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THE Ford SCRIPT

Rodger's Ramblings

After missing the June meeting, it will be very satisfying to make the July Meeting. It is so nice to be a bit mobile again. Jill has made all of the Parade arrangements for the 4th of July. Get out your bunting and all the red, white and blue you can find and join in a fun parade. Pack a picnic lunch and something to share with the lunch group at the end of the parade. Our seminar gurus have a fun outing on July 20th that will be informative to everyone. They will have a presenter on Genealogy and DNA. See you at the Elderton's for something completely different.

Wishing you many miles of touring and having fun with other lovers of the Model A

FORDingly, *Rodg*

What's coming up

Rose, White, and Blue Parade, **Thursday, July 4, meet at 7:30 AM (leave at 7:55 AM)** northeast corner San Carlos & Shasta/Leigh, San Jose, and after the parade meet for a picnic

Fun Fashion & Technical Seminar Genealogy via DNA tests, Saturday, July 20, 9:30 AM: This will be a joint seminar, at the Elderton home, 3531 Westview Drive, San Jose, 408-270-7206

General Meeting: Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 7:30 PM, Cypress Community & Senior Center, 403 Cypress Ave, San Jose

Take me to the Online Calendar for all the details!

Great resources on SCVC's award-winning website:

Breaking News (keep up with the latest happenings)
Era Fashion (SCVC is lucky to have many era fashion experts – they even dressed the Editor!)
Library of Resources (books, videos)
Our Cars (photos of members and their cars – is your photo there?)
Technical Tips (Driving in the heat? Need to borrow a rare tool?)
Board Members and Volunteers (the Who's Who that make all the magic happen in SCVC!)
2018 MAFCA National Car Awards Presented to SCVC Members (so many winners!)
Pictures from every tour and seminar (going back to 1999)
The Ford Script Newsletter Archive (all the way back to 1960!)

About the Newsletter

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Minutes from the General Meeting on July 2, 2019, by Ursula Syrova

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Rodger Griffin. Bob and Mary Lewis led us in the flag salute. 85 were in attendance.

Greeter: Susan welcomed no guests.

Newcomers: Jay Day welcomed and encouraged us all to participate and get our As on the road.

President: Rodger Griffin – It was noted that Lee Iacocca just passed away at age 94. Please make use of the online "suggestion box" if you want.

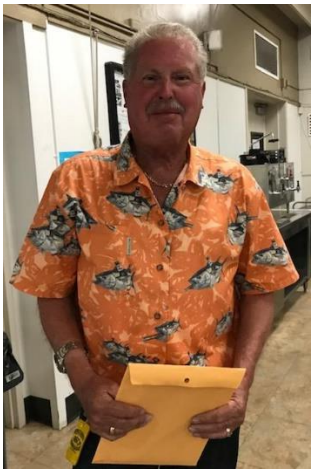
Secretary: Ursula Syrova asked for approval of last month's minutes. A motion was made, seconded and voted on to accept the General Meeting Minutes as printed in the Script. MSC. **Correspondence:** no mail.

Vice President: Bill Cilker brought Model A ads.

Treasurer: Mike Stevens reported our income and expenses. Still solvent.

Editor: Jessie thanked members for submitting articles and requests volunteers to write about any events they attend. There's a car for sale on the bulletin board.

Membership: 105 member families with the new members Dave and Dorothy Houge of Campbell. Photo of Dave.



Activities:

Tours: Will Lancaster – in June we had the Endurance/Lowland Tour…a lot of roads that have seen a lot of wear, ahem. 103 miles followed by lunch at Tiffany Ford. In July is the Rose, White, and Blue Parade on the 4th. August 10th will be the Garden Railroad Tour and food drive. September 21 will be the President's Tour followed on 9/22 by Antique Autos in History Park. The Northwest Regional Meet in Washington at the end of August is also an option. Call Dennis Rinaldi or Lee Dal Canto if you want more information on that.

Seminars:

Fun Fashion: Nancy Peters/Nora Elderton – Thank you to Susan Colbeck for the seminar on Barn Quilts and to Nadia Burtz for hosting. Genetic Genealogy at the Eldertons' on July 20th, bring your own chairs. August 17th back at the Eldertons' for a seminar on preserving veggies. September at the Eldertons' *again* on September 14th to discuss the County Fair, more info to come.

Technical: Rich Campbell – Great June seminar at the Burtz's house about dealership-type era tools. July is the joint seminar on genetic genealogy. August will be a brake adjustment seminar, including how to use a thermal indicator. September will be an all-day joint seminar with a County Fair theme including wheel and tire safety and Hubley Races at the Eldertons'. Bring chairs!

Librarians: Karen Larsen and Rob Keefe – DVDs and books are available.

Webmaster: Wayne Innamorato – No web news, but thanks for coming out for the food truck event!

Facebook Coordinator: Jill Barrett – we have 98 members on Facebook.

Sunshine and Sunshine Rescue Crew: Peggy Kopf – Sent a card to Paul Calonico for his lost tooth endured on the Speedster Run, and a card for Karla after her stroke (additional cards can be sent to Will and he'll deliver!)

Vest Materials: Vicki Wildman has patches and has patterns and fabric to make vests. See Vicki. She may have a lead on a supplier of new patches for us. Thank yous out to helpers on the Endurance Run – Mary Ann and Patti M. made tons of cookies! And Kelly filled in for Rodger doing the announcing at the tour after Rodger and Mark B. couldn't make it. Bonus points since Kelly wasn't even planning to attend!

Participation: Chuck Elderton – make sure you sign in at every event!

Historian: Kelly Bybee – no report.

MAFCA: Chuck Christensen - none

MAFFI: Chuck Christensen – none

ACCC: Dave Anderson – none

NCRG: Mark Barrett – none

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

New Cars: None

Hard Luck Trophy: Grover Steele - Report of breakdown on Highway 156 resulted in a tow to Saratoga. Turned out to be the condenser. He won unopposed!

Edsel Trophy: One report of evaporated gas received lukewarm support. It went unawarded.

Good Samaritan: Rodger thanked everyone for cards, Chuck Elderton helped Jay, Bill Cilker helped Laurie Elliot at NCRG by taking photos, Ray Fontaine for fixing a window for Dennis Rinaldi. Thanks to Mike and Pam Stevens, Will Lancaster, Jay Day, Dennis Rinaldi for help getting Ursula to and from the Lowland Tour, and thanks to Chuck Elderton for help installing windlace on Ursula's Bennie Claude. Mark B thanked all for get-well cards.

Good of the Order: Don Cole will be retiring at the end of the year, so he will not have a place to do the safety checks. He'll be liquidating his equipment, so make inquiries if there's something you're interested in! Bill Cilker announced the Family Giving Tree back-to-school backpack drive. Backpacks due at the August meeting! Give your donations to Chuck Christensen in Bill's absence in August. P&L Dress Factory just delivered 42 more dresses to Dress a Girl Around the World! 279 dresses made so far, but need more fabric! Shirley handed Bob and Mary Lewis birthday cards for Bob and wished them all the best for their relocation. There's a stack of Classic Cars magazines for the taking and several new Giants T-shirts. Tickets available for the fireworks at Kelly Park.

Next Board Meeting: Saturday July 27 at Rodger's house at 1:00 p.m.

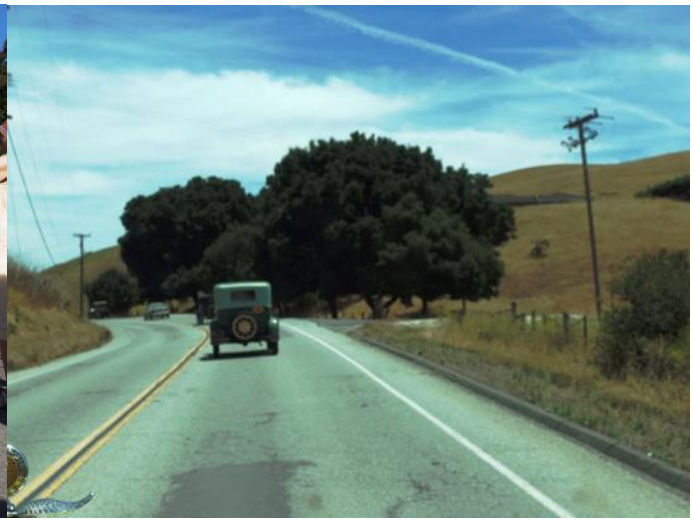
Next General Meeting: August 6th at Cypress Senior Center

Adjournment motioned and seconded, adjourned at 8:34 p.m. MSC.

June 2019 Tours

On

June 9th, the SCVMTFC Lowland Tour drew 16 SCVC families, driving 10 Model A Fords; this was the first major outing for Bennie-Claude (Ursula's 29 Tudor). There were three SCVC members who drove speedsters in the Model T Endurance Run, including Joe Davis who came down from Oregon with his Model T speedster, Glenn Wildman, and Bob Meneely. Jessie Holombo & Chuck Elderton



Once upon a time [June 21st] in the little town of Saratoga, Saratoga Ave @ Cox, there were FOOD trucks and Ice cream. What a treat. Mr. Wayne Innamorato & wife Julie organized the SCVC car show, and there was food for all. There were nine food trucks, everything from Korean BBQ to sushi to hot dogs and of course ice cream. Nineteen A's and some 40 plus people gathered along with half of the Saratoga residents for all the festivities!!!! Wow the weather was warm, the food hot, and the ice cream cold. We all had a laugh when we noticed that the ice cream truck line was no less than 40 plus people at any one time. The wine flowed, the tables were full, and everyone was enjoying themselves including the little people and the dogs. If you didn't go, you missed a GREAT time. See you all at the next truck fest!!! Jay & Jeannie

June and July 2019 Seminars

The June seminars proved popular with 30 member families taking in the rerun of Terry Burtz' KR Wilson Tool presentation. Twenty-one members enjoyed Susan Colbeck's Barn Quilt presentation, which was also held at the Burtz family compound. In total 32 SCVC member families attended the seminars. Chuck Elderton

Fun/Fashion Seminars, Saturday, June 15, at the Burtz home. Susan Colbeck educated the group about wooden signs often seen on barns and out buildings that look like quilt squares. Apparently, early Alpine Germanic colonists brought over the tradition of hanging a protective sign or symbol over doorways, although many symbols predate Christianity. Barn quilts can be any shape, size, design or colors. In the mid-twentieth century when exterior paint became more durable and affordable, the popularity of "quilt trails" or maps of barn quilt locations grew. Low and behold the benefits of tourism! The barn quilt in the photo is on the Burtz's property. It was a delightful morning, and we owe Susan Colbeck and Nadia Burtz (the hostess who provided delicious homemade pastry) each a big thank you for their efforts. Laurie Elliott (Quilt photos by Karla Lancaster)

Technical Seminar. If you missed the June 15th great display of KR Wilson tools owned by Terry Burtz you missed a super

treat. Not only were the tools a time warp into brute force auto mechanics, but the Burtz's home and grounds are a Disneyland delight. We got a special tour into Terry's massive shop where he shared his operation making crankshaft oil seals and other fascinating stuff. There was also an English test administered by Rich Campbell (an English accumulator is called a battery in America)...nobody failed. Further fun was had guessing which car matched photos of their hood ornaments. Don't miss a Tech seminar or you'll miss all the fun. Rich Campbell

Fun/Fashion and Technical Seminars, Saturday, July 20, 9:30 AM. This will be a joint seminar, to be held at the Elderton home. Pat Burrow, a long-time genealogist, will present a talk on DNA, using slides to supplement what she's explaining to us. There are several ways DNA can be used, from telling us some generalities about our ancestors, to helping law enforcement find someone. If you have had your DNA tested, print and bring your results. Compare them with other club members, to see how close your ancestors lived to theirs. Thanks go to Rich Lange for suggesting the topic and contacting Pat.

Classifieds

Cars for Sale

1929 Model A Ford Tudor, manufactured 3/21/1929. Older restoration in very good condition. Used primarily as driver on El Camino A's Club local tours. This car belonged to Lou Matas and Paul Blote. Both now deceased. Last run about 2 years ago. Available for viewing early July 2019. Appraised at $12,500. Asking appraised value. For sale by Lou's daughter, Mandy Noble, 360-779-5922 (Washington State). Call for more information. Better pictures will be available in July. 6/19

Two model A Fords for sale. **1929 closed cab pickup** original survivor 90% original paint /mint body no rust out / new authentic interior / freshly restored chassis priced at $12,500. **Tour car 1931 Tudor sedan** newer restoration with modern 2.0 engine V8 transmission / juice brakes / priced at $17500 call club member Chuck Kallas (559) 287-1256 (photos available) *6/19*

1931 Model A Ford 160B S/W sedan: Black with cream wheels. It has been driven around the United States. Good engine, 12V, Mitchell overdrive, turn signals, CB set up, point-less ignition, modern shocks, rebuilt rear axle, front tool box, new battery. Upholstery and paint are good. $15K or B/O. Will Lancaster, 408-605-1315

1931 Roadster Pickup, restored to original, 6-volt system, with new windshield glass, interior, seat springs, generator, etc. $16 k OBO**.** Paul La Follette, 925-872-0980 2/19

1931 Roadster Pickup, frame off restoration, new & rebuilt. Paul La Follette, 925-872-0980 2/19

1929 Model A Speedster
Riley 2-port head, headers, juice brakes, 12V alternator. $16,000.

Call Chris Holombo 650-969-9515. 10/18

Pieces & Parts Offered

All to be scrapped by 6/20/19. Free 19" Excelsior radial tires, 4 or more with 20–30% tread. **Free Model A parts**: Pair of front backing plates; pair of rear hubs with original drums; 2 transmission bell housings; 2 u-joint housing sets; 2 fly wheels;, 2 pressure plates; 2 intake manifolds (3 " vacuum port location); individual front spring leaves (about 10); engine covers and oil tubes, pair of 30-31 hood top panels only. **Free new F150 4wd front brake rotor**, fits 1997-2004. Chuck Elderton, 408-270-7206, elderton@comcast.net 6/19

Canopy tops & brackets for Model A pickups. John Trumbo at 509-366-2241 or johntnews@gmail.com. 6/19

Lubester oil pump dispenser. Used, but good condition, complete. $400. Rodger Griffin, 408-691-3707 5/19

Side mount spare tire kit, complete, arm bracket, fender well pan, 19" wire wheel, tire, & tube – originally for 31 Spt Cpe, $70. Cylinder head, slight surface rust $50. Rear axles 32 in., 23 tooth, good keyways & teeth, slight surface rust $20 ea. New All Ford ignition short-proof condenser 1928-31 $5. Two new TT10 SP-488 Motocraft spark plugs $5. Call Tony Hoffman, 408-446-3114 2/19
Tudor front seat, no rails, good condition. $150**.** Call Will Lancaster, 408-605-1315. 1/19

1929 Model A left-welled fender. Nice black paint, ready to put on car. Also available: **1930-31 left-welled fender, new undamaged bare metal.** $500 each, may trade, call Alfi 408-354-3875. 12/18

Wanted

Two rear fenders for 30-31 Tudor sedan. Call Dave Rail 408-267-1649. 12/**18**

Bill Cilker is looking for one 19" Goodyear black wall tire. 408-264-2534 x203 wcilkerjr@cilker.com 9/18

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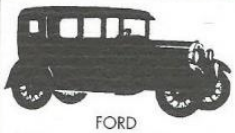

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