

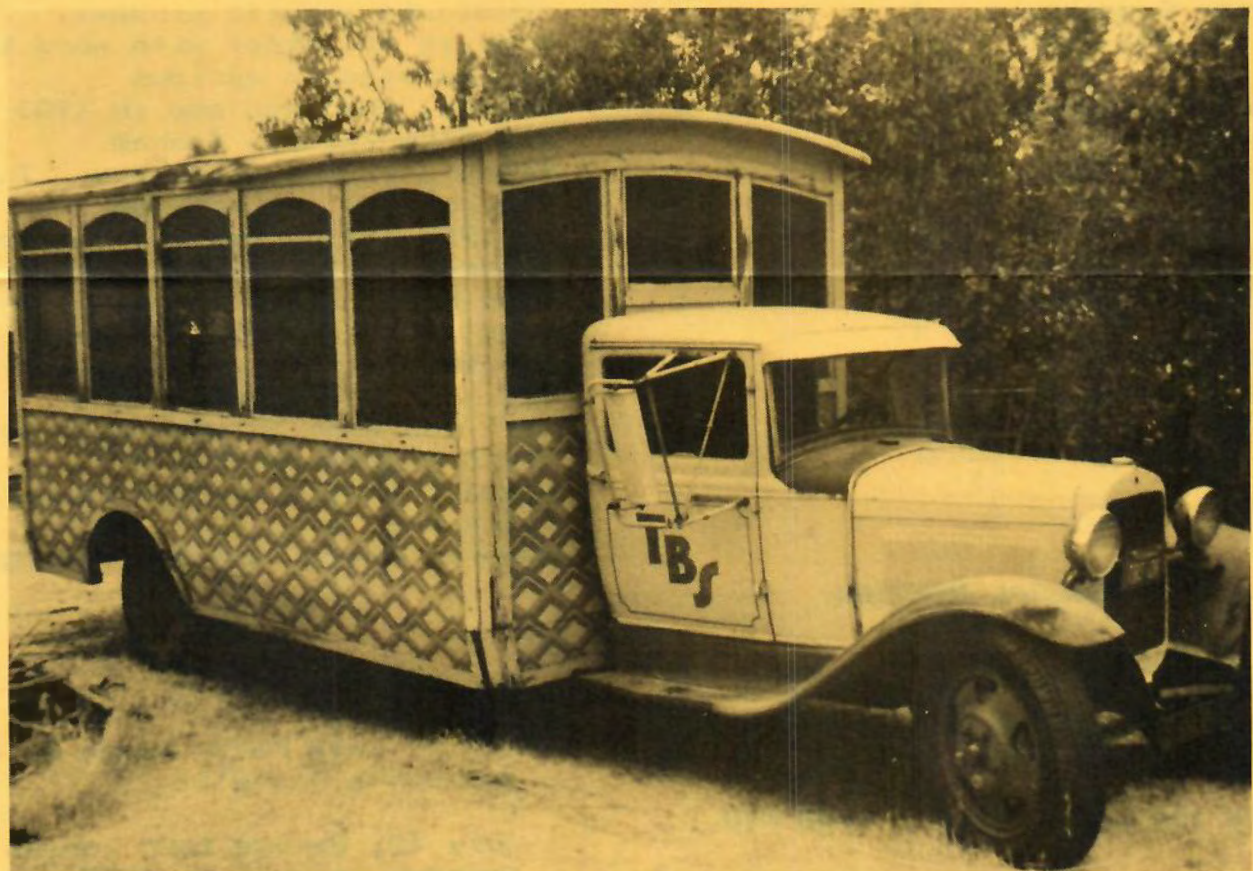
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Pieter and Judi Dwinger's
1931 AA Model A Ford Bus

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On the cover:

This is a 1931 AA Model A Ford Truck. The First owner was the Railway Express. It was used to haul freight at the rail yard. The truck came from the factory as a stake bed, with a 157 inch wheelbase. The second owner was (T.B.S.), "The Burbank Studios". They had the wheel base lengthened to 190 inches, and built this (1 of a kind) 20 passenger tour bus, which they used to tour people through the studio movie lots. It has an emergency exit door, electric exit signs, roof lights and brass assist handles, park type benches, removable acrylic windows. The body is all steel with wood trim. It was used in various movies, the last one in 1983 was the "The Barbara Graham Story", filmed in Mexico. The bus was retired in September of 1983 and became the home of a Doberman, 3 Wasp nests and many rats, there are nests in the head liner, under the seat on the manifold, front cross member etc. The top speed (so far) has been 38 mph. on a totally stock engine, with a 4 speed transmission and factory stock rear end. Owners: Pieter and Judi Dwinger.

JULY 9, 1987 GENERAL MEETING

EDISON COMMUNITY PARK
ON MAGNOLIA, BETWEEN ATLANTA
AND HAMILTON, ACROSS FROM EDISON
HIGH SCHOOL (SEE MAP)

POT LUCK MEETING 6:30 EAT 7:30 MTG.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

July 23rd. 1987 Place to be announced later.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

4th of July Party Glenn & Sharon Johnson's House!!!

July 12, Garage tour leaves from Sherman Gardens at 10AM

July 31st. The summer tour to Sequoia departs Glenn Johnson's house at 5PM.

August 16, Lawry's California Center Tour leaves from Johnson's at 3PM.

August 23rd. Doheny Beach Party.

The meeting was called to order at 7:56 p. m. at the home of Glenn Johnson.

There was no secretary's report due to the absence of Les Nesbitt.

Treasurer Mike Humphreys gave the treasurer's report. The license tags for the trailer came in and will be given to Les Nesbitt. We got our certificate of insurance for the mall show. The report was approved as read.

The activities report was given by Gary Haubold. The threshing tour was a great success.

The Johnson's are having a Fourth of July party. It begins at 3 p.m.

The garage tour will begin on July 12th at Sherman Gardens at 10 a.m. The pancake breakfast will be held on September 13th.

The Summer Tour will depart on Friday, September 31st from the Johnson's home at 5p.m. There is also another group leaving Saturday morning. This group is being led by Joe Wavra.

August 16th is the tour to Lawry's, it leaves from the Johnson's at 3 p.m.

August 23 is the Doheny Beach Party.

September 13 will be the Pancake Breakfast. Other events for the future were discussed.

There was no Technical Report due to the absence of Pete Gruenbeck. David Graham said the mall show was a great success and another one is planned for October 2-4, 10 to 12 cars will be needed at that time.

Articles are due by Monday.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Johnson, Secretary Protem

I THINK EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED THE JUNE MEETING ENJOYED JACK FISHER PARK. IT WAS QUIET, PRIVATE AND MUCH MORE PLEASANT THAN HART PARK. THE JULY MEETING WILL BE AT A PARK IN COSTA MESA. SEE JOE WAVRA'S NOTE AND MAP AND JOIN US FOR THE POT LUCH DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.

I WAS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE SAFETY CHECK TECHNICAL SEMINAR BUT DID DROP BY TO PICK UP ONE OF THE CHECK LISTS PROVIDED BY BOB FERRAZZI. A BIG THANKS TO BOB AND PATTY FOR HOSTING THE SAFETY SEMINAR AND PROVIDING THE CHECK LISTS. I WILL BE USING IT TO CHECK OVER MY DELUXE DELIVERY BEFORE THE SUMMER TRIP.

IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY HEARD, A 1929 MODEL A TOWN CAR IS FOR SALE IN ORANGE COUNTY. A MAN FROM NEWPORT BEACH CALLED ME SATURDAY BEFORE LAST TO ASK ME IF I WOULD LIKE TO BUY IT....I WAS SEMI-INTERESTED UNTIL I HEARD THE PRICE. \$50,000.00!!!!!!!!!!

WILL ROGERS EQUESTRIAN DAY

Sunday October 4th. we will be touring to 'Will Rogers State Park', in the Pacific Palisades, for a fun filled day of all types of Western activities, and picnic. There will be Polo viewing, a Grand Parade and many different equestrian acts from all over the Southland. I am trying to arrange parking and possibly having some or all of our cars in the passing parade. Which will be on the Polo fields at the park. Please give me a call by the 4th. of July if you will be joining us. The State Park rangers need to know ASAP. Also 'era' clothing can be worn for the event. If you have questions and or wish to attend please call; Pieter Dwinger at 639-4767, or 633-1921.

WHAT'S DOWN THAT ROAD?

Gary Haubold

The tour to Vista for the threshing bee and antique and steam farm machinery show turned out to be a success for those who went. There were seven Model A's and three modern irons on tour, with no problems at all except one unknown Model A engine gremlin which was soon chased away. My thanks to the Hamptons for driving lead and letting me ride in their "A".

Some of you know that the Justices are moving to Arizona shortly, now that Kieth is retiring from the University. We all enjoyed Carol and Kieth's company and will miss them. They have been a real asset to our club. We wish them the very BEST!

By the time the Distributor is out in the mail, the Fourth of July party at Glenn and Sharon Johnson's home will be history.

Sunday, July 12, we will be having a Garage Tour of several garages. We will start with a tour of the Sherman Library & Gardens, courtesy of Wade Roberts. This is a mileage tour. There will be something going on at each garage. We will meet at Sherman Library & Gardens, 2647 E. Coast Highway, Corona Del Mar at 10 a.m. See the map. We will finish at the Wavra's for lunch in Costa Mesa.

The Sequoia Tour departs from Glenn Johnson's at 5 p.m., Friday, July 31 for a nine day trip. We wish you all a safe tour.

Sunday, August 16 we will be leaving at 3 p.m. from Glenn Johnson's home for a mileage tour to Lawry's for dinner. This will be well worthwhile. Be sure to R.S.V.P. with Sharon Johnson.

Sunday, August 23 we will be touring to Doheny State Park & Beach for an all day picnic. This is always fun. Make plans now.

We'll see you down the road.....

Parts is Parts?
by Pete Gruenbeck
831-7642

Thank you again Bob and Patty Ferazzi for hosting a technical seminar.

At the June "Safety" seminar the Dozen Do-ers came gave four cars a very thorough once-over. We greased and oiled and checked just about everything. Two of the cars needed new front bearings and Dick Riha showed us the finer points on bearing installation. We also fixed the headlamp electrical on two cars.

For Sunday July 12 we have a garage tour planned. We'll be meeting 10 AM at Sherman Gardens in Corona Del Mar (map elsewhere) and ending with a picnic at the Wavra's in Costa Mesa at about 3 PM. I'll pick up a contingent at South Coast Plaza May Co near Bristol at 9:15 AM if anyone would like to meet there. Ladies, Valerie volunteered to give a makeup seminar at the Wavra's following the tour.

I don't have any seminars planned past July other than a Friday night seminar on removing a body from the frame. Are you working on your brakes, rear end, electrical? How about a seminar on fuse protecting your car? Make your wants known. As usual, the seminar host does not need the technical expertise to discuss it.

Tower Of Beauty Tour Cancelled

I regret that the August date for the Merle Norman Tower Of Beauty tour has been cancelled. They are going to be doing some heavy remodeling and have completely cancelled all tours during that time. They could not schedule us again for this year, so will try again for next year. Will keep you posted on developments.

Karyn Sitter

'Meets' Second Annual Open House

by Karyn Sitter

Rudy and Lori Perez, owners of Meets Early Auto in Lake Elsinore, held their Second Annual Open House on Sat. May 30th. For those of you unfamiliar with Meets, they specialize in quality reproduction Model "A" parts. (Some original parts are available) With help from their family, Rudy and Lori usually work the larger swap meets with their trailer full of parts. During the week and some week-ends (when no swap meets) they operate their very nice and well organized showroom.

As a way of thanking their customers for their patronage throughout the year, they hold a Open House. This year, over 100 Model "A"s were lined up in the parking lot. Most all the "A" clubs from So. Calif. attended. Orange County was represented by the Sitters, Osbornes, Hahns, Buffehrs, Zanino, (Model "A"s) and Bill Shaner (Modern).

A lovely spread of food and drink prepared by the Perez family members was well received and all had plenty to eat and drink.

Many very nice raffle prizes were donated by local businesses, Model "A" clubs and of course, Meets. Orange County won several prizes and a most enjoyable time was had by all. If you would like to take a nice scenic drive and buy some good quality parts for your car at the same time, try Meets Early Auto in Lake Elsinore. Rudy and Lori are extremely helpful and understand the problems we have all had with reproduction parts.

Thanks to the Perez family for a great Open House.

PLEASE BRING CHAIRS!!

Joe Wavra would like those of you on the garage tour ending at his house to please bring a chair

Thank-you.

FOR SALE

1 - Radio Shack 40 Channel Walkie Talkie, with charger and mike. Ni-Cad Batteries last all day. Great for touring, if you don't have converter or 12V elect. Used two tours. \$65.00 o.b.o.

1 - Radio Shack unit as above, but 5 channel. Same power. Radio only. \$40.00 o.b.o.

1 - Deposit (50.00) for the Las Vegas Imperial Palace Run in October. Arrive 10-23-87, depart 10-26-87. The event was limited down to 350 cars; this may be the only cancellation available. First \$50.00 takes it! SASE for return of all documents, or pick up at the meeting.

2 - Original Metal Trunks. One sharp \$75.00, other needs repainting, \$45.00. So why pay \$295.00 for a small repro trunk?

Tom Osborne (714) 537-7766 Eves., wknds.

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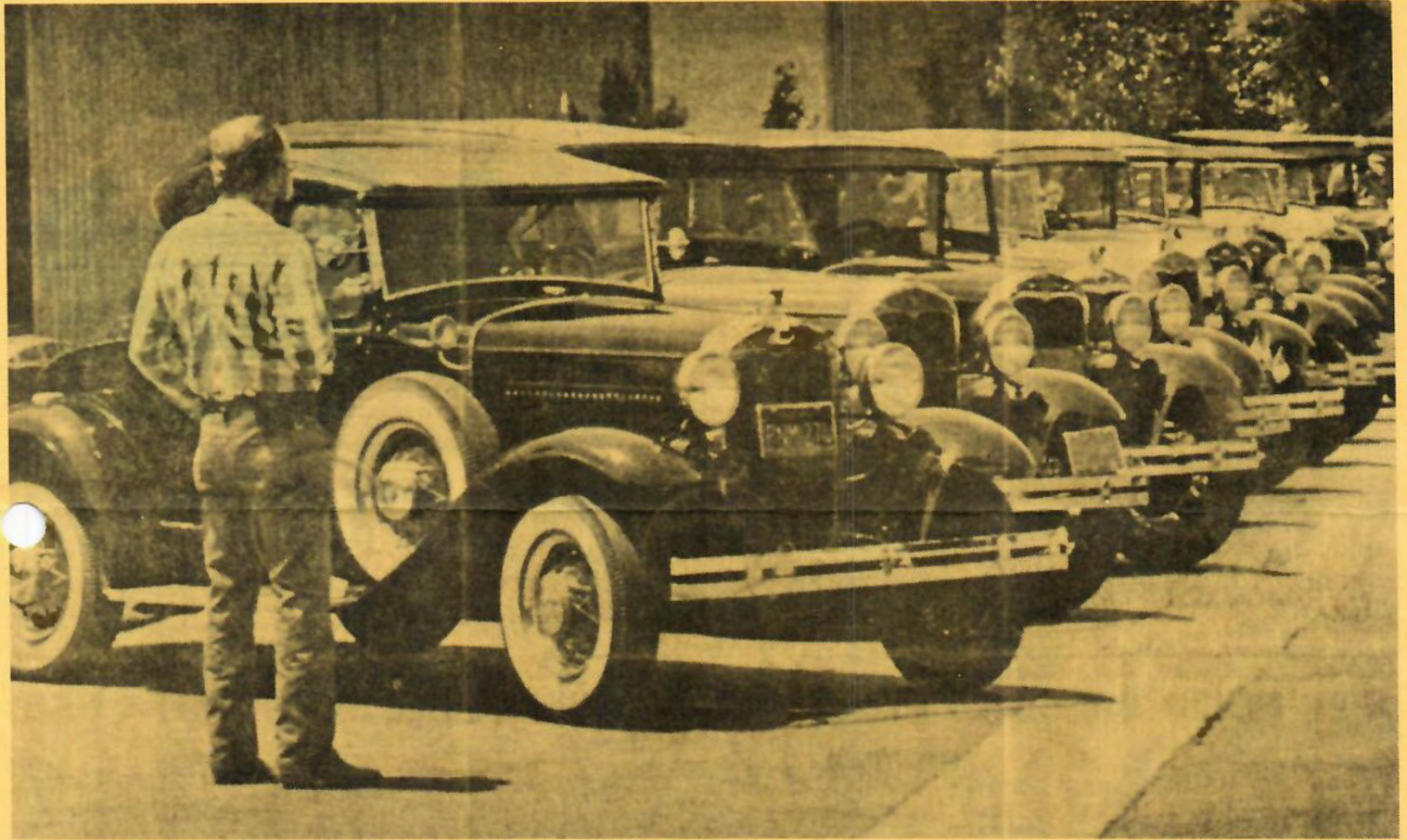
1930 Phaeton, a rare model. Looks great, runs great. Many Deluxe features, including back seat windshield and new side curtains. See photo on cover of "The Distributor" April 1987 \$17,700.00

Ray Reed (714) 557-5216

FOR SALE

1929 Coupe. 3500 mile since ground-up restoration. Rose Beige, Seal Brown paint; Le Baron Interior. Motometer, Trunk, Rack and Stone Guard. \$6,500.00 firm.

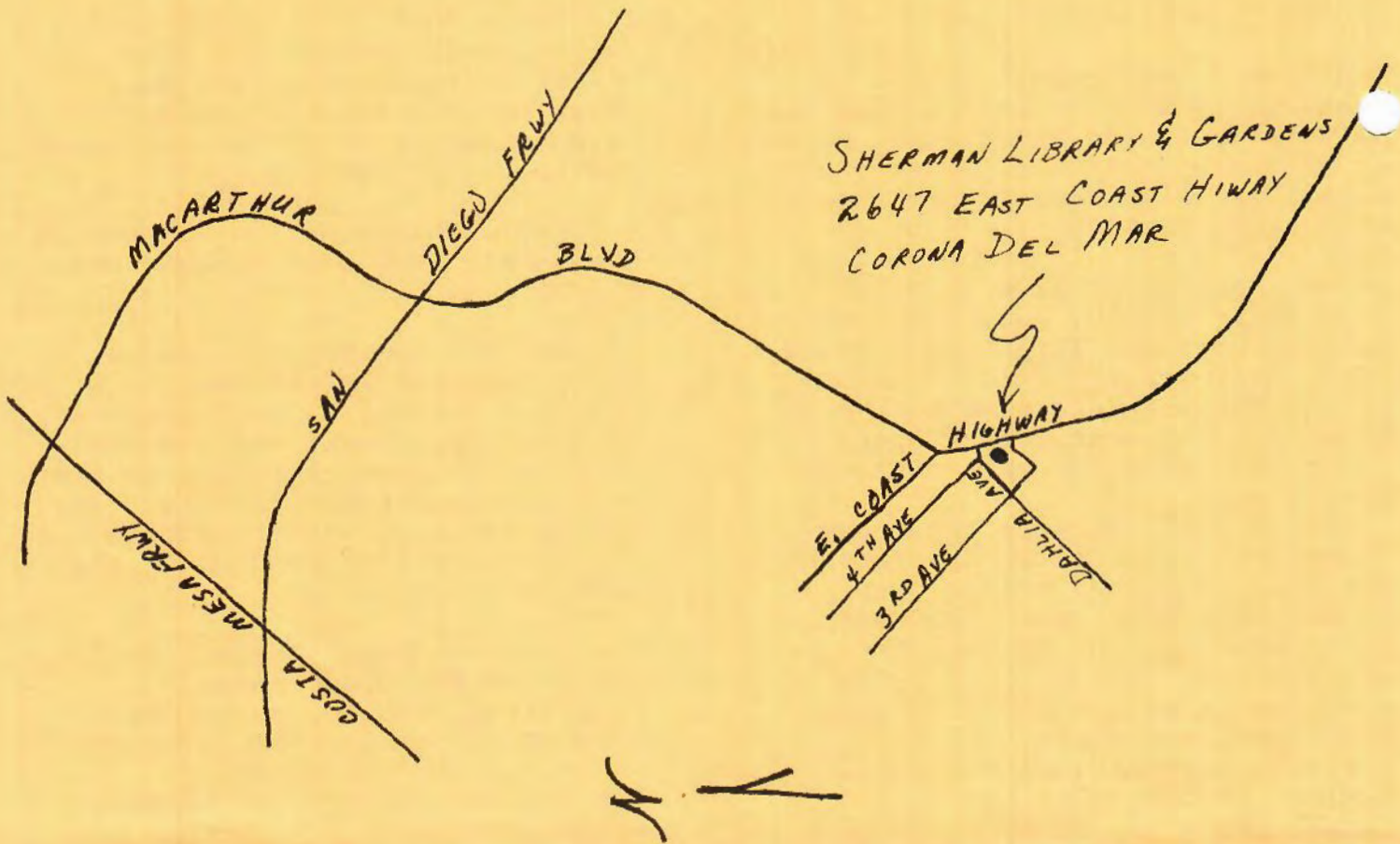
Joe Giuffree, (213) 598-6711 Seal Beach. (Note this is Del Hahn's car; trouble free and NICE)



Miles of history

This line of Model-A Fords looks like it stretches on forever. More than 100 Model-A Fords were driven to Lake Elsinore for fun and refreshments during a club

meeting at Meets Early Auto Parts. A Model-A engine was raffled. Model-As were built between 1929 and 1931. Their top speed was about 45 mph.



- SEE C6
- 1 STARBUCK DR
 - 2 NEPTUNE DR
 - 3 BAYVIEW DR
 - 4 SEAGLEN DR
 - 5 MARYMOUNT DR

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- 1 WILLOW CIR
 - 2 WHITESTONE DR
 - 3 AMBUSTON LN
 - 4 SURREY LN
 - 5 CLEGG LN
 - 6 ATTLEBORO LN
 - 7 FREEPORT DR
 - 8 CRESMERE DR
 - 9 BUSHWICK DR
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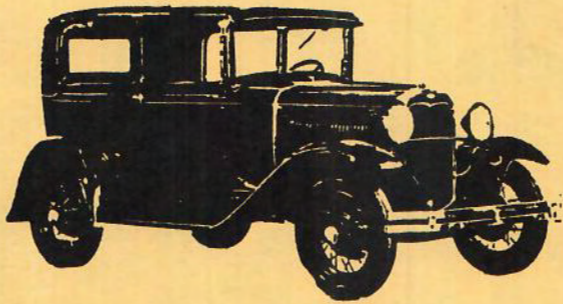
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EDISON COMMUNITY PARK
 ON MAGNOLIA, BETWEEN
 ATLANTA AND HAMILTON
 ACROSS FROM EDISON HIGH SCHOOL

OCEAN

POT LUCK MTG
 6:30 EAT — 7:30 MTG. —

- SEE A
- 1 ADAM LN
 - 2 MONTE CARLO CIR
 - 3 PORT ROYAL CIR
 - 4 SEASPRITE CIR
 - 5 BAY CREST CIR
 - 6 CARRIBREAN LN
 - 7 CORAL COVE CIR
 - 8 JAMAICA CIR
 - 9 SEACOVE DR



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