

# The Distributor

## Henry Ford B-Day Picnic



*Bocci Ball Gang (Left to Right): Leslie Carcerano, Vince Mariola (Godfather), Greg Carcerano, Ken Zittler, Rick Hall, Colleen Schmidt. Photo donated by Don and Colleen Schmidt.*

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## President's Column

Hi everyone and welcome new members! Hope you're having a great summer so far.

We have had numerous activities in June which were enjoyed by many of our members. The Antique Nationals and the Henry Ford Picnic were fun days for all who attended. Over 25 Model A's came to the Great Race. The cars that were entered in the race were unusual and spectacular. Also, there were several Model A's entered. In addition, there was also a wide variety of vintage cars that participated during the day.

By the time you read this article the membership Luau will have come and gone. I'm certain the day

will have gone well and you looked great in your Hawaiian garb.

Have you seen the club's website yet? Thanks Rick for all your efforts in putting it together for all of us to enjoy.

There was no technical seminar in June due to John's surgery but there will be one in July. (Hope you're feeling better, John.) I also want to mention that Vince Mariola had surgery and is on the mend.

Hope you had a safe and happy 4th of July. See you at the meeting or on the road!

Arrivederci!

Greg Carcerano

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Model A Ford Club of  
America**

Chartered 1961 - Santa Ana, CA

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## For Sale

### 1930 De Luxe Coupe

Restored with rumble seat, stone guard, etched wind wings, motometer, five white wall tires with left hand side mount. Dark brown over chicle drab with straw pin striping and wheels. Mitchell over drive, rebuilt rear end and transmission, new clutch and balanced flywheel assembly, leakless water pump, alternator and new timing gear. ASKING \$12,000.

Jim Nichols  
(714) 546-2969

### 1931 Victoria

Good condition, interior and body. Great running conditions. 6 Volt electrical system. Turn signals and seat belts added. Green color. Looking for loving home. Price is \$14,000.

Marilyn or Gary Chambers  
(714) 540-6332 or (800) 927-3311

### Parts

Set of 4 new Goodyear whitewall diamond tread tires 450x21". These have been stored in a dark cool environment and are still fresh tires. \$300/set. Mint-show quality '30-'31 quail radiator ornament - "original" - not re-pop \$400. Mint-show quality '29 radiator ornament - "original" - not re-pop \$400. '28 Model F.M. convex cover Model A horn - restored \$150. Original, mint condition perch bolts \$25 ea.

Terry Lucas  
(714) 633-0390

### 1931 Coupe

All original except headlights. Solid Roof. Two engines. Runs good. Rumble seat. Needs seats. \$5,000.

Ramon Yabra  
(714) 502-0665

### 1939 Town Sedan

Black with red stipe. Mohair upholstery. Older restoration. Runs well. Needs lots of detail work; but, could be a nice tour car. \$12,000 OBO

Bernice Alexander  
1811 North Heliotrope Drive  
Santa Ana, California 92706  
(714) 541-6412

### 1929 Town Sedan

A beautiful driver. Brumfield head 12 volt system. The rest is stock. Only one left! Drive it home for \$11,500.

John Graves  
(949) 497-3067

## Wanted

### Automotive Signs

Looking for gasoline, oil or automotive related signs. Will trade for Model A parts, accessories or pay cash.

Dennis Griffin  
(714) 832-4112

### 1928 AR Fender

Right front NOS or excellent condition preferred.

Glen Johnson  
(714) 528-0891

# Schedule of Activities

July 1999

## 8, Thursday General Meeting

Hart Park, 7:00 PM. (Pot Luck at 6:00 PM. Last names A-L bring side dish, salad, or dessert, M-Z bring main dish.)

## 9, Friday Technical

Dale McCall will lead a steering seminar at McMillan's home. See page 11 for directions. 7:00 PM

UPDATED

## 15, Thursday Board Meeting

Dick Church's restaurant in Costa Mesa. See map on page 11. 7:30 PM

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## 15, Thursday Early Wings 'N Wheels

Leave Coco's Valley View at 10:00 AM. The Shaner's are leading this group, call them to get on the list (714) 758-8129.

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## 16-18, Friday-Sunday 5th Wings 'N Wheels

Leave Coco's Valley View at 9:30 AM Friday the 16th. The Riggs are leading this group. Gwen says to bring bathing suits. Call them at (714) 870-8332 to get on the list.

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## 31, Saturday Palomar Observatory

We need a minimum of 10 cars to make this tour happen. Because of the time commitment that Bill Douglas has to make, a minimum of 10 cars and hopefully 20 plus people are required to make this a viable tour. There is no back-up tour planned at this time. Sign up at the July meeting or bring ideas for an alternate tour.

August 1999

## 12, Thursday General Meeting

Hart Park, 7:00 PM. (Pot Luck at 6:00 PM)

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## 15, Sunday Happy 70th Birthday

1929 Model A Birthday Picnic.

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## 19, Thursday Board Meeting

Dick Church's restaurant in Costa Mesa. See map on page 11. 7:30 PM

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## 29, Sunday Poker Run

September 1999

## 10, Thursday General Meeting

Santiago Elementary School, 7:30 PM

## 10-12, Friday-Sunday 39th Annual Rim of the World

Sponsored by the Whittier Chapter. Our club has been staying at the Black Forest Inn in Big Bear. Fliers will be available at the meetings.

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## 16, Thursday Board Meeting

Shakey's Pizza in Costa Mesa.

October 1999

## 7-10, Thursday-Sunday Western Divisional Meet

In Temecula. Our club is hosting the gymkhana. See John McMillan, he'll need some help. We will put on three events.

## 14, Thursday General Meeting

Santiago Elementary School, 7:30 PM

## 15-17, Friday-Sunday Back in Time

Yuma Arizona Tour

## 21, Thursday Board Meeting

Shakey's Pizza in Costa Mesa.

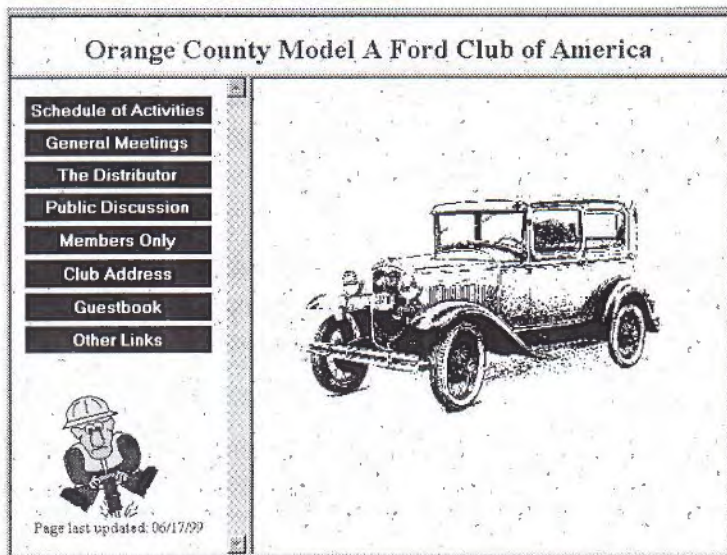
# Club Website

by Rick Peterson

It is official, we have a club website. You can check it out by entering the following URL into your favorite internet browser: [WWW.OCMAFCA.ORG](http://WWW.OCMAFCA.ORG)

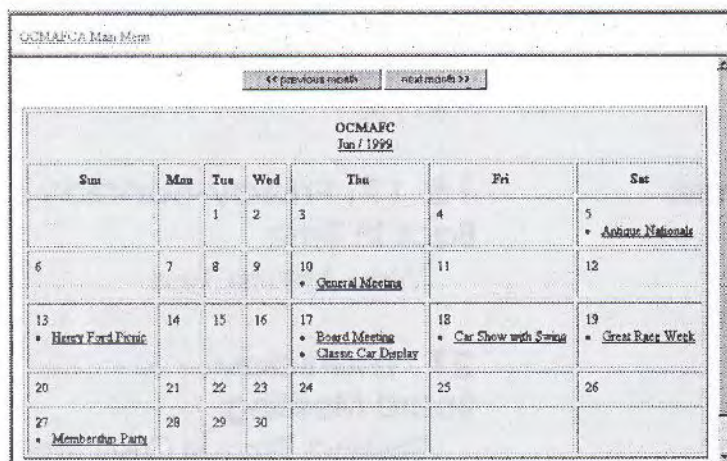
You will first be greeted by a title page with a hit counter which indicates the number of visits to our website.

After several seconds, the title page will be replaced by a main menu. Following is a run down of the current menu choices:



## Schedule of Activities

This is an interactive calendar for the current month. Click on an event to display a small new window showing the event's name, date, time, place and details. Buttons provide navigation to previous and next month. When you are done, click on the [OCMAFCA Main Menu](#) link to return.



## General Meetings

Provides the date, time and location of our next general meeting with a map for visitors.

## The Distributor

Contains electronic copies of our 1999 issues of *The Distributor*. Each issue is an Acrobat PDF file which retains all the original formatting. In fact, you even get to see the newsletter in color.

## Public Discussion

An electronic bulletin board where the public can post topics and respond to them. Do you have a Model A question or experience to share? If so, please contribute to this discussion.

## Members Only

A restricted area of the website for club members only. An account username and password will be made available at general meetings; or, you can e-mail me at [webmaster@ocmafea.org](mailto:webmaster@ocmafea.org). In the near future, look here for an updated electronic version of our roster.

## Club Address

Displays our club's mailing address so visitors can send us materials.

## Guestbook

A place for visitors to leave their name, e-mail, web page, city, state, country and comments. It is informative to see who has visited and fun to read their comments.

## Other Links

A list of other interesting website to visit. Currently, we have links to MAFCA and photo's from our '99 Pancake Breakfast.

## Future

It's under construction; so, check often for changes.

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# New Members



## July

**Tony MacIntosh**  
20214 Lake Canyon Drive  
Walnut Ca, 91789

## April

**Richard & Helen Koontz**  
906 Cercis Place  
Newport Beach, CA 92660  
(949) 644-1028

## June

**Rick & Louise Hall**  
3532 E. Marywood Dr.  
Orange, CA 92867  
(714) 282-0499

**John & JoAnn Pickrell**  
6416 Lago Grande Drive  
Bonsall, CA 92003  
(760) 631-5720

**Drain & Doris Marshall**  
5153 Willow Wood Rd.  
Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274  
(310) 378-5061

**Larry & Carolyn Romaine**  
641 N. Fonda  
La Habra, CA 90631  
(562) 691-8578

## May

**Larry & Joyce McCullah**  
19116 Pioneer Blvd.  
Cerritos, CA 90703  
(714) 879-4026

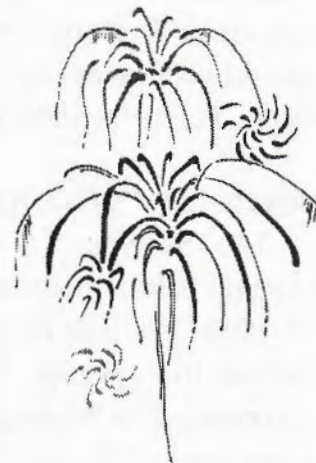
**Richard & Maria Smith**  
22412 Sunlight Creek  
Lake Forest, CA 92630  
(949) 770-6847

**Benjamin Wilber**  
16096 Tortola Circle  
Huntington Beach, CA 92649  
(714) 840-3798

**Ellie & Karl Urand**  
12262 Singing Wood Dr.  
Santa Ana, CA 92705



Take a moment to update your '99 Roster with the above information and welcome these new members.



by  
**Lydia De Leon**

*People need to  
stop seeing people  
as Black, Brown and  
Yellow*

*And start seeing  
them as Red, White  
and Blue truly  
fellow Americans*

# Board Meeting

## Orange County Chapter Model A Ford Club of America

June 17, 1999

by Colleen Schmidt, Secretary

**T**he meeting was held at Shakey's Pizza in Costa Mesa and called to order at 7:30 PM by Greg Carcerano. Members present were Greg Carcerano, Jean and John McMillan, Ken Zittler, John and Alice Graves, John and Gwen Riggs, Rick and Deena Peterson, and Colleen Schmidt.

### Secretary's Report

The following is a brief summary of the General Meeting held at Santiago Elementary School on June 10, 1999. Jon Heiland introduced Don Stevens who was visiting from Messa, AZ. Alice Graves shared her experience with Washington Mutual and announced that a new account for the club had been opened at Bank of America. Ken Zittler previewed summer activities and presented mileage awards to the following: John and Alice Graves, Vince and Joan Mariola, Lou Spielberger, John and Gwen Riggs, Rick and Deena Peterson (their first), Richard and Jeanne Parrish, and Merle McClellan. Handouts for the 1999 Western Divisional Meet in Oct. were made available along with sign-up sheets for the Henry Ford Birthday Picnic, Membership Party/Luau, and Wings & Wheels. Because of unexpected surgery, John McMillan will not be able to conduct the technical seminar scheduled for Saturday, 6/12. Rick Peterson recognized and thanked contributors to last month's newsletter. Articles are due by June 18. Check your *The Distributor* for our new website address. If you purchased an out-of-state Model A prior to 1991 it is very likely that you are entitled to a DMV rebate. Contact Greg Carcerano for more information. Members interested in the summer tour were invited to attend the June Board Meeting. Rick Peterson gave a testimonial on having a CB while touring with the club. He found it not only useful, but also entertaining, and encouraged those who don't have one yet, to make that investment. The July General Meeting will be held at Hart Park. Minutes were approved.

### Treasurer

Alice Graves reported that all bills for the Pancake Breakfast now in and paid. An itemized report of expenses for the month of May was distributed. A 6-month CD has been purchased.

### Activities

There will be two separate groups driving to Wings & Wheels: Thursday, 7/15, lead by Bill Shaner; and Friday, 7/16, headed by John Riggs. In order to confirm the Palomar tour on July 31, we will need to have a minimum of 10 or 12 cars. If you are interested, be sure to sign up at the next meeting.

### Technical

Plans are being made to have a technical seminar steering, at the home of Dale McCall.

### Editors

Rick Peterson passed out copies of our new web pages. The website is up and running and includes the following: Schedule of Activities, General Meetings, The Distributor, Public Discussion, Members Only, Club Address, Guestbook, and Other Links. Updates and improvements are being made on a weekly basis.

### New Business

A motion by John Riggs to purchase a new supply of business cards was seconded and carried.

We have approximately 4-6 cars that are making plans for a summer tour to the Napa Valley wine country. Contact John Riggs if you are interested.

The July Board Meeting will be held at Dick Church's restaurant in Costa Mesa. See page 11 for map and more information.

# Henry Ford Day Picnic



by  
Ken Zittner

**S**unday June 13 brought a beautiful morning and a perfect day for a picnic. The Diamond Tread Chapter was hosting the annual Henry Ford Day Picnic at Heritage Park (remember that name), in beautiful downtown Santa Fe Springs.

Seven Model A's showed up at Coco's for the 9:00 AM departure. It's just a short freeway drive up the 605. Yours truly was in the lead and I was giving directions to everyone over channel 11 on the CB's. We got off the 605 on Florence, turned under the freeway and left into Wilderness Park, site of the previous two picnics. Huh oh, the gate is locked across the roadway we are supposed to go down to park our cars. A quick look around, and I can't see any other Model A's at all. Look at the tlier someone said. It says right here the picnic is at Heritage Park. The problem is the tour leader, that would be me, lead everyone to Wilderness Park. Hey, anyone can look at a Thomas Bros. before you go. But that takes all, or most, of the fun out of it right? Well as luck would have it, we were only a couple of miles from the real Heritage Park.

When we checked in, our cars were numbered in the 40's. Later in the morning Larry and Gerry checked in and they were in the 80's. So there was pretty close to 100 Model A's and a few hot rods there.

The park was real nice. Plenty of tables, plenty of shade. A Santa Fe Springs Heritage Museum and a railway museum. Lots of neat stuff. Bacci Ball on the grass compliments of Godfather. Surprise menu turned out to be burgers and dogs. The surprise was they ran out of hamburger buns and served the burgers on hot dog buns. Congrats to John Graves for winning a water pump in the parts raffle (he always wins).

We took off for home about 2:00 PM.

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*Looks like they took a REST stop. Left to Right: Colleen Schmidt, Greg Carcerano, Vince Mariola, John Graves. Photo donated by Don and Colleen Schmidt.*



*John Graves gets pumped up. Photo donated by Don and Colleen Schmidt.*

# Carburetor JETSSSSSS

by Dan Adelman



In a galaxy far, far away... (opps). O.K., Once upon a time there was a... (opps). O.K., In the beginning... (opps, sorry). One more time... At some point in time many years ago, I had read an article concerning Zenith carburetor problems. Well, this article had to do with testing of jets. I had actually written an article for *The Distributor* with an open question as to the source of the information until recently. With great diligence, called sheer luck, I found the original article. It was *Carburetor Orifices Test* by Al Blatter of Southfield, Michigan and was published in the January/February 1983 *Model A Times*. Now, with all of that out of the way here is what I found and the abbreviated information from the article.

Henry had jets tested for correct flow using a pressured head of 36 inches of water being applied through the jet. Water was used for this testing because it was cheap, and had the same flow characteristics of gasoline. A simple device can be built to test your own jets. I modified the one described in the article to use PVC pipe and connections. Using the unit to test many jets, I have found huge ranges from extremely rich to extremely lean on both original and reproduction jets. By correcting the jets to the correct size, then retesting for flow, I have had no problems with the carburetors I have rebuilt. Orifice size can be checked using either Paul Moller's book or Les Andrews book. I personally prefer using

the drills in the Les Andrews book. You can also check the stream of water passing through the jet to make sure it is solid and consistent.

The actual test device is shown on the next page. To use it, attach a hose to the connector at the bottom of the testing unit. Press the jet to be tested into the plastic tubing. Turn the hose on

very slowly, until a slow steady stream of water is running out of the top of the wedge. At this point, there should be a steady stream of water coming out of the orifice. If the jet is partially clogged or burred, the jet stream will not be solid and consistent. Now take

Flow ranges with 36.0 inches of water pressure:

MAIN JET.....	159 to 163 cc/min
CAP JET .....	176 to 180 cc/min
COMP JET .....	152 to 156 cc/min
IDLE JET .....	46 to 50 cc/min

Readings greater mean the jet is too rich; readings below mean the jet is too lean.

your waterproof watch with a second hand and a calibrated measuring container and measure the total flow for one minute. (Measuring units can be found at large camera supply stores and scientific/medical supply stores.) Compare your results to the chart. If it is too lean, use the correct drill to open the jet orifice. If too rich, place a .020 stainless wire through the orifice and solder the orifice opening. The solder will not stick to the stainless wire and it will provide an opening for the drill. Remove the wire and drill to the correct size. Retest.

Of course with rebuilding, make sure all other components are correctly restored. There is another good article on jets in the March/April 1985 issue of the *Model A News*.





Submitted by  
Lydia De Leon  
Author Unknown

*Cots of Cars have one  
part that disparately  
needs to be recalled.*

*The nut behind the  
wheel.*

40 inch by 1 inch PVC pipe

Attach brass nipple  
approximately 1 inch from  
bottom of pipe. Glue PVC  
threaded adapter to bottom  
of pipe. Screw on brass  
female hose connector.

Cut a wedge EXACTLY 36  
inches from the center of  
the nipple adapter to the  
bottom of the wedge

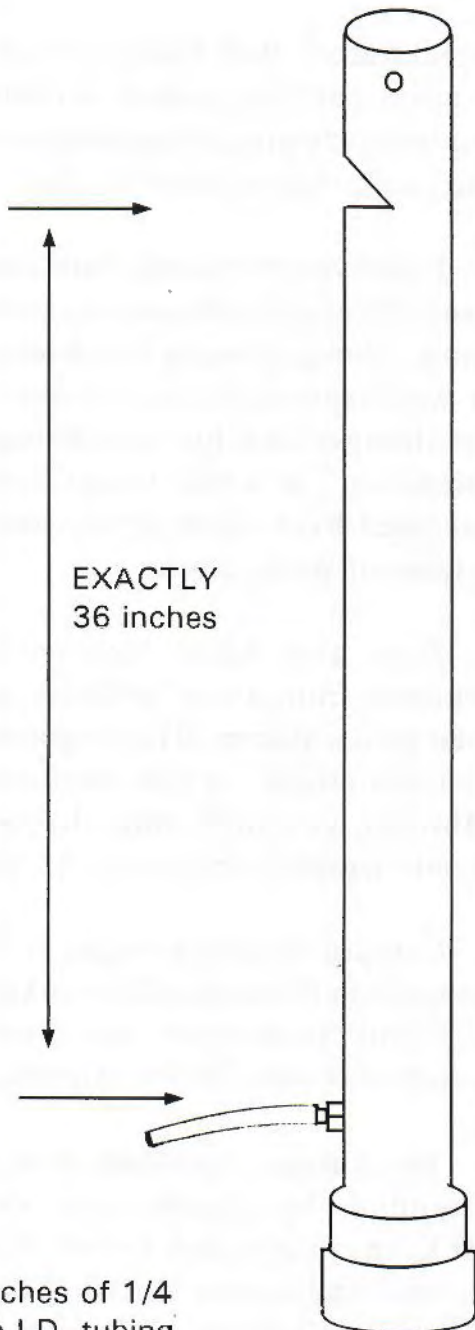
An optional hole for a  
hanger can be drilled at the  
top.

Attach four inch piece of  
1/4 inch I.D. tubing to the  
nipple.

1/4 inch brass nipple adapter

Threaded male PVC adapter

Brass female hose adapter



EXACTLY  
36 inches

4 inches of 1/4  
inch I.D. tubing



# New News

by Unknown



Submitted by  
Lydia De Leon  
Author  
Unknown

*They invented  
self cleaning ovens.*

*I wish they  
would invent self  
cleaning garages.*

There was a good turnout for the brake seminar at John & Jean McMillan's. John showed everyone how to make their cars stop without dragging their feet. Our new old member, Rick Hall, said his car had never stopped so good.

Nancy Ericksou got to come home for a few days to recuperate, but she has returned to the hospital for another series of treatments. We all wish them both well.

Up at Santa Barbara there were lots of games of musical rooms, but it all ended up happy ever after with everyone with the room of their choice and the right number of nights. If you don't want to miss out on all the fun next year call Joan at Motel 6 Beach at (805) 564-1392. Some go as early as 5/17 returning 5/21. On to the unbelievable, Vince Mariola had a camera that actually had film in it. This has got to be a first. There was rumor going around that room 109 was the "Hot Spot" with lots of stories emanating from there. Room 109 contained the bar.

Several cars have been going to the Farmers Market to promote "The

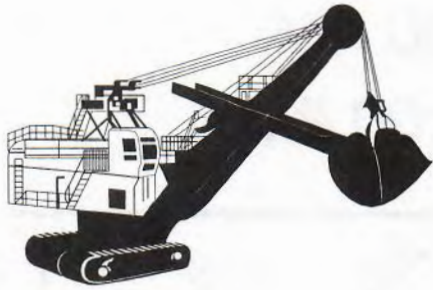
Great Race". Rick Hall (wife's name Louise) paid the market a visit and enjoyed renewing acquaintances with the Godfather and his Phaeton.

Fairhaven Memorial Park had its usual Memorial Day service and car show. Orange County had three cars. It was especially nice to see Lou Speilberger and his granddaughter attending. It was a lovely service accented by a super fly-by and the release of white doves.

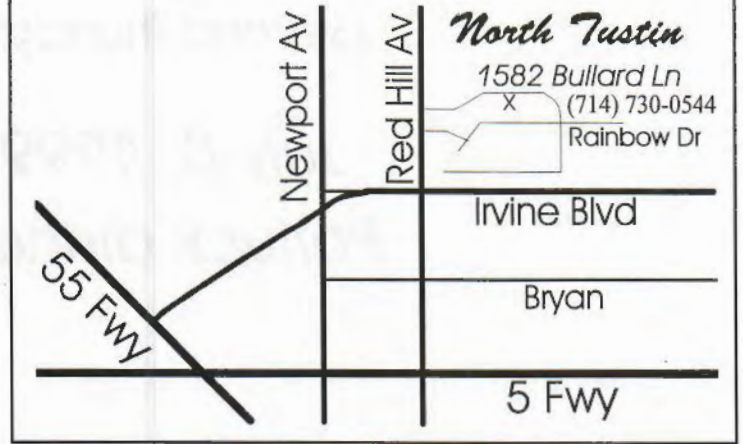
John and Alice Graves have returned from a trip to Ohio to see their grandchildren. They experienced a cicada attack. If you are from the Midwest, you know what that is and it only happens once every 17 years.

Captain Jason Dwinger is back home from Prescott and is working as a flight instructor for Sunrise Aviation at John Wayne Airport.

The Antique Nationals were well attended by Larry and Gerry McKinney, Art and Olive Moore, Richard and Jeanne Parrish, Ted and Helen Loeffler and Al Zannino. As usual, Olive's purple speedster was a big hit. There was super bar-b-q and a good time was had by all.



## Map to McMillan's Home



Submitted by  
Lydia De Leon

*Freeways are described by  
two words:*

*Over crowded  
and  
Under construction*

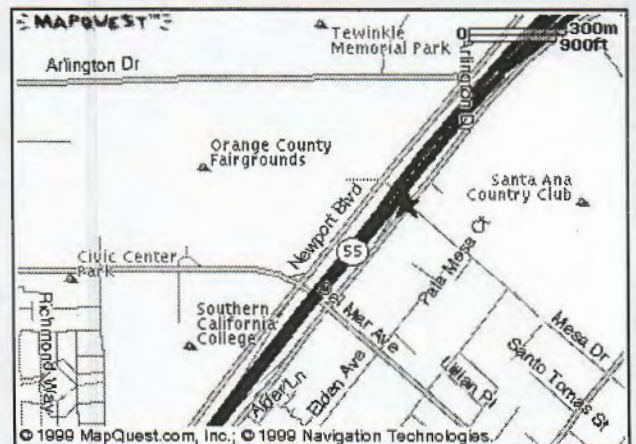


## July Board Meeting Map

Dick Church's  
2698 Newport Blvd.  
Costa Mesa  
(949) 646-7762



City Map



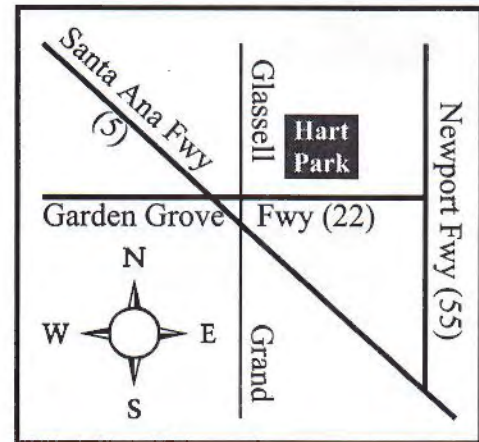
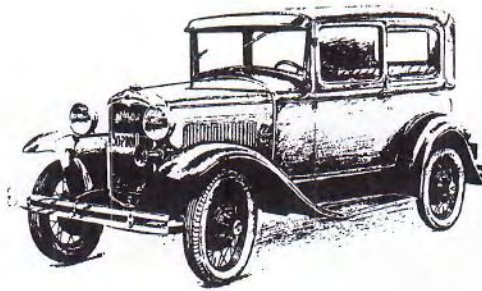
Street Map

# General Meeting Location

[Second Thursday of every month]

**July 8, 1999 @ 7:00 P.M.**

**Potluck dinner @ 6:00 P.M.**



Hart Park  
Orange, CA

## First Class Mail

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