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A Gangsta & His Doll ... Story Inside*

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- 2) Briggs and Murray (exception Slant /Window),
- 3) Open cars,
- 4) Sport Coupe and Cabriolet,
- 5) Business Coupe,
- 6) Slant Window models,
- 7) Tudor,
- 8) Two,
- 9) Major production occurred during 1928-1931, but production started in October 1927 and ended in March of 1932,
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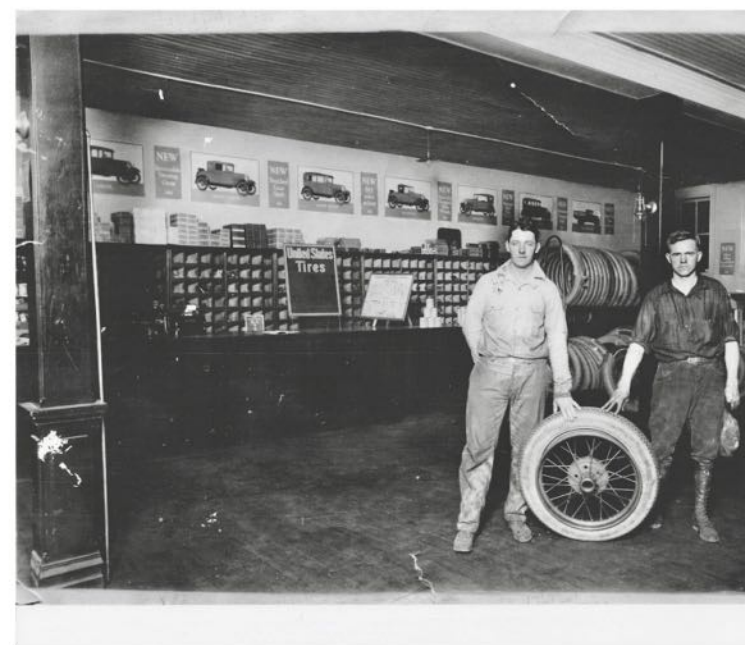
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## MAFFI MINUTE

April 2018

### What's New at the Museum?

There has been some recent redecorating in the Parts Department of the Museum. There had been a donation of 4 framed color drawings and John Marshall was inspired by those to recreate the "New" signs as seen in the photos. Once those were done, they were hung alongside the donated drawings, reframed and looking like the original pictures.



We are always striving to keep our museum fresh and new for those returning to the museum for another look and especially for those who are coming for the first time. If you have been thinking about a trip to the museum, why not make plans to join us for Model A Day, September 15, 2018.

If you can't make it for Model A Day, the museum is open 7 days a week.

Anytime you happen to be in the area, come by for a visit.

Thank you for your continued support of the Model A Ford Foundation by both item donation and monetary support.

Marsha Quesnel  
MAFFI Trustee





## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DASH APRIL 2018

We are now approaching the Summer season with many exciting activities. We need to keep our programs fresh and inviting. We are open to all ideas and hope that our membership will continue to support us and contribute to our success.

Our annual Awards Banquet was enjoyed by all. We had a special ceremony to present awards to Dick Rust, our Oogah Blast Editor. These awards came from MARC National for best magazine and then one for best magazine cover. We all know and appreciate the amount of work that Dick puts into this publication, but it is rewarding that MARC National has again acknowledged this.

This year, our All A Judging Show was one of the best in years. We had about 21 cars and a great compliment of judges and assistants. Everyone pitched in. Last minute "Cruise to Nowhere" culminating with a meal are still playing well with our members and we will continue to incorporate them into our schedule. The next one is planned for Memorial Day, Monday, May 28th.

There will be other events including shop tours and another "Tune-up and Tube Steaks" on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Sugar Sand Park. Our next event with Palm Beach A's will be on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> details to follow soon.

Please consider getting involved, every new Member brings something new to our Club in terms of activities and Model A knowledge. You do not have to be a Board Member to attend a Board Meeting and bring ideas or suggestions. We will fast approach the end of the year and although it is still early, we need new blood on the Board as well as some new officers. MARC National has requested that officers serve only a couple of years to allow others to become involved and participate in all facets of the Club. I know I speak for all Board members when I say that we will continue to support the Club and all new Board members and officers.

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Re-cored radiator with motometer cap.

The starter motor and generator were gone through, lubed and checked.

The head lights have the correct Ford blue print shaped reflector aluminized with the correct shaped filament in the bulb.

The carb has been rebuilt.

The brake drums and shoes matched to each other.

Transmission rebuild with new parts where needed as well as the tower with new forks and the ball is round giving positive location of gears.

Wiper motor rebuilt so it works as designed.

Trunk and car cover included.

The shocks are shot and the drivers side window needs help opening.



Please plan to attend our Monthly General Meeting/Breakfast on the second Saturday of each month at Lester's Diner in Margate. We meet there at 9:00 am rain or shine and enjoy the company and have input into future events. It is also an opportunity for us to get out and exercise our A's and trouble shoot with fellow members.

As we are out there driving our A's, don't forget, if you have a problem with your car, help is just a phone call away. Also, we have members who for health reasons, are temporarily unable to drive their A, but would appreciate having it driven to an event. If you are interested, please give me a call.

Finally, check out our Facebook page at:  
"GOLD COAST MODEL A AUTOMOBILES AND PARTS"

And our website at:

[www.goldcoastmodela.com](http://www.goldcoastmodela.com)

HAROLD FIENBERG

## MODEL A BODY STYLE QUIZ

From the "Script A News" Region

1. What body style included white wall tires from the factory?
2. Which body style was not make in a Ford Plant?
3. Which models do not have roll-up windows?
4. Which style had landau irons?
5. Which body style had a oval side window?
6. What closed-car body style does not have a sun visor?
7. What style or model sold the most?
8. How many doors does a Victoria have?
9. How many years did they make the Model A?
10. Which models have a black radiator shell?

Answers are in the Classified...Don't look till you really tried to answer.

Meeting called to order: 10:20am.

Followed by the Pledge of

Allegiance

33 members attended with 10 Model A's

Approval of last meetings minutes: all approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$4,234.64

Membership Report: 65 to date

## MAFFI Minute

### Old Business:

1. Aguias de Christo Motoclub BBQ March 17th-nice day, about 5 or 6 cars showed up from the club. Food was excellent and everyone seemed to have a good time.
2. Cruise to Car of Dreams March 18th-a couple of members went modern. There were a lot of cars that came for the car show. The museum was really nice.
3. All A Judging show April 7th-we had about 20 cars and over 30 people. Quite a few members dressed up in Period Costume. The judging went very well. Thanks to all the volunteer judges. The food vendor didn't show so we finished the show early and we split south and north and went to lunch afterward.

### New Business:

1. Antique farm equipment show, Saturday April 14th, Sample McDougald House. Going over after the breakfast meeting.
2. Sweet Corn Fiesta w/PBA's, Sunday April 29th, 11-5pm (or when you decide to leave), South Florida Fair Grounds. We will get free admission and free meal tickets. If you want to go and caravan, contact Harold Fienberg.
3. Annual Awards Dinner, Sunday April 29th at 5:30pm at Tropical Acres. There will be 3 entrée choices. \$35.00 per person. We need to give Tropical Acres a head count so if you are planning on going and have not already sent your money, PLEASE contact Dave Board or Harold Fienberg ASAP and let them know you are coming.
4. Tune Up and Tube Steaks, Saturday May 5th, 9 to 3pm, Sugar Sand Park 300 S Military Trail, Boca Raton. Rain or Shine. Bring your own beverages NO ALCOHOL. Last names A-M please bring a dessert. Last names N-Z please bring a side dish or appetizer. Military Trail/Camino Real. The parking lot entrance for our Pavilion is off of Camino Real.

### You asked and we listened!

As many of you know we have a suggestion box at the Model A Museum. For the last few years we have gotten several requests for more interactive displays. At Model A Day 2017 we introduced, "How to Start a Model A". It has become very popular for young and old alike, for those who remember when, for those who have no idea and everyone in between. Thanks to Joe Hornacek and Ken Ehrenhofer for making this happen.

Please pencil in the 2018 Model A Day on September 15<sup>th</sup> in your calendar and make your plans now to attend. You won't be sorry!

We also added a PayPal button to our webpage which makes it much easier to order merchandise, pay for MAFFI Membership and order memorial bricks. If you haven't visited our website, <http://www.maffi.org/index.htm> recently, you may not know about this feature.



**GOLD COAST REGION of the MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB  
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5. Memorial Day Cruise, Monday May 28th. Meet at the Manalapan Ice Cream Club at 9:00am. We will cruise south on A1A and check out the Boynton Inlet-cruise wherever from there-ending up at Duffy's in Deerfield Beach at 12:00pm for lunch.
6. Shop Tour to Dick Rust's-clutch/brakes adjustment, Saturday April 21st 10:00am. Harold will send email with directions to Dick's house.
7. MARC national membership special (benefit of insurance) \$22.50 (that's half price) introductory offer for first time members. Anyone interested, need application filled out.
8. Any other members interested in name tags, \$11.00 each. Contact Harold Fienberg.
9. Other Event Solicitations:
  - 4th of July Cruise
  - Cruise to nowhere to McCray's Backyard BBQ in West Palm Beach
  - Ice Cream Social-Juke Box Diner-late July
  - Late August-annual Jaxson's Ice Cream Social
  - Florida Crystals sugar factory/fields tour in Clewiston

Good and Welfare:

Nice to see Gwen and Jim Hammar at the breakfast meeting.  
Best wishes go out to Helen Spaich.

50/50 drawing:

\$13.00 ea to winners Rodney Fitzpatrick and Tom Garcia.

We also had a prize drawing:

Tony Spaich won a multimeter and a flashlight.

Tim Wiglesworth won a multimeter.

**MEMBERS-we will be needing a new President and Treasurer for our club next year-Everyone please consider volunteering for one of these positions.**

Adjournment: 10:55am, motion Harold Fienberg: second Dick Rust.

Dorice Carbone  
Secretary

## *From the Editorial Staff*

*If you read the minutes from the General Meeting, you will see that we will lose our President and Treasurer. These two persons have given of their time for a few years. Now it's time for others to step up and take over these duties. If someone does not, then this Club, for this Region will fold. This is not a maybe, but a fact.*

*The National requires that we must have a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The Board of Directors are not necessary, but extremely helpful in keeping the Club running smoothly. We have 68 families, that are members of this Club, so there is no doubt in my mind, that we have enough people in the Club to donate a little time to keep the Club going.*

*The Editors position could also come open if I don't get some help. I know that people come across articles of interest that other Members would like to read. This does not have to be car related, it can be of most anything. We are lucky to already have Carol Lawatsch with "Getting to Know You", Tony Spaich and "Blast From the Past" and Mike Vitetta's "Tech Tips" all very important articles, but we need more.*

*Also, I would like to have more members write the article when we have a Club function even if I am there. If you have trouble writing an article, just do your best and I can help fill it in, make corrections, or even do a little rewrite. I do not think it is right that only Harold and Dorice have been helping me. I have been doing this for Five years and I am getting a whole lot burned out. This job is taking a lot of time away from me being with Audre, which is the most important to me. I know for a fact, just how much Gwen Hammar went through. I ask, this is your Club, why do not more people want to help out.*



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# 2018 Corn Fiesta *Yesteryear Village*

It's always a good day when you can get in your Model A and go for a cruise. It's an even better day when the weather is glorious and your cruise takes you to the Corn Fiesta at the Yesteryear Village at the South Florida Fair Grounds. Last year we had a great time at this event, so a few of us met up again with our PBA friends and got caught up with each others club activities.



We had six Model A's from our club and five from the PBA's and as always the general public enjoys the "antique car show". Yesteryear Village was crowded again this year and there was lots to see and plenty of goodies to buy. Several of our ladies went in search of the jellies. The free lunch of a hot dog, corn on the cob, and a soda was delicious as always, especially the corn.

And as with any gathering of Model A's there is always some mechanical work to be done. One of our PBA buddies had a leaking carburetor and one of our members had a running problem which turned out to be dirt in the fuel filter and carburetor. Possibly some further work may need to be done.

Even though we were having a good time, we had to leave a little early because our banquet dinner was that evening and we didn't want to miss that.



(It looks like they all had their fill of Corn)

Great friends, great weather-makes for a great day.

Dorice Carbone

*Now that I have vented myself, let me go on with other business. Because of the timing of different outings, this Issue is going to be a little late. Also the Awards Dinner will be in the May/June issue, there just is not enough time to get it done and printed. We have outings coming up, so I need to get the Calendar out, so that everyone knows what is coming up. There will be a couple of things in the first part of May, the only way you will know of them, I will send out E-Mail to everyone so they know.*

*I can guess that the Editorial Page might be dry reading, but it is the only way I have of finding some things out. For instance, it would be nice if I could **HEAR** from some of our Members who, for what ever reason, can't make it to our meetings or outings. Many of us would like to know how some of our old friends are doing. It would be very nice if they would drop me a note, a phone call or an e-mail, even if it is only to say, hi I am or we are doing fine.*

*We have some good outings coming up, I hope to see many of you at least one or more of these. If anyone thinks of an outing, please bring it up, even if it's one we have not done for a long time. If you think there might be problems making arrangements, there will always be someone to help you with that, so don't let that stop you.*

*Audre & Dick*



**To succeed in life you need three things:  
A Wishbone, a backbone and most defiantly a funny bone.**

**Every morning is the dawn of a new error.**

# Touring the Treasure & Space Coast in a Model A

Eighteen members and two guests from the Palm Beach A's embarked on a "Super Tour" during Florida's fabulous February. The three-day event, covered just under 400 miles, from Jupiter Lighthouse to Titusville and back. Six A's, two modern vehicles, and a motorhome participated. The goals of our trip were: 1. To provide a venue for fellowship between our club and other collectors we met, 2. Take advantage of the educational opportunities on the trip and 3. Exercise those vehicles!



Day 1: Our first stop was at the Harbor Branch Discovery Center in Fort Pierce. A graduate student gave us a synopsis of the work currently being done in marine pharmacological research, dolphin tagging and studies, aquaculture, and water monitoring both in the intercostal waterway and the ocean. Next we headed to a great restaurant in Vero Beach but after being told there was a two hour wait we opted for fast food.

Stop number two was passing through part of The Jungle Trail, a dirt road in Vero Beach listed on the National Register of Historical Places that was built in about 1920 to haul citrus. We drove through vegetation hammocks along the Indian River before returning to a paved Route A1A. Just before the Sebastian Inlet we stopped at the McLarty Treasure Museum, the original site of survivors and salvagers from the Spanish Fleet of 1715 that sunk off the coast in a hurricane. The ships were



TIME. WHEN WE GOT BACK I CHECKED THE CAR AND THE RADIATOR WITH A LASER TEMPERATURE PROBE. THE TEMPERATURES SEEMED WELL WITHIN NORMAL OPERATING LIMITS.

NOW CARLOS' CAR IS RATHER UNIQUE. IT WAS CONVERTED TO A HOT ROD, THEN BACK TO AN (ALMOST) ORIGINAL MODEL A. WHEN YOU LOOK UNDER THE CAR,



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HAROLD FIENBERG

# GARAGE TOUR, AT THE HOME OF *Isabel and Carlos Marin*

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY. MIKE HERBSTMAN CAME TO MY HOUSE AND WE PROCEEDED TO MEET WITH JERRY CARBONE. WE DROVE TO COOPER CITY (WHICH IS JUST OUTSIDE THE US BORDER) AND WHEN WE ARRIVED WE WERE GREETED WITH DONUTS, MUFFINS AND COFFEE. SHORTLY AFTER WE ARRIVED, WE WERE JOINED BY DAN GOMEZ AND BRUCE MEGEE.



WITH FULL STOMACHS, WE PROCEEDED TO THE GARAGE TO SEE IF WE COULD SOLVE CARLOS' OVERHEATING PROBLEMS JERRY FELT THAT THE ISSUE WAS RELATED TO TIMING. EVERYONE PITCHED IN AS WE ADJUSTED THE TIMING THE OLD FASHION WAY, BUT JERRY WAS STILL NOT SATISFIED, SO HE MADE

SEVERAL ADJUSTMENTS OF THE DISTRIBUTOR JUDGING BY EYE AND EAR. THE ENGINE SOUNDED GREAT. AFTER A FEW CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENTS, WE TOOK THE CAR FOR A RIDE.

I MYSELF TOOK IT OUT ON THE HIGHWAY AND GOT THE CAR UP TO 40 MILES PER HOUR FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF



full of gold and silver as well as other valuable goods from the American colonies. Treasure is still being recovered today! We arrived at our motel at about 5:30 PM and after some refreshments we split the group between two restaurants.



Day 2: We got off to an early start to visit friends that have a large Model A collection on a former citrus plantation. The large live oaks with Spanish moss created a perfect setting for our day. There were about 30 vehicles on display including an A modified by a Sears Roebuck kit that made it into a tractor! Tire

kicking, coffee and donuts kept us busy all morning and then we enjoyed lunch in a separate room at Dixie Crossroads, arranged by our host. This restaurant is a historic icon for Space Coast seafood.



Our next destination was the Exploration Tower at Port Canaveral. Our convoy passed the Kennedy Space Center taking back roads with few traffic lights so we made good time. We spent almost two hours exploring the 7 stories



of exhibits and observation decks. This facility opened in November 2013 and our cars really contrasted the old meeting the new! Our well-stocked motor home for "happy hour" made

# Field trip to Antique Tractor Show at Sample McDougald House

After our breakfast meeting, Saturday April 14th, five of us drove our Model A's to the Sample McDougald House for the Antique farm show. Unfortunately some of their participants didn't show so there were only 3 tractors on display.



There were some booths with activities for the kids, such as pineapple painting and butterfly making, Quilts to buy, a petting zoo with bunnies and goats and ducks,



and wagon hay rides. There was food and drinks for sale and of course tours of the House. There was a good crowd of people there. It was breezy and warm.



And as always the Model A's drew quite a bit of attention. After a couple of hours or so, we finally called it an afternoon and drove home.

Dorice Carbone



fixing a flat tire on our 31 Phaeton a breeze. After another misfire with restaurants we returned to the motel and ordered pizza and ribs.



Day 3: A road trip without shopping is not complete so we headed to Ron Jon Surf Shop which is open 24/7. Tee shirts, souvenirs, and grandchildren gifts were soon in everyone's cars. Heading south we missed a National Refuge Center because of poor signage but soon



**Above was the first test drive. Above right, we were making a first adjustment, and there were a few more to follow. That's Trish Davis sitting with Audre, who owns that Green Machine. Below is that group of fine gentlemen who came, Paul Lapidus, David Board, Harold Fienberg, Me, Scott McElroy and Carlos Marin.**

**Dick Rust**



found ourselves at a favorite restaurant in Melbourne Beach. Our tour guide knew one of the waitresses and we got in before the noon crowd. From here we split up and went homeward bound with cars full of memories.

I would encourage clubs to plan this type of "Super Tour" that includes an overnight or two. There are usually many attractions within 125 miles of your home base, a comfortable distance to travel. Hotel reservations can be done under one name or reserving a block of rooms with individuals booking their own rooms. The important thing is that the reservations can be cancelled if needed. We stayed at the same hotel in Cocoa for both nights so we did not have to check in/check out and repack each day. For afternoon gatherings, ask the motel if the group can use the breakfast room. Restaurants that will reserve a separate room or designated area will facilitate quality conversations. Returning to the hotel and ordering food worked well and gave us ample opportunity to swap stories. Afternoon snacks and beverages were provided by the group. Getting through traffic signals together was a challenge. Everyone was provided with cell phone numbers and we had a designated "caboose". The leading folks tried to stay aware of any delays and wait for the all clear signal. With only one minor breakdown and perfect weather, there could be another trip next year! The tour was packed with activities but the real gem was spending time with friends and driving our cars. If anyone is in our area visiting please look us up for current activities at [Palmbeachas.com](http://Palmbeachas.com).

David Carlson, Secretary

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MAFFI Newsletter Minute  
March 2018

Dear Model A Friends and Supporters of the Museum,

We will be ordering bricks at the end of May for installation at the museum before 2018 Model A Day. If you have been thinking about ordering a brick 'In Memory' or 'In Honor' of someone near and dear to you, or if your club/region doesn't have a brick at the museum with its name on it, now would be a great time to do it. Each brick is \$150 and the form can be found at [www.maffi.org](http://www.maffi.org). Our website has changed and the brick order form can be found under the tab "Store".

Don't forget to send the check and form to our new address:

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me

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As always, we appreciate your continued support.

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

# Fashion Page



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## MARC OF FASHION

by Mickie Parr

### "A" VAST WAISTLINE

#### PART III — EVENING WEAR

Women's evening gowns are perhaps the most difficult to date in any era and the "A" era is no exception. The reason for this is quite simple: when buying, designing or sewing a gown, ladies did and do strive for that special, unlike-any-other-gown. A one of a kind. It may be right in style (as Paris dictates) or she may have preferred touches of yesterday or touches of her own design and genius, or a combination of all. The other apparel that may be harder yet to date is a wedding gown.

**1927** — Gowns were long waisted in 1927 with the waistline resting on the hipbone or just below. This line was emphasized in some manner by perhaps a wide sash, folded band or shirring. Bows, flounces or drapes were found at either center front or on the left side. Bodices were full, but straight-line, pulled in above the low waist to blouse over the snug hip area. For the fall season, there was a layered effect found in many gowns. Swathed belts and left sided effects by means of drapes, bows, sashes, flowers or

buckles still prevailed and were found drawn tight at the hip. At the close of the year, the waistline treatment on some gowns almost touched at the bottom of the natural waist. The straight bodices still bloused over the waist area with a tightness from the top of the hip down, 4-6", then fullness in the skirt below. Many gowns had sashes, bows or flounces at the left side with tails hanging lower than the skirt hem. Decorative jeweled buttons or buckles were also found on the left side.

**1928** — The early part of 1928 found bodices even straighter and less bloused than past years. Snug hips were definitely the rule. Waistline was marked at the hipbone or just above. A variety of hip band treatments were found. Many bands started high in front, dipping lower in back or slanted upwards from one side to the other. Still others were found with lower hanging fronts or side draperies. Later in the year, sheath line gowns were found, though not tightly fitted. Some of these gowns were found with belts resting on top of the hipbone or many with bouffant side sashes, full gathered side drapes on left or right sides or with immense loops and bustles on the back of the gowns or with ruffles. This slender line gown with its attached flounces, drapes, etc., carried on through the end of the year. Straight line sheath top to hips or even the full length of the gown. Snug at the hips by means of shirring,

front wheels were doing what they were supposed to be doing. I think its great that everyone gets involved. They have an opinion on how they do it and how it should be done. That way no mistakes are made. Also did you notice that there is a lady in the crowd. It's great that there are lady Model A'sers who get involved. The lady seen here is Fay Mayshak and her husband Leon is also here with her. She is also president of the PBA's.



Everyone stops to look and talk over what we have done to this point.



While we were working on my car, Paul came up with something that needed to be looked at on his Model A. So out come the jack and next someone was under his car.



It really makes a difference when you get so much help from your club members. As you can see in many of the next pictures, how everything gets done faster and easier. The picture on the left shows Carlos putting on one of the front wheels while the picture below is Paul putting one of the back wheels and you can also see Harold do something to one of the front wheels.



Paul putting one of the back wheels and you can also see Harold do something to one of the front wheels.



With all the wheels on Harold went under the left side back wheel with the wedge adjusting tool and turned the wedge while I checked to make sure we did not over tighten the brakes for the first step in adjusting until we did the other side so they would match.



In the picture on the right we are now under the other side of the car, hoping to match the other side. At this time checking the front wheels to make sure they are not tightening up at this time.



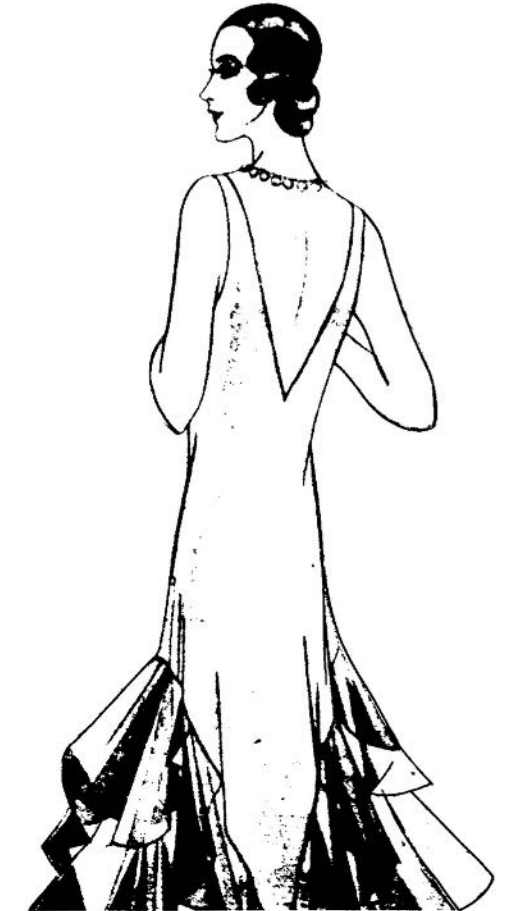
We moved to the next step in the adjusting board and tighten up the backs one more time. Now it was time to make sure the



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drapes or a fitted, but not tight, torso to on or below snug hips. A fullness was achieved in the skirt below in many cases by the addition of fabric such as overlapping panels or shaped flounces sewn on the sides or loops and bustles attached on the back of the gowns. A slender line was emphasized.

1929 — Early in 1929, the waistline was still found to be below the natural waist. The attached elaborate pieces such as drapes, flounces, etc., were not as predominant as in the past season. Fullness below the snug hips was achieved by gathered or tiered skirts, many in a basque effect. Spring saw many gowns with molded bodices, snug flat hiplines and almost normal, though not fitted, waists. Deep hip yokes and bustle ruffles were favored as were rather tubular, sheath like gowns which, though they fit the figure, were not tight. Narrow belts, most about 3/4" width, with jeweled buckles at center front were placed to indicate but not mark the natural waistline. At the close of the year, gowns were all with tight fitted hips and bodice was fitted but with a slight blousing over the almost natural waistline. The Princess and Basque line styles dominated. The silhouette in general was emphasized with tight-fitted hips and a higher to natural placement of the waistline.

It is this year that such a striking difference in the

fashion styles is noted. The early gowns of 1929 tend to lean toward the style and design of those in 1928 and earlier. From mid '29 to fall, some similar to '28 and others similar to 1930 will be found. The gowns of the latter part of '29 resemble more closely those of '30.

1929 gowns are extremely difficult to date as there were so many changes as well as holdovers available. In dating a '29 gown, one must take into account both the hem length and the waistline placement. The hemline just being uneven will not make it a '29. The uneven hem as previous articles have stated, began before and ended after the era. The same applies, as you've already read in Part I, to the below natural waistline placement. The extremely exaggerated high to low length of the gown (not those with attached sashes, flounces or drapes), but the gown itself is the best clue to a 1929, coupled with the waistline located somewhere above the hipbone, yet not exactly marking the natural waist. With a narrow belt, it will be placed so that the natural waist is indicated, though not tightly closed or pulled in. The top of the belt may just touch the natural waistline. The bodices are yet another clue. Though bloused, they were not as full as in 1928 or earlier — a tighter, closer-cut bodice, almost like the natural figure line, blousing gently over the slightly low waist. The hip area was more snug than in 1928, tight would be a better

# MODEL A'S

# & MOTORCYCLES

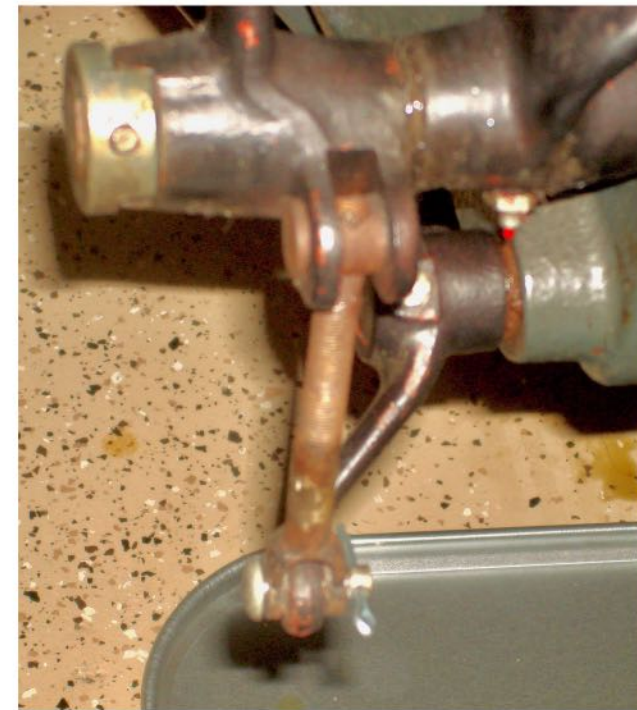


On Saturday March 17th the Gold Coast Model A Club was invited to a BBQ. It was not with another Car Club. The invite came from a Motorcycle Club of all things. As it turned out, we have two members who are also members of this club, the Aguias de Cristo Motoclub (Eagles of Christ Motorcycle Club). Weather wise it was a perfect day, bright and sunny, not too hot, and not a sign of rain. We were welcomed with open arms. After we parked and walked up to the pavilion we were thanked for coming to the BBQ. This was not what I expected to happen. Most of the motorcycle club's only give us a thumb's up or a hand wave.



While I was at it, I pulled the battery and floor boards ahead of time so that while I was under the car turning the adjusting yoke, I could have someone sitting in the car pushing on the clutch pedal to let me know when the pedal was right, without me climbing in and out from under the car. This way it would be easy to see what was going on with the pedal travel.

Now that 8 members of the club showed up, it was time to get to work. It was easy to take care of the clutch first. With that done Scotty Mac helped me put the inside together to a point where we could move on to the next step. It was time to dig out the brake adjusting board, for which I got the dimensions from the Model A Ford Mechanics Handbook by Les Andrews.



Picture on the left is Bob Ripley putting on the last drum & hub. Harold brought cheat sheets to make sure we do things right.

On the right Harold is putting on the lug nuts so we can get to the next step.





# **Brake & Clutch Shop Tour/Audre & Dick**

Saturday I had a shop tour to adjust or replace the brake's, along with doing same thing with the clutch. I knew it would take a while to do some of this, so I had Audrey's Son in Law Bob come over and give me a hand to put the car up on jack stands ( I don't have a lift ) and pull the brake drums off to see if we needed new brake linings, just in case I need them with many of the members of the club coming to give me a hand.

I now have a brain storm. Would it not be a good time to replace the fluid in the transmission, rear end and check the steer box. Also with the car up on jack stands, this would also be a good time to grease all the fittings.



These pictures show how easy it is when the car is off the ground. Picture on the left is only showing a couple on the front, there are more there. Also don't forget those on the back.

The next pic shows that there is a grease fitting on the throw out bearing.

Make sure you get the grease fitting's on the break & clutch shaft. Because they are under the car, they often get missed.



The fitting on the left is on the bottom of the universal joint. This one also often gets missed.



The picture at the right is to let everyone know that there might be a cost to having a Shop Tour?



I noticed they had the BBQ going at this time so I walked over to take a look, and I could not believe what I saw. The size of the steaks that were on the grill were huge. If you look at the back right corner, you will see a box of steak to go on the grill. The next thing I saw was a large amount of chicken being put on the grill. I have to say they really know how to put



on a party. They had it set up so all we had to do was go up and be served. The young lady in the green shirt is Eliane Catarcione, our hostess and member of both the Motorcycle Club and the Gold Coast Model A Club. If there is food we will have a good time.



There were some beautiful Motorcycles there. I am not one who is into motorcycles so I will not be able to let you know exactly what, or how many different kinds or names where there. Many of our Club



Members have knowledge of the motorcycles. I understand one of our Gold Coast members, Jerry Carbone, at one time owned a bike shop in Michigan.

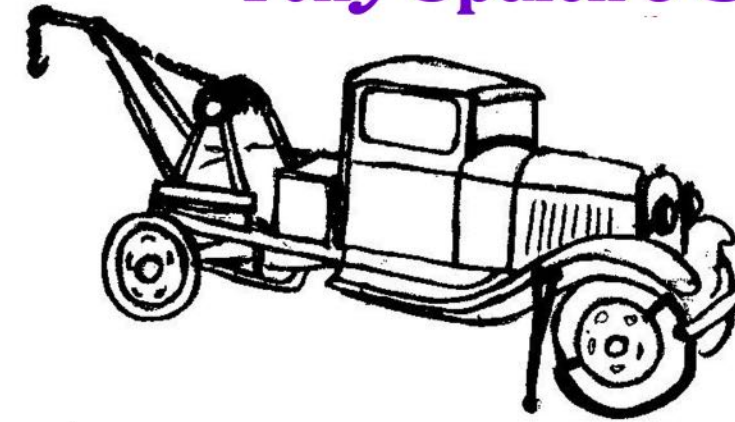


In the picture above we have Fabio in the white shirt our Host to this outing. The Pic to the left we see how the Cycle Club made their own sound system out of a motorcycle.



## Tony Spaich's Blast From the Past

Further Misadventures  
of the Duerstocks



The first ten years of our marriage, Joe and I were the recipients of exceptional good fortune; something happened after our tenth anniversary in June, 1977.

Several weeks ago our 1973 LTD developed battery failure while I was at Cutler Ridge Shopping Mall. It was 12:30 p.m. and I figured there was plenty of time for AAA to find me, jump the battery and for me to get home to pick up Jason at school at 2:00 p.m. To make a long story short, the AAA dispatcher sent service to the wrong place; my grandmother locked herself out of our house and couldn't be reached to pick up Jason; Joe had left work for a doctor's appointment and then disappeared from sight; my neighbor, who usually comes to my rescue, was not at home, and with the pay phones now gobbling up quarters, I spent \$2.25 trying to get help for my car and Jason retrieved from school. I finally arrived home at 2:45 with Joe waiting for me, my grandmother at a neighbor's house and Jason on his way home with the rescuing neighbor. Our Penney's lifetime battery had died after only 13 months, so Joe had it replaced.

Two days later, Jason and I drove the LTD to the VACM meet at Hialeah Race Track in the pouring rain. We arrived home late that afternoon, drenched. Everything I decided to prepare for dinner required the loaf of bread I did not possess, so I decided to go out and get some. The new battery was also defective and now dead, Joe still had the wrecker in Hialeah and the stake truck was not running, so I borrowed a loaf of bread from a neighbor. The camel's back broke when my oven unit died in the middle of preparing dinner. I should have spent that week in bed.

Things went fairly well until the second week in November. The LTD's carburetor needed work so Joe arose early to take it to the local Ford dealer. I followed him there in the wrecker after taking Jason to school. Due to allergies, I must wear a gas mask when driving or riding in the Model A's so I only do so when absolutely necessary. On our way home in the wrecker, we heard 2 or 3 loud bangs, pieces started flying and we headed for the side of the road. Our right front tire lost  $\frac{1}{2}$  of its tread and we had no spare with us. (The wrecker only has 20,000 miles on it and apparently its original, brittle-with-age tires. Joe bought new ones on the way home from New Jersey, but hasn't put them on yet. He wants to restore the rims first.)

I called our rescuing neighbors and asked them to stand by while we attempted to limp the six miles home. Limp is an excellent way to describe our gait. Can you imagine going 10 m.p.h. up U.S. 1 in a rusty old wrecker with one tire bumping along, and the passenger wearing a gas mask? It's a wonder someone doesn't have us committed. By some stroke of good luck we made it home, but the ride was nauseating.

Are you sure you want me to be editor of the Oogah Blast?



I wondered how they got started, a religious Motorcycle Club and with Easter just around the corner, I asked. The President Marcio Rodrigues sent this. Aguias de Cristo Moto Clube is a Christ centered nonprofit organization. Started in 2000 in the City of Nova Friburgo, Rio de Janeiro Brazil. Today there is over 110 chapters in Brazil, South America and the USA, with more than 1000 members. In March 2013, they opened a chapter in the USA and will be celebrating there 5th Anniversary in that month. Mr Rodrigues said they use their motorcycles as a way of bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our fellow motorcyce friends.



As everyone in our club knows, if there is a Model A around and there are members near it, it will have to be checked to see if there might be some sort of defect that needs to be remedied or adjusted.



There was one more car at the BBQ. That would be John Schachieiter, who was called home to fix a plumbing problem. Sorry John, you had to miss it.

Thank you Mark Gompertz in the picture above and Donna Ripley for all the pictures, which I did not get a chance to take. We called it a day, and some of us decided to get some lunch, so some went South, some of us went North to Duffys as you can see in the picture above. Great day, great time together, a very good lunch.

THE DAY COULD NOT HAVE BEEN MORE PERFECT. WE HAD BEEN GIVEN A BRIGHT SUNSHINE DAY, A BIG BLUE SKY, WITH LARGE WHITE CLOUDS WITH NO RAIN SO THAT WE MAY ENJOY OUR...

# 2018 All Model A Show.

Then in comes a gangsta with his doll. At this point in time I am not sure what kind of problem our group is going to have. It's not every day you run into some Gangsta looking person carrying a Tommy Gun and he brings along some Doll sashaying along side of him.

Then I realized, this is just Jerry & Dorice Carbone and they are here in Period Dress for our 44th Annual All Model A Show, along with many other members. There were 20 Model A's on the field to show and near 35 Members to come out and support and participate in this great annual event.



Many thanks to everyone who brought their Model A to the show, and all who showed up to support what we were doing.

We did have one little glitch that we were not ready for. There was a communication problem with the food truck we hired, he did not show up. As everyone was coming in they were looking for a cup of coffee. But this day we had an Angel amongst us. Tony's daughter Barbara, shown on his right in the picture, went to Dunkin' Donuts and brought back Coffee and Donuts for everyone.





Once everyone got into position on the field, lined up and settled in, we all sprung into action and started to judge all the cars. Not everyone wanted to be a Judge, so those who were not, gave a big helping hand by writing down all the information and scores to speed up the process. We are not professional judges, but we do a pretty good job in what we do. We do judge basically for anyone who would like their Model A to be more original, but our Club does not have any Model A police, so anyone who likes their Model A just the way it is, is fine by us (one his way, one more original).



I really want to thank everyone who judged, along with all the rest who helped the judge's, you made this a great Model A Show.

Let us see as many as we can of those who judged and the ones who help make this a great show.

