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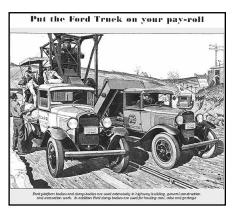
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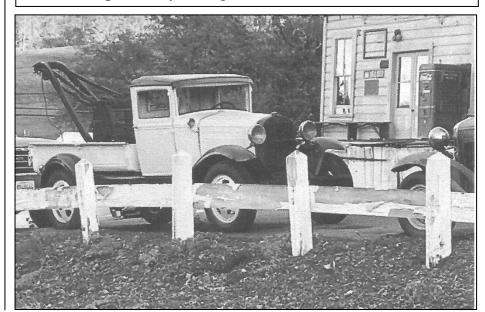


## Roadside Double A's



**Above:** On a recent trip, the Giordanengos spotted this 1929 Ford AA along Highway 49 in Auburn. Old commercial vehicles always make great advertising pieces.

**Below:** While doing work in Napa County, Joe Giordanengo snapped this photo of a Ford AA tow truck in front of the historic Pope Valley Garage.



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The Model A Ford Club of America is a non-profit corporation of California and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile as manufactured from 1928 through 1931

### **Mark Your Calendar**

Saturday, Nov. 5 – Etna Veterans Parade, 11 am. Line-up starts at 10 at Etna High School. Leave from Raley's, in Yreka, at 9:15.

Sunday, November 6 – Standard Time begins. Don't forget to set your clocks back.

Monday, November 7 – Monthly Business Meeting and Potluck Brunch 10am at the home of Mike Spiess and Pat Witt 106 Montair Drive, Montague (off Hwy 3, east of Yreka)

Saturday, November 26 – Yreka Christmas Parade, 11am. Staging begins at Jackson Street School at 9:30

### I've been thinking...

Every once in a while Mother Nature hits the reset button, and the reset in the west usually involves fire. It's always interesting and educational to visit forests weeks, months, and years after a wildfire to see how they respond over time to such a massive disturbance. It's a good reminder as to the impermanence of all things, but also of the resilience of natural systems, which are continually evolving and adapting to periodic upheavals. Human societies are like that, too, I think.

On the way back from the Fort Jones Fall Festival, my son and I stopped at a wide spot along a curve on Gazelle Callahan Road to survey the aftermath of the Mountain Fire, southwest of Gazelle. It's



an overlook I have stopped at before, to gaze out across a large canyon where I like to hike around sometimes on fall and winter days. It's amazing what is revealed when all the vegetation is stripped away. Every, single wrinkle in the terrain is visible. Every hillock, ridge, bulge, and crevice stands out in hard, gray and black relief. You see things you never noticed before, like the 1955 Buick Sedan resting on its side, a hundred feet below the road. How long has that been there? Being a curious person, I couldn't resist zigzagging down the ash-covered deer trail to investigate. The vultures had years ago stripped off all the easy-toget-to bits from the carcass, but it's still surprising to see what's left behind. And while that wreck might still be there centuries from now, slowly melting into the dirt, the Earth, I suppose, will eventually swallow it all up in the end, along with everything else we build.

Meanwhile, as we prepare for winter, there are leaves to rake, stuff in the yard to put away, and firewood to stack. There are still fruits and vegetables to pick, pull, cut, can and preserve. And when that's all finished, there are more leaves to rake, again.

This year's Scott Valley Veterans Parade is on Saturday, November 5. Weather permitting, we can leave from Raley's about 9:15, and chug up and over Forest Mountain together, and out to Etna. The parade starts lining up at 10, at the high school.

Brian Favero has informed us that Yreka will have a daytime holiday parade, the Saturday following Thanksgiving. We will discuss the particulars at the November 7 business meeting.

Bob Noel is recovering from recent surgery. Wish him well for a speedy recovery and renewed vigor!

Always remember, this is *your* newsletter. Please, send in any photos, stories, and articles that you might think will be of interest. If *you* think they are interesting, they are. - RG

### A few thoughts to consider as we near Election Day

I hold it to be sufficiently demonstrated that universal suffrage is by no means a guarantee of the wisdom of the popular choice. Whatever its advantages may be, this is not one of them.  $-Alexis\ de\ Tocqueville$ 

Power is what other people use to take what they don't deserve. - Mathew Stewart

Only two things are infinite; the Universe and human stupidity. - Albert Einstein

Remember, democracy never lasts long. It soon wastes, exhausts and murders itself. There was never a democracy yet that didn't commit suicide. - *John Adams* 

Necessity is the plea for every infringement of human freedom. It is the argument of tyrants; it is the creed of slaves. - *William Pitt the Younger* 

There is no passion as contagious as that of fear. - Michel de Montaigne

The most dangerous man to any government is the man who is able to think things out for himself. - *H.L. Mencken* 

Even when the experts agree, they may well be mistaken. - Bertrand Russell

We find that whole communities fix their minds upon one object, and go mad in its pursuit; millions of people become simultaneously impressed with one delusion, and run after it, till their attention is caught by some new folly more captivating than the first.

- Charles MacKay

Liberty is meaningless where the right to utter ones thoughts and opinions has ceased to exist. That, of all rights, is the dread of tyrants. It is the right which they first of all strike down. They know its power. - *Frederick Douglass* 

We are not afraid to entrust the American people with unpleasant facts, foreign ideas, alien philosophies, and competitive values. For a nation that is afraid to let people judge the truth and falsehood in an open market is a nation that is afraid of its people.

- John F. Kennedy

In politics nothing happens by accident. If it happens, you can bet it was planned that way. -Franklin D. Roosevelt



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We'd most certainly like to wish You a very Happy Birthday!

Mike Spiess, Nov. 11
Marie Green, Nov. 13
Nancy G., Nov. 19
Linda Ellison, Nov. 20
Brian Favero, Nov. 29
Eileen Mace, Nov. 29

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#### Modifications include:

- New engine
- 4-speed AA transmission
- Steel roof
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- Two-tone metallic paint
- Custom headlamps

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