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THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE A's

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Golden Triangle A's

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## Next Monthly Meeting

**When: December 3, 2022**

**Time: 6:00 PM**

**Where: Carolina Room  
Gladys City Museum  
Beaumont, 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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President: Dennis Weyant (409)651-5165  
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- All leaders must be MAFCA members
- Website: gta-texas.com  
(Membership application is on the website)
- Facebook: Golden Triangle A's-MAFCA Club

## THE PREZ SEZ.....

Hi All,

It has been a pleasure to serve as president of the Golden Triangle A's for the past two years. Thanks to the support of all the members, it has been a great two years.

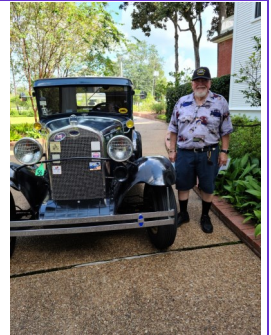
I want to again thank all our Club members that helped make the Gulf Coast Tour very successful.

Don't forget the 2023 Club dues (\$20) are due by December 31. After this date, dues will be \$25.

Please join us at [Spindletop Gladys City Boomtown Museum \(Carolina Room\)](#), 5550 Jimmy Simmons Blvd, Beaumont, TX for our December 3, 2022 Club Christmas Party. Also, bring a \$20 gift to participate in gift drawing. Female bring a gift for a female. Male bring a gift for a male.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Years to all....

Dennis Weyant  
President



# Merry Christmas

## 2022—2023 Coming Attractions



### DECEMBER

3rd—Club Christmas Party  
Carolina Room, Gladys City Museum, Beaumont, TX  
Catered by Carmela's  
5-8—2022 National Awards in Golden, Colorado

### JANUARY

10th—GTA Meeting

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**Don't forget to send in your 2023 GTA Membership Dues before December 31!**

**GOLDEN TRIANGLE MODEL A's MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 8, 2022**  
**Baytown Seafood, Groves, Texas**

Dennis Weyant called the meeting to order.

Wes Jones led us in prayer and the pledge to the flag.

The Secretary's Report from October was approved.

The Treasurer's Report from October was approved.

Paul Smith reminded everyone their Golden Triangle \$20 membership fees are due by the end of the year.

Wes Jones answered the newsletter quiz questions.

Paul Smith and Dennis Turner both brought a mystery part. There weren't any tickets, so none were drawn. Paul brought a brake adjusting shaft. Dennis Turner brought a starter plunger from Joe Buntyn's car that Dennis fixed.

There wasn't a 50/50 drawing.

Pam Johnson handed out an Income & Expense statement for the Gulf Coast Tour, and expenses and income were discussed. The club made a nice profit because of everyone's hard work. Bob Johnson credited the success of the Gulf Coast Tour to our generous donations received from CarLine Manufacturing and Howell's Sheet Metal along with the nicer items donated by club members.

Big thanks were given to: Sylvia Butler for handling the Friday night dinner at Gladys City; Debbie and Dennis Weyant for working at the registration table; Dorothy Burk for handling the 50/50 tickets; the Parsleys for taking care of the Saturday tour and lunch; and Emma, Rodney, Linda, and Mary for handling the Silent Auction.

Pam also gave an update on the Christmas Party. It will be held at the Caroline Room at Gladys City Spindletop on December 3rd at 6 p.m. Carmela's Mexican Restaurant will cater the food. It was discussed and decided for the club to also provide the desserts for the party. All members will need to do is bring a present with a \$20 or less value. Women will exchange gifts with women, and men will trade with men.

Dennis Weyant opened the floor for officer nominations for the 2023 calendar year. The following people were nominated and voted in with a unanimous vote. They will be installed at the December Christmas Party meeting. Treasurer - Paul Smith; Secretary - Debbie Weyant; Vice-President - Dennis Weyant ; President - Bob Johnson.

The meeting was adjourned by 7:45 p.m. by Dennis Weyant.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Johnson for Secretary Karen Parsley



Linda Patterson—4th  
Clyde Kirbow—17th  
Jean Jones—19th  
Dorothy Burk —24th



David & Linda Shelton—1st

## Jim's Tech Tips

### "Radiator Hoses"

If there is one thing we take for granted on the Model A engine, even more than the fan belt, it's the radiator hoses. We put them on and expect them to last "forever". But they don't. I've been on more than a few tours where someone ends up with a leaking radiator hose that interrupts their drive.

So today's Tech Tip is to remind you to inspect the radiator hoses and snug up the hose clamps (if needed) every time you change the engine oil. Look for signs of coolant seeping out of the hose, usually at the end. Look for obvious cracks and other signs the rubber is breaking down.



The upper radiator hose is subjected to the hottest coolant while you drive, so that is often the hose that starts leaking first. And the lower steel pipe tends to corrode away from the inside out, where you can't see it until it's too late. So look for coolant weeping down there, too.

A stock Model A does not run a pressurized cooling system, so it does not have a lot of pressure on the hoses. However, if you have a thermostat installed in your upper hose, the hose section between the engine outlet neck and the thermostat sees a lot of pressure when the thermostat is not open. A leak there can pump all of your coolant out in no time at all. So check that area carefully.

It's probably overkill, but to avoid a problem on the road, I replace my radiator hoses and coolant about every 3 years of normal driving. Avoid problems, and *Have a Model A Day!*  
Jim

FDR in Hyde Park in 1928, driving his Ford, which was equipped with hand controls he designed.

"The country needs and ...demands bold persistent experimentation. It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something."

FDR on May 22, 1932—Speech at Oglethorpe University, in Atlanta.



## Women's Compacts

Makeup hadn't gain social acceptance during the early 1900's. They were often hidden within accessories such as walking sticks, jewelry or hatpins. One manufacturer, Whiting & Davis, created lidded compartments in their handbags where powder, rouge and combs could be hidden.

In early 1900 sales of facial powders were only done through druggists. Powder was sold either loose or in a "pancake" and distributed in boxes with the lids used as the puff. By 1908, metal compacts were seen in Sear's catalogues describing them as small enough to fit in a handbag.

Max Factor, beauty consultant to the movie stars, was the first to coin the word "makeup" in their ads. As women went to work outside the home, putting makeup on became a routine for a women's good grooming. Compacts became fancier than simple boxes. Some had either finger chains or tango chains. Coty was the first manufacturer to produce both a powder and lipstick. Other manufacturers like Evans, Elgin-American, Volupte, and Stratton developed compacts that held both powder, rouge, and lipstick.

They were made out of enameled elaborate art deco designs on metal boxes, gold, silver, turtle shell, celluloid, bakelite, leather, and wood. Later in the 40's lucite was very popular and inexpensive to produce for compacts. The shapes were also varied; round, square, oblong, triangular, fan shaped, multisided, etc.

Compacts were influenced by the latest trends in fashions. By 1930's some had small watches and others were designed to become souvenirs and given away at local car dealers and world fairs.

As women's purses grew larger so did the compact. "Vanity cases" became the norm in the 1950's by US manufacturers. In the 1960's the cosmetic industry created plastic containers that were designed to be discarded once the powder ran out. As makeup trends changed from the pale and powdered look to a more natural look, so too was the decline of the compact.

(Ref. MAFCA Fashion Guidelines, History of Compacts on the web, Collector's Encyclopedia of Compacts, Carryalls, Face Powder Boxes by Laura Mueller



## 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  
48<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour #1  
48<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour #2  
2011 Gulf Coast Tour  
Tech Session, Engine Install

\*To borrow books & videos, contact  
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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 Dues

**Annual Fees: (Make Checks Payable to the Golden Triangle A's)**

**\*New Member \$20.00 or postmarked after Dec 31 (pro-rated) \*Returning Member paid or postmarked on or before Dec. 31-\$20 \*Returning Member paid or postmarked after Dec. 31-\$25.00**

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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

Please join me in congratulating our new board members for 2023. We had a successful vote count with support from the Diamond Tread and Pomona Valley Chapters. The newly elected directors are :

- Robert Bullard
- Dave Gill
- Will Langford
- Gary Price
- Melanie Whittington

Jay McCord, MAFCA President

## CONGRATULATIONS TO 2023 GOLDEN TRIANGLE A's CLUB OFFICERS

President: Bob Johnson  
Vice President: Dennis Weyant  
Secretary: Debbie Weyant  
Treasurer: Paul Smith

Officers will be installed at the December meeting.



## Golden Triangle A's On Tour

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