

# THE RUNNING BOARD NEWS



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# Serving The Golden Triangle

May 2020

## Next Monthly Meeting

When: May 12, 2020

Time: 6:00 PM

Where:

No Meeting this month

BE There or Be ?

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.

# The Prez Sez

Hello to all of our club members. I sure hope all of you are doing great in this time of lock down.

I'm sure all of you know or have guessed we can't have a meeting again this month. Restaurants at quarter capacity or half capacity will not work for us. I think restaurants will have to be a full capacity before we can have another meeting.

As all of you have heard, when Texas starts opening back up, they are saying 65 and older should stay home!! The 65 and older group is probably ½ of the club. If you do go out, wear a mask. I do know if I go out, I will have my mask on. Anyway, enough on the virus.



Kenny Smith will be selling a lot of his father's Model A collection, but not the Model As. He will be letting us know when we can go and look and buy. We will text and put it on our website for everyone to know.

Everybody stay healthy, happy, and wise. Hope to see you all soon.

Dorothy Burk

President



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#### Notes from the Editor

I hope all Club members, your family and friends are doing OK during this coronavirus (Covid -19) pandemic. Due to the the stay at home order and the restaurants offering only take-out, the May meeting was canceled.

However, we are planning a picnic at Spindletop museum on May 16 at noon. See

flyer on page 10. Page 2 lists our club's upcoming events but near future all events are subject to cancellation. On page 5, is the list of all activities for 2020. The puzzle for this month is on page 13.

**Dennis** 



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#### **2020 Coming Attractions**

May

12<sup>th</sup> - GTA Meeting Cancelled 16<sup>th</sup> - Picnic at Spindletop Museum

June

No Drive and Dine 9th - GTA Meeting

19th - Calder Woods Father's Day Car Show



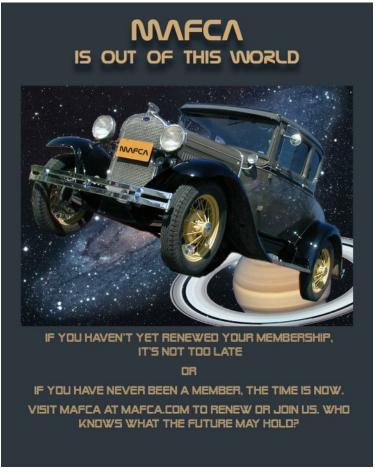
GOLDEN TRIANGLE MODEL A CLUB
2020 OFFICERS

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT

DENNIS TURNER - TREASURER KAREN PARSLEY - SECRETARY DOROTHY BURK - PRESIDENT JEAN JONES - VICE PRESIDENT

# **GOLDEN TRIANGLE MODEL A'S MINUTES**

Since we didn't have a meeting in April there were no minutes.





What to do during a pandemic.

Photo from Jay McCord via Facebook

Hello all,

We are working on the 2020 GTA Calendar. Please review it and if there is anything you would like to add, just email us. There are six Dine and Drive events for 2020. If you have an idea of something fun to do and want to grab a month, let us know, and we will record it for you. The calendar will be discussed in more detail at the January meeting. Thanks.

Bob and Pam

See Page 5

# Golden Triangle Model A Club 2020 Dues

The Golden Triangle Model A Club dues for 2020 are due by Jan. 31, 2020. The dues are \$20 per family. Starting Feb. 1, the dues will increase to \$25 per family.

Note: An additional amount will be charged if the newsletter is mailed to you.

Mailing address is:

Dennis Turner P.O. Box 158 Groves, TX 77619

#### 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)

#### **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

For information or to borrow, contact Roy Keith at 409-273-0091 Or Sterling Keith at 409-273-1951

#### Chapter Loan Program

Members are encouraged to take advantage of our loan program but do so at their 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 clean and in proper working order.

#### Model A Calendar 2020

#### January

TBA Dine and Drive \_\_\_\_\_14th – GTA Meeting - Habaneros Mexican Restaurant

#### **February**

– Mardi Gras Parade –

11th – GTA Meeting

15th - Southeast TX Mardi Gras Grand Ball - display cars, recruiting table, Beaumont Civic Center

#### March

 Tech Session needed in March or April before Spring Fling event

21st Dine and Drive - Cancelled

10th – GTA Meeting

#### **April**

- No Dine and Drive
- Tech Session needed in March or April before Spring Fling event

14th – GTA Meeting - Cancelled 25/26th - Spring Fling - Cancelled

#### May

12th - GTA Meeting - Cancelled

16<sup>th</sup> – Dine and Drive – Picnic @ Spindletop Museum

#### June

- No Dine and Drive

9th – GTA Meeting Pending

11th-14th - 2020 Texas Tour - Brenham, TX

19th - Calder Woods - Father's Day Car Show

21st – 26th – MAFCA and Texas Tour, YO Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, TX - Cancelled

#### July

- TBA Dine and Drive - \_\_\_\_\_\_
4th - Calder Place Parade

14th – GTA Meeting

#### **August**

#### September

-Tech Session needed in September or October before Gulf Coast Tour event

8th – GTA Meeting

19th - National Model A Day

- Dine and Drive - TBA \_\_\_\_\_

#### October

- No Dine and Drive TBA
- Gulf Coast Tour sponsored by Houston Club

Tech Session needed in September or October before Gulf Coast Tour event 13th – GTA Meeting

#### November

7th– Lamar Homecoming Parade/Spindletop Museum TBA – Henderson Heritage Syrup Festival TBA -Kountze Syrup Festival 10th – GTA Meeting

#### December

GTA Christmas Party Date and Location to be discussed

#### **DINE AND DRIVES**

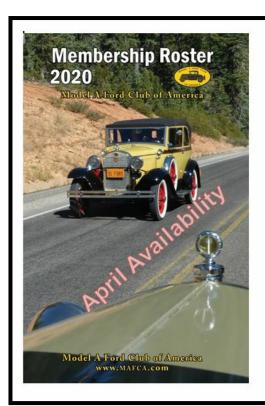
Continuing the club's tradition, families can volunteer to host a Dine and Drive for the months that need an activity. Some months that already have activities scheduled do not need a Dine and Drive.

#### Ideas for Dine and Drives

- 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, etc.
- Shangri La Fall events with pumpkins and scarecrows
- · Miniature golf
- $\cdot$  Antiquing  $\cdot$  Tex Ritter Museum or Gulf Coast Museum or Clifton Steamboat Museum or other museums
- · Winnie Trade Days
- · Gator Country · Village Creek Festival
- · Beaumont Botanical Gardens
- · 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.

Other events that may be added to calendar Neches River Festival parade – April



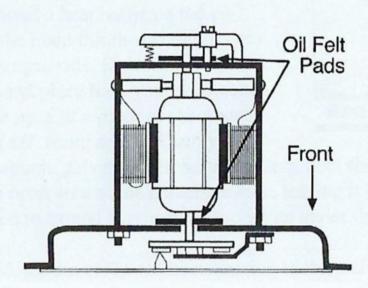
#### Important Reminder

Don't forget to order your 2020 Membership Roster now. You don't want to be traveling without this helpful resource. Order yours now so you will be sure to get a copy, they will go fast. \$16 plus postage

Call 1-866-379-3619 or visit www.mafca.com

# HORN LUBRICATION

Lubricating their horn is one item that some people overlook. There are two felt pads at the armature area of your horn. Put two (2) drops of 3-1 type oil on each felt oiler pad about two times a year and this will help keep your horn working. DO NOT OVER OIL.



Submitted by Tony Topicz, Ohio Valley Region. Illustrated by Dick Lewis, Lawrenceburg, Indiana





### Installing New Radiator Hoses

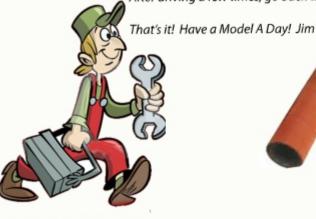
Heat takes a toll on the radiator hoses, especially the upper hose. The radiator hoses on a Model A can be a pain to install, particularly the lower ones with the pipe. Here are a few tips I have picked up to make the job easier.

Use a lubricating non-hardening sealant inside the hose ends to make it easier to slide them on to the engine and radiator necks, and easier to move them around when you need to. The best one that I have found is called Hylomar AF (I get it from W.W. Grainger). A thin coating inside the hose helps it slide around when installing, and will also make it easier to remove in the future.

On the lower pipe, install one short hose on each end of the pipe and secure each with a clamp. Estimate where you want the hoses to be, but be prepared to move them later after a trial fitting. Slide the hose end first on to the radiator outlet at the bottom and slide it far forward. Then work the other end's hose over the cast iron water inlet and slide up. Feel through the hose to find the bead on the inlet and clamp on the engine side of the bead. Then tighten the clamp at the radiator.

The upper hose uses a similar technique. Slide the hose first down on the cast iron engine gooseneck. Carefully work the other end over the radiator inlet and slide it up. Then position the hose clamps near the end of the hose and tighten them.

Do not over tighten the hose clamps, especially the ones on the radiator. If you do, you can buckle and crush the thin brass, and you will cut into the hoses. You should not have to make the clamps too tight if you use some sealant. Start out with them just snug and then only tighten more if coolant drips from the hose when the system is full. After driving a few times, go back and check the clamps, snug them up a bit if needed.







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# TRAVELING DOWN IN YOUR MODEL A



Those attending the National Banquet had the opportunity to attend a Fashion seminar presented by Patti Jones, Era Fashion Committee member.



Traveling down Route 66, bags would be unpacked and guest(s) settled into comfortable rooms at the Morey Mansion in Redlands, California. A woman would travel with a full dresser set to ensure a glamorous appearance.



The well- dressed woman might change into an afternoon dress for a stroll around the property. In a black and white checked dress with white insert and shoes of kid leather in a white and black woven pattern, she would marvel at the beauty of the grounds.

For a sports minded woman, riding or shooting clay birds would be on the agenda.



Tall leather boots kept the person stable and the canvas vest would hold the shotgun shells needed.



For the ride through the countryside, a spring outfit with plaid knickers with a cream-colored long sleeved blouse would add style to the sport. Of course, a black riding helmet and a riding whip would be appropriate accessories.

Palm Springs was a popular stop along Route 66. Perhaps a dip in a swimming pool or catching some sunrays in the newest swimwear would occupy the time. An umbrella, rubber shoes to protect the feet and the ever so fashionable Janzen swim suite made of wool would have been unpacked from the luggage.



For the adventure seeker, taking a flight would require goggles, leather helmet, gloves, and a jacket.

Golfing attire might be the corduroy knickers, white shirt/blouse, sweater, and leather shoes with knee high stocks.

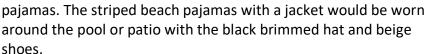
Perhaps instead of walking or sports, attending an afternoon tea would provide a delightful afternoon. The orange floral chiffon dress with a Bertha collar,

hat, and cream leather pumps would turn all the heads as you enter the tearoom.

As evening approaches, an evening dress for dinner was necessary. The aqua dress with embroidery edges, chiffon jacket, and silver fox stole, pale blue evening sandals, and white beaded purse would be perfect. This ensemble could also be worn at the casinos for an evening of cards and gambling.



To retire for the evening, a silk nightgown with a matching dressing gown could be worn around the bedroom suite. Another choice could be a black oriental design lounging



Being well attired required planning, multiple ensembles, and an attitude of style for travelers along Route 66 or across the entire country!

At the National Banquet Fashion seminar, several fashion enthusiasts spoke of being discouraged due to difficulty of finding original garments in good condition. Some are reporting that their original garments no longer fit their body shapes, or their garments are becoming so fragile, that they chose not the wear them in fashion judging. Original garments are 89-92 years old, however just as beautiful as the day produced. The Era Fashion Committee is discussing the concept of a Judged Display Section of the Era Fashion Guidelines. Currently, there is a Display Only description, where a Host Fashion Coordinator may decide to offer a Display opportunity to participants. The Era Fashion Committee believes there are MAFCA members who would display the original garments for all to enjoy.

The Era Fashion Committee has started drafting proposed judging standards for Display Fashion Category. The Era Fashion Committee would like your feedback. Send your comments to Diann Eason, Chairperson at <a href="mailto:fashions@mafca.com">fashions@mafca.com</a>

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# May 2020 Drive & Picnic May 16, 2020 @Noon

# Spindletop-Gladys City Boomtown Museum

5550 Jimmy Simmons Blvd., Beaumont, TX 77705 - United States

The Museum's Director, Troy Gray, gave our club permission to hold our picnic at Spindletop.

Please bring your picnic lunch, drinks and a chair. If you don't want to drive your Model A, please drive your modern car. We may have a quick game of Bingo.





## 57<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS TOUR BRENHAM, TX JUNE 11-14, 2020 CO-HOSTED BY THE BRAZOS VALLEY A'S & THE COWTOWN A'S

Model A Ford Clubs of Texas,

As you have probably heard by now, the 2020 MAFCA National Convention was cancelled, and therefore so was the Texas Tour that was combined with the event. Those of us who look forward to meeting with our Model "A" friends from across the state every June couldn't stand the thought of skipping a year after a continuous 56 years streak.

Members of the Brazos Valley & Fort Worth Model "A" Ford Clubs have come together to offer you the opportunity to continue the tradition with us. We will be hosting the 57th Texas Tour in Brenham, TX June 11-14, 2020. Our goal is to make this as affordable and enjoyable as possible. Due to the short time frame, we will not have fashion or car judging. We are sorry if this is a disappointment to anyone, we just hope you will decide to join us anyway. This may be a more simple tour, but with all the same enjoyment as before.

#### Schedule of Events

**Thursday** Early-bird self-guided winery tour, Registration pick up @ Baymont

hotel, & Welcome Party at 6:00PM

**Friday** A day of self-guided touring Brenham & surrounding areas with routes

provided, & possibly a dinner tour (TBD)

**Saturday** A group Grand Tour during the day, & a Farewell Party at 6:00PM

Hotel information is below. The "host" hotel will be the Baymont as that is where you can pick up your registration when you arrive, but other than that no events will be held at the hotels so you may pick whichever you like. The Baymont also offers trailer parking. Please ask hotels when booking about their cancelation policies so you are aware.

It should also be mentioned what we understand these are times of uncertainty with the current health concerns surrounding our country and the world. We are planning this event with the hopes that the precautions are taken in the immediate future to stop the spread of COVID-19 so that we can resume a normal way of life by June. In the event the national, state, or local governments impose enforceable sanctions on group gatherings, we reserve the right to cancel the event and refunds would be highly likely (Registration checks will not be deposited until June 1st, 2020). However, we hope it does not come to that

We look forward to seeing y'all in June!

Jordan Douglass & Ray Hinnant Cowtown A's Brazos Valley A's

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<sup>\*</sup>All rooms in the blocks will be released May 11th if not reserved\*





57<sup>th</sup> Texas Tour

#### Brenham, TX June 11-14, 2020

Co-Hosted by the Brazos Valley A's & the Cowtown A's

#### **Registration will include:**

-Radiator Badge

Thursday early-bird winery tour & welcome party dinner  $\sim$  Beans & Cornbread, tea/water, & dessert

-Friday self-guided tour options with routes provided

- -Saturday grand tour (sack lunch recommended or private dining options available)
- -Saturday farewell party dinner ~ BBQ Sandwich & fixings, tea/water, & dessert
- \*Please bring lawn chairs for dinner parties\*

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\$25.00 x (people participating) = \$ Registrations are due postmarked by May 22, 2020. If you call/text or email Jordan Douglass (817-584-8125; jordandou Hinnant (979-820-1778; ray.hinnant@gmail.com) to ensure your property of the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded and not described to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus, all checks will be shredded to the covid-19 Virus will be s	would like to register after this, please uglass1993@gmail.com) or Ray you can still register.  ord Club oosit. IF the tour is cancelled due to
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