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Pat and Tim w/ Model A masks

Upcoming Business Meetings

The April meeting has been **cancelled** due to the coronavirus outbreak.

The May 29th meeting is still up in the air.

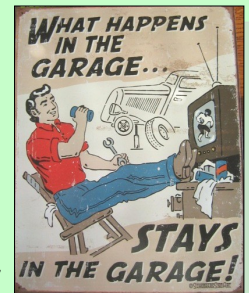
We will keep our members informed if there are any changes to the meeting schedule. Your health and safety is our prime concern



Cancelled 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)



Next Board Meeting

It will be at Torrance Memorial Hospital, West wing, on **Tuesday, May 5th 2020** at 7pm.
Exact room TBD.

(This could change)

We will be planning upcoming events.



Model A Events & Local Shows

(Note: These events subject to change)

May 17th—Sun Muckenthaler Annual Car Show in Fullerton. **More to come**

June 7th—Sun Henry Ford Picnic

July 17-19 Solvang Drive 'n Dine

August 22nd—Sat El Segundo Car Show



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



Shelter in Place

"Shelter in Place". Who would have thought that 3 words could have such an impact on our lives. However, we as a club, we as friends have endured this. I do believe that I can see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Some new words have come to mind, "Harbor Area Model A Club Recovery Program". Just like our Federal and State governments have come up with their "Three Step Recovery Plans", I would like to us do the same.

So if everyone can give this some thought, I think it will give us something creative to do and can be fun. Send me your thoughts and I will compile them.

Thank goodness for such great friends and everyone continue to stay well.

Wayne Sterling,
President

A Little Harbor History. . .



Harbor tour to the Ronald Reagon Library in 2013

May Birthdays

- 1 LeOra Combs
- 4 Leonard Funk
- 7 Peggy Hopkins
- 8 Karen Barry
- 10 Jim Speights
- 11 Baylee Migliazzo
- 13 Larry Migliazzo
- 15 Peggy Wishon
- 19 Steve Friedrich
- 19 Pat Tucker



May Anniversaries

- 4 Wayne & Tomo Sterling
- 5 Dan & Liz Fitzgerald
- 20 Leonard & Darlene Funk



Editor's Corner By Dick Wyckoff

This is not a fun time for us car folks. No meetings, no food events, no tours, no nothing. For some of us, we get a chance to work on our cars. (I just did the brakes on the Cabbie)

As an editor, I am always looking for interesting and educational things to put in the newsletter. (If you have an interesting story, send it to me).

I have a rather large collection of Harbor Lights, not all, but probably 90+% of them, dating back to the first one done in Sept 1961. Lots of Club history. I am going to go through them and re-print some interesting and historical articles. Should be fun. A lot has happened in 59 years!

13 years ago on the Club's 50th anniversary, we published a cookbook with recipes from members, friends, and relatives. We will revisit some of them in coming issues. Things like "Grandma Payne's Molasses Cookies", or "Thick Sloppy Joes", or Jan's 'Kitchen Sink' Fruitcake, and Linda's Microwave Peanut Brittle. Lot's of fun recipes from all over the country.

So you can see, there is always something different and (hopefully) interesting to publish.

Jan and I hope all are healthy and following the 'rules' during this virus epidemic. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the front-line responders keeping us safe. Let's also keep in contact with our 'Model A family'. This, too, shall pass. Be safe. . .

Dick



(On hold) Monday Supper

Our usual Monday evening gathering at a local restaurant has been postponed due to the virus epidemic. The club is monitoring the events as they unfold and will keep you posted.

One of the changes we were making prior to the shutdowns of eating establishments was to move around to different restaurants in the area. This has been popular and will continue when the situation changes and we are safe to dine together again.

Watch your emails and the Harbor Light for the latest information.

Saturday Morning Coffee Gathering (On Hold)

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.



2020 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**.

Grandma Payne's Soft Molasses Cookies

- 1 C. lard
- 1 C. molasses
- 1 C. sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 T. vinegar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt
- 1 scant C. water
- 2 heaping tsp. baking soda
- 1 T. ginger
- 1 T. cinnamon
- 4-5 C. flour



Combine and scoop spoonfuls on baking sheet.
Bake 20 minutes. Serves 12.

Grandma Payne, Patchogue, NY (1925)

Thick Sloppy Joes

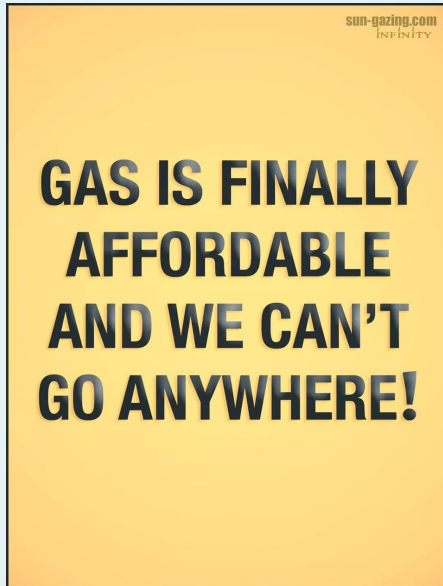
- 3 pounds ground chuck
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 3 teaspoon salt
- $\frac{3}{4}$ chili powder
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ tablespoon brown sugar
- $2\frac{1}{4}$ cut catsup
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon ginger
- 3 tablespoon dry mustard
- 3 cans tomato puree
- $\frac{1}{2}$ Tabasco sauce
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cup ground carrots and celery
- 3 onions, chopped
- 1 large potato

Brown chuck and onion. Pour off fat. Add all other ingredients and sauté on low heat (stirring occasionally 1 hour. Serve on toasted round buns. Serves 8.
Monty & Donnis Bates, Torrance, CA



HARBOR AREA MODEL 'A' CLUB MEETING March 2020

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the March 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.



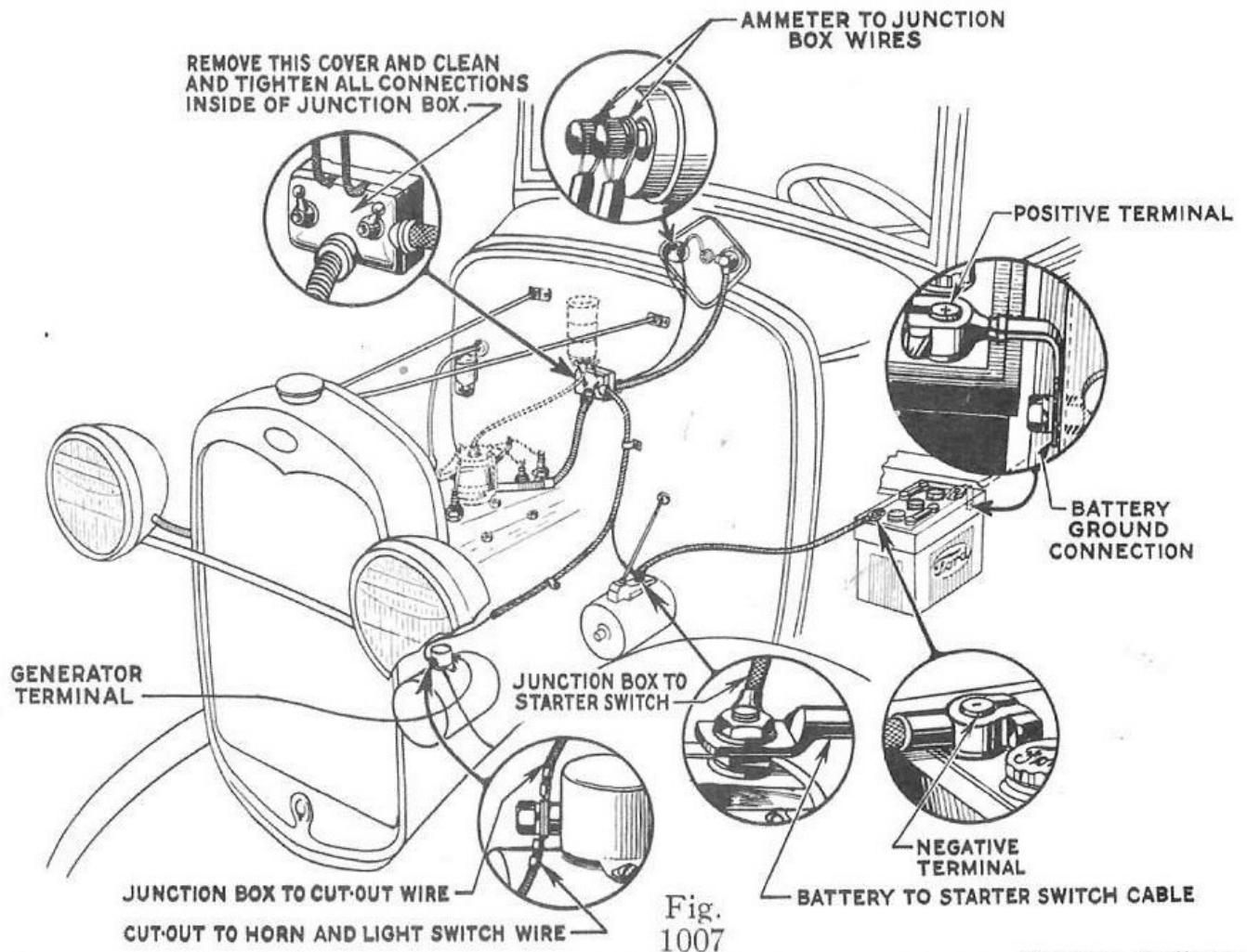
A Little Ford History

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The New Money?

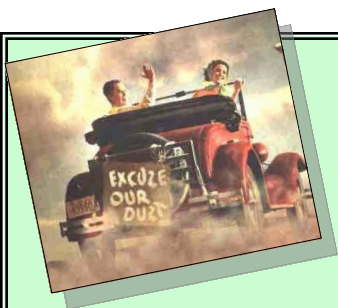
Technical Talk



These connections must be kept clean and tight. Service Bulletin
October 1930



2008 Progressive Tour meeting at the Pisu's



Touring with Elaine By Elaine Pisu, Tour Director



It is called . . . Touring in Place



This virus thing has put our club's touring activities on hold. Bakersfield CCRG, cancelled; NCRG in Sonora, cancelled; MARC & MAFCA National Conventions, cancelled. . .

The important thing is our health. Most of us are seniors and more vulnerable to the disease. Play by the rules.

A fun thing on the net: We are only supposed to drive to the market, the doctor, the pharmacy, etc. We all like driving our cars. According to the officer, a Model A owner just put 80 miles on his Model A going to the store to get milk. I like his thinking, but I think he was working the system. . . .

Anyway, keep a positive outlook and this will pass. Stay healthy and keep in touch.

Elaine

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Ursi's Uptown Lowdown

By Ursula Schmidt



50 Years Harbor MARC Model A Club

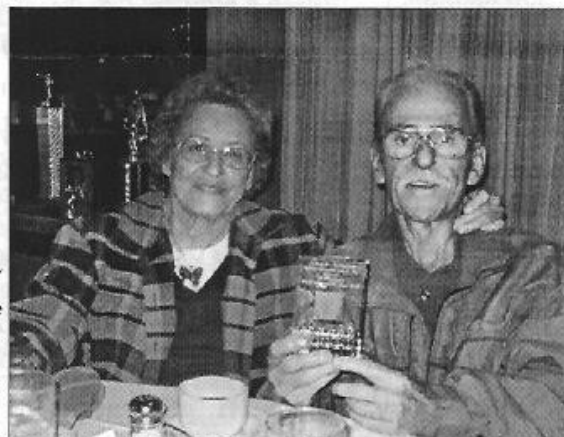
Fifty years ago, in 1957, a group of antique car enthusiasts were driving their 30-year young Model A's around and were having lots of fun. Most of them were in their late 20-ties and 30-ties, back then. They had so much fun, that on August 27, 1957 they all decided to form a Model A Club, and so our Harbor Area Model A Club was born.



Bob and Margaret Gott (above) and Adeline & Bob Bates (right). Both were awarded a special 50 Year Anniversary Award. They have been members for an incredible 50 years! They are the essence of Model A'ing.

Fifty years later, we are here to celebrate the club's 50's anniversary year.

From the original founding group, Rod and Margaret Gott (to left), with club membership #2, were present at the Annual Banquet to celebrate their 50 year membership. Adeline and Bob Bates (below), with membership #55, were representing the next earliest of club members and also are celebrating their 50 year membership. It was wonderful seeing them again.



Congratulations to All the Other Special Winners

For driving the most miles on tours in 2006, the Road-runners of the Year Award went to the Larquiers. The winners of the 2006 Vic Pejchl Trophy are the Marshalls. This is for the most miles driven in a Model A, not considering tours at all. The winner of the 2006 Woman of the Year Award went to Sue Hankins and the 2006 Man of the Year Award was awarded to Ron Ragon. The Norval Vorhis Award, given for the person who attended the most club events, went to Jeff Webb. This year we had 36 events and Jeff attended 29. A special award was created, this year, by our President. It's called the Spark Plug Award. It went to Drain Marshall for his never ending energy and club spirit. He is a real Model A Booster! We had a number of members who earned Honorable Mention because they reached a milestone in their membership. Phyllis Cooley, Jim and Judith Hamilton all earned 40 year pins. Darlene Funk, Linda Skinner and John Griffin received their 30 year pins. Jeanne and Jeff Webb earned 20 year pins. Paul and Rhoda Larquier won the 15 year pins. Rosie De Cort, Bob DeCrescenzo, Pat Yacklon and Sue Hankins were awarded 10 years pins. Nita and Glenn Stonehocker, Jerry Reine, Art and Daffy Wagner, Richard and Jeanne Parrish and Herman Villoria earned 5 years pins.

6 Again, congrats to all these special winners!

Some More Club History. Article in February 2007 Harbor Light



MAFFI Liaison Letter April 2020



Did you get your commemorative pin from Model A Day 2019?

Each year for Model A Day we create a pin with our feature car. This year we had 2 pins, one with the Unrestored A-400 and another one of the Twenty Millionth Model A. Both of these pins are still available but the quantity is limited on the A-400. The cost for the A-400 pin is \$7.00 and the Twenty Millionth Model A is \$6.00. This includes postage and handling. It is more economical for us to mail out larger quantities of these (4 or more) so keep this in mind when you order them. We are happy to mail out single ones as well.

These make fun giveaways at your club meetings or a special little something for the Model A person in your life and it is a great way to support our Museum.

Please send a check made out to MAFFI enclosed with a list of what you would like to:

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Thank you again for your support of MAFFI and our museum.

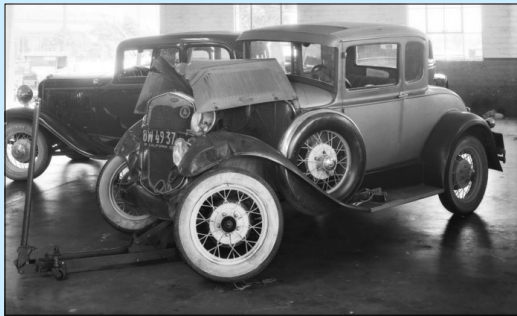
New Member to the Harbor Club's Garage

After selling his beautiful '30 Roadster, Jim Huizdos needed another Model A to take it's place. He happened to be following the car auctions in Arizona, when a "Model A Two-door Sedan" was advertised to be sold at auction in a couple days. Jim looked at pictures of the car and was very interested. The car was very nice!

So, with some time on his hands, he drove from Palos Verdes CA to Arizona to see the car in person. It was better in person than in the pictures. . . Bottom line, he bought the car. It was more than a Two-door sedan, it was a '31 Victoria! A beautiful restoration with less than 400 miles on it. It followed him home to PV . . .



Model 'A' Accidents from the 1930's



These images were in a discussion on FORDBARN.Com website recently.

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safety glass in the
Model A windshield. . .

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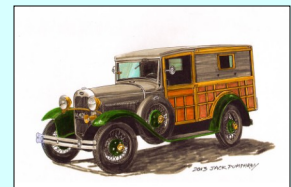
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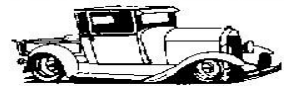
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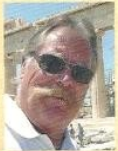
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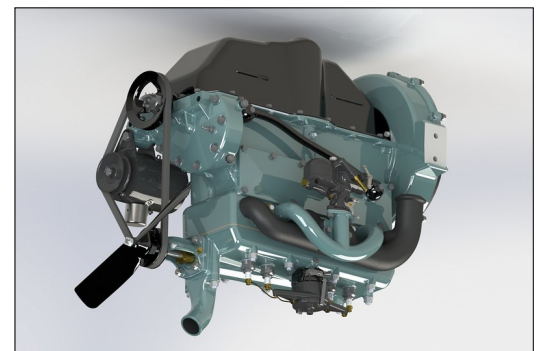
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Computer rendering of Model 'A' Engine



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