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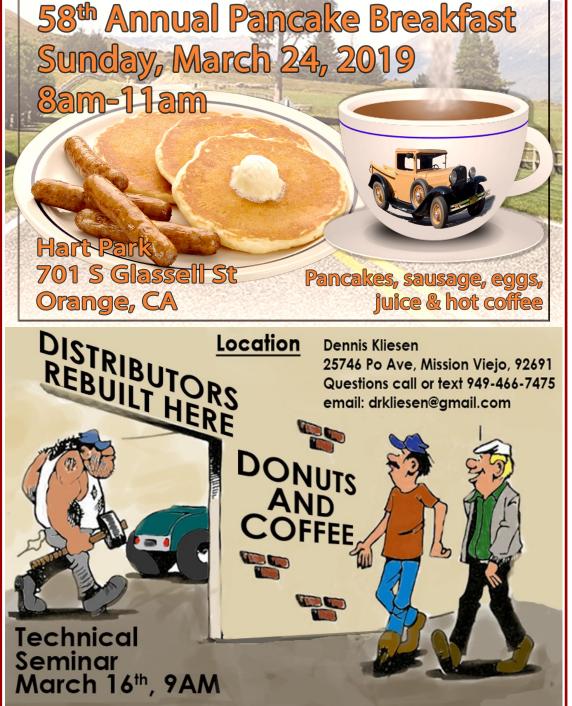
Always remember to forget The things that made you sad.

But never forget to remember The things that made you glad.



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Orange County Model A Ford Club

The Distributor

By Louise Hall

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President's Message

March is a great month for the Orange County Model A Club! That's right, a little bit of our own March Madness going on. It's the month of our annual Pancake Breakfast at Hart Park. This is our clubs biggest event, and biggest and only fundraiser. We are expecting to serve 1200 breakfasts and feature over 300 Model A Fords. Be sure to be there, as a club member – we are calling on everyone to help.

On March 24 plan to come early and stay late. With a lot of help from everyone, there will be time for every club member to enjoy your own plate of pancakes and eggs and to see the cars. The more helpers we have, the easier it will be on everyone! It is a great chance to renew friendships and show off your car.

Special thanks to some folks who make sure we are well organized; they have already spent countless hours. Thank you to all the board members for their special jobs during the event. I know there are many others who have spent years helping in one capacity or another, but this year, here are those who I'd like to acknowledge: **Frank Reese**, Chair of the event ~ he has made sure all the details are taken care off and he has spent many hours out in the community asking for donation for our raffle. He has gathered a great committee and has had a hand in making sure everything is ready! Everyone is so grateful for you and your work.

Richard Bolls, Kitchen chair ~ has turned our kitchen into a fine-tuned team. When you join the kitchen team, you'll know that everything will be well organized. Richard's lists are legendary! Thanks Richard

Becky and Bruce MacIntosh are the purchasing chairs. They buy all the stuff needed to put on a nice meal. This is a huge job. Thank you both.

Steve Pavich is the parking guru. With lots of help from club members and the Boy Scouts, he makes sure all those Model As are featured in the riverbed parking while modern car drivers and other cars of interest are directed to other nearby spots. Not always easy. Thank you Steve for taking on this job.

Karen Gaynor and **Sheila Plotkin** take care of the raffle prize area. This includes hours of pre-event time gathering prizes, making sure donors are acknowledged and organizing the ticket boxes. On breakfast day, they and their team work at breakneck speed to make sure the displays are attractive and placed appropriately. And then they and their team sell the tickets and distribute the prizes as they are won. Wow! Big and important part of our day. You two are the best!

Jeremy and Susan Gaynor are again flying out from New York to be with us. Jeremy is our announcer. He does a great job keeping us all on track with the raffle, makes various announcements and is the voice of our club during the event. We are so pleased that you will be with us again this year!

Marilyn Hawkins has the very responsible job of taking care of all the finances during the event. Thank you Marilyn!

YOU, that's right, we want to thank all of you who do the jobs we need to make this a successful event whether this is your first event or 50th event. I know for many of you it is a very long day and we can say we are all aging, but we get the job done every year. I know this will be another success. Thank you.

REMINDER!

MAFFI has 42 vídeos íncluding a complete set of the Díablo A's Technical Seminars available for loan to MAFFI members and Model A Clubs that support the Museum with a financial gift. You can look over the titles at maffi.org (programs) or on the back of the MAFFI newsletter, the A Preserver. If interested, please email Janice Barker jlb72443@aol.com and she will take care of your request.



If anyone knows of a group of car enthusiast, especially ones with young people involved, please let Louise Hall know and she will cend a personal invitation to the Pancake Breakfast.

IMPORTANT

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Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



Mar 2 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ 8AM at The Katella Grill, 1325 W

Katella Ave, Orange Mar 2 (Sat) Ticket

Cutting Get Together at 10AM, Sheila Plotkin's home, 9371 Portsmouth Dr, Huntington Beach, 714-962-2117



Mar 14 (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



Mar 16 (Sat) Tech Seminar—Rebuilding Distributors at 9AM. Dennis Kliesen' home, 25746 Po Ave, Mission Viejo, 92691/

Ph 949-466-7475



Mar 24 (Sun) 58th Annual Pancake Breakfast, Hart Park, 701 S Glassell, Orange from Children 2-10 yrs \$4

Swap Meets/Car Shows



Fourth Thursday Breakfast at 8:30AM at Watson's, 116 E Chapman Ave, Or-

ange 92866, 714-633-1050, For more info, contact Terry Collings at 714-970-7194

CCRG Jamboree, Mar 29-31 Merced, sponsored by The Gateway Model A Club, rooms at Hampton Inn, 209-386-1210



Apr 6 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session \sim 8AM at The Katella Grill. 1325 W Katella Ave,

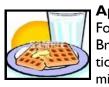
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South Main Street, Orange. Guests are always welcome. Board meeting at 6PM

Apr 12-14 Imaginology, Orange County Fair Grounds, see ad on Page 4. To volunteer or for addi-8AM-IIAM. Adults \$7, tional info, contact Colleen Schmidt at 714-524-2659

Apr 14 All Ford Day (Fabulous) Fords) at Angel's Stadium, 10AM-3PM



Apr 25 (Thu) Fourth Thursday Breakfast. Location to be determined.

May 4 MAFCA Board Meeting, La Habra

May 27-30 NCRG Roundup, Santa Rosa, CA hosted by the Sonoma A's

Jun 9 (Sun) Henry Ford Picnic, Heritage Park, Santa Fe Springs, Diamond Tread Chapter — more info to follow

Jun 15 13th Annual Hubley Derby Day & Potluck, sponsored by the Pomona & Paradise Valley Model A Clubs, 503 W 31st St, San Bernardino. For info contact Richard or Cheri Bronstrup at 909-227-1853

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.

Mar 3 (Sun) Pomona Swap Meet and Classic Car Show, 1101 W McKinley Avenue Pomona CA 91768. 4aml pm

Mar 10 (Sun) Long Beach Hi Performance Show and Swap Meet, Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808, 6am-1pm

Mar 16 (Sat) Super Cruise Car Show, Kern County Fairgrounds

Apr 7 (Sun) Long Beach Hi Performance Show and Swap Meet, Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808, 6am-1pm

May 4 (Sat) Edelbrock Car Show, Torrance, CA

Jun 22 (Sat) 13th Annual Fountain Valley Classic Car and Truck Show at Recreation and Sports Park, 16400 Brookhurst St., Fountain Valley, 92708

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 ?



The OC Fair & Event Center invites students and their families to go Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead for 3 days of competitions, exhibits and activities. This event gives the OCMAFC an opportunity to display our beautiful cars and stimulate interest in the Model A Ford. We are looking for ambassadors to cover the booth (a half-day per person). By being an ambassador for the club, you will have a chance to impart your knowledge in the history of the car, along with your personal experiences. We will be provided with shaded space on the main mall. We are also looking for 2 Model A's to display each day. To participate, display your car, or for additional info: contact Colleen Schmidt (714-524-2659)

Join us for good food and great company!!

Fourth Thursday Breakfast Bunch

March 28th at 8:30 am

WATSON'S 116 E Chapman Ave Orange 92866 714-633-10507

Info: Terry Collings 714-970-7194



This is the West Coast's largest ALL-Ford car show now at a new venue!

Join the Ford Car Club Council and the Ford Motor Company at Angels Stadium in Anaheim, CA. There will be 57 show classes, music, celebrities & more! Admission is FREE to spectators. Contact Frank Reese at 714-348-2507 if you would like to register to enter at a discounted price of only \$15.

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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, February 14, 2019 Wade Education Center at CHOC

President Louise Hall called the meeting to order at 7:30 with 51 attending.

Colleen Schmidt led in the Flag Salute.

Louise Hall welcomed everyone. Louise took time to review some of the activities that were coming soon and reminded people to put their names on the sign-up sheets in the front of the room. Activities Steve Pavich could not be here tonight. He was involved in a Civil War re-enactment.

Secretary Norm Kredit presented the January 10, 2019 minutes as printed in the Distributor. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept as printed.

Treasurer Marilyn Hawkins had shared some humor earlier, and she is much more serious with her report. Our finances are steady and the next report will reflect costs of the Pancake Breakfast. She reported current cash balances and expenses as well as donations made. Her report of January 31, 2019 account balances and budget expenses year to date was moved, supported, and passed.

Marilyn also reported our membership is 173 with 76 members who still need to pay their dues for the new year. The deadline to receive the benefits of being in the new directory and receiving the newsletter is February 28, 2019. Several Board members will be doing reminder calls prior to the deadline so everyone do your part in helping lighten the load of calling.

The David Knapp family made a significant gift of toiletries to the Ronald McDonald House. Marilyn passed the appreciation on to the Knapp family. Activities, Louise Hall standing in for Steve, noted this Sunday night movie on February 17. "American Graffiti" is on the marquee. The food items to bring are detailed in The Distributor newsletter. "Thank You" Don and Mary Dormeyer for hosting this event. The period films are fun to watch.

Special Activities Chairman Frank Reese- The Pancake Breakfast on March 24 is coming fast. There are lots of openings on various committees. You will be serving with experienced committee heads, so find a slot and sign-up. Frank Reese is doing a heroic job gathering contributions from members for the raffle. He has also prepared handouts for each member to give out to your business contacts for donations. There are also flyers left to place in businesses to advertise the event. UNCLE FRANK NEEDS YOU! Does that ring a bell?

Frank also presented the opportunity to purchase four griddles for the Pancake Breakfast at a reasonable price. Leonard Nettles spoke up and volunteered to underwrite the purchase of one. "Thank You" Leonard. Three more to go. Any takers?

Central California Regional Group (CCRG) is meeting on March 29-31 in Merced, California. This is a large gathering of mostly central California Model A members with lots of activities such as tours and a large swap meet. You are bound to find a part you need. Member Rick Hall has information if you would like to travel there.

Colleen Schmidt is the contact person and coordinator for the Imaginology



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range County Model A Ford Club \$30.00 per family at same address **FER CHANGES?** If so, please list below:

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Cars: _____

Telephone numbers:

Address:

E-mail address(es):_____

Any other changes:

Want your photo included in the Roster? Just submit to Bruce MacIntosh at: brucem@genimage.com 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 2/28/19 to be included in the club's Roster

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Check the club's website to place orders and receive items at the next general meeting

On Sale at the March General Meeting Get Your Pancake Breakfast T-Shirt

T-Shirts and Polo Shirts Will be Available

2019 Design on Back

SUNSHINE & SORROW

Two cards were sent out to members this month. Frank Reese had to spend some time in the hospital, but I guess they got tired of him because they sent him home in time to make it to the last meeting. Hope you're all better by now, Frank! Also, Olive Moore had



By Pam Heiland

to get her knee replaced. Hope you're up and around and doing fine by now, Olive.

Please let me know if you hear of anyone who needs a card from us. Everyone, stay well! The pancake breakfast is almost here and we need you all!

Here's a thought for the day from Corrie Ten Boom:

"Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow, it empties today of its strength."

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Cleaning Your Engine Oil Pan

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By: Dennis Kliesen Technical

March seems like a great time to get the Model A up on jack stands so you can crawl under and get the old oil pan off to clean out the sludge and look at the rods and mains. Don't do it yet if you think you can't get it done before the OCMAFC Pancake Breakfast! Hold off until at least after the breakfast, we want you and your Model A there.



Recently at club member John Carter's home in Yorba Linda we pulled the engine out of his 1929 CCPU, closed cab pickup, and mounted it to his engine stand to disassemble for an evaluation. It was great to have a lot of members jump in and help. This is not an original idea of mine so I'm not taking credit for it, but I thought it was such a great simple idea that I just had to mention it. Most of us know you just can't get the inside of a Model A oil pan clean without removing the dipper tray. Beings Model A's are about the easiest car or truck to work on, this has to be one of the better ideas for getting this job done. Simply get a block of wood, long enough to go across the rails, resting on top about the middle, place



a clamp down in the hole where the oil pump goes in and the other end of the clamp on top of the board. The tray pops right out. There are sharp edges on the tray with the baffles on the underside, be careful. Before you snap the tray back in make sure all of the old gasket material is cleaned from the surface and the lip of the tray fits properly on both sides.



Raffle Ticket Cutting Get Together for the Pancake Breakfast If you signed up for this activity It is scheduled to follow the BS Breakfast March 2nd at 10am Sheila Plotkin's Home

9371Portsmouth Drive, Huntington Beach, CA

714-962-2117



Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

Oil vs. Grease -- What's the Difference?

We pour oil into the engine, transmission, differential and steering gear box. We use grease on the chassis, in all the "grease fittings, and we pack our wheel bearings with grease. Have you ever wondered what the difference is between these two? I have.

Oil is a slippery liquid at room temperature that provides a film between parts that are sliding or pressing quite hard against each other while in use. Higher viscosity oil will allow for higher pressure between parts before the oil film gets pressed out and you lose the protection between the parts. It also helps with cooling inside an engine while it runs.

One characteristic of oil that you are all familiar with is that it does not mix with water, because it is made up of organic molecules that don't interact with polar water molecules. They will usually mix with other oils and solvents. The oil molecules may be distilled from the mix of hydrocarbons found in crude oil, or they may be formed and built up, piece by piece, in a chemical reaction with catalysts (which we call synthetic oil). Synthetic oil molecules tend to be more uniform (all the same) than conventional mineral oils, because they were each built from the same building blocks. That improves their performance in many applications.

Grease is a lubricant that consists of about 85% base oil, as above, about 15% thickener that keeps the grease in a semisolid state, and various additives for things like corrosion prevention. The base oil can be a vegetable oil (safe to use around food), conventional mineral oil from crude, or a synthetic oil. The thickeners are actually some form of soap, made with things like lithium, calcium, or aluminum. Unlike oil, grease does not "flow"; that's why it is not recommended in our steering gear box. We want the oil to run down into all the bushings, bearing and gears.

Grease is an interesting substance. It has a high initial viscosity or thickness but as stress is applied, the viscosity decreases, approaching that of the base oil. Release the stress and it thickens again. Grease can separate over time -- you've probably seen the oil part run out of a grease gun that sits. Grease can dry out and harden with age. The soap part can break down with a lot of heat, reducing how well the grease stays inside the bearing (think of front wheel bearings).

So if you can't remember when you last packed fresh grease into your front wheel bearings, you might want to go clean them and repack them this weekend. Avoid problems on the road and Have a Model A Day! Jim

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event put on by Disney at the Orange County Fair Grounds. It is an educational, hands on, learning event that the Model A Club has participated in for several years. Two Model A's are needed each day with extra volunteers to talk about the cars, history, and features. Cars are in a canopied area and guarded overnight. Volunteers get in free. It's a fun experience for parents, kids and volunteers and will be held April 12-14.

Frank also reviewed the Fabulous Fords Forever event coming up at Angel Stadium on April 14. He will need a registration form and check made out to the event organizers, FCCC, Inc. But do not send it to them. Give the form and check to Frank in order to get a discounted registration fee of \$15. There is a limited amount of cars accepted at this price, so talk with Frank and get it in early.

Merchandise Chairperson Diane Gaughen and Webmaster Bruce Macintosh reviewed the new way for club members to order and receive merchandise. Diane went over the wide variety of choices of jackets, shirts, and badges and Bruce illustrated how to order using the club's home page. The items ordered will be sent to the club and be available for pick-up at the next meeting. They are working with Pacific Embroidery in Anaheim. This is new so Bruce and Diane pointed out that there may be "bugs", but we will work it out. It saves a lot of work. They are two club pioneers.

Bruce as Webmaster also wants to do historical things as club Historian. Pictures of past events or stories fitting the Model A context are things he is interested in getting on the website. Send him your pictures or talk with him. It educates and entertains us all.

Sunshine and Sorrow—It was reported that Olive Moore had a knee replacement and could use some cards or calls. Let's celebrate the good times and give comfort during the struggles.

4TH Thursday Breakfast Terry Collings has arranged for the meeting at Cowgirl Café in Santa Ana at 8:30 A.M. this Feb. 28. Some of you have been there before. It is good cooking.

Hard Luck Trophy winner is Greg Witz. To keep these minutes short I have sufficed it to say that Greg has a beef regarding replacement parts. He brought three examples that plagued his car. He takes home the trophy by a unanimous decision.

Refreshments-Carolyn Ratzlaff asked for volunteers to sign up for refreshments. Her signup sheet is in the back or the room. Thank you to Linda Tom and Kay Nettles for the treats. A special Valentine birthday cake to Don Schmidt was enjoyed by all. Hugs and kisses, Don.

Attendance Drawing was won by Diane Runyon and member number attendance drawing of #145, Edward and Christine Schaefer, who were not present, now rises to \$60 next meeting.

Special Recognition Moment-Rick Hall stood and announced the retirement of John Hollins. He has closed his shop but does have some equipment left. He and Polly are moving to Visalia, California. Rick pointed out that John has been a wonderful resource to the club over the years in sharing his skill at rebuilding engines and giving technical seminars on different topics. A round of applause and best wishes to John and Polly were led by Rick. Meeting adjourned,



There's No Corn in that Beef...

Corned beef and cabbage, a traditional Saint Patrick's Day staple, doesn't have anything to do with the grain corn. In-

stead, it's a nod to the large grains of salt that were historically used to cure meats, which were also known as "corns." Deadline for submissions for the next Distributor is *April 20, 2019* Submit all Articles and ads to tissysmith1@gmail.com (note new email!) or mail to P.O. Box 10595 Santa Ana, CA 92711

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ORANGE COUNTY MODEL A FORD CLUB

58th Annual Pancake Breakfast Sunday, March 24, 2019 Hart Park, 701 S Glassell St, Orange

Breakfast from 8am-11am Pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice & hot coffee

Bring your Model A, family & friends for a great time

Adults \$7/Children \$4 (2-10 years)

Many raffle-opportunities Expecting 300+ Model A's on display

For more info contact: Frank Reese at 714-348-2507

Dedicated to the History and Preservation of the Model A Ford CHOC **Next General Meeting ORANGE COUNTY MODEL A FORD** 7:30 PM (55) **CLUB** 57 **Riverside Freeway (91)** [Second Thursday of every month] Š Mesa Chapman Next Meeting March 14, 2019 Orange Bataviz Costa **CHOC Hospital Complex** W 15. Post Office Box 10595 Garden Grove Fwy. (22) 455 South Main Street, Orange, CA Veta 1. Santa Ana, CA 92711 Bristol E-mail: info@ocmafc.org 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

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