



# Harbor Area Model 'A' Club

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## March 2021

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Long time member and club's Secretary, Gloria Younklin is seen with her family in a Harbor Club surprise drive-by on her 80th birthday. Eleven Model As and 25 club members participated in the fun event. Happy Birthday Gloria!

### Upcoming Business Meetings

The March 2021 meeting  
**CANCELLED**

We will keep our members informed if there are any changes to the meeting schedule. Your health and safety is our prime concern.



### Technical Activities

#### Postponed until (TBD)

Saturday mornings.  
We meet from about 10am to noon to work on Model A projects. Bring your Model A by and we'll work on it.  
Al's Garage, 907 Van Ness, Torrance CA (in the alley)



### Model A Events & Local Shows

**None scheduled  
Due to Covid virus**

### Next Board Meeting

It will be at Torrance Memorial Hospital,  
**Postponed until (TBD)**



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Wayne's Words of Wisdom  
A Note from our  
President  
Wayne Sterling



Thoughts for the future

This has not been a fun ride these last few months. Some of us have driven our As around locally just to get outdoors during this virus lockdown thing. At least the Caffeine Cruisers on Saturday morning is still going on. Masks are worn. Safety is the key word here.

Hopefully this coming year we will be back in 'Al's Garage' on Saturday mornings. Sure miss that. Stay safe and wear that mask!

**Wayne Sterling,** President



The Harbor Area As preparing for the 80th birthday drive-by for Gloria Younkin. This was only the second time in recent months that the club got together. Gloria's family arranged the celebration. Many more birthdays, Gloria. . . .

## March Birthdays

3 Dianne Runyon  
4 Mary Ann Friedrich  
8 Richard Parrish  
12 Margaret Gott  
24 Jay Skinner  
25 Diana Murphy  
25 Jack Goldberg  
28 Jim Perreten



## March Anniversaries

7 Dick & Jan Wyckoff  
7 Tim & Pat Harrison  
10 Monty & Donnis Bates  
20 Art & Daffy Wagner  
26 Kewyn & Lilia Cardenas



### Editor's Corner By Dick Wyckoff

There is not much to report on this time. I know some of us still get the cars out and drive them. Jan and I do this on a regular basis. Not too far but around the local areas. We did get our first virus shot. Yeh!

A little non Model A related event in our lives:

Some of you might remember our grand-daughter Hayley Erin, the Emmy winning actress on *General Hospital*. She married Adam, an Irish born actor, a year ago. Adam got an acting position in Europe that was to last about 8 months. The couple moved to Ireland where work was stationed. His job took them all over Europe. They even visited family in Cape Town, South Africa. Back in Ireland, Hayley called Jan the other day and told her they were expecting. . . . Twins! Jan would become a Great Grandmother of twin girls in early August. This event has made Jan's stay-at-home events a little more tolerable. Anyway, that's the latest news from this corner of the world.

I hope all this bad weather in the middle of the country passes soon. Jan has relatives in South Dakota where temps are in minus digits. We have friends in Minnesota also. Hope they prepped their Model As for the extreme cold.

We keep driving the Cabriolet around locally just to keep sane. Stay safe. This too shall pass.

**Dick**

### **PS: Some random thoughts:**

I miss my Model A friends and the time that we spent together. We had formal meetings, no so formal gatherings, worked on cars, drove our Model As, met for supper, etc. Then this virus thing happened and it ALL stopped. We had a couple birthday drive-bys. That's about it.

Couldn't we have informal meetings like at Wilson Park on a Saturday? Drive your Model A, bring a lunch and a beach chair, for example. How about Monday night supper at Hof's Hut? It's open, you know. Of course we would wear our masks and do the right things. A Saturday drive along the coast of Palos Verdes would be nice. It is beautiful this time of year.

A small example of a mini-meeting was the gathering before Gloria's drive-by. I got to see my friends again and swap stories. Jan and I really miss that sort of thing.

Your thoughts? These are some of mine.

**Dick**





### **Saturday Morning Coffee Gathering is Alive and Well!!**

If you are looking for a little tire-kicking adventure on **Saturday** mornings between 7 and 9AM, check out the Caffeine Cruisers at the corner of Artesia Blvd. and Hawthorne, in Torrance, CA. Several of the Harbor Model A club members and other car enthusiasts of all car types meet to talk cars. There are some very nice autos and some nice people there, too!

The address is 17400 Hawthorne Blvd.,  
Torrance CA. (at Artesia Blvd.)

Come on by, have a cup of Starbucks, and get your weekend started in true So. California style.

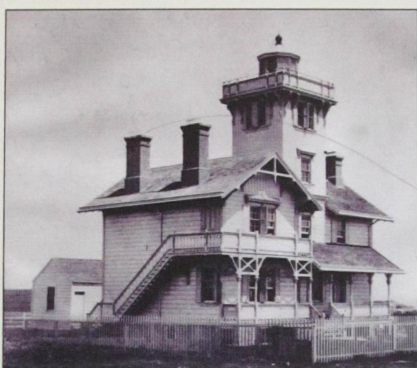


### **2021 Membership, Roster and Club Merchandise Items**

Ruxella and Jim have a selection of new **Club merchandise**. We have hats, shirts, patches, t-shirts and we still have 60th anniversary items for sale at a discount. More to come. The **2020 Harbor phonebooks/rosters** are available. The first booklet is free to members. Additional copies are \$1. They are also available free of charge through e-mail. Club members that don't attend events can request a phonebook/roster by mail. Contact **Ursi Schmidt** at 310-539-5391. Make sure Ursi has your latest info.

**Just a note:** We regularly update the roster. If you have any address changes, phone number changes or email changes, let Ursi know. Let Dick Wyckoff know, too. He'll put the info in the *Harbor Light*.

### **Point Fermin Lighthouse tour in July 2012**



This image of the lighthouse is from an early stereograph. It was taken shortly after its construction, notice the absence of trees and the cleared land around the lighthouse.  
*From the collection of the Los Angeles Public Library.*





## HARBOR AREA MODEL 'A' CLUB MEETING

February 2021

Due to the Corona virus situation, the February meeting was cancelled. Folks are encouraged to follow the "Stay at Home" request and keep in contact with other members. We are a family, you know.



Model A Club of Santa Barbara

February 2021

### The Ford numbering system

The Ford numbering system is designed so that similar parts for each type of vehicle will be the same number or in the same group. These groups are designated by the thousand figure for each part number and start from the ground or with the wheels, the part numbers of which are from 1000 up. The brakes are in the second group, the part numbers being from 2000 up, and so on. You will find the chassis parts are divided into functional groups as shown in the following list:

Number Series	Parts Group	Number Series	Parts Group
1000-1299	Wheels, hubs and rims.	10500-10649	Cutout.
1300-1399	Spare wheel carrier.	10650-10848	Battery.
1500-1799	Tires.	10849-10899	Instrument Cluster and Ammeter.
2000-2449	Brakes.	11000-11549	Starter Motor (Drive & Sw.)
2450-2574	Brake controls.	11625-11799	Lighting Switch.
2575-2899	Brakes (Emergency).	12000-12399	Ignition Coil, Distributor, Condenser.
3000-3499	Front Axle.	12400-12499	Spark Plug.
3500-3800	Steering Gear.	13000-13399	Head, Fender and Cowl Lamps
4000-4799	Rear Axle.	13400-13799	Lighting Stop, Tail and Dom Lights.
4800-4999	Coupling Shaft.	13800-13899	Horn.
5000-5149	Frame and Brackets.	14050-14699	Wiring.
5150-5224	Battery Bracket and Parts.	15000-15124	Stem Wind Clock.
5225-5299	Muffler and Exhaust Pipe.	15125-15199	Heater and Ventilating System.
5300-5549	Front Springs.	15200-15249	Road Lamp.
5500-5825	Rear Springs.	15250-15275	Automatic Cigar Lighter.
6000-6999	Engine.	16000-16149	Front Fender.
7000-7499	Transmission.	16150-16449	Rear Fender.
7500-7799	Clutch.	16450-16524	Running Board.
8000-8499	Radiator.	16525-16599	Running Board Shields.
8500-8599	Water Pump Assembly.	16600-16799	Hood.
8600-8699	Fan.	17000-17249	Tools.
9000-9269	Fuel Tank.	17250-17499	Speedometer.
9270-9420	Instrument Cluster and Fuel System.	17500-17674	Windshield Wiper.
9421-9499	Manifolds, Clamps, Etc.	17750-17999	Bumpers.
9500-9699	Carburetor.	18000-18199	Shock Absorber.
9700-9899	Accelerator, Spark and Throttle Control Rods.	18400-18600	Miscellaneous Accessories.
10000-10449	Generator.		

## Technical Talk



### Jim's Tech Tip by Jim Cannon

#### Removing Rear Wheel Hub/Drum

*The rear hubs and drums are bolted on to the tapered axle shafts quite tightly. It is not always easy to get them off when you need to inspect the brakes or check the rear wheel bearings. Don't let this put you off.*

*You can buy a special "hub puller" that is designed to help get the hub off of the axle. It uses a large bolt that you screw in to press against the axle, and the puller pulls on the hub.*

*Some Model A hubs were made with a ridge that sticks up, away from the hub body. The puller connects with that ridge. Other hubs were made with a groove machined down into the hub. The puller goes down into that groove and pulls as you tighten the bolt.*



*Some pullers are specific to the style hub you have (ridge up or groove down) so before getting a tool, you should remove a wheel to see what kind of hub you have to be sure to get the right puller. Other pullers are designed to work with either style hub, which is handy — so you might want to look for one of them.*

*When using the puller, it is hard to keep the drum from turning as you tighten the bolt on the puller. Put a wheel lug nut on the drum temporarily and put a 13/16" box-end wrench on it. Press down on that wrench while you lift up on (tighten) the big bolt in the puller. The wrench will jam against the hub and stop the drum from turning as you tighten the bolt.*

*[insert photo here]*

*When using the puller, tighten the big bolt, then tap the head of the bolt with a hammer. Tighten the bolt again, then tap with a hammer again. Repeat this until the hub pops free of the tapered axle.*

*Removing the rear drums is a pretty common task for servicing a Model A, so it is worth investing in a hub puller tool. It makes the job easier and helps you get back on the road quickly to Have a Model A Day!*

*Jim*

*Courtesy of MAFCA*

### Some helpful virus shot info from Sue Hankins

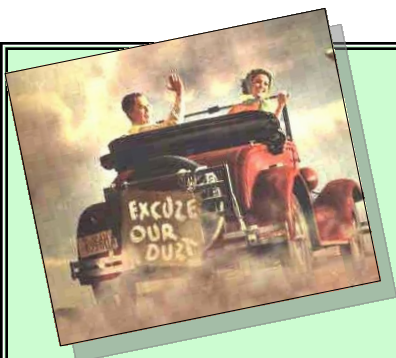
Hope you guys are doing well. We're good here. We are planning on the drive by next Tues. Should be fun.

I just found out that Kaiser is giving the Covid vaccine to anyone 75 and over, even if you are not a member. I called this morning and we got appointments for this Friday. We were so surprised. I actually talked to a real person and she was so nice and friendly. We are not members.

If you are not a member, you have to call this number, you can not do it online. The number is 1-833-574-2273.

Sue





## Touring with Elaine By Elaine Pisu, Tour Director



*Stay Safe. We will get past this. .*

Don't have much to offer this month. We don't have any planned activities, but that doesn't mean you can't drive your car! Follow the rules for face masking and socializing and you should be just fine. Again. . . Stay safe .

We had some Model A fun with the birthday drive-by for Gloria Younkin. It was nice to see our Model A friends again. Gloria was very surprised. Eleven Model As and about 25 people. SUPER!

**Elaine**

### Have You Ordered Your Raffle Ticket?

We encourage all SAA's club members to support the Pasadena High School Model A Club. The High School club students are currently restoring a 1929 Model A Fordor Sedan to be raffled



off when the restoration is completed. For a contribution of \$100 the donor receives one raffle entry. We encourage those who can purchase multiple tickets to do so.

Please address your tax-deductible donation to: PHSMAFC, 1968 Lake Ave, Suite 101, Altadena Ca. 91001. Kindly include a stamped, self-addressed envelope along with your phone number and email address. Your entry will be returned to you by mail. Clear printing is appreciated.

Credit & debit cards are accepted by calling 626-375-1367.

Take a look at these two videos:

<https://youtu.be/vVa48xQTkNI>

<https://youtu.be/DYN88O2yvrc>

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Long time member, **Beverly Migliazzo**, wife of Vince Migliazzo passed away January 14th, 2021 at the age of 93. She and Vince were active years ago. Their son Larry and Grandson Patrick are currently members of the Harbor Club.

She will lay to rest alongside her husband of over 70 years at a private service.



### MAFFI President's Message

Dear Model A Friends,

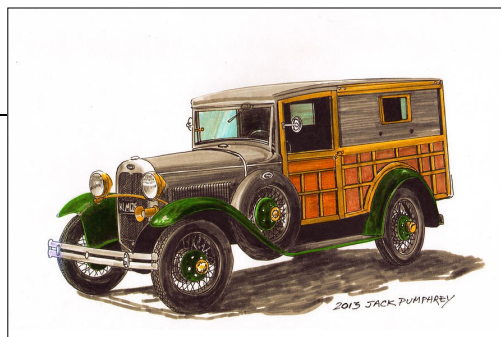
The Model A Ford Foundation is nearing a significant milestone, and a huge Thank You is needed to the many supporters who have brought us to this point. I have decided to write this State of the Foundation article to let everyone know MAFFI's current status and the plans for the future.

We are very close to achieving our \$1 million endowment goal. This is a great achievement and it is due solely to the generous donations given by our Model A hobbyists. So, maybe it's time to reflect on the purpose of the endowment and where we go from here.



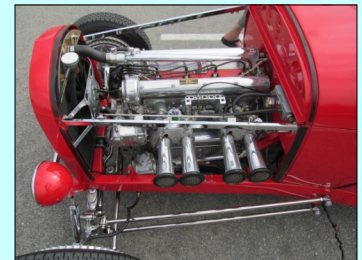
A number of years ago it was determined that to assure the perpetuity of our Museum, a fund would be required to support the long term costs associated with its running. A goal of \$1 million was eventually established in order to generate revenue (if required) from any earnings, without disturbing the principal. A conservative return of 3-4% generates about one third of our annual operating costs. To be more specific, we spend about \$100,000 per year to run the Museum. This includes our annual fee to The Gilmore, insurance, displays and exhibits, publications, vehicle maintenance, transportation and storage expenses. We have no salaries or personnel expenses. We also have no debt to service. From an income perspective, we currently take in about \$30,000 from our annual Model A Day event and about \$70,000 each year from membership dues, club support and individual donations. Therefore, our income and expenses balance out. Since we can't predict the future, we need a significant financial cushion should income decline. This is why we have an endowment.

Best Regards,  
John W. Begg  
President





# Vintage Nationals June 2013 Irwindale, CA





## 1931 COST OF LIVING

### LIVING

New House	\$6,796.00
Average Income	\$1,858.00 per year
New Car	\$640.00
Average Rent	\$18.00 per month
Tuition to Harvard University	\$400.00 per year
Movie Ticket	25¢ each
Gasoline	10¢ per gallon
United States Postage Stamp	2¢ each

### FOOD

Granulated Sugar	55¢ for 10 pounds
Vitamin D Milk	50¢ per gallon
Ground Coffee	33¢ per pound
Bacon	25¢ per pound
Eggs	16¢ per dozen
Fresh Ground Hamburger	11¢ per pound
Fresh Baked Bread	8¢ per loaf

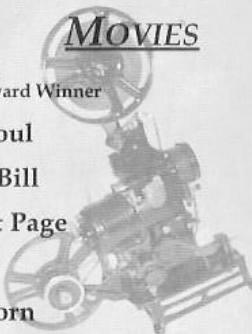
## 1931 MUSIC & MOVIE FAVORITES

### MUSIC

By the River Sainte Marie - by Guy Lombardo  
 Just One More Chance - by Bing Crosby  
 When Your Lover Has Gone - by Gene Austin  
 Dream A Little Dream Of Me - by Wayne King  
 I Got Rhythm - by Red Nichols  
 Lady, Play Your Mandolin - by Nick Lucas  
 Love For Sale - by Libby Holman  
 My Song - by Rudy Vallee  
 The Peanut Vendor - by Don Azpiazu  
 Out Of Nowhere - by Bing Crosby

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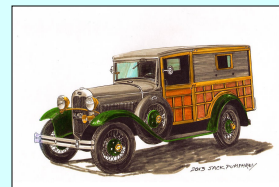
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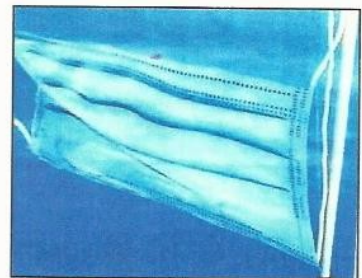
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