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Mc Gregor, Phil Anderson, Gary Spencer, Ted Baerresen, and Vern Harms looked

Mc Gregor Sheet Metal Fabrication Tour February 17th.



President's Message for February 2017

This is the newsletter of the Gra-Neva A's (Grass Valley/Nevada City) Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA.) Feel free to use information here, with credit.

Club members may place a business card size advertisement in this paper for a small fee; contact the Treasurer.

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GRA-NEVA GRAM

Club meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at Elks Lodge in Grass Valley on Highway 20 at 7:00 p.m. We welcome all guests.

If you are interested in a membership in MAFCA; write to MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress, La Habra, CA 90631

Also join us for an informal get-together at the Penny's Diner, Wednesday mornings about 7:00 a.m.

Items for the newsletter can be emailed to:
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Check our Website at:
Granevaas.com
for past newsletters

Dear Fellow Members,

I drove my Roadster pickup today (Saturday), the only time that I drove a Model A in February. It lifted my spirits! Two weeks ago during a break in the rain, Kristi and I went to Santa Rosa, and in Sonoma, I saw a yellow '28 roadster cruising down the street. Then two hours later in Santa Rosa, a '31 Vicki went flying by in the other direction. Those two drivers were smiling, and so was I.

In one of my letters two years ago I mentioned that I was praying for rain. As usual for my prayers, it certainly got answered! I don't think that a prayer for the rain to stop would be necessarily good. It's like daydreaming that a genie has given you just one wish; you would have to phrase it just right so as to not have a negative reaction of some sort. But prayers are real! There is some law of physics that says that for every action there is an equal reaction, and a thermodynamic law that states that energy cannot be destroyed, just changed into something different with no loss. And so are thoughts, and so are prayers.

This week there will be a few sunny days again, so take your Model A for a drive to the post office or an errand; it will lift you up, make you smile, and inspire someone else to smile too.

Respectfully, Steve

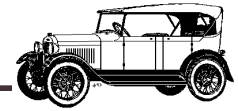


Sunshine Report

Janet called me this evening and mentioned that Steve Halverson fell and broke his ankle. Don't know any specifics. Please have him in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

Please let Janet Spencer know how everyone is doing 477-5570.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Bold & underlined print dates show official club events.
Italic print dates show events of general interest

March 23rd - Elks Lodge in Nevada City @7PM.

April 27 - Elks Lodge in Nevada City @ 7PM

May 25 - Elks Lodge in Nevada City @ 7PM

UPCOMING Tours:

March 28th, Tuesday- Feather Falls Casino, Lodge & Brewery Tour. Leave Kmart at 9AM going the back roads. Upon arriving plan on brunch or lunch and be on your own to gamble, eat, whatever! Bob Ambrose will lead. **Please contact Bob to let him know you will be attending.**

Spring Opener - May 5-7th in Quincy. Contact Gary Spencer for details and read the email that went out.

Upcoming Swap Meets/Shows 2017

April 23rd Sunday - Swap Meet, presented by Horseless Carriage Club @ American River College.

June 4th Sunday, Auburn - Mother Lode Swap Meet Gold Country Fairgrounds 5am to 3pm.

Cars & Coffee - Saturdays at Kmart GV from 8-10AM

Wings & Wheels - Second Saturday of the month at the Auburn Airport.

Every Wednesday 3-5PM at Mel's Diner in Auburn. Graffiti Night, bring you're A's and get 20% off on dinner.

Tech Talk



by Ron Pierce



Get your requests in! What do you want to ask?



If you have any technical questions submit to me @:
sharonpierce1945@gmail.com

EDITOR'S NOTES:

Dear friends:

Sorry to have missed you guys at the meeting. Ron' s worried about people having colds. Just a bad time of the year, and it would be awful for him to catch something.

It sounds like there' s a lot of tour in the works. You don' t want to miss Bob Ambrose' s Feather Falls Casino Tour this month (March). Ron and I were there last Fall and it' s really nice! Oroville was way low, a lot different now!

We' re planning on the next meeting in March. See you then!

Your Editor & Publisher



Sharon Pierce



HAVES AND WANTS

Let me know if you have anything new items you want me to post here.

Also see the Minutes.

March BIRTHDAYS



3/14 Marty Clampitt
3/24 Jim Musick
3/27 Mary Lou Drees
3/30 Kay Harms

March ANNIVERSARIES



3/6 Phil & Mary Lou
Drees
3/22 Bob & Bobbie
Whiting
3/26 Larry & Denia
Hubbard

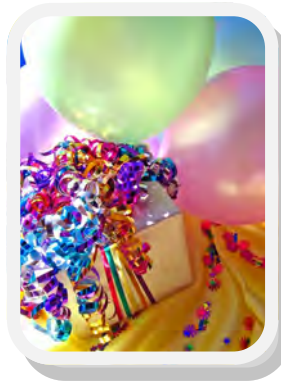
REFRESHMENTS

Coffee will be supplied by the Elks Lodge for \$1.00 per cup w/free re-fills.

Meeting refreshments*** will be brought in by individual members, alphabetically by last name each month.

Any questions or can't make it to the meeting, [please contact Steve Turnsk or Bob Ambrose.](#)

March - Steve Straw
April - Barry Sudderth
May - Pat Tobin



Thanks to Janet Spencer for birthday and anniversary information.

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Call to order: President Steve Turnsk, called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm at the Nevada City Elk's Lodge on February 23, 2017.

Membership: There were no new members or guests.

Sheriff: Sheriff Steve Straw collected \$2 but then refunded a dollar after 2 members found their name tags.

Secretary: There were no additions or corrections to the minutes as printed in the Gra-Neva Gram and they were approved.

Treasurer: Treasurer Jan Elliott was unavoidably absent and in her place Secretary Christina gave an incredibly brief accounting of the current financial status of the club. Basically, we started with a bunch of money, spent some money and still have money left over! Balances are rising in the accounts earmarked for certain events, which is good. I'm sorry it was a woefully inadequate accounting on my part and we all look forward to Jan's return next month!

Vice-President Report: Nothing to report other than "it snowed".

Editor, Sharon Pierce. Articles are always welcomed. Just email to Sharon.

Tours, Steve Halverson

Upcoming tours include:

March 28th: Tuesday at 9am. Oroville Casino Tour. Details to follow in the Gra Neva Gram or via email.

April: Sharon's first idea is Mel's Diner on a Wednesday.

May 5-7th,

Spring Opener Tour. Must sign up by March 31st. Gary reports: We will be leading a tour to Quincy for the Spring Opener this year, May 5-7. Usually they hold this at Clear Lake but this year it will be in Quincy. We booked a room at the Lariat Lodge for May 5 & 6, phone #530-283-1000. Published price for the Lariat Lodge in Quincy of \$63 is for a single person/queen bed. If there is a couple with a queen bed, the price raises to \$71, or \$74 for a king bed. Still not too bad. We have stayed in a couple of Quincy's motels before and this one was the best that we were at, but still not a four star! So please don't expect too much with the lodging. We suggest that you reserve soon because they may book up.

Also you will need to send in the application for the event sometime before March 31st. That fee is \$82 per person and includes one dinner, one lunch and one breakfast. Sharon Pierce forwarded an email to you with the attached application. Any questions, call Gary & Janet Spencer, 530-477-5570.

June 17/18th, Allegany Tour. Ted will lead.

September 24-29th, Marin Tour. Driving up Highway 1.

Interesting Things You Might Like:

The annual Hill Climb in Auburn is coming up April 29th. Here's the flyer: <http://www.hotforhotfours.com/documents/auburnspring2017.pdf>

Every Saturday is Cars & Coffee in the Kmart parking lot. All cars are welcome and you won't see a more eclectic mix anywhere: Rat rods to Bentleys. No RSVP; just show up and stay as long as you like.

Auburn Airport has a similar thing, Wings & Wheels on the second Saturday through the summer.

Sunshine Report: Nothing to report.

Technical: According to an article in *The Restorer* it's good to get the engine temperature up as quickly as possible and everyone should have a thermostat.

Gots & Wants:

Dennis Westcot is looking for a "Scooter/engine stand". (The suggestion was made that a guy at the Turlock Meet is likely to have one.)

Ted Baerresen has a pair of not-so-good-but-better-than-standard LED tail lights for 6V. Newer LED are brighter, but these are brighter than bulbs.

Steve Halverson has 4 19" tires, possibly Sears. They're old but still new. \$200. Steve Halverson needs fenders for his '26 Model T

Vern Harms still has some nice, antique furniture.

Ted Baerresen is selling a Model A transmission. Call for details.

Gerry Holzapple still has a lightened flywheel and balanced pressure plate he'd sell for \$300.

Gerald has 5-19" wheels to sell: \$150 (although he admitted he'd probably take \$100) No information on their exact condition.

Aaron Johnson is looking for 21" wheels "good & true".

(Please let it be known to me if I should remove any information.)

Show & Tell: Let's make an effort to get this feature back on track. Somebody must have some other hobby, collection or something they're just proud of to show? Or know somebody who does? Guests are welcome!

ACCC: Bill Mitchell was absent.

Please visit the site for more information. <http://www.acccdefender.org/>

Old Business: Information was received about the MAFCA show next year in Sparks. The NCRG would like our club to help with sign-ins and parking. If you provide your email to them, they will contact you directly and the organization will be through them.

Kristy Turnsk (Membership Chair), and I are still working on putting together a "New Member Packet" to show at next meeting.

Informational club cards were available at the meeting for members to hand out to interested people. Contact me, Christina, if you need some.

The question was raised, "Why aren't we listed in the Club News section in *The Union*? We'll check with Denia Hubbard (Publicity). There are similar things in other publications, like *The Restorer*.

New Business:

Since we forgot to talk about this item, I'll leave it as New Business: Tour Chair, Steve Halverson, would like to have some sort of a rotation for a monthly activity (similar to the meeting refreshment rotation).

Since the routine for gathering at Lumberjack's for dinner prior to the meeting has now been established, there will be no more reminders. Just show up about 5:30-ish.

Attendance Drawing: Ron Pierce was absent. \$20 next month.

Raffle: Kay Harms went home \$25 richer.

Attendees: Christina Brodie, Steve & Kristy Turnsk, Kelly Stevenson, John Burnside, Bob & Bobbie Whiting, Buzz Elliott, Steve Halverson, Vern & Kay Harms, Gary & Janet Spencer, Bob Ambrose, Jerry & Sharlene Dorville and Vicky and Steve Straw.

No A's were in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm, moved, seconded and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Brodie, Secretary

February 17th Tour

Paradise Donuts was tasty and they have an amazing bacon donut everyone might want to try.

Dave's Shoe Repair was amazing in its way (What a LOT of shoes! Everywhere!). Amazement was expressed that he can find a certain pair when their owner shows up to retrieve them. The machines he uses on a daily basis are equally amazing and old. (Did we mention there are a LOT of shoes?!)

McGregor Sheet Metal Fabrication was better than hoped for and amazed everyone with tangible mastery of trigonometry (so THAT'S when it comes in handy!) and manipulation of sheet metal. Sam McGregor is an Artist. The Paul Revere Silversmith (like at the Smithsonian) was pretty amazing, too. On the whole, it was an amazing day.



Ted Baerresen, Phil Lawrence, Steve Halverson, Steve Turnsk, Gary Spencer, and Vern Harms.

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Thank you for your second year!! Kelly Stevenson at 530-477-8797

Renewed 1/1/17

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