# The Reflector

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## STONE BREWERY CAR'LYMPICS EXTRAVAGANZA



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Howdy All,

It's me again. I'll give you a guick review on our tour to Stone Brewery in Escondido. We had a quick meet n greet a Palomar Estates. Only Two Model A's and one modern so it was a small convoy. Rick S rode shotgun with me in the A Bomb, Bruce H drove his blue truck David and Karyn F were our tail gunners in their modern. As usual we had perfect weather for a nice leisurely drive through the Elfin Forest.

I know you all can't wait to hear what my SURPRISE was for this tour. I made a simplified version of a car rodeo. We met in the vacant lot across from Stone Brewery and I set up a zig zag course with some 2X4s and 2x6 boards to drive over. Then we had a teeter toter to drive over and at the end of the course. I had a traffic cone with a ball on top that you would try to get the front bumper as close as possible without knocking the ball off. Last but not least while doing this we needed to keep a ball balanced on a post I mounted on the front bumper!



We took turns driving the A BOMB with Karyn preferring to be the cheerleader. I conveniently don't remember who had the best round. Rick was nice enough to chase down the ball after I managed to knock it off the bumper a couple times. I think everyone had fun. So far, I have had really enjoyed the Rodeo and picknick ideas for tours!!

After the rodeo my truck was running a little hot and it was time for a beer and lunch. Jeanette S met us a Stone Brewery in their beautiful patio. What a fun day to spend with friends. Thanks for coming to my tour and I hope to see the rest of you for David's tour to San Diego in November and at the meeting November 1.

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## MINUTES FROM OCTOBER

mar A's was called to order by President, Mark Greenlee at 7:00 PM with 27 in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ed Simpson.

A motion was made by Clyde Marion to approve the minutes of the September meeting, and seconded by Ricky Spinel. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – There is currently a balance of \$4701.80 with outstanding bills to Paint Pro. Motion to pay was made by David Frazee and seconded by Bruce Parker. Many members provided their \$20 dues for 2024 as well as payment for the upcoming dinner at Hunter Steakhouse in December. Checks should be made payable to Palomar Model A's.

Sunshine & Sorrow - It was reported that Richard Allen was currently in the hospital undergoing chemotherapy for skin cancer but held a lively

Minutes from October, 2023 - Meeting of the Palo- phone conversation. It was suggested that others give him a call.

> David Frazee mentioned long time member Carla Hibbard passed away September 17, 2023 as was also noted by a detailed article in an October Reflector article.

December Dinner - Greg Wilson - The annual holiday dinner will be again held at Hunter Steakhouse, 1221 Vista Way, Oceanside. Provide checks by the November meeting or to Bruce Furbush no later than December 1. Checks to be payable to Palomar Model A's along with notation of meal preference. Choices are prime rib, top sirloin, chicken, or salmon for \$30 which includes tip and gratuity. This year the side will be garlic mashed potatoes and no rice pilaf. There is also a vegetarian entrée available for \$20 [includes tip & gratuity]. Last year the vegetarian entrée was a pasta primavera. Coffee, iced tea or soda are in-

## Minutes continued

cluded with the meal. Alcoholic drinks may be purchased separately. Arrival begins at 11:30 with meals served at noon.

Jon and Anna Velasco will head up the voluntary gift exchange. If you would like to participate then bring a \$20 max, festive wrapped gift. You will be given a claim ticket for later when the gifts are handed out.

Short Tours – There was a suggestion to please try to stay together while traveling and notify the tour leader if you will be leaving at any time on your own. Without notice an absence may be construed as a break down or a participant becoming lost. Also, a Model A is not necessary to tour. All vehicles are welcome....the more interesting the better. Even if you have a modern vehicle it may be possible to hitch a ride with an A.

October - Mark Greenlee presented the October event to Stone Brewing Co. Participants will leave at 9:00 AM and travel through Elfin Forest to the brewery with lunch at 11:00 and the tour at 1:00.

November – David Frazee presented a November 11, Veterans Day tour down Pacific Coast Highway to San Diego for Fleet Week. Details will be in the November Reflector.

Future – A visit to Karla Maxwell's studio where she restores antique auto emblems.

Future – Ed Simpson presented the possibility of a tour to Chateau Lakes in San Marcos.

Miscellaneous – Ed Simpson and Anthony Lugo attended the Paradise Valley Model A Swap meet in San Bernadino reporting that it was small. They also met up with Dennis and Ruth Jenison, past members of the Palomar A's. Donna Lugo then relayed a story from when the Jenisons hosted an event at their home in Hemet.

Donna was alarmed when she saw many snakes around the property. She was told they were artificial and were placed under the vehicles to keep rodents and squirrels away thus protecting the wiring in the cars. The trick seems to be the more realistic the better.

The Orange Blossom A's will be putting on a car show at the Riverside Elk's Lodge October 28. Entry is \$40 per vehicle but free to view. Long Tours – There was no long tour report because Bruce Howe was busy enjoying his birthday elsewhere.

*Reflector* Report – David Frazee mentioned sharing the Reflector with other Model A clubs and said, in exchange, he receives approximately 50 newsletters from around the world.

Membership – Mark Greenlee suggested possible advertising for the club and asked for people to bring in copies of any local newspapers to provide contact information. Also it was suggested that articles, possibly of past tours, be provided to promote interest and that inclusion of photos would be nice.

David Frazee reminded that *Restorer* magazines from any year could have a club card stapled to the cover and left in doctor or dentist offices. As well, barber shops or any place one has to wait could work such as smaller repair shops or smog locations.

Vice-President Report – Ed Simpson said there were still merchandise offerings for sale: hats, t-shirts, cards, badges.

Hospitality – Anthony Lugo thanked Karen Frazee, Chuck Grabowski and Linda Thayer for bringing treats. Bruce Furbush, Greg Wilson, and Ed Simpson will furnish treats next month.

Also, Chuck Grabowsky will be taking over the Hospitality position with Anthony and Donna helping ease the transition.

Technical Report – Chuck Grabowski suggested periodic review of old parts that may be forgotten thus saving money by not purchasing something that is already sitting around collecting dust. Also, with review, one might find something that another is searching for.

Mark Greenlee brought up the possibility of offering a "need parts" or "want parts" listing in the Reflector, on the website or on Facebook.

West Leffingwell said he was looking for a left rear fender for a '28-'29 roadster pickup.

Future Board Members – Positions that are open for 2024 are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Membership, and Raffle.

Raffle – Thanks to Jon & Anna for hosting an enjoyable event. Jack Perkins donated the major prize of a 1928-29 radiator surround.

Monkey Business – Jim Quinlan brought in 3 similar stumpers that were purchased at a swap

## CAR'LYMPICS CONTINUED

temporarily, and Model A's take over the empty streets. Sometimes, Athena leaves her arrows, or Zeus leaves his thunderbolts. This time, Vulcan left his fire within our combustion chambers.

But, before the Palomar A's encountered overheating, we first met up at the Palomar Estates parking lot, and drove through the surrounding countryside of North County. And what a beautiful day! So many people thought so, that hundreds of bicyclists crossed our path.

We missed a bet by not driving to Neptune Way in Oceanside, Ares Way in San Diego, or Hercules Rd. in San Diego. At least Stone Brewery is close to Apollo Screen and Shade in Escondido.

Our first event was the *Say Tingup* event. We all said "Tup" cones and planks and chalk outlines and tried to balance balls on pipes. Then the four men drove an obstacle course. It was meant to be timed, but most of us were just glad to make it around the course with the balls we had when we started. We didn't need the pressure of someone watching over us with a stopwatch, too.

With a sense of accomplishment, and with A Bomb being visited by Volcan as previously mentioned, it was time to adjourn to Stone Brewery for a victory meal,.. And a beer.

We were met by Jeannette and the server was very nice, working hard to get us comfortable & up to speed with their cell phone ordering & paying system. Failing that, she was kind enough to let us order and pay using credit cards and cash.

Everyone enjoyed their lunches and the experience of the car'lympics. We hope for an even greater extravaganza in 2024.



## November Navy Pier Tour



Fleet Week is ten days between November 3rd and 12th, but the day with the most stuff, including open tours of navy vessels, MRE Cooking Competition, hands-on military displays, light armored vehicles, armaments, robots, and, of course, food trucks will be November 11th. As Google estimates that it would be three times longer to drive side streets, we'll be taking Rancho Santa Fe to Leucadia to Encinitas Blvd. than the I-5 South.

The event will be free, but I suspect the available parking will be \$15 for the length of the event. Afterwards, one of the few places in proximity with free parking is El Indio Mexican Restaurant, two miles north. After lunch I'd like us to split into an I-5 and an I-15 group which will hopefully stay somewhat together up to the 78 on each leg.

So, plan to meet up, fed and fueled, at Palomar Estates at 9 to leave at 9:30 on Veterans' Day, November 11th, a Saturday. Have a CB radio, cash, and comfortable walking/standing shoes. It would probably be a good tour to bring the grandkids, especially with the hands on kid friendly exhibitions they're promoting.

In addition, you are invited to a free band concert to be held November 3rd, 4:30 at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. It will combine the Marine Band San Diego and Navy Band Southwest.



### PALOMAR TECH UPDATE



There are so few people at Palomar these days. Automotive Technology seems to be doing better than many departments, but there are a great many classes I would like to take that have not and will not be offered in my first three semesters here. I want to take three class offerings in the spring, but two that I want overlap and there are only single sections of each. I figure to add a welding class to the two because there are lots of sections of beginning welding. To receive the certificate, you have to take AT108 or Welding108 which are math classes, and they haven't been offered for a while. I guess I won't be earning a certificate, then.

It's too intense and varied to say all that I've learned in such a short space, so I'll mention tools and mistakes I've learned to avoid.

Talking tools, I used a brake lathe to machine the rotors on my Explorer. I used an electric lift, a stud welder and electrical system tester, which for reasons of cost per anticipated use, I don't expect to buy. Then I used a refractometer, brake fluid tester, and a Power Probe, which I've already added to my collection on tools. I'd think that the fact that the former three are large, expensive, and of limited use and the latter three are small and digital (so, new and low cost) helps explain why Dad hadn't bought them already.

Mistakes I've made include: \* following air pressures printed on the tires, themselves. The air pressure we should fill the tire to is printed, usually on the driver's door post. \* Penetrating oil is not the best to remove a bolt that's rusted in place; it's a mixture of 50% acetone and 50% automatic transmission fluid. ATF is one of the best cleaners of hardened steel there is. \* Don't hammer into the crown or the center to remove the dent. Hammer around up to the center, or "First damage in, last damage out."

And lots, lots more.



### Birthdays

Chuck Fiebke	1 November
Martie Wiedle	4 November
Karen Beel	7 November
Barbara Kruegel	10 November
Fred Slikker	14 November
Jim Ball	15 November
West Leffingwell	23 November
Doug Dixon	25 November
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#### ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Debra Kruegel	6 November
Wayne & Martie Wiedle	8 November
Jim & Betty Foster	21 November
West & Johannah Leffingwell	23 November
Keith & Linda Thamer	26 November

### **Dues are Due**

It's the time of year to pay your dues and to try to recruit additional members to the club. Send \$20 and potential membership applications to:

1836 Sunny Slope Terrace Escondido, CA 92027

## HISTORY OF BAND-AIDS

The Band-Aid was invented in 1920 by a Johnson & Johnson employee, Earle Dickson, in Highland Park, New Jersey, for his wife Josephine, who frequently cut and burned herself while cooking. The prototype allowed her to dress her wounds without assistance. Dickson passed the idea on to his employer, which went on to produce and market the product as the Band-Aid.

The original Band-Aids were handmade and came in single strips three inches wide and 18 inches long, made of "ZO" adhesive plaster with a strip of gauze pad in the center. The adhesive was protected by a piece of similarly sized red cloth you would pull back to the cut the adhesive.

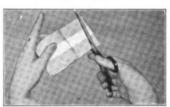
Johnson & Johnson promoted the product in their magazine *Red Cross Messenger* as well as surgeon's and nurse's journals, and offering free samples to any doctor who requested them. This did not help make them very popular.

By 1924, Johnson & Johnson decided to patent the name and introduced machine-made Band-Aids cut into one and a half by four inch strips besides the original size, now marketed as *Surgeon Sized*. Band-Aid.com says "that are ready to use at 3 inches long by <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch wide. There's a little red string in the packaging for consumers to easily tear it open"

Additionally, they began advertising in *Boy's Life* and *Everygirl's Magazine* as necessary parts of first aid kits for Cub Scouts and Campfire Girls. The editors of *The Lancet* in England report on receiving a box for them to review in November of 1927 containing a combination of six three quarter inch wide strips and two larger uncut strips. The description doesn't mention the paper wrapper or the string. Wikipedia mentions that the first time Band-Aids are sold pre-sterilized isn't until 1939, and the addition of paper packages possibly coincides with that innovation. Band-Aid does not mention this on their website. The *Encyclopedia of Trivia* says that it was individually packaged in 1940.

The company says that they produced the first waterproof Band-Aids in 1932 called the DryBak, but don't say the material it's made from. No advertisements were found in the digitized California Newspaper collection until an advertisement in 1935.

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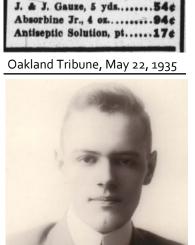


Cut off piece you need



Remove protective covering





Hospital Cotton, lb. .

J. & J. First Aid Kit

Keep one in your auto ....

Iodine 1/2 ounce .....9¢

234

250

Apply to the wound

Earle Dickson, Inventor



Advertising illustration from 1924

In World War II, millions were shipped overseas, helping popularize the product.

In 1951, the first plastic strips were introduced (Encyclopedia.com) with adhesive so strong and waterproof you could hold it to an eggshell and boil it and the Band-Aid would not come off. Also in 1951, the first decorative Band-Aids were introduced (Wikipedia) or 1956 (Band-Aid.com).

Beware wearing a Band-Aid in your period costume. They've changed a lot since 1931.

#### For Sale

#### THE AHOOGUH ORIGIN BY TOM ENDY



FOR SALE 1931 Model A Ford Panel Delivery – believed to be a professional older restoration with 13,447 miles, which may be the original mileage of the vehicle. It has an unusual, beautiful paint job that advertises its former owner's business, Buffalo Restorations, Puyallup, WA. The truck has white-walled tires, a new 8-Volt battery, and an excellent upholstery (a total of two seats). The cargo compartment is correctly finished according to standards. The Panel Delivery is located in South Pasadena.

Asking \$27,500. Call Bob at 626-353-1889.



FOR SALE Model A Ford – This is a late 1931 2-door Deluxe Phaeton.- an older restoration, showing a mere 3,573 miles since restoration. The car has a 4:11 ring and pinion rear end with Borg Warner overdrive. The engine was rebuilt at the time of restoration. It has a Stromberg 97 downdraft carburetor, Broomfield head, Ansen intake manifold, electric fuel pump, gas and oil filters, turn signals, water temperature gauge, seat belts, updated distributor, and a 39 transmission. Correct period steering column mounted AM-Motorola radio. 12-volt electrical conversion has been made to include a 12-volt alternator and a new battery. The canvas top shows like new.

Asking \$42,500. Call Bob at 626-353-1889.



Thomas Edison with Miller Reese Hutchison

The ahooga horn, also known as a Klaxon horn was developed and patented by Miller Reese Hutchison, an inventor of the early 20th century. Hutch, as he was known, patented the mechanism in 1908. The Lovell McConnell Manufacturing Company of Newark, New Jersey bought the rights to manufacture the device and it later became standard equipment on motor cars. Franklyn Hallett Lovell Jr., the company founder, coined the name klaxon from the Ancient Greek verb klazo. meaning shriek. Klaxon horns produce an easily identifiable sound, often described in English as "ahooga". Like most mechanical horns, the klaxon has largely been replaced by solid state electronic devises, though the memorable tone has persisted on in classic cars of the era. Klaxon later became a brand name. The Klaxon horn was used on U.S. submarines during WWII. The Klaxon horn's characteristic sound is produced by a spring steel diaphragm with a rivet in the center that is repeatedly struck by the teeth of a rotating cogwheel. The diaphragm is attached to a horn that acts as an acoustic transformer and controls the direction of the sound. In the first Klaxons, the wheel was driven either by hand or by an electric motor. Hutchison went to work for Thomas Edison in 1909, and was the chief engineer for Edison from 1912 to 1918. The ahooga sound is usually heard

today when a Model A Ford goes rolling down the road. Miller Reese Hutchison 1876 - 1944



## ANCESTORS IN ACTION

Julius Arnold Velasco was born on the 25th of February 1898 in Key West, Florida, the eldest son to a young cigarmaker and aspiring musician. His father died when he was nine and his mother when he was fourteen. At eighteen, he enlisted in the Navy and worked as a radio operator on submarine tenders out of New London, Connecticut.

As a poor, orphan, with two teen siblings, I'm not surprised that I can't find many details of his youth, but somehow he works his way to Maryland and becomes an Episcopalian minister.

On January 30, 1929, Henry Pryor Almon Abbott was elected Bishop of Lexington, Kentucky and was consecrated on May 15, 1929. Roughly the same time Reverend John Jones "J.J." Clopton resigns from St. John's Church (Episcopal) of Dayton, KY. Bishop Abbott fills the post with Velasco on September 9, 1929.

Things go sideways after that. Bishop Abbott, had known of Velasco's courtship of a Catholic, Catherine Rogers. Therefore, before his ordination, he had been asked by a committee of the diocese to pledge that in the event of his marrying a Catholic, he would resign his orders. The bishop had advised him that it wouldn't be a problem however, and his pledge was expunged from the records.

On January 25, 1930, Julius and Catherine were wed by a Catholic Priest in Ellicott, Maryland. Soon, though some at St. John's were quite upset and demanded the Bishop take action. While he was doing just that, Reverend Velasco, obviously having learned a word or two while in the Navy, proceeded to use some of them with the Bishop.

*Time Magazine* described the incident *i*n May 12, 1930 issue as a "Fortnight ago Rector Velasco was placed on trial before an ecclesiastical court of five local Episcopal priests, charged with: 1) violating his preordination pledge; 2) conduct unbecoming a minister; 3) using defamatory language about Bishop Abbott.

[Velasco serving as his own defense attorney in the trial] claimed that his pledge had been revoked before his nuptials. Said he: "Love does not wait on religious persuasion. I married her not because she is a Roman Catholic but in spite of it. . . . I want my orders as much as any man ever wanted to serve his God, but I see no reason why I should not marry the girl I love." The court found that Rector Velasco's pledge had



Catherine Rogers Velasco

indeed been expunged from the records, acquitted him from charges 1 and 2, held him guilty of charge 3, and sentenced him to a reprimand from Bishop Abbott."

Soon after, Bishop Abbott went to a meeting in Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington; and characterized the sentence of a reprimand as "absurd." Then he astounded his colleagues by resigning his Bishopric. Afterwards he donned knickers and an eyeshade, sought the quiet golf links. Said he: "So far as I am concerned, the Roman Catholic issue made no difference. . . . It was merely a question of the honor and integrity of an ordained priest."

Soon after, however, he was convinced to return to the office and Velasco served under him for eight years before taking a position of Rector in Ellicott, Maryland.

That may be the end of that episode, but not the end of the story in that Rev. J. J. Clopton, died later in 1930. He retired from St. John's at 70, but wasn't necessarily happy being passed over for Bishop or with the direction of his former church. His obituary didn't blame the incident, but it read, "J.J.'s mother died when he was 11. He was raised by his two older sisters Susan and Ida, with disastrous results. J.J. grew up with very warm and loving intentions, but very inflexible and idealistic reactions to life.

His grandson, Bill Waters, described him as "idealistic." He would decide who people were and how they should behave just by looking at them. **Once!** And then he would be very disappointed and hurt when they didn't act like he thought they would.

"J.J.'s wife became ill after the birth of their last

daughter. She never really recovered and died ten years later. The loss of his wife coupled with the gap between what J.J. felt life should be and what it was, became too much to bear. Much to everyone's sorrow and surprise, J.J. killed himself on December 9, 1930 in Lexington, Kentucky."

Clopton was born in Richmond, Virginia. His family were members of the same church as Jefferson Davis and they were "staunchly for the Confederacy." I can just imagine what he thought of a Cuban descendant who'd married a Catholic.

Still more strangeness, When Edward B. Johnston died in Bellevue, Kentucky on February 3, 1935, his obituary said nothing about his background as an artist despite carving the gargoyles on the local St. Mary's Cathedral. It contains three paragraphs on the Velasco affair as Johnston was a vestryman at St. John's Church, and he'd voiced support for his rector.

And there's more, On June 8, 1937, a warrant for disorderly conduct was sworn out by chief of police Julius Wosch of Ellicott City. It was served on Rev. Velasco in the courtroom, where he had appeared on a similar warrant sworn out by Mary and Eleanor Hammond of Ellicott City.

And then, shortly after being hired in Ellicott City, on October 14, 1939, the 85-year-old St. Peter's Church burned down, and he famously had parishioners carry the bricks from the old church to the top of a nearby hill to save money on constructing the new one in a better location.

And then, on June 26, 1950 the Executive Council of the Diocese passed a resolution as to the complainant condemnatory in its nature; that such action was without lawful authority under the canons of the church: that he had demanded a hearing before an ecclesiastical court; that the effect of the resolution would be to prevent the complainant from continuing "on a canonical basis as a priest in charge of any Curate in the Diocese of Maryland or in any other Diocese. (Sorry for the legalese, in translation, they smeared him, and if he accepted it, he'd lose his job, so he fought to clear his name. Then, after winning the case was saddled with legal bills which he appealed in Nov. 1950, Sept. 1951, and Mar. 1952 until he no longer had to pay the Diocese's court costs.)

There is no statement that Velasco acted in his own defense as he did in the 1930 ecclesiastical



Reverend Julius Arnold Velasco

trial, nor when he demanded a copy of the Disorderly Conduct Warrant as he did in June of '37, which resulted in another warrant, but, with all of his legal prowess, I would imagine that he did.

A connection to Southern California was looked for, but not found. Their daughter, Sarah Velasco, did marry Bill Curry, no relation to Steve (besides, he spells his name differently) and her obituary mentions that she had four children, nine grandchildren, and 23 great grandchildren, but as they were married when she was 42, they must have been step children. So even if one lived in

San Diego County, they would be unlikely to have descended from Rev. Velasco.



### **Palomar Model A Ford Club**

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The Palomar A's were founded in 1960 and became a MAFCA chapter in 1963. Local club members are encouraged to join the national organization. Membership information is available on <u>www.MAFCA.com</u>.

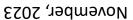
Palomar dues are \$20 per year and club information, including a membership application, is available on www.palomarmodelaclub.org

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, except December, at the Palomar Estates East Clubhouse: 650 S Rancho Santa Fe Rd, in San Marcos at 7:00pm. All Model A hobbyists are welcome to attend.

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