



**Acorn A's — Our 53rd Year**

# The Nutshell

**February 2024**

## Vice President's Message

I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and to thank David Samson and Tony Shull for hosting the Hangover tour on January 1<sup>st</sup> at their home. Besides the usual crowd it was good to see our long-time member Ralph Boling

The Club would like to wish President Judy a fast get well from her hip replacement surgery. Word has it that Carl has been taking good care of her and would make a good nurse someday.

Now is the time to give our cars some maintenance and care to get them ready for a busy year of touring and fun. We already have a few tours lined up for February and March, but it would be great to have a few more to look forward to as well as be prepared for a last-minute tour when the weather permits. Ralph, we hope to see you again on a tour with your truck.



*George Diamantine*

*Don't forget that Dues are Due*

# ***January Meeting Minutes***

ACORN A'S GENERAL MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We started the meeting with George welcoming everyone. Judy our President is recovering from surgery.

The meeting was called to order at 11:15

11 in attendance

Glen reported 12 members have paid dues out of 26

Nutshell articles due by the 20th, Pictures and articles are needed.

No report on Fashions

No report on NCRG

Linda and Jim will be leading the Valentine tour, more information to follow.

Kathy and Bill Morte will be leading the Dublin parade tour, more information to follow.

Budget meeting to be held February 6, 2024, at 10:30 Manor Grill in San Leandro.

Tom Silva won the lucky pot this month. Congratulations Tom!

Meeting adjourned at 11:40

*Linda Rodrigues*

# Tours 2024



## 2024 Tours

Valentine Tour-Date and time to follow

Linda & Jim Rodrigues

Dublin's St. Patrick's Day Parade-More information to follow

Bill & Kathy Morte

Your Tour and Name here!

Have a restaurant you like, set up a 3rd Thursday tour!

We've been there before-doesn't matter, it's been a while or the exhibit has changed!

Never led a tour before? Ask Mona for some help

## Suggestions for 2024

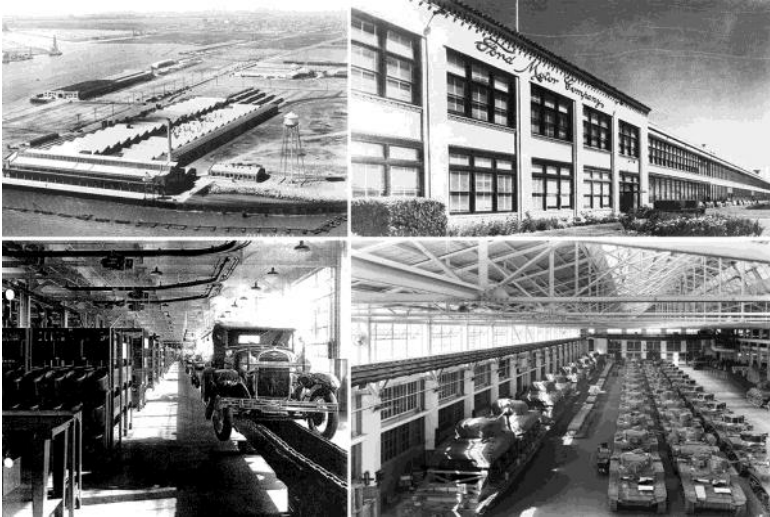
Third Thursday Tours

Patterson House Tour

Contact Mona Diamantine at 510-632-0804 to schedule your tour or for suggestions or help.

**REMEMBER, *It's the journey, not the destination!***

# Ford Assembly Plant Richmond



The Richmond plant opened on August 1, 1931

For more information

[http://fordmotorhistory.com/factories/richmond/operation\\_1930s.php](http://fordmotorhistory.com/factories/richmond/operation_1930s.php)

<https://www.nps.gov/places/ford-motor-company-assembly-plant.htm>

The Ford Motor Company and local organizations sponsored a variety of events to celebrate the Richmond plant's opening on August 1st. The night before, the Richmond Chamber of Commerce held a banquet a speech by California's governor. The day of the opening, caravans of Ford cars carrying dealers and enthusiasts said to represent more than 250 cities in northern and central California converged on Richmond. The Ford Motor Company hosted a luncheon for about 1,000 of California's business people and then dedicated the plant with speeches, after which the first automobile rolled off the assembly line. Following the official ceremony, the company opened the plant to visitors, giving tours throughout the day to about 20,000 people. The operating plant remained open to tours for a week, and as many as 100,000 people observed the assembly line in operation during the festivities.

# Recipe Corner

The slow cooker was conceived in the mid 1930's and patented in 1940. So after the Model A Era, but there were plenty of them still on the roads

This month's recipe comes from Mona Diamantine

## **Crockpot Taco Soup**

### **Ingredients**

- - 1 1/2 lb. ground beef
- - 3 tbsp. Ranch Dressing Mix
- - 3 tbsp. Taco Seasoning
- - 1 tsp. Better than Broth, chicken dissolved in 1/4 cup hot water
- - 14.5 oz. can Tomato Sauce
- - 12 oz. can of Tomato Juice
- - 14.5 oz. can Petite Diced Tomatoes
- - 10 oz. can Rotel (Diced Tomatoes with Green Chiles)
- - 14.5 can Corn, undrained
- - 14.5 oz can Black Beans rinsed
- - 14.5 oz can of Pinto Beans rinsed

### **For Garnish:**

- - Tortilla chips
- - Sour Cream
- - Cheddar Cheese

### **Instructions**

1. Brown ground beef and drain off excess fat.
2. Add ground beef and all other ingredients to slow cooker (do not drain corn). OR add together in soup pot and cook on stove top for 3 hours at low. Stir occasionally
3. Cook on High for 3 hours or Low for 5 hours.
4. Garnish with sour cream and cheddar cheese.
5. Serve Tortilla chips on the side or add them as a garnish

## Sunshine

If you know of a member who is under the weather call Wanda Romero

## Monday Coffee

Every Monday, 9 AM at Rudy's Donuts in Castro Valley

## February Meeting

Tuesday, February 13  
11 AM

**Harry's Hofbrau**

## February Birthdays

- 02/01 Judy Satariano
- 02/06 Vern Brooks
- 02/08 Dahlia Amaral
- 02/18 Carl Satariano

## Model A History



## Acorn A's Officers and Committee Chairs 2024

**President**

Judy Satariano

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George Diamantine

**Secretary**

Linda Rodrigues

**Treasurer**

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Mona Diamantine

**Nutshell Editor**

David Samson

**Past President**

Kathy Morte

**Sunshine**

Wanda Romero

**Membership**

**Attendance**

**Fashions**

Catherine Martin

**Shake Committee**

**NCRG/ACCC Rep**

Bill Morte

**Sgt @ Arms**

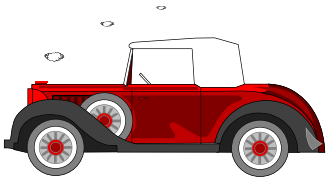
Max Romero

**Web Master**



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## Meetings

The Acorn A's meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of  
the month at 11AM at Harry's Hofbrau in San  
Leandro. Club members meet every Monday at 9  
AM at Rudy's Donuts in Castro Valley

The Nutshell is sent by email. The newsletter will only to members who request it and may not contain all pages

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