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February 24th meeting will be at Penny's Diner

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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.

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Club meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at Penny's Diner in the Fowler Center, near Savemart at 7:00 p.m. We welcome all guests. Membership in MAFCA is required for club membership; write 250 S. Cypress, La Habra, CA 90631.

Join us for an informal get-together at the Penny's Diner in The Fowler Center, near SaveMart each Wednesday about 7:00 a.m.

Items for the newsletter can be Emailed to: dgems@aol.com

President's Message

My oh my what a turnout for the January meeting, 44+ in attendance. How nice it was to have a location with cushioned seats and HEAT... I want to thank those that took the time to secure a deal for a trial run at Penny's Diner. It looks like the February meeting will be back at Penny's and a decision will be made for the remainder of the year. There was some great tech and also a good start to the beginning of the Tour season. I'm embarking on too many projects around the house but if I get things done now I'll have more time for the weekend tours. Don't forget it's you the Membership that drives this club. Feel free to step up and lead a tour, co-lead a tour, or throw out some ideas for the future. I'd like to see a few Hubley races this year, maybe it'll draw a crowd. I am researching a PA system for the meetings so that everyone's voice may be heard. Can't wait till spring and it looks like it's coming sooner this year since the groundhog saw his shadow. So in the meantime drive safe, have fun, and godspeed.

AJ



We understand that Jan Westmore is recovering nicely From her last knee surgery.

Sharon Pierce seems to be doing fine from her shoulder surgery because she did a great job taking notes at the Membership Meeting.



Sunshine Report



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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

February 24 2011—Membership Meeting
Gra-Neva A's Membership Meeting—7 pm
Meet at Penny's Diner near to Savemart in the Fowler Center.

FEBRUARY 26th (Saturday) - Sharon Pierce will set Up a monthly get together dinner at **Apple Alley**. Please call Sharon to confirm your dinner reservation by Feb. 24th. They will be open at 6pm. Join us!!!

March 24th, 2011—Membership Meeting
Gra-Neva A's Membership Meeting—7 pm.
Meet at Penny's Diner near to Savemart in the Fowler Shopping Center .

March 26th and 27th, 2011
Filoli Mansion and Gardens.

Spring Tour

See information on page 5 and page 9.

April 16th, 2011

Progressive Dinner, There will be four different locations. The charge is \$5.00 per person. Kay Harms is leading. More discussion at future meetings. {Limit to 40 people}

April 22nd,, 2011

Beale A.F.B. Tour, {Limited to 40 people}
Meet at 7:00 AM at K-Mart.

April 29th-30th Friday and Saturday—Auburn Hill Climb.

Check with Steve Straw for details.

May 8, 2011

North San Juan Mother's Day Breakfast.
Meet at K-Mart at 8:30AM, Leave at 9:00AM

April 28-May 1, 2011.

Lake County A's
17th Spring Opener. Call Larry Hubbard for Info.

May 27th-29th, 2011

Northern California Regional Group Roundup.
Vallejo/Napa Valley. www.diabloas.com

Tech Talk

Ron Pierce and Steve Turnsk had a "Show and Tell" during The cookie and coffee break.

Topics discussed: Break Light switch problems; fixture for taking lug studs off the front/rear hugs; voltage drop resistor from 12V to 6V.



Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Aaron Johnson at 7:06 pm. It was held at Penny's Diner on January 27, 2011.

Message from the President relating to Membership: Main focus was "loosing members". We held our first meeting of the year at Penny's Diner. There was a lot of discussion re location. The feel of the membership was to keep it at Penny's.

Motion to create a committee to check out two other locations: Nevada City Vets Hall and Grass Valley's Vets Hall. Committee members: Jerry Holzapple, Gregg Youngman, Bob Whiting and Sharon Pierce (Chair). We will investigate & make recommendations by February meeting (2/24). All three locations are \$50.00 a month. Motion passed. **Note:** It's always nice to have backup info.

Our President made two motions:

Motion #1: The member driving a Model A to ALL meetings for the rest of the year receives their membership free. If there is more than one member, there will be a drawing.

Motion #2: A member bringing the most NEW paying members; they will receive free.

Both Motions passed.

Starting with this meeting, we will purchase cookies from SaveMart next-door. There was a Motion to stay at Penny's and buy cookies for the next three months (until April Meeting). One of the Board Members will purchase cookies the night of the meeting. It was determined that coffee will be \$1.80/cup. Bill Mitchell will keep the "refreshment" supply boxes in his garage for the time being. Motion passed.

More from the President – How do we preserve our membership numbers? We loose 3-5 memberships a year. 1) We want a comfortable, well heated and having A/C in the summer; 2) Do we want to carry around the supply boxes each month?? We need to send out cards to lost members stating "We miss you". Aaron and Sandi Hundemer to meet to discuss who to send to.

Secretary: Sharon Pierce was asked to send out an email to members on the Tuesday before the monthly meeting.

Treasurer: Bill Gleason reported we have \$3010.00 in the bank as of today. This includes \$360.00 in dues.

Membership: See above for discussion from the President re membership. Were there any new members tonight? No

Editor: Larry Hubbard stated if you are submitting any info for the Newsletter to submit to him by the 3rd day of the month.

Vice President : Nothing to report

Tours: Bob Ambrose reported that the Xmas Lights tour (12/17) was a success, even in the rain! About 14 modern cars were in attendance. The Mitchells hosted goodies after the tour.



Tours: (continued)

January 29th Tour – Prosperity Lanes has been CANCELLED.

February 26th (Saturday) – Sharon Pierce will set up a monthly get together dinner at Apple Alley. Please call Sharon to confirm your dinner reservation by Feb 24th. It will be at 6pm. Join us!!!

March 26-27 (Saturday and Sunday) – Filoi Mansion Garden Tour, Pleasanton. We have determined the Residence Inn Hotel in Pleasanton was chosen as a place to stay. They are located near 580/680 freeways in Pleasanton. The cost is \$84.00 a night with a full breakfast Sunday morning. The room is Studio Suite. You need to tell them you are “with the Gra-Neva A's” for the special room rate. You can cancel 24 hours in advance. The phone number for the hotel is 925.227.0500. Bob Ambrose is tour leader.

April 16th – Saturday - Progressive Dinner. There will be four different locations. The charge is \$5.00 per person. Kay Harms leading. More discussion at future meetings.

April 22nd Friday – Beale AFB tour. We will meet at Kmart, time has not been established.

April 29-30 Friday and Saturday – Auburn Hill Climb – check with Steve Straw for details.

May 8th Sunday – Mother's Day tour to North San Juan for their pancake breakfast.

May 30th Memorial weekend – Vallejo get together: Lectures, Picnic in the Park, Performance Model A's. More discussion at future meetings.

Note from the President regarding the Mystery Tour: Two families, the Mitchells and the Harms will lead up the Mystery Tour. Aaron would like them to give us a date by the February Meeting (2/24).

Historian Update: Bill Mitchell arranging and organizing club photos, memorabilia, etc.

ERA Fashion: Nothing to report

Publicity: Nothing to report.

Norm Westmore added he wanted to say “thank you” to Aaron Johnson and Bill Mitchell for displaying Aaron's Woody at the December 1st White Christmas celebration at the Miners Foundry. Norm got numerous phone calls re “the Woody”. Note: This is a good way for gaining visibility to acquire new members in our club! Visibility, visibility!!!

Sunshine: Nothing to report

Librarian: Carl Ambrose strongly encouraged members to please bring back any outstanding books, etc that they have borrowed from the Library. He needs them returned!!

There have been a couple of boxes of old “Restorer” magazines (104 issues) donated. Steve Turnsk has the boxes.

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New Business: It was discussed to bring people into the organization "without" Model A's and make them 'Associate Members'. They would pay lower dues. No resolution re this item.

Also brought to the floor was sending the Gra-Neva Gram by email? And/or by mail. It was also reminded that you can go to our website for the Newsletter. No resolution re this item.

Tech Talk: Ron Pierce and Steve Turnisk had a "show and tell" during the cookie and coffee break. Topics discussed: Break light switch problems; fixture for taking lug studs off the front/rear hugs; voltage drop resistor from 12v to 6v (Jim Musick)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Sharon Pierce, Secretary for Gra-Neva A's

Attendees:

Sharon & Ron Pierce, Vicky & Steve Straw, Sandy Hundemer & Bob Ambrose, Phil Dres, Bill & Ginny Gleason, Larry & Denia Hubbard, Ted & Louise Baerresen, Bob & Bobbie Whiting, Vern & Kay Harms, Greg Youngman, Robert Agnew, Jim & Maxine Musick, Marty & Myra Clampitt, Ardy & Pat Tobin, Gerry & Bridgett Holzapple, Norm & Jan Westmore, Steve Turnisk, Connie & Alan Johnson, Jerry & Sharlene Dorville, Bill & Karen Mitchell, Bill Toesing, Scott Nance, Carl Ambrose, Vince Seck, Weldon Travis, Aaron Johnson



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HOW TO BLOW YOUR HORN!

Many members are not aware that Electronic and electric components are filled with smoke when they are manufactured. They will work satisfactorily until you let the smoke out and then they quit working. The Model A horn is just such a device. OK just kidding!

The situation... You discover that you have lost the horn cover screw and go to your bead pan of miscellaneous screws nuts and washers to find a suitable appearing screw that has the correct threads and even may have the correct slot head. You screw the cover on and almost instantly the smoke starts coming out. What has happened is that the screw is a little too long and has contacted the internal brush holder which shorts the field winding to ground, hence the smoke. Since the Model "A" came without a fuse for the horn it just sits there and cooks. Congratulations "You have just blown your horn."

The horn cover screw used on the Model "A" is a special made one with the upper threads removed. This prevents the screw from going all the way to the brush holder causing damage. The special screw is available from parts suppliers for about fifty cents each.

Thanks to **Ted Baerresen** for this submission (sounds like it is from experience!)

ATTENDANCE LOTTO

NEW! NEW! NEW!

BEGINS FEBRUARY, 2011 MEETING

BE THE FIRST TO WIN!!!!

Eligibility Rules: Every member of the Gra-Neva Model A Club will be eligible to win a cash prize for his or her attendance at each club meeting. You must be present to win. Your dues must be paid in full for 2011.

At each meeting, a name will be drawn. If that member is present at the meeting, the cash prize is theirs. If they are not present, the cash amount will roll forward to the next month's meeting for a new drawing which will include the current month's prize and all unclaimed prizes to date. (On December 31, 2011, all unclaimed prize money will be returned to the club treasury.)



GOTS AND WANTS

WANTED Used 1-3/8 " UNC HEX HEAD MACHINE BOLTS 1-3/4" LONG OR LONGER. I NEED THREE.
Jim Musick, 477-7047

FOR SALE: a pair of front and rear fenders for a 1930 Tudor Sedan as well as the fender braces. Has other parts for 1930 Model A -call for info
 Call Larry Hubbard: (530) 432-3629

March BIRTHDAYS

2. Ray Hren
13. Greg Youngman
14. Marty Clampitt
16. Flo Walters
19. Ann Stanbach
24. Sandy Hundemer
24. Jim Musick
27. Mary Lou Drees
30. Kay Harms



March ANNIVERSARIES

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| 6. Phil & Mary Lou Drees | 19 years |
| 22. Bob & Bobbie Whiting | 25 years |
| 26. Larry & Denia Hubbard | ? years |
| 27. Bill & Joan Toensing | 18 years |
| 28. Jim & Remy Doyle | 5 years |



Thanks to Myra Clampitt for updates.

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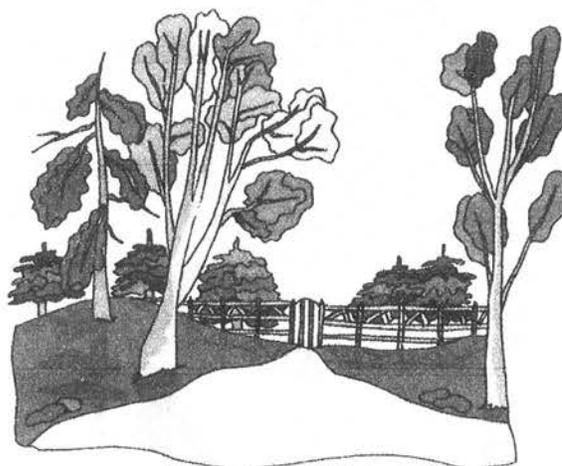
Filoli Mansion and Gardens Spring Tour

March 26-27, 2011

Join the Gra-Neva A's on a Spring Tour
of the
Filoli Mansion and Gardens in
Woodside, California

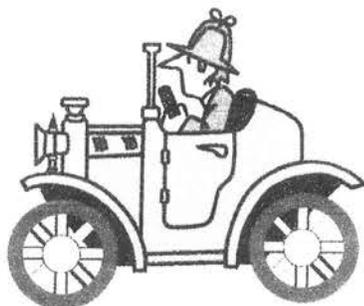
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❖❖❖ Sign up at the January Meeting ❖❖❖



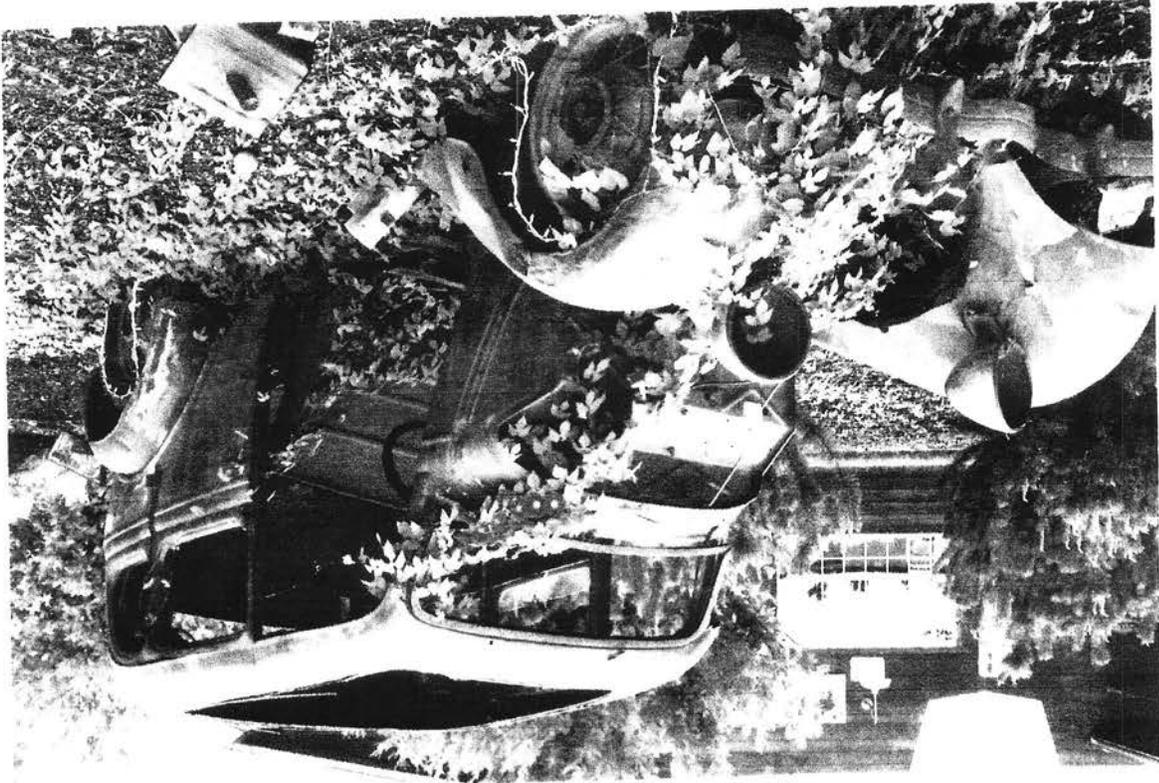
Lodging on Saturday night, March 26, will be at the Residence Inn, Pleasanton. A block of 20 rooms has been reserved for our club. Each studio suite is \$84.00 per room per night plus taxes. To receive our group rate call the hotel 925-227-0500 and refer to "Gra-Neva Model A Club" when making your reservation.

(Reservations must be made by March 1, 2011)



If you are unable to attend the January meeting and wish to go on this tour, please call Bob Ambrose, Tour Leader 346-7736

The President will be busy on his new Project
for the rest of the year.



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