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April 2021

Golden Triangle A's

PO Box 21185

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Facebook: Golden Triangle A's-MAFCA Club

Next Monthly Meeting

When: April 13, 2021

Time: 6:00 PM

**Where: Baytown Seafood
4830 Twin City Hwy
Groves, Texas**

The Golden Triangle A's have been serving the Southeast Texas Model A community since 1995. With regular meetings, tours and activities, it is our goal to unite all Model A Ford owners and help in restoring, maintaining and preserving these automobiles. We strongly encourage all our members to join the Model A Ford Club of America.

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THE PREZ SEZ.....

Hi All,

Just wanted to thank all the Club members that attended the February meeting and the Liberty Street Rally. It was great to have a good turn out for both events. Jean Jones won the \$25 participation drawing which will be presented at the April meeting.



It was great to have our new members, Robert (MAFCA Chapter Coordinator) and Elaine Bullard attend Club's meeting

Hopefully, we can get even greater participation in all monthly meetings and events. You can drive your Model A, trailer your Model A or drive your modern car, whatever is more comfortable for you. Also, if you attend a Club event your name will be put in a drawing for \$25.

Please invite any potential new members with or without a Model A to attend one of our meetings. The more members we have the better.

Bob and Pam Johnson, Tour Chairs, will update us on the April 24th Spring Fling to Winnie/Galveston.

Our monthly meeting will be on April 13 at **Baytown Seafood at 4830 Twin City Hwy, Groves**. Supper will begin at 6 pm followed by the meeting at 7:00 PM. Please try to make the meeting.

Dennis Weyant
President

2021 Coming Attractions

APRIL

13th – GTA Meeting

24th—Spring Fling, Winnie/
Galveston

MAY

11th GTA Meeting

TBD Dine & Drive



INSIDE:

The 58th Annual Texas Tour will be June 10-13, 2021 in Longview, Texas. It will be hosted by the Autumn Trails Model A Club. Information and registration can be found on page 4. Don't forget about our Drive & Dine to Winnie/Galveston on Saturday April 24th. This month's puzzle is located on page 7. (Hint: car styles and cities.) I want to thank Sylvia Butler for helping with the newsletter.

Sylvia/Dennis

GOLDEN TRIANGLE MODEL A's MINUTES
March 9, 2021
Olive Garden - Beaumont, Texas

President Dennis Weyant called the meeting to order and Wes Jones led us in prayer. The pledge to the flag was led by Dennis Weyant.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the February meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis Turner gave the Treasurer's Report. It was approved as given.

Newsletter Quiz: It was a word search. Dennis Weyant had provided the answer key in the newsletter. He said he could provide answer keys for future puzzles, but most members indicated they did not want the answer keys published.

Mystery Part: Dennis Turner brought the mystery part. Joe Buntyn's ticket was drawn. He did not identify the part. Robert Bullard identified it as an anti-rattle shim.

Tech Session: No tech session is planned for now. A session can be planned later when more have received the COVID vaccine.

50/50 Drawing: Kathy Smith's ticket was drawn.

Old Business: Sylvia Butler announced that the article and pictures from the October 2020 Coldspring Tour will be published in the May/June 2021 Restorer.

New Business: Dennis Weyant ask for feedback regarding the two types of newsletters he sent to members in March. One was a new format with fewer pages and one was the original longer format he had been using. A newsletter with fewer pages would be easier for Dorothy Burk to print and mail to members. Also according to the GTA's Bylaws, the newsletter should be received by members 10 days before a scheduled meeting. Bob Johnson moved that "The GTA's monthly newsletter be no more than 12 pages long (6 pages front & back) and it be mailed to members 12 days prior to a meeting." Ronnie Butler seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Upcoming Tours: Bob & Pam Johnson discussed the tour calendar.

~ Dennis Weyant reminded everyone the Dine and Drive to the Liberty Car Show that was postponed from February will be this Saturday, March 13th. Plans to meet, drive, look at cars, shop, and eat will be the same as had been planned in February.

~ The April Spring Fling to Winnie/Galveston is scheduled for April 24th. It will be a one day Saturday trip. Bob will provide information at the April meeting.

~ The Texas Tour is June 10-13 in Longview. Several members have signed up to attend.

~ The GTA's Fall Tour to Coldspring will be October 15-17. At this time, all the Sunday Houses are available for the weekend. Call Linda Curry at 936-661-1530 to book a house.

~ The YO Ranch Resort in Kerrville, Texas has started taking reservations for the MAFCA Convention to be held there June 12-17, **2022**

Our next meeting will be at Baytown Seafood in Groves, TX. Jean Jones is planning to book Robert's in Orange for the May meeting.

Jean Jones moved to adjourn the meeting, Debbie Weyant seconded, and all approved to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted by: Sylvia Butler for Karen Parsley, Secretary



Joyce Wesley	10 th
Rebecca Keith	14 th
Garth Shreading	19 th
Rachael Felice	24 th
Paul Dominguez	25 th

Fred & Darleen Thompson 4th



LIBERTY STREET RALLY
MARCH 13, 2021
Drive & Dine Hosted by Dennis and Debbie Weyant

We had great turnout for Liberty Street Rally, 13 members and 2 Model A's. The weather was great. The group looked at the Antique and Classic cars and trucks on display and shopped at the Antique stores. Most of the members ate at JAX Hamburgers for lunch. Jean Jones won the drawing for \$25 for attending the Club Event.



CHAPTER LOAN PROGRAM

Tools

Distributor Puller
Steering Wheel Puller
Wheel Hub Puller
Brake Lining Tool
Ratchet Nut Wrench
Brake Centering Tool
Rear Spring Spreader
Front Spring Spreader
Door Hinge Pin Remover
Gas Gauge Tool
Timing Tool
Frame Spreader (NEW)

*To borrow Tools contact
Bob Johnson at 409-781-3078

Books & Videos

Model A Paint Guide (NEW)
Rebuilding Steering
Rebuilding Shocks
Yokohama A's
2008 World Meet
48th Texas Tour #1
48th Texas Tour #2
2011 Gulf Coast Tour
Tech Session, Engine Install

*To borrow books & videos, contact
Dennis Weyant 409-651-5165



Members are encouraged to take advantage of our loan program but do so at your own risk.
If unsure of the proper and safe operation of a tool be sure to get help before using them.
Return all tools and videos, in clean and in proper working order.

Golden Triangle Model A Club 2021 Dues

The Golden Triangle Model A Club dues for 2021 are due by Dec. 31, 2020.
The dues are \$20 per family. Starting Jan. 1, the dues will increase to \$25 per family.
Mail To:
Dennis Turner



2021 MAFCA's NATIONAL TOUR White Mountains of New Hampshire June 20-25, 2021

For registration, hotel information, tour schedule, souvenir apparel,
and all updates go to:
www.2021mafcanationaltour.com
or Facebook group #942306399533378



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Make checks payable to Model A Ford Club of America

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____ Country _____ Telephone _____
Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes: ___ No: ___

Return this Form and Payment to MAFCA 250 South Cypress • La Habra, CA 90631-5515 ~ 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

GOLDEN TRIANGLE MODEL A 2021 CALENDAR

March
9th Meeting
13th Dine & Drive

August
10th Meeting
14th Dine & Drive—Butlers

April
13th Meeting
24th Spring Fling—Winnie/Galveston
Tech Session - TBD

September
14th Meeting
18th National Model A Day

May
11th Meeting
Dine & Drive—Parsleys

October
12th Meeting
15-17 Fall Tour to Coldspring

June
8th Meeting
10-13th Texas Tour in Longview
18th Father's Day Car Show @ Calder Woods
20-25th National Tour-New Hampshire

November
6th Lamar Homecoming Parade-Car Show
9th Meeting

July
4th Calder Place Parade
13th Meeting
Dine & Drive—Smiths

December
TBA GTA Christmas Party

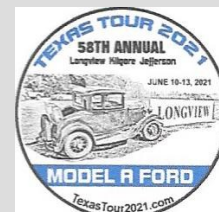
Ideas for Dine and Drive:

Liberty Street Rally (2nd Saturday of every month, 9 to 12 noon at the downtown square) ~ Jax Hamburgers ~ Antiques ~ McFaddin Ward Spring picnic on the lawn ~ Pompeii House and Museum, Pt Arthur ~ Sour Lake Christmas Festival/Parade ~ Breakfasts at Mama Jack, ~ Amelia Farms, ~ Wagon Wheel Restaurant, ~ Romeros, ~ Shangri la Fall events with pumpkins and scarecrows ~ Miniature golf ~ Antiquing ~ Tex Ritter Museum ~ Gulf Coast Museum ~ Clifton Steamboat Museum or other museums ~ Winnie Trade Days ~ Gator Country ~ Village Creek Festival ~ Beaumont Botanical Gardens ~ Neches River Festival/Parade ~ Other Local community events

General Dine and Drive Guidelines – Dining may be breakfast or lunch. Details are set by host activity should last approximately 4 hours Host needs to have printed information for details of Dine and Drive at that month's meeting or earlier so it can be added to calendars.

Bob and Pam Johnson, Tour Chair

58th ANNUAL TEXAS TOUR Longview, Texas ~ JUNE 10-13, 2021 Autumn Trails Model A Ford Club



Host hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn, 905 East Hawkins Pkwy, Longview, TX 75605
Phone: 903-212-3000 ~ Pick up tour packets in hotel lobby beginning June 10th till 5:30 p.m.

Tours are scheduled to Jefferson on Friday and Kilgore on Saturday

Two social events will be held outside at Wylde Acres, 2864 Smelley Rd., Longview ~ Bring lawn chairs.
www.wyldeacres.com

Welcome party on Thursday night with karaoke and Chick-Fil-A-sandwiches provided.

Saturday Era Fashions night with BBQ dinner provided and "People's Choice" fashion awards.

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORM CAN BE FOUND @

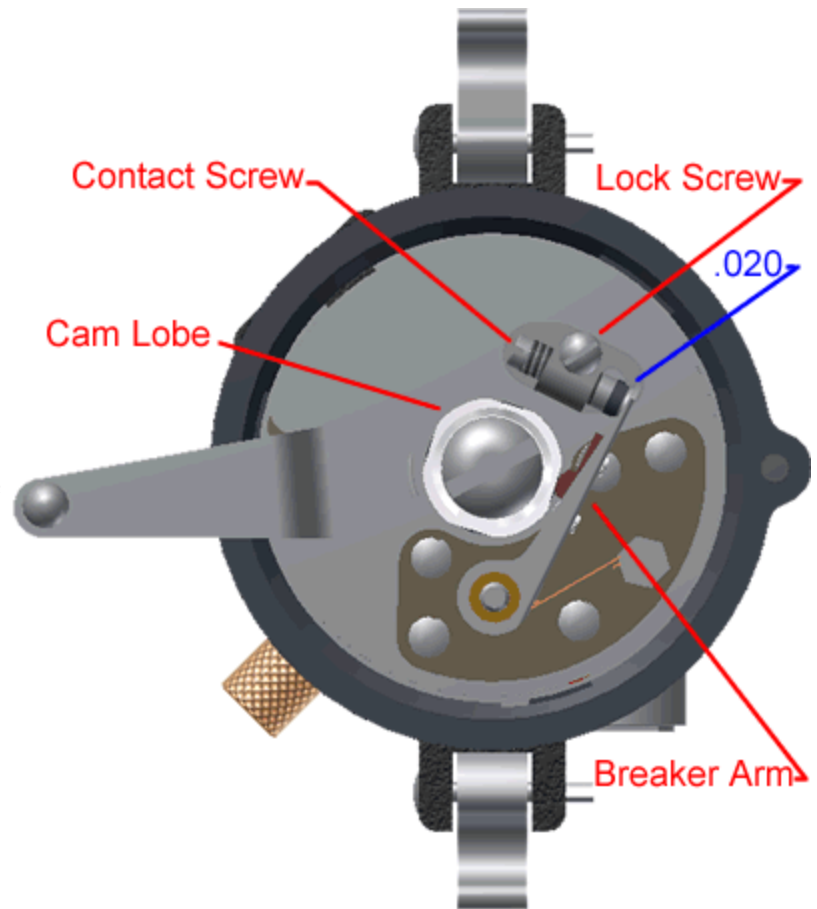
www.TexasTour2021.com

(\$35 per adult registration fee ~ Registration form was printed in the GTA March newsletter)

Setting Point Gap

To adjust points proceed as follows:

1. Lift off distributor cap, rotor, and body. Turn engine over slowly with hand crank until breaker arm rests on one of the lobes of the cam with the breaker points fully opened.
2. Loosen lock screw and turn the contact screw until the gap is between .018 and .022". A standard thickness gage is used to obtain this measurement. When correct adjustment is obtained, tighten the lock screw. After tightening the lock screw, again check the gap to make sure the adjustment was not altered when the lock screw was tightened.



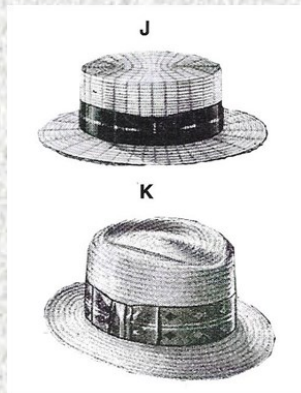
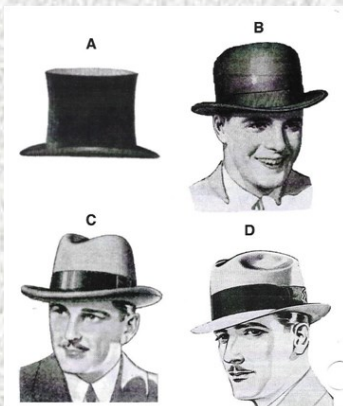
ERA FASHIONS: Men's Hats

Hats were an essential part of a man's daily dress. In all four years there was little or no difference in men's hats. With the exception of the straws, hats were made out of fur felt and finished smoothly. There were other hats worn by men during the era (e.g. fam/cowboy or mechanic/engineer), but the ones worn by most men are pictured below.

A. Top hats were worn with formal dress attire. B. The derby can be worn with a tux or a suit. C. The homburg is a very dignified hat worn for business or dress. D. The fedora came in several styles and had many different names. The brim could be plain or the edge turned under and sewn to make it stiffer.

J. Straw, sailor, or boaters are worn with summer suits, for casual wear, and occasionally with summer tuxes. K. Hat made of straw with a drop crown and snap brim with a sporty hatband.

One of the most popular hats men wore with their sport outfits were caps. They came in many colors. Fabrics were varied. Most came in wool or linen and normally had a button at the top of the crown. The brims often had a snap on them.



Name: _____

Date: _____

March 2021 Puzzle

1. EPNOATH _____
2. RALTEOBIC _____
3. FCEOFFE _____
4. CPPKUI _____
5. STOARDRE _____
6. BITRYLE _____
7. UODRT _____
8. MABTOUEN _____
9. CEOPU _____
10. TURNK _____

Re-Engineering the Model A Engine



Long time MAFCA member **Terry Burtz** of Campbell California has long been working on a project to have a new Model A engine block, crankshaft and connecting rods manufactured. The engine will be identical to the original Model A engine on the outside but will have 5 main bearings, a balanced crankshaft, and full pressurized oil system.

He began this project in 2007 and has worked with California foundries for several years trying to get an end product that would cost about the same as rebuilding an original Model A engine. The project stalled in 2015 and for the next 4 years, there was no news.

<https://wordmint.com/puzzles/3335210>

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However, in 2019, Terry got in touch with a man with businesses in China and USA that manufactures engines. They have met and discussed Terry's project and it looks like the project is back on track.

The articles that Terry has been emailing interested parties over the years can be found on his web-



site www.ModelAEngine.com under the menu item **UPDATES**.

If you'd like to join his mailing list, go to the [CONTACT INFORMATION](#) page on his website and sign up.



Golden Triangle A's On Tour

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