



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 and Activities

Table with 2 columns: Date/Time and Event Description. Includes events like Central Christian Church Car Show, Roscoe Lions Fall Festival Parade, Bergstrom Manufacturing Tour, Car Show at Fairhaven, Model A Day at the Conservatory, Car Show at Highview, Hill & Valley Antique Auto Show, Monthly Meeting, International Model A Day, Fall Jefferson Car Show, Chicagoland Vintage Show, Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade, and Fall Day Tour.

August 25, 2013 Meeting Minutes – submitted by Chris Aupperle



1. Welcome – 57 in attendance today!
2. Welome new members Mike Phelps, Ed & Colleen Elzey!
3. Treasurer’s report – see this page in newsletter
4. Social Concerns – please let us know of needs and prayer support
5. Rock-Ford A’s custom shirts – contact Chris Weber at
cw253748@hotmail.com
6. Interest in patches? Cody Steele can design for us - let’s discuss this.
7. Past events – nice group at IRRM Vintage Extravaganza, 9 cars to Iowa Model A Day and good showing at Boone Co. Historical Museum Ice Cream Social.
8. Breakfast group continues – thank you John Hausen!
9. Upcoming events – 9/7 Central Christian car show, 9/8 Roscoe parade, 9/12 Tour Bergstrom Manufacturing with Central A’s (you must register!), 9/13 car show at Fairhaven Christian Retirement Home, 9/14 car show at Nicholas Conservatory, 9/19/ car show at Highview in the Woodlands, 9/21 Hill & Valley, 9/28 International Model A DayTour to Tallman House with the Great Lakes A’s, 9/29/ Stillman Valley Parade & dessert at Dave/Sarah Werckles’.
11. Fall Tour to Sanfilippo Estate changed to Thurs., Oct. 3 -you won’t want to miss this event but we need at least 40 people to sign up. More details coming from Russ Kothe.
12. More cars needed for member Mike Phelps’ daughters wedding on Sat. 9/28 – contact Alice Whitney, please!
13. Meeting adjourned.

**Next meeting is Tues. Sept. 24 at 7:00 p.m.
Bring a friend! Free coffee and dessert!**

Treasurer’s Report - submitted by Jim Morley



as of 08-25-13

Checkbook balance on 07-30-13	\$3792.59
Cash on hand	65.00
Total balance on 10-22-12	\$3857.59

Income	
coffee money	6.50
Total Income	\$ 6.50

Expenses	
Chris Aupperle postage & copies	28.45
Bob Bellard copies	3.48
Russ Kothe fuel to check out 10/3 trip	83.60
Total Expenses	\$ 115.53

Checkbook balance on 08-25-13	\$3677.06
Cash on hand	71.50
Total balance on 07-30-13	\$3748.56

Glimpse from the Gavel

Bill Aupperle, Director



September is packed with activities, so, keep your newsletter calenders handy. We had a great turnout at the August picnic (57). We have quite a few new members. Take time to introduce yourself and welcome them into our *Model A* family.

Please continue to bring in ‘Show & Tell’ items and more topics you would like for Tech-Talk and Lady A’s discussions.

Down the road,

Bill

Editor’s Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



This month’s Tech-Tip comes from Bob Bellard, a continuing contributor to this newsletter. Many thanks, Bob, for your support of our Club and this publication! The websites listed below on this page come from Dave Clark, who must continually scour the Internet!

It’s time to share your stories, folks. This makes the job of publishing this monthly newsletter much easier for me. PLEASE send me YOUR stories! I’m happy to help you write your article, too.

Let me know if you are not getting your newsletter via email or postal delivery – let’s keep in touch!

Member’s Corner: from Dave Clark

These gentlemen have given us permission to publish anything off of their websites in our Club Newsletters.
Let’s use these resources to further our knowledge about our vintage automobiles!



<http://modelabasics.com/>



<http://www.ocmafc.org/techarticles.htm>

Tech-Tip: DIY Brake Adjusting Tool

Model "A" Brake Adjustment with the Brake Adjusting Tool Reprinted and submitted by Bob Bellard

Brake Pedal Holding Tool – Make it yourself.

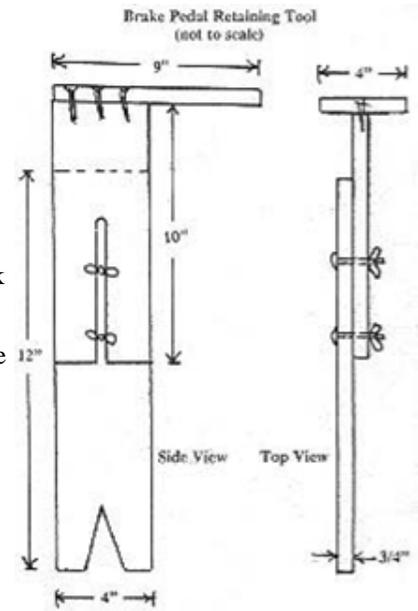
(Earlier MARC and MAFCA articles have described it like a notched stair steps for this purpose. Review these articles for more details. (Ford Service Bulletins, January 1928) and the diagram. Refer to the drawing to see how the 'pedal pusher' is constructed (as described at the last meeting.

1. After loosening the two wing nuts on the tool, place the "V" notch on the brake pedal and push the other end up against the seat. Don't push-in the brake pedal yet. Retighten the two wing nuts and -remove the tool from the brake pedal.
2. Stick a piece of masking tape along the top of the moveable part and mark the "0" point. Then mark with masking tape at 1", 1 1/2" and 2" intervals.
3. To make the first brake rod adjustment check, extend the adjusting tool to the 1" mark, retighten the wing nuts. Push in the brake pedal, held in place with the tool and test for the brake tightness. Front brakes should not be affected. Check the tightness at each brake drum, rears first, then fronts. If one brake is looser or tighter than the opposite one, either take up on the brake rod or lengthen it by adjusting the clevis eye until you get both rear and both front brakes to react as described above. (Remember, you have already adjusted the brake shoes, so don't mess with that adjustment.
4. Continue on and make the same check at the 1 1/2" mark. When the brake pedal is pushed in 1 1/2" the rear brakes should be tight but not lock. Front brakes should just begin to hold.
5. Finally, set the tool at the 2" . When the pedal is pushed in 2," rear brakes should lock and front brakes should hold tightly. Take your time.

C. Road Test. After you are satisfied you have both rear brakes and both front brakes holding at the 60/40 ratio, you are finally ready for a road test. When the brake pedal is applied with full pressure, the rear tires should slide and the front tires should Just make a heavy impression on the pavement; the mark they would make *just before* sliding.

Mechanical Model "A" brakes will do their job if properly restored and adjusted. Poor braking may simply be that brake shoes and rods are not being properly adjusted.

Make all adjustments with the brakes *COLD*. Brake drums heat up and expand during use. If you adjust brakes when hot, there will be significant drag when they cool down. If adjusted to turn freely, the pedal will go nearly to the floor when the brake drums heat up later in use! That's the main reason to adjust brakes cold.



Materials List:
2 - 3-1/2" x 5/16" carriage bolts
2 - 5/16" wing nuts
2 - 5/16" flat washers
3 - #10 x 3" wood screws
31" x 3/4" x 4" wood

Thanks Bob

Fashion Fun – Collars and Cuffs

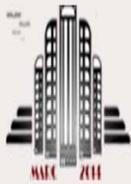
By Lois Przywitowski (MAFCA Fashion article - May, 2013)
retrieved from www.mafca.com/ef_articles.html

“The season is changing, and once again last year’s wardrobe is in good condition but could be improved by an update. So, as a fashionable, but budget minded woman of the Model A era, what can you do? As always, the fashion industry has a solution for you, it’s not a new idea, but it still works wonders with your wardrobe. You can purchase, or make, new collars, cuffs, sleeves, or belts for that perfect update.”

This belt, collar, and cuff set, shown in the April 1929 issue of *Woman’s World* is featured as one of “the newest ideas for accessories which are easily and quickly made.” The entire set, with its subtle simplicity, is made from felt. *Woman’s World*, April 1929



~ Other National Club Events ~



MARC 2014 National Meet

June 22 – 27, 2014

French Lick, Indiana

<http://2014marcmeet.com/>



September 21, 2013

9:00 am- 4:00 pm

3rd Annual Model A FORD Gathering Car Show

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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.



Welcome New Members !

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~ Member Concerns ~

Sympathy to the families of Ed Trapp and Betty Edwards

PAST EVENTS:

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT BOONE COUNTRY
HISTORICAL MUSEUM**



**TOURING MINHAS BREWERY IN
MONROE, WISCONSIN**



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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 _____

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City _____

State _____ Zip _____

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

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Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Country _____ Telephone _____

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~ Membership Benefits ~

The Restorer magazine • Technical Support • Local Chapters • National Meets • Era Fashion Guidelines • "How To Restore" Series • Judging Standards and Restoration Guidelines

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**Optional Initiation Package
For New Members Only**
1 - Back issue of *The Restorer*
1 - MAFCA Lapel Pin
1 - MAFCA Decal
1 - Name Badge
Only \$10 extra



Return this form and payment to:
MAFCA

250 South Cypress Street • La Habra, CA 90631-5515

Source: MAFCA Web Site
2009 Membership Form

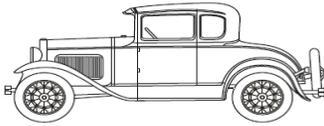
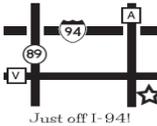
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