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Notes From Your President Don Miller. . .

December 2006

President's Letter



Don't forget that the December meeting has been changed from the 2nd Thursday to the first Thursday, December 7th.

The Installation and Christmas Banquet is on Sunday the 17th. We will be installing a whole new Board this year and if you haven't made your reservations to welcome the new Board there is still time. Call Bev Marsh or Jeanne Parrish.

I want to give a big "Thank you" to Charles Cohen for taking over as the club Merchandise Chairman. We are fortunate that there is always someone willing to take on a job when needed.

I also want to thank Cathy McCall for taking over as secretary at the last minute.

This is my last Presidents Message and I can't say enough about the support that I have had from everyone. We have had a great Board that has made my job easy. The club has prospered, thanks to everyone who contributed, especially the committee chairmen and a special thanks to the special committees such as the Budget Committee, the By-law Committee, and a big thanks to the Pancake Breakfast Committee. They all did a fantastic job.

The club is better than ever and I am grateful that I could be part of the progress the Model A Club made during this period.

**LET'S KEEP DRIVING THOSE
MODEL A's!!!**

Your Very Last Chance!

A message from Bev Marsh

Get your Installation Banquet tickets at the Dec. meeting. You were given a little extra time to buy them because of the general meeting being a week early! **The banquet is at the Costa Mesa Country Club on Sun., Dec.17th.** Cocktails are at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Menu choices are salmon or prime rib or vegetarian. The cost is \$34 per person. Contact Jeannie Parrish or Bev Marsh. Don't be left out!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Article from CHOC

Please see an article furnished by Kathie McCall that was included in CHOC's in-house publication entitled "PAWS" which is a acronym for "Physicians and Associates Web Site." Please note the last paragraph---that says it all!! The article appears on page 9 in this issue.

This Month's Cover



**A MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ONE AND ALL
FROM YOUR EDITORS**



Activity Schedule

Glenn Johnson

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(NOTE: * = UPDATED INFORMATION)

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Or mail to: 244 No. Goldenspur Way,
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NEXT MEETING DATE

******December 7, 2006 7:30 PM******

*****Dec 7 Meeting Date Change**

**Dec 14-16 (THURS-SAT) Las Vegas---MAFCA
National Banquet**

Dec 16 (SAT) Mike Wright, who is the technical director for the Harbor Area Model A Club has arranged for a seminar tour for his club to visit H&H engine rebuilders in La Canada on Saturday, December 16, 2006. He has invited anyone from our club who would like to attend to join them. Anyone who is interested in going should call Mike at 310-516-9309.

**Dec 17 (SUN) Installation & Christmas
Banquet**
Costa Mesa Country Club.

Dec 19 (TUES) Christmas Lights Tour & Party.

**Mar 25 (SUN) Orange County Pancake
Breakfast**

April 12-15 (THURS-SUN) Laughlin Tour

April 26-28 (THURS-SUN) CCRG

July 12-15 (THURS-SUN) Wings & Wheels

SWAP MEETS

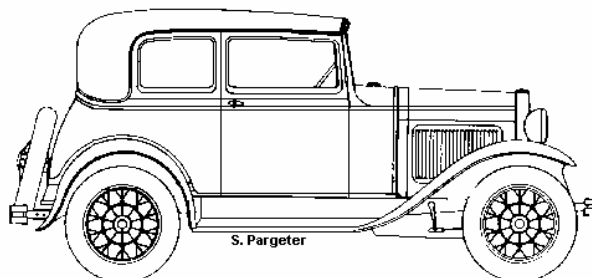
**Dec 10 (SUN) Long Beach Swap Meet-Veteran's
Stadium**

**Jan 27- 28 (SAT & SUN) 41st Annual Turlock Swap
Meet** at the Stanislaus County Fairgrounds sponsored
by **THE MODESTO AREA A's**. Visit the website for
further information, etc. at: www.turlockswapmeet.com.

Fourth Thursday Breakfast Bunch

Polly's Bakery Cafe
2660 N. Main Street
Santa Ana, CA 92705
714-547-9681

Info: Terry Collings (714-970-7194)



Technical 2006

by Tom Endy

December 2006:

There is no technical seminar scheduled for December.

Twelve-volt ahooguh horn:

An original Model A horn is designed to operate with a six-volt battery. When converting a Model A to 12 volts it will be necessary to make the horn compatible with the 12-volt battery. There are several ways this can be accomplished. Bratton sells an original looking horn that is manufactured to operate on 12-volts. The part number is 19810, but it is quite pricey. Bratton also sells a dropping resistor that will reduce the voltage to an original horn to 6-volts. The resistor is part number 20050 and it is designed to fit nicely inside the back cover of the horn. The resistor should not be confused with the horn relay he also sells, part number 20040. The relay is intended to provide a better ground to a 6-volt horn than what is being provided by the grounding of the horn button. It is not intended for 12-volt use. A Model A horn will operate with either a positive or negative ground.

A Commercially available zero to two-ohm variable power resistor rated at 100 watts will also work very well. The variable adjustment will allow you to fine tune the ahooguh sound. One such resistor is an Ohmite D100K2R0 available from Newark electronic stores. 1-800-463-9275. ☺



The original "Hollywood" sign

Historians Corner

by Dick Smith

This month I would like to report on the inventory of "The Distributor". As you know many members have contributed their copies trying to fill many missing issues.

The only known missing issue is the September 1966 issue

It is quite an accomplishment to have so much help from members to fill the previous voids in our clubs collection. This collection is our clubs documented history from 1961-2006. That's 45 Years!!!!!!! So far.

Pearl and Lou Spielberg collected and preserved (in binders), "**The Distributor**" since joining the club in 1976 until his passing.

This year the Grand & Great Grandchildren donated their family's collection to our club. With this addition we now have a near complete set.

Very special thanks to the Spielberg family:

Karen Gaynor – Granddaughter, **Jeremy Gaynor** – Great Grandson.

Becki Manning – Granddaughter, **David Manning** – Grandson in law.

For those who collect the **Restorer** magazines, I have many spares; if you send me your list of missing issues I will try to fill them.

A special thanks to (The Godfather) **Vince Mariola** for donating so many restorers.

This month 23 Restorers will go to **Don & Wade Ratzlaff** for their collection. They will donate an equal number of copies from their duplicates.

You can borrow any **Restorer** in my collection or any **Distributor** in our clubs collection, or to suggest stories or articles you would like to submit please call or e-mail me at modeladick@yahoo.com

See you at the December meeting (first Thursday), Dec 7, hope you drive your A's....Dick

OCMAFCA General Meeting

November 9, 2006

Submitted by Kathie McCall

The meeting began with the flag salute led by President **Don Miller**.

Interim Greeter **Joanie Harris** introduced **Charles** Cohen's wife **Harriet**, **Jerry Rait** and daughter **Stephanie Collins** and welcomed **Warren Hogan**.

Minutes: Approved as printed in the Distributor. No corrections or additions.

Treasurer: **Dianna Stewart** report that 65 members have paid 2007 dues to date. Payment is due tonight for the Installation/Holiday Banquet.

Technical: **Tom Endy** reports that 28 people attended the November electrical seminar. There will not be a seminar in December due to a full calendar. During the break Tom demonstrated 'coil polarity using a lead pencil'. The importance of installing and using seat belts in the Model A was stressed citing a recent report of a fatal Model A accident in Gettysburg.

Activities: **Sharon Johnson** reviewed the Hearst Castle, San Simeon trip coming up Nov.30 thru Dec.2. **Glenn** reviewed the activities listed separately.

Sunshine/Sorrow: **Jeannie Parrish** mentioned **Gary Discher's** bilateral knee replacement surgery in December. **Joanne** will need lots of support!

Merchandise: **Gary Discher** will turn over his merchandise inventory tonight to volunteer **Charles Cohen** to store and bring to next meeting. The new President and Board will appoint new merchandise chairperson. Any volunteers?

Editor: **Pete Hyland** is seeking more volunteers for the e-mail version of the newsletter in an effort to decrease expenses, currently 19 members are participating. **Remember that the e-mail version is in color.** Deadline for the December newsletter is 11/27.

Lew Lewis explained how to subscribe for the e-mail version on the club's web site at the scrolling message center.

Monthly Breakfast Report: **Terry Collins**. No November breakfast.

Historian: **Dick Smith** reviewed the 1968 issue of the Restorer in which a much younger **Richard and Jeannie Parrish** were on the cover depicting the infamous "Bonnie & Clyde".

Southern California Regional Meet: **Bev Marsh** will attend the January meeting.

Don Miller announced the December meeting would be December 7 instead of December 14 due to a conflict with CHOC for their annual employee holiday dinner.

Don announced that the final date for payment of dues is at the January '07 meeting in order to be included in the membership roster.

Following a short break, a White Elephant auction was held, hosted by a very capable Dick Smith (in Carl Erickson's absence).

Doc Ingwersen reported on his grandson's Eagle Scout project in which 62,000 pop tabs have been collected so far. Doc also distributed memorabilia to various long time club members from the collection of **Vivian and Jack Payton**. Vivian was the first female Director on the MAFCA Board and has recently died.

Charles Cohen demonstrated a muffler with a tip on it to prevent exhaust fumes from going up into the rumble seat. Contact him if interested in purchasing @ \$25.00.

Hard Luck Trophy: **Glenn Johnson** won 'hands down' for blowing a head gasket and a broken axle on the way home from the San Sylmar trip.

The meeting was adjourned @ 9:30 pm

OCMAFC Military Veterans

Gary Chambers USNR \ USAFR 1963-2003

I was born in Pasadena and raised in the San Fernando Valley. In the spring of 1961, just before high school graduation, I signed up in the U.S. Naval Reserves in Van Nuys, California. From June 1961 until June 1963 I was attached to the Reserve Unit as a Boatswains Mate. For one year I was assigned to the USS Vammen Reserve Ship until I went on active duty from July 1964 to July 1967. During that time I did two tours of duty in Viet Nam as a naval corpsman aboard aircraft carriers, and finished active duty in Monterey California at the U.S. Naval Post Graduate School Medical Department. I was discharged on a Friday and walked into that same Van Nuys Naval Reserve Center on Saturday to sign up again! They were stunned and said that never happened before! From July 1967 until March 1975 I remained in the Naval Reserve, while working for the L.A. County Sheriff's Dept. and attending college. In June of 1973 I graduated from nursing school and began work as a Registered Nurse with the Sheriff's Dept (LA and then OC). I left the enlisted ranks for a commission as a 2nd Lt. in the California Air National Guard/USAFR. From 1975 to 2003 I served as the Medical Supply Officer, assistant Training Officer, Assistant Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, Chief Nurse, and then Commander. I rose in the ranks to Lt. Col, and was Commander (9 years) of the 146th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron @ Channel Islands California Air National Guard, Oxnard, CA. From 1995 until retirement in 2003 I worked full time as an Air Reserve Technician at the base. While I was Commander, the unit became the #1 Aeromedical Unit in the U.S. During my career in the CANG, I had several international command positions, which included stints in the Ukraine and Germany. I served as Deputy Chief Aeromedical Evacuation Forces for contingency Operations for: Operations Joint Guard, Joint Forge and Enduring Freedom in Ramstein Germany. From 1995 to 2003 I led Diplomatic Medical Missions to the Republic of Chile. For outstanding contributions to the Republic of Chile I was awarded The Distinguished Service Medal from the Chilean-Fuerza Aerea De Chile, only the 2nd North American to receive that honor.

On a personal note, I met my wife Marilyn at a college bar near Cal State Northridge in Sept. 1966 and we were married the following September, with most of our courtship via letters that were usually six weeks old. We are both native Southern Californians, raised in the San Fernando Valley, and escaped to Orange County in 1973. In September 2006 we celebrated 39 years of marriage. Our daughter Christa and son Gary were born during the college years; we are now the proud grandparents of four (Brandon, Jack, Gabriella, Gracie), and Lucas is due in Feb. In April 2003 I completed a 42-year career in the United States military. I didn't start out with that goal in mind, it just happened. I currently work for the County of Los Angeles Emergency Medical Service Agency, Disaster Services, Hospital Bio-terrorism Program as a Senior Disaster Analyst. I love what I do and the people I work with, and only work four days a week. It is like being retired and getting paid for it. I have not completely given up the military, oh no, I am currently the Commander of the Scottish American Military Society (SAMS) Post 10, aka the BG James "Jimmy" Stewart Post, for greater Los Angeles. I am always looking for new members, anyone interested??
Email: aesccret03@yahoo.com



Gary Chambers 1966

Courtesy of the Diablo A's (from a long time ago!!)

The Closet . . . by Diane Piazza



Women's coats followed the style of the era, often with special detailing on the front and back panel and slenderizing long straight lines. When worn in fashion judging, coats and wraps fall under the category of "Coordinated Apparel", and help to complete an outfit.

Daytime, sport, and evening coats generally conformed to the following trends: Spring and summer coats were usually fabric, with occasional fur trim on collar and/or cuffs. Fall and winter coats sported much fur trim. Luxury winter coats were all fur, frequently seal or beaver. Less expensive coats came in muskrat, coney rabbit, opossum, or fake velour plush, as well as suede and horsehide. The coats of 1928-29 usually fastened on the left with one button or clasp low on the hipline, or were belted low, or both. The silhouette was tapered, wide at the hips to fit comfortably but narrower at the hemline. The dress did not show beneath the hem of the coat.

The exception to this was a short jacket or cape worn for evening attire, and scarves of velveteen, georgette, chiffon, silk crepe, fox, squirrel, mink or marten. Feather boa's in assorted colors, including black, brown, beige, blue, red and white, were often worn for evening wear throughout the Model A era.



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1930 45-B Coupe

Glad you have joined us!!

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Red & Mimi Sickman
Add Car: 1930 40-B Deluxe Roadster

The Newest/Youngest Member of the Club

(A note from Matt & Laura Ricketts)

Hi Model A'ers,

We've been a busy family for the last year and haven't been to any Model A activities, but the good news is we've decided to renew our membership in hopes to take the modern on a few events next year. We'd like to let you know that we have a new member of our family, and thus a new member of the Model A Club. Autumn Lily Ricketts was born July 27, 2006 weighing 6lbs 9oz and 19 3/4 inches long. (I've attached a picture) We've been awfully busy with our 3yr old and now an infant that our poor Sport Coupe hasn't been out of the garage in over 6 months. And the restoration of the Vicky is on the very bottom of the honey-do list. I suppose that's what happens with two little ones.

Take care and happy holidays,

Matt & Laura, Emily & Autumn





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ASSOCIATES DEN



Welcome to the Associates Den on PAWS. This page is totally dedicated to articles and submittals from CHOC Associates. Have any interesting news about your department? Would you like to share stories of fellow associates? This is your chance to advertise, sell or buy items, share recipes, and recognize other associates in a special way. Click here to contact the Web Specialist or call ext 7645 for more information.

ASSOCIATE BELONGS TO MODEL A CLUB



Kathie McCall with her husband and their Model A.

Associate **Kathie McCall** has a very special interest and it involves CHOC.

Did you know that there is a Model A Club here at CHOC? The club itself has been in existence since 1964 and has been meeting at CHOC for the past 5 or 6 years.

The Model A Ford was Henry Ford's greatest accomplishments during the Great Depression when so many people were out of work and there were no jobs available. He instituted the factory/assembly line model to build thousands of these cars. The going rate of pay was \$5.00 per day, which was more than most people were making. The cars cost between \$300 to \$500.00. The years encompassed 1928 to 1931 for the Model A line of automobile and was affordable to even the working class.

Today these restored cars are often worth more than \$25,000.00 and have proven to be quite the past time for all ages of enthusiasts. The Model A is often a participant in the Great American Race and the object of many high school auto shop classes since it has the original piston driven combustion engine.

Two years ago 12 of these cars (mine included) were shipped to Hawaii via freighter and joined by their owners 3 weeks later (by air) to tour all over the big island of Hawaii on the little back roads escorted by local islanders who also have a club there. This summer several club members journeyed to Massachusetts for a National "A" Convention via Amtrak traveling first class in Pullman cars and meeting up in Boston with other "A" owners to meet, greet, kick tires and tour around New England.

The "A" Club has made an annual contribution to CHOC for several years now. One year they purchased a digital camera to be used by the Reading Program and first floor Clinic, another year the contribution went to purchase a refrigerator to be used by the EVS staff in their employee lounge and other dollars went to the CHOC Foundation. They have contributed books for the Reading Room and new toys/games at Christmas for the In-Patient units. In addition thousands of toiletries and personal hygiene items have been collected and distributed to the Ronald McDonald House. In fact, last year we were told to hold off since they had a surplus of 'stuff'.

The Club feels very privileged to be able to meet at CHOC in the Education Center for their evening meeting. The old cars are protected with covered parking and access into the building is easy for some of the 'more senior' members. All have come to love CHOC and would do even more if made aware of the need.

[Click here](#) for previous Associates Den stories

Links

Birthday Wishes

Look who's celebrating a birthday this month!

Carpool List

A list of Associates that are interested in carpooling

Classifieds

Have something that you would like to buy or sell? Here is the place and there is NO CHARGE!

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Check out the latest health related news for Associates.

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Health Tips for Associates.

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On Your Mark, Get Set...GO!

Say Welcome the newest Associates to CHOC.

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Got ideas? We welcome all suggestions and comments for the PAWS Intranet.

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Keyword search for Associates with the same interests as you

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Share your favorite recipes with other Associates.

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Brought to you by the Community Education Department

Associates Den Online Forms

HERE IT IS AGAIN!!!!

**A reminder that dues should be paid prior to the
January meeting for inclusion in the 2007 Roster**

2007 Dues

The Dues for 2007 are now due and payable.

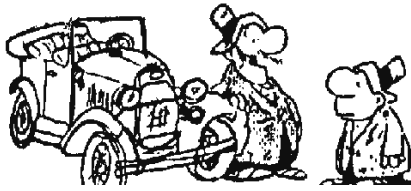
See Don Miller's comments in the minutes of the September
and November Meetings!!

\$30.00

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For Sale

*FOR SALE:

1931 Victoria Leatherback: Frame up restoration - **very clean** – upgrades include Brumfield head, F150 steering, modern shocks, 6V alternator, 500 road miles. Restoration cost breakdown available upon request. \$12,000 firm. **Phone 209-795-3972, e-mail bzett@goldrush.com Bob Zetterberg, Arnold, CA 95223**



*FOR SALE

1931 Sport Coupe Runs and looks great
 \$12,900.00 OBO
 Call: **Jim Davis: 714-904-1196**

**FOR SALE:

Two (2) **1930 /1931 Model A Top Boots** (AKA Dust Cover).
 A dressy, snug fitting boot to cover the top when down. Both boots are made of T-39 Neutral on Beige Stay fast material.

(1) **Deluxe Roaster** List price: \$205.00, plus shipping Price: **\$130.00, free S/H**

(1) **Deluxe Phaeton** List price: \$379.00, plus shipping Price: **\$350.00, free S/H**

Two (2) **Model A Ford Stone Guards.**

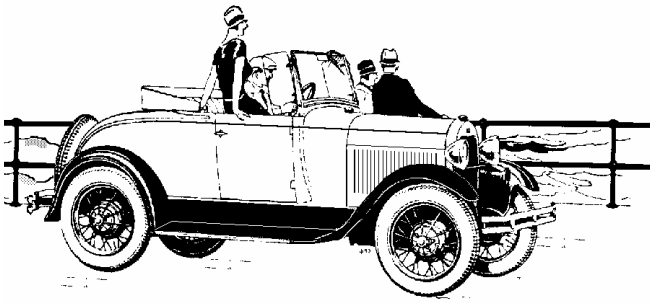
(1) **1930 Stone Guard** List price: \$130.00, plus shipping Price: **\$100.00, free S/H**

(1) **1931 Stone Guard** List Price: \$130.00, plus shipping Price: **\$100.00, free S/H**

For more details or package sale please call:
Greg Earhart (562) 869-0870

Here are a few notes regarding the Hearst Castle tour from Glenn Johnson:

1. We will leave Coco's on Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m.
2. If you want to have breakfast first, be there at 7.
3. The trip itinerary will be distributed to each couple before we leave.
4. Model A drivers should bring their own spare parts, tools, water, oil etc.
5. Bring warm clothes. It's much cooler up there.
6. Don't forget your camera.
7. Bring your hand held walkie-talkie. We'll be on channel 5.
8. While we're in Cambria, group tours will start at the Bluebird Motel.
9. I'll be driving, so if you have problems on the road, or get lost, call Sharon's cell 714-293-1466.
10. Be sure to leave adequate space between cars (6-8 car lengths).



General Meeting

7:30 PM

[Second Thursday of every month]

(Board meeting at 6:00 PM

in adjoining meeting room)

*****December 7, 2006*****

CHOC Hospital Complex

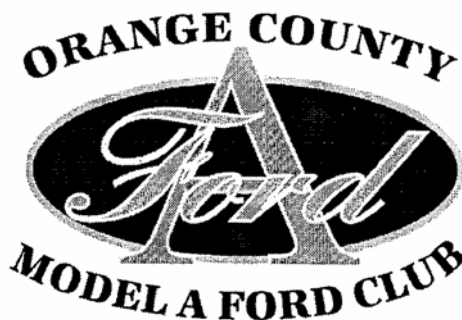
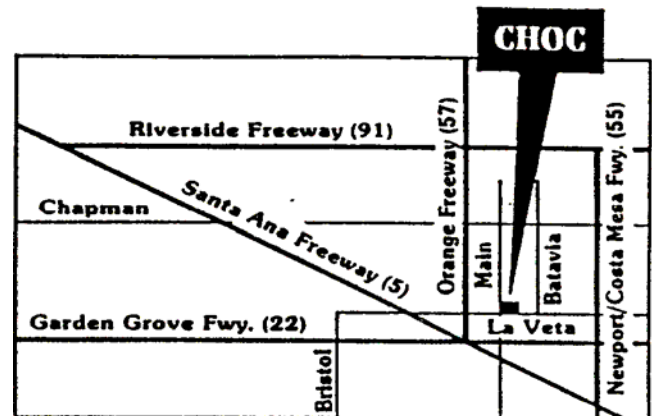
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- **December 29, 2006**

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