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Model A Ford Club

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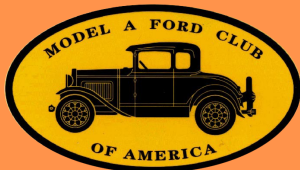
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Editor Tissy Smith-Hatcher

Don't wait until the 4th Thursday in November to sit with family and friends to give thanks. Make every day a day of Thanksgiving!

Charmaine J. Forde



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*HISTORY IN THE MAKING*

*We are going to do a virtual General Meeting for November. It is going to be exciting to give everyone a chance to say "Hi" and vote for several new Board members. We will even be able to have our out-of-state members attend.  
(No Masks Necessary)*

*6:00pm  
Social  
Time*



*7:30pm  
General  
Meeting*

*Take In Let's Talk*

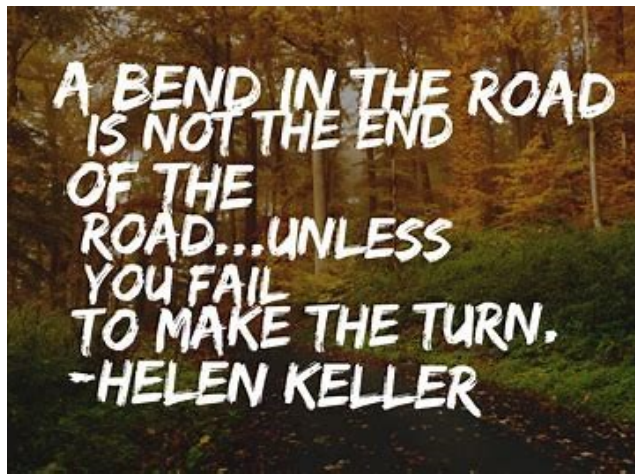
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Just click on the link included in  
the email of your newsletter*

## News From the President

By Louise Hall

We have all seen many bends in the road this year. One is our club's inability to meet each month. But thanks to your board and those dedicated to those old cars we have had some opportunities this month to gather. Darwin hosted a successful seminar at his home and Don organized a first Saturday breakfast. Joe coordinated with the V8 club to drive by several locations with first responders to thank them for their continued service to our community.

I am particularly sad that Rick and I missed this event. I am most appreciative to those who have served us well and continue to serve our community during this stress filled



time. On that same day Rick and I moved from our home of 31 years to a new house. It took 2 moving trucks and the help of 5 strong young men to get all our stuff. Rick's tools and equipment pretty much filled one truck.

Now the challenge is where to put all this accumulated stuff? Our daughters got quite a chuckle at our expense when they discovered how many boxes of Kleenex we have and how much aluminum foil. I have decided not to buy any clothes or shoes for one year!

With some creativity we have an almost full board for next year. Because Darwin has agreed to become the club treasurer, the board will now need to appoint a Technical Director. Thank you all for your help. Because we will have a new treasurer, a committee has been ap-

pointed to do an audit. I want to thank Joe Goff for chairing the nominating committee and now the audit committee. We appreciate everyone who has graciously volunteered.

Since November is traditionally a month when we give thanks for all we have, I want to include all of you, our car club friends, as relationships I feel grateful for. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Keep those cars on the road, and make someone smile,

**Louise Hall**

PS Don't forget to pay your dues!



### SUNSHINE & SORROW

by Marilyn Hawkins  
714-914-7371

*To all our friends, get better soon – there is still much joy ahead of you!*

Last month we mailed out a number of get well and thinking of you cards. Bob Hawkins is doing better, I know that because he's walking 3 to 4 blocks daily and helping w/household chores! Kathie McCall is starting outpatient physical therapy in Orange for her right knee replacement next week. Carole Howard is home after stay in a rehabilitation facility in Tustin for back problems and infections. Her daughter will be staying with her for several weeks coupled with in-home care visits. Pete Pavidis had a stroke on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Spent several days at Hoag and then rehab in Fountain Valley. He is home now; has no paralysis, speech almost 100%, walking a little unstable. The good news, none of our OCMAFC members has contracted COVID-19. Stay safe, stay healthy.



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



# Election Form

## Now is your time to VOTE

Please complete your ballots, one per person, and mail to your club at P.O. Box 10595, Santa Ana, CA by November 9, 2020

**VOTE BY MAIL OR DURING THE NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING!**

For further info, please contact Joe Goff

### BALLOT

<b>President (2-year position)</b>	
	<i>Louise Hall</i>
	(Write In)

### BALLOT

<b>Secretary (2-year position)</b>	
	<i>Rick Smyser</i>
	(Write In)

<b>Treasurer (2-year position)</b>	
	<i>Darwin Kibby</i>
	(Write In)



**FOR SALE:** Model A Times 52 issues. Volume 1, Issue 1 thru Volume 13, Issue 4. All pristine condition. Issue #1 (white cover) and first (blue cover) Vol. 3, Issue 2 are framed. Will sell to current OCMAFC Members for \$100. NOTE all additional or past copies are still available from Model A Times for \$8/per issue. Contact Dick Smith (cell) 949-584-1521.

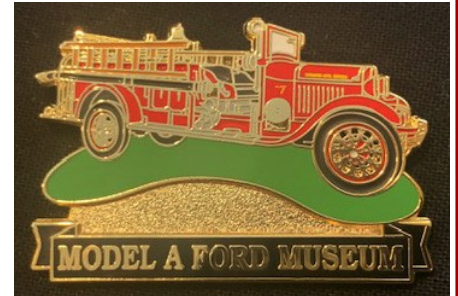


## The Model A Ford Museum is pleased to announce the newest pin for your collection

Since MAFFI was unable to have an official Model A Day this year, it was decided they would create a pin as a fund raiser to help them raise money they would have normally come from that event. To keep with the First Responder theme they decided to feature a Fire Truck that is on permanent display at the museum and is featured in their First Responder Display. This vehicle was donated to the museum by Jerry Austin.

If you would like to purchase these pins, the cost is \$7.00 per pin which includes postage. Remember that it is more cost effective for them to ship in larger quantities although they will honor individual requests. Also remember that this is a tax deductible donation!

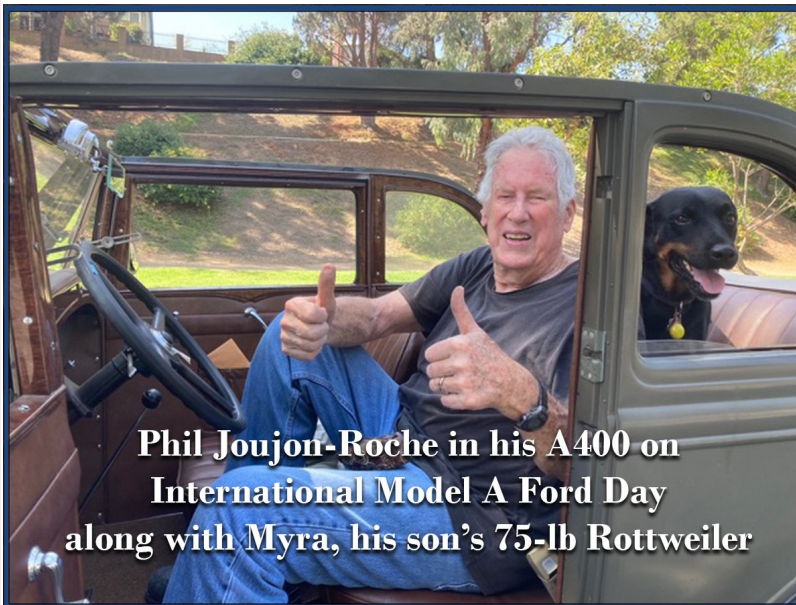
Send your requested number of pins and a check payable to MAFFI to:  
Suzan O'Neal, 477 Beaver Pond Way, Mineral, VA 23117



NEW MEMBERS  
CHANGES  
CORRECTIONS

**Braun, Tim** -1929 Model A Town Sedan Murray

We no longer publish members' addresses, phone numbers, or emails. For this info, please go to [www.ocmafc.org](http://www.ocmafc.org) (Members Only Section)



**Phil Joujon-Roche** in his A400 on International Model A Ford Day along with Myra, his son's 75-lb Rottweiler



**NEW JOB**

**OLD JOB**

**YOUR JOB?**

Darwin Kibby has agreed to be our club Treasurer (a 2-year position). In order to do this, the club is looking for someone to take over the Technical Director position. Darwin has already completed 1-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.



**2020 BOARD MEMBERS**

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Terens  
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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, 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 Director's Meeting  
October 8, 2020, 10:00 a.m.  
Depot Park, 100 N Atchison, Orange, CA  
(Edited for publication)**



**Board Members Present:** President Louise Hall, Past President Jim Runyon, Editor Tissy Smith-Hatcher, Treasurer Marilyn Singer-Hawkins, V/P Activities Joe Goff, Technical Darwin Kibby, Secretary Norm Kredit.

**Committee Members:** Bruce McIntosh, Website.

**General Member:** Diane Runyon, Lori Kredit, Rick Smyser.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the Board Meeting of September 10, 2020 were approved as presented by Norm Kredit.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marilyn Hawkins handed out current cash account balances as of September 30, 2020. Marilyn also presented Income/Expense printouts. She also drafted the coming year's proposed budget for 2021.

With minor adjustment and comments, they were accepted. Even though we have lost our meeting room at CHOC, the Board decided to donate each year.

Marilyn reported membership at 140 members.

The Audit Committee members were appointed to be Marilyn Hawkins, Darwin Kibby, Bruce McIntosh, Rick Smyser and Joe Goff, Chairman.

**Activities Joe Goff:** The club is invited to join the Early V8 Club members to join in a drive-by for First Responders. It will be Thursday, October 22, 2020. Participants will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Best Buy parking lot on Manchester, north of Chapman in Orange. Joe also presented a gift to the club of large magnetic signs indicating participating Model A's are members of the OCMAFC.

**Elections Joe Goff:** Joe suggested we work out a way to have the membership vote for nominations for the three offices by a virtual meeting at a scheduled time on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. Details to be worked out.

President Louise inserted that our next Board meeting may be via remote virtual meeting due to the changing weather next month scheduled for 10:00 a.m. in the park. Date: Nov. 12, 2020,

**Technical Darwin Kibby:** Darwin was pleased with the turnout and presentation by Greg Witz on the topic of rewiring of the Model A horn armature. The next Technical will be on clutch adjustments on October 17, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., at his home, cell: 310-938-6872. Bring a chair, coffee and donuts provided.

Webmaster Bruce McIntosh reported that the P.A. set was complete and is available for use. Bruce is continuing to sort through old records, destroying some and saving specific articles. His sorting has resulted in discovery of loose change. Norm will turn over the past years' minutes to Bruce at the expiration of his term. Tissy will shred records as Bruce supplies them.

Bruce has begun handing out International Model A Ford Day patches to those who drove to the drive-by event at Depot Park.

Norm Kredit, Secretary, with great assistance of Rick Smyser



# Technical Seminar October 17<sup>th</sup>



## Adjusting a Model A clutch

Photos courtesy of Steve Pavich







## 2021 MAFCA's National Tour

### Mountains, Woodlands, Meadows and Lakes Tour in the White Mountains of New Hampshire

Come join us in MAFCA's 2021 National Tour, hosted by  
the New Hampshire Lakes Region Model A Club

**June 20-25, 2021**

This hub and spoke tour will take you over miles of scenic roads in the fresh New England air with spectacular views of the White Mountains, woodlands, meadows, and the Lakes Region of New Hampshire.

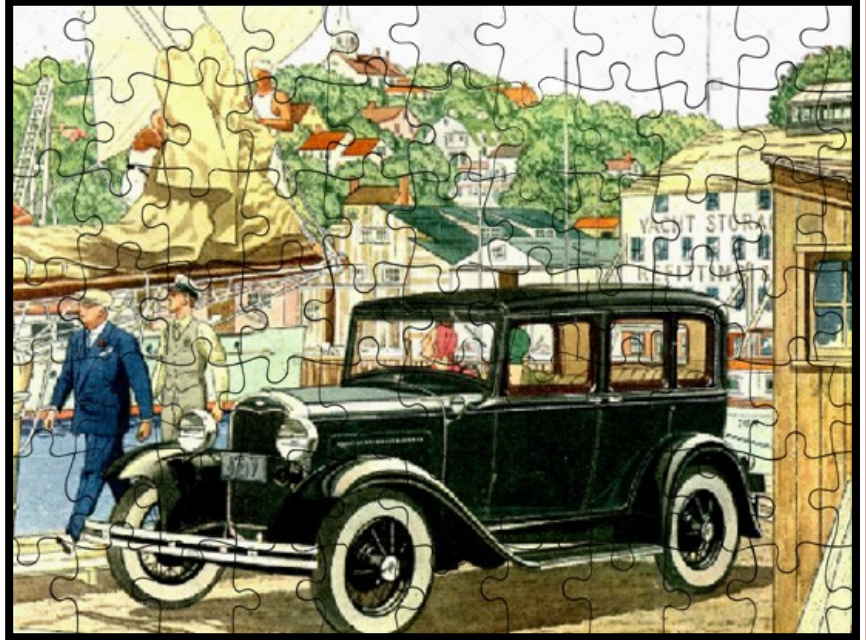
We invite you to explore the White Mountains, drive the Kancamagus Highway, venture to the top of Mount Washington via the Auto Road or ride the Cog Railroad to the summit. Take in the spectacular views and vista points of the White Mountain National Forest. Visit the famous Mt. Washington Hotel and the world-famous Clark Trading Post. Travel aboard the Conway Scenic Railroad from North Conway through the area's unique terrain. Enjoy the Lakes Region of New Hampshire's Lake Winnepesaukee and Squam Lake, where the movie On Golden Pond was filmed. Putter along on back country roads over covered bridges—all this while returning each night to the comforts of North Conway. Over beautiful byways surrounded by fields and forests you and your "A" will go, so don't miss out on this scenic opportunity. Join us!

*Come and enjoy touring the many roads less traveled, taking in the peaceful surroundings and breathtaking views of all that the Granite State offers. Motoring through miles of spectacular mountains, passing meadows and woodlands lined with stone walls built in a simpler time, and crossing a river stream on a picturesque one-lane covered bridge—all this and much more awaits you in New Hampshire.*



Looking for something fun to do?

How about a puzzle of a 1931 Ford Model A? Check this out on one of those lazy, hazy days.



<https://thejigsawpuzzles.com/Cars-and-Bikes/1931-Ford-Model-A-jigsaw-puzzle>

### Jim's Technical Tip-Rattles Under the Hood

By Jim Cannon

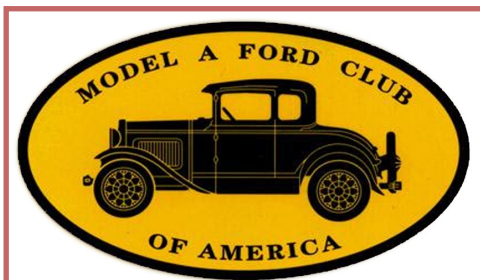
Very few things are as annoying as a persistent rattle under the hood while you drive your Model A. Of course it stops when you pull over and look under there! Here are some things that I have found over the years can sound like a rattle under the hood: The radiator support rods. They come loose at the radiator or at the firewall. The engine pans. Just one loose bolt/nut can rattle like crazy (hard to find).

Hood support/prop brackets. The ones that "fold in" will rattle if closed all the way; open it back up 4" to separate the halves from touching.

Brake rods. Jiggle them by hand. You may need to install some of the oversize clevis pins to tighten things back up, or replace the return/anti-rattle springs.

Tools and things under the seat. (I found a large screwdriver once in my side curtain pan, way in the back, that was causing a rattle that I chased for 2 years!) I hope this helps you track down that annoying rattle. In a future Tech Tip, I will cover potential sources of other annoying noises in your car. Until then, "Have a Model A bay!" Jim

That rattle is driving me CRAZY!



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membership today  
Call 866-379-3619 or  
visit [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com)

Deadline for submissions for the next Distributor is  
November 20, 2020

Submit all Articles and ads to  
[tissysmith1@gmail.com](mailto:tissysmith1@gmail.com)

or mail to  
P.O. Box 10595, Santa Ana, CA 92711



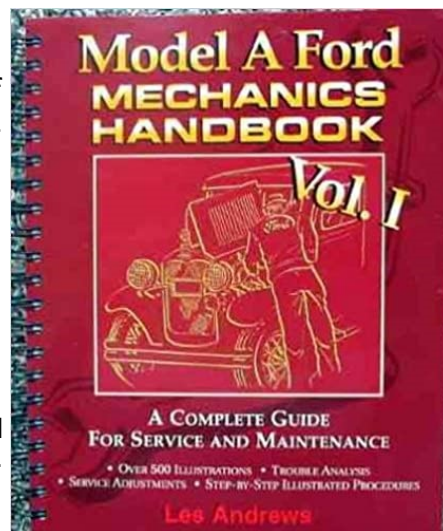
## Congratulations for a Job Well Done

## The Model A Ford Club of America



Well known Model A Ford expert Les Andrews was inducted into the Model A Museum's Hall of Fame. The ceremony took place at the Gilmore Car Museum campus in Hickory Corners, MI.

Les has authored three of the Model A Ford hobby's most important technical books as well as served as 2009 President of The Model A Club of America. In addition to serving as MAFCA's President, he has also served as Technical Director, Advertising Director, Publications Director and Membership Director. He has regularly authored articles for The Restorer Magazine and in 2011 was awarded Volunteer of the Year by MAFCA. In 2014 MAFCA presented him with their highest award, Honorary Lifetime Membership.



## Tiny Tips—Window Regulator Spring Tool

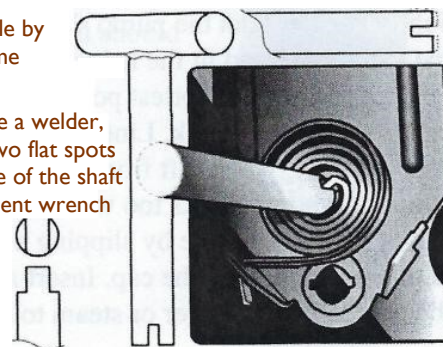
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Sometimes a window regulator spring will either break or become so weak that it makes it hard to roll up the window. Installing a new spring can be difficult and also dangerous.

Take an old distributor shaft and weld on a T handle made from rod stock. Grind down the slotted end so the slot is only 1/4" deep. Put the regulator in a vise and wind it until the lift arm is all the way up. This is the position in which the spring is least compressed. Hook the outer hook of the spring and insert the tool in the center. Turn the tool to compress the spring until it fits into the slot. Release the tool. Tap the spring into position with a hammer.

Make a T handle by welding on some scrap stock

If you don't have a welder, you can grind two flat spots on opposite side of the shaft and use a Crescent wrench



I miss  
friends  
Quarantine



my  
a LoT  
Ugh!!

2021 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 either the Editor at: [tissysmith1@gmail.com](mailto:tissysmith1@gmail.com)*

*You may confirm current info by going to the OC Members page at [www.ocmafc.com](http://www.ocmafc.com) (Members Only Section) or the 2020 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 2/28/21 to be included in the club's Roster.**



## A Proclamation

### By the President of the United States of America


At this season of the year, when the harvest had been gathered in, the Thoughts of our forefathers turned toward God with thanksgiving for the blessings of plenty and provision against the needs of winter. They came by custom to look to the Chief Magistrate to set apart a day of prayer and praise whereon their thanks as a united people might be given with one voice in unison. God has greatly blessed us as a nation in the year now drawing to a close. The earth has yielded an abundant harvest in most parts of our country. The fruits of industry have been of unexampled quantity and value. Both capital and labor have enjoyed an exceptional prosperity.

Assurances of peace, at home and abroad, have been strengthened and enlarged. Progress has been made in provision against preventable disasters from flood and pestilence. Enlightenment has grown apace in new revelations of scientific truth and in diffusion of knowledge. Educational opportunities have steadily enlarged. Enduring advances have been gained in the protection of the public health. Childhood is measurably more secure. New experience and new knowledge in many fields have been recorded, from which a deeper wisdom may grow. We should accept these blessings with resolution to devote them to service of Almighty God.

Now, Therefore, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, do appoint and set aside Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November, as a day of National Thanksgiving, and do recommend that all our people on that day rest from their daily work that they should extend to others less fortunately placed, a share in their abundance, and that they gather at their accustomed places of worship, there to render up thanks to Almighty God for His many blessings upon them, for his forbearance and goodness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the United States.

Done at the City of Washington, this 5th day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States, the One Hundred and Fifty-fourth.



HERBERT HOOVER

November 5, 1929 ~ 31st President of the United States (1929 - 1933)



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### Next General Meeting

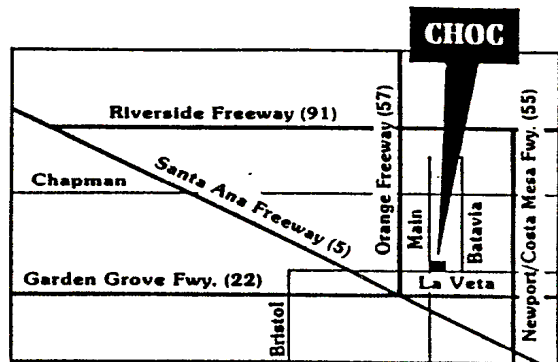
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[Second Thursday of every month]

Next Meeting March 12, 2020

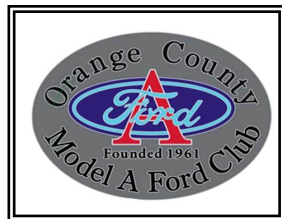
**CHOC Hospital Complex**

1201 W La Veta, Clinic Bldg | 2nd Floor,  
Orange, CA 92868



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](http://www.ocmafc.org)



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