



ROCK-FORD A's *MANIFOLD NEWS*

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Region of MARC - Chapter of MAFCA
www.rockfordas.org
June, 2019



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, June 2 – Model A Day, Sharon, WI;** There will be a 50/50 drawing, A raffle for the winner's choice of 4 donated Model A items: rebuilt distributor by Jim Morley, rebuilt carburetor by Ron Lanquist, rebuilt horn by Ron Ortberg, and new leakless water pump by Wayne Henson. Thanks for those donations!
- Tuesday, June 4 – Firehouse Pub,** 10670 Main Street, Roscoe, IL; monthly club get-together and dinner; We'll order at 5pm, be there at 4:30! Make your reservation: John Hausen: 815-544-6004 or eaglesroute@comcast.net
- 1st Thurs. of the Month – Sophia's Cruise Night,** 5pm, Roscoe; June 6, July 4, Aug. 1
- 1st Sat. of the Month – Katie's Cup Cars and Coffee** - from 9 a.m. to noon, April 6 through Sept. 7, 501 Seventh St. Rockford
- Saturday, June 8 – Model A Spring Tour – Model T Club is invited to join us!** Drive out time is at 8am from Jessica's Restaurant in Roscoe, IL, heading towards Monroe, WI – see more details in the minutes #17. Call Kathy Forbes: 815-218-0147 or chatiekathy@comcast.net
- Sat., June 29th – Boone County Dairy Breakfast Model T Tour** – Step off at Farm & Fleet, Loves Park at 8am to go to 1704 Kelly Rd., Caledonia, IL. See website for details: <https://www.winnebago-boonefarmbureau.org/calendar.html> THIS IS THE MODEL A CLUB BREAKFAST LOCATION for a fun change of scenery! Call Tim or Dean Wanfeldt: 815-222-2117
- Sunday, July 14 – Byron Fest Parade**
- Sunday, July 21 – Model T Surprise Tour** ~ Save the date – more information coming!
- Thursday, July 4 – “Let Freedom Ring” 4th of July Parade,** Mount Morris
- August 4-11 – MARC Membership Meet, Dearborn, MI**
- Fri. & Sat., August 16 & 17 – Hawk A Model A Ford Club Day, Amana, IA;**
You can view all info at www.hawkamodelaclub.org
- Saturday, September 14 – Central Christian Church Car Show,** Rockford
- Sunday, September 15 – Beloit Autorama Car Show,** Beloit
- September 14th & 15th – Model T Club Fall Overnight Tour** - to Prairie du Chien, WI.
The hotel is the Microtel Inn & Suites, 1833 S. Marquette Rd., 608-326-8500, \$154.99 includes tax and breakfast buffet. More details are in the minutes #18. Please note the conflict with other Car Shows this same weekend.
- Saturday, September 21 – Faith Lutheran Car Show,** South Beloit



Glimpse from the Gavel - May 28, 2019

Thank you to everyone that observed a moment of silence for my fiancé, Arlene Allen's passing, and for the flowers. We acknowledged health concerns: Carol Hoeksema (cancer), Bob Bellard, and Kathy Forbes. Thanks to Anne Laviolette and Nan Stewart for getting cards out to them. We displayed the prizes for the Sharon Model A Day drawing. Thanks to Jim, Ron, Wayne, and Anne for donating the prizes – they are awesome! For the Tech Time, Ron Lanquist showed how to replace the bearings in a Model A bell housing. Please make sure you check out the Calendar of Events! We have 2 tours coming up and we're invited to some Model T Club Tours, too. They all sound great!

Yours Truly, Wayne Henson, President

May 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
 2. Moment of silence to acknowledge the passing of Arlene Allen.
 3. Welcome members and guests. 50 in attendance.
 4. Thank you to Wayne Henson for the treats and George and Sue Brunson for the cake! Thank you to Kathy Forbes for setting up and the coffee. Thank you to all the members who helped set up and take down for our meeting!
 5. Welcome new member Fred Miller. Welcome to our guests, Margie and Stephen MacLeod from the Historic Downtown Sharon LLC.
 6. There are sign-up sheets for July 4th Parade, ByronFest Parade, June 8th Spring Tour, and Model A Day in Sharon, WI. There are also sign-up sheets for members to volunteer for Tech Talk and Lady A's Chats. Sign up and share your experiences!
 7. Social concerns: Carol Hoeksema has cancer. A card was passed for all to sign. Nan Stewart will get a Get Well card out to Bob Bellard and Kathy Forbes.
 8. Treasurer's report (included in newsletter). Approved as read.
 9. Dave Clark reported that he is fixing the Gmail site to correct things that have been changed/deleted, etc. He will also be changing the password and training those who need to use the site. Contact Dave for information: 815-847-0711
 10. Little Hershey was attended by several members who found a few "A" parts. Unfortunately, their event was shortened by rain.
 11. Car repairs: Jim Morley got his "new" engine (12th block) and will be replacing the old after Model A Day; Ron Ortberg had a warped head on his car and had help working on it from Charlie Monk and George Brunson; Tony Whitney replaced his king pins with the help of Jim Morley, Ron Lanquist, and Al Pedersen; Mike Peters found the "knock" in his father-in-law's motor, which turned out to be a scored piston.
 12. Al Pedersen presented a 5000-mile MARC Mileage Award to Bill Cummings.
 13. Ron Kramer spoke about the Memorial Day Parades. 10 cars participated in the South Beloit/Beloit Parade. The Pecatonica Parade was cancelled due to weather but Charlie and Flo Monk still hosted club members for cake and ice cream.
- Thanks, Charlie and Flo! (See page 7 for Flo's yummy Rhubarb Cake recipe!)

14. Upcoming Parades: Thursday, July 4 – Mt. Morris “Let Freedom Ring” Parade. Line-up at 1pm, step-off at 2pm; Sunday, July 14 - ByronFest Parade. Line-up at 1pm, step-off at 2pm. Throwing candy is not recommended. If you must, have someone walk and pass it out.
15. Model A Day in Sharon, WI: Sign-up sheets are available for duties. We need additional traffic control help this year. There is a disclaimer added to the registration sheets this year. There will also be a wedding at the gazebo during the day and Mike Peters will be parading the newlyweds through town after the ceremony in his Phaeton. Dash plaques are here. There will be a 50/50 drawing and another raffle for the winner’s choice of 5 donated Model A items that were displayed at the meeting: rebuilt distributor by Jim Morley, rebuilt carburetor by Ron Lanquist, rebuilt horn by Ron Ortberg, new leakless water pump by Wayne Henson, and hand-made wooden roadster by Anne Laviolette. Thanks for those donations!
16. John Hausen reported on the hats for Model A Day. Before the event, the hats will be sold to club members for \$10 each or 2 for \$15. At the event, the price will be \$15 each or 2 for \$25 for everyone. He also reported on options and pricing for Club jackets for those who are interested.
17. Jim Morley reported on the Spring Tour plans. The tour will leave from Jessica’s in Roscoe, IL at 8am on Saturday, June 8 and travel to Monroe, WI to the Minha’s Brewery, the Square in Monroe, the Toy Train Barn near Argyle, WI, and to the Union Dairy in Freeport, IL for ice cream. Details will be forthcoming from Kathy Forbes.
18. Joe Maurer spoke about the Overnight Fall Model T Tour. It is planned for September 14-15. They will meet at North Town Center and leave at 9am. The hotel for the night will be the Microtel Inn and Suites in Prairie du Chien. There will be a block of rooms reserved under the "Model T Club of Rockford". To get the best rate, call the hotel at 608-326-8500 before June 20. Any questions about the tour, contact Joe Maurer at 815-541-9237. This tour is the same weekend as the Central Christian Church Car Show and Beloit Autorama.
19. On Saturday, June 29 there will be a 1-day tour to Kelly’s Farm in Argyle, IL with the Model T Club. Meet at the Farm & Fleet in Loves Park to leave promptly at 8am.
20. Ron Lanquist spoke about National Club membership and insurance. It is recommended for all Rock-Ford A’s members to join MARC and/or MAFCA.
21. Jim Morley reported on upcoming events: Model A Day in Sharon, WI on June 2; “Let Freedom Ring” Parade in Mt. Morris on July 4; ByronFest Parade on July 14; MARC Membership Meet in Dearborn, MI on August 4-11; Model A Day in Amana, IA on August 17; Annual Club Picnic on August 25.
22. Winner of the attendance drawing of a \$20 gas card was Doug Mather.

23. Tech Session: Ron Lanquist demonstrated removal of bell housing bushings.
24. Saturday Breakfast Club and monthly Dinner Club continue. Contact John and Sue Hausen for details: 815-544-6004
25. 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).

The next monthly meeting will be Tuesday, June 25 at 7 PM at Central Christian Church.

Submitted by Anne Laviolette, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT – June 1, 2019

Checkbook Balance

May 1, 2019 \$3,599.57
 Cash on hand \$100.00
Total Checkbook and Cash \$3,699.57

Income

Dues \$285.00
 Coffee Money \$10.00
 MARC Membership Application \$24.00
 Beloit Parade donation from Neli's \$100.00
 Pecatonica Parade Advertising \$30.00
Total Income \$449.00

Expenses

Post Office box rental \$106.00
 Funeral Flowers \$109.25
 MARC Membership Application \$24.00
 Pecatonica Parade refund \$130.00
 Withdrawal for Model A Day \$200.00
Total Expenses \$569.25

Checkbook Balance

May 31, 2019 \$3,479.32
 Cash on hand \$100.00
Total Checkbook and Cash \$3,579.32

Submitted by

Dwayne E. Meier, Treasurer

MARC NATIONAL MEET 2019
Dearborn, Michigan
August 4-10

"Come To Where the Model A Was Born!"

A Note From Your Editor
Where is my May Newsletter?

I've been asked that a lot lately - let me explain. I am going to play my 'rookie' card: when I started doing the 2019 Newsletters after the Soup Luncheon and our 1st meeting in March, I called THAT the March Newsletter, when in fact, it should have been called April. Same thing happened in April. I took the April meeting's minutes and info & put together what I called the April Newsletter. Wrong. It should have been called May. So sorry for all the confusion – we're good to go now!

If you would like a copy of the newsletter or roster emailed or mailed via US mail, contact Dave Clark

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June: 8-Terri Henderson, 17-Vicki Milazzo, 18-Stan Stewart, 19-Chuck Milazzo, 20-Chris Aupperle, 26-Bob Rothkopf, 30-Chris Prondzinski

July: 6-Ron Lanquist, 8-Bob Lawhorn, 10-Linda Dutton, 21-Mike Strand, 26-Larry Anderson, 27-Sue Brunson, 31- Denise Ethun

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Thanks to Neli's for \$100 sponsorship of the Club in the 2019 Beloit-South Beloit Memorial Day Parade! They also gave \$50 to Vets Roll. Great little restaurant – great people & great food!



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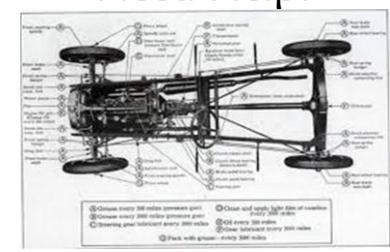
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March-October
MONTHLY MEETINGS
7:00pm **LAST** Tuesday at
Central Christian Church
6595 Guilford Rd.
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Please review your contact information for the roster and notify Anne Laviolette of any changes. Thank you!

**Working on Something?
Need Help?**



Tell us what you've got going on! Better yet ~ send pictures!

FOR SALE/WANTED

For Sale: Paul Brands is selling his 1930 Victoria \$26,000; 815-847-9921 Email: vicky30phelps@gmail.com

For Sale: 1930 Murray Town Sedan; parts car \$2,000 OBO; Contact: Todd Walberg 815-378-8550.

Wanted: "Gulf Oil" items (oil cans, signs, etc.) Wayne Henson 815-645-8695 Email: battgcmdr@aol.com

From: Allen Montgomery (a30pick_up@yahoo.com)

Sent: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 10:03 AM

To: Mike and Lana Peters; David Clark; Bill & Donna Johnson; Jim & Sharon Morley

Subject: No leaks!

Hi guys,

Yesterday, dad & I snugged up the pan bolts for one final time, poured the oil in & fired up my truck. We took it for a ride and upon our return what did we find? ABSOLUTELY NOTHING! No leaks!

We used the cork gasket set from Bert's Model "A" Store in Colorado. I wanna tell you that this gasket set fit like a dream. The bolt holes all lined up, the fit against the front journal was perfect, and I only had to trim between 1/32 & 1/16" off of the tab that fits into the rear main housing. The installation, with the engine still in the truck, of these gaskets could not have gone better.

Ever since I had my engine rebuilt back in 2015, it had seeped oil from the pan gaskets. I would always find "drops" of oil on the pan bolt heads. The gaskets used after the rebuild were the set of what I call 'composite" cork / rubber. They were Snyder's part number A-6781-C. I would really not recommend this set to anyone.

(Now, maybe this is my mistake, but it helped me solve the problem in the long run.) It had gotten to a point where I could not tighten the pan bolts any more & the gasket started squirting out the sides between the block & the pan. This created a major leak & led me to the replacement. In the long run I am glad I chose to replace these gaskets & go back to the original cork, the way Henry & Edsel intended it to be.

Just remember that if you use the cork gaskets, do not over-tighten the pan bolts. What I did was "glue" the gaskets to the block with Permatex Ultra black (on a recommendation from Dan at Bert's), use the Permatex sparingly. Then I took pan bolts with fender washers & hand tightened the bolts, making sure the gasket was in position at the front crank & the rear main housing. I did this on Saturday, then I assembled the pan to the block on Monday of this past week, again, using a small bead of the Permatex to the exposed side of the gasket. Initially, I snugged up the pan bolts but did not over-tighten them at all. Then I let it sit until Tuesday afternoon. I again gave each pan bolt a little more "snugness" & stopped. We put the oil in & fired it up. I have a detailed operations list for the pan gasket replacement that I would be happy to share with you, if you'd like. Just let me know & I'll send it to you via e-mail.

Now maybe you guys already know this & maybe you didn't. If you did, great, if you didn't, even better.....Happy "A" ing.

Sincerely,

Your satellite Rock-Ford "A"'s member, Al Montgomery



JUNE: 3-Pauline & Dave Clark, 7-Jan & Bruce Winslow, 12-Elaine & Paul Donley, 15-Candy & David Thompson, 15-Pauline & Bob Lawhorn, 18-Katie & Bill Boughton, 20-Loretta & Larry Anderson, 21-Lori & Chris Weber, 24-Luann & Gerald Carpenter, 28-Rose & Lowell Daniels
JULY: 8-Vicki & Chuck Milazzo, 12-Mary Lynn & Les Adleman, Sharon & Wendell Anderson, Terri & Tom Henderson, 17-Mary & Ron Kramer, 19-Sue & John Hausen, 28-Denise & Larry Ethun

Something Special For the Lady A's

Chocolate Chewy Cookies

3 C. powdered sugar
½ C. plus 3 T. unsweetened
cocoa powder
¼ t. sea salt
2 ½ C. chocolate chips
4 egg whites
1 T. vanilla

Heat oven to 350°. Line 2 cookie sheets with parchment paper & spray w/Pam. Mix dry ingredients, add wet. Stir in chocolate chips. Do not over mix, as dough stiffens up. Drop rounded teaspoons – they spread, so space them out. Bake until tops are lightly cracked & glossy. Cool 1st, then store in airtight container at room temp. Makes about 4 dozen. Try chopped dried cherries or toffee bits. So good!

Flo Monk's Rhubarb Cake

2 ½ C. chopped rhubarb
2½ C. sugar, divided
½ C. Crisco
1 egg
1 C. buttermilk
2 ½ C. flour
1 t. baking soda
½ t. salt
1 t. vanilla
2 T. cinnamon

Preheat your oven to 350°. Mix rhubarb with ½ C. sugar and let stand. Cream Crisco and 1 1/2C. sugar, then add the egg. Drain the rhubarb, and add it along with the remaining ingredients. Mix well. Pour into a 9 X 13 pan. Mix ½ C. sugar and 2 T. cinnamon together and sprinkle on top. Bake for 45-50 minutes. Great served with ice

Sharon Anderson's Tomato Soup

In a large pot, combine 10 C. water, 1-12 oz. can tomato paste, 1 28-oz. can crushed tomatoes, ½ C. chopped parsley, 3 T. honey, 2 T. dill weed. Whisk together and add: 1 C. milk and ½ C. flour. Cook and stir until thickened. Add salt to taste and ½ C. butter (optional). Also good: add in cooked rice or chopped spinach ("Tomato Florentine")

FAMOUS 1930 BIRTH NOTICES

They'll be 89 this year!

Jan. 20 – Buzz Aldrin (astronaut)

Feb. 10 – Robert Wagner

May 31 – Clint Eastwood

August 25 – Sean Connery

LOOK AT THESE 1930 PRICES!

Sugar – 10 lbs. - 65¢

Ground coffee - 46¢/lb.

Bacon - 25¢/lb.

Ground Hamburger - 13¢/lb.

Baked bread - 9¢ per loaf

MARC MILEAGE PROGRAM - We congratulate those who've won awards! Here's how:

The Rock-Ford A's have joined forces with MARC to encourage our membership to join the MARC Mileage Program. Being a member of MARC and a onetime fee of \$1.00 you register your car and present mileage, when you add 2,000 miles to your registered miles you will be awarded a radiator plaque with a 2,000 mile tab attached. Additional mileage tabs will be awarded at 5,000 miles and then at 5,000 mile intervals.

We encourage you to join the program, track your miles and be awarded for those miles driven. Get your Model A on the road this 2019 season; enjoy driving and displaying your car with the added perk of being awarded for those miles driven.

If you would like to join the Mileage Program in 2019 contact the RFA's Mileage Coordinator Alan Pedersen and you will be sent information about the program, a registration form and pictures of the mileage plaque that is awarded.

MARC also offers a Brass Mileage Plaque and Hat Pin for those who wish to kick it up a notch. Should you decide to join, which we hope you will, please go through the RFA's Club Mileage Coordinator who will verify mileage and send your registry forms and monies to the MARC Mileage Coordinator Dick Fisher via a computerized form. Those who are in the program please e-mail or phone me with your 2019 starting mileage. Thanks for reading and we look forward to seeing you at the upcoming 2019 Club events.

Alan Pedersen, Mileage Coordinator

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SOME PEOPLE SAY....

A Model A's weakest part is the nut holding on to the steering wheel.

Jim Morley, Ron Lanquist and Al Pedersen went to Tony Whitney's home to help remove stuck king pins on his fordor. It was truly a battle, after heat, heat and more heat, a 24 inch pipe wrench, 3 pound hammer, plenty of penetrating oil, about 2 1/2 hours per side, four guys were exhausted but had won the battle. Thank you to Alice for lunch and a mouth-watering dessert.



More pics from the Joe Maurer king pin replacement job at Al Pedersen's garage



Anne Laviolette, George Brunson, Lee Laviolette, Joe Maurer, Dave Clark

2019 Beloit-South Beloit Parade Memorial Day Parade

Les Adleman & daughter Teresa Moffitt



George & Sue Brunson



Mike & Lana Peters

The weather held for us!



Coming into downtown Beloit – BIG crowd!



What a beautiful picture of our cars!
Thanks to Al Pedersen for these great pictures!



Waiting in line to step-off at 9am. We got lucky with our plea to be early in line – we were 6th out of 125!



Sharon & Jim Morley's 18 yr. old grandson, Jackson, taking Model A driving lessons. It wasn't for him, but he tried!!

Sharon, WI – 2019 Model A Days Planning Meeting:
Anna MacLeod, Margie MacLeod, Kim Jacobs, Ginny Harvey, Ron Lanquist, Bev Wassam, Steve MacLeod, Jim Morley, Ron Kramer, “Cowboy” Steve Wassam, Jamie Swandon, Mike Peters (not pictured). HUGE thanks to all of them for their hard work on this GREAT annual event! We look forward to it all year!

*A country without farmers is a country without food;
and a nation without food is a nation without a future.*



Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau Foundation's 22nd Annual Farm Breakfast
Sat., June 29 – Luckey Farm, Caledonia, IL

<https://www.winnebagoboonefarmbureau.org/calendar.html>

Menu: Pancakes Sausage Applesauce Ice Cream Milk Coffee All you can eat pancakes!!
Serving from 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. \$8.00 Adult