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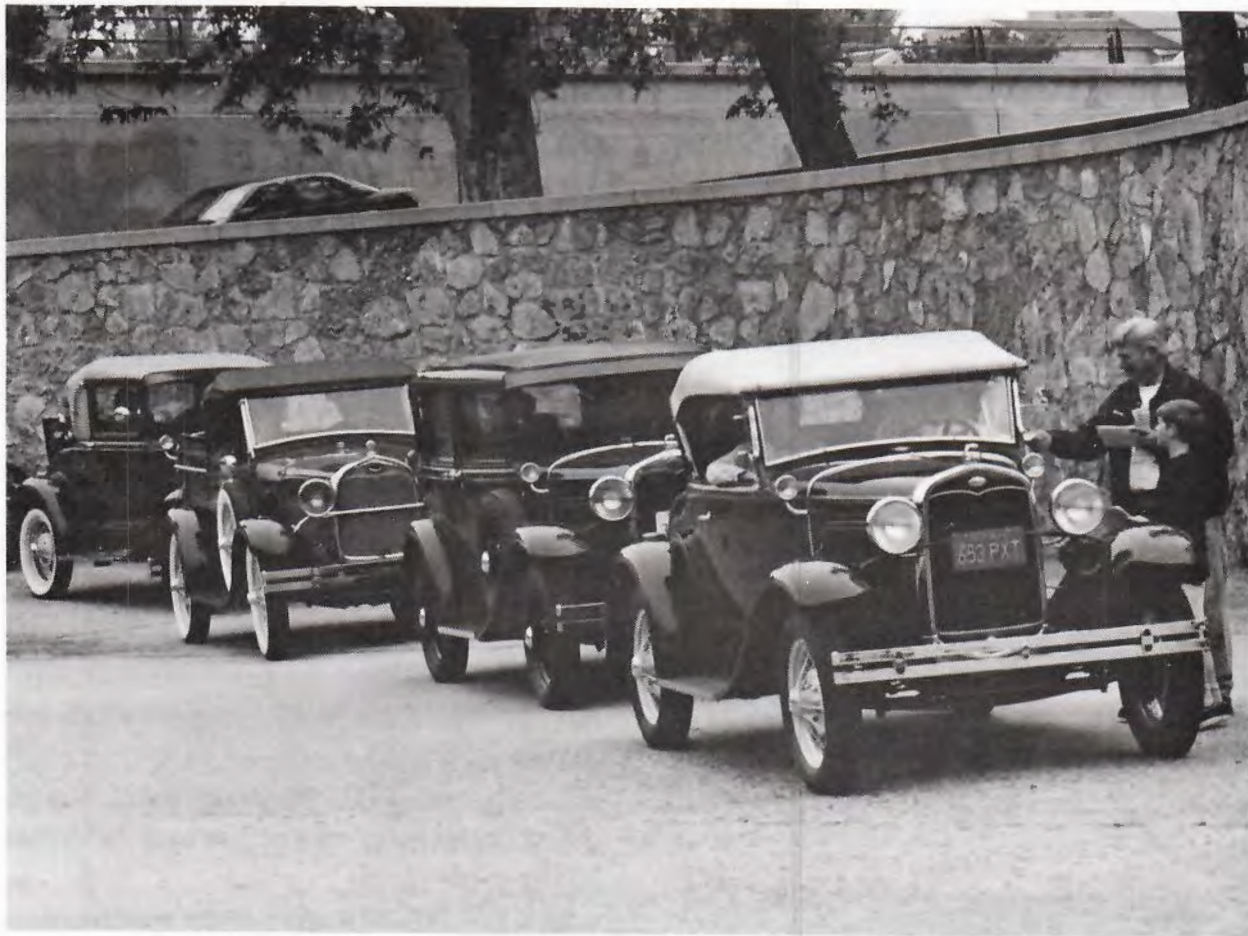
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AN "A" PLUS DAY !!!



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The Open Hood Prez!

By John Riggs

This edition is going to press early so not too much has happened.

We are hoping for good weather and a big turnout for our Pancake Breakfast. Thanks to all of you for your generous donations for our raffle. We really have some great prizes. Once again thanks to all the committee chairmen that worked so hard on this.

Tom Endy's Victoria was the car of the month and we really enjoyed hearing about her past and her future projects.

Hope all of you got your cars together for our seminar at the Plotkins. We've been lucky so far on our tours, no serious problems, but it can't hurt to make a thorough check of the parts. C.B's also are a very important part of our tours and they really need to be in good working condition.

Santa Barbara is coming up in May and we hope to have a good turnout of "A's" all running well. I'm sure Dennis has some fun things in store for us.

More kudos to Greg and Leslie Carcerano for the great jobs on the tours. I'm sure everyone had a ball on the Homestead Museum tour. More about this later.

Don't forget our Swap Meet May 4th at Vintage Ford. Let's all turn out. Dennis Griffin and Larry McKinney have really put in lots of time and effort to make this a success.

Hope you noticed the new membership badges. The Nichols have them for sale at two dollars each and new members will receive one free. Thanks to Dan Simmons for all his time doing the art work and to Jim and Jo Nichols for all of their chasing.

So sorry to hear Pearl Spielberger has been in and out of the hospital. Glad to hear she is home now. Get well soon. Love to you both.

Well that winds it up for now and hope to see you at the meeting.

Roaring Twenties

Revisited

By John Riggs

On Thursday April 10th, Vincent Mariola in his Phaeton and I in my Coupe headed out to Esperanza High School in Anaheim.

Marlene Williams, she is the drama teacher at the school, invited us to bring our cars out to the school. They are doing the show "The Great Gatsby" and they wanted to have their pictures taken by the cars.

Upon our arrival we were escorted to the football field by the students dressed in their era costumes. The cars and the Flappers made quite a scene. Guys were there too but I can't remember if they had a special name.

After the pictures had been taken, one of the students was overheard saying facetiously, "What happened to the cardboard cars?" It seems that last year they had to use cardboard cars.

There were three classes participating and the students really appreciated the vintage cars and having them for their pictures.



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DON'T FORGET MOTHER'S DAY



Happy Mother's Day to Piet Dwinger's mother, Nora and Glenn Johnson's mother Ireen.

Make a note.....

The Editors will be on vacation from April 21st until about May 21st. All copy for the **Distributor** is due by May 29th. If you have something, please mail it to:

John Graves
970 Summit Dr.
Laguna Beach, Ca. 92651

or FAX to:

497-3067 *51(after the beep)

Thank-you for helping us get the June **Distributor** news together.

We would also like to thank those who help in getting articles to us. We appreciate your help and interest. Those who take such great photos and let us use them in the **Distributor** deserve a big thanks!!!

Board Meeting

Orange County Chapter

Model "A" Club of America

April 17, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 7:34P.M. by President John Riggs at the home of Greg & Leslie Carcerano. Club members in attendance were: Lee Jackson, John and Gwen Riggs, Alice and John Graves, Bev Marsh, Mike Kuester, Jim Nichols, Carl Erickson, Ted Loeffler, and Greg and Leslie Carcerano.

Secretary's Report:

The minutes were approved with the date of the board meeting changed to the 17th of April.

Treasurer:

Things seem to be in good order going into the Pancake Breakfast. Almost all the bills have been paid.

Activities:

Fifteen cars are signed up for the Homestead Museum tour on April 27th. Dennis Griffin has the Santa Barbara tour in May all planned. On Sunday, the 22nd of June a return visit is being planned to the Light House and Music Hall. The Downey Henry Ford Picnic will be June 29th.

There was some discussion about the speed of the tours. It was decided that on future tours, particularly when we need to take freeways, we will have two groups. One group with overdrive which are able to go faster speeds and another group without overdrive which will keep their speed around 50.

Technical:

The seminar which will be a general check-up and inspection of the cars that come, will be held at the Plotkin Garage in Hawaiian Gardens.

Merchandise:

There will be a discount on old merchandise at the Pancake Breakfast and at future meetings. New name badges are \$2 and will be given to new members who joined after 1/1/97.

Editors:

The editors will be on vacation beginning April

21st and will return about May 21st. All June articles are due on or before May 29th.

New Business:

The liability insurance certificate has been received for the Pancake Breakfast. No rain is in the forecast. Spaces are still available for the Swap Meet on May 3rd. Liability insurance and the city permit has been obtained for that event.

Car of the month will be Wade Robert's car.

The next board meeting will be in Santa Barbara while on tour.

The June meeting will be at Ted Loeffler's home.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM

Lee Jackson, Secretary



Hard Luck Trophy

The meeting presented a dilemma of two candidates for the **hard luck trophy**. Richard Parrish and Gary Wilson had to battle it out. Not to win the Trophy but somehow to lose. The Calico trip produced all the bad luck. Wilson's car was reluctant to leave the Sears lot. That was problem #1. Then the grades seem to be too much of a challenge. Wilson's car boiled and misplaced its electrical system. But, then there was the Parrish car. Apparently, it did not want to come home. It resisted all the way. A valve was sticking and a new carburetor was needed and finally it decided to limp on home.

A vote was taken at the meeting and Richard won(on maybe lost).

Schedule of Coming Activities



May, 1997

3rd, Saturday

Swap Meet Vintage Ford Parts
11318 Beach Blvd., Stanton, Ca.
6:00 AM to 3:00PM

8th, Thursday

General Meeting--7:30PM
Santiago Elementary School

16,17,18 Fri. Sat and Sunday

Santa Barbara tour
Board meeting

31st, Saturday

Nethercut Collection (Sylmar) 10:00AM
Depart from Coco's (22 and Valley View) at 8:00
Early birds-Breakfast 7:00AM at Coco's
Lunch-Denny's after the tour
No Jeans or shorts, photography is permitted
without flash. Under 12 not admitted.

June, 1997

22nd, Sunday

Old town Music Hall and Pt. Vicente Light
House. Picnic lunch.

29th, Sunday

Henry Ford Birthday Picnic
Wilderness park, Downey, 9AM-2PM
Car Judging, food contests, games, prizes
Bring your own chairs and table.
Donation \$3.50

July, 1997

11-13th, Fri. Sat & Sun

Wings and Wheels
Santa Inez(see article)

19th, Saturday

Irvine Park 100th Birthday

Future

Camp out-Destination to be announced
Get out your camping gear!!

Memorial Wings and Wheels

The Memorial Wings 'N Wheels is scheduled for the weekend of 11-13 of July 1997.

This has been a premier meet for more than 20 years. This years schedule will start with registration on Friday. Saturday the tour starts at 9:30AM and each participant will take a pilot along in their car on the tour which will parade down the streets of Solvang and in the scenic country side to a noon-time picnic spot. That evening it is back to the airport to the Experimental aircraft Association Chapter hangar for happy hour and a barbecue. Sunday morning starts with a breakfast of pancakes and eggs as you prepare to fly with the pilot who was the guest in your car the day before.

Registration is by July 5th and is \$36 per person, children under 12 \$18 per person. It covers three meals, a coffee-break snack and the overhead of organizing the event. T shirts may be ordered with your registration for \$14

See Greg Carcerano for all the information.

THE GAMBLER'S EXPRESS (LAUGHLIN TRIP, APRIL 1997)

BY JEANNE PARRISH

The Thursday group consisting of John/Gwen Riggs, Vince/Joann Mariola and Richard/Jeanne Parrish and Bev Marsh, left Orange Mall under threatening skies. After a gas stop and leisurely lunch, the 2 Model A's and the Parrish's modern, arrived on the far shores of the Colorado River known as Laughlin, Nev., seven hours later with no mechanical problems. Bill/Eleanor Shaner had arrived Wednesday from Wickenburg, Ariz. In a modern. Jim/Jo Nichols, Art/Olive Moore and Peit/Judy and Jason Dwinger and friends David and Terry arrived Friday in 2 Model A's and 2 moderns.

There was a Kabob dinner in Bullhead City Friday evening and a breakfast and fashion show on Saturday morning. Lots of shopping, socializing, tire-kicking, gymkaning (is that a word?) And of course gambling, took place Saturday afternoon. A small group went on a tour of nearby Davis Dam and inspected house boats at Katherine's Landing on Lake Mojave. Wouldn't a floating party be fun for a club activity?

The awards banquet was a delicious dinner and comedy skit followed with the presentation of trophies. Art/Olive Moore won a 1st place trophy in the commercial division for their 1930 Roadster PU. CONGRATULATIONS!

Everyone arrived home safely with no problems and all agreed it had been another great time. Next year we should try to have more Model A's on "The Gambling Express"!



Having Fun! At Least One Person Is.....



All The Men Got The Chairs!.....

Classified

For sale:

1931 Slant Windshield Sedan front seat frame.

This metal frame is new and built exactly as original. \$150.00

Wade Roberts
(714) 675-5457

Available:

Lou Spielberger has a room for the Santa Barbara tour he will not be able to use. Call him if you need one. (714) 751-5102

WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH.....

We would like to thank the following people for contributing to our Pancake Breakfast Raffle

Merchants

Vintage Ford
Catalina Passenger Service
Mimi's Restaurnats
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Egge's Parts House
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Pieter and Judi Dwinger
Carl & Nancy Erickson
Richard & Jeanne Parrish
Gary & Shirley Haubold
Joe & Marion Wavra
Queen Mary MAFCA
Special Thanks:
J.B. Geddes for our Signs



CLUB STUFF

Buttons and Bows

A lot of new things to check out. Be sure you see them at the meeting.

There will be a close out at special prices on some of the merchandise. It is a good time to pick up some extras.

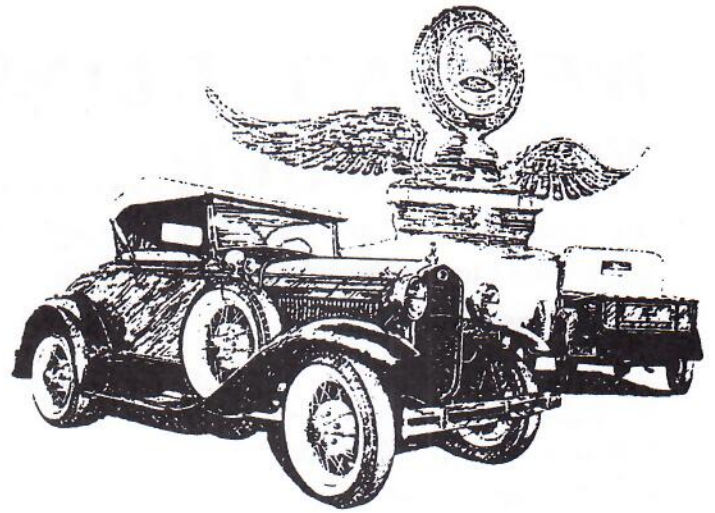
The new name badges are in and are a bargain at \$2.00. They look great.

Meeting program

Glenn Johnson has a slide show of the Placentia Fair, and the trip to Calico and the air show. If you were at these events or not, it is fun to enjoy the outings by having someone record the times we have together.

Flowers sent

We are all glad that Pearl Spielberger is back home after a stay in the hospital. Glad to hear she is improving as we go to press.'



Model A Drawings by Darrell Mountjoy

These beautiful art prints are available through our club. Each print is hand numbered and signed by the artist and includes a certificate of authenticity.

Image size: 15"x21"

Sheet size: 18"x24"

Cost: \$25.00 each.

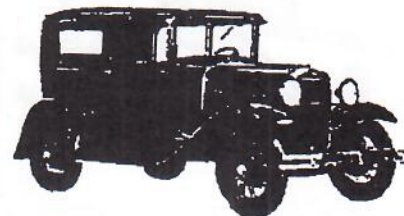
They display beautifully when framed and matted. Other prints are available such as T-Birds, Mercedes, etc.. For more info or if you would like to order one, please contact Greg Carcerano. Darrell has been very generous in giving 50% of the cost of each print back to the club. Remembering this, we should have tremendous sales of these fine prints to help support our club.

Message From the Technical Guys

Summer is here and it's tour and fun time. With many great tours coming up, let's not spoil it with unnecessary car problems. We all need to take time to do preventive maintenance. Remember it's the little things we neglect that are generally the ones that give us grief while touring.

Carl and Ted

P.S. Ask Carl about how to mix new carpet and oil base paint.....'



FORDS! FLAPJACKS! FUN!

The sun did not greet us but that did not keep those Model "A"s from pouring down the hill into Hart Park. A sight that makes all the hard work worth it.

A final count of 221 "A's" were registered and 35 antiques, hot rods and Classics. All in all, quite a show.

Everyone enjoyed the traditional Pancake breakfast. More than 1,000 breakfasts were served. But it seemed like 2,000 to those members behind the grills. How about those new coffee pots. The coffee kept flowing and it was great.

The raffle was the usual success, but not without a lot of work. **Wade Roberts** and **Gwen Riggs** kept it organized and members saw that there was a good variety of items for people to choose from. The set of tires were won by **Ray Tate** from the Paradise Valley Club.

One of the hardest jobs was done well by **Terry Lucas**. Keeping his munchkins in order and getting the raffle prizes out in fast order with lots of help from **Leslie Carcerano** and **John Riggs**.

The trophies were made by **Glenn Johnson** and club members proud to take them home were **Dennis Griffin** for 28-29 open roadster, **Vince Mariola** 30-31 open, and **Ed Cote'** and **Paul Cote'** for best of show. Other winners were: **Sharon & Konnie Smith** 30-31 closed, **R. B. Glenn** 28 pickup closed, **Mark Moore** best commercial, **Cloy Hardwig** non-Model A (33 Dodge) and **Mrs. Perez** (Cruzin A's) best Era Costume. We hope this is close to right as it was moving fast and was hard to keep track of it all.

All the club members put a lot of work into making this a success every year. Everyone deserves a big **CONGRATULATION!**

Now rest up for next year.....



They Just Keep Coming.....



The Big Day.....



Lotsa Gratitude

Many months ago, I volunteered to be "Purchasing & Supplies Chairperson" for the pancake breakfast. I thought "no problem! I'm a good shopper."

I can price compare and get bargains but, boy, did I need a lot of help with this task!

I want to thank: **Red Kiser** for individually cutting out and assembling 1200 buttons, **Don Schmidt** for purchasing 200 pounds of sausage and distributing them to our pre-cookers (big thanks to them, too), **Wade Roberts** who acquired and delivered many big tables, **David Plotkin** for buying, storing, icing and delivering milk, juice and margarine, **John and Gwen Riggs** for taking inventory, **Larry McKinney** for loading **Melinda's** truck (to the brim) with all the supplies from the club's storage and my son **Donald** for helping with all the "heavy" work.

As usual, it takes a lot of people pulling together to put on such an event.

By the way, how many of you know that a '96 Camry can carry 2400 eggs and 200 lbs. Of pancake mix?

Muchas Gracias,
Bev Marsh



THOSE HOT RODS ROARED IN TOO!



RAY TATE CAN'T BELIEVE HE WON
THOSE TIRES!



ONE OF THE WINNERS****



YOU GUYS HAVE TO WRITE YOUR
NAMES BETTER!



AND THE WINNER IS...



WINNER PAUL(PJ) COTE' & FRIEND



THE COVETED TROPHIES.



HE ALWAYS WINS!



WHAT DO YOU MEAN "SMOG CHECK"?



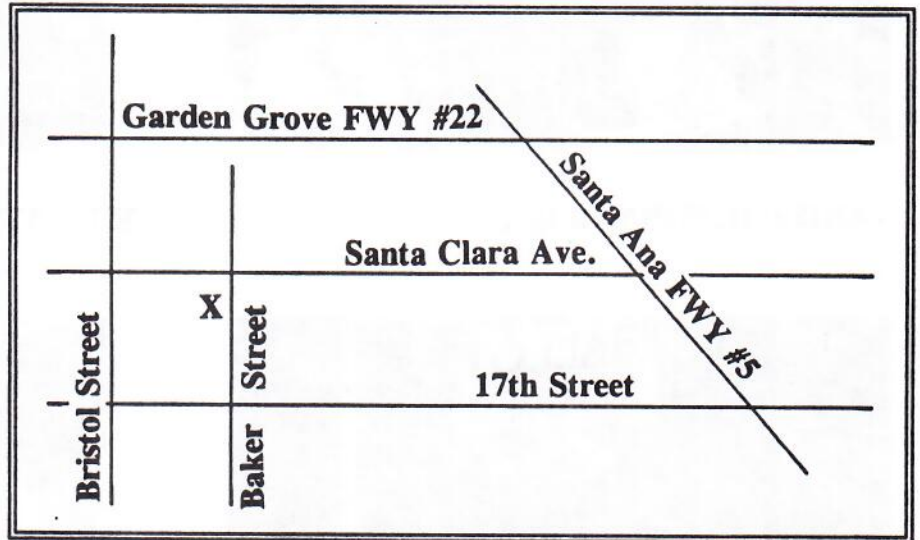
NO! HE ALWAYS WINS.....

GENERAL MEETING LOCATION

(Second Thursday of every month.)

May 8, 1997 @ 7:30 P.M.

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