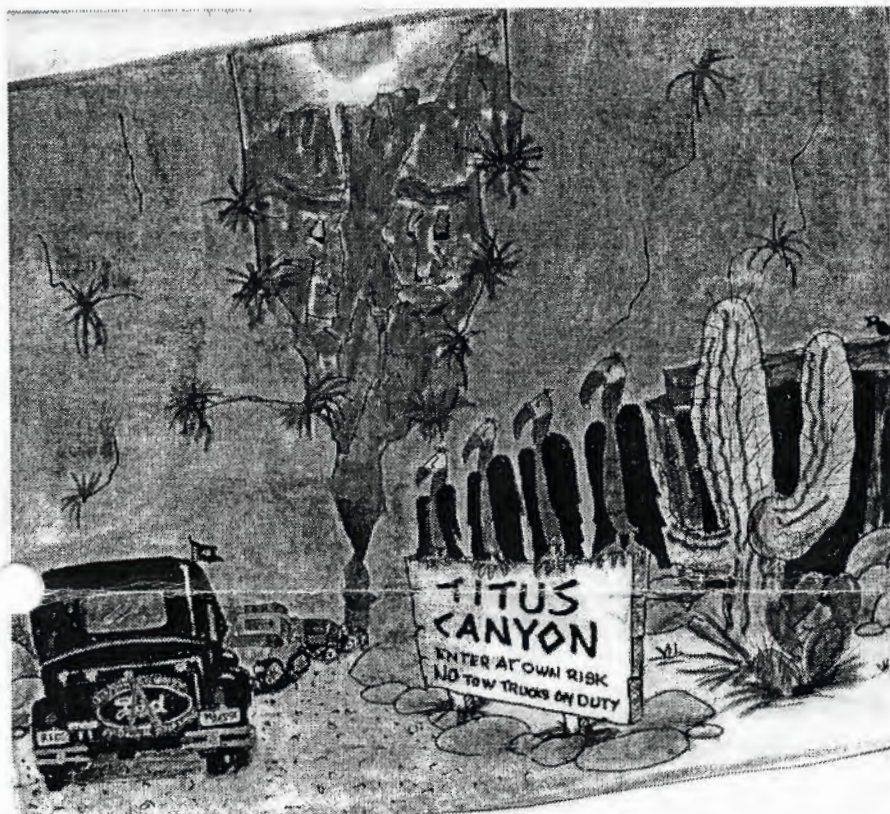


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Memories of Death Valley 2000. Artwork provided by John & Gwen Riggs.

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New Location:  
May & June General  
Meetings at CHOC

## From the Other John

Last month I said I would tell you more about when my 1941 Chevy was stolen.. I had parked the car at Bixel near Wilshire in front of my apartment. I had responsibly turned the wheels to the curb to keep it from rolling, locking it up tight before going up to bed. It was not enough.

In the morning I rolled out of bed when I heard the class time warning bell ringing. I went next door to Woodbury College and plopped sleepily into class without a care.

After class and lunch I went to where I thought I had left my car so I could to go to work. There was no car! Where had I parked it? I walked around the

block three times and came to the horrible conclusion of it being stolen when I discovered the license plate in the weeded lot across the street. I was really distressed since my frugal or foolish budget had only allowed me to buy liability insurance. I was an under aged California assigned risk driver.

I phoned the police. They took a report but held out no hope. The officer said they had so many cars stolen each day that they didn't even want to bother to fingerprint the license plate. I was told just to hope. I did more than that, I prayed.

I also got angry. I still had to make payments as

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# Country Road Tour

by Kenny Dierken

**S**tarted by leaving Mall of Orange around 11:00 AM to not the best of weather it was very cold but no rain, we made due with what we had. There were eight Model A's included were John & Gwen Riggs, Frank Mowrer & Warren Hogan, Joe & Lydia De Leon, John & Dorothy Knox, Greg Carcerano, Kenny Dierken, Richard Parrish & Dale. Don & Colleen's Model A car unfortunately broke down near the beginning of the tour, not sure what happened yet. Their car went home via the tow truck. They got into their modern car and drove up so they could enjoy the picnic with us. Now that's what I call dedication. I would like to thank John & Gwen and Richard for staying with them until help arrived.

We headed for the back roads towards La Habra area, where we did some winding

hill climbing country road model A driving. We had some great views, such as a Country Club down in the valley. There was really no traffic to speak of; can you believe it right here in Southern Calif. Along the route we ran into one of our club members and he followed us to the park. Along the country road, we saw lots of flowers in bloom and smelled some fragrance's in the air and it wasn't pollution. As we approached the park, the weather still wasn't clearing up. Hoping it would as the day progressed but again we made due. We arrived at the park where we set up for a wonderful lunch with good friends and good food as usual. The Riggs and Richard showed up; so, they could enjoy the picnic too.

It sounds like everyone had a great day, hope you all got home safe and sound. Hope to see you on the next tour.

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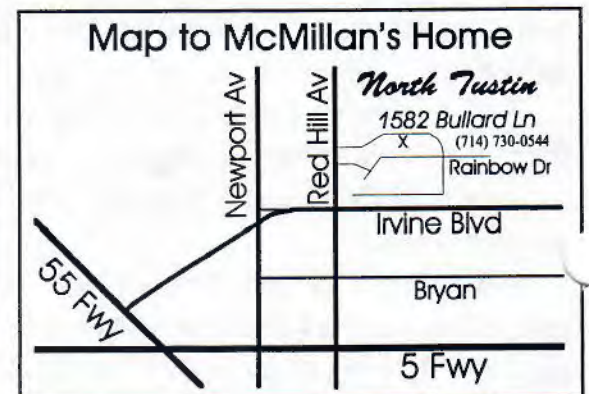
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## May's Technical Seminar

by John McMillan

**W**e'll be installing battery disconnect switches on member's cars who want one. There are several styles available, and the heaviest duty one that can be safely switched under load sells for about \$25. Buy the switch of your choice and several self-declared experts will help you put it in or on your car. If you can figure out the cables required, bring them too, or you can get the cables after the switch is installed. There will also be some form

of high fat, high calorie health food available to keep our energy level up.



# Schedule of Activities

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

### NEW LOCATION

## 11, Thursday General Meeting

CHOC, 7:30 PM. See page 5.

## 13, Saturday Technical Seminar

Safety switch installation at McMillian's home (pg 2), 9:00 AM.

### UPDATE

## 16, Tuesday Board Meeting

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

### UPDATE

## 17-21, Wednesday-Sunday Santa Barbara

Coordinated by Spielberger.

## 19, Friday June Newsletter Deadline

## 1, Sunday Regional Fun Day

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

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June 2000

## 1-4, Thursday-Sunday NCRG Roundup 2000

Hosted by the Gra-Neva A's at Grass Valley Fairgrounds. \$155 per couple for all festivities: 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!

## 1-4, Thursday-Sunday San Simeon

**NEW LOCATION**  
**8, Thursday  
General Meeting**  
CHOC, 7:30 PM

## 9, Friday Technical Seminar

TBD, 7:00 PM

## 11, Sunday Henry Ford Picnic

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

## 13, Tuesday Board Meeting

TBD; 7:30 PM

## 17-25, Saturday-Sunday Summer Tour

Coordinated by Collings.

## 23, Friday July Newsletter Deadline

July 2000

## 10-15, Monday-Saturday MAFCA National #21

Kansas City, MO

## 13, Thursday General Meeting

Hart Park, 7:30 PM. (Potluck at 6:30 PM)

## 14, Friday Technical Seminar

TBD, 7:00 PM

## 14-16, Friday-Sunday Wings and Wheels

Get your room reservations now.

## 18, Tuesday Board Meeting

TBD; 7:30 PM

## 21, Friday August Newsletter Deadline

## 22, Saturday 1930 Birthday Picnic

## 28-30, Friday-Sunday Model T Swapmeet

Cerritos College



# Year at a Glance: 2000

Date	Event	Place	Club
Jan 15	SCE Tour	Menifee	Cruisin A's
Jan 16	Pomona swap meet	Pomona	X
Jan 29-30	Modesto swap meet	Turlock Fair Grounds	Modesto A's
Feb 19	Min Golf tour	Huntington Beach	OCMAFCA (Dierken)
Feb 26-27	San Diego swap meet	San Diego, Qualcomm. Stad.	X
Mar 5	Pomona swap meet	Pomona	X
Mar 11	Johnie's Broiler	7447 Firestone, Downey	Fly'n A's
Mar 18	OCMTC swap meet	Vintage Ford, Stanton	OC Model T Club
Mar 26	Pancake Breakfast	Hart Park, Orange	OCMAFCA (L. Jackson)
Apr 7-9	Laughlin	Laughlin	Pomona Valley
Apr 22	Country Road Picnic		OCMAFCA (Dierken)
May 5-7	Cent Cal Regional Grp	Clovis	Sierra A's (Riggs)
May 6	OCMAFCA swap meet	Vintage Ford, Stanton	OCMAFCA (L. McKinney)
May 17-21	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	OCMAFCA (Spielberger)
May 21	Regional Fun Day	Santa Fe Springs	Santa Anita A's
June 1-4	N. Calif. Regionals	Grass Valley	Gra-Neva
June 1-4	San Simeon Tour		OCMAFCA
June 11	Henry Ford Picnic		Diamond Tread
June 17-25	Summer tour	National Parks	OCMAFCA (M & J Collins)
June 24	Paradise swap meet		
July 10-15	MAFCA National #21	Kansas City, Mo	
July 14-16	Wings and Wheels	Solvang	(Riggs)
July 22	1930 B.D. picnic		OCMAFCA
July 28-30	Model T swap meet	Cerritos College, Cerritos	
Aug 2-6	N.W. Regional	Washington	
Aug 20	Poker Run		OCMAFCA
Sept 7-10	Rim of the World	Big Bear	
Sept 16	Progressive Dinner	Collings, Knox, Ferrazzi	OCMAFCA
Oct 1	Poker Run		OCMAFCA
Oct 8	Queen Mary	Queen Mary, Long Beach	
Oct 21	Oak Glen Apple	Oak Glen	(Parish)
Nov 5	Bates Nut Farm		
Nov	Palm Springs Follies	Palm Springs	OCMAFCA (Carcerano)
Dec 2	Nativity Display	Tustin	OCMAFCA (McKinney)
Dec 14	Kids Christmas party	CHOC, Orange	
Jan 6, 2001	Installation banquet	Phoenix Club	OCMAFCA

Updated: 4/21/00

## Mileage Patches

OCMAFCA mileage patches for driving at least 500 miles on tours (our club or anyone else's) can be earned if you turn in your mileage to Kenny after each event. Since we are finding that many people do not want more than one or two patches, members who have

more patches than they want can turn the patches in to Kenny to be earned by those who want to earn one or more.

Those who want the MAFCA 5,000 or 10,000 mile windshield decals and patches, which must be earned in a year, for you or your

spouse, must record your mileage monthly with Kenny. There are some engine requirements and you need to get a copy of the rules from MAFCA or Kenny. Those with overdrives or broken speedometers can estimate by keeping good records and turning them in.

# WE'RE MOVING

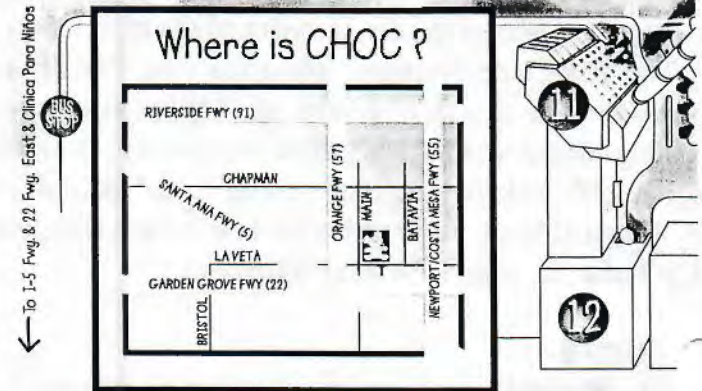
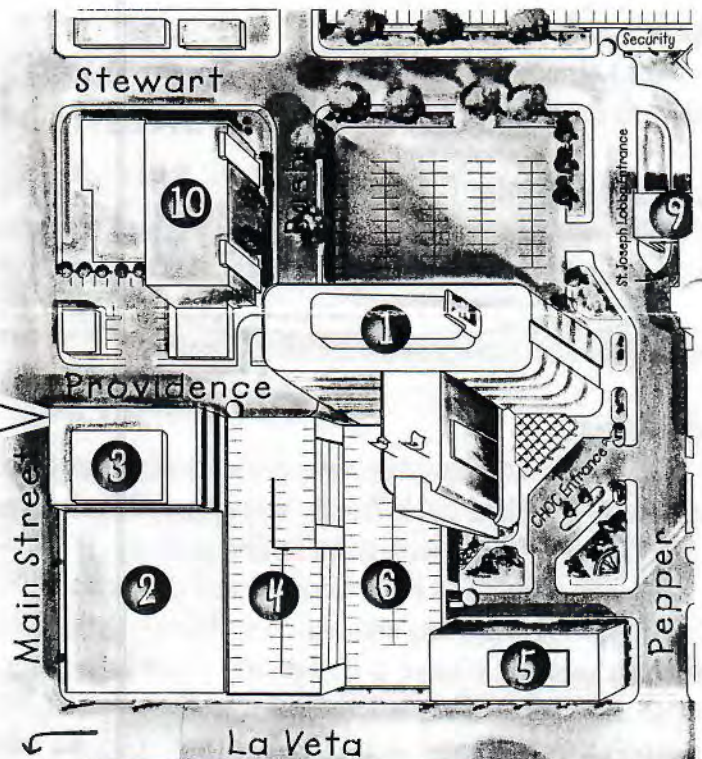


**HERE: BLDG #3**

**GENERAL MEETING**  
is moving to:  
**CHOC HOSPITAL**  
455 South Main St  
Orange, Ca

**CHOC Clinic/Research Bldg: #3**  
**Conference Room A**

**Park on second level behind**  
**building: #4**





# General Meeting Minutes

Orange County Chapter  
Model A Ford Club of America

April 13, 2000

by Kathie Mc Call, Secretary

**P**residing: John Knox. The April meeting was held at Wilson Elementary School due to a conflict at Santiago School. The meeting began with the flag salute. Greg and Fran Earhart were visiting for the first time and managed to find the alternate meeting site. The March minutes were approved as printed in The Distributor.

## Treasurer's Report

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

## Special Events

John reported on the success of the Annual Pancake Breakfast held on March 26. Volunteers came through in all classes and demonstrated how teamwork and a great crew leader (Lee Jackson) provide excellent results.

## Activities

Ken Dierken reviewed upcoming events which are listed separately. The Hard Luck Trophy was awarded in absentia to the Zittler's. Check with them to find out why.

Mileage events and rules were discussed. According to Club Guidelines anything announced in the newsletter, or if members meet and leave a designated place in a group, counts as mileage. The national rules were reviewed. All mileage is to be reported to Ken Dierken. Groups will designate one person to keep records and report to Ken.

The Riverside National Meet for year 2002 was discussed. Bev Marsh and John Mc Millan are on the planning committee and many more volunteers are needed. Engine raffle tickets were made available for the Kansas City National Meet (July) and raffle tickets for a complete 1929 Tudor, drawing 9/24/00 in Wisconsin.

## Technical

John Mc Millan. A frame straightening seminar will be held Friday 4/14 at Bob Ferrazzi's home-shop. Future seminars include a safety switch seminar (Saturday May

13). John is organizing the gymkhana for the Ford Fun Day in Irwindale, details listed under Activities calendar. He still needs help with this event...so call him!

## 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.

## New Business

The annual progressive dinner was discussed. Projected date will be in September. Immediately hands went up to host this event. Mel and Terry Collings will do the appetizers, John and Dorothy Knox the main course, and Bob and Patty Ferrazzi the dessert. It was suggested that the event be held early in the day to avoid driving after dark. This will be discussed further at the Board Meeting.

## Annual Installation Banquet (Jan., 2001)

Following the break, Dorothy Knox asked for a show of hands for those who preferred buffet type dinner vs. table service. Most had no preference and the decision was left to Dorothy and her committee.

The renowned auctioneer, Carl Erickson, conducted the White Elephant Auction.. Many treasures were offered and the club coffers were enhanced to the tune of \$130.00.

Members are reminded that the Distributor deadline is April 21, one week earlier than usual.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

# Board Meeting Minutes

Orange County Chapter  
Model A Ford Club of America

April 18, 2000

by Kathie Mc Call, Secretary



**H**eld at Mc Call's home. Present were: John & Dorothy Knox, John & Alice Graves, Dan Adelman, Ken Dierken, John & Jean Mc Millan, Dale & Kathie Mc Call, John & Gwen Riggs, Lee Jackson, Richard & Jean Parrish, John & Jean Mc Millan and Don & Colleen Schmidt. The Graves provided delicious refreshments.

Alice Graves reviewed the checking account balance and gave an overview of the remaining year 2000 expenses. Discussion was held re how to handle the current CD (due 4/00). **ACTION:** It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to roll over the existing CD to mature 2/1/01, and initiate a new CD to mature in 6 months (10/00). The Cash Flow Report was reviewed.

Lee Jackson reported on the Pancake Breakfast. 1100 breakfasts were served. Traffic control was excellent and there was a very short wait in line for the pancakes. Many favorable comments have been heard from members and others who attended. **ACTION:** Lee Jackson proposed that the year 2001 breakfast be held on the 4th Sunday, March 25. All approved.

Discussion was held in regards to charitable donations for the club to consider. This will be an agenda item for next month.

**Old Business:** Installation Banquet. Dorothy Knox will chair this event. The date is 01/06/01 and will be held at The Phoenix Club. Type of service (buffet vs. sit down) still not decided.

Change in Meeting Place for monthly meetings. After review and discussion, Children's Hospital in Orange will be the new location, at least for May and June meetings. Traditionally summer meetings have been a potluck at Hart Park.

Kathie Mc Call will be the hospital point of contact. The May 11 meeting will be held on the 2nd floor of the hospital Clinic Building. Parking is on the 2nd level of Clinic Parking Structure, which can be accessed on Pepper Street just north of La Veta at Main Street. See the map in the newsletter. John Knox will organize a telephone tree to contact all members and designated members will call with information on this important change. There will be signs and other helps to assist you in finding where to go. All attempts will be made to keep the cars together on the 2nd level, but Clinic hours are until 8:00 pm

and patients and staff also use this structure. We will try this location for May and June and evaluate whether this is a good location for future meetings.

**MAFCA Board Report:** John Mc Millan. Volunteers are still needed for the Fashion Event at the Kansas City National Meet.

The Riverside National Event, year 2002 was discussed. Headquarters will be at The Mission Inn. Volunteers needed in all areas. There will also be a Youth Group Event. OCMAFCA will be discussing this in future meetings. Next planning meeting will be May 13. Contact John if you can attend.

**Activities:** Ken Dierken and John Knox discussed day trips and freeway vs. surface driving. Some members do not like to use the freeway and have not participated in some trips due to this. Ken is planning most day trips on surface streets. On longer trips it is sometimes necessary to use the freeway.

The Progressive Dinner date will be Saturday, September 16.

**Old Business:** The Riggs donated 500-mile patches from their 'collection' and several others offered theirs as well. It was pointed out that records are always kept of all mileage, but the 500 mile patches have only been presented for the first 500 miles for the past few years since so many people would have numerous patches and where would they put them? Therefore, these patches are available to those who desire recognition for each 500 miles accumulated.

There will be a parade in Huntington Beach for the 4th of July. Sponsors are asking for rumble seat cars to transport various dignitaries. Contact John Knox if interested.

**Buttons and Bows Chair:** Dan Adelman. Proposed purchase of more club hats/caps. Action: All agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 16 at the Mc Call's. Any member is encouraged to attend and offer suggestions, input and support. Please note Distributor deadline and submit articles, funny stories, and pictures to Editor Rick Peterson.

**Don't Forget The New Meeting Place At Children's Hospital Clinic Building, 2nd Floor. Conference Rooms A And B.**

## Summer Tour

by Vince Mariola (aka The Godfather)

The summer tour in June should be among one of the finest tours we've had. All of our tours have been fun and a great way to get to know each other better.

Mel Collings has worked hard to plan this trip and has done a great job of making it a daily short mileage tour, which is a lot easier on all concerned. Those of you who driven a Model A close to three hundred miles a day, I'm sure know what I am talking about, it can get pretty darn tiring especially freeway driving. This trip has few freeways that areas congested as our ones, therefor allowing us to enjoy the scenery instead of the back end of another A. Of course if it was the back of Sophia Loren I could follow her for as long as she was in front of me.

Really this is just not a riding tour from one motel to another one. There is so much to do, like Sailing, Fishing, Boating and Antiquing, all terrain

vehicles to ride, beautiful lakes and of course eating and picnicking and don't forget the beautiful canyons. It is entirely a different trip than we have had in the past and we have all enjoyed our past tours. So many many times in the past I've heard different ones say after they heard what a great time we had that they wished they had gone with us. Please if you haven't made any other tours or activities, do make this one.

Remember we will never travel over 225 miles a day. I forgot to mention for those of you who like to gamble a few nickels, we can do that at two different stops. John & Gwen would love that.

Our president John Knox had asked me to do the summer tour and I said O.K. Well I remembered in the past that Mel had always wanted us to tour to Utah, so now is our chance to do so. After all we have traveled most of California and a lot of Arizona, so let's get up to the beautiful state of Utah.

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well as walk to work as I had done before I got the car. It now was further away than when I rationalized I needed a car to get to work. At this point of my student part time jobs, I was now working on Santa Fe Street on the far side of the L. A. business district. A peaking of my anger happened when my buddy Buzz got a ticket because his headlight was out of alignment. I thought the cops should be catching the bad guys that probably had left finger prints on my license plate and not pestering poor college boys.

It is interesting that we can be our own worst enemy. Situations for which we are in part responsible, can be seen to be someone else's fault. I should have had insurance. I also discovered it was not a wise idea to have my Hide-a-Key under the left front fender. I also should have known that moving to a big city and leaving my car parked on the street raised my chances for something bad to happen. I did not have the \$5 a month for parking lot fees. My \$30 a month share of the \$60 apartment rent was tough enough. I still wanted to eat and have a little fun.

Unfortunately when the phone would ring, from time-to-time, there was not a cheery, "We found your car," message on the other end. It took a lot of time and prayer to dispel my anger and frustration, especially each of the 8 months when I would write a check to the bank.

As we enjoy the fun of our old cars I hope we make sure that we are the ones being extra responsible. We need to make sure that we have enough insurance and that while we need to look out for the "nut" behind the other wheel, we also need to see our own responsibility. We need to curb our frustration when something happens and be responsible not to turn it into today's road rage.

I still have the key to that car. It's a reminder to me of both a neat car and the need for me to take responsibility for my own actions and not just blame others.

Get those cars out now. Summer is around the corner and responsible fun lies ahead.

President, John Knox  
*The Distributor*



# Laughlin and Beyond

by Richard & Jeanne Parrish

Thursday April 6th saw Ken Zittler, Vince & Joan Mariola, John & Gwen Riggs and Richard & Jeanne Parrish set off for Laughlin, Nv. Richard's counsel to turn off on Route 66 went awry and we lost the Mariola's. They were not to be seen again until Laughlin. Early in the tour Ken sent an S.O.S., "My overdrive quit working." The malady proved to be fatal and the rest of the trip was slower. Janet joined us in Barstow & continued on to find Vince & Joan.

The group stayed at Janet & Ken's beautiful river front home "La Costa Lotta" and had a great time. A tour of the Gold Road gold mine was fascinating and we enjoyed a great dinner Saturday evening. Italian of course. Sunday, Mariola's and Zittler's headed for home and Riggs & Parrish's joined up with 8 cars from Harbor MARC for their Arizona Train Tour. Carla Hibbard planned a great tour with the first day going old Route 66 through Peach Springs, Hackberry and a lunch stop at the Snow Cap in Seligman. We continued south to Cottonwood for the night. Those guys love to work on their cars and the motel sidewalk was an

impressive display of Model A parts being repaired, replaced or restored. Monday broke bright and sunny with all the reassembled cars heading for the Verde Canyon Railway. A breathtaking ride along the Verde River complete with tunnels, high cliffs, birds and fantastic cloud formations. Off the train and a mad dash through Sedona, Oak Creek Canyon and Flagstaff, west to Williams. Our dash wasn't fast enough and we were driving in the dark with 2 cars without lights.

Ain't Model A's fun?

Tuesday was another train ride to the Grand Canyon. The first visit for Gwen Riggs. A bus tour along the rim, buffet lunch and return to Williams. Monday and Tuesday nights were quite a worry with the temperature dropping into the 20's, but no freeze ups occurred because the temperature came right back up. It came up to 93 degrees the next day in Phoenix. Some scary times on the Phoenix freeway since one of the cars was acting up and we were traveling between 35 and 45 mph. All that stress called for a cocktail party in Casa Grande that night. They're looking a lot more like Orange County already.

Toured the Casa Grande ruins Thursday morning, then Saguaro Cactus National Monument and Old Tucson movie studios. Another scary freeway in Tucson (same speed). Continued on through some fantastic "Arizona Highway" scenery to the town of Sierra Vista. Following day, toured the Queen Copper Mine in Bisbee on a small train. We were outfitted in hard hats, battery packs with lights, and rubber coats. Then on to Tombstone where the OK Corral shoot-out happens every hour on the hour.

Saturday called for a 7 AM start and the long haul to Yuma about 320 miles away. This called for another cocktail party and dinner at Shoneys. Sunday another early start and the final dash home. Highway 8 along the Mexican border, east of San Diego, is beautiful. A stop in Oceanside for lunch and a nice drive along the beach then we separated from the group at the 5/405 interchange. The ol Tudor was finally able to break the 45 mph barrier.

Home safe at 3:30 from a very enjoyable tour with new friends.



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## New License Plates – Senate Bill 698 – Steve Peace

### New License Plates

Senate Bill 698 (Peace) would require the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue newly designed and fully reflectorized license plates for all vehicles in California by January 1, 2005. Specifically, this bill would:

1) Require DMV to issue two new plates to cars and trucks, and one new plate to all other vehicles registered in California, except those with special interest historic, or environmental license plates.

2) Allow, with the approval of DMV, an owner of a vehicle to keep the existing plates on the vehicle, if the owner pays an initial fee of \$35, plus an additional \$10 each year to renew the vehicle's registration. Such plates could be transferred to a new vehicle for a fee of \$12.

3) Required a vehicle owner (except those with an exemption for special interest historical or environmental plates or those exempted under #1 above) to display these new plates beginning January 1, 2005.

4) Provide that a loan from the state's General Fund to the Motor Vehicle Account in the State Transportation Fund shall cover DMV's costs for replacing the license plates of 24.4 million vehicles in the state. The bill provides for repayment of the loan through the additional vehicle registration fees that would be collected under the bill.

5) Provide that DMV shall establish an amnesty period from July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, during which penalties for delinquent

vehicle registration will be forgiven for registration due before September 1, 1999.

This bill would replace license plates on 24.4 million vehicles at a cost of \$98 million, plus additional costs for DMV's computer programming requirements. The bill provides for a loan from the General Fund to the Motor Vehicle Account to pay these costs. In recent years, the Motor Vehicle Account has had a balance of \$5 million, or less. However, the bill proposes repayment of the loan from the additional vehicle registration fees that would be collected as a result of the bill. Additional fees would be collected as fewer vehicle owners could successfully evade registration of their vehicles once all vehicles are issued the same new plates.

California currently has three-color combinations for its license plates:

- Gold on black, issued from 1963 until 1970
- Gold on blue, issued 1970 to 1987 and
- Blue on white, issued 1982 – present.

All white plates are reflectorized, so all plates issued since 1987 are reflectorized.

However, beginning in 1982, a vehicle owner could request a white reflectorized plates or a gold on blue non-reflectorized plate.

Over the years, technology has improved such that new plates reflect more light than older plates. Therefore, newer plates are more visible

at night to both other drivers and law enforcement officers.

In 1963 California replaced all existing license plates with the gold on black plates, and the state has not en masses reissued license plates since that date. As a result, DMV reports that 576,000 vehicles with black plates and 7.8 million vehicles with blue plates are currently registered in California.

The supporter, the 3M Company, argues that reissuing all license plates in the state would improve the ability of law enforcement to identify vehicles and improving the ability of drivers to see vehicles. 3M is a leading maker of the reflectorized materials that is applied to aluminum for the purpose of making reflectorized plates.

It appears to the ACCC that this bill is a thinly veiled commercial venture by the 3M company. California does not need a wholesale replacement of all license plates, nor do we have the budget to do so. To fund a general replacement of all license plates on the pocket book of car collectors (who will have to shell out \$35 per car, plus \$10 per year to keep their old plates) is preposterous!

Please write to Senator Steve Peace with a copy to your Assemblyman and Senator, to convey your feelings on this bill.

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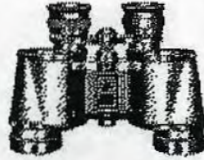
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## Wanted

### 30-31

Looking to buy a 30-31 straight windshield 4 door.

Leslie Pam  
(310) 275-3836  
leslyann@pacificnet.net



### 30-31

Looking to buy a restored 30-31 deluxe or standard coupe.

Don Miller  
c/o John Riggs  
(562) 431-8783

## Membership 2000 Update



### ADDITIONS

Berto, Dean & Pam  
13182 Olympia Way  
Santa Ana, CA 92705  
Home: (714) 532-5722  
1930 Deluxe Coupe

### CHANGES & CORRECTIONS

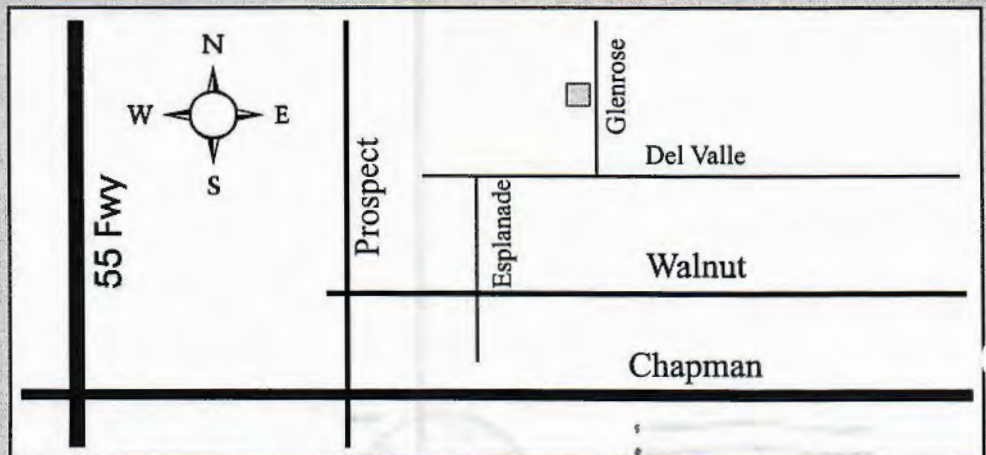
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## Need

4 open or rumble seat A's for  
Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade.  
The Son's of the American Revolution would like to  
transport their members. Call Alice  
(949) 497-3067 if you can make it.

## April's Board Meeting

Dale and Kathie  
Mc Call's home  
588 Glenrose Drive,  
Orange  
(714) 633-0946

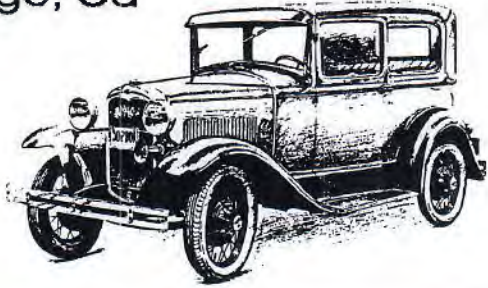


# General Meeting Location

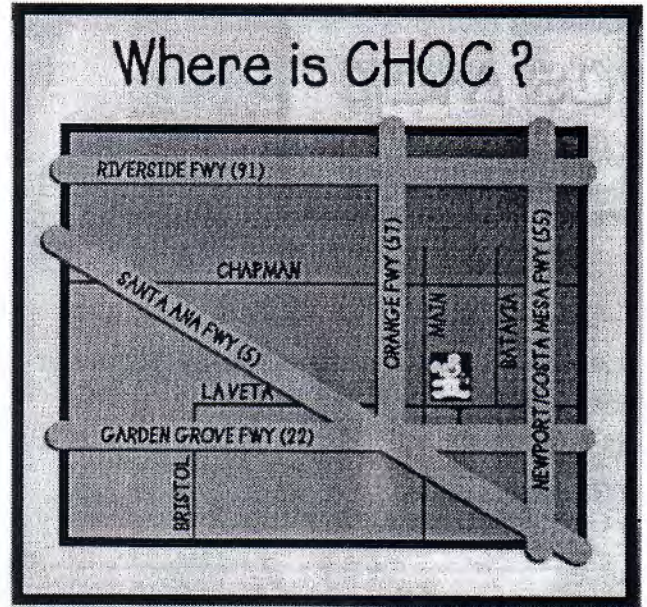
[Second Thursday of every month]

May 11, 2000 @ 7:30 PM

CHOC Hospital  
Clinic/Research Bldg: #3  
455 South Main St  
Orange, Ca



The car of the month will be  
Greg Carcerano's 31 Town Sedan.



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