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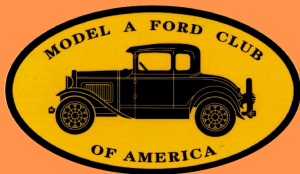


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Happy  
Birthday  
America!



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**TECHNICAL  
SEMINAR**  
July 13<sup>th</sup>  
(Saturday)

Learn more about  
brake light switches  
and brake lights

Time: 9AM  
Location: TBD

## News From the President

By Louise Hall

Summer is here! It means lots of fun times and opportunities to get your car out for a drive or a tour or a display. Check out everything going on with the club in this newsletter.

We'll start July off with a bang, as we celebrate together Independence Day with a traditional ice cream social at the home of Ed and Patty Cote on June 29. I thought it might be fun to decorate your car and have a little patriotic display contest. I'll bring a couple of prizes, so be creative! Thank you Patty and Ed for your wonderful hospitality.

If you haven't noticed before it's a new world. Our club is keeping up with the times using e-mail blasts for reminders and we have our own website. With these conveniences come some hazards. I recently had an experience where my name and office as president of the club was used in a scam sent to many of the board and committee members. In the scam I (the fake me) asked for some gift cards or some cash. I want to remind everyone to be careful when asked for such things, and you can know that your club board members will not ever take advantage of you.

As a result of this problem the board will be discussing some solution to this privacy issue when using our private numbers at the next board meeting. If you have suggestions or comments please let one of us know or show up at the meeting.

See you on the road!  
Louise Hall



## Jim's Tech Tip

Installing the Horn Rod



When installing the small C-clip on the end of the horn rod, use an old wooden yardstick or something similar up at the steering wheel end to hold the horn button down. Slip the yardstick under the wheel on one side, go over the horn button, then gently flex the yardstick and slip the end under the steering wheel on the opposite side. The yardstick will hold the rod down while you work at the other end, pushing up on the spider against the spring, and inserting the C-clip keeper.

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**MODEL A**  
Roster Raffle

**CURRENT  
JACKPOT**

**40**

**DOLLARS**

**If the roster jackpot grows to \$100, and the name pulled is not at the meeting, a second name will be pulled; should it get to \$200, up to 4 names may be called each month until a winner is in attendance.**

## Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



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

**Jul 9 (Tue)** Tour to Rubel Castle, meeting at 8am. See info on Page 9.



**Jul 11 (Thu)** General Meeting will be at 7:30PM. No admission prior to 7PM. CHOC Hospital

Complex, 455 South Main Street, Orange. Guests are always welcome. Board meeting at 6PM

**Jul 12 (Fri)** Collector Car Appreciation Day—This day is set aside each year to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society.



**Jul 13 (Sat)** Technical Seminar on brake light switches and brake lights 9AM, location TBD.



**Jul 25 (Thu)** Fourth Thursday Breakfast at 8:30AM at Broken Yolk, 2701 Harbor Blvd, Suite E6, Costa Mesa, 92626, 675-231-6708. For more info contact Terry Collings at 714-970-7194



**Aug 3 (Sat)** First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W Katella Ave, Orange

**Aug 3 (Sat)** MAFCA Board Meeting, Stockton, CA

**Aug 4-10** MARC National Meet at Dearborn, MI. Hotel: Double Tree by Hilton, 5801 Southfield Fwy, Detroit, MI 48228. Contact Mark Maron 847-302-7900



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**Aug 17 (Sat)** Gathering and Technical Seminar, hosted by Leonard and Kay Nettles. See Page 8 for details



**Aug 22 (Thu)** Fourth Thursday Breakfast. Location to be determined.

**Aug 22-25** Northwest Regional Group Meet, Bellevue, WA hosted by Evergreen Chapter



**Sep 21 (Sat)** 9th Annual Model A Day, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI, 9AM-6PM, contact Jerry Morrisey at jertrudy@sbcglobal.net; Hotel: Four Points Sheraton 269-385-3922

**Oct 6-10** MAFCA National Tour Canyonlands, Kanab, Utah. We will visit several national parks and national monuments during this "Hub and Spoke" style tour. Look at [www.travelingts.com](http://www.travelingts.com). 3dcartstore.com for era apparel

## Swap Meets/Car Shows

**Jul 14 (Sun)** Long Beach Hi Performance Show and Swap Meet, Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808, 6am-1pm

**Jul 20 (Sat)** 65th Annual Vintage & Classic Parts Exchange/Model T Swap Meet, Long Beach City College, Veterans Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis St. Long Beach, \$5 admission, free parking, 7am until ?

**Aug 4 (Sun)** Long Beach Hi Performance Show and Swap Meet, Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808, 6am-1pm

**Aug 14 (Wed)** 17th Annual All Ford Car Show and Swap Meet, 8am-3pm (swap meet opens at 7am) Contact Ron Wilkins 805-841-4142 or [ronandjan@yahoo.com](mailto:ronandjan@yahoo.com)

**Aug 17 (Sat)** El Segundo Main St Car Show

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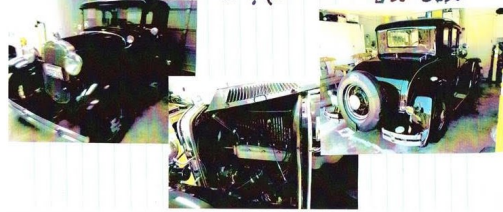
**Sep 14 (Sat)** 17 Annual All Ford Car Show and Swap Meet, swap meet opens at 7am, car show from 9am-3pm, Orcutt Union Plaza, 201 S Broadway, Orcutt, Ca 93455

**Sep 28-29** Paradise Valley Swap Meet, Little League Regional Headquarters, San Bernardino



**For Sale**

**FOR SALE:** 1930 Model A Ford Coupe; excellent condition, original, runs very good. Rumble seat, Mohair upholstery. Asking \$16,000 OBO. Contact Joe Uddo, 714-529-0666 (Fullerton, CA)



**FOR SALE:** Quick change read end \$1000 or best offer; 16in Ford style wheel rims \$25/each; Model B crank shaft \$150; Model B Block \$250; Contact Rob Jeffries at 562-293-5307 or Patty Jeffries at 714-561-7602

**NEW MEMBERS  
CHANGES  
CORRECTIONS**

**New Members:**

**Engle, Eric,** 16732 Redwood St, Fountain Valley, CA 92708-2304; Hm 714-775-1494; Email: eengle@socal.rr.com. Joined

2019. 1931 Coupe  
**Kroko, Andy,** 17632 Miller Dr, Tustin, CA 92780-2656; Hm 714-544-9465; Email: andrewkroko@gmail.com.  
Joined 2019. 1931 Sedan

Join us for another enjoyable event!!

Fourth Thursday  
Breakfast Bunch

July 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am

**BROKEN YOLK**

2701 Harbor Blvd  
Costa Mesa 92626  
657-231-6708

Info: Terry Collings  
714-970-7194

Our June meeting was held at Hart Park and the pot-luck picnic was a huge success. We had a large turnout and an outstanding selection of food including delicious casserole entrees, fantastic homemade salads, a large variety of desserts and soft drinks. The club provided all of the dinnerware, drinks and two "Happy Birthday" cakes, although we weren't quite sure whose birthday it was. The \$10 Model A driver's drawing was won by John and Dana Carter. Don Ratzlaff awarded Diane & Gerald Gaughen and Ellie & Carl Pease plaques for "Above and Beyond" participation at the Muckenthaler (very rainy day) car show in May. Thanks to all who attended.  
Steve Pavich

**Deadline for submissions  
for the next Distributor is  
July 20, 2019**

**Submit all Articles and ads  
to tissysmith1@gmail.com  
or mail to  
P.O. Box 10595, Santa  
Ana, CA 92711**

**SUNSHINE & SORROW**

**By Pam Heiland**



I just heard today that Glenn Johnson is in the hospital with a bad infection. The antibiotic were not working so he had to go in to the hospital for stronger ones. They almost lost him!  
He's been in the hospital about a week now. Don't know how much longer he will be there.

**2018 BOARD MEMBERS**

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**COMMITTEES**

**ACCC Representative** – David Knapp  
**Breakfast Committee** – Terry Collings  
**Club Greeter** – Doris Marshall  
**Election Chairperson** – Joe Goff  
**Historian & Librarian** – Steve Pavich  
**Merchandise Director** – Diane Gaughen  
**Pancake Breakfast Setup & Coordination** – Frank Reese and Don Ratzlaff  
**Raffle** – Ed Cote  
**Refreshments** – Carolyn Ratzlaff and Dianne Runyon  
**Regional Representative, SCRG** – Carolyn Ratzlaff  
**Sunshine & Sorrow** – Pam Heiland  
**Webmaster** – Bruce MacIntosh

**We have removed all Committee members' emails and phone numbers in order to ensure their privacy. Members can find this info in your roster.**

**Please Note: Some information contained in our newsletter has been reprinted from other newsletters; we thank and acknowledge them.**

## General Meeting Minutes

### OCMAFC General Meeting

Thursday, June 13, 2019

#### Hart Park

#### 6pm-8pm Potluck Supper

The June meeting was informal and casual. Held at Hart Park since the CHOC meeting room was not available. There was no actual BOD meeting but most officers and many others were in attendance.

President Louise Hall welcomed everyone and introduced new visitors who either joined the club recently or intend to: John Burroughs, Art Kroko, Robert Uyekawa and Bill Reese.

Certificates created by Don Ratzlaff were presented to Carl & Ellie Pease and Gerald & Diane Gaughen for their participation in the recent Muckenthaler Concourse D'Elegance and parade in Fullerton, in spite of it being a rainy and cool day.

Ed Cote was in attendance, mostly recovered from his recent knee surgery, and raffled off several items. John Carter's raffle ticket was drawn for the \$10.00 attendance award. The roster award name draw was for Robert & Peggy Erskine (\$30.00); however, they were not present to receive it, so \$40.00 will roll over to the July meeting.

A beautiful oil painting by our budding artist, Tissy Smith was presented to Rick Hall portraying Rick with his Model A roadster.

Tissy and Bill Hatcher passed out the 2019 rosters to those in attendance. Deadline for July newsletter is 6/20. Pictures and articles of interest to our members always appreciated.

The next day, Friday June 14, our club participated in a car show and lunch BBQ by invitation of the Sunrise Senior Living Center on Newport Blvd in Santa Ana. 9 of our Model A's were on display along with several "other" classic cars. Residents from the facility were brought out by staff in wheelchairs, walkers, or self propelled (walked).

People's Choice Awards were presented to Carl & Ellie Pease for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 1<sup>st</sup> place to Frank Reese. A raffle was held with Steve Pavich and Don Ratzlaff receiving baskets of goodies. Several others from our Club brought their Model A's and enjoyed the food, socialization and ambience of the day: Jim & Diane Runyon, Dominic Cimurusti, Steve Pavich, Bill Mazurie, Richard & Jeanne Parrish, Dale & Kathie McCall, Richard Schnur, Frank Reese with Carol, Don & Carol Ratzlaff. It proved to be a fun time and we have been invited back next year for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual BBQ and Car Show.

Submitted by Kathie McCall (for Norm Kredit) Secretary.



**I just want to express my sincere appreciation to Steve Pavich for his many contributions to the newsletter this month.**  
**Tissy Smith, Editor**

Mark Your Calendar!  
**December 2nd - 5th**  
Claremont, California

Registration Now Open!  
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**DOUBLETREE**

BY HILTON

Claremont, California

**(909) 445-1831**

("NAB" Group Discount Code)

Register Online at

**www.2019NAB.com/hotel**

**\$129 ++ per night**

The Pomona Valley Model A Ford Club invites you to...

**GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66!**

- Come stay in Southern California, known for its fun in the sun.
- Enjoy our festive welcome reception with music performed by local Model A Owners & Musicians.
- Visit the historic National Hot Rod Association Car Museum.
- Experience the amazing Sam Maloof Home & Gardens Tour.
- See Technical & Information Seminars presented by some of the best-known names in the Model A community, *all in one place!*
- More than eleven events scheduled with something for everyone.
- Event Information and Registration Forms are now available on the National Awards Banquet website at **www.2019NAB.com**

## ACCC Update

**David Knapp**  
**ACCC Representative**

More gas tax woes...about the time you read this, you will be paying more taxes for your California gasoline. SBI enacted last year led to a \$0.12 per gallon increase then and will hit us with another \$0.07 per gallon on July 1, 2019. The excise tax will increase from 41.7 cents a gallon to 47.3, an increase of 5.6 cents per gallon. If my math is correct we will be paying a total of 86 cents per gallon in state and federal taxes! Imagine, buy 10 gallons for your Model A to fill up and spend \$8.60 just on the tax—ouch.

The fossil fuel vehicle is certainly under attack. Another proposed law, SB44, would phase out diesel trucks in California. The bill, introduced by Senator Nancy Skinner, D-Berkeley, would require a 40 percent reduction in diesel emissions by 2030 (just over 10 years) and 80 percent by 2050. This would require a major overhaul of the trucking industry and some massive innovations in battery technology. Heavy and medium duty trucks and busses currently make up 7 percent of the vehicles on California's roads.

In addition to SB44, SB246 is a bill that imposes an oil and gas severance tax upon any operator for the privilege of severing oil or gas from the earth or water in this State at specified rates. Of course, owner operators will pass the cost on to consumers. Estimates are it could be 10 cents per gallon if this passes.

Meanwhile, I silently consider what an electric Model A would be like. No Model A sounds, no Model A smells, supercar horsepower, nah—just give me the gas version Henry built.

**Do you remember the 1929 1-1/2 ton Model A pickup truck with single rear wheels that had a starring role in “The Waltons” from 1972-1981?**

**‘Night John Boy**



## MARC Has Partnered With NAPA



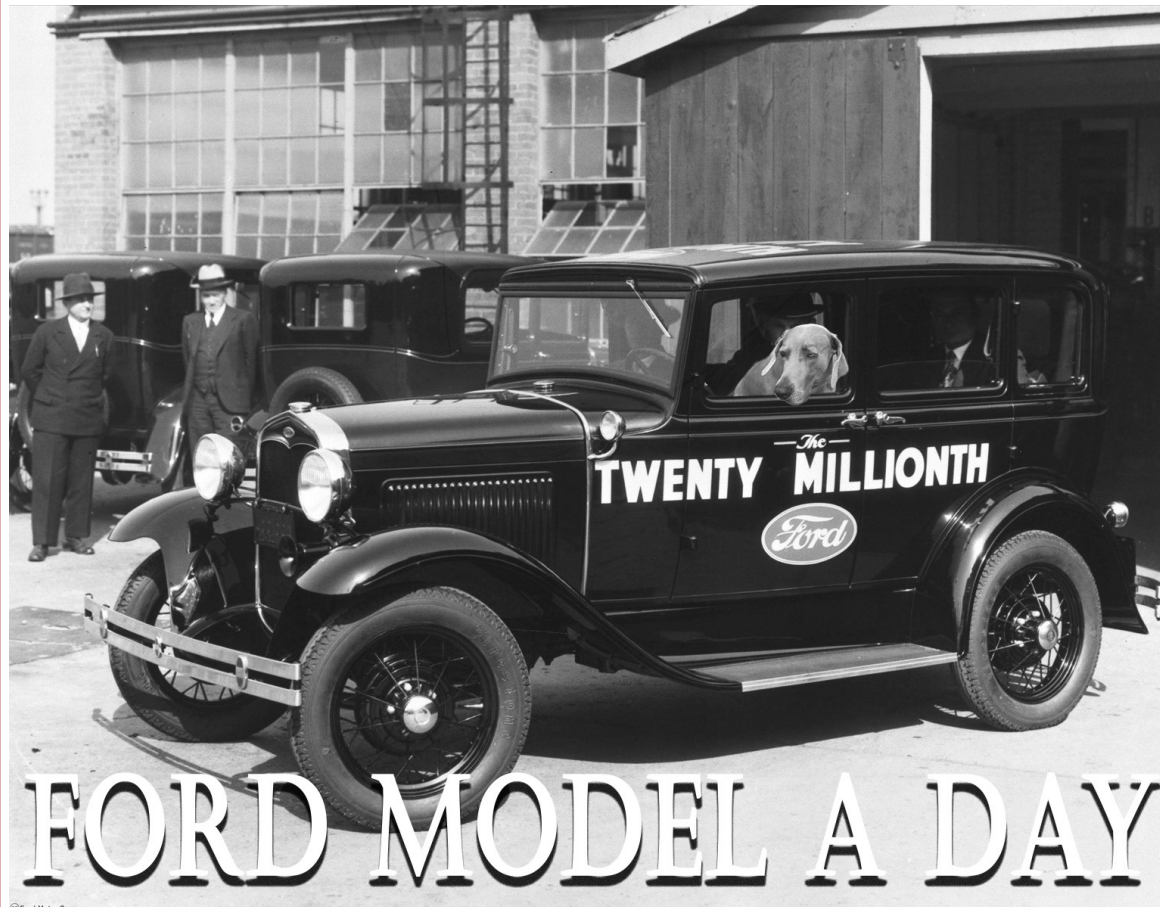
**Receive a 10% discount off your purchase. Another Great advantage to being a MARC member!**

We are excited to announce MARC has partnered with NAPA to bring you additional savings to help you get and stay on the road with a little extra in your pocket.

To participate in this program, simply download the AITA app from your App Store, you will be prompted to create an account with your email and a password. Bring your phone with your AITA app to your local NAPA store, be prepared with your MARC membership number.

There are *no* membership cards for this program.

[www.model-a-ford.org/?s=napa](http://www.model-a-ford.org/?s=napa)



9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MODEL A DAY  
 "ORIGINAL & UNIQUE"  
 SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

# FORD MODEL A DAY

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## Gathering and Technical Seminar

**August 17th**

Meet and Greet begins at 9AM (Coffee and donuts will be provided)

**Hosted by Leonard & Kay Nettles**, 18212 E Santa Clara Ave, Santa Ana, 92780; cell: 714-231-2570; Email: ln.lja@sbcglobal.net



**1st Demo:** Pouring Old School Babbitt Bearing/Ray Salmon will actually melt Babbitt material and pour a main or rod bearing  
 Lunch will be provided

**2nd Demo:** Large stationary hit and miss engine/Ron Gerlach

The following restoration projects will be on display:  
 1929 Oldsmobile, 1941 Wil Jeep, 1940 Pre-War Dodge  
 VC ½ Ton Command Car



# Tour of Rubel Castle July 9<sup>th</sup>

We will meet at 8am at the Fullerton train station, 120 E Santa Fe Ave, Fullerton. Leaving there at 8:30am for the castle. Suggested donation is \$10/pp. Tour is 90 mins.

Bring your camera and water bottle.

Following the tour, about 11:30am, we will be heading to lunch.



## Lunch

Legends Classic Diner  
1155 E Route 66  
Glendora, CA 91740


## Your Hosts

Steve & Debbie  
Pavich  
714-322-7561  
Call to reserve  
your spot!



## Hooray to Preston & Andrew Knapp

Preston and Andrew Knapp are making another attempt to win at 'Derby Downs'. Both racers will compete in the All American Soap Box Derby World Championships on July 20. This is Andrew's 6<sup>th</sup> trip to compete in Akron. Preston is making his final appearance, but racing in a brand new division in a custom built car (pictured). Preston wants to throw a shout-out "thank you" to Red Sickman for his assistance with the axle mounts—he appreciates the expertise! Good luck Preston and Andrew!



**BEWARE**

It seems people in the club have received emails asking to send money or gift cards on behalf of the club.

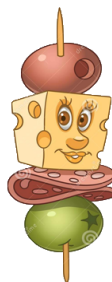
**DO NOT RESPOND**

These are a scam. The club would NEVER request you send money. If you have any questions as to whether an email is legitimate, do not respond to the email, but instead, phone either the President, Louise Hall or Treasurer, Marilyn Hawkins.

## PROGRESSIVE BRUNCH

October 5<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday

Would You Like to Host a Part?



Contact Sheila Plotkin or Karen Gaynor to volunteer to host the appetizer, main course or dessert

# HENRY FORD PICNIC



*While my '31 is still in pieces due to a necessary new paint job, I decided to 'finally' join a club. My coupe was restored by my father, Owen Engle, many years ago. It is a family treasure, to be sure! Unfortunately, a little over 3 years ago a 'friend' of my mother's accidentally caught the car cover on fire and damaged the back half of the car. None too happy!!!*

*Anyway, the new paint has taken all this time. (Why are the really good painters so slow?)*

*The car has been stored up at my mother's place in the San Fernando Valley all these years, but I have finally made room so that I can have her stored down here in Fountain Valley. I am very excited about finally being able to take my old girl out for whatever outings there might be.*

*I look forward to many fun outings with all the OCMAF club members.*

*Take care,*

*Eric Engle*

*(New Member)*

Dennis Kliesen invited our members to a wheel straightening seminar at his home on Saturday, June 15th. Seventeen club members showed up just after 8:00AM, enjoyed coffee and donuts and observed the process of wheel straightening. Dennis created a jig to hold the spoke wheels in place while the rim was being straightened. He explained how to use an acetylene torch to apply heat to stretch and shrink wheel spokes. Members supplied several bent wheels for demonstration purposes. Thanks Dennis for yet another informative seminar.



Courtesy of Steve Pavich





## WE ARE BACK AT CHOC FOR THE JULY GENERAL MEETING



On Friday, June 14th eleven Model A's showed up at the Sunrise Senior Living Home in Santa Ana and provided residents and their families with a close-up look at the vintage cars. A bbq luncheon was provided to all who attended and awards were given. Frank Reese & Carole Howard won 1st Place with their 1931 Deluxe Coupe and Carl & Ellie Pease won 2nd Place with their 1929 Roadster. Several members won gorgeous gift baskets in an opportunity drawing. One thing is for sure.....our club members show up when an invitation is extended. The offer of good food may be an incentive too.

Courtesy of Steve Pavich

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### Next General Meeting

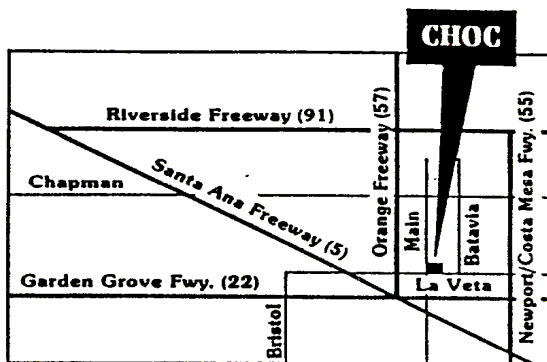
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[Second Thursday of every month]

Next Meeting July 11, 2019

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

We are on the Web!  
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