*"The Distributor" Orange County Model A Ford Club* 

# **Our 50th Year**

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Our 50th Anniversary Pancake Breakfast Hart Park, Orange California

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# President's Letter March 2011

Sunday morning 6 AM we arrived at Hart Park loaded with raffle prizes and food not knowing if we would be able to enter the park which had been closed due to water in the creek bed from recent storms.

The city of Orange checked out the conditions and gave us the go ahead. The creek was 8 to 10 feet wide, a foot deep and running pretty fast. We "Forded" the creek and furiously went to work on Orange County Pancake Breakfast number 50.

The food was unloaded, the grills set up, the tables cleaned and papered, the raffle prizes unloaded and displayed and the brave and faithful arrived in Model A's, street rods, antique cars classics and modern cars. They were quickly parked and the tire kicking and back slapping began.

At 8 AM the smell of pancakes, sausage and coffee drifted across the eating area and alerted the creek side parking gang who quickly lined up for a hot breakfast.

The Orange County work crew operated like a fine tuned watch making this the best ever under adverse conditions. Our guests were cooperative and considerate putting up with minor annoyances. They ate heartily and purchased raffle tickets to win those fantastic prizes.

11AM was the start of the raffle and the excitement was high. It looked like Christmas with people scampering here and there with their prizes. Smiles were the order of the day and we escaped the rain except for a little misting mid morning.

We thank all the workers for a job well done and all our guests for coming out in inclement weather to make our 50<sup>th</sup> breakfast an unconditional success. We thank our vendors who donated or made available those fantastic prizes at affordable prices.

Check out the pictures and start planning for our 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday breakfast, a tour to Mt Baldy, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday general meeting and other Model A fun with friends. Get that A on the road. The rains are about over and California sun is on the way. The 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday breakfast is at Knotts Berry Farm this month which is always fun. Need a personal seminar, help with you're A? Just ask. Us old guys are just sitting around waiting to get our hands greasy. I'll see you at the meeting Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> for slides of the pancake breakfast and an entertaining talk from a man who built his own air plane and flew it cross country.

Richard



### NEXT MEETING: March 10, 2011 7: 30 PM at CHOC

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### 2011 TOUR/ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

**Apr 7-10 (THURS-SUN) Laughlin Tour** in Laughlin, NV. A great weekend in Nevada.

### Apr 7 (Thurs) 2011 April Board Meeting

Ed & Patty Cote's Home, 2435 Bonnie Brae, Santa Ana, CA. 92706 714-542-6161 7:30 PM Please let them know if you are coming so they can plan.

**Apr 8-10 (Fri-Sun)** Youth Expo at the O.C. Fairgrounds (10:00-5:00). We will have a booth with two cars on display each day. We could still use more volunteers to help man the booth, just 2 hours of your time. This is an opportunity to help stimulate the interest of youth in the Model A Ford.

**Apr 17 (SUN) Mount Baldy Tour**—-Please see page 7 for details.

**Apr 19 (THURS) MAFFI** work party at Bob and Martha Trousil's in Downey His Telephone Number is: 562-861-7469

### May 5 (Thurs) 2011 May Board Meeting

Ed & Patty Cote's Home, 2435 Bonnie Brae, Santa Ana, CA. 92706 714-542-6161 7:30 PM Please let them know if you are coming so they can plan. May 7 (SAT) May Model A BS Breakfast Session– Will be at Spiro's Restaurant, 513 East Chapman Ave, Orange, CA Please see Page 7

May 15 (SUN) Hubley Races in Temecula

May 21 (SAT) SCRG meeting in Upland at Art and Olive Moore's home.

May 27-30 (FRI-MON) NCRG For details please call Bev Marsh.

June 5 (SUN) Antique Nationals in Fontana

June 26 (SUN) Henry Ford Picnic at Heritage Park

July 15-17 Wings and Wheels in Solvang Please note Bev's article on Page 8

Jun 27-Jul 1 ((MON-FRI) MARC National Meet in San Diego------"A Commotion by the Ocean"

Sep 10 (SAT) International Model A Day—Be sure to drive your Model A!!!

### **SWAP MEETS**

Apr 10 (SUN) Long Beach Swap Meet at Long Beach Veterans Stadium May 8 (SUN) Long Beach Swap Meet at Long Beach Veterans Stadium

Aug 21 (SUN) San Fernando Valley Model A & Model T Clubs at Rancho San Antonio, 21000 Plummer, Chatsworth, CA 6:00 AM-12:00 PM . Flyer at next meeting

Sep 25 (SUN) Paradise Swap Meet at Western Regional Little League Regional Headquarters, 6707 Little League Drive, San Bernadino, CA. Info? Call 909-875-4545 or 909-232-9514. Flyer at next meeting By Jeanne Parrish



Missing from the "Greeter" table at our Pancake Breakfast was Sally Miller. She was not feeling very good and we hope all is well and we will see her soon.

It seems Pete Hyland wanted to take a rest at the Pancake Breakfast after doing some great cooking. He had sat down and next thing we knew, paramedics were tending to him, gave him an exam and recommended he see his doctor. Wife, Ana picked him up, and we hope all is well with our First Class Editor.

Greg Earhart has undergone many tests and looks like he will be having some open heart surgery very soon.

Greg, we know you are "Built Ford Tough" and wish you a speedy recovery. you will be back with us before you know it!

Condolences go out to Bill Van Loenen's family. Bill was a long time member of Diamond Tread and Whittier Chapters. He passed away after a terrible fall in the back yard, recently, and services were held on Friday, 4/1/11. He was a friend to all and could be seen at all the major meets and activities working hard. He will be missed very much.

Judi & Pieter Dwinger are once again new proud grandparents. Their daughter, Jennifer and husband, Brandon Norton adopted a newborn baby girl, February 19th. Madilynne weighed in at 8lbs. 19" long and is a perfect beautiful baby girl. Both grandparents and parents are very excited (to say the least!) of this newest addition to their family. Congratulations to all!

Condolences go out to Eleanor Shaner, long time member in Colorado. Her oldest brother, Phillip Arbiso passed away in mid March

Darlene Ingwersen is recovering from a stroke recently. She has been moved to a rehab. facility and will begin therapy. We wish her a very speedy recovery and sure wish both she and Doc will return real soon.

Recently Joan Mariola took a tumble down the stairs hitting a table and breaking her arm. She also had the surgery for carpel tunnel syndrome. Arm and hand are in a sling and we sure hope and pray you are on the mend, Joan. Wish we could see you both at a meeting soon.

### **HISTORIANS CORNER**

#### By Dick Smith 4/2011

History shows us that the Model 'A' is not so different from the club members who promote the car. Just as an automobile is made up of integral parts, functioning toward a main goal, a club is made up of many members, who, when working in unison will steer the club to its ultimate goal. The long–time members are the seats of the Model 'A'. They are well worn and we sometimes take them for granted. They are always there to support the club. Trips would not be comfortable without them. In the

coming months, the "Historians Corner" will honor our long time members, many past club officers, by inviting them to share their memories of club life over the years. The following members, in no special order, have been contacted and agreed to share their past memories of activities and social good times, starting next month. Glenn & Sharon Johnson, Tom Endy, Bev Marsh, John Graves, Sheila Plotkin, Karen & Jeremy Gaynor, Vincent & Joan Mariola, Mel & Terry Collings, Richard & Jeanne Parish

If you would like to share your experiences and good times with us, or would like to suggest someone to profile, send your request to me at: **modeladick@yahoo.com** 

See you down the road.

### **Original Ford Investors Summary**

Investor	1903 Investment	Amount at Buyout (Year)
John W. Anderson	\$5,000. (1,000 Shares)	\$12,500,000. (1919)
Charles H. Bennett	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$35,000. (1907) \$12.5M/1919
James J. Couzens	\$2,400. (480)	\$29,308,857. (1919)
Rosetta V. Couzens	\$100. (20)	\$262,037. (1919)
Horace E. Dodge	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$12,500,000. (1919)
John F. Dodge	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$12,500,000. (1919)
Henry Ford	\$00. (5,100)	N/A
Vernon C. Fry	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$25,000. (1907) \$12.5M/1919
John S. Gray	\$10,500. (2,100)	\$26,250,000. (1919)
Alexander Y. Malcomson	\$25,500. (5,100)	\$175,000. (1906)
Horace H. Rackham	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$12,500,000. (1919)
Albert Strelow	\$5,000. (1,000)	\$25,000. (1907) \$12.5M/1919
Charles J. Woodall	\$1,000. (200)	\$5,000. (1906) \$2.5M/1919

It was Couzens and Malcomson who personally sold the stock and rounded up the investors. Couzens was a clerk at Malcomson Coal Company. Rosetta Couzens was his school teacher sister. Investors Anderson and Rackham were the attorneys for Malcomson Coal Company. Charles Woodall was a bookkeeper for Malcomson Coal Company. Vernon Fry was the cousin of Alex Malcomson. John Gray was the uncle of Alex Malcomson and a highly respected Detroit banker and elected Ford President.

Charles Bennett was the respected owner of Daisy air rifle. The Dodge Brothers owned the machine shop that was the key component suppliers to Ford Motor Company. Albert Strelow owned the old former wagon factory property on Mack Avenue in Detroit that Ford rented for \$75 per month. The  $50 \times 250$  foot building burned in 1941 but a replica exists at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI.

In 1905 Alexander Malcomson decided to hedge his bet on the success of the Ford Motor Company and started competitor Aerocar down the street from Ford. This act outraged his fellow Ford investors (including his Uncle John Gray) and Henry Ford bought him out for \$175,000 in 1906. If he had retained his investment until 1919 when many other Ford investors were bought out by Henry Ford he would have received almost \$64 million!! In 1907 Couzens bought more stock from investor Bennett.

Ford President John Gray died of heart trouble in 1906 and his family was offered the option of being paid off or letting their investment ride. The family was wealthy and let the investment ride, the right decision when you see what they received in the 1919 Ford buyout. The 1919 buyout was brought about by the Dodge Brothers 1917 shareholders lawsuit where they prevailed in Michigan state court.

1907 was the year Ford was first to make \$1 million in profits. In addition to the above funds the original investors received substantial Ford Motor Company dividend checks over the years. The settlement dividend check alone for the 1917 litigation was over \$2 million per shareholder as determined by the trial judge.

Some but not all of the above information and data came from the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn.

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"Borrowed" from "The Mohair Flyer" Santa Barbara Chapter with thanks!!

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# The Zenith Side Bowl!

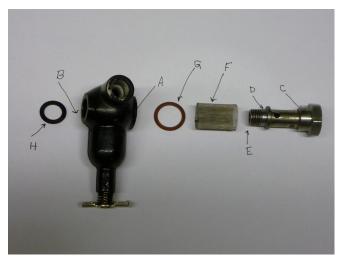
by Tom Endy

By May of 1931 several states had decreed that the Model A Ford can no longer be delivered with the fuel shut off valve located inside the passenger compartment, it must be located under the hood. Thus became what is known as the indented firewall. The fuel shut off valve was located in an indentation on the passenger side of the firewall. The Zenith carburetor was also changed. The fuel filter was no longer integral to the carburetor, but was a separate casting mounted to the side of the bowl. Hence the name side bowl carburetor. The side bowl carburetor also uses a different shaped fuel line.

The filter bowl assembly casting attaches to the carburetor using a large machined bolt and two gaskets and is prone to leak. This is especially true if the filter bowl assembly is a reproduction. Care should be taken during machining of the assembly, and this is not always done.

The two sides of the filter bowl assembly should not only be flat, but also parallel to each other. The bolt that attaches the assembly and holds the filter screen should have the collar under the bolt head perpendicularly machined. The length of the bolt is also critical. If the threaded end is too long it will bottom out before the gaskets are tight. The screen collar on the bolt at the carburetor end can also be too long and bottom out inside the filter bowl casting. The screen itself can also be too long and cause interference. All these areas should be addressed when trying to solve a leakage problem at the filter bowl assembly.

The boss on the carburetor itself also has to be flat and parallel to the filter assembly. If not, the gasket will not seal off. The side bowl filter assembly as attached to the carburetor relies entirely on the two gaskets to seal of any fuel leak. The fuel line that attaches to the filter bowl, though a different shape, uses the standard ferrule arrangement to seal off a fuel leak.



Side bowl filter assembly

The two surfaces at "A" and "B" must be flat and parallel to each other. The surface at "C" (under the head of the hex) must be flat and perpendicular to the length of the bolt. The flange at "D" must not be excessively long such that it binds against the inside of the casting. The length of the threads at "E" should not be excessively long such that they bottom out inside the carburetor boss. The screen at "F" should not be excessively long such that it binds inside the casting. The gaskets at "G" and "H" are what seals off any fuel leak.



Side bowl carburetor top casting

The carburetor boss at "X" must be flat and parallel to the filter bowl casting. The gasket at "H" is what seals against it.

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### **APRIL ROSTER DRAWING**

Don Ratzlaff

Are you paying attention? The Roster Drawing Prize for April has grown to \$80. The name drawn at the March Meeting was Larry Conkol but, he was not there to collect the \$70 prize; condolences. Will your name be drawn at the April meeting and will you be there to collect the prize? Guess we will have to wait and see what happens. Remember you must be in attendance to collect; good luck!

#### Guest Speaker invited for the April Meeting

Mr. Les Seymour, a southern California aviator who recently flew his home-assembled-kit airplane from here to the Statue of Liberty and back, has consented to tell us of his adventure at the April Meeting. Please welcome him.

#### Pancake Breakfast



Well now, the 50<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast has been served and those hardy souls that ventured out in the rain are to be congratulated. Those that helped with the setup and operation deserve a heart-felt THANK YOU from ALL the club members; it could not have been done without you! Those that came out to support the event; those clubs that traveled on those wet roads and those spectators that couldn't miss a good breakfast deserve a heart-felt THANK YOU also; it would not have been a success without you! Carolyn and I had our concerns as we brought the truck load

of supplies down the dark, wet, #57 freeway and I'm sure a few of you shared in these concerns; isn't it great that they did not materialize? I heard nothing but good comments about the food, licenses plates, breakfast buttons and raffle. Kudos to all of you!

### <u>April Tour</u>

What would you say to taking in some fresh, wholesome mountain air? Let's get together for a drive up to Mount Baldy Village via the Glendora Ridge Route. We will do this on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. The plan is to meet at the Panera Bread in the Brea Plaza, 1623 Imperial hwy, Brea (imperial hwy & #57 freeway, NE Quadrant) between 8am and 9am. Depart at 9am either by freeway or surface streets as dictated by the attendees. There should be some good scenery, a few wild flowers and a lack of smog for all of us to appreciate. We can maybe have lunch at the restaurant in the village. Think about it; it should be fun. We will have maps and a plan at the start (at least I hope to have one).

### April Model A BS Breakfast Session May Notification For Breakfast BS Session

Unfortunately the Distributor will probably not have been published before meeting time so; we'll talk in the past tense. The BS session was set for 8am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April (Saturday) at Spiro's Restaurant, 513 East Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA. I hope all that wished to attend received my email solicitation sent out on 28 March. As a reminder, this will be a "first Saturday of the Month" event until you tell me to "FORGETABOUTIT". As it turned out, we had 12 or 13 participants in attendance and the conversations were lively; see you there next month. Note that we has reserved space for the <u>May 7th</u> meeting-same time—same place!

### New Members

Welcome—we are glad you could join us!

Charles F. Hansen Miranda Y. Wu

26 Clear Creek Irvine, CA 92620 (H) 714-665-2469 email: mirandawu@cox.net 1928 Tudor –Pleasure Driving-Just Restored

### **Returning Member**

### Pieter & Judi Dwinger

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## <u>Corrections</u> Sheila R Johnson

Telephone Number (H) 562-921-2824

### <u>New Email</u> Joe & Penny Recker

thesearcherstwo@yahoo.com

### Wings and Wheels Tour

by Bev Marsh

This is a fun tour planned for July 16, 17 and 18. We will plan to leave on Friday morning (moderns are also as welcome as "A's.") The "A" drivers will be having vintage airplane pilots as their riders. LAST YEAR'S registration was \$72.00 per person. I have not yet been notified as to what this year's cost will be. Friday night we pick up our registration and then usually have a "pool party" (BYOB and a snack to share) at the hotel. Saturday morning we head out again to the Santa Ynez airport, from there we tour to interesting sites, usually stopping for Danishes and coffee along the way. After a picnic lunch, we are free until the evening for dinner at the hangar. In the morning, we go back to the hangar for breakfast. Those who transported pilots in their "A" will be getting rides in planes. Sometimes other members will get rides too. The meals are all included with the registration. A great opportunity to see Solvang! Make your room reservations now! Sheila Plotkin reserved a block of rooms at Pea Soup Anderson's. They will only be held until June 15th. They are being held for Orange County Model A Club. The cost is \$113.40 (plus tax) per night. (805) 688-3216 or (800) PEA-SOUP.

#### \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Orange County Model A Ford Club has a scholarship open to any youth member or any child or grandchild of a member of our club. The stated purpose of the scholarship is to encourage the involvement of young people in the Model A Hobby.

To apply, all they need to do is complete the scholarship application packet and return it by June 15, 2011. For information and to pick up the scholarship application packets please call Joanie Harris @ 562-431-9630, Sheila Plotkin @ 714-962-2117 or Carolyn Ratzlaff @ 714-529-5062

### Congratulations to Walt Otto

Walt entered and won the best Antique Automobile for the Laguna Beach Patriots Day Parade on March 5, 2011 with his 1929 Roadster. This was his fourth antique trophy having won 3 first and one second place in four years. Join us for good food

and great company...

### Fourth Thursday Breakfast Bunch

April 28 8:30 a.m.

## Knott's Berry Farm

### Chicken Restaurant

8039 Beach Blvd.

Buena Park 90620

(714) 220-5080

(Free parking just outside restau-

Info--Terry 714 970-7194





(Editors note: Sent to us by Keith Smith of MATC. Interesting history here.) The Leatherneck Express (see attached photo) is looking for a new home. You may recall reading about this 1937 Ford panel truck in the March/April 2005 issue of The Bulb Horn.

DETAILS HERE: <u>http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/Ford-LEATHERNECK-</u> EXPRESS-1937-Ford-Marine-recruiting-truck-

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I would greatly appreciate your courtesy in forwarding this email to your club members, along with anyone else who you believe may have an interest. I thank you in advance for your kind assistance.

Tom Torget Kerrville, Texas <u>ttorget@gmail.com</u> 830-377-5483



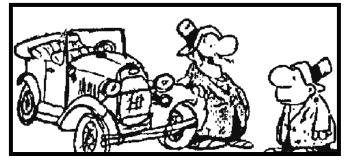




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### CAR BARN SPECIALS

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www.mafca.com/classifieds.html

## For Sale

### FOR SALE: 1928 AR Tudor Sedan

Extra parts with car. \$8,000.00 OBO Al Walters 949-290-6252

02/11

### FOR SALE: 1936 Ford Truck-

Running Gear—Complete Roy Weston 805-968-1448

02/11

### **FOR SALE: 1929 Roadster \$22,000**

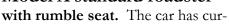
Contact Jeff Paley & he will get you to his friend whose A it is- <u>ibpaley@cox.net</u> or 805-687-6173





02/11

### **FOR SALE:** 1930 Ford Model A standard roadster



rent California registration. The car has a new H&H motor, clutch, generator, starter, leak-free water pump, wiring, tires and horn. The 1939 Ford hydraulic brakes were rebuilt with new tubing, master and slave cylinders. \$21,500 Call Doug at 714-777-5738.

04/11

**FOR SALE:** I have a Model A engine It runs with no leaks, no engine knock and does not smoke. The price is \$800.00 installed FREE at my house in Whittier. I also have a lot of parts. Thank you for informing the members of your club that my telephone phone number is: (562) 696 4375. Jose Curtin

02/11

#### FOR SALE: Pair of 1930/31 front fenders

with wheel well in both. Restored and in primer, ready to paint.

\$700.00 for the pair or \$375.00 each

Mark Schwing 714-692-1393 01/11

**FOR SALE:** A complete set of mechanical brakes that had been recently rebuilt by Jim Nichols. They were taken off my 1929 Roadster as I am changing to hydraulic brakes

Please call Walt Otto @ 949-497-2858

04/11

### FOR SALE: 1928 AR Tudor with extra parts

\$8,000.00 OBO Al Walters 949-290-6252





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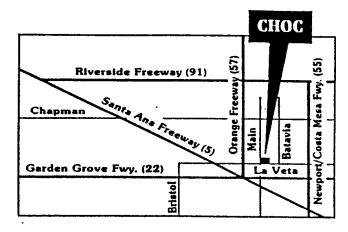
# **General Meeting**

7:30 PM [Second Thursday of every month]

## April 14, 2011

CHOC Hospital Complex 455 South Main St. Orange CA

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





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