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GIVE US A HAND!



Help your 1968 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
to make this year the best  
ever for Orange County!



JANUARY MEETING INFORMATION

DATE: January 11, 1968  
TIME: 7:30 pm  
PLACE: Izaak Walton Club House  
1714 Santa Clara, Santa Ana

Don't miss this first meeting of 1968! How about making it your New Year's resolution not to miss any of 1968's fun meetings or outings? You'll be glad you came!

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1968 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 11 Regular January meeting of Orange County MAFCA  
January 14 Sunday afternoon Skating Party at Glacier Falls , Anaheim  
January 21 Harbor MARC Swap Meet  
January 25 Orange County Board meeting, 7:30 pm at the Robinsons,  
1224 Cherry Drive, Orange. All members are welcome.  
February 17-18 Weekend Snow Trip (in planning stages)  
March 17 Pomona Swap Meet, Pomona Fairgrounds  
March 24 Orange County Spring Pancake Breakfast, Orange City Park  
April 19-21 Campout sponsored by Four-Bangers Chapter MAFCA  
April 28 Orange County Swap Meet at Santa Ana Community Center,  
8th and Flower, Santa Ana  
June 13-15 FIFTH NATIONAL MEET AND CONVENTION, DALLAS, TEXAS  
August 24-25 Idyllwild Campout, sponsored by Jewel City MAFCA  
September 22 Orange County Fall Pancake Breakfast, Orange City Park  
October 5 Rim of the World Tour sponsored by Whittier MAFCA  
October 19 Orange County Roundup, Knott's Berry Farm



## EDITORIAL

### The Distributor Embarks on a New Campaign ! ! by Mary Robinson

As you're all aware, newspapers from time to time tackle an issue that they feel is important to their readers. A paper may take a stand that's, for instance, Pro-War or Anti-War. They may stand pat on Pro-Pigeon-Poisoning, or Anti-Government-Control-of-Salt-Miners. There may be an impassioned series of articles exposing highly placed government officials, or underlining the need for aid to Elderly Hippies.

Because The Distributor feels a responsibility to the Orange County Club, and because a matter of grave importance has come to our attention, we of The Distributor staff are beginning a series of editorials dealing with a shocking fact. Actually, we've jumped in with all four feet (just an expression, mind you) and have even selected two slogans for our campaign:

GET RICHARD ON THE ROAD ! ! !

and

DARN IT, DOUGLASS, DRIVE ! ! !

Yes, gentle readers -- with an estimated total of 75 (!) cars in our Orange County Chapter, neither our 1968 President or Vice-President have an A on the road! Shocking! Incredible! Unheard of! And we of the Distributor staff propose to make such a fuss about it that Richard and Jim will be embarrassed not to get things going. If necessary, we'll organize work parties (at which The Distributor staff and JeannieBird and Pat can offer helpful suggestions) or picnics at the Parrishes or the Douglasses where we'll all guzzle potato salad and sandwiches while lecturing Rich and Jim. If the job isn't done quickly enough to please us (we of the staff are awfully fussy!) we'll organize picket lines and carry placards.

Don't forget our by-words, friends; and emblazon those fateful words on your hearts:

GET RICHARD ON THE ROAD ! ! !

and

DARN IT, DOUGLASS, DRIVE ! ! !



THE PARRISH BULLETIN

by Richard Parrish, President

We have the Model A Ford Club of America's national president in our Orange County chapter this year! Congratulations to Gene Robinson, and good luck in your new office this year. Due to the large amount of work and time involved in this office, Gene has had to relinquish his seat on our local board. The National organization should benefit as greatly from his leadership as we have in the past.

I would like to thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your president this year. I will do my best to keep the club active and family-oriented as in the past. The other board members are all conscientious and hard workers, so I'm expecting great things of 1968.

The board members for 1968 and their positions on the board are:

Vice-President and Activities Chairman, Jim Douglass  
Secretary, Betty Eatherton  
Treasurer, Stew Sale  
Technical Advisor and Meeting Entertainment, Jim Marsh  
Roundup Chairman, Andy Saez  
Distributor Editor, Mary Robinson

At the board meeting in December we set some goals and activities we thought you would like. Goals for the year include increasing membership, initiating tour rules, restoring the president's car (!), having more frequent and shorter tours for our club members, and getting more people involved in the club activities.

The club members have always been welcome at the board meetings, and I want to stress this in 1968. Remember, you get out of a club only what you put into it, so put a little more effort into the club and get a lot more pleasure out of it. If we don't do the things you like, or go the places you want to this year, it's because you didn't speak up. The board meeting this month is on January 25 at Gene and Mary Robinson's. If you plan to attend this or any board meeting, please let the host know in advance, so they will know how many to plan for.

See Jim Douglass's article for details on the ice skating party January 14. It's going to be fun and all the families can get acquainted on the ice. Be sure to wear your badge to meetings and events. Get your dues paid early so we can print the Roster. See you on the ice Sunday!



Y'ALL COME.....by Jim Douglass, Activities Chairman

We hope that this year we can come up with some activities as much fun as the ones we had last year. First and foremost, we want to keep you, the members, in mind. Remember, no activity is a success unless you the members suggest and take part in them. So come out and let's get EVERYBODY going!

To start this year, we've planned a family outing on Sunday, January 14th, to Glacier Falls, 211 W. Katella in Anaheim, for an ice-skating party. They've given us a real reasonable group price: for children under 11, cost will be \$1; Juniors (12-17) \$1.15, and Adults, \$1.40. That price includes skate rental and admission. You say you can't skate? Me neither, but I'll try anything once!! More on this at the January meeting.

In February we are trying to organize another family outing, a weekend trip to the snow. More about this later, too.

Our Spring Pancake Breakfast is set for the 24th of March at Orange City Park.

April sees us at the Santa Ana Community Center for our Swap Meet on the 28th.

In September we go back to Orange City Park on the 22nd for our Fall Pancake Breakfast.

Of course, we can't forget our BIG EVENT of the year, the Roundup at Knott's Berry Farm. This date is set for October 19.

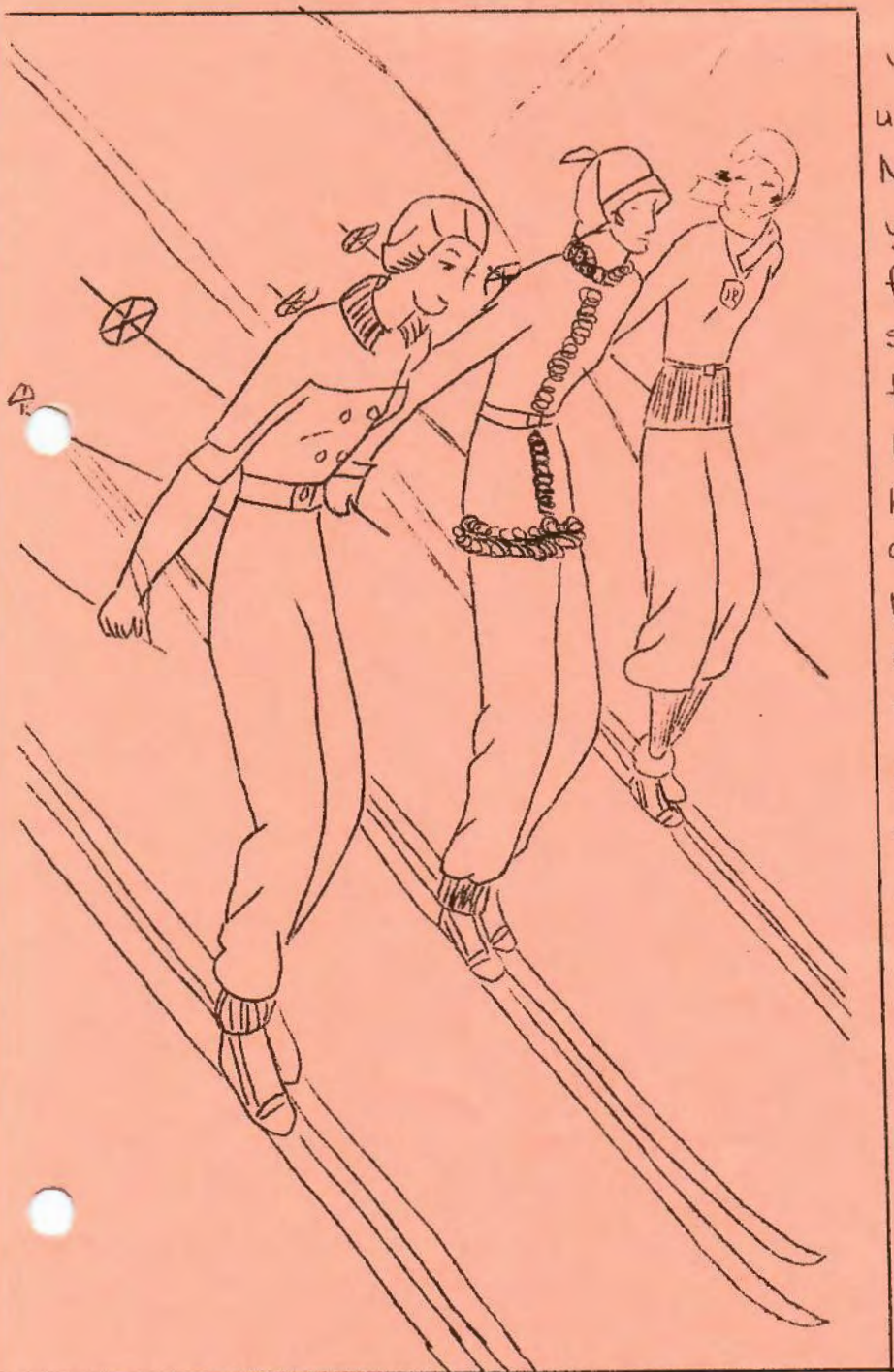
In between these activities there are the many events sponsored by our neighboring Model A Club Chapters.

We want to know what you members would like for other activities. Let any member of the board know what sounds like fun to you, and we'll see if we can't get things rolling. We need your support.



# Era Fashions by L. K. Saenz

## WHAT TO WEAR AT WINTER RESORTS (Good Housekeeping, January 1931)



"Trousers for skiing are usually the full, comfortable Norwegian type, and, for this year, the newest ones are fuller. Too, there are some shorter ones of the plus-four variety that are new. In the coats and sweaters, however, lie the originality and imagination that we picture for the winter sports costume. Paris designers send these smart and workmanlike skiing costumes, two in covert cloth from Régný, one in black serge from Patou.



NEWS OF MEMBERS.....by Sara Snoop

Andy and Rosemary Baudino have nearly completed their room addition, and it's just beautiful. If you want to see Andy near apoplexy, ask him how much it costs to poke a hole through the roof!

Dom and Sandy Antonacci's new home has suffered another building setback, (as new homes have a way of doing) and it doesn't look as tho they'll be able to move in much before March. It's a good thing Sandy really wasn't planning on an Orange County Christmas.

Norma Baldridge spent some time in the hospital just before Christmas. For those of you who don't know Dan and Norma -- that's natural! Dan has such a hush-hush type job with an airlines that even Norma isn't sure what it is he does (doesn't that sound "Mission Impossible-ish"?). Unfortunately, whatever he does has to be done at the same time as our monthly meetings, so we don't see them often. Hope you're recuperating nicely, Norma, and that we see you all soon.

Stew Sale says his New Year's resolution is that he's NOT buying any Model As in 1968. We'll have to see that to believe it! Understand that various Sales have been down with strep throat. Gee, I always thought doctors were immune to that stuff. Hope you're all well soon.

Congratulations to Jeff Straw and his new wife Linda. They were married on December 30th. Several of our members were able to make it to the wedding. Jeff is one of our "absentee members" who's on a tour of duty with Uncle Sam.

Jon Heiland, LP extraordinaire with the United States Army in Germany, is counting the days till he can send for Pam to join him there, but lots of red tape and such things are still in the way.

LAST MINUTE NEWS FLASH ! ! ! Jim and Beverly Marsh have a new baby boy! Congratulation to both of you!

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(NEWS OF MEMBERS)

The Adult Christmas Party was smaller than we had anticipated, but we understand the food was really great, and those members who attended had a real good time. Gene Robinson escorted Penny Vaughn, which caused a bit of a stir till it was explained that everything was on the up and up. The terpsicorean talents of Bob Twyman were finally exhibited, much to the annoyance of Peggy ("Why won't he ever dance with ME?"). Our "show-girls" held their ears when somebody played "come to the Cabaret" and refused to perform for us. I guess they really have retired!

Congratulations to Gene Robinson, who has just been elected 1968 President of the National Model A Ford Club of America. This is his second year on the National board, and this honor reflects on our Orange County Chapter as well as on him. (After all, WE'RE HIS GRASS ROOTS!!!)

The Children's Christmas Party last meeting was a big success, even tho Santa couldn't make it. That raffle for dollar bills among the children was sure a success. Did you see little Mark Parrish's face when he went up to collect his loot? He was just as thrilled as if he knew what he was getting!

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APOLOGY FROM THE EDITOR

Due to the fact that my office is in an uproar (my office is also our home, my kitchen, the neighborhood gathering place for about 87 children, the local coffee-shop for several of my neighbors, a piano studio, and a general shambles most of the time!) I have somehow cleverly managed to misplace Sandy Antonacci's December Meeting minutes.

Sorry 'bout that!

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LONG, LONG AGO.....

Did you know that in 1930 you could buy a package of Spud cigarettes for 20¢.

AND YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD TROUBLES

ON OUR MODEL A TOURS LAST YEAR?

(Reprinted from Santa Clara Valley Paper)

Shed a tear for 17-year old Verrell Lanier who drove his 1930 Model A coupe home to Delta Junction, Alaska from his granddad's farm in Alabama. He made it home safely despite a broken generator bracket, broken fan belt, 2 flats, 2 blowouts, a leaking rear main seal, broken shocks, broken headlights, radiator cracked by rocks, and burnt out wiring. He carried a water can (for the leaking seal), extra gas (for the 5-gallon tank), and a motorcycle strapped on the back (for just in case.)

-by Peggy Riley