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Special points of interest:

- Sign up to volunteer at the Annual Pancake Breakfast at Hart Park, Orange
- Why not let others learn more about you and your love for your car? Submit history and photos for the "Do You Recognize Me?"

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53rd Annual Pancake Breakfast
April 27, 2014
HART PARK
701 S Glassell St, Orange, CA

Many Great Opportunity Drawings

Bring your Model A, friends and appetite

Breakfast served from 8am-11am
Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, coffee & tea
Donations: Adults \$6/Kids \$3
Entrance to Park is FREE

Expecting 300+ Model A's
Rain or Shine

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April 11-13, 2014



**Rick Hall
President**

President's Message

Our annual Pancake Breakfast is right around the corner (April 27). So be sure to sign up for a work station at the next general meeting, or contact our Pancake Breakfast chairman, Frank Reece. Frank is working hard to fine tune the efficiency of the event and he needs your help. Remember, this is the only event our club has to raise funds for our operations.

At the February board meeting, I appointed four club members to a temporary committee to review the club's bylaws. The board unanimously approved the appointments. The members of the committee are Mark Schwing (Chair), Tom Weaver, Don Ratzlaff and Carolyn Ratzlaff. The club received a number of suggestions for changes last year and all of those suggestions will be reviewed by the committee. If you have additional suggestions, please e-mail them to me or to Mark Schwing.

Another item from the last board meeting was a discussion of the annual Member of the Year award. The board decided to bring this item to you at the next general membership meeting for discussion and vote on whether to continue this annual award.

As you can see, there is a lot going on. The club needs to be dynamic and up to date, and we need your input to make this a reality.

Keep those A's rollin' - see you at the meeting.

Rick Hall



Come to the March
General Meeting to
vote on whether we
should retire the
Member of the Year Award

ROSTERS ARE HERE!!

Rosters will be available for members at the March general meeting. Please pick up rosters for your club neighbors and friends to help save on delivery charges.

Deadline for submissions for the next

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March 25, 2014

Submit all articles and ads to

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or mail to P.O. Box 10595

Santa Ana, CA 92711

Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



Mar 1 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W Katella Ave, Orange



Mar 13 (Thu) General Meeting at 7:30PM, details on back page. Guests are always welcome.

Board meeting at 6PM



Mar 27 (Thu) Fourth Thursday Breakfast Brunch ~ at 8:30am. Sue Ann's American Kitchen, 1450

Kraemer Blvd, Placentia 91870; 714-961-1377. For info contact Terry Collings (714)970-7194

Mar 27-30 Laughlin Tour, Riverside Hotel & Casino, sponsored by Pomona Valley Model A Club, contact Barbara.branam@gmail.com

Apr 4-6 CCRG Jamboree hosted by the Paso Robles A's, www.pasoroblesmodelaclub.com



Apr 5 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W. Katella Ave., Orange



Apr 10 (Thurs) General Meeting at 7:30PM, details on back page. Guests are always

welcome. Board meeting at 6PM

Apr 10 (Thurs) Speakeasy Night, 7:30p-10:30p, Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W Malvern Ave, Fullerton-Secret password is "orange juice"; drive your car and get 50% off \$25 admission



Apr 11-13 Imaginology (formerly Youth Expo) at the Orange County Fair Grounds. Contact

Domonic Cimarusti if you would like to volunteer at the booth.

Apr 11-13 10th Annual La Jolla Concours d'Elegance; Tickets \$40 in advance/\$50 @ door. Visit www.lajollaconcours.com

Apr 26-27 Floral Park Home Toot Vintage Auto Display, Santa Ana, 9:30am-4pm; Contact: Santiago Martin 714-343-7115



Apr 27 (Sun) Pancake Breakfast, Hart Park, Orange. Frank Reese will have sign up

sheets at the General Meeting

May 18 (Sun) Muckenthaler Concours d'Elegance 9:30am, 1201 W Malvern Ave, Fullerton Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W Malvern Ave, Fullerton

May 23-26 NCRG Roundup, Embassy Suites, Milpitas, CA, www.scvcm.org/2014roundup

May 24 (Sat) Progressive Brunch ~ more details in the near future. Contact Sheila Plotkin if you would like to be one of the stops.

Jun 21 (Sat) CCRG Meeting, home of John & Dianne Frazee, 2410 Appian Rd., Carlsbad, 760-729-4865

Jun 29 (Sun) Henry Ford Picnic, Downey MAFC, Diamond Tread Chapter, Santa Fe Springs

Jul 11-13 Wings & Wheels, Solvang

Jul 14-18 MAFCA National Convention, Puyallup, WA, contact

www.2014mafcanational.org

Sep 13 International Model A Ford Day Picnic, Mason Regional Park, Irvine (all day). Save the Date.

Swap Meets

Mar 9 (Sun) - Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808

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May 11 (Sun) - Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808

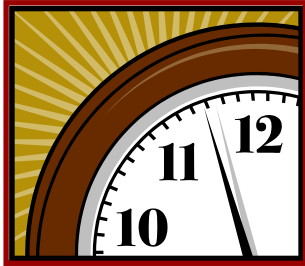
May 11-12 Annual Model T & Horseless Carriage Clubs Swap Meet, Bakersfield Fairgrounds. Info: 661-325-2840

Jun 8 (Sun) - Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808

Jun 28— 17th Annual OC Model T Ford Club Parts Exchange & Car Show, 6am-2pm, El Dorado High School, 1651 Valencia Ave., Placentia, 92870

Jul 26 (Sat) Long Beach Model T Club's 60th Annual Swap Meet, Los Alamitos

Sep 20 (Sat) MAFFI Museum Model A Swap Meet in conjunction with Model A Day



General Meeting Minutes

Orange County Model A Ford Club Meeting, February 13, 2014

Location: Children's Hospital of Orange County, Wade Education Center
58 in attendance

The meeting was called to order by President Rick Hall who also led the flag salute.

Visitors: Doris Marshall introduced new members Wayne Switzer and Jim Runyon. Jim Persons will be going to Saudi Arabia for 3 months to work.

Minutes: There was one correction to the January minutes. The cost for the Stanley House tour was \$5 per person. A motion was made by Dale McCall and seconded by Ed Cote to approve the Minutes of the General Meeting as published in the newsletter with the one correction.

Treasurer's Report: Joe Goff reported we have 168 members. Please take your 2014 rosters and deliver to your fellow Model A'ers.

Hard Luck Trophy: Congratulations to Steve Dahle whose car seemed to run out of gas every quarter mile, but he didn't have to call the Auto Club as he determined it was the gas cap vent.

Tours/Activities: The tour to Rancho Los Amigos starts at 10am at the Panera Bread, Village Mall in Orange. Lunch will be from 11am-12:30pm at Schooner or Later and then on to Rancho Los Amigos. There is a sign-up sheet for the Patriots' Day Parade on March 1st in Laguna Beach.

Pancake Breakfast: Frank Reese stated you don't get to know your members until you talk to each other. Brian Thompson has 3 grills he has offered to the club to use for the Pancake Breakfast. Frank provided sign-up sheets for committee leaders and assistants. The contract with the City has been executed. If you have donations for the raffle, please bring to the general meeting or contact Frank or Mark Schwing. The event will be on 4/27 with buttons ordered. Don and Carolyn Ratzlaff have generously offered to do the food; Joe Goff will handle the financial details; Jerry and Cathy O'Brien will do apparel; Tissy Smith-Hatcher will design the T-shirts with the approved white color; and John Graves (and crew) will do ticket cutting. Set up for the event will begin at 6am. We paid \$100 to be able to stay until 1:30pm. We need to ensure emergency access remains clear on the aisles and under the bridge. Call Frank Reese or Mark Schwing with any questions.

International Model A Ford Day Picnic: Frank Mowrer reserved the large site close to the restrooms. SCRG donated \$500 towards the Model A Picnic.

4th Thursday Brunch: Rick Hall announced the brunch will be held at Mimi's Café in Fountain Valley.

Monthly Badge Drawing: Congratulations Ellie Pease.

Model A Driver Drawing: Ed Cote won this month's drawing.

Sunshine and Sorrow: Jeanne Parrish continues to improve. Bruce Harris is still having a rough time with the pneumonia and has been in and out of Long Beach Memorial. Send your prayers and cards to help him and Joanie. Jerry Neat's cancer has returned. He is struggling. Give him a call or send card to let him know we are thinking of them.

Technical: Pete Cruz gave a wonderful demonstration on the Model A Ford Horn. Go to www.modelabasics.com for photos of parts.

Roster Drawing: The ticket was pulled and the lucky winners' names called - Dale and Marlene Virus. After a little confusion, another name was selected. Don and Carolyn Ratzlaff won and were present. However, upon additional research, it was determined Dale and Marlene Virus should have won the raffle had they been at the meeting. Don was kind enough to return the winnings and next month's raffle will be for \$100.

Auction: Bob Gordon donated items Fullerton College was eliminating from their stock due to environmental issues. Ed Cote auctioned the items, with Diana Stewart's assistance.

Imaginology (Youth Expo): Colleen Schmidt reminded everyone of this event held at (Cont'd Page 10)

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Technical

There is no technical report for March. Check back in April.

***1921 Lamsteed Kampkar***

The Lamsteed Kampkar was manufactured by Anheuser-Bush in St. Louis, MO. The camper was made from 1921 through 1926 during prohibition. The Kampkar would sleep four adults and provide clothes closets and running water. The camp body sold for \$535, including war tax; the complete unit sold for \$750.

Here's an opportunity to get to know another club member better. We will be including a sort of "What's My Line?" article, only it will be entitled "Do You Recognize Me?" Throughout the article you will receive hints. We hope you enjoy the process of learning a little more about your Model A friends.

History of the Car Radio

By Mike Ball

<http://www.whidbeymodelaclub.com/modelatriviaandinfo.htm>

CAR RADIO, AN INTERESTING TRUE QUINCY STORY

Radios are so much a part of the driving experience, it seems like cars have always had them. But they didn't. Here's the story.

SUNDOWN

One evening in 1929 two young men named William Lear and Elmer Wavering drove their girlfriends to a lookout point high above the Mississippi River town of Quincy, Illinois, to watch the sunset. It was a romantic night to be sure, but one of the women observed that it would be even nicer if they could listen to music in the car.

Lear and Wavering liked the idea. Both men had tinkered with radios – Lear had served as a radio operator in the U.S. Navy during World War I - and it wasn't long before they were taking apart a home radio and trying to get it to work in a car. But it wasn't as easy as it sounds: automobiles have ignition switches, generators, spark plugs, and other electrical equipment that generate noisy static interference, making it nearly impossible to listen to the radio when the engine was running.

SIGNING ON

One by one, Lear and Wavering identified and eliminated each source of electrical interference. When they finally got their radio to work, they took it to a radio convention in Chicago. There they met Paul Galvin, owner of Galvin Manufacturing Corporation. He made a product called a "battery eliminator" a device that allowed battery-powered radios to run on household AC current. But as more homes were wired for electricity, more radio manufacturers made AC-powered radios. Galvin needed a new product to manufacture. When he met Lear and Wavering at the radio convention, he found it. He believed that mass-produced, affordable car radios had the potential to become a huge business.

Lear and Wavering set up shop in Galvin's factory, and when they perfected their first radio, they installed it in his Studebaker. Then Galvin went to a local banker to apply for a loan. Thinking it might sweeten the deal, he had his men install a radio in the banker's Packard. Good idea, but it didn't work - half an hour after the installation, the banker's Packard caught on fire. (They didn't get the loan.) Galvin didn't give up. He drove his Studebaker nearly 800 miles to Atlantic City to show off the radio at the 1930 Radio Manufacturers' Association convention. Too broke to afford a booth, he parked the car outside the convention hall and cranked up the radio so that passing conventioners could hear it. That idea worked – he got enough orders to put the radio into production.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

That first production model was called the 5T71. Galvin decided he needed to come up with something a little catchier. In those days many companies in the phonograph and radio businesses used the suffix "ola" for their names - Radiola, Columbiola, and Victrola were three of the biggest. Galvin decided to do the same thing, and since his radio was intended for use in a motor vehicle, he decided to call it the Motorola.

But even with the name change, the radio still had problems:

When Motorola went on sale in 1930, it cost about \$110 uninstalled, at a time when you could buy a brand-new car for \$650, and the country was sliding into the Great Depression. (By that measure, a radio for a new car would cost about \$3,000 today.) In 1930 it took two men several days to put in a car radio - the dashboard had to be taken apart so that the receiver and a single speaker could be installed, and the ceiling had to be cut open to install the antenna. These early radios ran on their own batteries, not on the car battery, so holes had to be cut into the floorboard to accommodate them. The installation manual had eight complete diagrams and 28 pages of instructions.

HIT THE ROAD

Selling complicated car radios that cost 20 percent of the price of a brand-new car wouldn't have been easy in the best of times, let alone during the Great Depression - Galvin lost money in 1930 and struggled for a couple of years after that. But things picked up in 1933 when Ford began offering (Cont'd Page 7)



(Cont'd from Page 6) Motorola's pre-installed at the factory. In 1934 they got another boost when Galvin struck a deal with B. F. Goodrich tire company to sell and install them in its chain of tire stores. By then the price of the radio, installation included, had dropped to \$55. The Motorola car radio was off and running. (The name of the company would be officially changed from Galvin Manufacturing to "Motorola" in 1947.) In the meantime, Galvin continued to develop new uses for car radios. In 1936, the same year that it introduced push-button tuning, it also introduced the Motorola Police Cruiser, a standard car radio that was factory preset to a single frequency to pick up police broadcasts. In 1940 he developed with the first hand-held two-way radio - the Handie-Talkie - for the U.S. Army.

A lot of the communications technologies that we take for granted today were born in Motorola labs in the years that followed World War II. In 1947 they came out with the first television to sell under \$200. In 1956 the company introduced the world's first pager; in 1969 it supplied the radio and television equipment that was used to televise Neil Armstrong's first steps on the Moon. In 1973 it invented the world's first handheld cellular phone. Today Motorola is one of the second-largest cell phone manufacturer in the world. And it all started with the car radio.

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO..

The two men who installed the first radio in Paul Galvin's car, Elmer Wavering and William Lear, ended up taking very different paths in life.

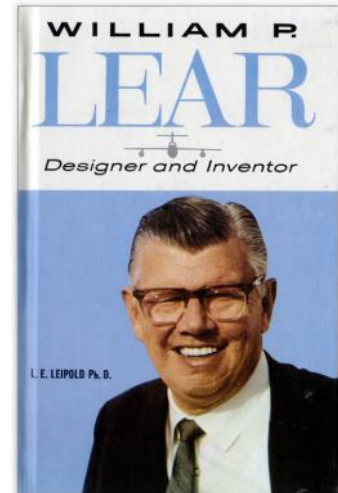


Elmer Wavering

Wavering stayed with Motorola. In the 1950's he helped change the automobile experience again when he developed the first automotive alternator, replacing inefficient and unreliable generators. The invention lead to such luxuries as power windows, power seats, and, eventually, air-conditioning.

Lear also continued inventing. He holds more than 150 patents. Remember eight-track tape players? Lear invented that. But what he's really famous for are his contributions to the field of aviation. He invented radio direction finders for planes, aided in the invention of the autopilot, designed the first fully automatic aircraft landing system, and in 1963 introduced

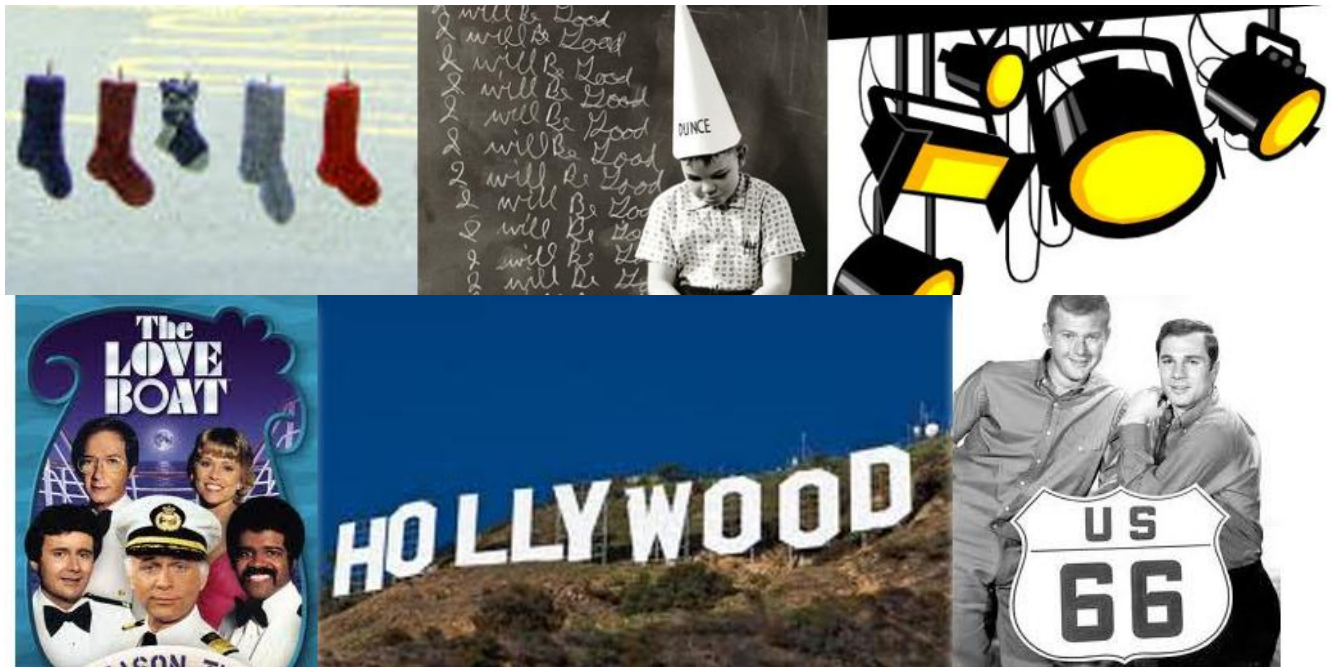
his most famous invention of all, the Lear Jet, the world's first mass-produced, affordable business jet. (Not bad for a guy who dropped out of school after the eighth grade.)



Do You Recognize Me?

By Esther Goff

Born in the San Fernando Valley before there was anything there, even all the movie studios. Our celeb was the 2nd oldest of a big family of 10 siblings. Attended Mary Jane Whalen grammar school and graduated from Inglewood High, which was torture, because homework was hated, and to just get a “C” grade was a miracle from heaven. A great memory, as a child, was how fast you had to select your socks for school. If you were slow you would end up wearing mis-matched socks or get stuck with the ones that had no toes. Being a school “flunky” did not stop our person from making good in the movie industry working as an electrician-lighting director and had the honor of working for some of the major studios and worked on many TV series (Love Boat, Route 66, Untouchables, Ellen Show) for 45-50 years. Since dad was already working in the movie industry, this helped our mystery person get a toe in the door. (No pun intended because of the daily sock drawer ritual as a child). The purchase of a Model A spiked the interest of joining 4 clubs. While working on “Love Boat”, world traveling was enjoyed and seeing the US was because of Route 66 work. The spouse was met through a friend at an orthopedic hospital. After 63 years of marriage, 2 boys, 4 grandkids and 1 dog, life has been good and the friend is still a friend. [Answer on Page 10]



If you have tools you are willing to loan other members, please let Don Ratzlaff know and he will include the info on the Members' Only section of our club's website.





SEPTEMBER 13th
International Ford
Model A Ford Day
Picnic at
Mason Regional
Park, Irvine
All day event



Join us for good food and company

Fourth Thursday
Breakfast Bunch

March 27 8:30 am

Sue Ann's American Kitchen
1450 Kraemer Blvd, Placentia 91870

714-961-1377

(cross-street Yorba Linda Blvd,
behind El Torito)

Info: Terry Collings
714 970-7194



*The club's Progressive
Brunch will be held on
5/24 and hosted by the
O'Brien's, Cruz' and Sheila
Plotkin. Let Sheila know if
you would like to help out.*

Returning Members and Corrections to the 2014 Roster:

Derrel & Diane Gollihugh, Hm: 562-493-0218

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 the Youth Expo.
 Let's show the future Model
 A'ers what to means to own
 and drive a Model A.

(Cont'd from Page 4) the Orange County Fairgrounds 4/11/14-4/13/14. A signup sheet to cover the booth is here. Domonic Cimarusti is coordinating people bringing their cars to the Expo.

Progressive Brunch: Bev Marsh stated the brunch will be going forward on 5/24. People who volunteered to host are the O'Brien's, the Cruz' and Sheila Plotkin. Thanks to these people for volunteering.

New Business: Dan Edelman and wife are moving to Scottsdale. Dan brought parts to the meeting tonight. Feel free to take what you want. Dan also donated two starters to the Pancake Breakfast.

Don Ratzlaff demonstrated how to navigate the club's website to all members and distributed info on how to log in. He asked that members use the website and give him feedback on areas for improvement.

Many thanks to Marilyn Singer and Patty Cote for tonight's refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Tissy Smith-Hatcher, Editor



Answer to Do You Recognize Me?: Drain Marshall



EDITOR'S NOTE

Do you want to receive your newsletter by email? Just email me at tismith@cookseylaw.com.

I want to thank those of you who have elected to have the Distributor delivered this way — Go GREEN.

Car Barn Specials



FOR SALE: 1930 Ford pickup. Will need complete restoration. Has been inside last 34 years and currently in Santa Ana. Asking \$1,200. Can email more pictures. Contact Garth Flint (949) 350-3361.



FOR SALE: 1930 Model A Coupe with rumble seat. It is in excellent mechanical, body, and inside condition. It is now garaged when I bought it. Call Tom Forth at 714-914-8014. Asking \$13,000 OBO.

FOR SALE: Due to illness and long recovery, I am going to sell my 1931 Roadster and 1929 Panel Delivery Truck. They are in tip top shape. **1931 Roadster** has an inserted H&H Touring engine with lightened flywheel and V-8 clutch. The engine has about 1200 miles on it. It also has a new La Barron Bonny top and seats and a leather trunk. It has been shown in the PV Concourse 2 or 3 times. -AND- **1929 Panel Delivery Truck** is a new restoration. It has a new Model A engine with 300-500 miles. In perfect shape and shown in PV Concourse 2 or 3 times. I am asking \$50,000 for the pair, or Best Offer. Both vehicles have almost 100% original parts. Contact: James D. (Dan) Fitzgerald, Cell 310-344-2306, jdfitzgerald@earthlink.net; Elizabeth T. (Liz) Fitzgerald, Hm 310-373-8060, lizfitz@earthlink.net, Fax 310-378-7717. More photos available.



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Next General Meeting

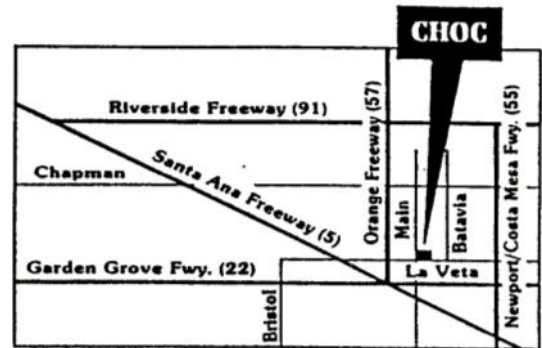
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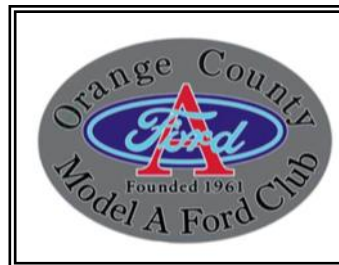
CHOC Hospital Complex

455 South Main Street, 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. Meetings are held in Building 2 in the Wade Education Center-2nd Floor. Access meeting room through the double door entry off the 2nd Floor parking structure

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