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THE FUEL PUMP SEMINAR®

....."What do you mean you had to keep pouring water on the fuel pump Dick, Model A's don't have fuel pumps, do they?"....."Well, in the first place Larry, Henry Ford designed this car all wrong, it should have had a fuel pump. And in the second place, your going to have to stop jabbing me in the butt with that pencil so I can get this **ぼろせとゆも fuel pump I put on disconnected.**"

New Mexico, 104°, on the road to the MAFCNA National, June, 1992.

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Schedule of Club Activities



July, 1994

4th, Monday

The **"WOW"**, WHAT A POKER RUN!!
Depart the Mall of Orange @ 10:00 A.M.

13th, Wednesday

Official club departure date for the **Long Trek North** to the **1994 MARC/MAFCA National** at Tacoma, WA. We will *depart* from the hotel adjacent to **The Citadel** at 9:30 A.M. (Arrive shortly after 9:00 A.M. for socializing and tire kicking.) If you are running late or have a break down on your way to the Citadel call Tom Endy @ his cellular phone number 310-995-6963 prior to 9:30 A.M. He will be at the Citadel with the phone.

14th, Thursday

General Meeting 7:00 P.M. will be held at **Hart Park in the City of Orange** due to the Summer closure of Santiago Elementary School. Pot Luck Dinner @ 6:00 P.M.
A-M bring main course, N-Z bring dessert.

16th, Saturday

Technical Seminar 9:00 A.M. at Tiger Motors in La Habre. Front end rebuilding will be the topic.

21st, Thursday

Board Meeting. 7:30 P.M. at Roger Aday's residence.

**1242 Verona Place
Placentia, 714-993-4558.**

26th, Sunday

Heritage Hill Festival, 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.
Car display, apple pie and ice cream. Call Lou Slielberger for directions 714-751-5102.

August, 1994

11th, Thursday

General Meeting 7:00 P.M. Hart Park
Pot Luck at 6:00 P.M.

14th, Sunday

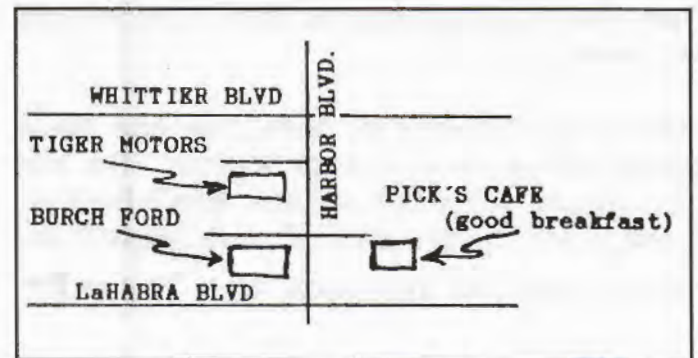
Route 66 restaurant brunch in Pasadena (\$14).
Peterson Automobile Museum Tour in Los Angeles. Depart the Mall of Orange 9:30 A.M.

18th, Thursday

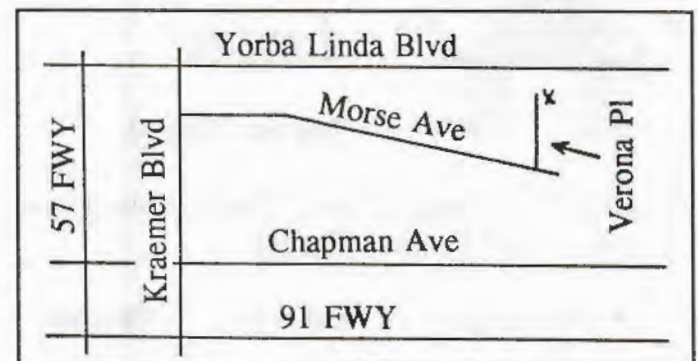
Board Meeting. Location TBD

21st, Sunday

"All New Annual Beach Party". Catalina Tour.
Leaving from Long Beach at 10:00 A.M.
Arrive about an hour early.



Map to Tiger Motors



Map to Roger Aday's House




The President

 Don Tune




Special Events

By Roger Aday

 We have reached the half way point in the Model A year. It's been a good year to date thanks to all our organizers and member participation. Since the Pancake Breakfast, Linda and I have not been able to do much touring. Sorry, but we've had some career, car and house problems. Everything seems to be coming together including *Greyford*, our Tudor. We had *Greyford* out for a test drive last Sunday. It's running good but the overdrive won't shift. An electrical problem, I suspect (hope).


The last time *Greyford* was towed home by the Auto Club a couple of months ago, the driver told me about an emergency service option called "AAA Plus". For a nominal additional fee, AAA will provide six free tows per year of up to 100 miles each. That will get you half way to Tacoma if you play it right. There are a number of other options including free gas, but you have to provide your own Marvel Mystery Oil. It looks like a good package for those of us who get towed home a lot.

Thanks to the Johnson's for hosting the June Board Meeting and the June Technical Seminar. The July Board Meeting will be held at Roger Aday's home on Thursday, July 21, at 7:30 P.M. All members are welcome. Good luck to those touring to Tacoma. 

The only special event this month is the Heritage Hill Festival in Forest Lawn. They will serve apple pie and ice cream for those of you who can make it. It will be from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. on Sunday, June 26th. Call Lou Spielberger for directions 714-751-5102.

Parts Discount!

I am putting together an order for Plasmeter brake drums. If we order a minimum of 8 drums we can get them at a substantial discount. These are high quality reproduction cast iron drums manufactured in Oregon. Plasmeter also has the correct studs for their drums. Besides being the proper diameter, the studs are longer to accommodate a cast iron drum which is slightly thicker. I would like to place the order by the end of July. If you would like pricing and want to order a set please call me.

We can also get a discount on shocks, links and arms through M & S Hydraulics in Oregon. Contact me for prices on these items. Phone 714-993-4558, I  714-572-8666.

Several club members have used the discount available to us from Orange Engine in Santa Ana, and have saved lots of money. Ask Al Zannino and Don Tune, both saved over \$100. on parts for their modern irons. When you're there, please tell them you're from the Orange County Model A Ford Club. I have discount cards available for any club member who wants one. ©

Lug Nuts to you all Roger



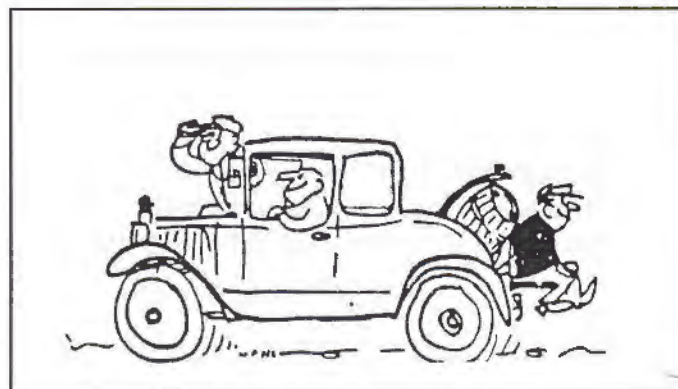
Club Logos

See Jim Nichols

Official MAFCA Orange County Chapter collectibles are on sale at each General Meeting.

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|-------------|----------|---------|
| Name Badges | Pennants | Patches |
| Polo Shirts | T-Shirts | Aprons |

.....and Orange Club Jackets!



"They look like lug nuts Roger!"



Secretary's Report

By Dan Simmons

June Board Meeting Minutes.

The meeting was called to order at Glenn Johnson's house at 7:40 P.M. Thursday, June 16, 1994, right after Glenn's gang of dogs stopped chasing the board members around the room.

President, Don Tune:

Don advised the board that the AAA Auto Club has a new service called "AAA Plus". The service includes extended towing. Since Don has his Model A towed home several times a month, he recommends the new service.

Treasure's Report, Red Kiser:

Red was there! We finally found him. He's been hiding out at Big Bear where he bought some property. Rumor has it that he has also opened a numbered account in a Swiss bank.

Editor, Tom Endy:

Tom stressed a need for everyone to contribute articles for the July *Distributor* early, no later than June 28th, because of vacation scheduling at the printer. As usual, nobody paid any attention to him.

Touring Chairperson's Report, Glenn Johnson:

Glenn discussed some of the upcoming tours that are planned. Glenn's dad is going to sketch some cartoons to be used in *The Distributor*.

Special Events, Roger Aday:

Roger discussed the need for everyone to tighten their lug nuts. There was also discussion about several upcoming display type events. Roger has contacted several Model A parts suppliers concerning quantity discount pricing. He will put an article in *The Distributor* about it.

Jim Nichols, Club Memorabilia:

Jim turned money from the sale of merchandise over to the treasurer.

Paul Steed, Technical:

Paul discussed future seminars being planned. July will be front end rebuilding. The topic for the August seminar may be rear end rebuilding. The June seminar had a good turn out.

Old Business:

The Jim Marsh Memorial Award needs to be finalized. There was a general discussion concerning all awards. Glenn Johnson motioned that in the future we recognize club members who have passed away by adding a memorial page to the following year's club roster. The motion was seconded by Dan Simmons and passed by unanimous vote of the board.

New Business:

Roger Aday motioned that the club purchase a supply of ball caps with the new/old club logo on the front. The caps will be part of Jim Nichols' club merchandise inventory. Dan Simmons seconded the motion and it was passed by a unanimous vote of the board.

There was a general discussion concerning the Annual Pancake Breakfast. Linda Tune will not be available next year to chair the event and she will certainly be missed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M. when Glenn let the dogs back in and they chased everybody out.



Technical

By Paul Steed

The June Technical Seminar was held at Glenn Johnson's house and the topic was a safety check. We inspected, poked, prodded, and crawled over and under two of our club member's cars. Oh yea! Did I say we also made some repairs? A great thanks goes to Glenn Johnson for his hospitality and expertise, and thanks to all who participated.

The July Seminar will cover front end rebuilding. We have one car designated to demonstrate on, but if your Model A needs front end repair please call me. 714-289-0931. The seminar will be held Saturday, July 16th at 9:00 A.M. at Tiger Motors in La Habre. See you there for the fun. ☺

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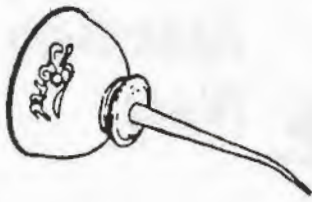
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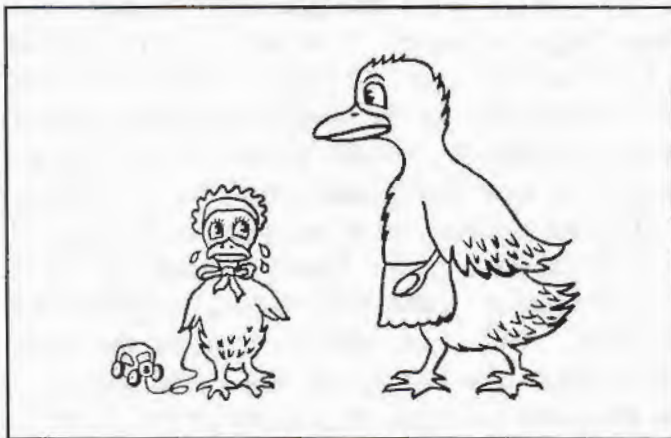


Properly Oiled

By Ben Hadd

Did you know that all Model A Sparton horns had a zinc patent plate riveted to the motor cover with two nickel plated split rivets? This is really boring stuff, but important if you expect to win a Blue Ribbon at the National. The reproduction patent plates are pretty good quality and they have a blank space after the "R" serial number. The numbers that go after the "R" should look like they were stamped into the metal and should be the month and year your Model A was manufactured. For example an "R31930" would indicate that the month/year of manufacture was March 1930. Before you rivet a reproduction plate onto a horn assembly take it to a jeweler who does engraving, or to a trophy store and have them engrave the proper numbers on for you. If you don't consider details like this you won't win a blue ribbon at the National.

Another detail you might want to consider is the grease fittings. Henry had them spread all over the car. A lot of Model A's on the road today have a mixed bag of original, reproduction original and modern. The original Model A Ford grease fittings had a check ball inside to keep the grease from running out. Reproduction grease fittings do not have a check ball and you can usually spot a reproduction by the string of grease hanging from them. Besides losing points at National, you will be losing lubrication out onto the road. 😊



**Listen little Dummy, it's Honk!
Honk! not Ahooguh! Ahooguh!"**



Era Fashions

By Ida Wornit

The authenticity of men's era suits is sometimes difficult to determine. Over the years manufacturers continue to alter the style in order to obsolete them and sell more. It's kind of like the old saying though, "whatever goes around, comes around". It's the same story with men's suits. There is only so much that can be done to a man's suit without taking it out of the realm of acceptability. The industry tried to do that back in the 60's and 70's when they came out with leisure suits and Nehru suit coats. Both trends failed miserably. So, the only thing that is left for them is to fool with the size and shape of the lapels, flaps or no flaps on the pockets, the number of buttons and single or double breasted coats. On the trousers, pleats or no pleats on the front, cuffs or no cuffs, and the width of the pant legs have been varied. Fabrics and colors have also been a factor.

If you are fashion conscious and a history buff you could probably plot the years when the cycles repeated themselves. All of the above mentioned items have been recycled in various combinations over the past 75 years.

If you are a novice and you're looking for an original era suit or want to have a reproduction created, here are a couple of tips you should be aware of. In 1928-1931, the fly on men's trousers did not have zippers or the little metal hook at the top. It was all buttons. Lapels were wide and tended to be notched. Suit coats had flaps over the pockets and were straight. The left breast pocket was at an angle slanting down inward. Both single and double breasted suits tended to button high. Trousers were plain front, no pleats, and they generally had cuffs at the bottom. The width of the pant legs varied slightly around 19 inches. Fabrics and colors varied, but tended to be dark. Bold stripes were in vogue.

This profound knowledge is not enough to ensure you an award at the National, but it will get you started and help you to find a suit that you can wear to club functions with some degree of correctness. 😊



Letters!

To the Editor

By Bill & Patsy Heller

1994 National, Tacoma, Washington:

Some of you folks may still recognize our name as past members of the Orange County Chapter of the Model A Ford Club. We now live in Seattle and are members of the Evergreen A's, hosts of the Joint Meet being held in Tacoma in July. We have noticed that a number of Orange County members have registered for the meet and we are looking forward to seeing you. Although we're not sure how much "visiting" time we will have during the meet, we hope you will find us and say "Hi".

Many of the people coming to the meet are making plans to do some sightseeing either before or after the meet. Some are going on to Alaska, Canada or just staying to see some of the great countryside we have to offer in this part of the Northwest. If any of the members of the Orange County Chapter need a place to store their A's while they are doing some other traveling we have plenty of room. We have a large garage and could accommodate a few cars. We also have parking space for whatever. We are approximately 40 miles north of Tacoma. If you have any questions or need further information give us a call. 206-774-7463 days or 206-743-1020.

See you at the National and have a good and safe trip!
Sincerely,
Bill & Patsy Heller
14603 Manor Way
Lynnwood, WA 98037



Members Note!

The July and August General Meetings will be held at Hart Park, in the City of Orange, due to the Summer closure of Santiago Elementary School. The General Meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. instead of 7:30 P.M. to make better use of the available daylight so you won't step in anything. There will also be a pot luck dinner prior to the meeting, beginning at 6:00 P.M. If you plan to attend the pot luck please bring a food contribution. For the July meeting last names A through M bring a main course item, N through Z bring a dessert item.

The prescribed uniform of the day will be orange club jackets with the old logo, or blue club jackets with the new/old logo as an alternate. Any other jacket color or logo combination is also acceptable.

The feature event of the evening, which will begin right after the flag salute, will be a water balloon fight between the Orange Jackets and the Blue Jackets. Team captains will be Richard Parrish for the Orange Jackets and Dan Simmons for the Blue Jackets. ☺



Hard Luck

.....and a sad story!

Dennis Griffin was the recipient of the Hard Luck Trophy at the June General Meeting. On the way home from the Annual Santa Barbara Tour Dennis' 1929 Roadster began acting up. A strange "Put Put" sound was heard coming from the engine. The tour pulled off on the shoulder of the freeway and held a spark plug and distributor seminar which did not fix the problem. It was finally determined that an original new old stock exhaust valve had stuck in it's original new old stock valve guide. Dennis removed the valve cover and pried the valve loose with an original Ford screwdriver. When he went to reinstall the valve cover he discovered that an era mouse had eaten half of his spare new old stock valve cover gasket. Luckily someone had a spare *reproduction* gasket along. So magic stuff was dumped in the fuel tank. The engine started and Dennis drove it back to Orange County. ☺

The MARC/MAFCA National!

Tacoma, Washington

July 17 - July 23

1994



Touring

in '94 with
Pieter Dwinger
&
Glenn Johnson



By Pieter Dwinger

The July 4th **"WOW" what a poker run** will start at the Mall of Orange at 10:00 A.M. The tour will take about 2 to 2½ hours followed by a world class "oink-out". So plan on bringing your "A", modern iron, motorcycle or anything you want to ride in or on.

July 13th is the departure date for this years summer tour to the National at Tacoma. If you have any questions call Pieter Dwinger or Glenn Johnson.

Sunday August 14th, we will be leaving the Mall of Orange at 9:30 A.M. and touring to the Route 66 restaurant in Pasadena for a great brunch (about \$14.). We will then tour to the new Peterson Automobile Museum in Los Angeles. The tour should arrive back home in Orange County around dinner time.

Sunday August 21st, we are delivering as promised the **"All New Annual Beach Party"**. We will be leaving from Long Beach at 10:00 A.M. on the Catalina Express boat to Catalina. Plan on being at the harbor about 45 minutes to an hour early. Cost for a group of 20 or more will be \$32.00 per person round trip. We will arrive about one hour later for a delightful day of shopping and enjoying Catalina. Then at 5:30 P.M. there will be a full-on BBQ on Descanso Beach. Everything will be prepared, potatoes, vegetables, salads etc, for 7.95 per person. During the day you will have to stop at one of the Catalina stores to purchase fish, chicken, steak or what ever you want as an entree'. You can cook it to perfection on the open BBQ. Drinks are extra. The return boat will leave Catalina at 8:15 P.M. and will arrive at Long Beach about an hour later. Sign up by calling Pieter or Glenn ASAP, or sign up with Don Tune at the July 14th General Meeting. We will have to make reservations by mid July, so if you would like to join us on this tour, let us know right away. ☺

More Touring!



By Glenn Johnson

Father's Day Tour

On June 19th, Father's Day, seven Model A's left the Mall of Orange and headed north on the 57 Freeway past the 60, past the 10 and on to Foothill Blvd in San Dimas; Good old Route 66. We traveled east on 66 to Indian Hills Blvd where we stopped at Griswolds' for a leisurely brunch and lots of conversation. There was an arts & crafts show and sale going on in Griswolds' parking lot, but our Model A's soon became the main attraction for everyone there. Brunch at Griswolds' was good and very inexpensive. We all ate our fill and looked around the arts & crafts show before getting back in our Model A's to resume the tour. Back on Historic Route 66 we headed east to Vineyard Ave where we stopped at the Old Thomas Winery Shopping Center and visited the Route 66 Museum & Visitors Center. The museum is small but interesting with a growing collection of memorabilia from the old highway. We all looked at the exhibits, bought a few items in the gift shop and then headed for the historic Rains House in Rancho Cucumonga. Unfortunately the Rains House wasn't open so we made a U-turn south to the 10 Freeway and back to much cooler Orange County. Special Guests on the Father's Day Tour included Tom Endy's youngest daughter Leslie, Sheri & Nicole Lucas, Heidi & Holly Johnson and Heidi Johnson's friend Rob Fox, who drove the Johnson's 1928 Tudor after only a "once around the block" lesson on how to start, drive and stop a Model A Ford. Rob and the Tudor both survived the tour. Ginger Endy was also with us but although she is very special we all know her too well to consider her a guest. We arrived home in the early afternoon in time to spend the rest of the day with fathers who were not on the tour. ☺



Take a few minutes to tighten.....!



...and that's when I smacked him one!



...then he dated my twin sister!



...I'm glad my Dad never found out!



...I can't believe he did that!



...I did it and I'm glad!



....you did what?



You are under my spell.....Spark!



See if you can find the wheel bearing!



Smile Dad, we love rumble seats!



Let's see now....a square knot?



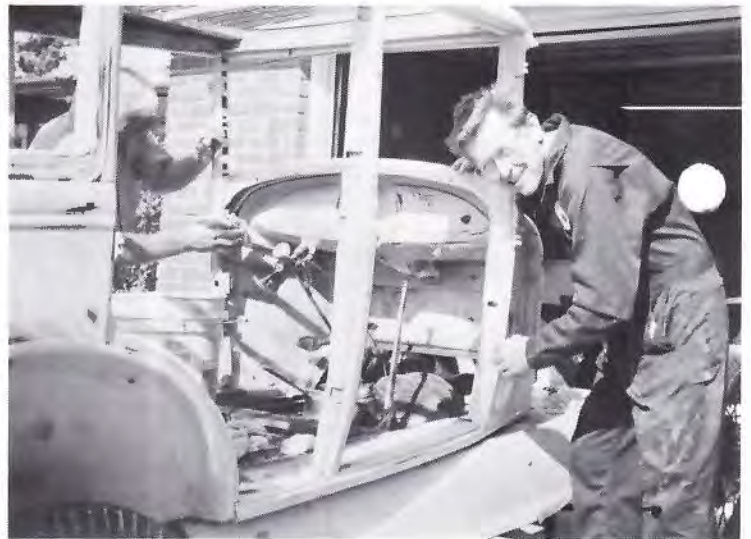
The roof was up to here yesterday!



I hate orange jackets!



This is better than a parade!



In Montana we'd take the body off!



The ring and pinion go on right here!



You put the pinion on wrong, Paul!



Evangeline was my Great Aunt! Ed Cote'



Maybe a granny knot will work!



Swap Meets!

July, 1994

10th, Sunday

LONG BEACH. Hi Performance Collector Car Swap Meet. Long Beach Veterans Stadium, Lakewood Blvd & Wardlow St. Long Beach, CA. 24 hour info. 800-762-9785 Admission \$4. Free Parking. Seller's Sp. \$25. **Future dates:** Sundays, 8-14, 9-11, 10-9, 11-13, 12-11, 1-22, 2-12, 3-5.

16th, Saturday (For the tour group to the National)

Vancouver USA Swap Meet Clark County Fairgrounds. 9 miles north of Vancouver, WA. Exit I-5 at 179th St. Go south on the access road on the west side of I-5 to the Fairgrounds. Admission free, parking \$2. Sponsored by the Oregon Trail (503-472-8799) & Evergreen (206-695-8202) Model A Clubs.

17th, Sunday

POMONA. Antique Auto, Corvette, Porsche, VW & Street Rod Swap Meet and Car Show. Admission \$6. parking \$3. spaces \$30. Special \$5. admission and parking for pre-1975 vehicles for sale, includes driver and one passenger. Fairplex (Pomona Fairgrounds). For recorded information call 714-544-7004. **Future dates:** Sunday, 8-28, 10-16.

31st, Sunday

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Classified Ad's!

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I have a **black Model A trunk**. I would like to trade it for a **tan Model A trunk**. Carl Erickson 714-997-2854.

Long Beach Model T Club 40th Annual Swap Meet

August 6th & 7th 1994
Saturday & Sunday
6 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Veterans Memorial Stadium
Long Beach

Registration & Information
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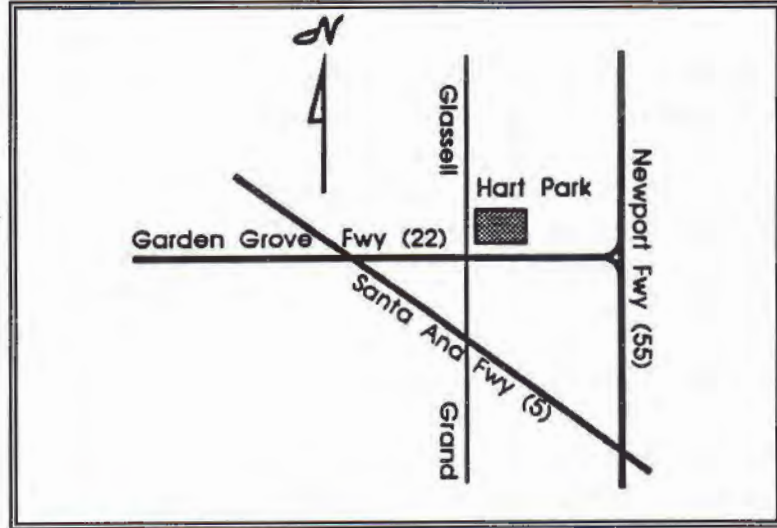
GENERAL MEETING LOCATION

(Second Thursday of every month.)

July 14, 1994 @ 7:00 P. M.

(Pot Luck @ 6:00 P.M.)

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City of Orange



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