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Family's Christmas Project Sylvia Adelmann

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## Installation Banquet

By John Knox, editor

The evening brought together good friends and new acquaintances to celebrate the hard work so many have done, and to look forward to the New Year.

We missed several who were ill and some whose schedule would not permit them to come.

A slideshow by **Glenn Johnson** and **Richard Parrish** was in one corner with many memories of years gone by and people saying, "Who is that?" Of course someone else would chime in, "That's **Piet Dwinger** when his mustache wasn't grey." Other's proclaimed, "That's my car." This was especially fun for me to see my Phaeton and wonder if it was a slide taken when Glenn Johnson was the first person in the club to own it, or when **Paul Steed** had it before me.

In another part of the room were many picture albums furnished by Gwen Riggs, Gerry McKinney and, Jeanne Parrish.

For our listening pleasure were melodic tunes from our DJ. Parked outside, were As driven by **Graves**, **Parrish**, and **Knox**. Inside was good food and fellowship.

The wonderful table decorations were picnic ensembles consisting of a base of wooden tool tote boxes made by **Bob Ferazzi**, filled by **Gerry McKinney** and her crew. They filled with goodies and four of them had \$25 bags of gold coins. The lucky winner of two centerpieces was **Peggy Nunes** who graciously gave one on to the Riggs who were home ill. That was **after** Peggy found out which one had the \$25 bag of gold.

Before dinner, the awards, hand crafted hy John and Dorothy Knox, were given to the following very worthy people: 5,000 Miles - Larry Mc Kinney 10,000 Miles - Richard Parrish Most Tours - John & Gwen Riggs Marsh, Family Award - The Parrishes Member of the Year - Dan Adelmann (\* see page 8 for further mileage information) After dinner, Board members and appointees for 2000 were recognized with more hand crafted trophies and plaques.

The installation of our new president included the passing on of the gavel, the worry stone (complete with descriptive history according to Richard Parrish), and the MAFCA President's pin.



#### **New President Alice Graves**

A list of new officers and appointees who were installed are listed in the directory on the left.

Most stayed around while many of us "danced our socks off" until 10 p.m.



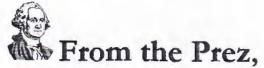
Jean & John McMillan "Cut the rug!"

A big **Thank You** to all who worked to make it a success, as well as to those who came. It was a good night!



Marsh Family Award, the Parrishes - Member of the Year, Dan Addleman - Good friends Bev, Vince & Gregg





Alice Graves

How do you begin a new year? Maybe be reminiscing a little:

B ack in 1990 we joined "the club". John started attending with Warren Hogan, Frank Mowrer and Don Janetta (who now lives in Colorado but still a member). It was a great car pool. Shortly after that, I started coming with John, and you probably don't remember. We were the ones who bought raffle tickets, ate refreshments and sat on the edge of the group.

One evening we were meeting in a classroom at Santiago School and as usua, we were at the back sitting on a table with our feet dangling in the air when **Vince Mariola** started begging for people to help in board positions. It was not log before he had laid a guilt trip on all of us. We found some solace in looking at the floor instead of Vince.

When it seemed he had exhausted all of his pleading, we looked at each other and thought it would only mean one more meeting a month. Somehow we had missed the word "Editors"!

When we shuffled up to Vince at the break to accept, I'm not even sure he knew who we were, and that was demonstrated when his eyes glazed over in shock. We had a computer and that was our only qualification. I could type and John could do the fancy footwork on the computer. Our biggest help were the past **Tom Endy** Newsletters, which were such a tough act to follow but a great resource, plus, he was always there to help.

It has all been great, not without a little work and extra hours, but this club is worth it!

Moral: Be careful if you sit on the edges

Question of the month! What was really different about the Ford Model K?

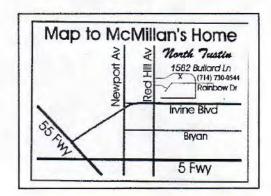
## January Tour to H & H Rebuilding



## February Technical 2 Tooth Steering Sector & Pancake Badge Making At McMillan's Home

#### This is a CHANGE!

We will meet at 9 a.m. at John and Jean Mc Millan's home 158'Bullard Lane to do a technical on 2 tooth sector steering box adjustment and repair as well as a look at the Ford truck steering box replacements. Those willing to help make badges for the Pancake Breakfast will also have a seminar in the breakfast room.









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## Activity Schedule!

by John & Gwen Riggs

February 8, (Thursday) General meeting, 7:30 PM, CHOC Hospital.

#### February 13, (Tuesday)

Board meeting, 7:30 PM, Kathie McCall's home. 588 Glenrose Dr. Orange, CA 92869 714-633-0946

The meeting is open to the membership, all are welcome to attend.

#### February 25, (Sunday)

Tour to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley. We will depart at 9:00 AM (sharp) from the Cerritos Center Mall, Macy's parking lot, located on the east side of the 605 freeway at South Street (one exit south of the 91 freeway). The tour will travel on the freeway. Group admission to the library is \$3.00 per person. We are scheduled for a two hour tour of the library beginning at 11:00 AM. There is a restaurant on the premises. Sign up sheet at the February General Meeting.

#### March 3, (Saturday)

Patriot's Day Parade, Laguna Beach. We will be representing La Playa Center, which is a non profit group benefiting women and children. Info: John & Alice Graves.

#### March 8, (Thursday)

General meeting 7:30 PM, CHOC Hospital.

#### March 13, (Tuesday)

Board meeting 7:30 PM, Location to be announced.

#### March 25, (Sunday)

Annual Orange County Model A Ford Club Pancake Breakfast. All members are encouraged to attend (and help). Roll call is at 6:00 AM, at Hart Park, Glassell St. and the 22 freeway, in the City of Orange. Info: Dan Adelmann.

#### March 29 - April 1, (Thursday-Sunday)

CCRG Regional Meet in Porterville, CA. This is a four day event. Make your hotel reservations at the Best Western Porterville Inn, 877-781-7411. An alternate hotel is the Paul Bunyon Lodge, 559-784-3150. Ask for the Model A group rate at both hotels. This is a fun meet, and we expect a good turn out. Info: John Riggs.

#### April 8, (Sunday)

Local tour, more information later.

#### April 12, (Thursday)

General meeting, 7:30 PM, CHOC Hospital.

#### April 17, (Tuesday)

Board meeting, 7:30 PM, Location to be announced.

#### April 20-21, (Friday-Saturday)

Annual Laughlin Tour, hosted by the Phoenix A's. We should receive the registration papers soon. There is a tour extension called Laughlin-Plus (April 22-25), sponsored by the Model A Touring Club. It is open to everyone. It will depart from Laughlin for the Grand Canyon following the Laughlin Meet. The tour will return to the Los Angeles area along old historic Route 66. For more information on Laughlin-Plus tour contact John Knox.

#### April 28, (Saturday)

Seal Beach car show. Info: John Riggs

#### May 6, (Sunday)

Regional Ford Fun Day at Sante Fe recreational area, Irwindale. Car games, picnic, and fellowship. This will be our monthly tour. More info later.

#### May 10, (Thursday)

General meeting, 7:30 PM, CHOC Hospital.

#### May 12, (Saturday)

Annual Orange County Model A Ford Club swap meet at Vintage Ford. Located in the city of Stanton, on Beach Bld., four miles north of the 22 freeway. Info: Larry & Gerry McKinney.

#### May 15, (Tuesday)

Board meeting 7:30 PM. Location to be announced.

#### May 17-20, (Thursday-Sunday)

Santa Maria tour. We will be staying at the Best Western Big America Hotel in Santa Maria, with activities planned in the area. a block of rooms has been reserved, \$59. + tax for Thursday, \$69. + tax for Friday & Saturday. This includes free continental breakfast. Make your own reservations, 800-426-3213, ask for Elaine. We encourage our newer members to join us on this tour. Info: John Riggs.

#### May 25-28, (Friday-Monday)

NCRG Round-up hosted by the Diablo A's, Concord, CA. Info to follow.

#### May 28, (Monday)

Memorial Day service and car show at Fairhaven Memorial Park. It is a great service. Info: Carl Erickson.☺



Introducing Clay Willis & Peggy Nunes new members to our club. Picture taken at Yorba Linda Parade.

## **Babbitting Down The Road!**

by John & Gwen Riggs

#### The year 2000 in review

The Orange County Model A Ford Club participated in 22 tours, and traveled a total of 11,195 miles during the year 2000. The mileage for the year also includes the distance traveled by those members who attended the MAFCA National in Kansas City, Missouri, and drove their Model A to the event.

MAFCA 10,000 mileage patch award Richard & Jeanne Parrish 10,116 miles.

#### MAFCA 5,000 mileage patch award

John & Gwen Riggs7,473 miles.Larry & Gerry McKinney5,323 miles.

#### Most tour participation of 2000

John & Gwen Riggs	18 out of 22.
Richard & Jeanne Parrish	11 out of 22.

#### Total miles to date (driver & passenger)

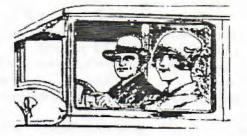
Larry McKinney	49,895
Gerry McKinney	47,515
Vince Mariola	44,708
Glenn Johnson	43,645
Marian Wavra	41,022
Dick Riha	39,022
June Riha	37,012
<b>Richard Parrish</b>	36,406
John Riggs	35,265
Gwen Riggs	35,265
Joann Mariola	34,767
Jeanne Parrish	32,481
Sharon Johnson	25,525

#### Join the fun in 2000 and one

There are some exciting and interesting tours being planned and considered for the year 2001. We would like to encourage everyone to participate. Now is the time to get your Model A road worthy and ready to go. ©

## *Ten thousand Miles in a Septuagenarian Tudor*

by Richard Patrish



A lot of interest was expressed at the January meeting in long distance MAFCA patches.

More and more Model A members are now taking longer tours. Many have toured the entire USA. Some Alaska, Baja and even Europe and Australia.

Year 2000 was our year of the Model A. Meetings, seminars, swap meets and shows are great but the real fun starts about 100 miles from home in a sweet running Model A. Groups of 2, 3, 10 or alone, it's thumbs up and down home friendliness from tourists and natives alike. Nobody doesn't like Model A's. As long as you use good road manners.

Orange County Model A Club tours furnished most all the miles we accumulated and a "tagalong" tour with Harbor MARC though put us over the 10,000 mark.

We took the short country roads tour 55 miles and the poker run 75 miles which is a good start but you aren't going to reach 5,000 at that rate.

We went to Laughlin NV 340 miles, Oak Glen 195 miles, Bares Nut farm 255 miles and Palm Springs 225 miles and Santa Barbara was 366 miles. Now that is the area where you start to have confidence in your car and the miles start to add up.

The Central California Regional Meet at 775 miles, The Death Valley tour at 960 miles and the summer tour through Utah at 1590 miles were magnificent. This is where you spend several days with your fellow club members and really get to appreciate them, your car and our beautiful country. It's still early in the year and we have 4,806 miles.

The national meet in Kansas City Mo. With a side trip to Lincoln NB. and Pikes Peak Co. added 4,000 miles. 8,806 miles of all OCMAFCA tours.

The "tagalong" Arizona "train" tour we and the Riggs took with Harbor MARC was as well planned, beautiful and fun as our tours and we made some fine new friends. **Drain Marshall** the president of Harbor MARC and his wife **Doris** are now members of our club too so you can see what I mean. 1,310 miles that trip made a total of 10,116 for the year.

Can you do it? Yes. Can your Model A do it? Yes. Do you need an overdrive? If you travel with others probably Yes. If you travel alone No. You just travel slower. What if you have car trouble? We fix it. What if it can't be fixed on the road? Tow it to a safe and secure place. Call a MAFCA member who lives in that area. Evaluate the problem.

1. Fix it.

2. Store it and hitch a ride home.

3. Rent a truck and take it home.

4. Do what you would do if your modern car broke down but use local Model A resources instead of new car dealers.

How do you get started? Drive it!!!!! Then what? Drive it some more!!!! Where do you drive it? How about all the club tours including CCRG and Santa Barbara. (Editors note: This year it is called the Santa Maria Tour May 17-20 on the activities page.)

Then join me in June driving to the **Colorado meet in Brecken-ridge** with several other interesting side attractions. Check this publication for additional opportunities. Should you do it? Absolutely. All us drivers need travel companions.



Kenny Dierken presenting Richard and Jeanne with the MAFCA 10,000 mile award.

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#### General Meeting Minutes OCMAFCA

January 11, 2001

by Kathie Mc Call, Secretary

The January meeting was held at Children's Hospital (CHOC) with 56 in attendance. President Alice Graves presiding. Peter Mastro led the flag salute. Jon Heiland introduced lst time visitors, Jim and Becky Welty, who recently purchased a 1930 Coupe.

The minutes were accepted as printed in The Distributor. **Colleen Schmidt**, newly elected Treasurer, had report available for members to review. Members were reminded to pay year 2001 dues if in arrears, to be included in the new membership roster.

Activities Report: John (and Gwen) Riggs encouraged members to participate in club events to make new friends and learn more about the Model A. A separate list of planned activities is attached. Summer tour ideas were discussed and members are to let John know if interested (Northwest Regional Meet to be held in Spokane and include Calgary, Ca. in July) or (Breckenridge, Colorado total of 15 days). John reminded those who are interested in the MAFCA 5,000 mile patch to keep track of their own mileage and turn in the record to John every 2 months. Glen Johnson thanked those who participated in the Lucerne Valley Toy Drive for their contributions, interest and enthusiasm.

Technical Report: John McMillan reviewed travel plans for the Saturday seminar at H. and H. Motors in La Crescenta. Plans are in the works for the February seminar to be on Saturday morning following the general meeting. The project will be John Knox' Phaeton, to change out the engine. Ladies are invited and will be working on making the buttons for the pancake breakfast.

Gerry Mc Kinney and June Rhea will begin regular seminars for the ladies starting in March.

Newsletter/Editor: John (and Dorothy) Knox, as novice editor presented the MAFCA Certificate of Merit to Rick and Deena Peterson for outstanding work doing the newsletter the preceding two years. Rick and Deena were recognized and thanked for their contributions. John will need articles, pictures and ideas from everyone.

Special Events Chairman: Dan (and Sylvia) Adelmann reported on the progress toward making the Pancake Breakfast the success it 's always been. The event will be on Sunday 3/25/01. Many members with past experience have agreed to chair various committees and will be contacting other members for help. Everyone will be expected to participate. Thanks were again given to Lee Jackson for his past efforts, and Lee has agreed to mentor Dan through the process.

Special announcement: the next meeting will be a white elephant sale. Members, bring those special

items you can't use, but may be invaluable to someone else. Proceeds will be used to purchase raffle items for the pancake breakfast.

ACCC REP: Larry Conkol provided an update on smog certification and the continued exclusion of our cars. The 1966 through 1974 classics are still considered "gross polluters" and members are encouraged to support RRST exemptions for those cars. Larry cleared the air for just what the ACCC initials stand for (Association of California Car Clubs). The club pays a fee to belong to this organization which keeps us informed of legislation that pertains to the cars.

Hard Luck Trophy: John Knox instantly nominated **Richard Parrish**, pointing out that he noticed a puddle of oil under his car at the Annual Banquet in the Phoenix Club parking lot. This was clearly not an indicator, since all Model A's have a puddle of oil under them most of the time. There being no other nominees, **Piet Dwinger** was forced to take the coveted trophy back home with him for yet another month.

Mileage Patches: Ken Dierken presented 500 mile patches to John and Dorothy Knox, John Graves (passenger), Don and Colleen Schmidt, John and Jeannie McMillan and John and Gwen Riggs.

Following the break there was discussion regarding what month to hold the Annual Installation Banquet, either December as in years past, or in January as was done this year. Most of those present agreed that January was better, with some comments about holding it later in the month. No decision was made.

The meeting concluded with the name badge drawing and raffle.

## FUN DAY!

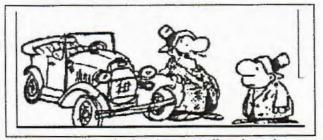
Well, it is finally our turn to host the So. Calif. Regional Fun Day! The event will be held at the Santa Fe Dam in Irwindale on Sunday, May 6. We will not be putting on a gymkhana event, but will be handling the meet itself. We will need help making buttons (if that's what we decide on for give-a-ways.) We need raffle prizes to be donated and also people to help with registration. Five local clubs will have gymkhana events and one will be in charge of the kid's games. Help support this annual event.

Contact Bev Marsh at (714) 373-9769.



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## CAR BARN SPECIALS



Now is the time to sell or buy the car of your dreams.

## FOR SALE

#### '30 Delux Coupe

\$16,000 OBO – in El Monte Myron Miller: home phone (626) 444-6864 – or daytime: (626) 443-7912.

(Ed. Note: I have seen this car and it is in pristine condition)

New aluminum Model A Head 6:1 CR Painted it looks like original, polished it looks like chrome. \$325.00 Larry McKinney 714-963-2724

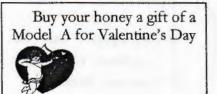
#### '29 Coupe

Rumble seat, standard condition with added seat belts and second tail light. Runs great. \$7500 Jim Willett, 949-768-4939 jcwillett@earthlink.net

## WANTED

'31 Slant windshield Town Sedan John Knox 562-697-2545 KnoxBox59@aol.com

For more buying and selling, Visit MAFCA's web site: www.mafca.com/classifieds.html



### NOTICES



A couple is looking for a Model A to chauffer them from their 3p.m. July 21 wedding in Redondo Beach, to a reception near LAX.

Phone the bride Maritza at 310-787-9860 after 7.

WE WANT YOU !! To sign up for helping on the Pancake Breakfast. Phone your friendly recruiter now! Dan or Sylvia Adelmann 714-963-6318 Email dadelman@occ.cccd.edu

## Calling All Syrup Bottles



We need clean, empty plastic syrup bottles for the pancake breakfast. Bring them to Bev Marsh at the meeting or the day of the breakfast.

Orange County Model T Parts Exchange Saturday April 7 – 6 to 2 Rain or Shine Spaces \$10 – phone Jim Eliot 714-542-0905 or Tom LeRoux 714-894-9603 or mail money and request to: Jim Eliot 2525 N. Santiago Ave. Santa Ana CA 92706

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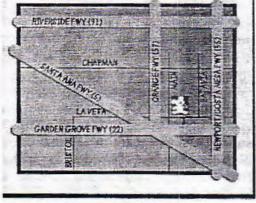
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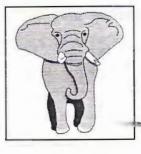
General Meeting [Second Thursday of every month] February 8, 2001 @ 730 PM CHOC Hospital 455 South Main St. Orange, CA Where is CHOC ?



Clinic Building Providence Ave. Entrance [drive up to second floor]

## February 8 Bring your White Elephant Gifts

Be sure and join in on the fun and help your club raise some money by bringing those special items you can't use, but may be invaluable to someone else.



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