



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

Table with 2 columns: Date/Time and Event Description. Includes events like 17th Annual Model A Day, Spring Tour to Pontiac, Polo Town & Country Days Parade, etc.



Have you told your friends about the Rock-Ford A's?
Car ownership is not necessary - just come along for the fun!

May 28, 2013 Meeting Minutes – submitted by Chris Aupperle



1. Welcome – 38 in attendance today!
2. Thank you to Alice Whitney for bringing delicious treats!
3. Thoughts and prayers for Jerry Domeracki - hospitalized.
5. Model A Day – plaques are in; will do 50/50 raffle; no raffle for alternator; hats for sale \$10 now/\$12 at the Sharon, WI event
6. Club License plate toppers on sale now for \$20. Thanks to Cody Steele for his fine work on this project!
7. Chris Weber's wife Lori has many Model A Ford designs available for embroidery. Email him at cw253748@hotmail.com
8. Annual Picnic at Olson Swedish Heritage Park on Sun., Aug. 25.
9. Spring Tour coming up on June 6-7; 23 cars
10. Duke Richmond is selling his nice Model A truck and a Roadster. Contact him if you are interested.
11. Breakfast Club continues – thank you John Hausen!
12. Next meeting is Tues. June 25 at 7:00 p.m.
13. TechTalk – u-joint: rebuild or replace
14. Meeting adjourned.

Treasurer's Report - submitted by Jim Morley



as of 5-28-13

Checkbook balance on 04-29-13	\$2882.91
Cash on hand	<u>85.00</u>
Total balance on 10-22-12	\$2967.91

Income

St. Patrick's Day Parade	150.00
Caps	90.00
License Toppers	320.00
Dues	<u>30.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 590.00

Expenses

Photocopies	3.00
P.O. Box rental	78.00
Flowers	91.60
License Toppers	930.00
Rallye Productions dash plaques	<u>264.45</u>
Total Expenses	\$1367.05

Checkbook balance on 05-28-12	\$2105.86
Cash on hand	<u>85.00</u>
Total balance on 05-28-13	\$3574.40

Glimpse from the Gavel



Bill Aupperle, Director

Another great "Model A Day" at Sharon, Wisconsin. I believe this years' event has been the coldest, at least since I've been a member. The cold didn't seem to diminish the attendance. Unofficially, we counted at least 213 cars; lots of good parts, too.

A grateful "Thank You" for so many volunteers who contributed so much towards making this event such a great success. All the hats were sold and we signed up a couple of new members.

Bill

Editor's Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



Thanks to Mike Peters' for this month's Tech-Tip article. Be sure to use our Club resources – skilled and knowledgeable members who can help you with your project.

Please share YOUR stories! Bring an old photo with even a few lines of information about it. I'll be happy to help you write your article, too.

Also, please contact me if you are not getting your newsletter via email or postal delivery – keep in touch!

Chris

Member's Corner: Rock-Ford A's License Plate Toppers designed by Cody Steele

The new Rock-Ford A's license plate toppers have arrived. Just in time for Model A Day!!! Remember to bring your \$20 to Club meetings for each topper that you wish to purchase. As voted on at our last Rock-Ford A's meeting, we ordered 50 of the unpainted versions of a custom Rock-Ford A's aluminum license plate topper so they can be sold to the members at cost for \$20each. Members who already signed up for them will get theirs first and then it will be first come first served until we run out of them. The toppers are made out of cast aluminum and look gray. You will have to drill your own mounting hole in the flag area for mounting on a license plate, stone guard, etc.

I spray painted the topper with a blue spray can and then let dry completely. I used a Navy Blue that looks close to the Ford Blue but you are welcome to use any color to match your car, etc. I then used 100 grit sandpaper to sand off excess paint from the the lettering. I polished it with 400 grit to finish. They look great in my opinion.. You may have another way to do this process by using a cloth with solvent to wipe away the excess wet paint, power belt sander, etc.... It only took me about a half hour of actual work to finish. Best regards, Dave Clark



Tech-Tip: Exhaust Manifold Exasperation

by Mike Peters

Why won't this used original Model A exhaust manifold fit my engine?



Problem: #4 port has sagged in relation to the other three ports. Notice the 1/4" gap on #4 port indicated by the arrow when the straight edge is aligned with the lower edge of the first three exhaust ports. This sag on #4 is caused by the combination of heat and the weight of the exhaust pipe. This manifold will never bolt up to a block when using the correct exhaust manifold gland rings. I also checked two other original manifolds: same problem.

Solution: Order a new manifold from a parts supplier. It will be money well spent.



By March 1931 Ford had solved the problem. In the photo above, an extra reinforcing rib was added to #4 port as indicated by the arrow.



1931 exhaust manifold with the extra reinforcing rib on #4. Notice that there is no sag on #4. All 4 gaps on the top and bottom of the straight edge are the same.

Fashion Fun – Crocheted Accessories

Vintage 1930's crochet collars, cuffs, jabots, scarves and ties -

In Depression-era lean times, these crocheted trims were used to dress-up and flatter a meager wardrobe. Do you recall a family member using their skills to making something new to wear? Those years required frugality, ingenuity, grit and determination combined with home-grown skills to add some simple color and décor to an otherwise drab and well-worn outfit.

www.vintagepatternsdarespast.com/68-Spool-Cotton-Crochet-Collar-Cuff-1936-p/68sc1936.htm



<http://blog.stylesight.com/vintage/yesterday-crochet>



Lexington, Ky., to host more than 800 Model 'A' Fords June 24-28, 2013

Lexington, Ky., will be the site of the 2013 National Meet of the Model 'A' Restorers Club, an international group that supports the preservation and enjoyment of the Model 'A' Ford, which was manufactured from 1928-31. The Central Kentucky chapter of the Model 'A' Restorers Club will host the event June 24-28. The year 2013 will be the 85th anniversary of the first Model 'A' Ford and the 100th anniversary of the Ford - Louisville Assembly Plant.

Events will include:

- Daily Model 'A' driving tours visiting such sites as Keeneland, Shakertown, the Kentucky Horse Park, distilleries, horse farms, museums, shops, wineries, restaurants, and more;
- Seminars on vehicle restoration and maintenance;
- Fine point judging of some of the most original Model 'A' Fords in the nation;
- A fashion show of 1920s-'30s clothing;
- A swap meet of antique auto parts and period clothing and jewelry.

The Central Kentucky Model 'A' Restorers Club consists of more than 80 member-families from central and eastern Kentucky and beyond. The group holds monthly Model 'A' tours and other events.

HOST HOTEL: Hyatt Regency Lexington - 401 West High Street - Lexington, KY

Call (800) 233-1234 after June 23, 2012

Be sure to give this code **MDLA** to get the Meet Rate



July 14 - 18, 2014

Sponsored by The Gallopin Gertie Model A Club. On the Western Washington Fairgrounds in Puyallup, WA. Puyallup, Washington (pronounced Pew al up), one of Washington State's oldest cities, is located approximately eight miles east of Tacoma in the Puyallup River valley.

Sitting at the foot of Mt. Rainier, the area boasts spectacular views while still providing a modern-day urban atmosphere inside the city.



**WICHITA A'S
CENTRAL MIDWEST MEET**

June 17-21, 2013



HOST HOTEL

**Double Tree by Hilton Hotel
Wichita Airport**

2098 Airport Road, Wichita, KS
(316) 945-5272
Room Rate
\$109 plus tax
Single or Double

ACTIVITIES

Tall Grass Prairie National Preserve

www.nps.gov/tagr

Sedgwick County Zoo & Lunch

www.scz.org

Kansas Aviation Museum

www.kansasaviationmuseum.org

Hubley Derby

Car Games

Informative Seminars

Ladies' Luncheon

Men's Luncheon

Ice Cream Social

Chairperson: Claudia Ellerman

(316) 722-2107

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2967 Wedgewood Dr.

Wichita, KS 67204

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[Regional Meet Registration Form](#)



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Welcome New Members !

Let us know if you have recently joined our Club so we can get you a complimentary vest – one per family, please.

Member Concerns

Continued prayers and support for Flo Monk

Thoughts and prayers for Jerry Domeracki

Continued prayers for Bill and Chris Aupperle on the death of their son, Dan.

PAST EVENTS:

BELOIT AIR SHOW & BREAKFAST; JOINT TOUR WITH MODEL T CLUB



Wings and wheels share some space at the Beloit Airport



Model A and Model T enthusiasts enjoy a joint tour



Both Clubs find something of interest at the Roger Porep farm in Woodstock, Illinois



MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

6721 Merriman, Garden City, Michigan 48135

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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 _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

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

Gift Membership

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Dues per year are
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1 - MAFCA Decal
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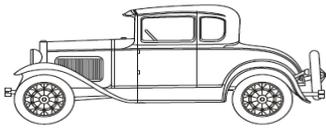
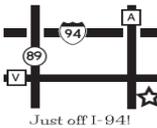
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Wanted: "Gulf Oil" items (oil cans, signs, etc.) for my vintage gas station. Contact Wayne Henson 815-645-8695 or battgcmdr@aol.com.

FOR SALE: 1930 Model AA Ford Truck; national award winner; recent frame-off restoration; 4 speed transmission; long wheelbase; low miles; asking \$27,000. Contact Duke Richmond 815-262-3700 or firstelectriccompany@gmail.com

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