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JANUARY MEETING

Date: Jan. 8, 1976  
Place: Trident Jr. High-Anaheim  
Time: 7:30  
Program: Slides

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COMING EVENTS

- Jan. 8: General Meeting
- Jan. 11: Tour to San Juan Capistrano
- Jan. 11: Swap meet, L.A. Fairgrounds-Private sponsor
- Jan. 18: Trade Fair, Vet Stadium L.B. by Harbor Area MARC
- Jan. 25: Garage Tour
- Jan. 30-Feb. 1: Auto Auction at Disneyland Hotel

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NOTES

by Glenn Johnson, President

Well here it is, 1976; the 200th year for our country, the 20th year for the Model Aclub of America and the 15th year for our Orange County Chapter. I think the first order of business for this year should be some big thank yous to the following people: Kim Krist, for doing a great job putting on the children's Christmas party, Joe and Betty Eatherton for hosting the cocktail party before the adult Christmas party, and Beth Sales for organizing the adult Christmas party.

I would also like to compliment Rak for his election idea of having each prospective board member run for the job they wanted. This method eliminated the usual hassel at the joint board meeting.

The 1976 board is going to be

terriffic. First we have Larry Conkol, (who has the second highest tour mileage), as activities chairman. Next there's Karl Elliott who was a hard working board member when I joined the club in 1970. Karl is going to do a great job on the Round-Up. Lorna Grunklee must have flunked secretary in 75 because they're making her take it over again this year. (Just kidding, Lorna) Then there's Gary Barnes who did a fine job as activities chairman last year. This year he will be known as Gary Barnes, treasurer. For those of you who are having trouble with your Model A or are in the process of restaring one, we have Joe Eatherton as technical advisor. Joe is a Model A expert who has been in the Orange County Chapter since it began. Kathy Marcacci has consented to continue doing her excellent job of publishing our paper every month.

As for myself, all I can say is that I'm honored to be elected president for 1976 and with the help of the board and all the members new and old, I think we will have a successful and fun year.

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JOINT BOARD MEETING 12-16-75

A joint board meeting was held at Tom Hottels. President Larry Conkol called the meeting together.

The secretarys report was approved as read. Treasurer Tom Morris was unable to attend. Officers for year 1976 are:

- President-Glenn Johnson
- Vice Pres. & Activities-Larry Conkol
- Secretary-Lorna Grunklee
- Treasurer-Gary Barnes
- Technical Advisor-Joe Eatherton
- Round-Up Chairman-Karl Elliott
- Editor-Kathy Marcacci

Rick Hall, outgoing technical



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advisor gave several suggestions for seminars for the coming year. Front end allignment, '31 running boards, paint & body work. He also suggested we continue including maps in the paper showing location of the seminars.

Karl Elliott will be doing Round-Up. It was suggested he & Glenn talk with Knotts regarding the Round-up to see if there is any way we can still hold it there. If not it will be up to him to find a new location.

Larry read to the board the letter which Shelia Plotkin has written which will be given to each guest or new member explaining the club and its functions. It was also suggested each board member include their telephone number with their article in the paper, so that they are available to anyone having any questions.

Linda Elliott will continue as coffee chairman. Sharon Johnson will be in charge of jacket sales. Raffle chairman is still needed. Maynard will take care of it for the January meeting.

There is a Swap Meet in San Diego on February 14th & 15th. A tour is being planned.

January Board meeting will be at Karl Elliotts. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted  
Lorna Giunklee  
Secretary

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CLUB ACTIVITIES  
by Larry Conkol

Being something of a slow starter, 1976 activities will begin Jan. 11 with a tour to San Juan Capistrano by way of back roads. I've been told it's possible and after checking an old map I agree. Not sure what a fire road is but if a firetruck can make it so can a Model A. Well, we'll find out. Tour leaves the Parasol Resturant

in the Mall of Orange (on Tustin Ave., South of Lincoln) at 12:30. That means maps will be distributed at 12:15 and believe me you'll need them. So not plan on stopping for lunch. This tour is for mileage credit and therefore shortcuts will disqualify you. After an hour or two at the Mission we'll return by Freeway to the Anaheim Area for dinner (Optional). Rain date Jan. 18th-12:30-Parasol.

Although driving a Model A is encouraged, newer cars are most welcome on tours (especially if equipped with a trailer hitch - 2 in. ball). Many members have been working on their A's for sometime but still enjoy tours with other cars. This fact gave me the idea for our second mileage tour this month. Sometimes some help with the heavy work (lifting on or off bodies, etc.) or getting advice from someone who is looking at the problem can expedite getting more A's on our tours. If you are in this category or if you are willing to show us the progress you've made on your restoration give me a call (772-8937) so I can schedule a stop at your garage on our garage tour which leaves the Parasol in the Mall of Orange Jan. 25th at 12 noon.

Other activities of interest are listed in "Coming Events". However I will try to plan one activity a month of which you will be notified by telephone - for shock value.

See you Jan. 8th.

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JOE'S JARGON  
by Joe Eatherton

How To Re-Seal the Model "A"  
Rear End

If you have oil on your brakes or oil on your newly painted wheels, then it is time to look at the seals. The first thing to do when



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you have taken your rear end apart with an axle remover, look just inside the axle housing you can see the seals from the outside. Knock out the old seals with a punch, pounding from the outside of the housing. These should fall out after a few light taps. There is one seal in each housing. Note the way these seals are facing. This is important, they only seal from one side.

After you have the housing clean, you are ready to replace the seals. First invert the axle and push it through the housing from the wheel end; Then take your new seal and slip it over the tapered end of the axle from the banjo end. Now take a piece of 1 1/4" pipe and push. Being sure the seal goes into place. Remove the axle and your seal is in place. Do this to both halves. There is a seal in the drive shaft housing also. This seal is in the U-joint end of the housing. To remove this seal, first get a washer slightly smaller than the seal. Drop this washer down the housing from the banjo end. Take a piece of pipe or a wooden handle and pound on the washer. This should knock out seal and drive shaft roller bearing face. The seal is easy to replace, but the bearing race must be carefully handled. Put the race in your vice and squeeze it together, then wire it so it will not expand. You will notice there is a indentation inside the housing- these must match. Now gently tap the race back in place.

"GOOD LUCK"  
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The 1976 Roster will be coming out in March. In order to have all the information correct about each member, will you please fill out the form below and bring it to the Jan. 8th meeting or mail it to me. Thank you

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