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Editor Eric Engle

GET READY....IT'S COMING AGAIN !!!



Orange County Model A Ford Club Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 12, 2026

Hart Park, 701 S. Glassell St, Orange, California
7:30am-11am

We look forward to seeing you & your Model A's
(& other classics)



Adults \$10
Children \$5 (Ages 2-10)

Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs
Juice, Hot Cocoa & Hot Coffee

Large Raffle Selection



ocmafc.com

For more info contact:
Aaron Magdaleno
714-862-5773

News From the President

By Mike Edmonson

Greetings Fellow Model A'ers!

With the month of January behind us, we all look forward to a bit healthier month in February (talking to Dale McCall and Drain Marshall here).....Amen to that! We do have much to be thankful for so please take solace in everything you can grab ahold of; first and foremost, our beautiful Model A's. Since we don't have the terrible temperatures that much of the mid-west and Eastern parts of our country are dealing with, get those Model A's out for a short drive to the grocery store or other errands. It doesn't need to be a tour, just an appearance of that beautiful Model A that will put smiles on the faces of everyone that sees you.



For those that attended our Installation Banquet, thank you for braving the terrible weather. While our attendance may have been slightly down, our spirits were high. I had the great opportunity to thank our board and many of the committee heads, and to honor both **Perry Wilson** and **Linda Tom** for the exceptional contributions they have made (and continue to make) throughout the past several years. I was only able to install part of our board (myself; **Debbie Parrish**, Secretary; **Joni Terens**, Treasurer; and **Louise Hall**, Past President). Ugh, what to-do. I want to thank **Richard Parrish** for handing me that "Worry Stone" that many past Presidents have carried. I have mine with me and I put it to work a good deal!

By the time our January meeting swung around I had a volunteer for the Technical Advisor position, and after the meeting I had another volunteer for the Vice President position -- after splitting off the Tours and Activities responsibilities. So I am (and of course our club) very grateful to be able to install both **David Knapp** as Technical Advisor, and **Jennifer Ferrario** as Vice President to our Board. We are all definitely in good hands. Now we are looking for a volunteer to coordinate (not create) our Tours and Activities. This is something new as this position will NOT be a board position.....so no Board Meetings!!!! Yay, just coordinating those 8-10 club members that have ideas and would like to see that idea come to life.

As I close out this newsletter, I recently learned of **Joni Terens** going into surgery to have her gall bladder removed. I join in with everyone in the club to wish her all the best during her recovery.

Until then...see you at the turnaround point,

Mike

2026 BOARD MEMBERS

President – Mike Edmonson
 Vice President – Jennifer Ferrario
 Tours- ???
 Secretary – Debbie Parrish
 Treasurer – Joni Terens
 Technical – David Knapp
 Editor – Eric Engle
 Immediate Past President – Louise Hall

COMMITTEES

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 Becky MacIntosh
 ACCC Representative – David Knapp
 Breakfast Committee – Aaron
 Magdaleno,
 Club Greeter – Linda Tom
 Election Chairperson – Jennifer Ferrario
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 Pancake Breakfast Setup & Coordination –
 Aaron Magdaleno, Richard Bolls, Jennifer
 Ferrario, Kathy Glendinning
 Raffle – Ed Cote
 Refreshments – Gerry Reid
 Regional Representative, SCRG – Jim
 Runyon
 Era Fashions – Kaci Terens
 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
 Meeting held at First Christian Church in
 Orange, CA**

ORANGE COUNTY MODEL A CLUB GENERAL MEETING

January 8, 2026, 730PM

The meeting was called to order by President, **Mike Edmonson**, followed by the flag salute. **Marilyn Singer-Hawkins** told a joke.

MINUTES: No past minutes due to holiday party.

FINANCIAL: The financial report was presented by **Joni Terens**. **Debbie Parrish** made a motion to accept and **Sheila Plotkin**

2nd. All approved. Total membership is 143.

ACTIVITIES: [As we no longer have a tour director \(Someone needs to step forward\)](#) There isn't much on the activities front. 4/12 is our Annual Pancake Breakfast prep, signups, parking, etc. Various people have suggested many fun places, but someone needs to coordinate. **WILL YOU BE OUR NEXT ACTIVITY DIRECTOR?**

TECHNICAL: **David Knapp** will lead our tech seminars. Thanks for stepping up and helping. Location to be announced.

EDITOR: Mention of CCRG in Bakersfield on May 1-3

SUNSHINE AND SORROW: **Dale McCall** was in the hospital and missed our banquet. **Drain Marshall** was also in the hospital with some breathing issues. Lots of get well wishes to them both.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Signup sheets are available.

HARD LUCK TROPHY: **Joni Terens** had to have the fire dept come to her house when the fumes from her Model A got into the house and caused an alarm.

RAFFLES: **Richard Parrish** won ten dollars for the attendance raffle. **Robert and Linda Gardner** won a membership raffle but were not present and the amount will roll over.

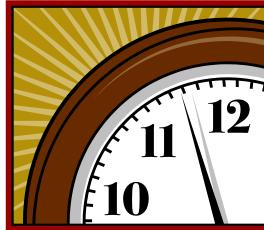
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: **Bruce MacIntosh, Kathie Glendinning and Preston Knapp.**

NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS: Welcome **Bonnie Nardulli** with her 1930 Ford.

REFRESHMENTS: were provided by **Perry and Gina Wilson, Eric Engle, Steve and Debbie Pavich, Rick and Louise Hall, Sherry Reid, David and Barbara Knapp and Linda Tom** for the drinks

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Submitted by Secretary **Debbie Parrish** awaiting approval.



Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



Feb. 7 (Sat), First Sat. Breakfast,
8:00am,
Denny's, 2314 17th Street, Santa Ana.
Come break bread with

your fellow club members. It will do you good and put a smile on your face all day!



Feb. 12 (Thurs), Monthly Board (6:30pm) and General membership (7:30pm) meeting.

First Christian Church of Orange, 1130 E Walnut, Orange (between Tustin & Cambridge).



Feb. 14 (Sat), Tech Seminar,
Subj: Brake Adjusting
Where-
Richard & Jeannie Parish home.

When- Coffee and donuts 8:30 am,
Seminar begins at 9 am.
Contact David Knapp for more info.



Feb. 25 (Wed), 4th Wed. (Breakfast Hump Day) .

TBA

63RD ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST
April 12th



**7:30-11 am
Historical Hart Park,
In The City of Orange
701 S. Glassel St.**

Just off the 22 Freeway

**Adults-\$10
Children (2-10)-\$5**

**Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Juice,
Hot Cocoa & Hot Coffee**



***March 21st.
(Sat)***

SCRG BBQ

**Contact:
Jeff & Jennifer Ferrario .**

**4241 Emerald Circle, Cypress,
CA.,**

Swap Meets/Car Shows

Every Sat. morning 6-8am., Donut Derilicks Car Show, 9015 Adams Ave, Huntington Beach, CA., FREE
<https://www.instagram.com/donutderelicts/?hl=en>

March 1st, Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show, 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fairplex Gat 17, 1801 W. McKinley Ave, Pomona, Ca.
<https://www.pomonaswapmeet.com/event-info/car-show-hours-dates>

IF YOU LEARN OF OTHER SWAP MEETS, PLEASE SEND THE INFO TO OUR EDITOR SO THEY MAY BE INCLUDED HERE.

BLT Install 1-17-26 by Eric Engle

The BLT team showed up at 8:30 Saturday morning to help install yet another Mitchell overdrive AND synchromesh transmission, this time for Mr. Robert Gerardi's 1930 coupe.

Bob has owned his coupe since 1963. However, it has been sitting idle for several years in his garage. Just recently he decided that it was time to pull the ol' girl out and get her running again.

As part of bringing his old gal back to life, he recently had a new Burtz engine installed. And as if that wasn't enough of an update, he decided to also have a Mitchell overdrive and synchromesh transmission installed. Nice!!!!

During the installation process, a couple other minor problems needed to be addressed. Seems that the pedal mounting shaft in his bell housing needed to be replaced. Bob opted to simply replace the whole bell housing. Next on the list of repairs was a new throw out bearing.

Once the BLT team had the rear axle assembly removed from the car and ready to install the new OD kit, another problem was found that needed to be taken care of; that being the pinion bearing needed to be replaced. Masterfully repaired by Bryan Thompson (the "B" in the BLT name), the assembly was ready to go back in.

Once again, all proceeds for the installation were donated to the Model A Youth Restoration Award. Bob was last seen driving away with a grin from ear to ear. Good job team....and happy motoring Bob.



ACCC Update: New California Laws For 2026

California Senate Bill 720, aka the Safer Streets Act, becomes law.

Red-Light Cameras: Stops California's legal protections for drivers by making vehicle owners responsible for red-light camera tickets and eliminating the right to a court trial. A photo of your license plate becomes automatic proof of guilt, while biased, city-run hearings replace judges and due process. Passed in late 2025.

California Assembly Bill 382 becomes law.

School Zones: allows local authorities to set 20 mph limits on any road within 500 feet of a school in any direction, any time of day or night (year round, 24/7) by posting signs. The new also includes provisions for 15 mph in residential areas. Exempts school zones from some "speed trap" rules.

Four Bipartisan Bills passed in 2024 addressing street takeovers also known as sideshows became effective July 1, 2025.

AB 2186 Clarifies that vehicles involved in sideshows or exhibitions of speed in parking lots are subject to the same impound meant laws as those on roadways.

AB 1978 The existing law prohibits a person from engaging in a motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition of speed on a highway or off street parking. This bill authorizes a peace officer to remove a vehicle in violation of obstructing or barricading a highway or off street parking for the purpose of aiding a motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition of speed.

AB 2807 Penalties for engaging in a motor vehicle speed contest on a highway or off street parking increase to imprisonment to a maximum of six months and the minimum being 90 days. The maximum fine was increased to \$1000.

AB 3085 The purpose of this bill is to expand the list of offenses for which a peace officer may impound a vehicle pursuant to a warrant or order issued by a magistrate to include a vehicle that was used in a speed contest or exhibition of speed. The vehicle may be impounded for a maximum period of 30 days.

CCRG Jamboree

The 2026 CCRG Jamboree will be [May 1 & 2 in Bakersfield](#). Many of our members will be attending this 2 day event. The event hotel is The Marriott Convention Center Hotel with a group rate of \$167.26 or some members are staying at The Hilton Spark about 3 miles away (less expensive).

The theme is an Old Fashioned Carnival and host is the Bakersfield Model A Club. There will be fun and games for cars and for just people too, a seminar, a crafting corner, raffle, Carnival BBQ dinner, a selection of tours and, of course, the finishing banquet on Saturday evening. There are small towns and museums to explore.

Hope you can join us and about 100-150 other Model A's (about 300 people).

Registration form and information can be found at:

www.ocmafclub.com

Just click the link for the CCRG Jamboree [May 1-3](#) (actually travel on Thursday, April 30, home on Sunday, May 3)

Sunshine & Sorrow

By Marilyn Singer
jmsinger@pacbell.net

Sunshine: Saturday, February 14th is Valentine's Day.

Sorrow: Drain Marshal has had a bout with the hospital, though he is now home and resting comfortably. Joni Terens was recently sent home after gallbladder surgery. Wishing both a speedy recovery.

Love doesn't make the world go round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile.

Happy Birthday – February

Greg Carcerano	Teri Goff	Robert Gordon	Mona Halcum	Aaron Magdaleno
Jim Michaeloff	Lily Ogle	Louis Petrosine	Sheila Plotkin	Mark Polentz
Rand Pugmire	Joe Recker	Charlene Runyon	Joni Terens	Koko Witz

Tech Article: Be Prepared!

New Year and a new job, for me anyway—the club Technical Director. I want to begin with huge thanks to **Ron Andrews** for his many years serving as the Technical Director. **Ron** worked very hard to think of topics and organize so many useful workshops. Kudos **Ron**, you have made big shoes to be filled!

When I stepped into this role, a lot of club members approach me with topic suggestions and many offers to help. That was quite comforting for me. After listening, making notes of what I heard, and then trying to fit that together into a plan, I think we have a pretty good schedule looking forward. We will start the year with our [first workshop focused on brake adjustment](#). I have it on good authority that (at least) one of our members had to throw an anchor out the back of his car to slow it down while descending a hill recently. With such a critical situation, this one seemed a priority. Therefore, on **Saturday February 14**, we will gather at **Richard Parrish's** to discuss and do a complete brake adjustment.

I will close this month's message with a personal tech tip—something sure to instill confidence in me as your new Technical Director. Prepare for your next breakdown by making sure you have a comfortable place to sit—because you never know how long the tow truck will take to arrive. In case you can't find shade, having sunscreen and a hat in your breakdown kit would be a good idea too. Consider as well having a cooler full of beverages so you can stay hydrated. And of course, a AAA card and a charged cell phone makes the tow truck show up.

See you in February!

David Knapp





SCRG Tour to Pendleton, Oregon

May 26th to May 31st 2026



The Southern California Regional Group of MAFCA would like to invite you to join us on a Tour to the MAFCA Convention in Pendleton, Oregon being held May 31, 2026 to June 7, 2026. All of our overnight stays on the Tour have a Best Western Hotel. We will try to get a group rate when we know how many people are going. So please register with us as soon as possible. You also need to register with the Pendleton Convention, see 2026mafcanationalconvention.com

You may join the group at anyplace along the road, just let us know when and where you will be. CB radios will come in handy as cell service may not be available everywhere. You may drive your vehicle at any speed you like, we will all get there. Your input is welcome. Contact Paul Winchester at pwin99@aol.com

Tuesday, May 26th, I will leave from Rancho San Diego Ca. at 7am, and travel mostly on 395 and interstate 15 to Lone Pine, Ca., about 312 miles.

Wednesday, May 27th, Visit Museums, and Manzanar National Historic Site, with stops at Bishop and Bridgeport, ending at Topaz Lake Nevada, for the night, about 193 miles.

Thursday, May 28th, if the 89 is clear of snow we can go through South Lake Tahoe by way of Markleeville and Monitor Pass, about 78 miles or if the road is still closed by snow we can use 50 and Nevada 206 and 207 from Gardnerville through South Lake Tahoe, then on around Lake Tahoe to Portola, to see the Western Pacific Railroad Museum. Then on to Chester for the night near Lake Almanor, about 218 - 253 miles, depending on which way we go.

Friday, May 29th, Again depends on snow, preferred route through Lassen National Park to Lakeview, Oregon, for the night, about 210 miles. Or, the Alt route through Susanville to Lakeview, Oregon of about 192 miles.

Saturday, May 30th, Continue north on 395 to John Day, Oregon, about 213 miles.

Sunday, May 31st, Continue on north on 395 to Pendleton, Oregon, about 126 miles, in time to check in for the Convention and get settled into your room for a week of fun. The return trip options will be provided later.

To register, fill out this form & send it and send a check for \$20 made out to SCRG to 107 Wilton Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90004

Name _____ Additional Adult _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cell Phone _____ Email address _____

MAFCA Member # _____ Chapter _____

Route 66...Fully Paved!...by Diane Gaughen

After Oklahoma, the other Southwestern states to be paved were Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California. How were they coming along?

Texas had a lot of catching up to do since there was no concrete on Route 66 in 1929. But in 1930, things started to progress. The state started buying up rights-of-way and grading the roadbed so construction could begin. Around 1934, Jesse Smith, a farmer from McLean, was "loading gravel by hand with a pair of mules and a little old two-wheel car." But it did the job!

New Mexico made a lot of progress after Governor Clyde Tingley was elected on a good-roads platform in 1935. At that time, 66 was a combination of dirt, gravel and some pavement. But by 1937, the paving was done! Floyd Shaw was one of the surveyors for the paving crews. "A lot of the dirt was moved by trucks, but the finish work was done with mules and horses."

Arizona had its own particular issues: the road builders would build concrete dips through the creeks and washes instead of building bridges because of the expense. But when tourists would see water in the dips, they would try to drive around them and get stuck in quicksand! But by 1937, the concrete was completed.

California, on the other hand, was way ahead. By 1934, it was fully paved! This was a good thing, because by 1925, Los Angeles had one automobile for every three people! And the population doubled between 1920 and 1930. When 66 was fully paved in 1938, a person could start a drive on the edge of Lake Michigan and 5 days later, be looking at the Pacific Ocean.



FOR SALE

Roadster Irons off of a 1928 Ford Model A Roadster. Irons are great, but needs new cover...\$1500

Contact Jennifer & Jeff Ferrario
562-833-9497

MODEL A PARTS SALE

The next club meeting on February 12th will feature Model A parts for sale. The club has received a nice collection of parts donated by the Frank Reese family. Some treasures and a lot of \$1 parts, something for everyone. Items are priced below market specifically for our club members at this meeting. All proceeds to the club.

For more info., contact Bruce MacIntosh.

Bring cash or check.

INSTALLATION BANQUET

This year's annual Installation Banquet was once again a great event to bring together fellow club members for the purpose of introducing new board members.

Update to 2026 Board

This year, **Dave Knapp** stepped up to be our new Technical Director, the position which has been filled for the past 2 years by **Ron Andrews**. Thank you **Ron** for doing a great job in that position. And **Jennifer Ferrario** stepped into the Vice President position.

The OCMAFC Board members decided that we would try splitting the Tour Director/Vice President into two separate positions, with the Tour Director being a non-voting board member position. It was thought that maybe splitting those two positions might make it easier for whoever volunteers for that position.

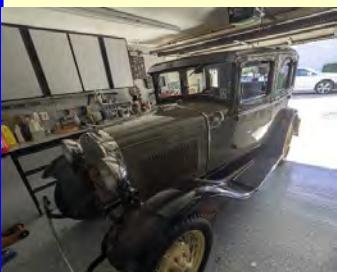
The banquet was a splendid event, with more club members dressing in their best "Period Fashions". Everyone looked fantastic in their 20's and 30's attire.

Thank to everyone who joined in to make this year's event a smashing success.



DRIVE BY PARADE

On Saturday, the 10th of January, a group of OCMAFC members got together to do a "Drive By" parade past the home of **Dale and Kathie McCall**. **Dale** had been in the hospital for a bit, so the both of them hadn't been able to recently be a part of the club functions. So, as such, the club members decided to bring their cars to them. The parade of cars numbered about 20, all driving by the **McCall's** home, with most everyone stopping for short visits and well-wishes with **Dale and Kathie**. Both **Dale and Kathie** seemed to be **VERY** grateful and happy. **Dale** also proudly showed off his fully restored 1930 155-C Fordor. What a thing of beauty it is! And for a few members who stayed longer than the rest of the group, **Dale** brought out his photo album, showing how it looked back in the early 90's when it was a primed car that had to be trailered home. Then there was the slow transformation into the stunning beauty that it is today. **Dale** is justifiably very proud of his accomplishment, and rightly so!!! Great job sir!



Dale's craftsmanship shows on his 1930 Fordor

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for the
next Distributor is
25th of each month

Submit all Articles and ads
to
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or mail to Eric Engle, 16732
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Ca., 92708

**MAFCA is accept-
ing 2026 renewals.
Call 866-379-3619**

or
visit



UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES :

SCRG BBQ, March 21st, Jeff & Jennifer Ferrario , 4241 Emerald Circle, Cypress, CA.,

Sonora Model A Round-up May 22-24, 8am-5pm. pm. "Get Your Kicks in '26" in beautiful Gold Country, at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora, California. for more info. contact Mike deCesare at mjdecesare@sbcglobal.net

2026 MAFC National Convention –

May 31-June 7 Will be held in Pendleton, Oregon at the Convention Center. Hosted by Blue Mountain A's. A week of seminars, driving tours, era fashions, raffle, Hubley Races, judging, Gymkhana, and food. Registration and all details are now open online at: www.2026MAFCANationalConvention.com

Just for Laughs



**"Sorry about the two
scars. We had your X-ray
upside down for a while."**

**"Whether
you think
you can,
or you
think you
can't—
you're
right."**



**"Wait a minute, Stan...These are good
hubcaps. If we don't take 'em, it's a
cinch that some other bears will."**



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We are on the Web!
www.ocmafc.org

Dedicated to the History and Preservation of the Model A Ford

Next General Meeting

[Second Thursday of every month]

Next Meeting, Feb. 12, 2026

Time: 7:30pm

Location:
First Christian Church of Orange
1130 E Walnut
Orange, CA
(Between Tustin & Cambridge)



Membership Dues MUST absolutely be received by Feb 13 to be included in the 2026 printed roster.

For Year: **2026**



www.ocmafc.com

Membership RENEWAL Application

Orange County Model A Ford Club (OCMAFC)

(A Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA))

OCMAFC Membership Dues Are: **\$30 per Year** for Family living at same address (with newsletter delivered via email)

Name: _____ B-day _____
Last _____ First _____ Middle _____ Mo. Day _____

— ONLY ENTER INFORMATION THAT NEEDS TO BE UPDATED IN THE PRINTED ROSTER —

To submit/update photo for Roster, please email photo to becky@genimage.com

Submit by February 13, 2026 to be included in printed roster

Spouse: _____ B-day _____
Last _____ First _____ Middle _____ Mo. Day _____

Anniversary: _____
Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Address: _____
Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone #: _____
Home # _____ Cell # (for text message event reminders) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Names of children living with you: _____

Year and Body Style of Model A Fords owned:
(Example: 1929 Model 45A – Standard coupe – (Parts, WIP, Driver, Touring, Show))

MAFCA Membership Number (If Active): _____ Since: _____

Please Make Check Payable to: Orange County Model A Ford Club (OCMAFC)

Please Remit Application and Dues Payment to: Orange County Model A Ford Club
P.O. Box 10595
Santa Ana, CA 92711

Membership in our National Organization, the Model A Ford Club of America is recommended and encouraged for all Members. Payment can be made online at www.MAFCA.com

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