

# El Camino Ramblings

El Camino A's Chapter  
MAFCA

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## *Upcoming Events*

### November



Set your clocks back one hour.

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Daylight Savings Time ends.  
Change batteries in your smoke detectors.

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### December



Annual Christmas Lunch  
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## MONTHLY EL CAMINO A's BUSINESS

BOARD MEETING: The Monday before the business meeting  
BUSINESS MEETING: Third Thursday of the month.  
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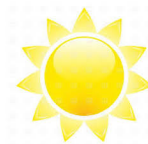
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*Sunshine*



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**June Chichizola** is progressing day by day; trying to use the walking stick!

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**Jane Reed**, dog walking, got distracted and stumbled on an uneven sidewalk. Went to her doctor. Diagnosis: a broken bone in her right (dominant) hand. Jane's at home, looking forward to having the cast removed.

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**Mary Anne Stergion**, en route to Jordan and Egypt, fell at SFO. She chose to defer travel, and instead went to her doctor. Diagnosis: cracked pelvis. Mary Anne's at home, mending.

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**Barbara Stouffer** underwent surgery. She's at home, improving.

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### **November Birthdays**



Lisa Deal	4		
Judy Stevens	6	Mary Anne Stergion	18
Barbara Stouffer	17	Angie Czinder	20
Sam Asaro	18	Janis Chapman	29

El Camino A's Board Meeting September 13, 2021 Minutes  
Submitted by Bob Perkins

Present: Sam and Connie Asaro, Maureen Morley, Bob Perkins, Bob Reed,  
Mary Anne Stergion, and Barbara Stouffer

Minutes from the last board meeting (August 16, 2021) were approved as written.

Treasurer's report: We're still solvent

Old Business

**George Stergion Annual Picnic**

**Saturday, August 21, 2021 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM**

Seemed like everyone had a good time.

Caterers Bianchini's did a great job.

Headcount We had 44 RSVP's, 40 attendees.

Souvenirs Sam Asaro and Mary Anne delivered souvenirs to the folks who couldn't attend.

Tour Sam Asaro led a group from Wellesley Crescent to Huddart Park.

Vehicle Fee The club paid for 22 vehicles.

Tours and Events

The Crafty A's went to Filoli.

Antique Autos in History Park – at Kelley Park, San Jose – is September 19.

Bill Mitchell will lead a group of exhibitors, MPOTAC will lead a tour for non-exhibitors.

Mary Anne Stergion will work with Hobbee's for a Christmas lunch. She'll call and work out available dates. She'll also call the Basque Cultural Center and tell them not to hold our reservation.

New Business

Bob Perkins will step down as Editor and webmaster at the end of the year.

Bob will continue to distribute emails of general interest.

The club needs leadership. We'll send an email asking for volunteers.

El Camino A's

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCH



Hobee's, Belmont

Saturday, December 11 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

We'll order from the full menu – no need to decide in advance.

*RSVP to Mary Anne Stergion*

Phone: 650 759-0798

[Remember to dial the area code]

Email: [mas630@aol.com](mailto:mas630@aol.com)

Please bring an unwrapped toy for

**Toys for Tots**



# Jim's Technical Tip

by Jim Cannon

There are several places on a Model A where you are installing something that is attached with multiple screws. For example, here are a few:



Instrument panel

Floor boards

Valve cover (under exhaust manifold)

Oil pan

Window trim

When installing them, start each screw with only a few threads. Leave them all pretty loose to start. Then you can move the piece around, as needed, to finesse each subsequent screw into the next threaded hole. The last ones are often the hardest to get aligned. I use an awl in the hole where the screw will be going to adjust the piece to get the holes to line up.

Get all the screws started, and then go around and tighten them all up in several passes. Have the screw head just touching the piece at first, then make them all snug, then make them all fully tightened. Just like you do when tightening head nuts, start with tightening the screws in the middle and then work your way out to the ends. Alternate sides left and right as you go on each tightening pass.



Have a Model A Day!

Jim