

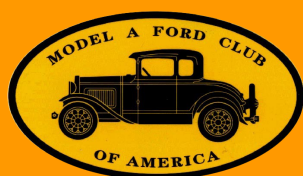
Orange County Model A Ford Club

THE DISTRIBUTOR

60 Years



I wish you a
cheerful
holiday with
lots of fun and
happiness



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Editor Tissy Smith-Hatcher

Christmas PARTY



THE DECEMBER 9TH GENERAL MEETING WILL INCLUDE
GAMES, A DESSERT POTLUCK (THAT SERVES 6-10) AND
THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE MODEL A RELATED
GIFTS WITH A \$15 VALUE

*With great joy and excitement
you are invited to celebrate the installation of the*

**2022-2023
Board and Committee Members**
*on Sunday, January 9, 2022
1pm to 4pm*

*The Villa
510 E Katella Ave
Orange, CA 92867*

*Cost is \$30 per person. Send payment to the club's
P.O. Box or give to Darwin Kibby directly.*

*For more info, contact Kathie McCall at
kathleenmccall1941@gmail.com or 714-469-0946*

News From the President

By Louise Hall

Recipe for ChristmasAll Year Long



Take a heap of child-like wonder
 That opens up our eyes
 To the unexpected gifts in life—
 Each day a sweet surprise
 Mix in fond appreciation
 For the people whom we know;
 Like festive Christmas candles,
 Each one has a special glow.
 Add some giggles and some laughter,
 A dash of Christmas food
 Amazing how a piece of pie
 Improves our attitude!
 Stir it all with human kindness;
 Wrap it up in love and peace,
 Decorate with optimism, and
 Our joy will never cease.
 If we use this healthy recipe,
 We know we will remember
 To be in the Christmas spirit,
 Even when it's not December
 ~Joanna Fuchs



I can't even catch up to the idea that the holidays are here, and the end of 2021 is near. Don't forget to come to our meeting on Dec. 9. We will have some fun, eat dessert (bring your favorite to serve 6-10). And if you want to you can participate in a little gift exchange. This is totally optional, but if you want to participate bring a wrapped gift, something car related.

We have tours coming up to old town Santa Ana, and Christmas Lights. Watch your email for details. Rick and I will have an opportunity to decorate the Model A during the season for a neighborhood car parade. We are looking forward to all the special parties and gatherings.

Don't forget to pay your dues for 2022, and purchase your ticket for the installation banquet. More information in this newsletter.

Have a joy filled season; I hope to see you on the road.

Louise

 **JOIN OR
RENEW
MEMBERSHIP
NOW TO BE INCLUDED
IN THE 2022 ROSTER**

Dear Aunt Lisa,
 Thank you for the ~~Hanukkah~~
~~Hanukkah~~, ~~Chanukkah~~,
~~Chanukkah~~
 Thank you for the present.



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Frank Reese, Don Ratzlaff and Richard Bolls
Raffle – Ed Cote
Refreshments – Robert Scott
Regional Representative, SCRG -
Carolyn Ratzlaff
Sunshine & Sorrow – Marilyn Hawkins
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.

Orange County Model A Ford Club General Meeting Minutes on November 11, 2021 Meeting held at First Christian Church in Orange, CA

Correction to the October General Minutes-the date of the Installation Banquet is January 9, 2022.

Call to Order-President Louise Hall called the meeting to order at 7:33pm.

All Board members were in attendance. Also, several other members totaling 45 were there.

Mary Dormeyer told a joke.

Recognition of Veterans by Mike Edmonson-members said The Pledge of Allegiance, then Mike gave a heartfelt presentation and had all Veterans stand to receive applause.

Approval of Minutes-a motion that the minutes of the October General Meeting be accepted was made by Rick Hall. It was second by Sheila Plotkin and the motion was adopted.

Reports of Officers

Financial Report-Darwin Kibby provided the complete financial report.

Steve Pavich made a motion to accept this financial report, Robert Scott seconded. The membership voted to accept the report and the motion passed. Next, Darwin revised the 2022 budget and reviewed it.

We now have 145 memberships.

This month's membership drawing is \$20. Rick Hall won the drawing for the Saturday Breakfast.

We were reminded that Darwin is collecting \$30 for 2022 Membership Dues and \$30 per person for the Installation Dinner.

VP/Tour Director Report -Activities-Joe Goff reported on a drive by trip to Seal Beach to honor a 106-year-old woman who had worked at a Ford plant. He also mentioned that we might have a future trip to tour The Howe-Waffle House and Medical Museum, which is near the old Orange County Courthouse.

Elections-Joe Goff made motion to elect Mike Edmonson for Technical Director and it was seconded by Don Dormeyer. The members voted and the motion passed. Joe Goff made a motion that Eric Engle be elected for Activity Director and it was seconded by Steve Pavich the motion passed.

Richard Parish summarized the 2021 seminars, Members described the black sludge that was inside Don Dormeyer's oil pan. Don Dormeyer thanked everyone who worked on his car at the seminar.

Editor's Report-Editor Tissy Smith-Hatcher did not make a report

Reports of Committees

Quick Communications Project-Don Dormeyer asked for volunteers to help oversee the text administration. He has a simple manual available. We have a Waiting List so contact Don if you want to be taken off the Text Messages.

Sunshine & Sorrow-Marilyn Hawkins was absent.

Steve and Debbie Pavich visited Gerald Gaughen and said physically he was doing good, and that his speech was good and one eye is weak. Steve said that cards, calls and visitors are welcome.

Medallions-Becky MacIntosh updated us of the possibility of ordering medallions. (Cont'd on Page 8)



Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar

Dec 2-5 MAFCA National Awards Banquet hosted by Cowtown A's. Contact Jordan Douglass, 817-584-8125



Dec 4 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ The Katella Grill, 1325 W Katella Ave, Orange, 8am



Dec 8 (Wed) Howe-Waffle House and Medical Museum Tour. See details on page 7.



Dec 9 (Thu) General Meeting will be at 7:30pm at First Christian Church of Orange, 1130 E Walnut, Orange (between Tustin & Cambridge). Fol-

low the signs. Lots of free parking. The Board Meeting will be held at 6:30pm and all are welcome. Potluck dessert, games & gift exchange



Dec 13 (Mon) Christmas Lights Tour. See Page 6 for details.



Dec 23 (Thu) Fourth Thursday Breakfast **canceled due to holiday.**

—2022—



Jan 1 (Sat) First Saturday Breakfast BS Session ~ **canceled due to holiday.**



Jan 9 (Sun) Board Members' Installation Banquet at The Villa, 510 E Katella Ave, Orange 92867. \$30 per person. Checks payable to OCMAFC



Jan 13 (Thu) General Meeting will be at 7:30pm at First Christian Church of Orange, 1130 E Walnut, Orange (between Tustin & Cambridge). Follow the signs. Lots of free parking. The Board Meeting will be held at 6:30pm and all are welcome.



Jan 27 (Thu) Fourth Thursday Breakfast. Location to be determined next month.

~~Quick Communications Project~~

If you want to be removed from the Text Message list, let Don Dormeyer know because there is a waiting list.



Swap Meets/Car Shows

Dec 5 (Sun) Pickin' Under the Antlers, Antique & Vintage Auto Swap Meet, Buena Park Elks Lodge, 7212 Melrose St, Buena Park 6am-10am

Dec 12 (Sun) Long Beach Hi Performance Show and Swap Meet, Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis, Long Beach 90808, 6am-1pm

Jan 29-30 Turlock Swap Meet, 900 N Broadway (Stanislaus County Fairgrounds), Turlock, CA 95380
IF YOU LEARN OF OTHER SWAP MEETS, PLEASE SEND THE INFO TO OUR EDITOR SO THEY MAY BE INCLUDED HERE.





KATELLA GRILL
1325 W Katella Ave, Orange, CA 92867
BS Breakfast
December 4th
8am
Happy Holidays to One and All

IMPROMPTU TECH SEMINAR

Tech session on valves at Don Dormeyer's House drew a surprisingly large group.



John Burroughs, Eric Engle and Richard Parrish with video feed in the background in Don Dormeyer's garage.

The quick text system allowed a simple work project to benefit everyone as the tech seminar on Valves. Mary Dormeyer surprised us with hot dogs and sandwiches for attendees who stayed into afternoon. That was repeated the following Saturday after the project provided additional challenges. Don thanks everyone who participated.

John Burroughs and Mike Edmonson.



FOR SALE:

OCMAFC Blue Hooded / zip up Sweatshirt; size 2XL Men's, newest blue sweat-shirt clothing,

logo stands out on this beautiful medium blue. Brand new, never worn. Asking \$20. Call Mike Edmonson (714) 615-5751.



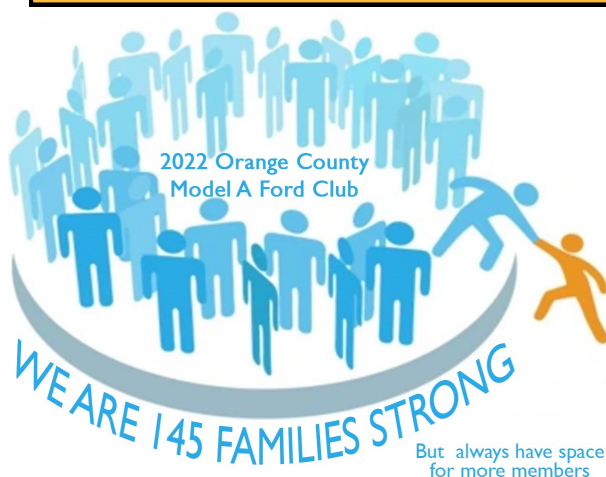
WANTED: Chris Haynes of the San Fernando Model A Ford club is looking for other folks in the Southern California area who are going to buy a Terry Burtz engine block with the hope that all of the buyers can have their blocks shipped together. Contact Chris at (818) 262-9603 hd36knuckl@aol.com

Deadline for submissions for the next Distributor is

December 20, 2021

Submit all Articles and ads to tissysmith1@gmail.com or mail to

P.O. Box 10595, Santa Ana, CA 92711



MODEL A
Roster Raffle

CURRENT JACKPOT **30** 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.

The Senility Prayer



Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

IMPROMPTU EVENTS WITH QUICK TEXT

OCMAFC now with Quick Text, has the ability to turn whatever you may be doing into an impromptu event when appropriate. Contact Mike Edmonson or Eric Engle or make use of the OCMAFC email request line

["REQUEST@OCMAFC.com"](mailto:REQUEST@OCMAFC.com) to participate, locate parts, buy/sell or provide breaking club news to members. Or, you may use the form in the Members Only section at OCMAFC.com website.



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR

Come join the fun while we cruise through the Brea Eagle Hills neighborhood

Enjoy the spectacular Christmas House Displays

Dinner and Staging at the Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant

1609 E. Imperial Hwy, Brea, CA 92821
(Across parking lot from Panera Bread)

When: Monday, December 13th

Time: Dinner at 4 p.m.

Lights tour only at 5 p.m.

Be sure to dress warm and festive.

Santa/elves hats are encouraged...as are decorated cars (A's or Moderns welcome). Eric Engles will lead this tour. If you plan to participate, Eric will need a head count; that means you and your guests, so ...

Please respond to Eric at
email: eengle@socal.rr.com
or cell: 714-552-2630



TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

June 12-17 2022

No Place Offers The Model A Experience Like The Texas Hill Country

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From its spectacular scenery to its beautiful two-lane country roads, here you will experience our hobby the way it is meant to be at the 31st National MAFCA Convention!



FIND CONVENTION INFORMATION ONLINE AT: WWW.mafca.com

Some of the week's highlights:

- San Antonio's Famous River Walk
- The Alamo - Birthplace of Texas
- Great Sightseeing & Restaurants!
- Fine Point Vehicle Judging
- Era Fashions & Judging
- Restorers Class

Hosted by **ALAMO A'S**
Model A Ford Club of San Antonio

Howe-Waffle House and Medical Museum

TAKE A TOUR



The tour begins at the Howe-Waffle House and Medical Museum. This is an 1889 Queen Anne style home occupied by Dr. Willella Howe-Waffle (1854-1924). Dr. Howe-Waffle was one of the first female physicians in Orange County.

The tour will continue to the Old Orange County Courthouse (free) and then, of course, we will find a yummy place for a lunch, if you wish to partake.



Date: 12/8 (Wednesday)

Time: 10AM (meeting at 9:45AM at the site)

Location: 120 W Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana

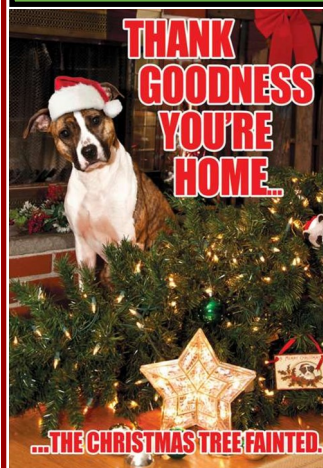
Cost: \$10/per person for tour of House/Museum

RSVP to Kaci Terens at kaci.model.a@gmail.com

Any questions, call Joe Goff at 949-636-3879

ATTENTION

All Renewing Members Check that the website info is accurate. To update any changes, email your Editor at tissysmith1@gmail.com. If you don't already have one in the roster, include a photo so others can remember who you are.



Until we meet again

Gene Robinson was president of OCMAFC in 1965. He was one of the best. Mary put out the Distributor on a mimeograph machine and our roster was handwritten. Gene went on to serve on the MAFCA board of directors and then president of MAFCA. Gene called me some time ago before the Covid scare and we had breakfast together at the Silverado Cafe. We talked of times, the club and members now long gone. He said he was putting together some notes and hoped to share them with the club telling of those magnificent "old times" with lots of kids in the club, John Heiland playing Santa each year, the famous Model A Roundup at Knotts Berry Farm and driving through ghost town and not one but TWO pancake Breakfasts, spring and fall. Even then we drove our Model A's across the barren sands to the famous Yuma meet and Idyllwild camp out far above Palm Springs. No overdrives and no Snyder heads back then. It's sad to say, we never met again to continue our friendship and our club missed out on his wonderful tales from a simpler and slower time with our Model A's. With a heavy heart we bid you goodbye Gene, but we will continue to call on you to relive those most wonderful times together again and again in our memories.

Richard Parrish and the gang at OCMAFC



Jim's Technical Tip—Ignition Cam Screws

By Jim Cannon

I have helped a few Model A owners with an unusual problem: For no reason at all, their distributor goes "out of time". They lose power and have to limp home. They reset the timing and the car runs great again, but after a while the same thing happens and they limp home. Gremlins? No.

The problem is that the ignition cam screw may not hold the cam down tightly to the distributor shaft. After a bit of driving, the cam rotates into a more and more "retarded" position and the engine loses power.

In spite of getting out a big screwdriver and tightening the screw as much as possible, the cam still moves on them. Why is this? The SCREW that they are using is too long for the hole that is drilled and tapped in the top of the distributor shaft.

Some reproduction screws are just too long. Or the hole in the reproduction distributor shaft is too shallow. Or both! Whatever the case, the screw bottoms out in the hole and jams up tight before the cam is properly locked down on the shaft. So the cam moves.

The simple fix is to add a washer under the head of the cam screw. Now the cam will get locked down well before the screw bottoms out in the hole. You also want to inspect the underside of the cam; it should have ridges that help lock it down on the shaft. Once the screw is tight, put the rotor on the cam and gently try to turn it on the distributor shaft. It should not move.

If you or a friend encounters this problem with the engine going out of time, I hope my little

Tip does the trick for you.

Jim Cannon



(Cont'd from Page 3)

Raffle-Norm Kredit won the ID badge drawing for \$10.

The Membership Drawing was \$20. Kaci Terens was not present so the \$10 rolls over to December when the Membership Drawing will be for \$30.

Kathie McCall informed us that the member's price will be \$30 per person to attend the Installation Dinner on January 9, with the club to pay the difference to keep the price down.

Standard Order of Business-Open Issues

Bruce MacIntosh told us about the club's Facebook page and reviewed the User I.D. and Password. Bruce said on the Members' Page there is a Request Form if any members need help with their Model A.

New Business

The December General Meeting will be a desert potluck and we will play games.

Those who choose to can exchange a Model A related gift worth approximate \$15.

Suggestions for a new location for the Saturday Breakfast was discussed. Mary Dormeyer will call the Elks Club for more information in January.

Announcements

Louise Hall President thanked the refreshment committee

Louise Hall asked for someone to contact her if they wanted to be a greeter.

Steve Pavich introduced 2 new guests – Robert and Debbie Gullledge. They had bad luck when their original fan blade broke off.

Hard Luck Trophy

Don Dormeyer won the Hard Luck Trophy

Adjournment & Submission and Approval of Minutes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

These minutes were written and submitted by Mary Dormeyer.

2022 DUES RENEWAL INVOICE ~ You can use this form to submit your dues

Orange County Model A Ford Club

NAME(S): _____

AMOUNT: \$30.00 per family at same address

ANY ROSTER CHANGES?

If so, please list below:

New Family Members: _____

Cars: _____

Telephone numbers: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address(es): _____

Any other changes: _____

Would you like to add or update your photo in the Roster? Just send to the Editor at: tissysmith1@gmail.com

You may confirm current info by going to the OC Members page at www.ocmafc.com (Members Only Section) or the 2021 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 2/28/22 to be included in the club's Roster.

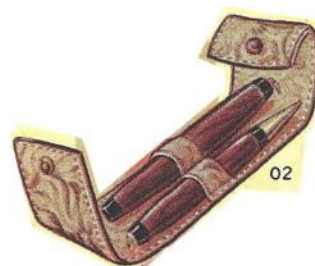
Pen and Pencil Sets

By Judy Lewis

As advertised in *Art Needlework*, Fall and Winter 1930-1931, Catalog No. 37

Pen and pencil sets are great items to use as an accessory and are easy to find in most antique shops, flea markets, estate sales and the like. Most of the sets I have seen are in very good condition and can fit easily in a handbag or the inside pocket of a suit or sport coat. The following are quite typical of all 4 years of the model A era.

No. 1402: Ladies' non-breakable pen and pencil set. 14K gold fittings. Red or green with gold marbled effect. Leatherette case. Per set, postpaid \$1.25



No. 1405: Combination pen and pencil. When not in use it is carried like a pencil. Pen has gold nib with iridium tip and gold trimmings. Triple action pencil. Guaranteed unbreakable. Mother-of Pearl and black. Price, postpaid \$2.75



No. 1406: Jumbo size pen and pencil set with pocket clips. 14K gold trimmings. Pen has gold nib and iridium tip. Triple action pencil. Guaranteed for 5 years. Gold and black marbled effect. Per set, postpaid \$2.95



No. 1408: Ladies' pen and pencil set. Pearl and black; gold trimming. 14K gold nib and iridium tip on pen. Triple action pencil. Per pair, postpaid \$2.75



Pen and Pencil Sets from 1930-1931

www.mafca.com

July 2013

Sunshine & Sorrow

Our very own Sunshine & Sorrow lady, Marilyn Hawkins, has recently had to take care of her husband, Bob, more than usual. Bob has been in the hospital, very weak and anemic. He has lost a tremendous amount to weight. Keep them in your prayers.

Time to pull out that Ugly Christmas Sweater

The Club Participated in the Celebration of Lois' 106 Birthday

November 11, 2021

www.lwweekly.com

Top left: Lois waves as a parade of vintage and luxury cars passes through her party. Top right: Lois' family set up a small booth in the center of the action for family and friends to take pictures with her. Lower left: Andrew DiGiovanna (I), deputy district director for Congresswoman Michelle Steel, presented Lois with a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition. Lower right: An officer from the Seal Beach Police Department came to the party and gave Lois a fake ticket for "driving 106 mph" and wished her a happy birthday.

Family and friends throw a parade for Lois' 106 birthday

Story & photos by
Laurie Bullock
laurieb@lwsb.com

Friends, family, former co-workers and neighbors all stopped by to wish Lois Campbell of Mutual 17 a happy 106th birthday on Nov. 7. Lois' family had orchestrated an outdoor party featuring vintage and luxury cars from around Seal Beach along with a visit from a Seal Beach police officer and Andrew DiGiovanna, Congresswoman Michelle Steel's Deputy District Director.

Lois was born on Nov. 1, 1915, in Indiana and was the eldest of four children. She moved to South Dakota with her family at the age of 2 and then moved back to Fairbanks, Indiana, where she went to high school.

During a routine trip to the dentist, Lois was encouraged to further her education after high school to become a nurse. Her dentist had even offered to help pay her tuition, with the



Lois Campbell

expectation that she would be able to pay him back once she became a nurse. After speaking to her father, who said he would be able to fund her studies, Lois studied nursing at Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. Thus beginning her life long love of caring for people and helping them heal from their injuries.

Lois moved to California with her husband in 1952, and they eventually had two children, Anne and Jim, when Lois was 40 and 42. "Becoming a mother was the best thing," she said. "All my life, I wanted to be a mom. I worshiped my kids because I had waited so long to have them."

She remembers driving past Leisure World before it was built when it was just a field of onions and rabbits. She would drive past it on her way to the hospital for one of her nursing shifts. She has lived in Leisure World since 1985.

Lois' 100th birthday stands out as one of her favorite memories, as it was the first time anyone had thrown her a surprise party. She said that she also has fond memories of birthdays during her childhood, when friends would spend the night at her house and they would celebrate by eating homemade angel food cake.

"I've had a great life," she said with a smile.



