



# ROCK-FORD A's MANIFOLD NEWS

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## MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

## Calendar of Events: more events on page 2

Sunday, August 3 10:00 – 4:00 p.m.	24 <sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museum in Union <i>\$10/car; ride all the trains, trolleys and buses; "tailgate" picnic. Call 630-460-5252 for more information.</i>
Sunday, August 10 - Noon <i>NO monthly meeting this month!</i>	Annual Club Picnic – Martin Park 5600 Park Ridge Road, Loves Park, Illinois <i>Bring a dish to pass; beverage, meat, tableware provided</i>
Saturday, August 16	Model A Day – Amana, Iowa <a href="http://www.hawkamodelaclub.org/component/content/article/3-clubactivities/up-comming-events/159-imad2014">http://www.hawkamodelaclub.org/component/content/article/3-clubactivities/up-comming-events/159-imad2014</a>
Saturday, September 6 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	Central Christian Church Car Show <a href="http://www.cccrockfordcarshow.com/">http://www.cccrockfordcarshow.com/</a>
Sunday, September 7 line up begins 10:00 parade begins 11:00	Roscoe Lions Fall Festival Parade <i>Thanks to our sponsor - member Don Stien, Rockton Hardware!</i> <i>Line up at Main &amp; Grove Sts., but enter from McDonald Road</i> <a href="http://www.roscoelionsclub.com/Upcoming-Events.html">http://www.roscoelionsclub.com/Upcoming-Events.html</a>
Sunday, September 7 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Beckman Mill Heritage Sunday <i>Beloit, Wisconsin</i> <a href="http://www.beckmanmill.org/">www.beckmanmill.org/</a>
Saturday, September 13	International Model A Day trip with the Great Lakes A's - Hinchley's Dairy Farm, Cambridge, Wisc. <a href="http://dairyfarmtours.com/">http://dairyfarmtours.com/</a> <i>Details on page 4 inside- reprinted from the Great Lakes A's newsletter</i>
Friday & Saturday, September 19 & 20	Chicagoland Vintage Clothing, Jewelry and Textile Show & Sale <a href="http://www.catspajamasproductions.net/html/shows.htm">http://www.catspajamasproductions.net/html/shows.htm</a>
Sunday, September 28 line up begins 12:00 parade begins 1:00	Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade <i>Stillman Valley, Illinois</i> <i>Line up behind high school off Meridian Raod</i> <i>Dessert afterwards at Dave &amp; Sara Werckle's home</i>
Tuesday, September 30 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting <i>Tech-Talk:</i> <i>Lady A's Chat: Ribbon Craft – bring a stapler and glue gun (with glue)</i>
Saturday, October 4 ?	Fall Tour . . .to be determined
Sunday, November 9 5:00 cocktails 6:00 dinner	Annual Banquet – Thunder Bay Grille <i>Rockford, Illinois</i>

*Ford Fun*

*Have you told your friends about the Rock-Ford A's?  
Car ownership is not necessary!*

**July 29, 2014 Meeting Minutes** – submitted by Chris Aupperle



1. Welcome – 44 in attendance today!
2. Thank you, Kathy Forbes for making the coffee
3. Welcome guests and members.
4. Club vests now cost \$17.00; one free to member, pay for an extra; patches from Jim Morley (\$4) and Lori Weber for embroidery (\$10).
5. Treasurer’s report – see on this page of newsletter.
6. Social concerns – notify us if any one needs cheer or encouragement.
7. Past events: MARC meet at French Lick was great – those attending included: Bill & Chris Aupperle, Dave & Pauline Clark, Paul and Elaine Donley, Larry & Denise Ethun, Mike & Lana Peters, Tony & Alice Whitney, Toni Lynn Whitney-Carlson, Bruce & Jan Winslow. The rubber chicken flew from Paul Donley and now makes it’s roost at Tony Whitney’s. Eight cars from Club at Poplar Grove Wings & Wheels Museum this month; thanks to those who participated in the Mt. Morris and ByronFest parades; good trip to the Dublin, Ohio show.
8. Future events: 8/2 Bob Wendt auction; 8/2 Westminster corn boil/car show; 8/3 Vint. Transport Extravaganza at IRRM; 8/6 1st Cov. Church Car Show w/ free food; 8/10 annual Club picnic; 8/16 Model A Day in Amana, IA – still have 2 rooms left; 9/6 Cent. Christian Church Car Show with pies; 9/7 Roscoe parade sponsored by member Don Stien; 9/12 Fairhaven Car Show; 9/13 Tour with Great Lake’s A; 9/20 Hill & Valley show/tour; 9/20 Model A Day at Gilmore Car Museum in Michigan; 9/28 Stillman Valley parade with dessert at Dave & Sara Werckle’s; Fall tour date and local still being planned.
9. Vote taken / approved to purchase Int’l Model A Day patches for participants.
10. Club picnic on Sunday, August. 10 at noon.

Next regular meeting is Tuesday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m.

No Tuesday night regular Club meeting in August.

**Treasurer’s Report** - submitted by Jim Morley



as of 7-27-2014

Checkbook balance on 6-22-2014	\$4439.10
Cash on hand	<u>100.00</u>
Total balance on 6-22-14	\$4539.70
Income	
Dues	15.00
Ad	30.00
Polo Parade	150.00
Hat	5.00
Patch	4.00
Total Income	\$ 204.00
Expenses	
Chris Aupperle - newsletter	46.10
Polo Parade refund	<u>100.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 146.10
Checkbook balance on 7-27-14	\$4488.00
Cash on hand	<u>109.00</u>
Total balance on 4-28-14	\$4597.00

**Glimpse from the Gavel**



*Bill Aupperle, President*

Events, outings and activities are filling the calendar. Keep the dates in mind for events that you’ve signed-up for and refer to the newsletter calendar for details.

A group is forming for a trip to the Gilmore Museum. See Jim Morley for details.

A listing of local ‘Cruise Nights’ can be found at this website:  
[www.rockfordgruisemights.weebly.com](http://www.rockfordgruisemights.weebly.com)

I can not attend all events, but I’m striving to find events to have something of interest for everyone.

See you at the Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> picnic at Martin Park.

*Bill*

**Editor’s Extras**

Chris Aupperle, Editor



Every trip and tour makes memories and they are enhanced by photos. This month’s “Member’s Corner” features Kathy Forbes who shares her story and photo (just below on this page!). We learn from each other and in so doing, join a fellowship of enthusiasts dedicated to enhancing this unique hobby and learning some history. Send or email your car story today! We want to see your car (and you) here next month!

Thank you,

*Chris*

**Member’s Corner: 1928 Tudor – “Bessie”**

“Bessie” is a 1928 Tudor – the first year for the Model “A” to be built. We purchased her in April, 1972. 42 years ago! A that time, my husband was going to “chop” her to make a roadster out of her. I wouldn’t allow such a thing! So Bessie sat in a barn for 25 years.

When we moved from Indiana to Rockford, we joined the Rock-Ford A’s. Thru members of our club and many friends encouraging us, we restored Bessie ourselves.

Bessie and I have really “bonded” through the years. I enjoy participating in parades, weddings, and many road trips with our Model “A” club. There is nothing like getting into this car after a very stressful day and taking a nice leisurely drive in a Model “A” -- the cheapest and best way to release stress!



*By Kathy Forbes*

# Tech-Tip: Keeping that “A” Cool

By Bob Bellard

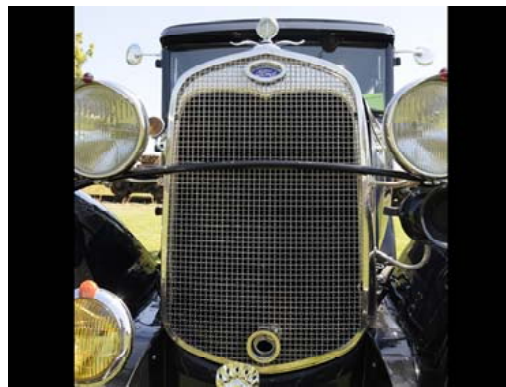
## Model A helpful hint on cooling

This season our club forwarded the email named “What Coolant To Use“, a 36 page report by Andy Wiedeman. It is a most comprehensive essay on Model A cooling and radiators.

I took his advice because for past few years, I lost overflow coolant; both water or anti-freeze even after a 50 mile trip. My radiator was restored 13,000 miles ago. First I used GUNK 10 minute Radiator Flush to clean out my system. Then per report, filled system with 3 gallons of distilled water (no minerals) and added the product named “Water Wetter” from Auto Zone (about 10 bucks). This reduces water surface tension and lowers water temp 5 to 18 degrees.

My test was 100 miles round trip to the Pecatonica parade in 85 degree weather with slow moving parade with no coolant loss. Next the 120 mile round trip for the Mt. Morris parade with no coolant loss. Normally, I lose a quart or more on any warm day out the overflow due to hot water expansion. So far, Andy’s report works for me. I recommend you read it even if you use various anti-freeze.

Keep cool “A” people!



## Fashion Fun – June Brides

With the June wedding season approaching, here is what a bride needs before the wedding, as suggested in *McCall's*, 1931.

For each bed, four sheets, six pillowcases, one pair blankets, one comforter. Also, one dozen bath towels, eighteen face towels, eight guest towels, one dozen wash cloths, two bath mats, one dozen dish towels, six glass towels, table cloths, tea cloths or place mats, large or medium size napkins, tea napkins, bureau covers, doilies, dusters, etc. The custom was that if the girl could afford it, she was to bring into the marriage enough of the household linens to start the running of a new house or apartment....

Personally, for clothing, especially underthings, the bride was to have enough to last at least six months to a year. She needed not less than: four sets of underwear, four nightgowns, six pairs of stockings, three good pairs of shoes (two day and one evening), one kimono/negligee and slippers, twelve handkerchiefs, two morning dresses. Also a good suitcase was needed and maybe a trunk for going away AND enough loose cash in her purse so that she did not have to ask for money on the very first day of the wedding trip....

The wedding dress and bridesmaids dresses were to simple and youthful unless the wedding was in the evening, then they would be conservative evening dresses. I thought it interesting that if you were married in your going away dress, you would only have a maid of honor who would wear a street dress and hat....

<http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/JuneBrides.pdf>

by Harriet McNeill





# MARC National Meet

## June 21 to 26



## Niagara Falls 2015

Home Niagara Meet Maps Hotel Booking Agenda Attractions Contact Us

"Welcome to Ontario, Canada!"

We're working on a new website! It's to announce the upcoming Model 'A' Restorers Clubs National Meet in 2015. Stay tuned, as this site builds with new information.

**NOTE:** Due to the MARC's recent directive, to move the Niagara Falls Meet back from 2016 to 2015, we will be closing down the 'www.marcniagarafalls2016' website in the next few weeks. Please inform your Regional members to use the new URL name 'www.marcniagarafalls2015.com' to reach this website. Thank you.



<http://www.marcniagarafalls2015.com/attractions>



### 2015 MAFCA National Tour Maine Lobsters and Lighthouses Kennebunkport, Maine June 7-12

#### International Model A Day 2014

#### INTERNATIONAL MODEL "A" FORD DAY



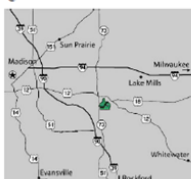
**When:** Saturday September 13th  
**Brunch at:** Cornerstone Restaurant  
Genesee Depot  
**Time:** 11:00 A.M.  
**Leave** 12:30 PM for Hinchley Farm  
**Arrive farm:** 1:30 P.M. at farm  
Hinchley's Dairy Farm is located  
2844 State Road 73 Cambridge  
(608) 764-5090



**Tour** 2:00 PM

Gary Zehren has arranged a tour to Hinchley's Dairy Farm in Cambridge. We will be touring the facility with our friends from Rockford A's. Mileage is 40 miles to the farm from the restaurant.

Plan to spend Model A Day at this interesting farm. Hinchley's Dairy Farm's bounty of more than 260 dairy cattle, barnyard mammals, and a variety of harvestable goods are sprawled across more than 2,300 acres of pristine farmland. Embark on the one- to three-hour countryside sabbatical starting at the dairy barn, where guests can observe the milking equipment being used and milk a cow.



Afterward, visitors mosey to the barnyard to pet and feed the chickens, goats, sheep, rabbits, and vagrant squirrels dressed as ducks. All feed and bottles are provided free of charge. Weather permitting, tour-goers meander through the farm fields on a hayride pulled by a vintage tractor while hearing about the crops and daily farm life.

*After the tour we will dine with the Rockford A's  
at the Keystone Inn in Cambridge.*

Join hosts—Gary and Bev Zehren and our friends from Rockford A's for a great day!!!

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE FOR THIS EVENT

## 2014 National Tour

September 21 - 24, 2014  
Cary, North Carolina

Tar Wheel A's Region



<http://www.tarwheela.com/home/2014national-generalinfo>

<https://gallery.mailchimp.com/62998b2bad1f56bbc00b476f7/files/ccae820-8dd0-4544-bbc8-3663c31b23aa.pdf>

Model A Ford Day at the Gilmore Car Museum  
Hickory Corners, Michigan  
Saturday, September 20, 2014



9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Gilmore Car Museum and the Model A Ford Foundation features the world's largest museum dedicated solely to the Model A Ford! Bring your Model A or come as a spectator, this show and swap meet will be sure to please as hundreds of Model A's gather on the 90-acre Historic Campus of the Gilmore Car Museum.

General Admission: \$10.00/person; children 11 & under FREE

Includes all museum exhibits at no extra charge

[www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/events.php?s=model-a-ford-day](http://www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/events.php?s=model-a-ford-day)

MAFFI, the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. has the host hotel as the Four Points by Sheraton, 3600 E Cork St. Kalamazoo, MI 49001. There is a special Model A rate so you need to mention Model A to get the rate of \$89 a night.

[www.maffi.org/index.htm](http://www.maffi.org/index.htm)

## Welcome Our New Members !

Be sure to make friends with our new members. Offer a ride in your car, lend a hand for repair troubleshooting. Get to know some new friends and share the love of the hobby. It's not about the Ford, but about the friends in the Ford!

### Member Concerns

### PAST EVENTS: MARC NATIONAL MEET; LADY A'S CHAT



Larry & Denise Ethun's truck at French Lick Resort



Dave & Pauline Clark, Mike & Lana Peters with friends Don & Pat Zoll (at left)

Toni Lynn Whitney-Carlson with Tony & Alice Whitney at Spring Mill State Park/ Pioneer Village



Bill & Chris Aupperle after fashion show at West Baden Springs Hotel

(Paul & Elaine Donley and Bruce & Jan Winslow also attended so we hope to include their photos in the next issue!)

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Jan Henert and Chris Aupperle share their modern and vintage shoe collection at this month's "Lady A's Chat".



### MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

6721 Merriman, Garden City, Michigan 48135

Membership Dues: Regular Mail: U.S. \$38;

Air Mail: U.S./Canada \$50, International \$56 for the calendar year.

Includes 6 issues of *Model "A" News* over a calendar year.

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Is it ok to list phone number in club roster (yes or no)? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Free Membership Program

As you may know, MAFCA is offering a year's free membership to Model A enthusiasts who are not MAFCA members. This program has been met with excitement throughout the world and so far has been very successful in introducing MAFCA to new members. But, there is some small confusion. This is being offered to people who have not been MAFCA members before. It is designed to encourage people interested in the Model A hobby to join our family. It is not meant to be used for renewals. The Board of Directors encourages the chapters to continue to provide these free applications to prospective members.

### Invitation To Join Model A Ford Club of America

#### New Membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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1 - MAFCA Lapel Pin

1 - MAFCA Decal

1 - Name Badge

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**For Sale:** Classic 1976 R90/6 BMW motorcycle; all original; 33,000 actual miles; asking \$3900 **Contact:** Carl Reuter 815-232-8184

**Wanted:** "Gulf Oil" items (oil cans, signs, etc.) for my vintage gas station. **Contact:** Wayne Henson 815-645-8695 or battgcmdr@aol.com

**Want to sell/trade:** Have new '30-'31 radiator stone guard & running boards; need same for my '29. Also need removable inspection plate from top of bell housing for a '29 **Contact:** Lowell Daniels 815-633-0789 or lwd1337@sbcglobal.net

**For Sale:** 1930 Tudor; runs great! **Contact:** Jay Carlson 815-847-0929

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