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This April's General Meeting will include our annual White Elephant auction

With the help of many club members, this year's Pancake Breakfast event was another success!

From the Other John

When I left Arizona for college in Los Angeles, my folks talked me into selling my '37 Chevy coupe to help cover expenses. I luckily was able to sell it for the same amount that I paid for it, \$125. There were lots of busses in L. A. and a car seemed to be an unnecessary expense. I rode the bus each morning and evening from Western and Wilshire to Woodbury College, which was then located on Wilshire just West of the almost completed Harbor Freeway. When I later moved closer to school, I only had to walk a short distance. But I also had to walk to work on Spring Street which was at lot further.

Having no car was just fine for a while, especially since I was really poor. This was the period in my life when I used a lot of "shoe leather transportation." My budget was so paltry that when my shoe soles got holes in them, I put cardboard in the bottom to keep my socks off the pavement. It worked great unless it rained. Then I would take the bus and not try to save the 25 cents.

The real problem came when I wanted to date a girl in the Silver Lake area. Buses and taxi cabs were not all that appealing, nor cheap. By then my buddy Buzz and I had door-to-door sales jobs that paid a commission. I was able to get to my assigned area by riding with him in his car. I envisioned a great potential income. Perhaps I should say that I rationalized that I would

have a great income. I also rationalized that, without having to rely on a partner's car, I could do even better.

My dad co-signed another car loan so I could buy a car. This time the car I bought was only eleven-years old. It was a deep blue '41 Chevy sedan. My friends could pile in for dates, and I could use it for my door-to-door sales. Even though it was newer, it also cost \$125. Sedans didn't have as good a resale value as coups.

Since door-to-door sales didn't go all that well, my life didn't get any easier. It got harder to meet the bills now that I had car payments. Things got even more compounded when my car was stolen and my frugal or foolish budget had only allowed for liability insurance. But, that is another story. This one is about rationalization.

I seem to be a good rationalizer. I guess rationalizing is what helps me to spend money on my toys. Many of you are probably in the same boat. Our hobby with model A's is just that—a hobby. A few make money on all our doings, but that is rare. We love it, and it is good, clean fun. It is better to have "Henry's lady" in the garage than other vices I could name.

There is one thing that money can't buy, and that is the friendships that we are forming in our club. Hope to see you on the road.

President, John Knox

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For Sale

'30 Town Sedan

'39 transmission, hydraulic
brakes, solid car. Drives nice.
Many, many accessories. \$12,000
Don Schade
(562) 693-0579

Model A Jim Beam Set

All nine cars with unbroken seals. Glass front display cabinet to hold all nine cars. \$1,500 Merle McClellan (949) 470-1929

We Love A Parade

(much more if it doesn't rain!)

by Alice Graves

Yes, it did rain on our parade.

The annual Patriot's Day Parade in Laguna Beach found the club well represented. Leading the parade were two Phaetons. They were carrying the honorees. Vince Mariola and John Knox had that honor. Four Model A's represented the non-profit La Playa which has free

Wanted

'30-31 Rear Fenders

Still looking for a nice set of Sedan rear fenders.

Dan Adelmann (714) 963-6318 - Home (714) 432-5541 - Work

Men's hat

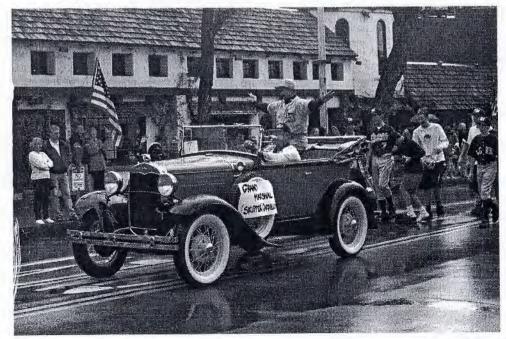
Black Model A-era with band (a hat to go with a mans' suit). Size: Bob Ferazzi's head.

> Bob or Patty Ferazzi (714) 838-1036

English language classes during the day and child care during the classes. Those cars were John and Gwen Riggs, Jim and Joanne Nichols, Bob and Sonia Meyerhof and John and Alice Graves. Later in the parade was Lou Spielberger representing the Sons of the American Revolution.

Even though we did not expect to be in the judging – we were. Lou got first for an antique car, Bob and Sonia second and the Riggs third. A clean sweep!

Afterwards we all made the steep hill up to the Graves for lunch to avoid the after parade congestion.



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Schedule of Activities

April 2000

13, Thursday General Meeting

White Elephant auction; donate your unwanted stuff. Santiago Elementary School, 7:30 PM

RESCHEDULED - EARLIER TIME 14, Friday Technical Seminar

'A' frame straightening at Bob

and Patty Ferazzi's home, 7:00 PM.

correction - DAY OF THE WEEK 18, Tuesday Board Meeting

Mc Call's home, 7:30 PM. Address, phone and map on page 11.

RESCHEDULED - EARLIER DATE 21, Friday May Newsletter Deadline

NEW

22, Saturday Country Road Picnic

Ken Dierken will have information at General Meeting.

29, Saturday Seal Beach 2000

13th Annual Seal Beach Car show. 2 live bands. Food from Cal/ Mex to fresh fish to New Orleans gumbo. Trophy awards.

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

May 2000

4-7, Thursday-Sunday CCRG Jamboree

Hosted by the Sierra A's in Clovis. Coordinated by Riggs.

6, Saturday OCMAFC Swapmeet Held at Vintage Ford. 11318 Beach Blvd., Stanton

11, Thursday General Meeting

Santiago Elementary School, 7:30 PM

NEW 13, Saturday Technical Seminar Safety switch installation at McMillian's home, 9:00 AM.

16, Tuesday Board Meeting TBD, 7:30 PM

UPDATE

17-21, Wednesday-Sunday Santa Barbara Tour

Contact Ken Dierken if you are willing to corrdinate this tour.

RESCHEDULED - EARLIER DATE 19, Friday June Newsletter Deadline

21, Sunday Regional Fun Day

Hosted by Santa Anita A's at Santa Fe Dam in Irwindale.

June 2000

1-4, Thursday-Sunday NCRG Roundup 2000

Hosted by the Gra-Neva A's at Grass Valley Fairgounds; trailer and repair assistance avaialble for breakdowns within 50 miles. \$155 per couple for all feastivies: continuous car show meals, seminar & races. This year will be the first NCRG Gravity Drags. This features Model A's with engines turned off and coasting down a hill!

NEW

1-4, Thursday-Sunday San Simion

8, Thursday General Meeting Santiago Elementary School, 7:30 PM

9, Friday Technical Seminar TBD, 7:00 PM

11, Sunday Henry Ford Picnic

Hosted by Diamond Tread at Hentage Park, Santa Fe Springs. Events include car show, childrens games, Picnic (surprise menu), raffle, and fun.

17-25, Saturday-Sunday Summer Tour

Coordinated by Collings. See March The Distributor article.

23, Friday July Newsletter Deadline

2000 at a Glance

Date	Event	Place	Club (Coordinator)
Apr 7-9 Apr 22	Laughlin* Country Road Pienic*	Laughlin-	Pomona Valley O CMAFCA (Dierken)
May 5-7 May 6 May 17-21 May 21	Cent Cal Reg. Grp* OCMAFCA swap meet Santa Barbara* Regional Fnn Day*	Clovis Vintage Ford, Stanton Santa Barbara	(Riggs) OCMAFCA (McKinney) OCMAFCA Santa Anita A's
June 1-4 June 1-4 June 11 June 17-25	N. Calif. Regionals San Simion Henry Ford Picnic* Summer tour*	Grass Valley National Parks	Gra-Neva Diamond Tread OCMAFCA (Collings)
J uly 10-15 July 14-16 July 22 July 28-30	MAFCA National #21 Wings and Wheels* 1930 B.D. picnic* Model T swap meet	Kansas City; Mo Solvang Cerritos College, Cerritos	(Riggs) OCMAFCA
Aug 2-6 Aug 20	N.W. Region al* Poker Run*	Washington	OCMAFCA
Sept Sept 7-10 Sept 24	OctCathalon Rim of the World* Paradise Vly Swap Mt	John Knox home Big Bear	OCMAFCA (Knox)
Oct 1 Oct 8 Oct Oct 14 or 21 ?	Pot Luck* Queen Mary* Oak Glen Apple* Camping*	Frazier Park Queen Mary, Long Beach Oak Glen ?	OCMAFCA (Parish) OCMAFCA
Nov 4 Nov 5 Nov	Diamond Tr Swap Mt Bates Nut Farm* Palm Springs Follies*	Vintage Ford, Stanton Palm Springs	Diamond Tread OCMAFCA (Carcerano)
Dec Dec Dec Dec 8-10 Dec 14	Christmas Light tour* Nativity Display* Christmas train* Toy Run Kids Christmas party	Calaco	OCMAFCA OCMAFCA (Bev Marsh) OCMAFCA OCMAFCA (Johnson) OCMAFCA
Jan 2001	Installation banquet		OCMAFCA

* Club mileage activities

The Orange Juice

(Returns!)

READ IT !!

It seems the "Snoop Sisters" have been out of business for a couple of months so it's time to get back in the groove.

It's been really quiet but several of our members have been under the weather. John Graves and Gwen Riggs were down with some kind of virus, followed by Lydia De Leon suffering from similar symptoms. It seems a pillow on the floor got in the path of Sharon Johnson and she has been laid up with a bad knee. Don Schmidt has had a bout

with Bel's Palsy but seems to be coming along quite well.

A great trip to Death Valley was really well attended and as usual Glenn and Sharon planned a great weekend for everyone. Sharon missed it after all that work. It was great to have our "far away" members, Paul and Carolyn Lindbergh join us for the trip. They're great travelers and lots of fun. Traveling with them were John Saulsberry and his mother Martha. John is the president of the Cuesta Crankers and we hope to see much more of them. They will be at the C.C.R.G in Clovis and their club will be hosting the 2001 C.C.R.G. meet. Heard Terry Collings went sliding down the mountain on her "yodel Lady Hoo" at Artists Palette. Seems she decided against horse back riding after that. Sure glad Richard Parrish had a good tow rope. Rumor has it that Don Schmidt baptized their "A" with a gasoline bath in Shoshone. Kudos to Colleen as she drove the entire trip and coming home was not easy-understand she had a little spark trouble.

Word is that Doug Marsh is newly settled in San Luis Obispo with a new job. We wish you lots of success and we hope to see you and Harriet joining us on our tours whenever possible.

More scuttlebutt that Richard Parrish has been visiting the Carcerano house and we hope to see their "A" on the road again soon.

It seems our new prez is have bowl troubles. Can't make up his mind whether to be square or round (bowls that is). He is still consulting with the Godfather.

Larry and Joyce McCullah have Their new engine and their pickup should be on the road again soon. Look our McKinney it's supposed to be really hot.

What "prominent " club members have decided to celebrate the year 2000 by getting their first cell phone, Walkabouts and are talking computer?

It did "rain on our parade". Seven of the clubs cars participated in the annual Patriots Day Parade in Laguna Beach. Three cars took trophies home.

Well, guess that will cover the latest happenings so see ya soon!

General Meeting Minutes

Orange County Chapter Model A Ford Club of America March 9, 2000 by Kathie Mc Call, Secretary

The March meeting was held at Santiago Elementary School and presided over by President John Knox, who also led the flag salute. The February minutes were approved as printed in *The Distributor*.

Treasurer's Report

Alice Graves reviewed budget. The books were left open for member review.

Announcements and Visitors

John announced that a member poll indicates that most are in favor of changing the Installation Banquet event to a Saturday night, instead of Sunday. Gerry Mc Kinney and June Rhea have agreed to chair the Decorating Committee.

Marlin Perry and Bob Trousil representing the National Board MAFCA discussed the Year 2002 National Convention to be held at the Riverside Convention Center. Southern California Regional Area is sponsoring the event and the OCMAFCA is expected to play a major role with volunteers. They presented a video about the area and hotels where the event will be held. More information will be forthcoming. John Mc Millan and Bev Marsh are currently involved in the preplanning and more members are needed.

Activities

Ken Dierken reviewed upcoming events and are listed separately. Alice Graves reported on the Laguna Beach Patriot's Day Parade, in which 6 cars from Orange County Chapter participated, 3 winning 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards. Terry Collings discussed the June tour through Utah.

Technical

John Mc Millan encouraged members to attend the Swap Meet at Vintage Ford on 5/6/00. The Technical Seminar for March (10) will be at his home/garage/workshop. Everyone is invited, as there will opportunity to make Pancake Breakfast 'badges' ... a minimum of 1500 needed (badges, that is).

Editors

Rick Peterson discussed the Activities listings in the newsletter and pointed that all OCMAFCA events are "official" club events and will be underlined. Other events sponsored by other clubs and areas will be informational only. This information generated discussion in which President John Knox pointed out that any event in which the members gather together for an event and is publicized will be a 'mileage' event. Rick also distributed the new year 2000 club rosters. Additional rosters are available for \$2.00 each.

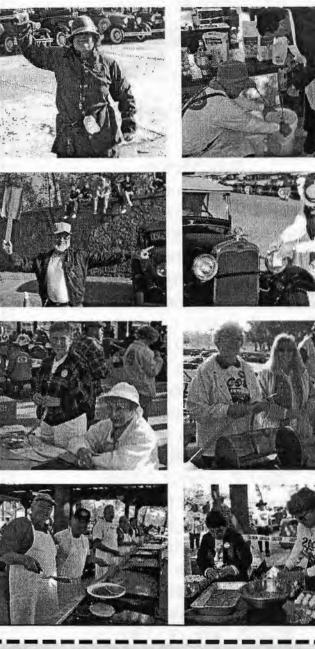
Special Events

Lee Jackson reported on progress of Pancake Breakfast for March 26. Volunteer recruitment still in need of sausage cookers, Saturday night pre-event clean up crew and Sunday post- event clean up crew. 2-way radios will be used for communication, especially parking issues. Traffic cones and orange vests/jackets needed. Modern cars will be parked at nearby areas to allow more room for the vintage autos.

After the usual refreshment break and raffle event, Glen Johnson and Dorothy Knox narrated a slide presentation on the recent Death Valley Tour. Noted forever on film were Colleen Schmidt's horse riding venture and Terry Collings unplanned trip down the side of a hill and subsequent rescue (where was Mel?).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. A short Board Meeting followed. John Knox presided. Alice Graves, Kathie Mc Call, John Mc Millan, Lee Jackson, Dan Adelman, Rick Peterson, Ken Dierken were present. Piet Dwinger presented a proposal to purchase much needed equipment for the annual Pancake Breakfast, noting that this is a major event that has been held for over 30 years. Action: Those present agreed to purchase a used commercial mixer, gas stoves, stainless steel pots, propane tanks and hoses.

Pancake Breakfast Pictures



OCMAFCA has the following videos available:

- · How to Stop on a Dime
- Carbs and Carbos
- Gennin Along
- The Flasher
- Model A Ford Locks and Keys
- Model A Ford Engine
- Timing the Ignition
- · Dial D for Distributor
- The New Ford (Late 1927 promo film)

There is a \$20 refundable security deposit per tape.

Board Meeting Minutes

Orange County Chapter Model A Ford Club of America Month Day, 2000 by Kathie Mc Call, Secretary

The march meeting was held at the Mc Call's home. Present were: John Knox, John and Alice Graves, Dan and Sylvia Adelman, Ken Dierken, John and Jean Mc Millan, Rick Peterson and Dale and Kathie Mc Call.

Discussion was held on the annual Installation Banquet. Due to increasing costs for parking and deposit requirements of the hotel used in the past, it was decided it would be beneficial to look into other possibilities. Each member present is encouraged to seek out at least one site and report at the next meeting.

Logistics of the Pancake Breakfast were discussed including record keeping of raffle drawing recipients, including taking pictures of each as documentation. Rick suggested that at least 3 people would be needed for this to keep things running smoothly and for accuracy.

There was further discussion on the mileage patches in increments of 500 miles. This practice has been discontinued due to the record keeping among other things. Some members have expressed they would like to see this restored. Ken will check into the costs and report back to members. Alice suggested iron on instead of the sew on type used in the past.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

REMINDER: April general meeting will include the annual white elephant auction.

The next Board Meeting will be April 18 at Mc Call's. This is an open meeting, any club member is welcome.



2000 Orange County Pancake Breakfast Doners

We would like to thank the following parties for their contribution which helped make our event a success.

Merchants

A&L Parts Specialties **Best Gaskets** C.W. Moss Catalina Passenaer Cruises **Coker Tires** College Park Mobil David & Crystal De Leon Egge's Machine Gene Autry Museum Harbor MARC Hine's Nursery Hof's Hut La Habra Radiator Les Shelly Action Gear Mac's Antique Auto Parts McCoy Mills Ford Meguiars Mel Gross Mimi's Cafe Mother's Kitchens NAPA Auto Parts Palomar A's Petersen's Auto Museum **Polly's Pies** Queen Mary Chapter Ramada Express, Laughlin Sam's Club, Stanton San Diego MARC/MAFCA Santa Ana Plating **Snyder's Antique Auto Parts Taylor Engines**

Members

Bev Marsh Calvin & Janice Shook Carl Erickson Dennis & Marry Ashburn **Don & Colleen Schmidt Doug Grabill** Glenn & Sharon Johnson Grea & Leslie Carcerano Hank & Hilary Sorney Joel & Lydia De Leon John & Alice Graves John & Gwen Riggs John & Jean McMillan June Riha Ken & Janet Zittrer Larry & Gerry McKinney Larry & Gerry McKinney Larry & Jill McDonald Larry & Joyce McCullah Lou Spielberger Marion Wavra Mel & Terry Collings Piet & Judi Dwinger **Richard & Jeanne Parrish** Ted & Helen Loeffler Tom Endv Vince & Joan Mariola Walt & Pat Deutsch

2000 Orange County Pancake Breakfast People's Choice Awards



28-29 Open Doug Mash OCMAFC Sand 28 Pheaton



30-31 Open Vince Mariola OCMAFC Stone Phaeton 2 Door De Luxe



28-29 Closed Mike & Sara Parker OCMAFC Green 29 Tudor Sedan



30-31 Closed Sharon Smith Pomona Valley Model A's Morron 1930 Fordor



28-29 Commercial Steve Urban Not present to accept. Green and Black 18 AA Truck



30-31 Commercial Bruce Howe Palamar A's Black over Tan 31 AA Panel Delivery (85-B)



Modified A Larry McKinney Four Ever Four Cylinder Model A Speedster





Best of Show Larry Schwieger Orange Bloosom Red 29 Roadster Pickup



Costume

Non-Model A

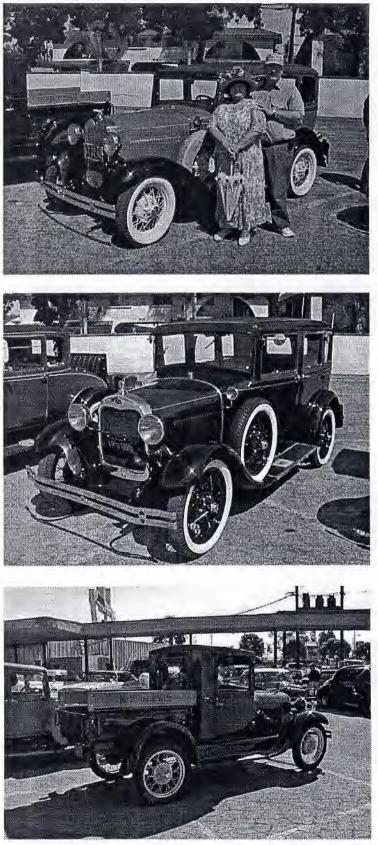
Vintage Car

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Johnnie Broiler by Kenny Dierken

e left Coco's at Valley View with a incredible showing of nine Model A's, attending were John & Alice Graves, Joe & Lydia DeLeon, John & Jean McMillan, John & Gwen Rigg, Dick Smith, Mike & Diana Wierman (Friends), Larry & Jill McDonald, John Knox, Kenny Dierken. It was a perfect day to drive on the city streets so we headed up Valley View to Artesia to Paramount turned right then to Firestone Blvd turned left, then turned into Johnnie Broiler's parking lot, after approximately one hour. There must have been a total of 20+ Model A's of various styles it sure was impressive to see all these automobile's in their glory. Also upon arriving some of the club members walked around and some stopped to have lunch before taking that long walk around. As the day grew it was getting hotter out there but overall it couldn't have been better day considering the weather lately. For some of our club members it appeared that it was a reunion of good friends that they haven't seen for some time, and that's what makes this such a great hobby to get involved with. A big congratulations goes to John & Jean McMillan for receiving a trophy for best commercial vehicle overall, and another congratulations goes to Lydia DeLeon for splitting the money raffling. As the day was coming to an end, we went our separate ways and we had "A" fantastic day. Again thanks to everyone that had the opportunity to attend this tour, it made a great impression from the Orange County Model A Club, I hoped you enjoyed it as much as I did. Hope to see you on our next tour.



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Membership 2000 Update



ADDITIONS

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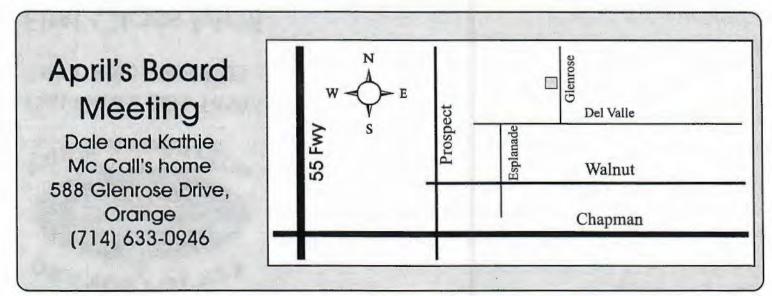
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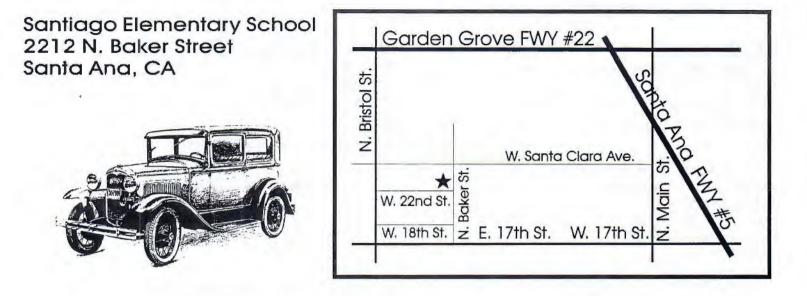
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General Meeting Location [Second Thursday of every month] April 13, 2000 @ 7:30 PM



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