

The Distributor

All Aboard!



The locomotive returns to the Christmas tree farm from Santa Paula to take us back to Fillmore. See "The Christmas Tree Train Tour" article inside for the full story.

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President's Column

As the new year comes upon us, it is time to reflect on the wonderful times we had this past year with all our Model A friends. Model A'ing is truly a family hobby. It is just as important to recognize the many volunteers who dedicated their time this past year. **THANK YOU TO ALL!**

The new Board has shaped up very well and I'm looking forward to working with them this year. There are new faces and new ideas coming in which should make it a great year for our club. Be sure to give the new Board Members your support as I'm sure they will work very hard this year to keep the club running smoothly and successfully. Many thanks go out to the new Board and Committee Chairpersons!

It sounds like its going to be an exciting, fun, and busy year this year with our clubs activities & technical seminars. Be sure to join in ou the fun as the time and effort that goes into these functions is truly appreciated by big turnouts.

Looking forward to an exciting year for our club. May the new year bring you Health and Happiness!

- Greg Carcerano

Board Meeting

Orange County Chapter
Model A Ford Club of America
December 17, 1998

by Colleen Schmidt, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President, John Riggs at the home of Don and Colleen Schmidt. Members present were Mike Kuester, John and Alice Graves, Greg Carcerano, Lee Jackson, Ken Zittler, Rick Peterson, Richard and Jeanne Parrish, and Colleen Schmidt. Minutes were approved as published in *The Distributor*.

Secretary's Report

The December General Meeting and Children's Christmas Party was held on Dec. 10 at Me and Ed's Pizza Parlor in Garden Grove, with about 17 children as guests. Thanks to Gerry McKinney, Bev Marsh, and Marion Wavra for putting on a great party for the kids, and a big thanks to Joe and Lydia Deleon for a terrific Santa piñata. Congratulations went to John and Alice Graves for their award-winning newsletter.

There were 76 members and guests who attended the Annual Installation and Awards Banquet at Westcoast Anaheim Hotel. The 1999 Board of Directors are: Greg Carcerano, President; Colleen Schmidt, Secretary; Alice Graves, Treasurer; Activities, Ken Zittler; John McMillan, Technical; and Editors, Rick and Deena Peterson. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to several deserving members. This year our Member of the Year award went to two people, John and Gwen Riggs. John and Gwen also received the Kelly Craig award for attending the most tours.

Treasurer

No report.

Activities

Ken Zittler reported plans for an outing February and is looking for suggestions for the summer tour. Wings & Wheels will be July 17.

Special Events

Lee Jackson discussed the Pancake Breakfast and other coming events. A motion by Alice Graves to authorize Lee to arrange for purchase of a set of five 19 or 21" black-wall tires as the grand prize for the Pancake Breakfast was carried with one abstention. Alice also made a motion to continue with the cost of breakfast for adults at \$3.50 and \$2.00 for children. Motion carried.

Editors

Rick Peterson reviewed ideas for *The Distributor*. January articles are due on the 22.

Technical

No report.

New Business

The annual audit of the books will be conducted by Mike Kuester and Greg Carcerano.

Old Business

Jeanne Parrish reported on the success of this year's banquet. A brief discussion was held on whether to consider the same location along with others when planning next year's event.

Next month's board meeting will be hosted by Greg Carcerano.

**Orange County Chapter
Model A Ford Club of
America**

Chartered 1961 - Santa Ana, CA



Schedule of Activities

Board of Directors

President

Greg Carcerano
949-645-2254

Secretary

Colleen Schmidt
714-524-2659

Treasurer

Alice Graves
949-497-3067

Technical

John McMillan
714-730-0544

Activities

Ken Zittler
949-770-3260

Editors

Rick & Deena Peterson
714-968-7950

Committee Chairpersons

Pancake Breakfast

Lee Jackson
714-521-8460

The World Class Swap Meet

Larry McKinney
714-963-2724

Sunshine & Sorrow

Jill McDonald
714-633-3771

ACCC Representative

Larry Conkol
714-535-1411

Regional Representative

Bev Marsh
714-373-9769

Refreshments

Peter Mastro
714-534-5792

Raffle

Gary Discher
714-533-1973
Walter Deutsch
714-693-1914

Buttons, Patches & Logos

Carl Erickson
714-997-2854

Club Greeter

Jon Heiland
714-836-4244

Historian

Deena Peterson
714-378-9042

Publishers

Bob & Karyn Sitter

January 1999

30-31 Saturday & Sunday 33rd Annual Turlock Swap Meet

Sponsored by Modesto Area A's.
Admission \$2 for buyers. For information call Janell Smith at (209) 874-5414.

February 1999

14 Sunday

Bring your favorite Valentine

Tour to Fire House #112, Berth 86, San Pedro (Ports-of-Call). Leave Coco's Garden Grove at 9:00 AM and drive to San Pedro. Meet up with Captain at 10:00 AM and tour the fire station, see the fire boat, and the huge pumps below decks. Picnic in the park across the street and then shop around Ports-of-Call. We will try to have a surface street group and a freeway group. Up to 40 people on tour, sign up quick.

20 Saturday San Diego Swap Meet

More details to come.

March 1999

12-14 Friday thru Sunday CCRG Jamboree in Bakersfield

28 Sunday Pancake Breakfast

8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at Hart Park (Glassell and 22 fwy in Orange). Breakfast: Adults - \$3.50; Kids - \$2.00. See flyer on page 7 for more information.

July 1999

17 Wednesday Wings & Wheels

October 1999

7-9 Friday thru Sunday MAFCA Western Divisional Meet Temecula

15-17 Friday thru Sunday Back in Time - Yuma '99

Co-hosted by the Model A Restorer's Club of Arizona and the Phoenix Model A Club. It will be held at The Silo Inn, Yuma Arizona.

Car games, car judging, tire raffle Hubley Durby, swap meet, women's & kid's activities, local tours, banquet, goodie bags, door prizes, tire kickin' friends, and fun.

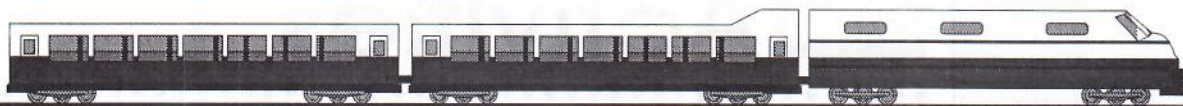
For more information contact: Janet Vogelsang (602-899-6746 or e-mail jljv366@aol.com) or Samuel Guthrie (602-963-5037).

Calendar Notes

It's time to start think about our Summer Tour. If you have suggestions please submit them in writing with daily schedules, approximate mileage for the day, accommodations, etc... I have received one written itinerary so far from Tom Endy.

The Christmas Tree Train Tour

by Glenn Johnson



“We ate our picnic lunches, loaded the trees on the flatcar and choo chooed back to the station.”

Early Sunday morning we were awakened by a heavy rain shower. “Rats”, it’s tour day and my deluxe delivery is in the garage all shined up and ready to go. By the time we got dressed and had a little breakfast the sun was out and the streets were starting to dry.

I warmed up the model A and we left for Cocos. Only three other Orange County Model A’s braved the wet streets, but many members came in moderns.

We left Cocos about 7:15 and drove nonstop north on the 405 to the 5 past Magic Mountain to the 126 west and into the quaint little town of Fillmore where we met several other Model A chapters at the railroad station.

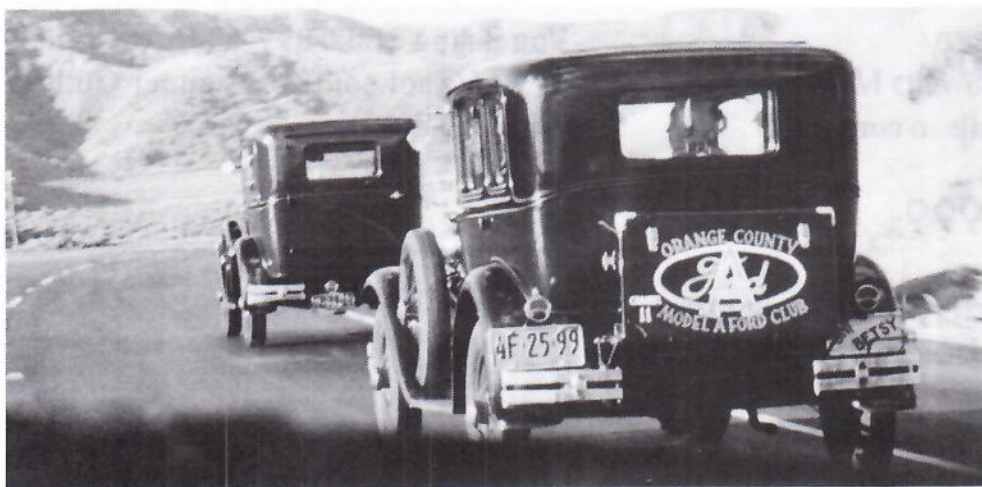


The half-hour ride took us to the Christmas tree farm where most of us cut the tree of our choice. We ate our picnic lunches, loaded the trees on the flatcar and choo chooed back to the station.



Most of the moderns took the freeway home, but John Riggs suggested that us Model Aers take the scenic route on 126 to Las Posas south to the Coast Highway. The afternoon sun was bright and the ocean was gorgeous. Good idea John! Traffic was unusually light and we all made it home before dark.

Great tour Greg! My grandson Christian especially enjoyed the Choo Choo.



We boarded the old train and found seats in the old passenger cars dating from 1928 through the early 50’s.

Old Time Christmas in Yorba Linda

by Don Schmidt

On December 3, four of our members enjoyed Old Time Christmas on Main Street in downtown Yorba Linda. Jo and Lydia Deleon came with their coupe all decorated for the season. Carl and Nancy Erickson, Bernie Marston, and Colleen and I were also there with our cars. We parked along Main Street with other collectable Fords, Buicks, and custom cars. About 20

in all.

We looked for the Deleons when we first got there, but they must have really been hungry because they were already having dinner at the Main Street Restaurant. The street and shops were decorated with garlands and lights, and the carolers were singing. Shop owners were serving hot chocolate, coffee, cookies, popcorn and candy, which we enjoyed while strolling

up and down the street. The men visited and inspected the cars while the ladies browsed through the shops.

We had an enjoyable visit with Nancy and Carl while having a mexican dinner at the Main Street Restaurant. All together, it was a pleasant old-fashioned Christmas gathering.



In Remembrance Pearl Spielberg by Richard & Jeanne Parrish



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When we returned to the club in 1986, Louie and Pearl quickly became our friends. They were very involved and active until about three years ago when Pearl had a number of health set backs. She had good days and bad and still came to club events, such as last year's installation banquet, when she could.

I took my grandson to the "cruise" in Huntington Beach Saturday the 21st of November, and stopped to visit. Pearl looked and felt good and came outside to see my car. She was planning on coming to the installation banquet. When Louie and I went into the garage, she called Keith over and had a little talk. I told Keith it was nice he stayed and talked to her. He

said "she gave me a hug and I hugged her back." She had a massive stroke the following Tuesday and never regained consciousness. What a nice memory of a wonderful lady.

Jeanne, as sunshine and sorrow, has been sending Pearl a get well card every couple of weeks. At the reception, after the funeral, her daughter Doris pulled Jeanne aside and mentioned all the cards Pearl had kept and said "you don't realize how much my mother loved you" (Orange County Model A Club members).

We will miss you Pearl and you will never be far from our thoughts as we tour the back roads in those Model A's you loved so much until we meet again.

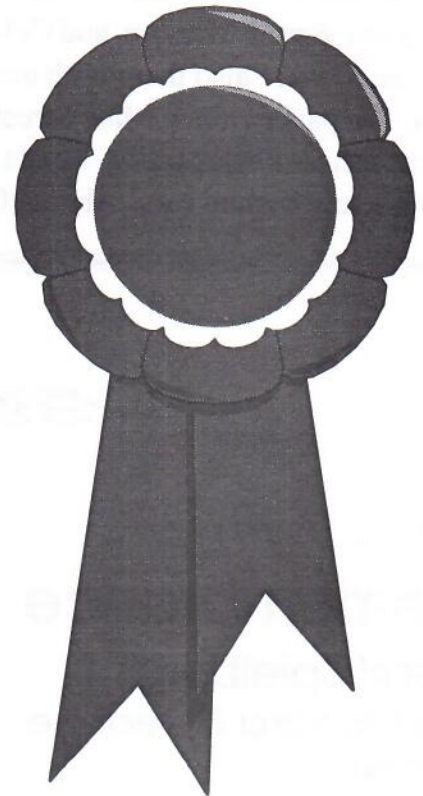
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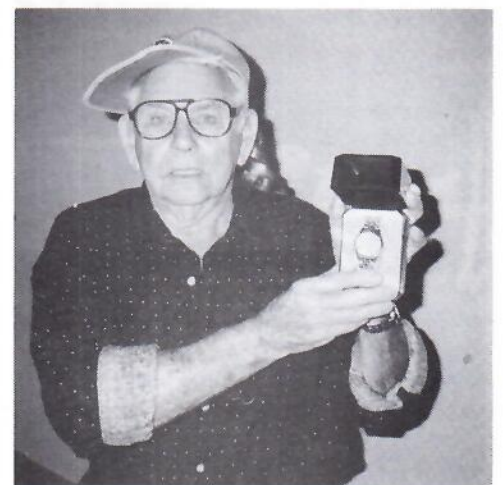
John Riggs receives a Ponytail hat from Diana Stewart; because, he gave her a hard time about cutting her long her hair.



Vincent Mariala presented John and Gwen Riggs the Jack Payton Memorial Trophy as 1998 Members of the Year.



Introducing the new 1999 Board Members. From left to right: Deena and Rick Peterson, Editors; John McMillan, Technical; Ken Zittreer, Activities; Alice Graves, Treasurer; Colleen Schmidt, Secretary; Lee Jackson, Special Events; and Greg Carcerano, President.



John Riggs received this handsome watch as a gift of appreciation from the 1998 board members.

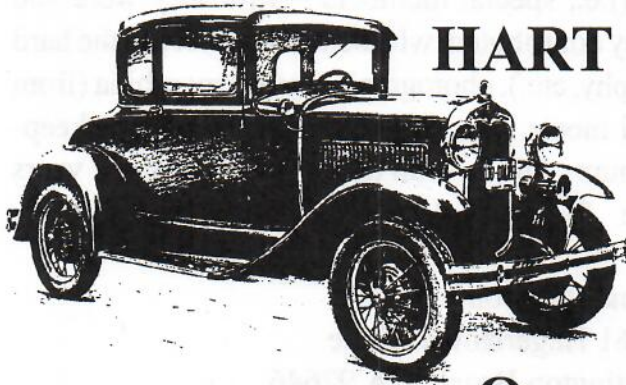
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 - 11:00 A.M.

HART PARK, ORANGE

(RAIN OR SHINE)



CARS

FUN

Orange County Model A Ford Club

invites you to bring your car, your friends, and your appetite for a morning of fun, food and companionship.

FOOD

Pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice & coffee

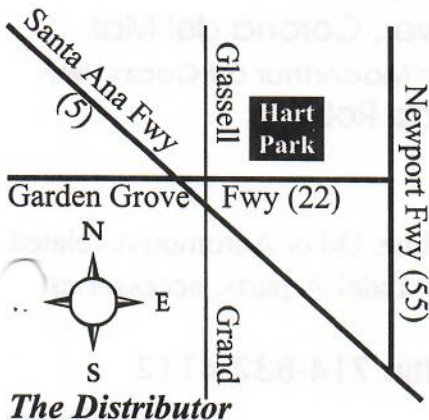
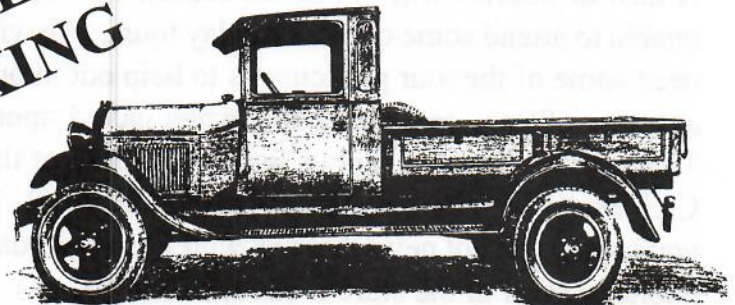
Donation: Adults - \$3.50 Kids - \$2.00

ERA FASHIONS

RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE

Set of 5 19" or 21" Blackwall Tires

TIRE KICKING



More information call Lee Jackson (714) 521-3240 or
E Mail LeeJ@FAFCU.ORG



Historian Wants...

Any/all club photographs and stories for our historical library. Just think how nice it would be to have a documented history of the club in one place! I am here to turn your stories (i.e., special members – who they were and how they contributed, why someone received the hard luck trophy, etc.), photographs and memorabilia (from national meets, pancake breakfasts, etc.) into keepsake albums for the club to enjoy now and for years to come. Please send your contributions today!

Deena Peterson
21061 Hagerstown Circle
Huntington Beach, CA 92646
714-378-9042



We Look Forward to a Fun 1999 by Ken Zitter

Janet and I are excited about being the new Activities Chairpersons. Please understand that we own a retail, seasonal business. When the weather is good and hot, we are busy; sometimes very busy. Saturdays are our busiest days at the store. A lack of interest will not be the reason we will be unable to attend some of the Saturday tours. We will need some of the tour participants to help out in our absence. Please remember this when called upon. Thank you. You will find us listed at the end of the Club Roster; remember our new area code is 949. If you have some hot news that just won't wait, our day phone number at the store is (818) 762-9088.

Classified Ad's...

Special Model A Parts & Accessory Sale

Parts collected over 40 years include engines, transmissions, starters, generators, one complete rear end, wire wheels, many accessories including driving light, float-o-motor, parade flags, Model A Ford books, 15 years of *The Restorer* and much more.

Saturday, January 16, 1999

7:30 AM

606 Dahlia Ave., Corona del Mar

Two blocks south of MacArthur off Coast Hwy.

Wade Roberts

Wanted:

Looking for Gasoline, Oil or Automotive related signs. Will trade for Model A parts, accessories or pay cash.

Dennis Griffin 714-832-4112

Editor's Note

By Rick Peterson



This is your newsletter; so get involved! We want to hear from you. The club newsletter is a place to share your pictures, stories and information. Below I have listed some suggestions for articles you may want to submit for publication in *The Distributor*.

Are you a new member?

Submit an article telling us about yourself and how you got interested in restoring Model A's. This is a great way to introduce yourself.

Are you currently restoring a Model A?

Submit articles about how your project is coming along. This is a great way to get assistance from other club members. It would be interesting to document your progress month to month – remember to include photographs.

Do you own a 1929?

Submit an article about your car with photographs. It is the 70th birthday for 1929s and we would like to learn about your automobile and its history.

Have you gone on a recent tour?

Many club members are unable to attend and would enjoy hearing about it. Submit an article about your experience and share your photographs from the trip.

Do you have something you want to sell?

Submit a classified "For Sale" advertisement.

Do you have something you want to buy?

Submit a classified "Wanted" advertisement.

Do you have a favorite recipe?

Share it with others by submitting it for publication in our newsletter.

Ways to Submit Material:

E-mail

This is the preferred method since it does not require us to retype the body. You may send text and digital pictures to our personal e-mail address: rick_and_deena_peterson@compuserve.com

Fax

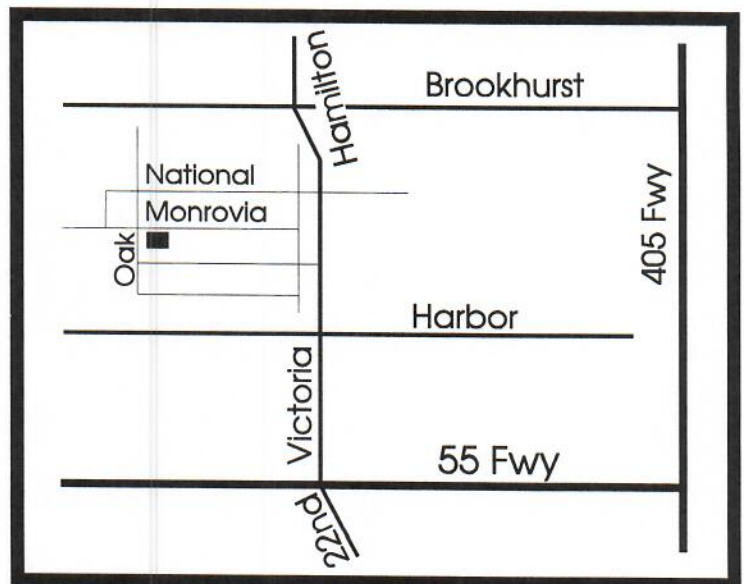
Please call ahead to arrange a time to send the fax. We need to turn our computer on and set it up to receive the fax.

In Person

Find us at the meetings and give us your materials or make an appointment to stop by our residence.

Deadline

Articles must be submitted by January 22 to be included in the next issue of *The Distributor*.



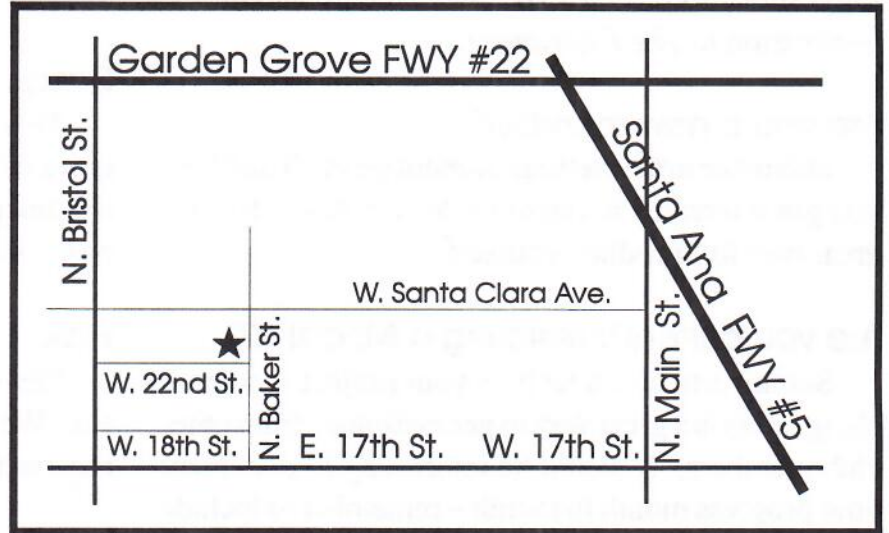
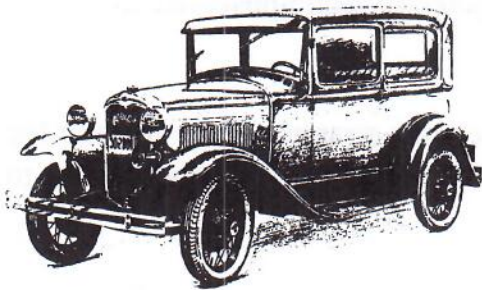
Map to Carcerano's: 2094 Monrovia

General Meeting Location

[Second Thursday of every month]

January 14th, 1999 @ 7:30 P.M.

Santiago Elementary School
2212 N. Baker Street
Santa Ana, CA



First Class Mail

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Santa Ana, CA 92711

