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Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah
and a Blessed New Year

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From your President Diana Wierman



"See What Great Things We Can Do In 2002"

I thank everyone for a great year and hope you have a wonderful holiday season.

Please read the following

Diana

Our Christmas Project to Thank CHOC and Help Children and Their Families.

Holiday Giving Project: **Please bring a new book to the December meeting or the Installation Banquet** to be used by Children's Hospital Ambulatory Clinic for their *Reach Out and Read* literacy program. This program provides a brand new book to each child starting at 6 months of age to 6 years each time they come for a well examination. Along with the book the Pediatrician advises the parent on the importance of introducing books and reading in the home. In addition this program uses volunteers in the waiting rooms to read or play with the children while waiting to see the pediatrician. Over 22,000 books have been provided to CHOC patients in the past 3 years through this program.

You may also bring books suitable for older children such as chapter books.

Gently used books are placed throughout the waiting areas and examining rooms, so these are o.k. as well. This is a year round program, so books will be appreciated and used at any time during the year. Thank you in advance: **Kathie Mc Call, RN.** Program Director for *CHOC Reach Out and Read.*

"Thank You" Given by MAFCA National



Bev Marsh, Gwen & John Riggs, & Piet Dwinger receive awards from Bob Trousil & Marlin Perry (photos: Riggs)

Quite a few members of our OCMAFC club receive thanks from the planning committee for all the work we did for and at the National. We received the awards at a party to celebrate and give thanks on behalf of all who worked.



Front: Darlene & Doc Ingwersen
Background: Marian Wavra, Colleen & Don Schmidt, Sally & Don Miller.



Clockwise: Tom Endy, Larry & Jerry McKinney, Piet & Judy Dwinger, Shiela Plotkin, Bev Marsh, Gwen Riggs (missing photographer John) & Lynn Neal.



Activity Schedule

Ken Zittler and Mel Collings

Dec. 7 (Sat.) 700 Crèche From Around the World
6 P.M. Dinner at the shopping center, 17th and Tustin Ave. There are many choices of places to eat. Then gather at 7 P.M. to go as a group to the church - 674 S. Yorba St., in Orange. We will visit a wonderful display of 700 nativity crèche from around the world. (Or if you can't go that night please don't miss this wonderful display that shows Dec. 6, 7 & 8.)
Info: Gerry McKinney 714-963-2724

Dec. 8 (Sun.) Villa Park Annual Inland Boat Parade and Pot Luck Dinner 2:00 P.M.
Meet at the Dwinger home by 2:00 for socializing and an early *Pot Luck* dinner. Bring your favorite salad, main course, or dessert. Drinks, plates and cups will be provided. Bring a folding chair to dinner. All parade entrants **must to be well decorated by 3:45 with lights etc.**
The end of the parade is in the Villa Park Center, with all kinds of activities, such as hands; dozens of booths, and other festive/fun things to participate in, including the awards presented to the best-decorated vehicles.
R.S.V.P necessary to: Piet & Judi Dwinger
714- 639-4767 e-mail: ModelADoc@socal.rr.com

Dec. 12 (Thurs.)
General Meeting 7:30 P.M. CHOC
Board Meeting at 6 PM in adjacent room.
NOTE CHANGE OF TIME FOR BOARD MEETING!!
Bring Books for CHOC Reach Out And Read
Program. See related article on page #2

Dec. 29 (Sun)
OCMAFC
Installation
Banquet 6-10

At the Claim Jumper Fountain Valley (Brookhurst Ave. and Talbert) just south of the 405 freeway) Chicken & rib combo plate, salad & dessert. Open bar - private room. **Only \$20.00 each** this year, with the club picking up the rest. Deadline for reservations and paying your money will be at the December meeting.
Info: Gerry McKinney 714-963-2724



Jan. 11 2003 (Sat.) Woodgraining Seminar
If you have any woodgraining to do, please contact Paul well before the seminar.
Info: Paul Steed (cell) 714-514-1931
(work) 714-441-0641

Jan. 18 (Sat.) The J. Paul Getty Museum
Meet at Coco's on Valley View just north of the 22 Freeway for a 9:15 departure. This will be a freeway tour. Bring your modern if you are reluctant to drive your Model A. Free parking (for first 15 A's to sign up) and free admission to museum. Lunch can be purchased at the museum.
Info: Mel Collings 714-970-7194

Jan. 25-26 (Sat.- Sun.) Turlock Swap Meet
(see related article next page)
Info: Modesto Area A's P.O. Box 576805 Modesto CA 95357 Phone: 209-571-1232

Feb. 2 (Sun.) Poker Run-Historic Places in Orange County
Meet at 9:30 A.M. Orange Mall, near Sears at 2100 N. Tustin, Orange.
Info: Mel Collings 714-970-7194

Feb. 23 (Sun.) The Gamble House and Old Pasadena
Meet at Brea Mall, on west side by Sears. Exit 57 Freeway at Imperial. Go west to Randolph. Turn right then right again at the first light into the parking lot. This will be a surface street tour.
Tour of Gamble House \$5 per person for seniors, younger people pay \$6.
Info: Mel Collings 714-970-7194

March 23 (Sun.)
Pancake Breakfast - Hart Park
Save March and volunteer to do your part now!
We need everyone to pitch in!
Phone Peggy Nunes to volunteer 562-694-9584
We especially need help rounding up raffle prizes.
Phone Jerry Mc Kinney to help with food.
714-963-2724 Email: lgmcsped@earthlink.net

Look Forward To Other 2003 Events

(More information in each monthly *Distributor*)

March 28-30 (Thur. thru Sun.) CCRG - Central California Regional Group, Modesto

April 12 (Sat.) OCMAFC Tour of the Flower Fields in Carlsbad and Tour of Rancho Guajome Adobe in Vista.

Leaving at 9 A.M. from South Coast Mall Sears parking lot. This will be a freeway tour.

April - Laughlin - Sponsored by Pomona Valley

May 3 (Sat.) OCMAFC Swap Meet

May (Sat.) Ladies Driving Tour (proposed)

May 23 thru 26 NCRG ROUNDUP

The Sonoma A's Chapter is hosting the 41st Northern California Regional Group Roundup over the Memorial Day weekend. Enjoy the spectacular Sonoma Coast, towering redwoods, vineyards, and scenic back roads with us, and plan to stay a while. The NCRG Board will hold its annual meeting, day and time to be announced at a later date. Visit our Sonoma A's website.

Info: Steve Lewis, 2003 Roundup Co-chairman, 9618 Cherry Ridge Road Sebastopol, Ca. 95472

Ph: 707-829-9007

June 5 thru 8 TEXAS TOUR INVITE

From Piney Wood Model A Ford Club - Texas..

Website: www.texastour2003.com, or **Email:** texastour2003@hotmail.com, Or Piney Wood Model A Ford Club 16203 Chipstead Dr. Spring TX 77379

June - OCMAFC Local Businesses Tour with picnic in the park. (proposed)

June 12-16 Ford Motor Company's 100th

Anniversary Celebration Dearborn, Michigan on the grounds of Henry Ford II World Center. Displays of classic and collectible Ford Motor Company vehicles, plus exhibits, entertainment and visits by many of Ford's racecar drivers and other Ford celebrities. You too can display your vehicle.

More to follow.

OCMAFC Official Summer Tour

June 22-July 8

Hawaii - Cruise Paradise II

Info: Tom Endy 714-897-5861

Email: tendy53@earthlink.net

July 4 (Fri.) Fireworks CBS Studio

We were invited to attend by Harbor MARC

July - Wings N' Wheels

July 15-19 Northwest Regional Meet Calgary 2003

Hosed by the Stampede City MAFC

Alberta Canada. Reg. \$96 US, Tour \$16 US

Ron or Irene Rigby 403-282-9655

Email: rwigby@telusplanet.net

www.telusplanet.net/public/afriesen/scmafc.htm

Sept. Rim of the World, Big Bear Lake

Sponsored by the Whittier Chapter MAFC

Oct. Progressive Brunch

Nov. Palm Springs Follies

Dec. Installation Banquet

More on 37th Annual Turlock Swap Meet

Saturday January 25, 2003 7:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

Sunday January 26, 2003 7:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Stanislaus

County

Fairgrounds

Turlock

Sponsored by

Modesto Area

A's.



This is a very large swap meet that many members attend. Lots of Model A stuff as well as other pre 1969 vendors. You need to dress warm because it is always cold and often wet!

Admission \$3 (children free) All spaces pre-registered R.V. parking \$20. Cars for Sale display \$30 for 2 days First come first served. Car gate open 2:30 - 8 Fri. Cars must be driven to space. Concession stands. No dogs, alcohol or fire arms allowed on Fairgrounds.

Directions Hwy 99 to West Main St. exit. Go East just past Tully. R.V. parking on South side and buyer parking on the North side, just before the fairgrounds. Grounds maps at the gate.

Info: Modesto Area A's P.O. Box 576805 Modesto CA 95357 Phone: 209-571-1232.

KELLOGG TOUR

By Dorothy Knox

On November 3, 21 of us journeyed to Cal Poly Pomona for a tour of the Kellogg mansion, lunch and the Arabian horse show. We left the Orange mall and traveled surface roads to the campus. We went through Brea Canyon with sections untouched by modern development. We passed the Brea oil fields which have been pumping oil for over a hundred years. The herd of longhorn cattle that graze on the old Diamond Bar Ranch once owned by Tom Mix were right by the side of the road for us to enjoy.

The Cal Poly, Pomona campus was beautiful. We wound our way through the campus admiring the campus and the cows, pigs, goats, and horses and found the Kellogg Mansion where we were able to line up

our cars in front for a photo op. The Spanish style mansion



was built by William Kellogg of Corn Flakes fame in the 1920s. After our tour we continued to a lovely restaurant, Kellogg West, for a buffet lunch.



It was a lovely setting and good meal. From there

we went to the Equestrian Center for the Arabian Horse Show. Mr. Kellogg originally used the ranch to raise Arabian horses.. The continuance of that program was a condition of the gift of the property to California for a college campus.

Those enjoying the beautiful day in their As were **Mel and Terry Collings, John and Gwen Riggs** with their passengers **Marion Wavra** and **Katherine, Don and Colleen Schmidt, Clay Willis, Merle McClellan and Eddie, Dick and Carmen Smith** and their passenger **Jeanne McMillan**, and **John and Dorothy Knox**. Following in moderns

were **Bev Marsh** and her daughter **Melinda, Peggy Nunes**, and **Janet Zitrer** and her friend **Jean Simmons**.



Learning lots of things about the Kellogg house that we don't remember any more.



Mel looking for where we were to have lunch



Those crazy Model A-ers watching the horse show

(Photos by Riggs and Knox)





Sunshine and Sorrow

By Jeannie Parrish

Diane Manos slipped on her porch and broke her hip. She is recuperating and it would be nice for her to receive some cards and calls.

Art Moore is now home and back to work part time following his extensive surgery. It was especially good to see him out for the opening ceremonies of the 210 Freeway on Sunday November 24.

Sandy Slaght is recovering very well from her foot surgery and thanks everyone for their concern.

Judy Dwinger is recovering from foot surgery and was able to wear a shoe (gingerly) last Sunday. **Piet's** mother (93) recently received a pace maker.

Brian Morse is still on the mend from his jaw surgery and could eat ("carefully") some turkey for Thanksgiving.

Lew Lewis retired Thursday, 31 October 2002, from the employ of The Boeing Company in Huntington Beach, as the heritage MDAC Responsible Engineer and Lead Battery Engineer in the Energy Systems Laboratory (ESL) better known as The Battery 21 Lab. **Congratulations!** (Ed. Note: I bet it took a full career just to learn his title.)

He sold his Pick Up and now is on a retired venture to restore his 1929 60C "Blind Back"



Congratulations

to **Deena and Rick Peterson** on the birth of their daughter **Lauren Grace** on November 19. She weighed in at 7 pounds 11 ounces and all parts are working great. Mom and Dad and brother **Colby** are doing fine too.

Twenty One Model A Fords and a '29 Chevy Caught Driving The Wrong Way In The Freeway Carpool Lane

Actually, they had been invited to help with the Grand

Opening of the 14 mile stretch of the 210 Freeway through LA and San Bernardino Counties on

November 24. **Larry & Art** waiting for the ceremony to begin.



The Pomona Valley A's were on hand to escort dignitaries down the new freeway as a part of the festivities. Four of those cars were from our own Orange County Club.

Jim Dunn, Art and Olive Moore, Larry McKinney, and John and Dorothy Knox were a part of the celebration.



John & Dorothy parked on the freeway and it's not even rush hour.

(photos courtesy of Jim Dunn)

Trailer Raffle for 2003 MAFCA National Membership Meeting in December, 2003.

It is a 16' Car Hauler with electric brakes, dove tail, bull dog coupler, dual axle, spare tire & mount, rear slide-in ramps, tie-downs to fit a Model A. + other extras.

Trailer value approx. \$2,000. Tickets are \$5 each, or 5 for \$20. Winners need not be present, make checks payable to DMAFC (Dallas Model A Ford Club) and **Mail to:**

Jill Sullins, Chair,
MAFCA 2003 Annual Membership Meeting
6809 Saddletree Trail
Plano, TX 75023
Ph: 972-491-2770
Email: jsullins@ev1.net

Paul's Technical Report

The "9th Grade Auto Mechanics" technical seminar was held on Nov. 16 and was hosted by **Tom Endy**. Tom took us on a tour through the internal combustion engine with an emphasis on the ignition system of the Model A Ford, which included setting ignition timing. *My thanks to Tom for putting on a really great seminar.* Following the seminar, attendees feasted.

Note: The January 11 technical seminar will be on woodgraining. If you have any woodgraining to do, please contact me well before the seminar.

Happy Motoring,
Paul Steed
(714) 514-1931 (cell)
(714) 441-0641 (work)



This is an engine!!



This is a distributor!!



When do we eat?



Four heads are better than one. Shirley, Diana, Dorothy, and Ginger join heads to adjust the spark.



Tom explains a fine point to Dan and Dave.



The Godfather guides Jeanne through adjusting the spark while Diana, Terry and Mel make sure he does it right.

Photos by Bea Kalinowski and Dorothy Knox

OCMAFCA GENERAL MEETING

By **Kathie Mc Call**, Secretary

November 14, 2002. 69 people in attendance.

President **Diana Wierman** called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm at CHOC by leading the flag salute.

Visitors Kay & Keith Osborne (1931 pick up), Bob Zaitz ('31 coupe), and Charles Warner (no car yet) were introduced by Club Greeter **Jon Highland**. The Minutes from the October meeting were approved as published in The Distributor.

Treasurer was absent. The written financial report was available for review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: **Tom Endy** invited all to attend the "Ladies Seminar" to be held Saturday, Nov. 16. The "Ninth Grade Auto Mechanics" lecture will have something for everyone, including 'hands on' opportunities to adjust points, examine the 4-cylinder engine and learn the basics of the combustion engine. A pot luck lunch will follow. Diana read a thank you note from the Ronald McDonald House for the generous donation of personal hygiene items. Harbor "A"s and Palomar "A" also helped our club with this project.

Diana requested that members bring a new children's book for the December meeting to be donated to CHOCO's Reading Club in the outpatient department of the hospital. Gently used books can also be donated.

Diana pointed out the 2 large notebooks that she has been keeping of the newsletters that come in monthly from other clubs. These are available for members to use.

OLD BUSINESS: **Vince Mariola** (Nominating Committee Chairperson) announced that all positions have been filled for the 2003 Board. Ballots may be mailed to him or placed in the ballot box by the Dec. meeting.

ACTIVITIES: **Ken Zittler** provided details on upcoming activities including the Palm Spring Follies Nov. 22. Details of all activities are listed separately.

Incoming Activities Director **Mel Collings** provided an impressive list for 2003 and will be listed in the *Distributor*. **Gerry Mc Kinney** invited members to the Nativity Crèche Display at the Mormon Church in Orange for Dec. 7.

HARD LUCK TROPHY: There being no new candidates and seeing that **Dick Dewey** forgot to bring the HLT to the meeting he was awarded the privilege of keeping it yet another month.

NEW BUSINESS: **John Knox**, newsletter editor, encouraged entrants for the cover of the December newsletter, featuring a Model A in full holiday regalia.

The picture will need to be submitted prior to Thanksgiving.

CAR OF THE MONTH: **Glen Johnson** described his '29 Woody Station Wagon which he purchased in 1972 and completely restored over a 13 month period. Glen described many happy family outings and trips and continues to drive and display this car today.

Jim Dunn, photographer and web site contributor provided an update on his project. Jim has had his pictures, taken at the Pancake Breakfast event, on a 'free' web site for some time. This opportunity may be removed in the future. No action was taken.

WHITE ELEPHANT RAFFLE: Following the break and tire kicking outside, **Carl Erickson**, Auctioneer Extraordinaire, once again incited the audience to fever pitch as he encouraged outrageous bids on equally outrageous items. All told approximately \$180.00 was raised for the club.

Submitted by: Kathie Mc Call, Secretary

Welcome New Members

Three of our visitors last month joined at their first meeting. Please welcome them. (We apologize that we did not bring our camera)

Kay and Keith Osborn

24292 Lysanda
Mission Viejo, CA 92691
Ph: 949-837-7889

Kay and her late husband Joe were members several years ago. Her son Keith is a 4th generation driver of their 1931 PU Fire Truck.

Bob Zaitz

2109 N. Flower St.
Santa Anita, CA 92706
Ph: 714-834-1681
1931 Coupe



Ideas For Welcoming New Members

At our Board Meeting, **John Riggs** suggested that a great way to welcome new members, who do not have an A or they can't or don't want to drive theirs yet, is to invite them along to sit in the back seat of your A..

Another way is to personally invite them to tag along with you in their A to the next outing.

Submit you ideas to help new members feel welcome.
Do your part to help new members feel welcome.



CAR BARN SPECIALS

*(Member ads will run two months unless renewed.
Nonmember ads will run one month unless renewed)*

For Sale

1930 Huckster
Rebuilt chassis
with special
body built from
purchased plans.
\$5,000

Info:
Charles Warner
714-633-6156



1930\31 Coupe
2.3 Pinto engine,
'48 hyd. brakes,
Chet Herbert
cam, Webber
carb, 1939 trans.
AC, CB radio.
\$8,500

Info:
Charles Warner 714-633-6156 Santa Ana



1931 Victoria

A very nice car, good looking and good driving.
See lots of pictures at:
www.geocities.com/flyingquail
Info: Jim Dunn 909-946-2053

BIG TEX Trailer 18' Deluxe flat bed

Electric surge breaks, double axle, heavy duty steel
frame, ramps, extra light hook ups, hitch pin and
balls, chains, tie down straps and tongue dolly.

Purchased by John Mc Millan just a few years ago
and still in excellent shape.

Info: John Knox 562- 697-2545

1959 Ford F-100 Shortbed Pickup

Newly restored. 350 CI Chev. engine-350 HP,
hydromatic transmission, power steering,
new tires, tow hitch, nice paint, interior and
headliner is Route 66 fabric Must See \$12,000
Mike and Diana Wierman 714-894-4040

Wanted

Restorer Magazines to fill my collection

Vol.4 #3 (Sept.-Oct.1959)

Vol.7 #1 (May - June 1962)

Ph. Jim Dunn 909-946-2053

jim@jimdunnphotography.com

Car Trailer wanted - 14' with rails (not flat bed),
electric brakes, double axel. If you have one . . .

Ph. John Knox 562-697-2545

For more buying and selling,

Visit **MAFCA's Web Site:**

www.mafca.com/classifieds.html

This and That

Model A Video Tapes Available

The club has purchased from MAFCA a series of
technical video tapes for use by club members.
They cover a variety of subjects including
**stopping, carburetors, flashers, plus many
more.** You can check them out at the meetings.
See **Don Schmidt** at the sales table.

Satisfied Advertiser- Lew Lewis

I sold the 1929 Coupe. Somehow a fellow up in
Manhattan Beach received a copy of the
Distributor from a friend, saw "Chugga-Chugga"
for sale; liked what he saw; it was a done deal.



Merry Christmas

See our project to give books to the CHOC *Reach Out and Read* literacy program. *Page 2.*

(photo touch ups and additions on this page and the cover, by Jim Dunn)

✓ Deadline for next

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newsletter@ocmafca.org

General Meeting

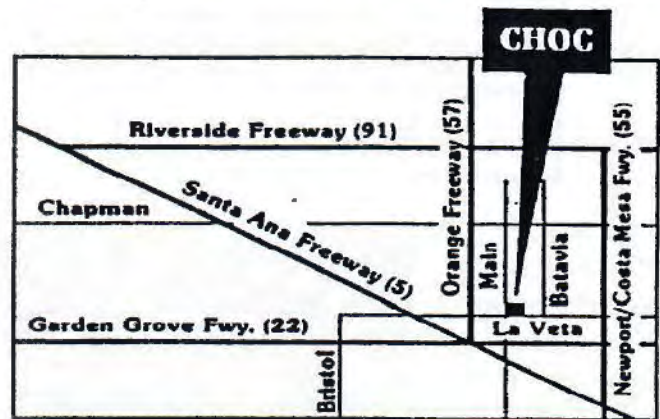
[Second Thursday of every month]

December 9, 7:30 P.M.

(Board meeting at 6:00 PM
adjoining meeting room)

CHOC Hospital Complex
455 South Main St. Orange CA

From Main Street, turn east onto Providence Ave. and immediately, on your right, enter the structure and park on the second level. Meeting room accessed from parking structure.



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