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Ford platform bodies and dump bodies are used extensively in highway building, general construction and excavation work. In addition, Ford dump bodies are used for hauling coal, coke and garbage.

## The New Ford A Car for All Seasons



The New Ford Town Sedan

The Sis-Q A's, of Siskiyou County, California, is a chapter of  
The MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA



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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, March 11 – Lunch and Business Meeting, 11am**  
**Natalee Thai Cuisine, 105 East Miner St., Yreka**

**Sunday, March 12 – Daylight Savings Time Begins**

**Saturday, April 8 – Lunch and Monthly Business Meeting**

## I've been thinking...

Just when I thought, just maybe, that spring was right around the corner, winter made an impressive resurgence across the West, with heavy rain in some places, deep snow in others, and cold temperatures everywhere. With local highways, schools, and businesses closing periodically due to heavy snowfall, it's hard to believe that the Spring Equinox is just a few weeks away.

I don't know about you, but I'm getting mixed signals about the coming of spring. A bunch of robins was flitting around in the yard the other day, just as some sand hill cranes were flying north towards their summer range, with that weird, gurgling yodel which always gets my attention. Meanwhile, the local swimming hole is still covered in ice and there is a thick layer of sparkling snow everywhere I look.

And the wind is cold. And the trees are stark naked. But while it's been a tougher-than-usual winter, spring is coming and summer is right behind it. Hang in there just a little longer.

It was nice to see so many members at the February business meeting, in Fort Jones. We had some lively conversation regarding several events for the coming year, including ideas for the Spring Tour. The tour planning continues, and Mike Spiess has drawn up a tentative itinerary, which we will discuss and tweak at the March meeting.

Be sure to check out the newly created Sis-Q A's website at: [SisQAs.caver.com](http://SisQAs.caver.com). On the site you will find the calendar of events, past newsletters, club photos (sent in by YOU), an excellent list of Model A resources, and more.

Altha Lindsay would like to host the June meeting at her home. Maybe we can squeeze in a little tour on the way to, or back from, the meeting. It's a great time of year to take a putt somewhere around Scott Valley.

Rich Gabrielson is making an appeal, on behalf of the CHVA, for volunteers to help out with the Father's Day Car Show, at the fairgrounds in Yreka. The Sis-Q A's have been an integral part of this event for several years and without our support the show cannot go on.

Remember that the end of Standard Time is March 11. If you want to keep in sync with the rest of the world, be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour. Lots of the high tech stuff resets itself automatically. All of the older stuff requires actual human engagement, and if you don't feel like fiddling with it, I understand. I have tendency to leave my watch on standard time as a one-man, silent protest. At least that's the story I tell myself. Or, maybe I'm just lazy. - RG



## Sis-Q A's Business Meeting, February 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am, at Five Marys Burgerhouse in Fort Jones. Members in attendance were: Bob and Ann Noel, Altha Lindsay, Mike Spiess, Eileen Mace, Frank and Linda Spagnolo, Linda Ellison, Rich Gabrielson, Richard Giordanengo and guest Joe Giordanengo.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** No meeting was held in January.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ann Noel gave an update of the club's finances, and reported that several members have yet submit 2023 dues.

**Old Business:** A discussion was had to clarify the recent meeting date change to the second Saturday of each month, and that short tours may follow afterwards, when possible.

**New Business:** Linda Ellison reported that Jim Martin, of the Rogue Valley A's, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home after a recent fall. Plans for the Three-Chapter Spring Tour were discussed, and it was decided it might be nice to focus on the Mount Shasta area, as there are many nice museums and drives in the area. Linda Ellison reported that this year's Gymkhana will be hosted by the Rogue Valley A's in August. Rich Gabrielson passed around the sign-up sheet for the CHVA Father's Day Car Show. The event may be cancelled if there are not enough volunteers to help put on this event. Mike Spiess was officially voted in as club tour director. Mike also gave a short talk on the club's website, which he has designed and will maintain, and reminded members to send him photos of our outings, which he will add to the site periodically. Altha Lindsay offered to host the June meeting at her home in Etna (Saturday, June 3). After a brief discussion it was decided to hold the March meeting at Natalee Thai at their new location on East Miner Street, in Yreka.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned and lunch was enjoyed.



*Belching Stacks of Long-Bell Lumber Co. Mill at Weed, California* is the title of this Kodachrome image taken by amateur photographer Charles W. Cushman in 1954. Cushman switched from black-and-white photography to Kodachrome film in 1938, and documented everyday scenes in the lives of people in 45 U.S. states and 17 foreign countries on a decades-long journey. In the photo, you can see that a 1929 Model A Ford "Leatherback" Sedan, 25 years old at the time, is still serving one of the millworkers.