

ROCK-FORD A's MANIFOLD NEWS

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, July 4	Let Freedom Ring Festival Parade	
line up -12:00-1:30	Mt. Morris, Illinois	
parade - 2:00	(lineup at David L. Rahn Jr. High School on Brayton Road)	
Sunday, July 15 line up – 12:30 parade – 2:00	ByronFest Parade – Byron, Illinois (starts at Maple and 2nd Streets behind the schools)	
Sunday, July 22 9:30 a.m.	Surprise Tour with the Model T Club (meet at Auburn H.S. in Rockford	
Tuesday, July 31 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting TechTalk: bring your victories, trials and stories Lady A's Chat:	
Friday, August 17 to Sunday, August 19 (contact Jim or Ron for details)	Trip to Model A Day – Amana, Iowa https://www.hawkamodelaclub.org/iowa- model-a-day/imad-2018	
Sunday, August 5 8:00 a.m. (contact Jim or Ron for details)	Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museur www.irm.org/event/vintage-transport-extravaganza/	
Saturday, August 11 (contact Jim or Ron for details)	Annual Club Picnic – Martin Park Loves Park, Illinois	
Saturday, September 8 8:00 – 4:00 (contact Jim or Ron for details)	Central Christian Church Classic Car Show www.cccrockfordcarshow.com	
October ??	Fall Tour - TBD	

ATTENTION FIRST TIME MARC **NATIONAL MEMBERS:**

Sunday, November 11

MARC is offering a one year membership for \$22.50 which is half-price. This includes full membership and a year's subscription to "Model A News". Application form needs to filled out by Dwayne Meier, Club Treasurer.



Annual Fall Banquet

AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE A NEW IDEA to help the Blue Owal program.

Approved at our February Board meeting, this premember who brings a new member into the club. When you do so, you automatically become a Blue Oval Member for 2018.

Not only does this include bragging rights, but you will also receive a letter of thanks — and a Blue Oval Member sticker to display on your windshield.

Additionally, we will be holding a quarterly drawing for a Model A-related prize.

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If we can all set a goal to become a Blue Oval Member, we will help to strengthen not only our local chaps to be to do the set to be about the set to be the other set to be about the set.

As always, please feel free to contact me at 805-598-8133 or membership@mafca.com. Happy Motoring

MONTHLY MEETINGS

7:00 pm LAST Tuesday Central Christian Church 6595 Guilford Road Rockford, IL 61107

Fri. - Sun., August 17-19, 2018 Tour to Model A Day in Amana, Iowa

Please review your contact information for the roster and notify Anne Laviolette of any changes. THANK YOU!

Treasurer's Report is available on request

Dwayne E. Meier, Treasurer



Glimpse from the Gavel

Here we are again...in the HEAT of summer. As I write this, the temperature is over 90 with extreme humidity. However, the constant record rain and heat has not slowed the Rock-Ford A's. Sharon Model A Day was perfect - with mild weather and great attendance. We counted 217 total cars - 194 of them Model A's. At 6:30 a.m., mem-bers were already there and ready to assemble the registration tent. With the large number of helpers, it was up in no time. The vendors were happy to be moved to the east side of North Street where they occupied both sides of the street. The day was always crowded with Model "A'ers" looking for that special part. The "shoot-out" & boxing skits were new and enjoyable to all. Our own Chris Weber served as the Sheriff. None of this could have happened without the many volunteers who got up early and pitched in. What a day!

Our June meeting was hampered by a rain storm, which kept some away, but not all. What a surprise it was to see the Historic Downtown Sharon committee drive through this torrential rain to attend our meeting. Mike Brooke presented us with a Certificate of Appreciation for our years of participating in their event. We welcomed new members Larry and Loretta Anderson into our club. Loretta even brought in treats. Al Pedersen explained what a terror it was to have his steering box lock up at a busy intersection. Do you think he is a candidate for a rubber chicken? He brought in the disabled parts for the tech session. Also, Anne and Lee Laviolette explained how to properly install front & rear seals and a thee pan gasket. Ron explained and demonstrated some unusual tools.

Following our weekly Saturday breakfast on, 9 Model A's traveled to George & Sue Brunson's church in South Beloit for their 3rd annual car show. We all endured another hot, sweltering day and had a great time. We will be participating in the Let Freedom Ring Festival parade in Mt. Morris on the July 4th and the ByronFest parade on the 15th.

Keep on motoring, Jim & Ron, Your Co-Presidents



Let's Join These Tours with the Rockford Chapter of Model T Ford **Club International**

Sunday, July 22 — Surprise Tour

Saturday, August 11 — Steam Show in Sycamore, Illinois

Monday, September 3 — Labor Day Presidents Tour

Sunday, October ?? — Pumpkin Tour

http://clubs.hemmings.com/rockfordmtfca/membership.html

Editor's Extras

Dear Members.

This month's issue marks my 10 years as editor of your newsletter! I have enjoyed providing news, updates and information from both national clubs to you members. But it's time for someone else to take over this position. This newsletter does not have to continue in the same format. Anyone with a few computer skills on a Word program can do it and make it much simpler! Please contact me if you are interested. My last issue will be September of this year. I will be happy to mentor the new editor for the October and November issues.

Chris Aupperle, Editor Drive safely,

May 29, 2018 Meeting Minutes

submitted by Anne Laviolette, Secretar



- 1. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Welcome members and guests. Great to see you back, Terry Clark! 32 in attendance, probably because of torrential rain outside. Welcome new members Larry and Loretta Anderson! They bought Phil and Barb Hodges' Tudor and are anxious to join activities.
- 3. Thank you to Kathy Forbes and Linda Dutton for the delicious cookies & treats! Thank you to Kathy Forbes for making the coffee and setting up! Thank you to all the members who help set up & take down for our meetings! 4. Jim & Sharon Morley, Bill & Chris Aupperle, Paul & Elaine Donley, Tony & Alice Whitney, and Tonilynn Carlson & granddaughter are at the National MARC Meet in Branson, MO.
- 5. Welcome Historic Downtown Sharon Committee Members Donna & Mike Brooke, Bev & "Cowboy" Steve Wasson, and Steve MacLeod. Mike Brooke thanked our club for all the help with this year's Model A Day in June and presented the club with a Certificate of Appreciation.
- 6. Model A Day report: Thank you to all who volunteered their time at the tent, directing traffic, and selling hats, 50/50 tickets, and raffle tickets! Thank you to Dwayne Plymale for arranging the purchase of our hats! Jim Morley and Ron Lanquist counted 194 Model A's (which included a few T's) and 23 other classic cars which made the total 217 cars, same as last year. Moving the swap meet vendors 1 block east to give us additional parking for cars seemed to work well. The hats were all sold, and Wayne Henson won the raffle, choosing the carburetor. The owner of the Huckster who sold fruit & vegetables donated his earnings, as well as his \$115 winnings in the 50/50 drawing, to the MARC Youth Organization. Our own Chris Weber was the town sheriff for the gangster shoot-out & boxing match. Great skits! We also had an afterevent picnic in Martin Park.
- 7. Social Concerns: Mel Welch is in the hospital with heart issues.
- 8. Treasurer's report available upon request.
- 9. Bob Bellard spoke about upcoming parades: We will meet at the McDonald's in Byron at noon for the 4th of July Parade in Mt. Morris and caravan to the parade line-up area. Warren & Linda Dutton have invited everyone over to their home after the parade for sandwiches and drinks (bring a dish to pass); The ByronFest Parade on July 15th is also coming, with the ever-popular "DessertFest" following at Wendell & Sharon Anderson's home. Bring a dessert!
- 10. Upcoming events: Faith Lutheran Cruise-In in So. Beloit on June 30; "Let Freedom Ring" Parade in Mt. Morris on July 4; Cars That Time Forgot Car Show at Lake Lawn Resort on July 8; Iola Car Show and Swap Meet on July 12-14; ByronFest Parade on July 15; Vintage Transport Extravaganza in Union, IL on August 5; Annual Club Picnic in Martin Park on August 11; Model A Day in the Amana Colonies on August 17-19; Lensing Autumn Classic on September 2; Central Christian Church Car Show on September 8; Roscoe Lions Fall Festival Parade on September 9; Model A Day at the Gilmore Museum on September 15; Beloit Autorama on September 16; Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade on September 23; Fall Jefferson on September 28-30; Fall Tour-October ?; Annual Fall Banquet on November 11.
- 11. Dave Clark replaced the cracked head on his Tudor with a new highcompression head from Snyder's; it's all back together & back on the road. 12. Car repairs: Jim Morley pulled his engine with the help of Ron Lanquist, John Hausen, Al Pedersen, and Lee & Anne Laviolette. New pan gasket and seals were put on and the engine slipped right back in. Hopefully those oil leaks are history; Phil Hodges had a loose front wheel and found out that the only thing holding the wheel on was the cotter pin!; Al Pedersen's steering box locked up while he was driving and had to be towed home on a flatbed. Turns out he tore up the bottom of the worm gear because of a loose ball bearing. Dave Clark will be presenting his rubber chicken to Al.
- 13. Winner of the attendance drawing gas card was Janice Leverington. 14. Tech Talk: Al Pedersen showed his steering box that failed; Lee & Anne Laviolette explained how they put on new oil pan gaskets and seals; Ron Languist showed some odd but useful tools.
- 15. Saturday Breakfast Club and monthly Dinner Club continue.

Christian Church.

16. Club vests are 1 free to member (\$17.00 for an extra) from Kathy Forbes; club patches (\$4) and Rock-Ford A's metal license topper (\$20 unpainted / \$25 painted) from Dwayne Meier; contact Lori Weber for embroidery (\$10). 17. The next monthly meeting will be Tuesday, July 31 at 7 PM at Central



Tech-Tip: "Back Flush!"

www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Back-Flush.pdf

The cooling system on a Model A Ford can get pretty crudded up with rust, calcium, and also with grease from the water pump. If the radiator has been in service for a long time it is best to remove it and take it to a radiator shop (preferably to one that is knowledgeable of Model A radiators) and have it rodded out.

The engine block and the head are also usually crudded up, especially with rust. This is where a technique called back flushing can be affective. Back flushing of the radiator can also be affective if the cooling tubes are not hopelessly plugged up. The trick is to force water through the system backwards to the direction it normally flows.

Various cleaning solutions have been suggested for use in dislodging the cooling system crud. Some have suggested a combination of oxalic acid with a baking soda rinse. Others have suggested liquid Cascade dishwasher solution. There are also commercial cooling system cleaning agents available from most auto parts stores. Whatever is used, it is best to finish up by back flushing the system.

It has also been suggested that a newly overhauled engine should be back flushed before being connected up to the radiator. A considerable amount of rust can become dislodged inside the water jackets when the engine was hot tanked and in all likelihood is still inside the water jackets, as well as machining chips. If the engine is immediately connected up to the radiator all the loose particles will be dumped into the radiator.

In order to back flush the Model A cooling system some special adapters need to be fabricated. Two plugs with a hole drilled in them must be made up, one to fit the large upper radiator hose, the other to fit the smaller lower radiator hose. The holes in the plugs should be tapped with a pipe thread. The plugs are then fitted to provide garden hose connections. The two plugs can be cut from steel or aluminum round stock.

To back flush the radiator, connect the adapters to the two radiator hose bibs. With a garden hose connected to the bottom hose bib adapter run water though the radiator backwards to the normal flow. Be sure to put the radiator cap on. A suggestion, connect the garden hose to your laundry machine hot water spigot and back flush with hot water. A second garden hose may be connected to the top radiator hose bib adapter to carry the exiting water to a suitable drain.

To back flush the engine, disconnect the radiator from the engine and install the two adapters to the engine. The large adapter is connected to the water outlet on top of the head. The small adapter is attached to the water inlet on the left side of the block. It is also suggested that the water pump be removed and a blanking plate be installed over the opening in the head. Connect a garden hose from the hot water spigot to the large adapter on top of the head. Connect a second hose to the smaller adapter on the side of the block and lead it off to a drain. Begin the back flushing. You can also start the engine up to add some vibration if desired. The hot water will not only aid in flushing the engine, it will also prevent the possibility of cracking the block with the use of cold water if you run the engine. \bigcirc

Fashion Fun: "Getting Started in Model A Era Fashions"

By Sharon Johnson

Thinking about getting into vintage fashions? Where to start?? I would recommend that anyone interested in becoming active in fashions from the Model A era attend various club meets. Regional and National meets usually have seminars on fashions. They sometimes have handouts and informative displays so you can get hands on approach to whatever subject they are talking about. The fashion luncheon is always fun because you get to see categories of Model A era fashions. Here are some of the publications for sale at the MAFCA website. If you are handy at sewing, the Fashion Pattern Catalog is a must have. Good luck and I hope this will entice you to start enjoying the Model A "look".







Here are some fashions with that Model A Era image:





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http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Getting Started 2015-03.pdf



MAFFI Newsletter Minute

As you can imagine, by now, arrangements are set for this year's Model A Day at The Gilmore (Saturday, September 15th). This year we are pleased to announce six Model A seminars as part of the events planned. Much work has been involved in preparing material from our fellow Model A hobbyists. Three of the seminars are focused on more technical aspects, including Model A Glass, Model A Wood and Model A Front End Alignment. We also have seminars that address other areas of interest including Shopping Online for Era Fashions, Preparing Your Model A for Touring and tips and ideas regarding Buying and Selling a Model A.

Model A Day at our Model A Ford Museum at The Gilmore offers many opportunities to see a variety of unique and award winning Model A's and to learn more about the Model A through interaction with other hobbyists and through planned and organized seminars. We hope you will join by attending Model A Day on the Gilmore Museum grounds located in Hickory Corners, Michigan.

Sincerely,

John Begg, President





2019 MARC Membership Meet



February 28, 2019 – March 2, 2019 Richmond Hill/Savannah, Georgia

Home of Henry & Clara Ford's Winter Home

Contact(s):

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http://model-a-ford.org/event/marc-membership-meet-savannahgeorgia/





This will be a hub and spoke tour of the Redrock
Canyonlands of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona. The
tour will be based out of Kanab, Utah and travel through
national parks and monuments of the area. The
Canyonlands is home to miles of river canyons, mesas,
buttes, slot canyons and brilliant red rock faces and peaks.
We will tour through Bryce Canyon, which sits at the
northernmost part of the Grand Staircase and stretches to
the north rim of the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Zion
National Park, and the Grand Staircase-Escalate National
Monument. Registration materials will be available in "The
Restorer" and on the MAFCA website in early 2019.





Model A Day September 14-15, 2018

It will probably never happen again! Five Model A Ford Town Car/Town Car Deliveries all located together at one place at the same time. Model A Ford lovers will be able to see the cars on display in the Model A Museum over the Model A Day weekend of September 14-15, 2018. The collection includes the following models:

- 1928 Town Car which is the only one known to exist (prototype)
- 1929 Town Car which is one of 18
- 1930 Town Car which is one of two known to exist
- 1930 Town Car Delivery which is the only one known to exist
- 1931 Town Car Delivery which is one of six known to exist

The cars are all owned by Tim Kelly who has been collecting and restoring them for many years. They have not been shown before due to the recent restoration of two of the cars and might not be shown together for while or ever publicly. That is why this is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Space will be cleared in the museum for the cars to be shown together, so they can be seen and photo-graphed individually and as a group. The cars bridge the four years of Model A production from 1928 to 1931. Plans are underway to make this year's Model A Day one of the best yet!

Also on display will be:

- Model A #1 (Edison's car)
- Model A Taxi
- Model A Postal Vehicle
- Model A Fire Engine
- Two Model A Convertible Sedans (A400)
- Rare 1931 wide-bed Roadster Pickup
- Right hand drive De Luxe Phaeton

We plan, as one of the seminars, to have a presentation on the Edstrom collection, Tim Kelly's Town Cars and Don Bevin's Model A. We are in the process of up fitting a 1930 AA Stake Bed Truck to allow for visitor rides. This unique and free opportunity to ride in the back of a AA will be available for Model A Day. And don't forget the swap meet!

So mark September 14-15 on your calendars now for this Once In A Lifetime Experience.

Tentative Schedule

Friday, Sept.14
All museum buildings open 9 to 5. (main entrance only)
Self-driving tours (info at host hotel lobby)
12:00 Swap meet set-up begins
7 PM Seminar at Four Points *

Saturday Sept 15 All museum buildings open 9 to 5 Swap meet open

Seminars * (In Theatre by lobby or in garage shop area and there will be a people mover to all events)

Model A Ford Glass by Phred Hollister of Herb's Glass and Trim
Model A Ford Wood by Howard Comstock and Rickey Hite of Classic Wood Products
Online and in Era Fashion: How to Shop Those Websites by Chris Aupperle
How to get Ready for Safe Touring in the Model A by Happy Begg
Model A Ford Front End Alignment by Dan Manola
Buying and Selling the Model A Ford by Tom Mack

MAFFI Ceremony At 1:00 pm in front of the Model A Museum Opening remarks
Presentations
Hall of Fame introductions
50/50 drawing
Closing remarks

Sunday September 16 All museum buildings open 9 to 5 (No Model A events)

* NOTE: All seminars are \$5.00 per seminar, per person

Hotel Information

The Host hotel for Model A Day (and site of the Friday evening MAFFI Seminar) is: The Four Points Sheraton 3600 East Cork Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001 Room rate of \$99 Phone (269) 385-3922 The block of rooms with group rate being held closes on August 13. Direct Booking Link -

www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1801290526&key=D4CFB9C

Across the street is the: Holiday Inn Express 3630 East Cork Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan, 49001 Room rate of \$110 Phone (269) 373-0770



2019 MARC National Meet in Dearborn, Michigan August 4 - 10



Host Hotel is the Edward Hotel and Convention Center http://model-a-ford.org/event/2019-national-meet-dearborn/

Youth Report

How have you interested younger people in this afFORDable hobby?

Share your stories and photos here.

A comfy ride for a future Model A Ford owner!



http://model-a-ford.org/category/news/youth-news/



Ford Model A Day is Saturday, September 15, 2018

Special events and activities will be held throughout the day including a swap meet, a Model A Hall of Fame induction, special seminars (including one by our own Chris Aupperle) and more! Bring your Model A or come as a spectator. This show and swap meet will be sure to please as hundreds of Model As gather in Hickory Corners, Michigan on the Gilmore's Historic Campus.

https://www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/event/model-a-day/

Check out MARC's Facebook Page!



MEMBER'S CORNER: MT. MORRIS JULY 4TH PARADE REPORT

Well, here we go again. Another HOT parade. On July 4th most of us met at the Byron McDonalds for high class lunch. We traveled together to Mt. Morris at our usual staging area for their "Let Freedom Ring Parade". Thank you Bob Bellard, for making the arrangements and keeping us posted on times and places. It was another slow and HOT parade, I'm sure our 90 year iron all ran somewhat hot but no one overheated or broke down. Following the parade most of us traveled the home of Warren and Linda Dutton. We were promised sandwiches and a cold drink, asking only to bring a dish to pass. Well, there was enough food to feed an Army! Fresh pulled pork, potato salad, all sorts of side dishes and of course lots of desserts. What a great time! This is what our club is all about, having a good time with good friends; the men talking cars, of course, and the women in their own conversations.

Thanks Again, Warren and Linda!

Keep on motoring, Ron Lanquist

PAST EVENTS: MODEL A DAY THANKS FROM SHARON, WISCONSIN





Historic Downtown Sharon Committee Members Donna & Mike Brooke, Bev & "Cowboy" Steve Wasson, Steve MacLeod and Mike Brooke (at right) thanked our club (Co-President Ron Lanquist at left) for all the help with this year's Model A Day in June and presented the club with a Certificate of Appreciation.





PAST EVENTS: CRUISE-IN AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH











PAST EVENTS: MODEL A DAY IN SHARON, WISCONSIN















Welcome New Members!

Larry & Loretta Anderson 1425 Nelson Dr. Machesney Park, IL 61115 Cell 815-601-9974 Email LABear800@gmail.com

He bought a 1929 Tudor Sedan from Phil Hodges and wants to learn more about servicing his Model A and he enjoys the Model A era history.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Marlis Schmitz is very ill. Jack Mann is better.

Terry Clark welcomes visitors at: Morning Star Village 1160 N. Mulford Rd. Rockford, IL 61107 (815) 990-1274

PAST EVENTS: BREAKFAST GATHERING



MEMBER'S CORNER: NATIONAL SEMINAR



Chris Aupperle, MARC Fashion Committee Seminar Coordinator presented a seminar and booklet on "Home Crafts and Fashion Arts in the Model A Era"

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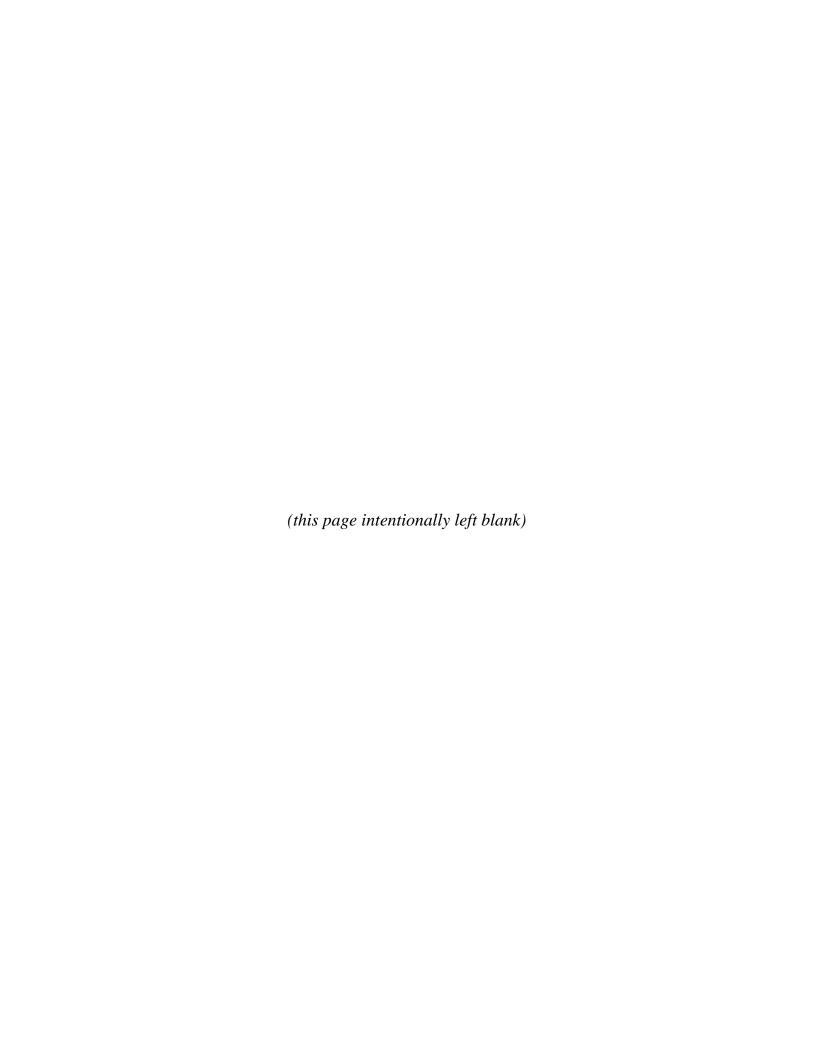
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