*

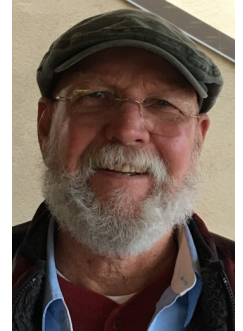
Let me start off by thanking all 51 of you, who showed up, for coming to the April business meeting. It wasn't quite as spectacular as the 61 who turned out in March, which was a cold and rainy night, but I'll take it. It's always good to see your friendly faces.

We all have insurance on our old cars. Please tell me that we all do. Anyway, my collection is insured through Hagerty, all except the Studebaker which is not insured, registered, or actually mine yet. The previous owner lost the pink slip, and is applying for a replacement, so it hasn't been signed over yet. But that not the story. Hagerty also puts out a very nice magazine every two months. You don't have to insure anything with them to get the magazine, you can enroll in The Hagerty Drivers Club, and for some nominal fee receive the magazine. Now I'm getting to the story:

"Dad And The Model A" I won't tell you the author's name until the end. The author says he had been around Model As his whole life. His father was working in a gas station after returning from the WWII, when a farmer approached him to paint his Model A that had been sitting out behind his barn. His father agreed and did a complete restoration on the car, making it nice. When the farmer came to get the car he wouldn't pay the bill and told his father the car wasn't worth that much money and to "keep it". So the father now had a Model A, which he later took to a car show in Connecticut. He was told that he could not enter the car in the show because "That's just some old used car" and this car show was for classic cars. The father was not happy and he told his friend "I'm going to start a car club that they can't come to. I'm a Model A restorer and I'm going to call it The Model A Restorers Club. That is a very condensed version of the story told by Wayne Carini about his father Bob as found in issue #88 of Hagerty Drivers Club.

We have got a few very busy months coming up, I hope you all have your cars in tip top condition. I wouldn't want to have to give someone the Valarie Basham Memorial Hard Luck Trophy. Well I really would like to give it to someone, but I don't want anyone to be stranded on the side of the road somewhere. Find a nice shady spot to break down with soft serve ice cream and cool drinks, then I won't feel so bad.

Till next time, *Guy*



### UP-COMING EVENTS: *Save these dates!*



*A Tribute to Mom*

MAY	4	Ridge Route Tour
	9	Business Meeting— Santee 7 PM
	10	Poway Tour & Rancho Bernardo Winery
	17	Tierra Santa Parade & Marv Munzenmaier Celebration
	26	Kensington Memorial Day Parade
JUNE	8	Car Show at Carlton Hills Lutheran Church
	10	Good Samaritan Car Display
	13	Business Meeting—Santee 7 PM
	14	La Mesa Flag Day Parade
	15	Father's Day Car Show
	21	All Ford Picnic—Santee Lakes
	29	Granite Lyon Cellars Winery—Jamul

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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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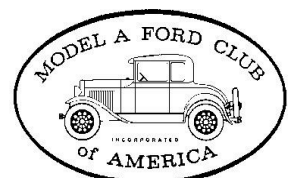
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Dues are \$50.00 per calendar year.



# SAN DIEGO MODEL A FORD CLUB

## *General Business Meeting – April 11, 2025*



The General Business Meeting of the San Diego Model A Ford Club was called to order by President Guy McElroy at 7:00 PM on April 11, 2025. Guy led the Pledge of Allegiance, then asked if there were any corrections to the March 2025 Minutes as published in the Quail Call. Gary Elliott moved to accept the minutes; Ben Taravella 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion passed.

**Tours:** [Dave Kelsen] **Past Tours:** **March 23 – Orange County Pancake Breakfast.** Had great weather and 5 A's drove up to Orange County. Because of the distance, they received 200 participation points and 50 display points. **April 5 Tour – Alpine Gas Pump Collection.** Toured to Alpine to visit Tom Lazar's neighbor who has the largest gas pump collection in North America. After meeting at the El Cajon Target and driving the backroads to Alpine, we first stopped at Tom's house for coffee & donuts then down the street to visit his neighbor. Lunch afterwards was at the Alpine Taco Shop. Attending were 15 A's and 4 modern cars. Rochelle Svelling and Ahna Holder taught the women how to judge a points car. Ed Poffenburger won the Ladies Choice trophy. **Upcoming Tours:** **May 10–** Cliff Hughes is coordinating a tour of historical of Poway. Meet at Mira Mesa Blvd & 15 freeway (now a Starbucks) to visit Poway Community Church, Poway Park, a vintage car collection, Poway Old Town Museum and the Rancho Bernardo Winery. Bring a picnic lunch. **June 29 –** Zach & Rochelle Svelling are coordinating a tour to Granite Lyon Winery in Jamul. Will take back roads to the winery; bring a picnic lunch. **Old Ridge Route Tour –** Zach Svelling again told about the Old Ridge Route tour on May 4<sup>th</sup>. This highway is not open to the public and is a guided tour with a 15 car limit. There are still openings for members who wish to join.

**Parades/Displays:** [Guy McElroy for Ron Niemeyer]. **Future Parades/Displays:** **April 26 – Lakeside Western Days Parade –** John & Tina Weisenseel have invited us again for a follow-up Car-B-Que at their Lakeside home. **May 17<sup>th</sup> – Tierra Santa Patriots Parade** and Marv Munzenmaier's Celebration of Life. **June 8 – Car Show at Carlton Hills Lutheran Church 10-Noon.** **June 10 – Good Samaritan Car Display.** **June 21<sup>st</sup> – All Ford Picnic.** **July 4<sup>th</sup> – Alpine Community Center Festival 11 AM-2 PM** and **Covenant Village Parade/Display.** **Evening fireworks** at Dave Sohr's house- bring chairs and a potluck dish.

**Treasurer:** [Nayola Bieber] Checking account balance included **money deposited in March:** \$90.00 Membership, \$25.00 for a QC Advertisement; \$68.00 Ways & Means; \$29.00 Refreshments & \$94.00 Apparel, for a total of \$306.00. **Bills to pay.** QC printing & Stamps to Kris Francis: \$108.88; Ways & Means to Tina Weisenseel: \$51.25; Refreshments to Jennifer Baehr: \$66.16. A motion was made by Nancy Lovell to pay these bills, seconded by Steve Lovell; approved by all members. President Guy McElroy brought up that the Quail Call now costs \$24.00 per member/year for those that receive a printed Quail Call. Considering that our dues are \$30.00/year that leaves only a \$6.00 balance to cover other expenses. Tom Lazar moved that we eliminate printed/mailed Quail Call editions and move to digital only newsletters. Gary Elliott seconded the motion; motion passed.

### Old Business:

**MAFFI Memorials** – Received notice from MAFFI they had received our donation as a memorial for Marv Munzenmaier.

**2026 Banquet** – Rochelle Svelling has volunteered to head up the 2026 Banquet Luncheon to be held again at the Alpine Community Center on January 17, 2026. More information upcoming in the fall.

### New Business:

**Raffle at Georgetown, Texas club** – They are raffling off a refurbished Model A engine (not a Burtz) for \$20.00/ticket or 6 tickets/ \$100.00.

**Membership/Merchandise:** [Rochelle Svelling] 52 members are in attendance tonight. Rochelle has limited club merchandise available tonight including Log Books at \$5.00. Hats will be available again at the May meeting for \$18.00. Rochelle also reminded the club about Sherry Jager who will embroider our club logo on any garment that you provide. She is located in Santee.

**Defender:** [Ray Beardslee] Jay Leno is supporting a new California bill to eliminate smog checks for cars 35+ year old. Cars must be insured as historic vehicles.

**Refreshments:** [Jennifer Baehr] Lots of snacks tonight. Passing around the sign- up sheet for this spring.

**Webmaster:** [Chris Halter] Has added YouTube videos to correspond with Paul Winchester's monthly tech article/tech talk.

**Property:** [Jim Taber] No change.

**Correspondence:** [Kris Francis] Nothing to report this month; national reports are submitted bi-monthly.

**Ways & Means:** [Tina Weisenseel] Six raffle items with a \$20.00 Chick Fil-A gift card for the Door Prize.

**Era & Fashions Presentation:** [Cliff Hughes] Cliff's presentation involved "Nostalgia" with a telephone "information" story.

**Technical:** [Paul Winchester] Paul Winchester discussed speedometers and how to service them. Paul related that he is the new VP for the Southern California Regional Group (SCRG), which is a special interest group of MAFCA. Their objective is to coordinate events with other SC clubs. Are our members interested in a So Cal meet up? Arlyn Bieber informed that prices of Burtz blocks are currently \$4,200.00 but a price increase is expected.

**Membership drawing prize** [\$40.00]: Tom Hurley's name was drawn but was not present. Next month = \$50.00

**Closing:** Ric Bonnoront had several jokes for us. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM by Dave Sohr and seconded by Ric Bonnoront. Meeting adjourned.



Respectfully submitted, *Kris Francis,*

Kris Francis (Recording secretary)



## **Tour Report**

Greetings! On Saturday, April 5th, our Tour was led by Guy & Judith McElroy. We met at the El Cajon Target and drove the backroads to the home of Tom & Karen Lazar in Alpine. A beautiful day for a drive. The Lazars hosted a wonderful continental breakfast. Tom showed us his new workshop building behind their home. It is awesome and big enough to really do projects!



Cliff Hughes' proposed 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Choice Car Judging took place at the Lazar's. There were very strict guidelines provided by Ahna Holder and Rochelle Svelling. It was very professional. After much nail biting, Ed Poffenburger won the trophy provided by Rochelle. It was fun and educational.

Afterwards, we ventured from Tom & Karen's home, up their street to the home of their neighbor. An amazing collection of vintage gas pumps, oil company signs, and memorabilia awaited us.

It is hard to describe the quality of the restoration of these items. He collects, restores, and displays them wonderfully in his shop. He also restores them for other collectors. There was an amazing amount of items in his building. It may be the largest collection in the U.S. There were many small oil companies back in the early 1900's, and he may have all of them represented. After the Touring, we headed over to Cliff's famous Alpine Taco Shop for a great lunch. Thanks to Tom & Karen for an awesome time.



Mileage goes to: Mike & Jen Baehr, Arlyn & Nayola Bieber, Michael & Joan Dainer, Victor & Gloria Figueroa & Rod Tuttle, Ahna Holder (her Dad, Curt, was a guest), Cliff & Kathryn Hughes, Tom & Karen Lazar, Guy & Judith McElroy, Teri Nance & Chuck Brush (Bill & Gail Nance were guests), Ron & Linda Niemeyer, Ed Poffenburger, Ben & Nina Taravella, Paul Winchester, Ed Woodruff. Participation Points goes to: Dave & Kris Francis, Chris & Julie Halter, Dave & Sherill Kelsen, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling, John & Tina Weisenseel.

**Upcoming May Tour:** On Saturday, May 10, 2025, Cliff Hughes has planned a great history adventure in Poway to points of interest

in the Poway community. We will have a picnic lunch at the Poway Park where the Railroad is located, which we will be riding! Afterwards, will be a visit to the historic Rancho Bernardo Winery. Cliff really knows a lot about these locations. Bring chairs. Call Sherill at (619) 997-0598 to be included, or sign-up at the May meeting (the night before the Tour).

**Upcoming June Tour:** On **Sunday**, June 29, 2025, Zachary & Rochelle Svelling have arranged for us to visit the Granite Lyon Cellars Winery in Jamul. We visited last year and it was a popular Tour. We will meet at the El Cajon Target at 250 Broadway, El Cajon at 9am, departing at 9:15am. Bring a picnic lunch and chairs. More details will be provided at the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. A sign-up clip board will be provided.

**Upcoming July Tour:** Someone is needed to plan and lead a Tour for July. Thank you for your Ideas and participation.



## PARADES & Car Displays: *Ron Niemeyer*



### MAGNIFICENT MAY

#### Looking back out the rear window

**Saturday April 26-** 60th Lakeside Western Days Parade. Another fun day for 14 "A's" starting with a morning shower to wake up for the festivities that lie A-head. We met at Target in El Cajon and toured to the staging area where



cars were decorated for the occasion. After many smiles, waves, ah-oogah horns and dodging road apples, we de-decorated and headed up the hill to the Car-B-Que hosted by Tina and John Weisenseel. Burgers, dogs, drinks and desserts; they really know how to do it right! President Guy McElroy presented a plaque of appreciation for their dedication and generosity. Thank you again John and Tina! **Parade attendees** were Mike and Jen Baehr, Arlyn and Nayola Bieber, Fred Crone, Gloria and Victor Figueroa, Rod Tuttle, Dave and Kris Francis, Ahna Holder and her parents, Cliff and Kathryn Hughes, Betsy Johnson, Guy and Judith McElroy, Ross Nelson, Ron



and Linda Niemeyer, Ross and Sue Piper (& Josie), Ed Poffenberger and Anne DiNapoli and Tina and John Weisenseel. Those who came later to join for lunch: Michael and Joan Danier, Ray and Gail Ganong and Julie and Chris Halter. Our new member Steve Albrecht receives participation points for riding along with the Niemeyer's in the parade.

#### Looking forward out the windshield "A" Head

**Saturday May 17th-** Tierrasanta Kiwanis Patriots Day parade

**Monday May 26th-** Kensington Memorial Day parade and luncheon hosted at Betsy Johnson's residence.

**Sunday June 8-** Carlton Hills Lutheran Church Car Display 10-11:00 am after the morning worship service

**Tuesday June 10th-** Good Samaritan car display in Rancho San Diego

**Saturday June 14th-** La Mesa Flag Day parade

**Sunday June 15th-** Father's Day car show at Shadow Mountain Community Church

**Saturday June 21st-** All Ford picnic at Santee Lakes

**Friday July 4th-** Covenant Village parade and BBQ

**Friday July 4th-** Alpine Community Center Car Display 11 am-2:00 pm

**Sunday July 13th-** Village Walk car display at Eastlake

**Saturday July 26th-** Pine Valley Parade

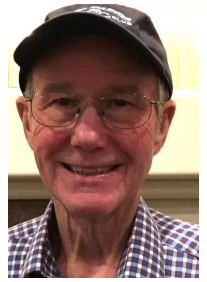
\*The Wings and Wheels display at Gillespie Field date has not yet been determined-stay tuned!



*Ron Niemeyer -Parades and Displays*

## MODEL A WATER PUMPS

It is May already, winter is over and summer is on the way with warmer weather. Water pumps are often forgotten about, but are an important part of a well running engine. The original water pump had roller bearings in front and a brass bushing with a packing in the rear, both front and rear bearings needed grease.



New water pumps now come as a standard original or as a leak less variety. The new leak less type has a sealed roller bearing pressed into the front and a brass bushing with seals in the rear and a packing nut with a seal or packing. The rear bearing takes grease but the front one does not.

Several years ago on one of my road trips many miles from home my water pump started to spurt water from the rear bushing, I tightened the packing nut but was not able to stop the loss of water. I did not have any extra packing and was miles from an auto parts store. I did have some tools and a small grease gun, and a Swiss Army Knife. Come to the next meeting and learn how to make do with what you have when you are miles from nowhere.

*Paul Winchester, Technical Director 2025*

## Fun Stuff

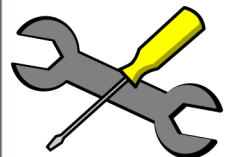
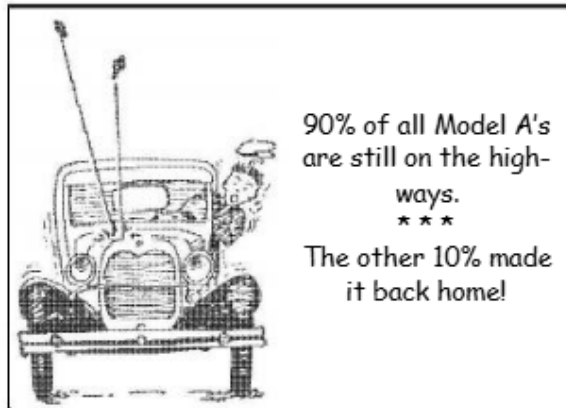
Please, please help! I'm having a problem with my car.

I think the transmission is messed up. My car works fine during the daytime but won't drive at night at all.

I put it in "D" for daytime, and can go where I need to. But at nighttime when I put it in "N" for night, it won't move.

To top it all off, the other day I was sitting at a red light and this guy next to me wanted to race. The light turned green, I slammed it into "R" for race, stomped on the gas and slammed into the car behind me.

Any help with this situation would be greatly appreciated... Thank you





### The 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment and San Diego's Paris Inn

During the four years Model A Fords were produced, all non-medicinal use of alcohol was illegal in the United States. This was due both to the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment, ratified January 16, 1919 and the Wright Act, or Prop 2, passed in California in 1922.

Soon after, San Diego was the gateway to Mexico where drinking was legal, and it was a golden age for Tijuana. The Agua Caliente Casino and Hotel opened June 22, 1928. One Los Angeles Times reporter concluded in 1929 that "there isn't another place on the continent, outside of a U.S. Mint, where you can see so much money piled up before your eyes at one time." The most popular brew in Tijuana and Agua Caliente since 1915 was the Aztec Brewing Company's A. B. C. pale ale. It had even won a gold medal in the World's Fair at Seville, Spain. As repealing the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment was one of Roosevelt's campaign promises, and the Wright Act was repealed by vote the same day as Roosevelt's election, November 8, 1932, just two weeks later, Edward Baker, Howard Jaffe, and James Nugent Crofton (Co Founder of Agua Caliente) incorporated an American licensed Aztec Brewing Company in San Diego. They bought the old Savage Tire Works built by John D. Spreckles at Main and Sampson in the neighborhood now referred to as Barrio Logan.

In those days inauguration day was much later, so it wasn't until March 22, 1933, that Congress passed a bill to legalize beer with an alcohol content of 3.2 percent or less. Within an hour, the bill was on President Roosevelt's desk. While only beer, it encouraged many less affluent people to stay and drink in the United States. San Diego was especially wary of binge drinking in Tijuana as this was not long after the "Shame Suicides" of the Thomas Peteet family February 7, 1926, after their drugging and kidnapping at Tijuana's Oakland Bar.

Each meeting of the city council during the summer and fall of 1933 included multiple requests for a beer hall license. On October 15, 1933 Gus Fleischer opened The College Inn in First Avenue which advertised serving only A. B. C. beer. That beer was made even more popular by its appearance in full pint bottles, which, according to distributors, means "one more glass to the bottle, one more gallon to the case." Folks called it "that good beer in the big bottle." The College Inn name was copied from that of a famous restaurant located at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago. Fleischer was arrested January 13, 1934 for serving hard liquor and apparently was forced to sell the beer hall/restaurant/dance club to Obie O'Brien.



The 21<sup>st</sup> Amendment came into effect January 17, 1934, but apparently, each state and jurisdiction then needed to re-license beer halls into cocktail lounges as O'Brien was then arrested on June 30, 1934 for selling hard liquor at the College Inn. On December 22, 1934, next door to the College Inn, this on the corner of First Avenue and C Street, the Paris Inn opened with a full liquor license. The Paris Inn copied the name of a well known restaurant across the street of the Los Angeles City Hall tower with singing waiters that catered to the stars. While no connection can be found between the two, the San Diego restaurant and night club also copied the singing waiters, but the menu and schmaltzy floor show acts that often highlighted magicians, hypnotists, a dancing couple made up of a giant and a midget, etc. had little in common with the upscale Los Angeles location. By February 23, 1935, James Henry "Jimmy" Kennedy owner of the Paris Inn also owned the College Inn. Jimmy's WWI draft card shows him as a Packard salesman in Boston.

On July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1935 Mexico outlawed gambling, immediately closing the Agua Caliente casino and greatly improving the business of the two downtown San Diego neighboring nightclubs. Also of note, along with all of this rapid change, was that San Diego's Aztec Brewery grew to supply beer throughout California, and at that crucial time, its owner, Herbert Jaffe, suddenly died. Partner Edward P Baker continued with the company becoming a director and later an advisor after it was sold to the Altes Brewing Company of Detroit in 1948. Altes cleverly continued the A. B. C. beer name, but it went out of business in 1953.

In the late 1930s, KGB radio hosted a regularly broadcasted big band show over the Mutual Network featuring Jack McLean's band from the College Inn. Business at both nightclubs boomed during World War II. There is a rumor that Jack Benny hosted an episode of his radio show at the Paris Inn during that time.

Fashions change, and the cost of live entertainment was challenged by the advent of television. The first victim on the corner was the "Paris Inn" which closed Sept 14, 1959. Longtime owner Jimmy Kennedy died in 1962 at the age of 72. In November 1967, the block where the two nightclubs sat was sold to Greyhound for a bus terminal expansion. The last advertisement for an act at the College Inn was for Larry Green and the Rhythm Airs on New Years Eve, 1967.



## **A Thursday at Home – A Mom’s Life in 1920’s America**

So here we are, in 1928. We’ve arrived in an era when plenty of young, single women have just entered the workforce, but most (especially wives and mothers) have not. They stay at home – to cook, clean, and raise their children. And while domestic labor might not be considered “work” by some, it is, and always will be. It’s just that it happens to be unpaid work. In the 1920s, the vast majority of women (we’re talking more than 40 million) were busy at home with domestic labor and childcare. So what did that look like? With many ads going on about how buying new (electric) appliances will save us time and effort, surely we must all be buying them? Surely our work must be easier than before? Nope! We’re still spending roughly the same hours per week doing housework as our mothers did. Most women are actually spending MORE. Depending on if you live in an urban or rural household, a 1920s housewife is spending anywhere from 45 to 60 hours a week on domestic labor.

Advertisers set about selling everything from refrigerators and vacuum cleaners to mops and waffle irons by preying on women’s emotions. One ad showed a smiling mother with a vacuum cleaner, and reads, “This is the test of a successful mother – she puts first things first. She does not give to sweeping the time that belongs to her children.” Many of these also feature happy, attractive, well-dressed women playing with their children or lounging on the couch, because of all the “time” they saved by doing the housework with new technologies. The vacuum cleaner is perhaps the hottest ticket item; by the end of the 1920s, most women will have one in their homes.

Besides dealing with impossibly high standards about housekeeping, we also have to do the childcare. The demands and expectations for mothers increase tenfold in the 1920s. There is a veritable explosion of childcare advice from experts, based on the relatively new idea that many parents don’t know how to do it correctly. Previously, parenting was considered a natural act, and children viewed as intrinsically self-sufficient human beings. It’s now believed that, without constant adult attention and active intervention, children will grow up totally dysfunctional. Sound familiar? This change is in part thanks to the relatively new field of child psychology. In the 1920s, American children are one of the most widely studied groups in the world. The famous behavioral psychologist John B. Watson wrote, “At 3 years of age the child’s whole emotional life plan has been laid down, his emotional disposition set. At that age the parents have already determined for him whether he is to grow into a happy person... or one whose every move in life is definitely controlled by fear.” No pressure, moms.

What sorts of parenting advice can we expect to find in 1920’s magazines, books, and pamphlets? Let’s see... potty training should begin at 3 months, aluminum mittens can prevent thumb sucking, and infants should get cow’s milk from Holstein cows rather than Jerseys or Guernseys for the proper fat percentage. Oh, and also, psychologists discourage you from touching your child. “Never hug and kiss them, never let them sit in your lap. If you must, kiss them once on the forehead when they say good night. Shake hands with them in the morning.



Give them a pat on the head if they have made an extraordinarily good job of a difficult task.” The newly invented playpen is marketed as a device that allows children to play without parents having to handle them. And after experts start recommending plenty of fresh air to purify the blood of infants, advertisers begin selling something called the “baby cage.” Yes: it’s quite literally a cage that city dwellers can stick out the apartment window so their child can get some outside time. Yikes.

Ironically, considering the fact that experts are recommending dangling children out the window, child safety becomes a massive concern in the ‘20s. The Spanish Flu, the Polio epidemic, and a better understanding of germ theory makes public health and hygiene a big priority for the government. Public schools begin instructing kids to bathe regularly, brush their teeth twice a day, and wash their hands before meals. Children are also encouraged to tattle on their parents if conditions at home aren’t up to standard. These school campaigns are often sponsored by the same soap companies that’re making mothers feel insecure about the cleanliness of their homes: big surprise. Regular checkups with the pediatrician, a new specialty, becomes the norm, as does actively discouraging kids from leaving their parent’s sight. Why? Because thousands of children are being killed by automobiles. Most significantly for the mothers amongst us...it’s no longer socially acceptable to ask your kids to run down to the corner store for you, leave older siblings to watch the younger ones whilst you go to the laundromat, or allow your kids to run off and play. No, you are expected to watch your children at all times, and if they get hurt, it’s your fault.

Even though the majority of middle class American women were staying at home in the 1920s rather than joining the men at the office... They were absolutely working. The “professional” housewife of the 1920s was working hard, despite advertisers assuring her that her new electric home products would make her life much easier. All we can hope is that she was finding time to have some fun. (*Reprinted in part from the Exploress, 2023*)



## **Celebration of Life for Marv Munzenmaier**

Marv's Celebration of Life will take place at **11:00 AM on Saturday May 17th at Foothills United Methodist Church, 4031 Avocado Blvd, La Mesa, CA.**

Although not required, Hawaiian shirts are encouraged. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to a non-profit he supported such as Best Friends Animal Society, the Maritime Museum, the American Heart Association or another of your choice.

### **A Note from your Editor:**

### **REGARDING THE June 8 FAMILY CAR SHOW →**

The church where we hold our monthly meetings (and where Dave & I are members) asked me if we could coordinate having the Model A Club bring cars for a Father's Day Car Show. Since the club is already committed for another event on Father's Day, we all agreed that a Family Car Show the week prior on Sunday June 8th would work all around. Somehow it was assumed that I would head up the June 8th event, so I guess I am. I want to thank the members who already signed up at the April meeting and encourage others to add their names to our list at the May meeting. I have invited the Early Ford V-8 Club to join us, along with other locals who we know have classic cars. Please extend an invite to others you know who like to share their cars; this show is open to any and all classic cars and is not exclusive to our Model A's!

All are welcome to join in our 9 AM worship if you desire. Car Show will run 10 AM to Noon, with coffee, donuts, ice cream and a People's Choice Award. Thank you for your consideration!

Kris Francis  
*Quail Call Editor*



**Carlton Hills Lutheran Church**



## **FAMILY CAR SHOW**

**Classic Cars - Youth Activities**

**Sunday June 8 - 10 AM-Noon**

**9735 Halberns Blvd, Santee - Free**

**All Classic Cars Welcome – Free to Visitors & Entrants**

**People's Choice Award**

## MOM-isms

There is a certain time in each woman's life when she realizes an ugly truth about herself. It happens one day unexpectedly, when you hear yourself muttering something under your breath. You realize that your mutterings sound all too familiar. Then it hits you, you sound just like your mother. Not that this is a bad thing, mind you. Your mother is a wonderful woman, but all of those things that used to drive you mad about her growing up are the very same traits that you have now inherited. Here are some favorite Mom-isms:

- ◆ When you have kids I hope they treat you like you treat me.
- ◆ You just wait until your father gets home.
- ◆ Money doesn't grow on trees.
- ◆ Don't talk with your mouth full.
- ◆ This room is a pig sty.
- ◆ I'll give you something to cry about.
- ◆ If your friends jumped off a bridge, would you?
- ◆ Nothing good happens after midnight .
- ◆ Because I said so, that's why.



**Thanks MOM!**

**Silence is golden. Until  
you have children.**

Then it's  
highly-suspicious.

## On the Back Page:

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

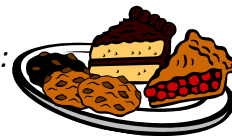
*"The Women's League meeting at the Community House has ended and the Ford Victoria awaits its passengers for the trip home."* Ford's marketing campaigns were structured around three categories of automobiles: luxury, middle class and mass production vehicles. The advertising highlighted the growing number of women as new drivers. Women in the advertising illustrations were pictured at social gatherings, standing outside their vehicle or sometimes driving to their own business.

This ad was published in 12 different magazines in May & June 1931.

## REFRESHMENTS: Jennifer Baehr

*The following have signed up for  
Refreshments at the May meeting:*

- Pat Frehafer
- Jane Hatfield
- Nancy Lovell
- Ross Nelson
- Linda Niemeyer



## May Birthdays

8 Avalee Smith  
8 Gerald Cook  
14 Chuck Brush  
15 Karyn Frazee  
Pat Frehafer  
18 Kim Snyder  
23 Tom Lazar  
23 Gilbert Oropeza  
31 Maria Sanabria  
Mary Joslyn



## May Anniversaries



Terry & Carol Thrush May 16, 1976  
Joe & Luisa Costa May 31, 1976  
Jim & Gene Train May 8, 1982  
John & Trish Ravits May 22, 1983  
Dave & Sherill Kelsen May 20, 1989  
Chris & Julie Halter May 26, 1995

## MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

**\$50**

The April Membership Drawing was \$40.00. **Tom Hurley's** name was drawn, but he was not in attendance. In May the pot increases to \$50.00. Be sure to attend our April meeting and the next winner could be YOU!



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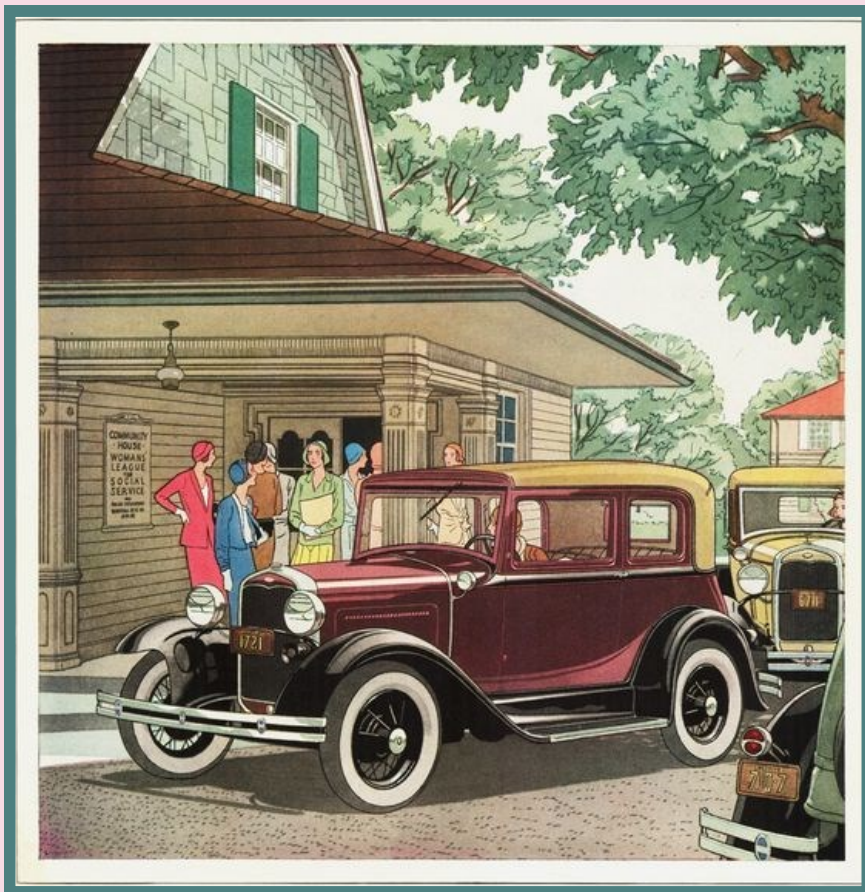
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