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Man of the Year Monty Bates

Woman of the Year Jan Wyckoff



2015 Harbor Board of Directors

Tours

Some fun events coming up in the near

The March tour will be to see the Endeavour shuttle spacecraft. See page 7. The CCRG in Santa Maria is always a fun time. Great tour to Vandenberg is planned.
This will be April 10-12.

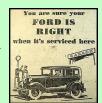
As you can see, some fun events in the near future.

Technical Activities

We're planning the yearly Safety Semi-nar. Might be in March this year. Stay tuned!

We are looking for a new project. How about bringing you're A in to Al's Garage and having the wheel bearings packed and the brakes inspected? Oil changed?

If you have another project that needs help, let Cliff LeFall know and we will get it going. Everyone learns from these projects. Join us each Saturday at Al's garage.



Upcoming Business Meeting

The February meeting will be back at the Walteria clubhouse, Friday February 27th at 7:30PM. Join us for a fun time and a chance to greet our new members.

The March business meeting will be either Saturday, March 21st at our annual Safety seminar (in progress), or Friday, March 27th. More to come.

Hope to see you there!



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Next Board Meeting

The March Board meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **March 3rd**, 7PM at the <u>Toyota Auto Museum</u>, 19600 Van Ness Ave., Torrance CA. We will be planning upcoming events. All are welcome

Please visit our awesome website Check it at: www.HarborAreaModelAClub.com

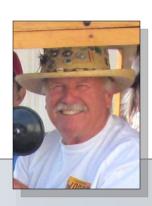
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Tim's Team Talk A Note from our President Tim Harrison



"A" View from the Slow Lane

A big **Thank You** to all who attended our annual banquet at the Proud Bird. The raves on the food, Monty's opportunity drawing and the social hour makes this one of our top events. It was nice to see members we don't regularly see and catch up on new happenings. It was also nice to welcome our new members. Our recognitions of "Man of the Year" **Monty Bates** and "Woman of the Year" **Jan Wyckoff** were well deserved. Donnis Bates' slide show gave a great recap of the women honorees of the past.

As we embark on 2015 with all of our events and tours, I would like to challenge our membership to enroll 20 new members to share our interests and knowledge in the Ford Model A.

On Tuesday, February 10, over 40 Harbor Area Members attended a celebration of life at the Inglewood Cemetery for Doris and Drain's son, Thom Marshall. Many friends shared stories and remembrances of Thom's achievements in life and the film industry.

This year is filled with important dates:

- · April 17 Ruby's First Friday Car Show
- · April 26 Orange County Pancake Breakfast
- June 28 Henry Ford Picnic at Heritage Park
- · July 17-18 Wings and Wheels in Solvang

I look forward to sharing with you participation in these and many other events this year.

<u>Tim</u>





Wings 'n Wheels 2013

Harbor 'Sunshine status'

Our thoughts go out to Doris and Drain Marshall with the untimely passing of their son **Thom Marshall**. Thom supported the club both as a member and as a friend. His fascinating career stories of the movie industry and his car racing adventures will be missed. Rest in Peace, Thom.

Members Bob and Carol Olsen have been fighting a cold and the flu for a while. Hopefully they can fight this off so Bob can have sinus surgery in March. Hope to see you soon at some of the club's activities.

March Birthdays

3 Dianne Runyon24 Jay Skinner8 Richard Parrish25 Diana Murphy

12 Margret Gott 25 Jack Goldberg

17 Ellen Peterson 28 Jim Perreten

21 Bill Gaugler 31 Al Avoian



March Anniversaries

7 Jan & Dick Wyckoff

7 Tim & Pat Harrison

10 Donnis & Monty Bates

20 Daffy & Art Wagner

24 Janice & Ted Dalton

31 Joy & Dave Pierson



Editor's Corner

by Dick Wyckoff

I was very pleased at the support by the club at the funeral of Thom Marshall. If my numbers are correct, we had 41 people and seven cars in attendance. Thanks.

I am looking forward to the very big San Diego swap meet. Like I always say, "I didn't know I needed it until I saw it!" Swap meets are like that

Jan and I are signed up for the CCRG in Santa Maria in April. We have been going for several years now and always have a great time. I know others from Harbor are going, too. We will see you there.

I recently ran across the picture on the left of my '29 roadster pickup and me . It was my first car. Picture was taken in Playa del Rey, CA about 1960 . I was working on my neighbor's Model A at the time. That was 55 yrs ago! I still have the car. . . Was \$150 too much to pay?

A little behind the scenes info and requests from the editor

We are still on for Mondays, 5pm at **Hof's Hut**, 237th and Crenshaw in Torrance. Can't forget the food! Join in the activities. We get 25 - 30 members there!

We editors are always looking for articles of interest to put in the newsletters. There must be some interesting Model A stories waiting to be told. For instance: How long have you had your car? Was it your first car? Have you driven it on some great journeys? Was it a family car? Did you restore it yourself? Do you have before and after pictures? Did you take a neat picture at a club event? Email them to me, or if you have photos, I can scan them and put them in the newsletter. Either way, let me know.



I have been encouraging new members of the Harbor club to receive the HarborLight by **email**. I am also asking existing members to do the same. Just let me know your current email address. It's that simple. The club saves a little more than one dollar <u>each month</u> per email subscriber. I have an email distribution now of 45 people from the Harbor Club and 34 others. This is more than \$800 per year savings, <u>AND</u> it is in <u>color!</u> You can print it out in B&W or color if you want, enlarge it, send it to your friends, or save it in your computer files. Again, just let me know your email address. <u>If you want a sample email version</u>, let me know also. I will send you one.

The newsletter is distributed to many other clubs locally and to other parts of the country. If you have an item for sale, let me know. I will put it in the 'Wheels and Deals' section. Thanks....

Saturday Morning Coffee Gathering

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



Monday Supper at Hof's Hut

We have been meeting for dinner on Monday at Hof's Hut on 237th and Crenshaw for a while now. The food is good and the staff takes good care of us. Come on by and join in the festivities. Time: about 5PM.



It's Annual Dues Time Again

A reminder from Ursi: Annual dues are due. Club dues are \$25. **MARC** dues are \$40. If you send Ursi a check for \$65, she will pay both dues. Send check to: Ursi Schmidt 26419 Pineknoll Ave., Harbor City CA 90710. Any questions, call her at 310-539-5391.

MAFCA dues is payable directly to MAFCA. \$40. MAFCA 250 S. Cypress St., La Habra CA 90631-5515. Late payment of dues to the national clubs could lead to not receiving the national magazines!

2015 Membership, Roster and Club Items: by Ursula Schmidt & Jan Wyckoff

The new 2015 Harbor phonebooks/rosters are available at all get-togethers. The first booklet is free to members. Additional copies are \$1.50 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 current 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 HarborLight.

Jan Wyckoff got in a new shipment of Harbor polo shirts. She has blue, grey and some new white shirts available for sale at \$20 each. Hopefully she has your size as they are going fast! Those of you that ordered one in advance, she has them ready for pickup. Be sure and wear them to the club's events. Elaine Pisu found some more blue vests. See Jan for details. They run \$31.

How about a ball cap to go with the shirt or vest? Jan has them, too.

Correction: Donnis Bates' phone number is: 310-713-5830. Typo in last month's HarborLight... Sorry!

A Note from Doris and Drain Marshall

Just a note of thanks to all who called, said prayers, penned notes, sent flowers and attended the funeral services of our son, **Thom Marshall**. Thom was a good person, a great father and fine friend. He worked hard, loved life and every one who knew him is a better person because of him.

The Harbor club's support at the funeral services will not be forgotten. 40 plus members and seven Model As attended the memorial and shared our final good-byes. We thank all of you again for your support.

Business Meeting Minutes

Date: January 24, 2015 Location: The Proud Bird

6:00 - 7:00: Members began to arrive and socialize. Opportunity drawing tickets were sold and the gift display was reviewed by all.

<u>President:</u> Tim Harrison welcomed everyone to the banquet 7:00p.m. There was a delicious salad, dinner and desert. We started our formal awards and installation activities at around 8:00p.m.

MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATION: Ursula Schmidt

82 current memberships, 6 new memberships

Membership Awards

45 years - Barney Clayton 40 years - Darlene Funk 35 years - Al & Georgette Avoian 10 years - Greg Clayton, Mirco & Elaine Pisu

5 years - Greg & Fran Earhart, Jim & Ruxella Speights, Jack & Julie Goldberg
Participation Patches - 30 events including Club Meetings & Tours
Over 25 participations: Wyckoff's, Wagner's, Pisu's, Marshall's, Harrison's, and Avoian's

SAFETY AWARDS: Cliff LeFall

Al & Georgette Avoian , Monty Bates, Jack & Joanie Gordinier, Sue Hankins, Pat Yacklon, Tim & Pat Harrison, Jim Huizdos, Don & Amy Knott, Cliff & Theresa LeFall, Bob & Carol Olsen, Mirco & Elaine Pisu, Dick & Jan Wyckoff, Dot & Bill Knott

On tour we have had only two cars break down this year!

TOURS & MILEAGE AWARDS: Elaine Pisu

Members who have had their car safety checked and gone over 500 miles: Al & Georgette Avoian, Cliff & Theresa LeFall, Jack & Joan Gordinier, Monty & Donnis Bates, Mirco & Elaine Pisu, Tim & Pat Harrison,

There are three place winners for Club Events participation award and they are:

3rd Place - Tim Harrison with 688 miles 2nd Place - Jim Huizdos with 715 miles 1st Place - Monty Bates with 778 miles

The next category is for our Long Distance Travelers

4th Place - Mirco Pizu with 1010 miles

3rd Place - Dick & Jan Wyckoff with 2198 miles 2nd Place - Drain & Doris Marshall with 2360 miles 1st Place - Jack & Joanie Gordinier with 2483 miles

Total miles our club has traveled this year on club events is 21,546 miles and our long distance travelers have put our mileage at 36,333 miles.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR 2014: Donnis Bates presented a slide show of all the previous women of the year recipients, and then revealed the woman of the year to be -

Jan Wyckoff - Congratulations Jan!

MAN OF THE YEAR 2014: Presented by Art Wagner

Monty Bates - Congratulations Monty!

RECOGNITION OF MERIT AWARDS: Presented by Monty Bates
Tim Harrison, Donnis Bates, Daffy Wagner, Cliff LeFall, Elaine Pisu, Ruxella Speights, Doris Marshall, Jack Gordinier, Sue Hankins, Bob DeCrescenzo, Amy Knott, Jan Wyckoff, Dick Wyckoff, Ursula Schmidt and Jim Huizdos

APPRECIATION AWARD: Presented by Monty Bates

Al Avoian in gratitude for his generosity a signed and numbered art print of a stake bed truck in a field with signatures on the back from his crew of "gear heads" that come and work every week in the garage! With our thanks, we enjoy the time and friendship.

PRESENTATION OF INCOMING & OUTGOING OFFICERS: Tim Harrison

Welcomes Jim Huizdos to the board! No outgoing officers this year!

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING: Monty Bates, Jack Gordinier & Sammy

CLOSING REMARKS & CENTERPIECE DISTRIBUTION: Tim Harrison

A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL - HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME!

Next General/Business Meeting: February 27th, 2015

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 3rd, 2015. Location: Toyota USA Car Museum Torrance CA

Respectfully submitted; **Donnis Bates**, Secretary

Technical Talk

The club's Tool Custodian, **Bob DeCrescenzo**, asked if the list of tools owned by the Harbor club be printed in the HarborLight. Here is the form he uses and contains all the tools we own. If you have a need for a tool we don't have, let him know and maybe the club will buy one.

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13.□ REAR HUB PULLER		29. ☐ VOLTAGE TESTER						
14. ☐ KINGPIN REAMER		$30. \square$ ignition spark tester						
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Trivia...

Ford, who made the first pick-up trucks, shipped them to dealers in crates that the new owners had to assemble using the crates as the beds of the trucks. The new owners had to go to the dealers to get them, thus they had to "pick-up" the trucks. And now you know the "rest of the story"



Touring with Elaine By Elaine Pisu, Tour Director



Movin' Right Along.

Had a great time at the Super Bowl party. Lots of good food and we even had an exciting game this year.

Our guest from Italy, **Francesca**, won the football pool. She learned a lot about the sport and said that winning the pool made it even more fun.

For those of you that have never been to a CCRG, make the effort to attend the weekend event. Information is online. It's OK to take a modern if the A isn't up to the task. We'll see you there!

March Tour

Saturday, March 28th: Meet at Harbor Freight 8:45. Leave at 9:00 to visit the <u>Space Shuttle Endeavour</u> at the California Science Center. Lunch to follow.

Save the Dates:

CCRG in Santa Maria Pancake Breakfast NCRG: Henry Ford Picnic: Wings and Wheels:

Elaine

April 10-12, 2015 April 26th, 2015 May 22-25, 2015 June 28, 2015 July 17-18, 2015



The pool winner and our host



Watching the game

Welcome our New Members!

The club welcomes new club members #1054, Dennis and Linda Simpson. They live at 2402 Burrett Ave., Redondo Beach CA 90278. Their phone # is 310-343-8227. Their email is: RanchWagon55@yahoo.com. They have a 1930 Briggs Town Sedan.

We also welcome new members #1053, Harvey and Miriam Goldberg. They are Jack Goldberg's parents.

They live at 6507 Ocean Crest Dr., Appt #118, Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275. They do not have a Model A.

Wheels & Deals:

For Sale:

Model A exhaust manifold with built in heater, in perfect shape, easy to install, bolt-in, replaces your existing exhaust manifold perfectly and adds a heater to your car. Asking \$100. Please call Jim Beardsley, 310-466-1122



Wanted:

 Wanted: 1930/31 Original spare tire side mount arm that fits the front fender. Also, a left front fender splash apron OR a complete junk fender that the apron is still usable. THANKS. Leonard Funk (562) 425-8747 Between 6-9 p.m.

·Wanted: 68C Cabriolet slant door/window moldings.

Call Carl at 760-938-2250 or email: bigpine@zoho.com

·Wanted: 30/31 Model A Tudor, older restoration.

Call or text Neil at 562-577-0612 or email: nmylar@aol.com

• Used Christmas and greeting cards. (Complete cards please). We will recycle them. Ursi (310) 539-5391 and Doris (310) 378-5061.

The Annual Installation of Officers Banquet



Donnis Bates and Jan Wyckoff



Our greeter, 'Sam'



Art Wagner and Monty Bates



President, Tim Harrison



Technical, Cliff LeFall





Some of the 67 people present



45 year member, Barney Clayton



Lots of Car Events of Interest for 2015

March 21 (Sat) - Model A and T event at the Reagan Library. 9AM to 4PM. Contact: Jeff at 805-890-1066.

April 10-12 (Fri-Sun) - CCRG in Santa Maria CA. More info on website: www.SantaMariaModelaclub.com

April 10 (Fri) - Bakersfield National Swap Meet, 1142 South P St, Bakersfield CA (in the Fairgrounds) 7AM, \$5

April 26th (Sun) - Orange County Model A Pancake Breakfast. Hart Park, Orange CA. 8AM to Noon. Always a great event. Lots of old friends and old cars! Great raffle.

May 2nd (Sat) - Edelbrock 10th Annual Car Show. 9AM - 4PM. Vic's Garage, 510 Madrid Ave., Torrance CA 90501. Street Rods, Muscle Cars, Classics, Trucks. Open to All. Info: Edelbrock.com

June 6th (Sat) - Steve McQueen Car & Motorcycle Show. Benefits the Boys Republic, 1907 Boys Republic Drive, Chino Hills CA 91709. Info: stevemcqueencarshow.com

June 13-14 (Sat - Sun) - Swap Meet Model T Club of Riverside. Western Little League Headquarters 6707 N. Little League Dr., San Bernardino CA. 6AM. Free admission/parking.

June 28th (Sun) - 45th Antique Nationals. Auto Club Dragway, Fontana CA. Admin: \$20. Info: 661-255-1931.

July 25 (Sat) - 61st Long Beach Model T Club Swap Meet. Los Alamitos Race Course. 4961 Katella, Los Alamitos Ca 90720. Sat 7AM to ?. Free admission. Space info: Call Jeff 562-597-5936.

MODEL "A" PRODUCTION FIGURES AUTHENTICATED

From time to time we have heard that Ford built 5,000,000 model A's. Some publications have stated 5.2 million. A recent article by Time Magazine about the 1965 MARC National Meet listed 4,849,340. This figure was taken from the Ford Model A Restoration Manual and it represents the number of model A engines built at the Rouge Plant. As a result of this article George De Angelis and Ed Francis of our Model "A" News staff made a special trip to the Ford Archives. With the help of archivest Win Sears who steered them to a box marked accession 622, containing Ford production figures from 1903 to 1943. Here are the correct figures on Model A Production.

Model A Production.

World wide, there were 5,068,614
"A" and "AA" vehicles built. Of
these, 4,801,823 were built in U.S.
plants and 266,791 were built in Canada. Of the 4,801,823 which were built
in the U.S. plants 467,641 were
shipped to foreign countries including some to Canada. In addition to
the car production, 45,517 engines
built at the Rouge were put to some
industrial use.

In general, production of the Model "A" terminated in December of 1931 and all plants started the "Changeover" to the Model "B". The exception is that a few plants were designated to keep producing commercial vehicles and special orders for foreign markets. These plants continued production until March of 1932 and produced 46,897 commercial vehicles and 45 passenger cars which were shipped overseas.

Following is a chart of production by years:

1927									4,186
1928									818,734
1929									1,951,092
1930									1,485,602
1931									762,058
1932			*						46,942

Original era service tag and post card from the collection of Gloria Younkin

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Era post card of the Ridge Route



Who says India is behind in technology?

Flat Tire Beer Bread

So named because the beer you use should be room temperature, although flat Fat Tire beer would be a great choice for this bread.

- 3 Cups all-purpose flour (see note)
- 3 tsp. baking powder
- 34 tsp. salt
- 3 TB. sugar
- 1 12-oz. bottle beer (pretty much any beer will work), room temperature
- 14-1/2 tsp. GRANULATED GARLIC POWDER, optional
 - 1-2 tsp. HERBS (PARSLEY, SAGE, ROSEMARY or THYME) or your favorite HERB BLEND, optional

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, combine all of the ingredients and mix well. Spoon into a greased 4½ x 8½-inch loaf pan. Bake at 350° for 1 hour. Serve warm.

Note: You may substitute 3 Cups of self-rising flour for the all-purpose flour, omitting the baking powder and salt, which makes this recipe even easier!

Prep, time: 10 minutes Baking time: 60 minutes Serves: 10

Nutritional Information: Servings 10: Serving Size 1 slice (79g): Calories 160; Calories from fat 0; Total fat 0g; Cholesterol Omg; Sodium 770mg; Carbohydrate 33g; Dietary Fiber 1g; Sugars 4g;

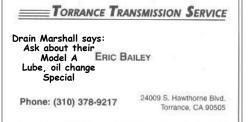
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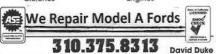
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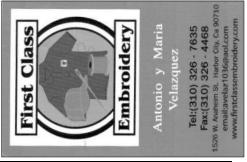








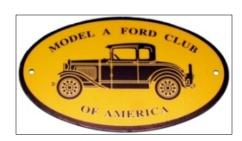






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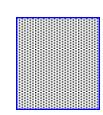
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