

Orange County

Model A Ford Club

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Editor Eric Engle

Interesting Rose Parade "Float"



<u>Santa & Mrs.</u> <u>"Gertrude" Claus"</u> <u>New " RIDE "</u>

On Dec. 14th, members Jim and Sylvia Ellis were once again asked to give Mr. & Mrs. Claus a ride to the Christmas tree lighting event

in Laguna Niguel, Ca.

INSTALLATION BANQUET 2025 is almost here. JAN. 5TH See more details inside Pages 4 & 10

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The Distributor

By Mike Edmonson

Jan. 2025

News From the President

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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Christmas 2024 has come to a successful close, as did our club Christmas Party this past month (a big shout out to Marilyn for her hard work and great assistance by Chrisanne, Rick & Louise Hall, and Bruce & Becky MacIntosh.....if I missed someone else, I'm sorry...), and now onto a great start for 2025.

First and foremost, of course is our Installation Banquet that takes place on January 5th at The Villa. I look forward to seeing all of you there as we say thank you to all of the great people that keep this club rolling. It takes a lot of work for only a couple of people, but with a lot of folks pitching in, like what happens with our wonderful Board and Committee



Heads, well, it just becomes pretty darn enjoyable. We'll also be greeting our newest board member, Joni Terens, as she takes over the reigns as Treasurer from Darwin Kibby. Darwin has been a rock (I mean that in a positive way!) for both myself and Louise Hall as he has served with both of us as Presidents. And we'll also be seeing Debbie Parrish continue on for two more years as our Secretary ----- Yea!

Looking forward we have some events coming up in the near term, as well as a bit farther down the road. First up, after our banquet and monthly meeting, is our technical seminar (TBA) and then a tour out to Lyons Air Museum. I haven't been there yet, but I hear the club toured there four or five years ago and was greatly received, so I'm looking forward to the opportunity to get my Model A out and see something new!

Though not a club activity per se, the Turlock Swap Meet is coming up on January 25-26, so if you are planning to go, best you get your reservations in NOW as the hotels tend to fill up pretty quick. Looking further down the road is the annual CCRG Jamboree which will be April 3-5 in Visalia this year. Hosted by the Charter Oak Model A Club, this is sure to be a great event with plenty of tours and several seminars. But again, get your reservations in, if you plan to attend! The registration packet and information for the Jamboree can be found on our website by following this link: http://www.ocmafc.com/PDF/SKM_C450i24120207030.pdf

And lastly, to reiterate, let us not forget about our Installation Banquet coming up Saturday, January 5th!!!! See further details inside The Distributor.

Until then, see you at the turnaround point,

Mike

2024 BOARD MEMBERS

President – Mike Edmonson VP/Activities – Steve Pavich/Roger Gulledge Secretary – Debbie Parrish Treasurer – Darwin Kibby Technical – Ron Andrews/Dave Knapp Editor – Eric Engle Immediate Past President – Louise Hall

COMMITTEES

Co-Editor/proofreader -Becky MacIntosh ACCC Representative – David Knapp Breakfast Committee - Aaron Magdaleno Club Greeter – Linda Tom Election Chairperson – Richard Parrish Historian & Librarian - Bruce MacIntosh Merchandise Director – Perry Wilson **Pancake Breakfast Setup & Coordination** – Aaron Magdaleno, Frank Reese, Don **Ratzlaff and Richard Bolls** Raffle – Ed Cote **Refreshments** – Gerry & Sherry Reid Regional Representative, SCRG - Jim Runvon 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



General Meeting Minutes for December

12, 2024, 7:00 pm

Meeting was called to order and flag salute led by Presi-

dent, Mike Edmonson. Marilyn Singer Hawkins told a joke. MINUTES: The minutes were provided with corrections. Dale McCall made a motion to accept. Marilyn seconded

and all approved. FINANCIAL: Darwin Kibby provided the financial report. Kathie McCall made a motion to accept. Sheila Plotkin sec-

onded and all approved. Present membership is 137. ACTIVITIES: Steve Pavich reminded us of Lyons event. REMINDER: Installation Banquet January 5, 1-4pm Con-

tact Kathie McCall if you still wish to attend! TECHNICAL: Ron Andrews mentioned that Cypress Col-

lege event would be cancelled on 12/13. NEW BUSINESS: New business can wait due to the annual

Holiday party/potluck. SUNSHINE AND SORROW: We had to say goodbye to our dear friend Dianne Runyon and Fred Rand. Our thoughts are with their families. Kathy Glendinning suf-

fered from a ruptured appendix RAFFLES: Norm Kredit won \$10 for the attendance raffle. Dave Nichols won the roster raffle but was not present to

grab the prize. Money will rollover to next month. DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Dale McCall, Jeanne Parrish, Leonard Nettles, David Knapp, Sherry Reid and Ed Cote.

REFRESHMENTS: Potluck

The meeting was adjourned and festivities followed. Submitted by Secretary, Debbie Parrish, and pending approval.

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Upcoming Tours and Activities Calendar



Jan. 4 (Sat), First Saturday Breakfast BS Session—8:00am, Denny's, 2314 17th Street, Santa Ana, CA. The holidays are behind

us now and we would love to hear all about it. Come share with us.



Jan. 9th (Thu), General Meeting will be at 7:30pm at First Christian Church of Orange, 1130 E Walnut, Orange

(between Tustin & Cambridge). It's a brand new year and we need new stories, Please join the group for good food and good Tales of Lore.



Jan. 11 (Sat), Tech Seminar. This month's subject will be a comparison of original Model A tools and more modern tools,

what to carry. Will also cover parts to carry during tours. Time: Donuts/coffee-8:30-9 am ... Seminar starts at 9 am. Place: Richard & Jeanne Parrish home, 909 S. Hacienda Pl., Anaheim, Ca. Cont: Ron Andrews for more info.

Swap Meets/Car Shows



Jan. 18th (Sat), Lyon Air Museum, 9:00 am, Meet at The Black Bear restaurant at the Bristol

Plaza, 3355 S. Bristol St, Santa Ana, CA., 10:30 am after breakfast we will tour to the museum at 19300 lke Jones Rd, Santa Ana, CA.

Cont. either Eric Engle OR Mike Edmonson for more details.



Jan. 23rd (Thurs), 4th Thursday Breakfast, Location: Suzy's Café. 2610 S Har-

bor Blvd, Santa Ana, CA., Time: 9 am.

OCMAFC 2025 INSTALLATION BANQUET

Is almost here. Don't be left out. SUNDAY JAN. 5TH

> Time: I-4pm

Place: The Villa, City of Orange, 510 E Katella Ave

Theme: "Walking Through History"

Wear your Era Fashions and bring your club car to join

in the fun.

See more details on Page 10

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

Jan. 25-26, 58th <u>Turlock Swap Meet</u>, Admission \$20 per person, 7am-5pm Sat., 7am-2pm Sun., Stanislaus County Fairgrounds in Turlock CA.

https://www.turlockswapmeet.com

April 3-5, CCRG Jamboree, Visalia, Ca., Hosted by the Charter Oak Model A Club of Visalia, Car show, Tours, Seminars http://www.ocmafc.com/PDF/SKM_C450i24120207030.pdf

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

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OCMAFC Military Veterans

Darwin Kibby - Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) - USAF (1988-2008)

2nd Lt Darwin Kibby entered the Air Force from ROTC at Oregon State Univ in July 1988 and began his career as an ICBM Missile Launch Officer (91st Missile Wing, 742 Missile Squadron, Minot AFB, ND). He served 4-1/2 years in this field starting as a Deputy Missile Combat Crew Commander and progressing multiple steps to ICBM Missile Codes Controller.

Capt Kibby was competitively selected to be the Operations Officer for ICBM Operational Test Launch Team. In Nov 1992, he was the commander of the primary launch crew leading the operational test launch of a Minuteman III ICBM from Vandenberg AFB, CA. In 1993, after completing his missile tour assignment, Capt Kibby was selected to attend the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT), Educationwith-Industry (EWI) program. He was assigned as a Contracting Student to Lockheed Missiles & Space Company in Sunnyvale, CA. Upon completion, he attended Squadron Officer School at Maxwell AFB, AL.

In 1994, Capt Kibby reported to his first assignment as a Contracting Officer to the Sacramento Air Logistics Center, McClellan AFB, CA. He worked in several assignments including the Ground Theater Air Control System, the A10/F-111 Aircraft programs and the Operational Contracting Services Flight. In 1997, Capt Kibby was assigned to the HQ Air Force Space Command (HQ AFSPC) Contracting Flight, in Colorado Springs, CO. He worked MAJCOM-level contract efforts including the commandwide, HQ AFSPC Energy Savings Performance Contract, AFSPC Library Services Contract, and the HQ AFSPC Human Resources A-76 Competition.

In 2000, Maj Kibby accepted an assignment to the Air Expeditionary Forces Battlelab, Mountain Home AFB, ID. He was a contracting advisor to the commander managing a \$4.5M annual budget for Battlelab Initiatives designed to explore ways to make Air Force deployments more efficient, cost effec-

tive, and have a greater impact on adversaries. (Light, Lean, Lethal). In, 2002, Maj Kibby was assigned to the Space & Missile Center, Los Angeles AFB, CA. Here he worked for the Engineering Analysis Design & Development Contract, providing \$450M of engineering

and technical support across most of the center's space programs.

In July of 2003, Maj Kibby deployed to Baghdad, Iraq to support Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). He supported the Coalition Provisional Authority efforts to rebuild critical infrastructure and establish a democratically elected Iraqi Government. He forward deployed to Basrah Iraq to support OIF opera-

tions working with British, Canadian & Danish Coalition Forces. After completing his deployment in Jan 2004, Lt Col Kibby returned to Los Angeles AFB to be the

Deputy Chief of Contracting in the Space Based Infrared Systems (SBIRS) program office. Lt Col Kibby worked with the Defense Support Program office to prepare for the launch of the DSP-23 Missile Warning Satellite. Lt Col Kibby worked the Space Based Infrared System Low (SBIRS Low) program to develop and build a low earth orbit missile detection/missile warning capability.

In Sep of 2006, Lt Col Kibby deployed to Kandahar, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Here he led a contracting team to support regional operations with multinational coalition

and NATO forces to combat Taliban insurgents. Lt Col Kibby returned to the Space Based Infrared Systems Program at LA AFB in Feb 2007. He continued working with the SBIRS portfolio of missile warning systems. After 20 years of honorable service, Lt Col Kibby retired in

July of 2008.

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS: Defense Meritorious Service Medal • Meritorious Service Medal (4 oakleaf clusters) • AF Commendation Medal • Combat Readiness Medal • National Defense Service Medal (1 service star) • Iraq Campaign Medal (1 service star) • Global War on Terrorism Service Medal • Humanitarian Service Medal • Air Expeditionary Force Service Ribbon w/Gold Border • AF Longevity Service (4 oakleaf clusters) • Small Arms Expert Marksman Ribbon • AF Training Ribbon • Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal • NATO Medal (ISAF)



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New California Driving Laws Take Effect in 2025

A few new laws take effect in California on January 1, 2025. Here's what's changing for California drivers in the new year.

Stay Away From Crosswalks

Assembly Bill 413, more commonly known as a "Daylighting Law," takes effect across California in 2025. This bans drivers from parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk to make intersections safer for pedestrians.

The law applies whether the crosswalk is marked or unmarked and regardless of if the curb is painted red. California cities have been working to put up signage and paint curbs to make it easier for drivers to navigate the new normal, but they acknowledge not all curbs will be painted red in time. If you're parking facing a crosswalk, look for the red curb first. If it's there, respect that distance. If there's no red paint, leave a space of 20 feet (or a bit longer than a large SUV) between your parked car and the intersection.

Locked Door Loophole

Senate Bill 905 eliminates a loophole in California criminal code, which defined burglary to include "entering a vehicle when the doors are locked with the intent to commit grand or petit larceny or a felony."

Under prior law, the victim would physically be required to go to court and testify that the vehicle was locked. Now, car owners and prosecutors won't have to prove a car was locked, just prove that "forcible entry" occurred.

Increased Minimum Insurance Coverage in an Accident

Senate Bill 1107 increases minimum insurance liability limits for when someone is hurt or killed in a crash, or if they suffer property damage. The limits currently in effect are woefully inadequate given the cost of medical care and collision repair, even so, the new coverage minimums are a step in the right direction, but still fall short of what actual costs may be should an accident occur. Starting in January 2025, the required liability limits double:

Coverage	<u>Before</u> 2025	Starting 2025
Per person for bodily injury or death	\$15,000	\$30,000
Per accident for bodily injury or death	\$30,000	\$60,000
Property damage	\$5,000	\$15,000

Sunshine & Sorrow

By Marilyn Hawkins m_hawkins33@cox.net

Sunshine: Happy New Year!! Starting this month, we are adding a list of birthdays for the month at the end of the S/S report.

Sorrow: I received an email from Fred Rand's wife that her husband had passed away on May 20th. He was a long-time member, joining in 2006. Kathy Glendinning had surgery for a burst appendix and removal of a tumor found during surgery on December 9th. Recovery is going well after spending a few days in the hospital. Our dear friend, Dianne Runyon passed away on December 11 after a long illness. A quiet remembrance for Dianne is planned for family members only per her wishes. Then on the night of our general meeting, December 12th, Linda Tom had a car accident. She has a fractured sternum and bruises on her chest area from the air bag. Ron Andrews reported that he has kidney stone(s) and the doctors have prescribed medicine to help the pain and dissolve the kidney stones. What a month...please stay well and safe.

Wishing you 365 chances to love, laugh and live your best year yet

Happy Birthday Janson Franks Jen Franks Diane Gaughen Preston Knapp Bruce MacIntosh

Lights, Lights, and More Lights!

Once again it was time for our annual Christmas Lights Tour, and once again it turned out to be a awe-inspiring visual experience through numerous neighborhoods, to enjoy the Christmas spectacle of house decorations. Doug Marsh and Rick & Louise Hall were in charge of all the arrangements of this year's tour. The event started off at Rick and Louise Hall's home. Refreshments and nibbles were enjoyed by all. Once everyone had decorated their cars with lights, wreaths, and even a Santa Claus, the group took off for a very slow, meandering parade of club cars through various neighborhoods around the Hall's home that were elaborately decorated. The Halls were the tour leaders through those areas near their home. Once we finished with that area, Doug Marsh lead the our merry group of Model A'ers through a number of decked out neighborhoods in the City of Orange, eventually finished off our Lights Tour at Ed and Patti Cote's home. More nibbles, more hot cocoa and apple cider, and a chance for everyone to enjoy everyone else's company and revel in all the decorated homes that they had just visited. It was a very good evening! Thank you Rick and Louise, Ed and Patti, and Doug March for making this event a great success.



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Toy Drive for Pendleton Marine Families

On Saturday and Sunday of this year, Dec. 7th & 8th, our club was invited by charity organizer Julie Marshall, to Aliso Viejo, Ca., for a Toy Drive to benefit the Camp Pendleton Marine families. The OCMAFC had a good number of our members answer the call! And what a toy drive it turned out to be!! Several truck loads of toys were gathered over the two day event. Dennis Kliesen was kind enough to donate the use of his truck for the gathering of all the toys. Though his truck was filled twice, there were still so many toys donated by the kind folks passing by, that they simply would not all fit into the bed of his truck. It was definitely a great event. Thank you one and all for coming out to support a great charity event.





Deadline for submissions for the next Distributor is 25th of each month

Submit all Articles and ads to eengle@socal.rr.com or mail to Eric Engle, 16732 Redwood St., Fountain Valley, Ca., 92708

Club members Carl & Ellie Pease Send Greet-

ings From So. Carolina

Happy New Year from Carl & Ellie Pease in Aiken, South Carolina. "Our favorite spot for lunch with lots of history!" This is Carl & Ellie at the Historic Willcox Hotel in Aiken. The hotel operated from 1898 to 1957 by members of the Willcox family. Only Aiken famous resort hostelries still standing. It was sold at auction in 1957 and was renovated and reopened in 1985.

MAFCA is accepting 2025 renewals. Call 866-379-3619

or visit

www.mafca.com







<u>SAVE THE DATES :</u> Jan. 25-26, 58th annual Turlock Swap Meet, 7am-5pm Sat, 7am-2pm Sun., \$20 admission per per-

https://www.turlockswapmeet.com

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June 16-25, 2025 National Tour, Virginia Battlefields, Host Dallas Model A Ford Club. https://sites.google.com/view/mafca-2025-national-tour

While these two overlapping "National Tours" (above and below) look to be the same, they are TWO DIF-FERENT tours, lead by the same Model A club, the Dallas Model A Ford Club.

June 15-22, MAFCA National Tour, Bull Run to Appobattox & everything in-between, Host Dallas Model A Ford Club. https://sites.google.com/view/mafca-2025-national-tour

April 3-6 2025, CCRG JAMBOREE, Visalia, Calif., Hosted by Charter Oak Model A Club, Cont: Phil Kneeland, 559-679-1980 or

http://www.ocmafc.com/PDF/SKM_C450i24120207030.pdf

May 23-25, 2025 Northern California Regional Group Roundup on Memorial Day Weekend, https://sacramentocapitolas.org/2025-ncrg 2025 Northern California Regional Group Roundup

Ron's Mini-Tech Tip Checking a battery Cutout switch .

1 Disconnect the <u>output</u> wires from the Cutout Switch.

2. Using an ohmmeter, measure the resistance from the output terminal to the case.

Passed - the output terminal should read open.

The output contacts are NOT grounded to the case.

Failed - the output terminal reads short to the base.

Repair or replace Cutout Switch.

3. Using an ohmmeter, with switch in the "OFF" position, measure the resistance between the Cutout Switch <u>input</u> and the <u>output</u> terminals.

Passed - the resistance between the input and the output terminals should be open.

Failed - a short circuit reading indicates the switchs contacts are shorted together

CORRECTIVE ACTION.

Install a NEW Cutout Switch to prevent the battery from discharging through the generator.

The Continuing History of Route 66 So How Was Your Trip? By Diane Gaughen

Now that our highway had a number, what was it like to drive on it? Well, it was easy to get lost! As one old-timer whose father had owned a gas station in the 1920's put it, "The roads were no good, tires were no good, cars would get hot, and the highways were not marked."

Cyrus Avery's joint board adopted the black-and-white shield to mark national highways. That was helpful, but it didn't mean the roads would be paved! It wasn't until the early 1920's that Illinois state highway engineers put down a test patch of concrete cement outside the State Fair Grounds north of Springfield. In the years that followed, more concrete pavement linked Chicago to Springfield and on to St Louis.

All sorts of things were used as pavement – not just concrete. Some roads were sand or wooden planks. But progress was being made. In 1929 a Texaco road report indicated that Illinois and Kansas were fully paved with concrete, Missouri was 2/3 paved, and that Oklahoma was 1/4 paved. Texas had no pavement yet and on the 1221 miles of route 66 that covered New Mexico, Arizona and California, only 64 miles of pavement had been poured.

It was 1938 before Route 66 was paved all the way to Santa Monica, California. In the meantime, drivers had to have a spirit of adventure, a sense of humor and a working knowledge of auto mechanics in order to undertake a cross-country trip in the 1920's.



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<u>CCRG is COMING</u> So Start Making Your Plans to Attend NOW



OVERNIGHT TOUR - CCRG *(Central Calif. Regional Group)* - Visalia - April 2-5, 2025 - Drive Thursday, return on Sunday.

This is an annual event. We will have many members attending this year. Some will drive their Model A's, others will trailer their Model A's and some will drive their moderns. Come join in the fun!

The CCRG in Central California will be held **April 3-5**, **2025 in Visalia**. Hosted by the Charter Oak & Happy Honkers Model A Ford Clubs. All activities and rooms available at the Wyndham Hotel Visalia (group rate of \$109 plus tax per night). Registration is about \$250 for two people (depending on options selected) plus hotel and driving. This price includes two dinners and lunch on Friday, hotel has free hot breakfast.

See link below for the registration package, hotel information, tour information and all the details.

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Lots going on...

Friday and Saturday Tours include Naval Air Station, Dairy, Creamery, Vintage Auto Collections, Memorabilia collection, big warehouse Industrial Park tour, drives through the countryside and foothills, visit small towns and browse the town murals, and a crop dusting operation tour.

<u>NOTE that Naval Air Station tour is limited and *requires* security paperwork - *register early if you wish to* <u>attend this tour.</u></u>

Free Friday night BBQ with Comedy entertainment - Central California knows how to BBQ! - Always a highlight.

Many Raffle prizes including raffle of a Burtz Engine package (tickets \$50-limit 150 tickets to be sold). Seminars include Era Fashions, Burtz Engine, Mitchell Overdrive.

Just for Laughs

I grew up with Steve Jobs, Johnny Cash and Bob Hope. Now there's no jobs, no cash, and no hope. Please don't let anything happen to Kevin Bacon.



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We are on the Web! www.ocmafc.org

Yes, it's that time again! Time to sign up for all the fun activities and events that come with being a club member of the O.C.M.A.F. Club.

\$30 <u>PER FAMILY</u>! How can ya go wrong with a deal such as that?!?!....

We will be adding birthday month information to the roster this year. We would love for you to provide the month of your birthday with your renewal of dues if you wish to be included. Marilyn will be around asking for this information at the meetings as well.

Dedicated to the History and Preservation of the Model A Ford

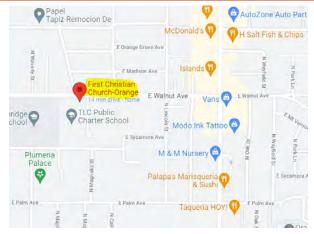
Next General Meeting

[Second Thursday of every month]

Next Meeting Jan. 9th 2025

Time: 7:30pm

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



ORANGE COUNTY

2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL NOTICE • Use this form to submit your dues If there are no changes to Your Roster Information, Enter Only Your Name(s)

Orange County Model A Ford Club

Birth Month

Name(s): _____

AMOUNT: \$30.00 per family residing at same address

Please, make any roster CHANGES below...

New Family Members:

Vehicles:

Telephone/Cell Nbrs:

Address:

Email Address(es):

Any other updates/corrections:

Would you like to add or update your photo in the Roster? Send to Becky MacIntosh, email: becky@genimage.com

You may confirm current information by going to the "Members Only" page on the Website at www.ocmafc.com or check the 2024 Roster for accuracy.

Make your check payable to: <u>Orange County Model A Ford Club (OCMAFC</u>) Mail to:

> Orange County Model A Ford Club (OCMAFC) PO Box 10595 Santa Ana, CA 92711

Payment MUST be received by February 28th, 2025 to be included in the club's printed 2025 Membership Roster!