

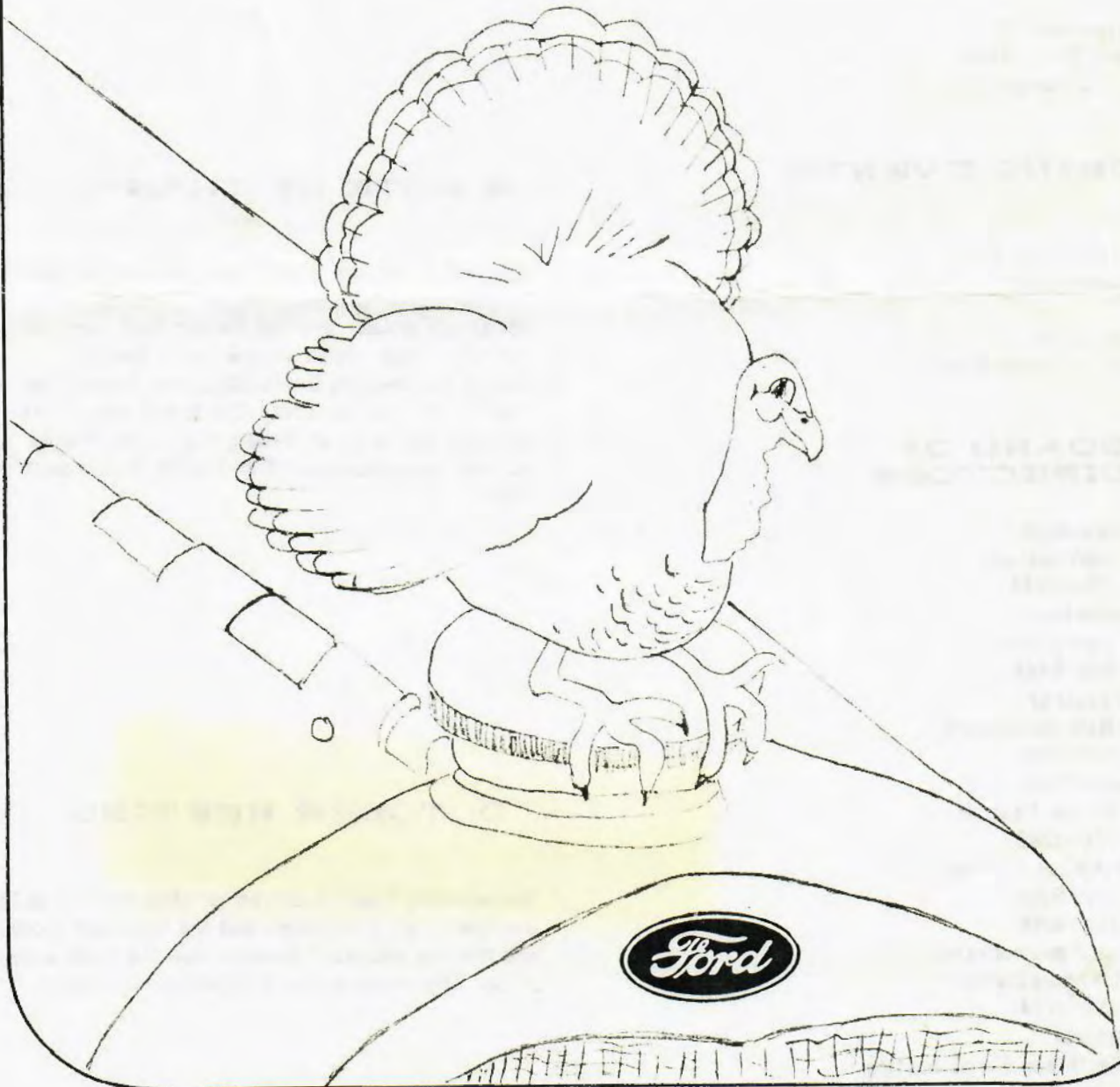
# The Distributor

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# CALENDAR

Saturday, Nov. 8  
 San Diego Fun Meet  
 Lv. So. Coast Plaza, 7:00 AM  
 Lv. Lag. Hills, 7:15 AM

Thursday, Nov. 13, 7:30 PM  
 General Meeting  
 Yorba Jr.H.S., Orange

Sunday, Nov. 16, 10:30 AM  
 Technical Seminar  
 UCI (see map)

Thursday, Nov. 20, 7:30 PM  
 Board Meeting  
 Heilands Home

Sunday, Nov. 30  
 Pomona Swap Meet  
 L.A. Co. Fairgrounds

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#           NEXT MEETING           #
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#           Nov. 13 at 7:30 PM     #
#           Yorba Jr. High School  #
#           Orange                  #
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#           Program:               #
#           Seminar on Phonographs #
#           Bring Gifts for        #
#           Albert Sitton Home     #
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## COMING EVENTS

## A NOTE OF THANKS

Thursday, Dec. 11  
 Childrens Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec. 20  
 Adult Christmas Party

THANKS to all the nice people who helped get our sick car home from Las Vegas. Joe and Marion towed our trailer and Joe Recker took Jerry for her first long ride in an open car. Special thanks to Mike and Bonita Kelly for towing the car right to our garage door. The break wasn't real serious, just a blown head gasket. And thanks to all the nice people, we didn't have to change it on road.

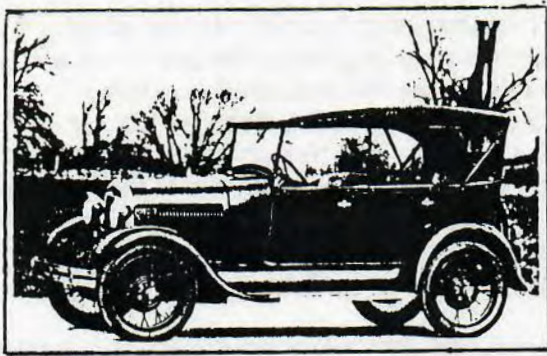
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## OCTOBER MEETING

The winning Model A driver for this month was Pieter Dwinger. Larry McKinney got the hard luck trophy, and the Les and Mary Nesbitt won the name badge prize. The program was a shoe-box swapmeet.





## JON'S JABS

by Jon Heiland, President  
836-4244

It's time once again for our club elections. DON'T FORGET TO VOTE. Ballots are due by Dec. 1 so get them in the mail as soon as possible.

There are lots of great "end of the year" activities just around the corner. Our childrens' Christmas Party is Dec. 11 following a very short business meeting. This is always a fun evening for the kids. Parents, please bring a wrapped gift for your child/children labeled with the child's name so Santa can hand them out. Also, if you would be willing to furnish cookies for the party please call the Heilands at 836-4244 as soon as possible.

The adult Christmas party is on Dec. 20 at the Claim Jumper Restaurant in Fountain Valley. Reservations are a must, so call (once again) the Heilands as soon as possible. Deadline for reservations is Dec. 6th. This is always a super evening so get your reservation in early--DON'T MISS THE FUN!

Now, while we're anticipating having all this fun, let's not forget those who aren't as fortunate as we are. Once again at our Nov. and Dec. meetings we will be collecting staple items for the kids at the Albert Sitton Home in Orange. Please bring your donations of foods, candy, etc. to our Nov. or Dec. meeting and let's help make this special time of year a little happier for these kids.

Don't forget, vote for Board members and especially for the recipient of the member of the year award.

T.T.F.N (tah, tah for now)  
and do it in an "A"

Jon.

## BOARD MEETING NOTES

by Jerry Sterling  
586-8469

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by Jon Heiland, President. Attending were June and Dick Riha, Jon Heiland, Lou Spielberger, Keith and Carol Justice, Judi and Pieter Dwinger, Les and Mary Nesbitt, and Jerry Sterling. The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved. No Treasurer's report was made since Mike Humphries was on vacation.

The Distributor Editors will be on a field trip this weekend and need articles early to get the paper out on time. A discussion followed of the possibility of obtaining a new Editor. No one has volunteered at this time. Additional people will be contacted as a follow through.

Activities: The 10th annual San Diego Fun Meet is 7th, 8th, and 9th of Nov. There will be three groups leaving. See the Calendar for more information. The adult Christmas Party is December 20 at the Claim Jumper. Cocktails will be at 6:30 PM with dinner at 7:00. The Kids Christmas Party will be Dec. 11 after a brief business meeting.

Technical Report: A ladies day was suggested to allow the ladies the opportunity to obtain driving experience. A parking lot at UCI will be used. See Riha's article.

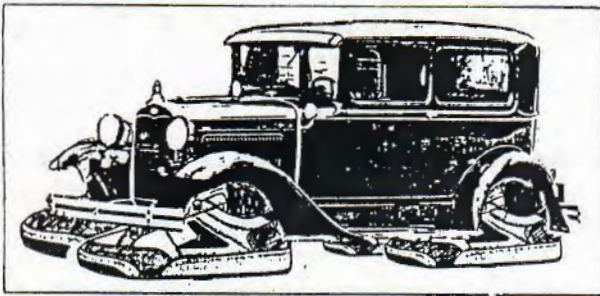
November Program: Delbert Hahn will present a seminar on antique phonographs.

There was no old business. Under new business, the Crazy Horse Restaurant has offered to host our 1987 Christmas Party. They will provide exclusive use of the facility, including a band, on Sundays only, for a guarantee of certain number of meals ordered from the regular menu. Meals can be ordered individually. Les Nesbitt moved that we reserve the Crazy Horse for 1987. Lou Spielberger seconded it and the motion carried. The Treasurer is directed to provide a \$300 deposit for the Crazy Horse Restaurant.

Summer Trip: Reno-Sequoia was discussed as a possible 8 to 9 day trip for 1987. At the November meeting members will be asked to consider this and alternate plans for discussion.

The next Board meeting will be November 20, instead of November 27 which is Thanksgiving. It will be at the Heilands' home. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.





## NESBITT'S RUNS

by Leslie Nesbit  
730-9365

The fifth annual Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run was incredible!! If you were there I don't have to tell you how inadequate words are to describe the entire affair. If you weren't there, SHAME ON YOU!!

Who can ever forget the beautiful drive out to the shores of Lake Mead passing through The Valley of Fire on our way to Boulder Beach. Passing those beautiful old T models along the way, and in some cases being passed by those beautiful old T models (talk to Larry Conkol). I think the Stanley Steamer also passed Larry. Cheryl was too jervous and nerky to notice any of the passing antiques.

The T models left Imperial Palace starting at 7:00 AM and the 29 model A's departure time was 8:00 AM. It turned out to be a Poker Run (what else in Las Vegas), but none of the OCHAFCAs were able to draw a winning hand. When I turned in my pair of 6's, the guy laughed so hard I knew it was all over for me.

In addition to the Poker Run they also had games at the Beach Party. I was unable to keep up a hoola hoop and lost that contest to a 75 year old grandmother. Undaunted, I entered the frisbee throwing contest and was able to con Joe Recker into being my partner. Joe looked pretty good but was unable to carry such a heavy load. Consequently we were eliminated in the early round. But just like the Angels, wait 'til next year!!

When we arrived at Boulder Beach about noon, there was a huge barbeque lunch waiting for us, including sirloin steaks, barbequed ribs and chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, salad, corn on the cob, baked beans, draft beer, wine, and all kinds of soft drinks. While we had lunch, we were entertained by the Imperial Palace band as well as by the famous "Legends" entertainers from the Imperial Palace. "Legends" stars present were Judy Garland, Buddy Holly, The Beatles, Elvis Presley, and Marilyn Monroe.

What a fabulous sight coming off that little hill down into the parking lot on the lake shore and being able to see 500 beautifully restored antiques dating from 1902 through 1936. In addition to these beauties which were driven to the barbeque site, there were two Imperial Palace classics awaiting our inspection: 1) Al Capone's 1928 bullet-proof Cadillac and 2) Hitler's 1939 bullet-proof Mercedes Benz.

About midafternoon all of the participants began to head back toward Las Vegas in various groups. Mary and I took a side trip and enjoyed the Hoover Dam Guided tour. Saturday evening the Imperial Palace treated all antinquers to dinner and dancing.

You could spend several hours viewing the Imperial Palace collection of antique cars on the fifth floor, then take another half day inspecting the four floors of antique autos driven or trailered to the run. Mary and I enjoyed the four floors of running antiques more than the Imperial Palace's beautiful collection.

As part of the package weekend, the Imperial Palace sends a fruit basket with Champagne to each room. Each participant also received model A caps, touring jackets, plus terry cloth bathrobes, leather key holders, free show tickets, free continental breakfast tickets, and a free cocktail party on Friday night and Champagne send-off breakfast on Sunday.

Our club was well represented and included the following members driving Model A's:

Lowell and Joan Buffehr  
Pieter and Judy Dwinger  
Bob and Patti Ferazzi  
Dennis and Judy Griffin  
Glen and Sharon Johnson  
Bob and Kim Kelley  
Joe and Rickie Lane  
Jim and Diane Manos  
Vince and Joan Mariola  
Jim and Bev Marsh  
Merle McClellan  
Larry and Gerry McKinney  
Les and Mary Nesbitt  
Joe Recker  
Dan and Valerie Simmons  
Bob and Karyn Sitter  
Jerry and Georgia Sterling  
Joe and Marion Wavra



The following OCMAFCA's also enjoyed the weekend but drove modern cars:

Bill and Joy Beeson  
Garnett and Sue Collins  
Larry and Cheryl Conkol (towing their Model A)  
Mike and Bonita Kelley

It looks like Larry McKinney gets to keep the hard luck trophy for another month since Black Beauty was unable to climb the hill out of Las Vegas. Fortunately Joe Wavra had taken his Model A pickup and was able to tow him for a while. The second group of "late risers" caught up with the broken Black Beauty about 10:00 AM Sunday morning. Mike Kelley's modern pickup was able to relieve Joe Wavras's Model A pickup and towed Larry back to Orange County.

Rumor has it that the Imperial Palace may limit the entrants to 300 next year and if this is true we should send our applications in early.

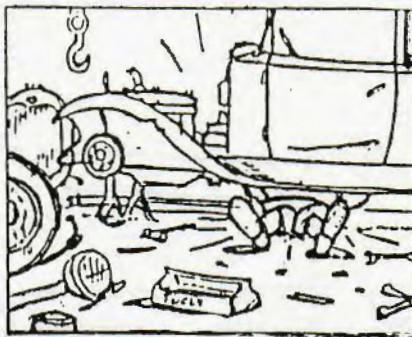


## GOLDEN OLDIES

Wanted: 2 rear hubs and drums from 40 to 48 Ford, for converting Model A to juice. Dean Phillips, 494-3643.

Wanted: Where to purchase flat style stone guard to fit '29. Must be less than 1 inch in depth. Bob Sitter, 777-2486.

For Sale: 1930 Coupe, thorne brown, Arabian sand, mohair interior, rumble seat, orange wheels and stripe, new motor, excellent condition. \$6500. 714-586-8469.



## TECHNICAL TALK

by Dick Riha  
556-4355

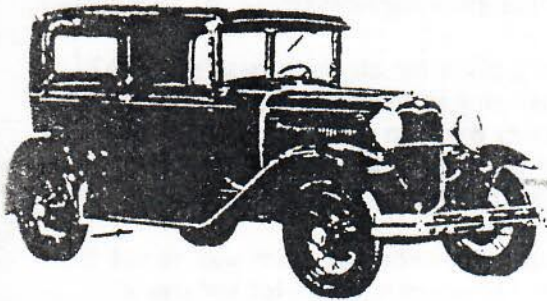
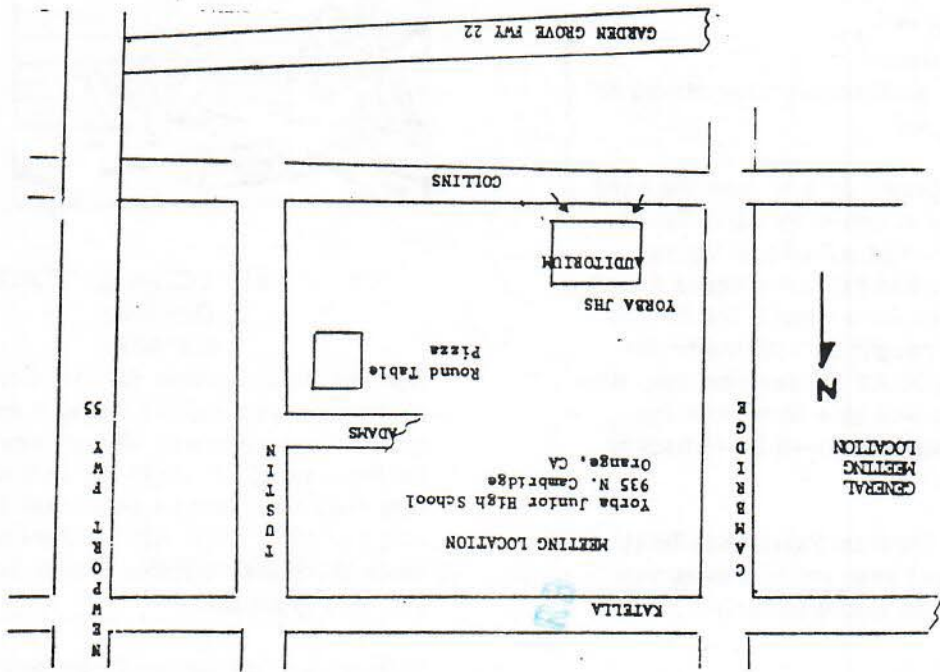
Our Technical Seminar for this month will be instruction in driving a Model A for anyone who needs practice off the road. We will meet at parking lot P-16 at UCI at 10:30 AM on Sunday November 16 (see map). At noon we will break for a picnic lunch on the lawn in Aldrich Park on the campus. Since there are no picnic tables, bring a blanket and keep it simple.

This is a chance for would-be-but-not-yet Model A drivers to gain some confidence with the car in a non-threatening environment with a lot of other folks in the same boat.

Tip of the month: Since the Editors' computer ate last month's tips, they have offered up the following tips as replacements:

Looking for a place for all those dash plaques? They sit just fine in the metal channel that holds the upholstery panel in place above the windshield (at least if you have a '29 Tudor). Also the neat-o pins clip into the upholstery itself.

Having trouble remembering which way to put the spark lever? If you camp out a lot and use a Coleman gasoline stove, it's the same: "up to light and down to burn".



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