

# ROCK-FORD A's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 4001, Rockford, IL 61110 Region of MARC – Chapter of MAFCA

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# **August**, 2009

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7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month at:

Central Christian Church 6527 Guilford Road Rockford, IL 61107 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# **NEWSLETTER ITEMS:**

Submit to Bill or Chris Aupperle at <a href="mailto:aupps31ford@comcast.net">aupps31ford@comcast.net</a> or 815-397-4059 by *no later than the 5th of the month.* 

# **Calendar of Events**

Sunday August 16, 2009 Noon Annual Picnic & Monthly Meeting
Paulson's Farm; 6910 Belvidere Rd., Caledonia, IL
Bring a dish to pass. Meat, beverage & tableware
will be provided. Drive your "A"!

Sunday September 13, 2009 8:00 a.m. Roscoe Fall Festival Parade Larry Schmitz, coordinator 815-703-5656

8:00 Complimentary Breakfast at DiGiovanni's Restaurant 4866 Bluestem Rd., Roscoe, IL for Club members participating in the parade 10:00 Line up at Main & Grove Sts. (1 blk. south of Bridge St.)

Saturday September 19, 2009 2009 Hill & Valley Antique Auto & Americana Show Cross Plains, WI (details inside newsletter)

Sunday September 27, 2009 1:00 p.m. Stillman Valley Parade Dave Werckle, coordinator 815-234-8967

12:00 line up behind high school off Meridian Rd; then come to Dave and Sara Werckle's for dessert at 6648 Woodland Drive, Stillman Valley, IL

September or October date TBA

Tour to Anderson Gardens John Hausen, coordinator 815-544-6004

8:15 leave Central Christian Church; breakfast at Anderson Gardens; tour Gardens (\$7 admission, \$6 seniors); travel to Custard Cone on Rt. 76 for ice cream and/or lunch.

# July 28, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Bill Aupperle, Vice Chairman

- 1. Welcome Members & Guests Pat Bryan
- 2. Treasurer's Report Charlie Monk

Balance as of 06/30/09 \$3884.96 Expenses – supplies 47.31

Income -

LateDues 135.00 Mt. Morris Parade 150.00 Ending balance on 07/28/09 \$4062.65

3. Wedding Coordinator

Alice Whitney has volunteered for this position. Thank you so very much, Alice!

**4. Social Concerns** – None at this time.

- **5. Thanks** to Alice Whitney for tonight's delicious treats and to Kathy Forbes for the coffee setup.
- **6.** Byron Fest Parade = 19 cars;  $2^{\text{nd}}$  place for our Club's entry
- 7. Mt. Morris  $4^{th}$  of July Parade = 19 cars
- **8.** Tour to Brohead Airport, Copperstone Inn, Kauffman's Store = 21+ cars; thanks to tour planner Russ Kothe!
- **9.** Motion, vote, carried 24 yes & 2 no for Annual Picnic expenses to be paid from our treasury.
- **10.** Member Attendance today: 29
- 11. Adjourn

# Glimpse from the Gavel

Steve Klentz, Director



It's all about the volunteers, folks!

No all-volunteer organization can survive without it's members contributing time, effort (and dues) to keep it successful. Thank yous to Dave Clark for his ongoing commitment as our Internet and Webmaster "Guru", Russ Kothe for planning a fine day trip, Alice Whitney for volunteering as the Wedding Coordinator and providing homemade cake for the August meeting, Kathy Forbes for coffee and Church meeting access, Stan Stewart for meeting cleanup and anyone else I might have missed!

It doesn't happen without YOU!

Drive carefully . . .

# **Editor's Extras**

Chris Aupperle, Editor



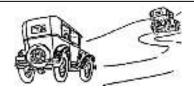
Have an interesting story about your first Model A?

Do you have any great photos of your car from long ago?

We'd love to share your stories and experiences with other Club members. Write a short paragraph and email it to me at <a href="mailto:aupps31ford@comcast.net">aupps31ford@comcast.net</a>. You can also mail it to me at:

621 Hemlock Lane, Rockford, IL 61107

Submit ideas to me by the 5th of each month. Thank you!



Let's Get Moving - Trip Ideas

Rockford's Klehn Arboretum & Botanic Garden <a href="http://www.klehm.org/">http://www.klehm.org/</a> or call 815-965-8146

Tinker Swiss Cottage <a href="http://www.tinkercottage.com/">http://www.tinkercottage.com/</a> or call 815-964-2424

Burpee Museum of Natural History <a href="http://www.burpee.org/">http://www.burpee.org/</a> or call 815-965-3433

Midway Village Museum http://www.midwayvillage.com/ or call 815-397-9112

# Your Model A Story Here!

# Correction



In last month's Newsletter, Jim and Sharon Morley's 2<sup>nd</sup> place award at the MARC National Meet for their 1931 Model A Ford Victoria was for Touring Class Judging, not Fine Point Judging. A very fine award, nontheless!

Tech-Talk: Dealing with Distributor Details





Model A distributors were assembled and disassembled with emphasis on the need for good bushings and the need for frequent lubrication. The display of parts showed the complete interface with the camshaft and all the areas which should be checked for wear that can cause erratic distributor function.

# Key items to remember:

- 1. Set the rotor turning it CCW to eliminate gear back lash.
- 2. Use a pre-drilled upper shaft oil port to lubricate upper bushing (neglected by Ford). Or make your own upper distributor shaft.
- 3. Set rotor to distributor body terminals to .025"
- 4. Set ignition points to .016 .020"
- 5. Set spark plugs (Champion 3X or equivalent) gap to .035"
- 6. Convert original style upper point plate to the newer style with the condenser on top.

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009

# 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fall Swap Meet

Jefferson County, Wisconsin Fairgrounds

3,100+ swap spaces 1,100+ cars for sale

- Swap meet
- Cars for sale corral
  - Show cars

Correction Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009 10:00 a.m.

# 2009 Chicagoland Quad Meet

Cerney Park in Warrenville, Illinois
hosted by Naper A's
\$12.00/person; lunch served at noon;
bring dessert or fruit to share
Bingo, raffle prizes, 50/50 drawing
Contact Tom Eklund (630) 393-2614 or
www.naperas.com

# 26th Annual

# Hill and Valley Antique Auto and Americana Show

Saturday, September 19, 2009

Baer Park in Cross Plains, Wisconsin

A Memorable Event for the Whole Family

One hour tour through our hills and valleys, Antique and classic cars and trucks, Steam and gas engines and tractors, Horse drawn vehicles Free admission, Arts and crafts show, Pancake breakfast, Sweet corn at the steam engine, Historical displays: Blacksmithing, Wagon wheel making, Spinning, Quilting, Lace making, Sauerkrauting

Dash Plaques will be presented to the first 150 registrants.
Preregistration will be appreciated but is not required. Please send your registration to:
Wisconsin Capital Model T Ford Club
26th Hill and Valley Antique Auto and Americana Show

Hegistrar PO Box 233

Cross Plains, WI 53528

From 8am - 4pm

# Registration:

Name	Phone	
Address		
City		
Email		
Make of Vehicle	Year	
Additional Information		

Registration fee is \$8 for first vehicle, \$4 for each additional vehicle.

One dash plaque per registrant.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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> GRANT HUSTEDT 2868 BUS. 20 BELVIDERE, IL

# **PAST EVENTS**

7/25/09 Tour



Copperstone Inn, Rockton, Illinois



Kauffman's Country Store, Beloit, Wisconsin

7/19/09 Tour to Volo Auto Museum
Several couples from our Club met the Great
Lakes A's Club at the Volo Auto Museum and
Antique Mall. We met for dinner at a restaurant
in nearby Antioch, Illinois.



# 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. Name (Print) Spouse's Name Address City State ZIP Phone Number Is it ok to list phone number in club roster (yes or no)? Signature EMAIL address Is it ok to list email address in club roster (yes or no)?

EXP. Date \_\_\_\_\_ last 3 digit code on back of credit card:

Check | Visa | Master Card | Discover Card

# Free Membership Program

Circle one:

Card Number

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	~ Membership Benefits ~	
Name	The Restorer magazine • Technical Support • Local	
Spouse's Name	Chapters • National Meets • Era Fashion Guidelines •	
	"How To Restore" Series • Judging Standards and Restoration Guidelines	
Address	Restoration Guidennes	
City	Dues per year are	
State Zip	U.S. Membership - \$40	
Country Telephone	International Membership - \$50 International First Class - \$56	
Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes: No:	Make checks or money orders payable to	
Gift Membership	MAFCA	
Gilt Mellibership	U.S. Funds Only	
Name	For Credit Card Orders ~ Visa / MasterCard (circle one)	
Spouse's Name	Card Number:	
Address	Exp. Date:	
City	Signature:	
State Zip	Membership Only Membership + Initiation Package	
Country Telephone	Optional Initiation Package	
	For New Members Only  1 - Back issue of The Bestorer	
Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes:No:No:		
Return this form and payment to:	1 - MAFCA Lapel Pin 1 - MAFCA Decal	
Return this form and payment to: MAFCA	1 - MAFCA Lapel Pin	
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# Member Concerns

Please notify Nan Stewart if you know of a member needing encouragement, care or prayer.

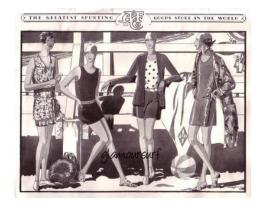
# Fashion Fun - At the Beach

Taken from www.glamoursplash.com/2009/02/well-designed-beach-costume-of-1928.html

# Truly Chic Bathing Ensembles are Never too Elaborate

For the Beach, more than almost any other sports occasion, the costume must be extremely simple and faultless in design. The elaborate beach costume with a hint of the Orient, or worse, the musical revue, always has a slightly comic element about it. The too Chineese pajama, the nautch-girl bathing ensemble, the bathing cape with the dragon rampant sprawled on its full and glamourous length, one sees them and marvels at the bravery of woman-hood.

One nice thing about bathing costumes this year is their sailor wool jerseyness, a certain marine touch that is exactly right and has the much-mentioned tang of the sea. The Paris designers snip up bits of wool jersey and sew them together in a mosaic of blending color - blue and darker blue, green and chartreuse green, yellow and orange yellow. Certain houses make the tri-colored suits; they are charming. The brief trunks are beautifully cut with the slight side flare that makes the characteristic 'shorts' line, the bodice is cut with the V or the round neck, according to one's type, or discretion.







# Amana Colonies DATE: AUGUST 22, 2009 REGISTRATION: 8 A.M. Model A Day Activities: 9am—3pm Come join us in the Amana Colonies for the IOWA "Model A Day"! AMANA COLONIES The Handcrafted Escape www.hawkamodelaclub.org www.amanacolonies.com

# Saturday, August 22

- Model A Day Commemorative Glass & Bottle at the Millstream Brewing Co.
  - Walking Tours of Amana
  - · Model A Day at the Amana Heritage Sites
    - Walking "Poker" Run
  - · Laser Engraving Demonstrations at the Amana Furniture Shop
    - Spinning Demonstrations at the Amana Woolen Mill
    - · Free Schnitzel Samples at the Ronneburg Restaurant
      - Potato Pancakes & Brats
      - Kids Pitch & Win Horseshoe Contest
        - · Horseshoe Pitchin' Contest
        - · Bobbin Lace Demonstrations
      - Caramel Apple Making Demonstrations
      - Brewery Tour at the Millstream Brewing Co.
  - "I'm All Ears: Songs from Disney" Old Creamery Theatre Co.
  - 1920's Revue "The Bee's Knees!" Iowa Theatre Artists Co.
  - · Communal Dining Experience at the Ronneburg Restaurant
    - · Live Music at the Green Room Bar

The public is invited to attend the first annual Iowa Model A Day in Amana showcasing the 1928 to 1931 Model A Ford on Saturday, Aug. 22

The Hawk A Region Club, including Model A car club members from around the Midwest, will park their Ford Model A's along 47th Street in Amana, offering the public an opportunity to view a significant part of American history. Not only will Model A's reflect the era, but expect the theme to be carried through with period music, dress and storytelling. Events will kick off in Amana on Friday evening, Aug. 21, with the T.G.I.F. Amana Farmers Market, Art Night, Amana Industrial Tour and Iowa Theatre Artists Company's 1920 revue of "The Bee's Knees!" On Saturday, Aug. 22, drop by Millstream Brewing Co. for a brewery tour or to purchase a commemorative glass or liter bottle featuring the Model A logo. For more information, visit

www.FestivalsInAmana.

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**FOR SALE:** Truck with car hauling trailer. Contact Bob Nowicki – (815) 623-6689

**FOR SALE:** 2 wheel tow dolly - \$350 obo. Contact Dave Pierson – (815) 988-9338

