

#### Special points of interest:

- You still have time to register for the International Model A Ford Day Picnic
- Marilyn Hawkins needs your input for Sunshine and Sorrow

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Rick Hall President

### President's Message

We've had several very nice events lately, all of which involved food or tasty treats! Thanks to all the cooks who made our potluck a great success at the August general meeting. The ice cream social had a great turnout of club members, and the auction of Model A parts and books donated by former members Carl and Sue Erickson raised \$322 for our treasury (and to cover the ice cream and drinks). Thanks again to Ed and Patty Cote for hosting and to Carl and Sue for their donations. The technical seminar hosted by Pete Cruz had a nice turn out, great donuts and coffee and an excellent demonstration of body repair using lead-free solder. This was a new technique for most of us in attendance and very interesting. Nice job, Pete.

Plans for the International Model A Day Picnic are now finalized and we are looking forward to a great event on September 13. If you haven't signed up yet, please do so today, so we have food there for you. Be sure to drive your Model A! There will be (more) great food, lots of Model A's, technical demonstrations, a money raffle, and best of all, your club friends will be there and you might even make some new ones.

Finally, please consider giving back to your club by running for one of the elective offices that will be open at the end of the year - President, Vice-President (tours). Tom Weaver has indicated his intent to run for Treasurer. Ask not what your club can do for you......



**CONGRATULATIONS TO GREG EARHART!** Greg won the Men's Hubley



Deadline for submissions for the next Distributor is September 25, 2014 Submit all articles and ads to tismith@cookseylaw.com or mail to P.O. Box 10595 Santa Ana, CA 92711



Share your good news or sad times with the club.

*Contact Marilyn Hawkins* 714-730-4026/Hm 714-914-7371/Cell

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# Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



Sep 6 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W Katella Ave, Orange

Join Us

Orange Sep II (Thu) General Meeting will be at 7:30PM; details on back page. Guests are

always welcome. Board meeting at 6:15PM



Sep 13 (Sat) International Model A Ford Day Picnic, Mason Regional Park, Irvine. See Page 4 for more

info.

**Sep 15-21** CCRG Grand Tour, to Northern California



Sep 25 (Thu) Fourth Thursday Breakfast Brunch ~ at 8:30am. Sugar Shack, 213 Main St, Huntington Beach

92648. For info contact Terry Collings (714)970-7194



**Oct 4 (Sat)** First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W Katella Ave, Or-

ange Oct 5 (Sun) Frazier Park Picnic sponsored by the Bakersfield



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Oct 9 (Thu) General Meeting will be at 7:30PM; details on back page. Guests are always welcome.

Board meeting at 6:15PM Oct 15 (Wed) 22nd Annual Frasier Park Potluck, & Meet hosted by the Bakersfield Model A Club. Info contact Paula Poole at 661-333-4990

**Oct 26 (Sun)** Early Times Swap Meet and Pancake Breakfast, Price Transfer, 2790 Del Amo, Carson at 6am

Oct 26 (Sun) Wings, Wheels & Rotors, Los Alamitos Airfield, 11200 Lexington Dr, Los Alamitos, 9a-4p, Info call: 562-598-6659

#### or 562-598-7035

**Nov 15 (Sat)** Walk to End Alzheimer's, Anaheim Stadium, more details to follow.



Dec 14 (Sun) Installation Banquet, Angelo's & Vinci's, 550 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton.

More details to follow.



No Tech Seminar in September

Show off your beautiful Model A at the International Model A Ford Day picnic



EVERYONE HAS A REASON TO END ALZHEIMER'S

# Swap Meets

**Sep 14 (Sun) -** 18th Annual Mid-Coast Auto Swap Meet, gates open at 7a, Paso Robles Event Center. Contact Chuck Jennings 805-462-2016

Sep 14 (Sun) - Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808

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

Sep 28 (Sun) - Paradise Valley MAC Swap Meet, Western Little League Headquarters, 6707 N Little League Dr, San Bernardino (6a-3p). Contact John Benson 909-875-4595

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INTERNATIONAL MODEL A FORD DAY EVENT CO-HOSTED BY SCRG & OCMAFC SATURDAY, 9/13/2014 10AM -



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For registration information and directions, go to www.ocmafc.org

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#### 2014 BOARD MEMBERS

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# Ronald McDonald House Charities

This is a home away from home for parents of hospitalized children. OCMAFC supports the Ronald McDonald House with contributions of hygiene articles such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste etc. Please remember to save these articles as you travel throughout the year and place them in labeled container at club meetings. Thank you for your support.

Join us for good food and company

Fourth Thursday Breakfast Bunch September 25 8:30 am

Sugar Shack 213 Main St Huntington Beach 92648 (714) 536-0355

Info: Terry Collings 714 970-7194





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## Historian's Corner

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# By: Dick Smith Club Historian/Librarian

This month, the topic is, "An Unpleasant Possibility".

At times people or organizations in our community send requests to our Model A Ford Club to provide a car, or cars for various festive functions. These functions are often weddings, to transport the bridal party, or a request for cars to chauffer dignitaries down the Christmas or 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade route, or any number of scenarios.

These requests more often than not, offer a gratuity to our club or a direct payment or fee paid to show appreciation to the car driver or owner directly.

These occasions are often very festive and enjoyable for all. But are there risks involved? YES

The AAA Collector Car Insurance stated that transporting for monetary gain, and it doesn't matter if its cash, donations, barter, they all fall into a temporary commercial use of the vehicle, and fall into the exclusion clause of your policy. California DMV requires you to have a chauffeur's license and appropriate insurance.

In an accident, your insurance would not be responsible to repair your car or damages to other parties' car or property. Hold on, it gets worse. If there are injuries to your passengers or others involved, you can be sued and held totally responsible.

I also see a possible liability for our club, as we honored the request and participated in finding them a willing member and their car to be used.

I propose that this issue be discussed at the Board level. This allows our club to adopt an appropriate and consistent response to these types of requests.

In closing, be aware that BAD things can and do happen to GOOD intentioned people.

**Update,** At the August Board Meeting, an official policy was unanimously adopted. It discourages members from participating in these compensated chauffeuring activities due to the inherent liability risks. It also stops the club from referring these received requests to club members; this is intended to eliminate our club from any liability.

It will always be **your** choice as to how you use your car in these fun activities. Our club **encourages** the use of our Model A's in parades, weddings, car shows, or any public or private use. However, if you are being compensated in any way for the chauffeuring, the Board asks you to; please fully consider your liability risk.

# **Election Committee**

Are you looking for an easy way to meet other members of the club but don't have a lot of time to commit to a board position? The Election Committee is a short-term commitment. Want to know more? Just ask Kathie McCall!



# New/Returning/Changes to Roster

**Richard & Sandie Forteville,** 3 Balboa Coves, Newport Beach, CA 92663; Hm: 949-650-7737; Cell: 951-313-4114; email: rforteville@yahoo.com; 1929 Standard Coupe

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Scott & Belinda Limbrock, 8 Mandake Way, Irvine, CA 92612; Hm: 949-6981-8776; email: sbl@cox.net; 1930 Pickup Closed Cab

## Ford History Tid-Bits

# By Pete Cruz Technical Director



oes this sound familiar to you? "Hey I love that car you have, that Model T." You then gently tell folks, "Well actually mine is a Model A." What about this one, "Hey I saw the nicest 1932 Model A yesterday!"? These are pretty common mistakes made by those not involved in the hobby as well as some IN the hobby! Most of us know the distinction between the Model T's and Model A's but what about the models immediately afterward? The Model B and the Model 18?

As early as 1929 Henry Ford was already telling his inner circle of Engineers that he wanted to introduce an affordable V8 engine in his cars. His general reasoning was that Chevrolet was going to produce a 6 cylinder engine so he wanted a V8 to leapfrog ahead of them. At that time V8's were already in production but most were multiple castings and expensive. Of course Ford wanted a V8 for "every man" and that meant a single casting amongst other design initiatives. The first engine prototypes were developed and tested in 1930 however Henry decided the time was not right and waited to introduce the engine in an all new body, the 1932 Ford. When the cars were introduced Ford designated them the "Model B" (1932 styling with a 4 cylinder engine) and the "Model 18" (1932 styling with the new V8 engine.) Almost immediately both simply became known as 1932 Fords.

The 1932 models were extremely well received in terms of styling and power however they had multiple issues at the outset. In an effort to save money the sheet steel apron that covered the frame above the running boards and below the body was removed. The thought was that the frame itself could simply be painted to save money. Unfortunately it turned out that this effort was even more expensive as the frame steel did not lend itself to being an exposed part. A lot of work was needed to make the part worthy of view by the customer. The vast majority of the first 2,000 V8 engines had to have the camshafts, pushrods, valves, valve guides and front cover changed. Also, the starter button position changed location several times during production.

For the reasons mentioned above (and others), combined with the slow recovery from the depression, in 1932 Ford lost almost \$75 million. For many the 1932 Ford was considered a failure. Ford would later take some consolation because the "Deuce" has arguably become the most popular Ford in history. While only 8,500 or so 1932 Roadsters were built by Ford, many more times that amount are on the road today as reproductions both steel and fiberglass.

This article was created in part from information taken from an article written by "The Auto Editors of Consumer Guide" and appearing on the "how stuff works" website (<u>http://auto.howstuffworks.com/1932-ford-models-b-and-</u>





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2015 DUES INVOICE—You can use this form to submit your dues



# Orange County Model A Ford Club

NAME(S):\_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT: \$30.00 ANY ROSTER CHANGES? If so, please list below:

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Please check the current Roster for accuracy!!!!

Make your check payable to Orange County Model A Ford Club (OCMAFC) and mail to the club at:

P.O. Box10595

Santa Ana CA 92711

Payment MUST be received by 12/31/14 to be included in the club's 2015 Roster

# **General Meeting Minutes**

Orange County Model A Ford Club Meeting, August 14, 2014

Location: Children's Hospital of Orange County, Wade Education Center **Meeting** called to order at 7:35 pm by President Rick Hall who also led the flag salute. He thanked everyone for the delicious pot-luck dishes.

**Club Greeter, Doris Marshall** was not present due to the fact that she and Drain were celebrating their 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary so Rick Hall asked for any visitors. Sheila introduced her international student from Japan; Other visitors included Paul Cote (Ed and Patti's son), Riley Gaynor (Karen's Dad), new member Scott Limbrock and Richard and Sandie who just inherited his dad's 1929 Model A Coupe.

**Secretary Pam Heiland** asked for any corrections to the June minutes. There being none, Rick Hall entertained a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the Distributor. Motion made by Sheila Plotkin, seconded by Bev Marsh and passed.

**Board Policy**: Rick Hall explained the policy on which the board voted tonight that the club will not accept any referrals for Model A's for weddings, etc. in which the club member is reimbursed in any way, nor will the club give any referrals for this purpose. This is due to the fact that a club members insurance will not cover any loss when their car is used and they receive any kind of reimbursement (i.e. money, meals, etc.)

**Treasurer's Report:** Joe Goff reported that the club is in good shape financially. He also announce that he is taking payments for the International Model A Ford Day.

**Vice-President/Activities:** Frank Mowrer announced the ice cream social at the Cote's this Saturday. Anyone wishing to tour to the Cote's should meet at Panera Bread in The Village Shopping Center on Tustin Ave. in Orange at 2:15 pm. The tour will leave at 2:30 to arrive at Cote's by 3:00pm, There will be an auction held at Cote's of model a parts, etc. donated by Carl Erickson.

**Technical:** Pete Cruz gave a great presentation on Babbitt bearings and the Model A Ford. He also showed some very entertaining pictures of early car washes. Rick Hall announced that Randy Gross is continuing his father, Mel Gross's business. Rick has a list of what he does. Mel, up until the time of his death, was a generous supporter of the Orange County Chapter.

**Election Chairman:** Kathie McCall announced that there are vacancies for President, Vice President/ Activities and Secretary for the coming year. Please contact her if you are interested in running for these positions. She also announced that she has box for donations to Ronald McDonald House. Please remember to save your small toiletries, etc. that you pick up at hotels, motels, etc. while on vacation. Also tooth brushes and any other items you can donate are greatly appreciated.

**Membership Drawing:** Don Ratzlaff conducted the drawing. The names drawn were Jim and Robin Micheloff. They were not present so the prize will be \$160.00 at the September meeting.

**Sunshine and Sorrow:** Marilyn Hawkins reported that Ed Cote's father passed away. The club sent a plant. She also read a thank you note from Patti. She then asked everyone to sing Happy Birthday to Greg Earhart. Colleen and Don Schmidt's daughter Christine is a new grandma. Congratulations to all. Pete and Trish Cruz announced that their son James has left for Navy Boot Camp. We wish him well.

**Fourth Thursday Breakfast:** Terry Collings announced that the breakfast will be at the Jaegerhaus Restaurant on Ball Rd west of the 57 Fwy on August 28.

**Model A Driver and Name Badge Drawings:** Ed Cote held the drawings. The name badge was won by Bill Hatcher and the Model A Driver was won by Ed Cote.

**Hard Luck Trophy:** Don Ratzlaff explained that there were two candidates for the trophy at the National in Washington. Greg Earhart had problems and Glenn and Sharon Johnson did also. Tom Weaver had problems which turned out to be his ignition switch on his way to the Henry Ford Picnic.

Old Business: Dick Smith still has many copies of Restorers available.

New Business: Sheila Plotkin had a number of books for sale from the Huntington (Continued Page 10)



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(Continued from Page 9) Beach Library.

Frank Reese has head liner material for a Model A which he will put in the auction at Cote's. He also asked to get a date set for the Pancake Breakfast so he can book the park with the City of Orange. March 29 was tentatively chosen. There was some disagreement with this date since it is Palm Sunday. Frank also gave information a two cars for sale.

Rick Hall has club business cards if anyone needs them.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Pam Heiland, Secretary

Marilyn Hawkins

# Sunshine and Sorrow

Happy News – Doris and Drain Marshall just celebrated their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary. May your lives continue to be blessed by love.

Sad News – Condolences go out to Ed Cote as his father (Paul Joseph Cote) passed away in July. May happy memories carry you through this sorrowful time. Cards and flowers were sent to Ed and Patty's home.

# Did you know that August 16 was national "Forget Your Diet Day?"

If you were one of the 75 members who attended this sumptuous ice cream social than you were on your way to absorbing mucho calories and celebrating this sinful day. The event was hosted by Ed and Patti Cote.

In addition to six varieties of ice cream you were also enticed with brownies and a plate full of assorted cookies. Oh yes, let's not forget all the toppings and syrups including chocolate, butterscotch, root beer floats, cherries, nuts, banana splits, whip cream, crushed Oreo and M&Ms. And, if you did not indulge in sundaes or floats, you could have just a simple ice cream cone.

An auction was held, with who else, but Ed as auctioneer. Items were donated by Carl Erickson, who is moving away. Ladies, there was nothing of interest for us, but the men bid for the unique Model A items. The Club took in \$322. Ed now has a new part time profession that he can offer his services to organizations.

Would you believe that Frank forgot his camera !!! Everyone enjoyed the Cote's lovely home and relaxing yard, and Ed's collection of cars housed in an 8 car garage. A wonderful time was held by all and we all know that the calories will melt away with in a month or so. At least we hope so. Thanks again, Ed and Patti.

Contributed by Esther Goff

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**FOR SALE:** Ford 1931 Model A Closed Cab Pick-Up, 82A all original. Ist Place National Convention, S.C.C., A.T.H.S. Antique Truck Show "Henry's Best". Owner's manual, tool bag, tools, 1931 Commercial Valley Green, straw stripe, black lower body, straw wheels. \$34,000 California. Call Lloyd Massey 949-645-8460 or 714-743-1330.



**Do you collect the MAFCA** <u>Restorer</u> magazines? If so, I have many copies from the mid-70's too current, that was donated by our members to be shared with our Orange County Model A members at no cost. Just contact me with your issues desired. I also have older issues at a minimal cost from some members. Contact: Dick Smith, club historian at modeladick@yahoo.com or call 949-770-6847.

FOR SALE: I have two licenses available:

YOM Plate-CA-1929 (6"H X 14W) Original (YOM Cleared)-Not Restored \$225 plus shipping

YOM Plate-CA-1915 (6"H X 16W) Original (YOM Cleared)-Not Restored Original steel, porcelain plates (note: porcelain plates are not restorable) \$340 postage paid

Contact: Lew Lewis (<u>hglewis@centurylink.net</u>)

**FOR SALE:** Model A engine block. Head, crankshaft, accessible oil pan. No pistons, no manifolds. Engine stand included. \$500. Bev Marsh (714) 373-9769/cell (714) 397-4593. Doug (805) 903-3617 Thank you so much for taking your time to come and look at the engine.

**FOR SALE:** 1930 Model A Roadster. Chassis, engine, transmission and rear end have all been rebuilt. The body is a Brookville roadster body primed. Great project car for someone who want original. Asking \$12,500 obo. Contact Rolf E. Eidbo 209-404-4170 or email: <u>reidbo@ccmgrs.com</u>

**FOR SALE:** Five mounted 19 inch Model A wheels, hub caps and tires; four Firestone and one Goodyear (spare) with hub caps and French gray wheels, \$500, three 19 inch wheels no tires or hub caps \$60, good brake rods and clevises \$5 each, steering columns \$5 each; Jerry Sterling (jerrydale3378@sbcglobal.net), 949-586-8469

**WANTED:** We are looking for some springs for the front seat bottoms for a 30 Model A. We just need to replace some of the springs, but if we have to get the whole thing we can look at that too. Steve & Kelly Shands (steve.shands@yahoo.com)



# Dedicated to the History and Preservation of the Model A Ford **Next General Meeting ORANGE COUNTY** CHOC **MODEL A FORD** 7:30 PM **CLUB** 57) (55) Riverside Freeway (91) [Second Thursday of every month] Š September 11, 2014 Mesa Chapman Orange Batavia **CHOC Hospital Complex** Maln Costa Post Office Box 10595 3. 455 South Main Street, Orange, CA Santa Ana, CA 92711 Garden Grove Fwy. (22) Veta Į E-mail: info@ocmafc.org Bristol 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 We are on the Web! www.ocmafc.org **Return Address:** Post Office Box 10595 Santa Ana, CA 92711 First Class Mail