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59 Years

Editor Tissy Smith-Hatcher

True strength is when you have a lot to cry about, but you choose to smile and take another step forward





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We FINALLY have something to celebrate in 2020. This is a significant year for several of our OCMAFC members as they have reached milestones with MAFCA. It is with great pride that we acknowledge their years of membership.

People are and always will be our club's greatest asset.

Please accept our good wishes on your anniversaries.



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News From the President

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As I write this in September, we still don't know how Covid will continue to affect our club's abilities to have meetings and tours. Meanwhile your board is meeting monthly and pouring over ideas. That's where the idea for the donuts and coffee on International Ford Day celebration came about. Thank you to Bruce and Becky MacIntosh for making this happen! Also thank you to Don Ratzlaff for keeping the 1st Saturday breakfast going and as safe as possible. Joe Goff is working with a member of another club on organizing a thank you drive by for some local hospitals. So, we are doing our best to keep things going!

If you have any suggestions or ideas please let me or one of the other board members

know. Also, we are still in need of board members for next year. Please call Joe Goff to let them know you will step up.

The Restorer magazine has published some milestone membership years that include some of our members. I want to congratulate Phil Joujon-Roche, Andy and Lucille Saez, Glenn and Sharon Johnson, Mary Stockard, Chris-

tine Foster, and Joe and Penny Recker for their many years with MAFCA.

I know most of you are getting really tired of having little to do and no place to go. Well, while you're counting your blessings and relaxing, remember us. Rick and I have found a new home, and we are moving. Our new house is in Orange, in fact we won't be changing our zip code. We've been looking for a onestory house for about a year and half. When this home came up, we couldn't turn it down.

So, this means we are getting our current house on the market, moving everything accumulated in 30 years out and moving into a home that needs some redecorating (yes, a bit of a fixer upper!) Doesn't it make you tired just thinking about it? We will list our new address on the website when we officially move. I believe our phones and email will stay the same. Meanwhile keep those Model A wheels on the road! Make someone's day a little happier. Louise Hall

To all our friends, step back and remember what's most important...YOU! Get well soon.

Bob Hawkins spent 3 nights in the hospital; very weak and disoriented. His hemoglobin count was 4.2 vs. 10 or above; was given 5 units of blood. After being tested, they cauterized the bleeding areas in his stomach. **Kathie McCall** had a right knee replacement on September 22. Stayed at St. Joseph Hospital for two nights. **Carole Howard** has had a relapse; doctors discovered three areas of blood infections. Has fallen numerous times due to being very weak. **Kay Nettles** is making progress since her stroke last month. She's working every day with at-home speech enunciation exercises.

May you always have love to share, health to spare, and friends that care.

From David Knapp -

The reason there hasn't been a recent article from the ACCC is because it seems to be in some sort of Coronavirus limbo. In addition, emails go un-returned when asking if there is going to be an update.





By Louise Hall

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BS Breakfast Saturday 10/03/2020



We will be outside in the same setting as we experienced in September at the Katella Grill. From 7am until 9am Please RSVP to Don Ratzlaff via email if you plan to attend. Same rules as last time.

If you are not eating or drinking - it's face mask time.

Try to maintain a reasonable social distance from others. Cancel if not feeling well.

Darwin Kibby has agreed to be our club Treasurer (2-year position). In order to do this, the club needs someone to take over the Technical Director position. He has already completed I-year, so we need someone to cover his last year. It is a great way to get to know other club members. Let Joe Goff know if you would be interested.



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2020 BOARD MEMBERS

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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, Don Ratzlaff and Richard Bolls Raffle – Ed Cote Refreshments – Carolyn Ratzlaff and Dianne Runyon Regional Representative, SCRG – Carolyn Ratzlaff Sunshine & Sorrow – Bob Hawkins

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.

Board Meeting Minutes

Orange County Model A Ford Club Board of Directors' Meeting September 10 2020, 10:00 a.m. Depot Park, 100 N. Atchison, Orange, CA

Board Members Present: Louise Hall, President, Jim Runyon, Immediate Past President, Tissy Smith-Hatcher, Editor, Marilyn Singer-Hawkins, Treasurer, Joe Goff, VP/Activities, Darwin Kibby, Technical, Norm Kredit, Secretary. **Committee Members**: Bruce MacIntosh, Website Info Entry **Members**: Diane Runyon, Bill Hatcher, Lori Kredit

Approval of Minutes: Past Minutes: The minutes of August 13, 2020 were approved as prepared by Tissy, filling in for Secretary Norm Kredit, who was absent.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn Hawkins handed out copies of current bank balances and income/expenses to date as of August 31, 2020. Membership is 139. The Gift to CHOC was acknowledged and checks to the City of Hope and the Pasadena High School Model A Club were sent.

Elections: Joe Goff reported there are still no members who have come forward to fill the vacating Board positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board members talked of several options. Louise encouraged everyone to talk to people on a one-on-one basis to step forward for one of these positions. **Activities**: Joe Goff presented a request for a Model A drive by Birthday Party for a 98 year old elderly man who loves Model A's. This was passed on to Joe by Linda Tom. Joe will ask Don to do an e-mail with directions and RSVP number to call. International Drive Your Model A Day will be celebrated on Saturday the 19th with a planned drive up activity, possibly at Harvard Park in Irvine. Bruce MacIntosh and Joe will work out details. If not there, then details of another location will be e-mailed to membership. Suggested time frame would be from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. Bruce will note attendees for possible patches to be handed out later.

B.S. Breakfast: Don Ratzlaff reported that there were 38 members and guests at the Katella Grill breakfast with 19 Model A's in the parking lot. The Katella Grill staff had arranged tables for four with good separation for health and safety. **Technical:** Darwin arranged a Technical seminar with Greg Witz on the topic of repairing Model A horns. This would be held at Norm and Lori Kredit's home on Sept. 26. Start time would be from 9:00 a.m. till finished. Bring your own chairs. Other topics and locations are pending.

Other Topics and General Discussion: Tissy was complimented on the historical article on Ford's Darkest Day in The Distributor. Louise mentioned the trouble we are having finding a meeting place for the general meeting. We may be on the street until next year. Kathy McCall mentioned that CHOC is now using the past meeting room for other purposes. Churches, community rooms, school districts, theaters, all need to be checked out for possibilities. Bruce will check on the P.A. system in storage in case we are forced to meet in a park. It was noted that The Villa has cashed our deposit check for the banquet in January, 2021.

Norm Kredit, Secretary



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International CELEBRATES MODEL A FORD DAY Photos by Steve Pavich









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Removing Dents From Trunk/Rumble Seat Lids and Door Panels By Pete Cruz, Technical Director

Straightening steel is problematic enough without having to worry about how to even get to the problem area. Door panels, along with trunk/rumble seat lids, come to mind since they have steel reinforcement panels inside them. These reinforcement panels have some holes but severely limit the ability to put a hammer or dolly against the metal of the outer skin. Since the reinforcement panels are covered by either an interior upholstery panel or a seat cushion, you can cut a hole in them to access the dented area but that may weaken the structural integrity of the panel. That, too, can be fixed. But, as you can imagine, this opens up a whole can of worms best left alone! Back when I was in high school, the solution was to drill holes in the dented area, insert a wood screw, then use a body puller to yank out the metal. That process produced good sized holes (with peaks from pulling) that had to be dealt with usually by welding up the holes. The end result was a dent that pretty much resembled the original shape of the metal, and for most folks, was close enough to allow it to be filled and smoothed with plastic filler.

For me, the best solution is to use a stud welder. The welder will allow you to weld a "stud" onto the metal, rather than use the old "hole and screw" method. There are a number of really nice stud welder kits available from \$200 up to about \$550 but I chose to purchase a bargain unit from Harbor Freight for \$99.99. The kit comes with the welder, a slide hammer and 200 studs. I've been using it for quite a while now and haven't had any issues thus far.

To use the welder you simply plug it in to a 110v outlet, slide a stud into the welder tip, hold the unit flush against **clean steel** then pull the trigger for 1-2 seconds. It takes a little practice to get the proper timing down for consistent welding, but you'll be using it like a pro in no time. When you are finished moving

the metal, you cut off the stud, then grind off the small portion left behind. The issues I've seen with both the "hole and screw" and stud welder method is that some folks immediately use the screws or studs to yank on the dented metal which, at first glance, seems to make sense given the design of these tools, however doing so throws out all you have learned about body work. Remember when "bumping metal" roughly 90% of your time should be spent using the "off dolly" technique? That is what you should be using a dolly to "push" up on the low spot while hammering on the high spots adjacent to where you are pushing with the dolly. Only when you are really close to the shape you want to achieve should you come back in and gently tap "on dolly" to smooth the metal into its original shape (assuming you are using a properly shaped dolly). Using screws or studs to yank on the low spots is akin to using the "on dolly" technique (it can stretch the metal). Don't get me wrong, depending on the severity of the dent, we'll all do whatever we need to do to get the dent out and worry about the consequences later, but it is best to try and limit the amount of "recovery" work you'll need to do!



To incorporate the "off dolly" technique with the studs, instead of using the stud puller to "yank" on the metal, use it to apply upward pressure on low spots in the metal to mimic the action of pushing up from below with a dolly. You can then hammer on the high areas surrounding the dent, using the "off dolly" philosophy. Take your time and you'll be surprised at how well you can control the metal. Also remember the "last in – first out" adage. When studying the damage, imagine the dent as it was occurring. Metal first moved at the point of impact, followed by the surrounding metal as the dent was formed. Start the repair at the outer point of the damage working your way into the point of impact. This will not only help things go smoother but will help prevent oil canning!

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Andy & Lucille Saez



Tech Tip

taken from *The AaaaOOOgah!* Ohio Valley Model A Ford Club Submitted by Dick Przywitowski, LaFayette, Colorado

An easy to make tool to seat a horn rod clip

This tool will help to seat the clip on the end of the horn rod, which can be frustrating and sometimes painful.

The tool is a short piece of 3/4" OD conduit about $1\frac{1}{2}$ " long. Cut with a hacksaw half way through the conduit vertically and horizontally, taking $\frac{1}{4}$ of the piece of conduit out. An optional plug can be inserted in the end of the tube to catch the clip if it falls. *Note: You may need to squeeze the half round portion a little to fit the spider.*

To use:

- 1. Move the light switch 90 degrees, so that the forks of the spider are horizontal..
- 2. Hold the horn rod down using a ruler or similar item.
- Set the spring and the spider on the horn rod end and press the tube to expose the notch that the clip goes into
- 4. Seat the clip using needle nose pliers or forceps.



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The Electric Razor

After nearly dying from dysentery, while serving as a 2nd Lieutenant with the 8th Infantry Regiment in the Philippines, Jacob Schick was posted to Alaska. While working in the mines there, Schick found himself struggling with foam and blades in the sub-zero temperatures as he attempted to shave. His solution was an electric alternative that resembled modern shavers, but attached to a bulky external motor.

He also thought up the idea while recuperating from injury. He thought it so ingenious he sent out plans to manufacturers who immediately rejected the idea, thinking the invention was too bulky. All plans for the razor were put on hold when Schick had to return to active duty during World War I.

After he put his invention on hold and went back to war, he got inspired by weaponry and used the design of repeating firearms in razors with replaceable blades. This style of razor took off (in fact you're still buying Schick razors in the drug store today).

After more than a decade, Schick devised a machine for shaving without soap and water. Introduced in 1929, the twohanded Schick dry razor required the use of two hands, one to hold the bulky engine, while the other held the whirling razor attached to the motor by a dangling cord.





Sales for the two-handed Schick dry razor were sluggish but on May 13, 1930 the Lieutenant Colonel obtained patent No. 1,757,978 for a one-handed model. Schick's one-handed dry electric razor made its debut in America on March 18, 1931. Schick then started his own electric razor factory and churned out various models. It took a while for the idea to catch on, but as more razors were introduced, the electric model became more and more popular. Schick eventually sold to Norelco in the 1980s.

If Schick had not been called back to military service, would he have had his idea for his original injection cartridge blade razor? Maybe not. But thanks to Schick, shaving with a wet face or a dry face with ease and convenience are both options for men the world over.

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Monopoly—the Board Game

The history of Monopoly can be traced back to 1903, When American antimonopolist Lizzie Magie created a game which she hoped would explain the single tax theory of Henry George. It was intended as an educational tool to illustrate the negative aspects of concentrating land in private monopolies. She took out a patent in 1904. Her game, The Landlord's Game, was selfpublished, beginning in 1906.

Magie created two sets of rules: an anti-monopolist set in which all were rewarded when wealth was created, and a monopolist set in which the goal was to create monopolies and crush opponents.

Several variant board games, based on her concept, were developed from 1906 through the 1930s; they involved both the process of buying land for its



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development and the sale of any undeveloped property. Cardboard houses were added and rents increased as they were added to a property. Magie patented the game again in 1923. According to an advertisement placed in The Christian Science Monitor, Charles Todd of Philadelphia recalled the day in 1932 when his childhood friend, Esther Jones, and her husband Charles Darrow came to their house for dinner. After the meal, the Todds introduced Darrow to The Landlord's Game, which they then played several times. The game was entirely new to Darrow, and he asked the Todds for a written set of the rules. After that night, Darrow went on to utilize this and distribute the game himself as Monopoly. Parker Brothers bought the game's copyrights from Darrow. When the company learned Darrow was not the sole inventor of the game, it bought the rights to Magie's patent for \$500.

Parker Brothers began marketing the game on November 5, 1935. Cartoonist F. O. Alexander contributed the design. U. S. patent number 2026082 A was issued to Charles Darrow on December 31, 1935, for the game board design and was assigned to Parker Brothers Inc. The original version of the

game in this format was based on the streets of Atlantic City, **Titys**. New Jersey.



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