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PINEY WOOD MODEL A FORD CLUB

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MOTTO

To promote and stimulate
the preservation, restoration,
and maintenance of the
Model A Ford automobile.

QUALIFICATIONS

Any person sincerely interested in the
Model A Ford automobile and the
purpose of this club shall be eligible
for membership as an active member.

From the President's Desk

By: David Teale

Dear Model A Friends,

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! November is finally here. I hope everyone had a chance to participate in at least one of the tours these past couple of months. Please remember we have the Henderson Syrup Festival approaching soon. The weather is starting to turn so get out in your Model A and enjoy the drive.



We announced our Officer Election Slate, including vacant positions, in our October meeting at Valley Ranch. I am pleased to announce that we ended up filling all positions. I believe this sets a record. I want to thank everyone who volunteered for a position. I believe 2025 will be a great year for the club. It's our people that make the club exciting and I look forward to the new leadership.

Remember to contact Susan and/or Ron Cherry and RSVP for the PWA Christmas Party. The party is December 14th at the Walden Yacht Club. You don't want to miss out on this great event. A special thanks goes to Susan for organizing this event.

If you haven't already paid your club dues, it's time again. We are hoping to have all the dues collected by the end of the year. Forms are available online or at the meetings. Please see Perry Jones for details.

The Tomball Holiday Parade is also approaching and will be held on Saturday, November 23rd. We will end the parade with our traditional lunch at Goodson's in Tomball. Stay tuned for more detailed information. I am looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Let's Hit the Road!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David".

Minutes of the Meeting

By: Joyce Perkins

Piney Woods Model A Club
Meeting Minutes: October 8, 2024
Location: Valley Ranch BBQ Restaurant

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 07:01 PM by David Teale, President

Invocation: Opening Prayer was led by Paul Gross,

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by David Teale

Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the Club Meeting held on September 7, 2024, were provided to club members in the September 2024 Newsletter for review. Treasurer, Frank DeLucia reported an error found in the minutes of September 7, 2024 meeting regarding the Treasurer's report:

Minutes reflected Frank DeLucia provided financial reports for the months of July, August, and September. The minutes are corrected to reflect "Frank DeLucia presented financial reports for May, June, July and August 2024." Written correction of the minutes was provided to the secretary by Frank. No other corrections or comments were received. Motion to approve minutes with corrections was received from Marilyn Hitchcock and seconded by Gregg Zulinski, All in Favor, Motion passed.

Opening Comments:

David provided details of the Board Meeting that was held on 10.08.2024 at 5:30, prior to the Club meeting. The Board approved for the Club to pay 2025 membership dues for all Club Members and the Club will also pay for club member's tickets to the 2024 Christmas Party.

David spoke to the 2025 elections of Officers and Board Members needed for the new year. David advised the club, that he and Ron Cherry will be stepping down as president and Vice President/ Tour Director at the end of the year. Frank advised; the new President and Vice President would be needed for the required annual filing. In the members discussion, Dan Kundts volunteered to accept the position of President for 2025, and Troy Walling agreed to accept the position of Vice President/ Tour Coordinator for 2025. Ron Cherry also advised that Susan Cherry will be stepping down as the Christmas Party Chairperson at year end, Joyce Perkins volunteered to be the Christmas Party Chairperson for 2025. Treasurer, Frank indicated Bill Miller will be taking over as Chairperson of the club's Tool Crib.

Changing of Board Members for 2025 includes Board Member # 3, 2024 was Susan Cherry which will be stepping down and Larry Perkins will serve as Board Member #3 for a term of 2 years beginning 2025. Board Member #4 James Campbell will be stepping down and Marilyn Hitchcock will serve as Board Member #4 for a term of 2 years beginning 2025. Previous Board members served a 2-year term and are required to step down. The Board position of past President held by Jim Hartzog, will pass to David Teale for the new year.

David indicated no other requested changes had been received, all other positions would continue to be filled by the 2024 members. David will send the 2025 election slate out to all members for review.



Events: Ron Cherry provided the following on the upcoming events:

Ron Cherry provided sign up sheets for the upcoming Christmas Party to be held on 12.14.24. The club will pay for all members that complete a signup sheet confirming plans to attend. Ron explained, you MUST complete a Christmas Party signup sheet for the club to cover the cost of your ticket and turn in an accurate count to the facility for the party. The approval to Invite surviving spouses was discussed and the ladies will reach out to invite them. Ron Cherry reminded the ladies, that he will need a signup sheet on all surviving spouses that plan to attend.

Ron also provided details on the following up coming events.

10.12.24, Saturday 08:00 AM, PWA Monthly Breakfast will be at the Whistle Stop Café in Conroe.

10.12.24, Day Tour will follow Breakfast, at the Heritage Museum in Conroe. 10:00-2:00, Lunch to be provided.

10.24.24 – 10.27.24, Autumn Trails, Winnsboro Texas, Antique and classic car parade on 10.26.25.

11.02.24, PWA Monthly Breakfast to be at the Harris County Smokehouse in Tomball at 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM.

11.08.24-11.10.24, Heritage Syrup Festival in Henderson Texas. Room have been blocked at the Baymont by Wyndham in Henderson. Parking will not be at the church this year.

11.12.24, Monthly PWA Club Meeting will be held at Valley Ranch BBQ, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

11.16.24, George Ranch Frontier Days in Richmond Tx, Perry and Tammy Jones will be talking about vintage fashions and be doing a photo shot. Perry shared details on previous visits to the George Ranch. Lunch will be provided if you sign up.

11.23.24, Tomball Holiday Parade, with the Theme this year to be, Metals and Bling for those who want to add seasonal decorations to their Model A.

Troy Walling provided an update on the status of planning the Poor Boy Tour that PWA Club will hosting in 2025. Troy indicated registration will remain the same as the previous year and the estimated attendance projection has been set at 62. The host Hotel will be Holiday Inn Suites in Schulenburg. He will announce further details confirmed in November's club meeting.

Treasurer Report: Frank DeLucia presented the financial report for September 2024 with a summary of the club account changes from 09.01. – 09.30.2024. Motion to approve the Financial Reports was received by David Teale and seconded by Ron Cherry. All in Favor, Motion Passed.

Sunshine Report: Mitsi Shaddix presented the Sunshine report for all upcoming October Birthdays and Anniversaries. All will be included in upcoming monthly newsletter. To all, Happy Birthday and Congratulations!

Registrations: 2025 club membership dues will be paid by the club, as previously mentioned.

National News: Dan Kundts spoke to the recent edition of the Restorer, article on page 52 of the PWA club Tour with pictures. He indicating he had also sent in another article about the PWA club to be included in the upcoming edition.

Newsletter: Troy spoke of a story he received from a member that was highlighted in the last Newsletter. He commented the story was interesting and expressed his appreciation to the member for sending him the submission. He encourages all to take time to read it.

Library: David mentioned the resources in the library are available.

Coordinator, Tom Bragaw was not in attendance

Club Apparel:

Break: was taken at 8:00 PM

Technical: Men's Technical provided details on the workings of Model A engine's coils with Frank DeLucia's explanation on how the ignition in a Model A functions. Ron Cherry also provided additional depth on the electrical cycle of a coil. All provided was very valuable information for all that work on and drive a Model A. Thank you Frank and Ron!

The ladies stepped out and continued the discussion on inviting surviving spouses to the Christmas Party, who will reach out to determine interest and who may be available to provide a ride to the party. And the ladies spent the remaining time visiting and playing cards.

50/50 Drawing: Tickets were sold for the 50/50 drawing and the winner was Larry Perkins.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was received from Gregg Zulinski, and seconded by Frank DeLucia, all were approved, the Motion passed, meeting ended at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by
Joyce Perkins, PWA Secretary



Photo by Dennis Cooper of Wisconsin



October Events 2024

By: Troy Walling

October 12, 2024

The month of October is a busy month for all the members of the Piney Wood club. Some members attended the swap meet in Hershey, Pennsylvania while others attended The Heritage Museum in Conroe, Texas.



*Heritage Museum of Montgomery County
~Presents~*

The Piney Wood Model A Car Show



*Saturday, October 12
10:00am - 2:00pm*

*Model A Cars will be on Display in the
Heritage Museum Parking Lot*

The owners will be present to tell you about their cars and answer your questions. Parking for visitors will be available in the Wiesner lot next door to the museum and in Candy Cane Park.

Heritage Museum of Montgomery County
Location: 1506 I-45 North Feeder
Mail: PO Box 2262 Conroe, TX 77305
936-539-6873





The day began with breakfast at the Whistle Stop Café in Conroe. Afterward, the club proceeded to the area parking lot set up for the club.

Thanks, from all the Piney Wood A's members to George and Sheila Williamson for setting up this wonderful event for the club. It was a great day and was enjoyed by all

Model A Days at Gilmore Museum

September 20-21, 2024

Submitted by Elaine Bullard

We recently attended Model A Days held at The Model A Museum on the grounds of The Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan. We've attended this event for three years and have a great time each year. It's a great time to visit with friends you've made traveling, friends you met there, and friends in the Piney Wood A's! If I didn't tell the story before, please indulge me.

Two years ago, in 2022 while I was volunteering in the MAFCA tent, I saw a couple walk by. The man looked familiar, but not the lady. The third time they walked by I couldn't stand it and I went up to ask if his name was Roger. He looked at me and said my name. It was Roger and Tavie Minson! He came to his very first PWA meeting on that Tuesday night and was in Hickory Corners on Friday. They've been at Model A Days the last two years as well. This year, Roger and Tavie volunteered in the MAFCA tent. (Knowing the Bullards isn't all it's cracked up to be sometimes.) We appreciated the help they gave and it gave us more time to visit with them.



In case you don't know the details of Model A Days at The Gilmore, it is a two-day fundraising event for the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. which owns and operates the Model A Museum on the Gilmore campus. This year has been a big year for MAFFI. They've broken ground on the Model A



Museum expansion project and completed the 6-year restoration of a Model A public transportation bus. This year there were 475 Model A's attending, 75 swap meet vendors, 300 Friday night dinner guests and 1,440 paid attendees. A huge Thank You to the MAFFI trustees, volunteers and attendees for making Model A Days a success.

The weather this year wasn't as delightful as the last several years, with rain falling Friday afternoon and Saturday being pretty warm if you were in the sun. That didn't stop the people from coming, though.

Friday morning while I was volunteering in the MAFFI tent, a young man walked up wearing a t-shirt with a picture of a Model A on it. I asked if it was his Model A and he said, "Yes!" His dad chimed in that he had just gotten the car a few days before. He is 17 years old and I got the impression that he bought the car himself.

I introduced him to Robert and by the time the weekend was over, he'd also met the President of MAFFI as well as Paul Shinn who has since included him in a video. He participated in the Learn to Drive an A program on Friday, but I heard he really didn't need the driving lesson. I saw him Saturday driving the Model A Woodie around the Gilmore campus. That's a very special privilege!



I had encountered another young man who was very excited about the Learn to Drive an A event scheduled for Friday afternoon. The rain came and I wasn't sure if they ended up having this event, but I saw the young man later and asked. They did have it and he was so excited to have been able to drive an A. He's now hooked!

Along with visiting the 9 museums on the Gilmore campus, you can attend several seminars, look at all of the A's brought by attendees, take a ride in several different Model A's including a yellow school bus, see several groups work on and crank up "First Starts" (Model A's that haven't been started in many years), listen to a rag time band, attend an award ceremony where several people are inducted into the MAFFI Hall of Fame and Volunteers of the Year are named. There's a Model A pulling a calliope that drives around periodically playing music. There's plenty to do during Model A Days!



The Model A Museum is currently going through an 8,000 square foot expansion. It's an expensive project and fundraising has been ongoing. Donna Lewis having served as President of MAFCA and MAFFI continues to be a valuable supporter of the Model A hobby.

In 2023 she donated a Sport Coupe that was once owned by Red Grow, the founder of MAFCA. Red restored "Betsy" to the finest condition such that during 1950'S AND 60'S Betsy gathered 32 top place trophies in the 34 shows she was entered. Overall, Betsy won 39 trophies

and became famous as the best Model A of her time.

Betsy changed hands several times and eventually Paul and Donna Lewis acquired her. Donna felt Betsy should be out on the road being enjoyed rather than in a museum and she donated Betsy to the museum to be auctioned off and raise money for the expansion project. The auction was extremely successful, and a winner was recently named.

Thank you for your generosity, Donna!

A Moment in Time

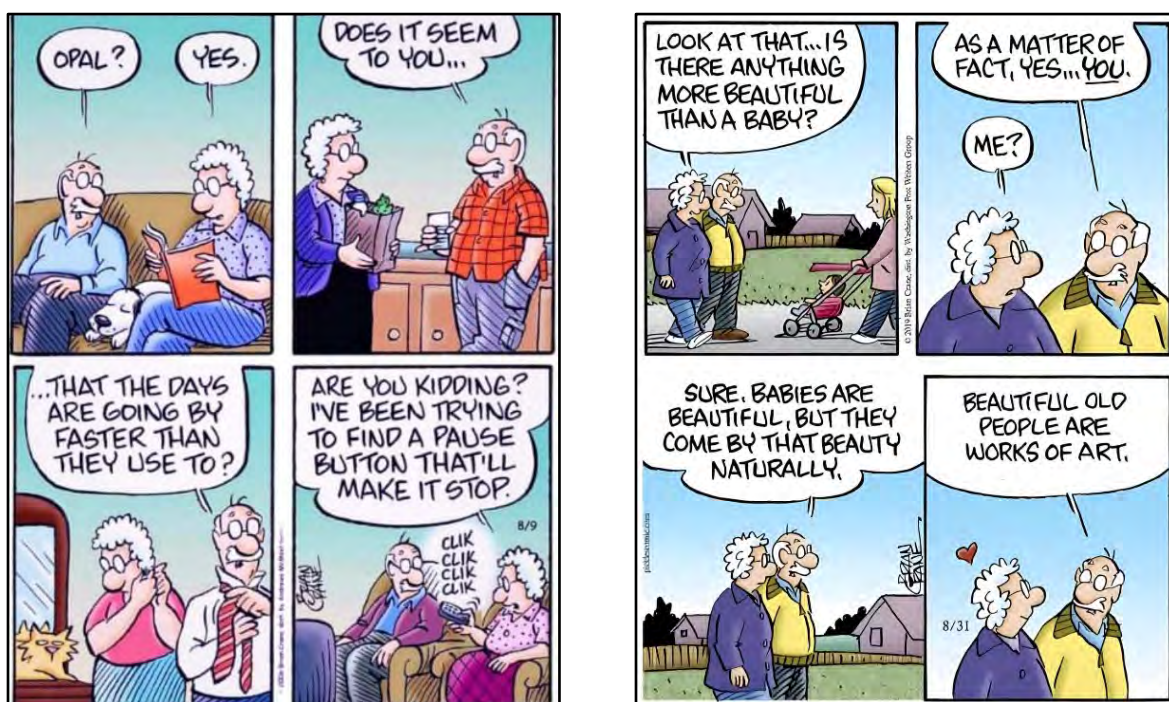
In photo is Frank Phillips, Bartlesville, Oklahoma oilman and founder of Phillips 66. Two things of interest...First, even though Frank Phillips was an oil baron with hundreds of Phillips 66 gas stations, the man never learned to drive a car.

Second, it's interesting to note that some outlaws (like "Henry Wells, Old-Time Bank Robber) genuinely liked Frank Phillips. Frank himself was fascinated with Old West bad guys, and even threw an annual shindig at the ranch called the "Cow Thieves and Outlaws Reunion" at which the bad guys commingled with lawmen. Frank's ground rules for the event were that everyone had to check his guns at the gate and that the outlaws enjoyed a grace period while there at the ranch; lawmen could not arrest them on the premises (after all, this here's a party) but would have to try to apprehend them at another time and place.



National Club News

D e c e m b e r 11-14, 2024	MAFCA National Awards Banquet	Salt Lake City, U T
A p r i l 11-13, 2025	MARC Membership Meet	N ashville, IN
J u n e 15-20, 2025	MARC National Meet	G ettysburg, PA
J u n e 12- 15, 2025	62nd Texas Tour —hosted by Lone Star A s	G iddings, TX
J u n e 15-22, 2025	MAFCA National Tour <i>hosted by Arlen & Trish Evans</i>	W aynesboro, VA





Reminder

Next April, Piney Wood Model A Club will host the 2025 Poor Boy Tour
Further details will be announced soon

Piney Wood and MAFCA Annual Membership Fees are Due,
Don't Delay

The Texas Tour of 2025 Will be held in Giddings Texas. Hosts will be the Lone Star Model A Club
However, Motel reservations cannot be made until this November


GIDDY-UP TO GIDDINGS




Lee County Courthouse
200 S Main St,
Giddings, TX 78942




Dimebox Distillery
235 W Railroad Row
Giddings, TX 78942



Best Western
2161 E. Hempstead
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-5000
Reservations begin November 1st.




Super 8
4002 E. Austin
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-9666
Reservations begin November 1st.



Executive Inn
3556 E. Austin
Giddings, TX 78942
(979) 542-5791
Reservations begin November 1st.

62nd TEXAS TOUR
June 12-15, 2025



Registration, Hospitality, Silent Auction & Events will be at
The Silos on 77 Events Center
1031 County Road 223
Giddings, Texas 78942
Laurie Taylor, Texas Tour Chairperson
Lardtay@gmail.com

2025 National Tour

June 15-22, 2025



Welcome! We are excited that you are interested in the 2025 MAFCA National Tour of the American Civil War. Here you can find tour information, itinerary, registration forms, and other information you will need. This tour will be a moving tour (different hotel most nights) that will begin and end in Waynesboro, Virginia. During the tour, we will visit many of the largest and bloodiest battlefields of the War, several excellent Civil War museums, and other points of interest. Also, part of the tour will be a full day dedicated to seeing Pennsylvania's Amish communities and driving over covered bridges. Another highlight to look forward to is a drive down the entire length of Skyline Drive inside Shenandoah National Park. This world-renowned drive is considered by many to be one of the most beautiful drives in the country. We have many fun events planned for you to enjoy!

We will have plenty of trailer parking available near the host hotel. Model A's are encouraged, but moderns are welcome. Due to the size of group we are anticipating we will not be traveling as one large group, you will have detailed instructions provided and will be free to choose when you leave the hotel each morning.

Hosted by the Dallas Model A Ford Club— Tour Coordinators: Trish and Arlen Evans

Register at dmafc.com

DMAFC Recommended hotels for the MAFCA 2025 National Tour

Date 6/15/25 & 6/22/25	City Waynesboro, VA
Best Western Inn and Conference Center 109 Apple Tree Ln. Waynesboro, VA 22980 (540) 942-1100 Group Block Rate is \$139.99	

Date 6/16/25	City Charles Town, WV
The Inn at Charles Town Racetrack 751 Hollywood Dr, Charles Town, WV 25414 (304) 725-7001	

Date 6/17/25 & 6/18/25	City Gettysburg, PA
Gettysburg Hotel 1 Lincoln Square, Gettysburg, PA 17325 (717) 337-2000	

Date 6/19/25 & 6/20/25	City Fredericksburg, VA
Holiday Inn Conference Center 20 Sanford Dr, Fredericksburg, VA 22406 (540) 368-8000	

Date 6/21/25	City Midlothian (Richmond Area)
Holiday Inn Express and Suites 5030 W. Village Green Dr. Midlothian, VA 23112 (804) 744-7303	

MAFCA Presidents Page

October 2024 President's Flying Quail Message

Summer has arrived throughout the U.S. and I hope all of you are enjoying a safe and fun filled prime touring season. Without a doubt, it is hot in southeast Texas, but many have not let the heat slow down their Model A adventures. Elaine and I have taken a break during July and August and our Model A's are now ready to get back on the road with the cooler temperatures. Not exactly cool in Texas, but cooler none the less.



The Southwest Model A's convention committee, along with select MAFCA support, is continuing to work diligently on "unwinding" all the many pieces of the cancelled 2024 National Convention. As I write this message, the raffle room item auction was just completed and the Southwest Model A's committee is working to settle up the purchases and get the items in the mail. I fully expect within the next 7 – 10 days that we can share more details on the overall financial status of the cancelled tour. I know Rey Gabaldon and Vicky Lujan Gibbs are working as diligently as possible to wrap up the final details from the convention and bring it to closure. Due to the extremely hard work of the joint MAFCA/Southwest Model A's team and the generosity of MAFCA members and patrons of the Model A hobby, the final financial picture is much better than just 3-4 weeks ago.

As I stated in last month's message, significant work has been done to modernize and update MAFCA's website. In fact, a whole new website look and function will roll out to all our members within the first couple of weeks in September. An incredible amount of work has been done by MAFCA Directors Gary Price, Will Langford and MAFCA's new webmaster, Peter Gariepy to get the new website ready for launch in a record, short time frame. The improvements became available and noticeable to those participating in the Ruidoso Convention's Auction of their raffle room items. Also, with the new website functioning better across all electronic platforms, for the first time we had more responses to the auction via cell phone than any other format (desktop computer, laptop computer or tablet). As I stated last month, the new website will be an amazing step forward and I'm excited about the new form and function. Interaction on almost any level will be enhanced along with a simpler user interface. Be prepared to embrace this new look beginning in September. I think you will be truly impressed.

I would like to also thank Rick Black for serving as interim webmaster from May 2023 through August 2024. MAFCA appreciates Rick coming out of retirement to assume this interim role while a new webmaster was sought to fill the position permanently. Filling the position full time beginning in September will be Peter Gariepy. Peter is a professional web developer and extremely knowledgeable on car club websites. Peter has developed websites for the Antique Automobile Club of America, Horseless Carriage Club of America as well as the Vintage Chevrolet Club and others. MAFCA welcomes him in this role and looks forward to a long and fruitful relationship. Welcome aboard Peter.

I am happy to announce that our new Directors for the 2025 Board will be Sherry Winkinhofer, Happy Begg, Dave Krill. Also, Will Langford will continue for another two-year term in 2025-2026. Joining these Directors will be Ed Tolman, Bill Truesdell, Chet Wojcik, Jr. and Paul Shinn as they serve the second year of their current term. We are one Director short of a full Board and the first order of business for the new President will be to solicit a volunteer and with the Board of Directors approval fill this vacant Director's position.

Once again MAFCA will have a presence at Model A Days, September 20-21, 2024, at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan courtesy of MAFFI, and it's not too late to make plans to attend. Remember, this year's Model A Days will be even more special with the installation of 100 bricks recognizing those chapters of the Model A Ford Club of America who have achieved at least 50 years of continuous membership. A ceremony will recognize these MAFCA chapters with a specially engraved brick. If you have been to the museum before, you have seen the sidewalks with the many bricks placed by individuals and chapters for recognition and memorials. Beginning with this year's Model A Days, these important MAFCA chapters will be recognized as well. I would like to especially thank Will Langford, MAFCA 2024 Director and John Begg, MAFFI President, for their cooperative effort to make this recognition happen.

A few short weeks after Model A Days, October 3rd through 7th will be the Hershey Fall Meet. We will have our usual tent there with seminars, sale items and fun. I would like to invite you to stop by and see our display and meet Sandra, our business manager, and several of our Board members.

"See you down the road!" Robert Bullard

MAFFI Minute

Model A Friends,
Those of us in the snow belt are squeezing in all the driving time we can get before the “white stuff” shows up and those of you in the southern states are gliding into some cooler driving weather about now.

The commercial bus (see bus photo) made its debut at Model A Days; the bus is a work of art and a historically correct piece of Model A history ---thanks to many Model A'ers, especially Ron and Ken Ehrenhofer. From Model A Days in Gilmore, MI in September, the bus made its way to Hershey, PA in October where the headlines now read, “The Bus wins First Place Junior at [Hershey Fall Car Show!](#)”



Back at the Model A Museum grounds in Michigan, Red Grow's Model A, Betsy, which was 2024 Sweepstakes car to help raise money for the museum expansion, was won by Neil Wingate of Lowell, Indiana. Thanks to all who participated in the sweepstakes and congratulations Neil!



Lastly, the expansion is moving along with the foundation in place. (see photo below). So much happening in the Model A world! Don't you just love it!!

Happy Motoring!

Cindy Ellenbecker
MAFFI Trustee, Secretary

Purpose of Space City MAFCA

The Space City Chapter will act as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of the Model A Ford car, and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve the car in its original likeness. This Club will exercise general supervision, assistance, direction, and control, to its members in their restoration process.

The Space City Chapter will operate like the Santa Clara Valley Chapter and the Twin City Chapter. The business meetings will be virtual meetings. Monthly technical sessions will focus on learning about and helping others with their cars. If possible, these sessions will be available via a virtual meeting, or video taped for other club members to access in the future. Social meetings, e.g., a meal, tours, and other activities may be made available to club members.

Let's Welcome the newest Model A Club in the Greater Houston Area
For information, contact Michael Eisenbise @ M.Eisenbise@gmail.com



WANTED

We need new ideas and articles to reflect the wishes of all the members of the club

Thanks to all those who have contributed thus far.

Piney Wood Model A Ford Club (PWA) Membership Application

One Year Family Membership \$25.00
Renewal dues are delinquent after December 31st

Membership is open to anyone who owns, drives, or just appreciates the Model A Ford. PWA recognizes any year, make or model of the Model A Ford from 1928 to 1931. Membership in the *Model A Ford Club of America* (MAFCA) is REQUIRED to become a member of PWA in accordance with our by-laws. Every member of PWA enjoys the same rights, including the right to vote and to hold office in PWA.

PLEASE PRINT

Date of Application _____ Dues being paid for year _____ (January 1 – December 31)

New Member () or Renewal () Renewing members, what year did you join PWA? _____

Name _____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Spouse _____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Address _____ Anniversary: Month _____ Day _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Phones: Home _____ Cell _____ Cell (spouse) _____

Children under 18 years of age:

Names _____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

_____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

_____ Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

What is your MAFCA member number? _____ --required for PWA membership

Are you a member of any other automobile clubs?

_____ / _____

_____ / _____

Model A's Owned: YEAR, MODEL, BODY STYLE, CONDITION*

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

*Condition: O=original, R=restored, B=being restored, M=modified, A=apart

Loanable tools available (ex: spring spreader, engine hoist, hub puller, etc.)

Make Check Payable to: Piney Wood Model A Ford Club

Mail to: Perry Jones
19207 Stanton Lake Dr.
Cypress, TX 77433
281-844-0951

Whats on the Calendar?

By: Ron Cherry Tour Coordinator

2024 PWA Calendar of Events

Jan 6	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Jan 9	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Jan 13	Polar Bear Tour to City Hall Café & Pie Bar in Huntsville
Jan 17	Ladies Luncheon * Cancelled due to weather
Feb 3	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner
Feb 10-11	Annual Sweetheart Tour – Brenham, TX
Feb 13	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Mar 9	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Mar 9	Monthly Meeting at Robert & Elaine Bullard's Home
Mar 16*	Annual Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive (To be rescheduled)
Mar 16*	Lunch at Romero's Las Brazas (To be rescheduled)
Mar 20	Ladies Luncheon Republic Grill, Panther Creek, The Woodlands
Apr 5-7	Poor Boy Tour in Gonzales, TX
Apr 10	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque (Wednesday)
Apr 13	Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring
Apr 19	Weekday tour to the National Museum of Funeral History (Lunch following)
May 4	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner in Magnolia (Rescheduled to the 11 th .)
May 11	Day tour to Pickett House in Woodville (Canceled due to rainstorms)
May 14	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
May 15	Ladies Luncheon – (Cancelled)
Jun 8	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County BBQ
Jun 8	Monthly Meeting at Jim and Kathy Hartzog's home
Jun 13 – 16	Texas Tour in Nacogdoches, TX
Jul 9	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque Canceled
Jul 13	Monthly Breakfast at Lynn's Table Canceled
Jul 17	Ladies Luncheon – Martha's Mexican Restaurant Canceled
Jul 27	Safety Check Hosted by Tom Bragaw
Aug 3	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Aug 17	Annual Ice Cream Social and Monthly Meeting

Sep 7	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner
Sep 7	Monthly Meeting at the Blaszcak's Home
Sep 13-15	Davy Crockett tour to Crockett, Texas
Sep 18	Ladies Luncheon – Puffabellys Restaurant in Old Town Spring
Oct 8	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Oct 12	Monthly Breakfast at Whistle Stop Cafe
Oct 12	Heritage Museum in Conroe (10:00 am to Noon
Oct. 25-27	Autumn Trails Weekend, Winnsboro, Texas (For information only, not a PWA tour)
Nov 2	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Nov 9*	Heritage Syrup Festival in Henderson, TX
Nov 12	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Nov 23*	Tomball Holiday Parade {Theme-Medals and Bling. It's a Holiday Thing}
Dec 7	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner
Dec 11	Annual Eggnog and Katfish Event {Vernon's Kuntry Katfish
Dec 14	Annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club

- Date estimated or unconfirmed.

Note: Touring Rules of the Road
Will be published before each Major Tour
Throughout the year

Successful Model 'A' clubs have one
common ingredient. They have mem-
bers that will plan events and volunteer
to assist in running the organization.
It's a necessary ingredient.

Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator



Jane Rivers	11/1
Marion Hertzbach	11/5
Kirsten Brock	11/8
Mitzie Costello	11/10
George Williamson	11/15
Tony Bock	11/16
Jim Hartzog	11/21
Sarah Warren	11/22
Shelia Williamson	11/23
Rich Haut	11/24
Alicia Stevenson	11/29
Ed Holtgraver	11/30



Roger & Tavia Minson	11/1
Dan & Rosetta Kundts	11/10

1930's In Fashion

By: Frank De Lucia, (2019)

In the 1930's, as the public began to feel the effects of the Great Depression, many designers found that crises were not the time for experimentation. Fashion became more compromising, aspiring to preserve feminism's victories while rediscovering a subtle and reassuring elegance and sophistication. Overall, 1930's clothing was somber and modest, reflecting the difficult social and economic situation of the decade. Women's fashions moved away from the brash, daring style of the 1920's towards a more romantic, feminine silhouette. The waistline was restored, hemlines dropped to nearly ankle-length, there was renewed appreciation of the bust, and backless evening gowns and soft, slim-fitting day dresses became popular. The female body was remodeled into a more neo-classical shape, and slim, toned, and athletic bodies came into vogue. The fashion for outdoor activities stimulated couturiers to manufacture what would today be referred to as "sportswear." The term "ready-to-wear" was not yet widely in use, but the boutiques already described such clothes as being "for sport". In place of the bobbed flapper haircut, the standard women's hairstyle of the 1930's was a modest, short perm.

Two of the most prominent and influential fashion designers of the 1930's were Elsa Schiaparelli and Madeleine Vionnet.

Elsa Schiaparelli showed her first collection in 1929 and was immediately hailed by the press as 'one of the rare innovators' of the day. With her exciting and inventive designs, Schiaparelli did not so much revolutionize fashion as shatter its foundations. The first pullover she displayed in her windows created a sensation: it was knitted in black with a trompe-l'œil white bow. She consistently turned out notable collections thereafter. Schiaparelli was a close friend of Christian Bérard, Jean Cocteau, and Salvador Dalí, who designed embroidery motifs for her and supplied inspiration for models like the desk suit with drawers for pockets, the shoe-shaped hat, the silk dresses painted with flies and bearing a picture of a large lobster, respectively. All of Paris thronged to her salon at 21 Place Vendôme as collection succeeded collection.

Elsa Schiaparelli

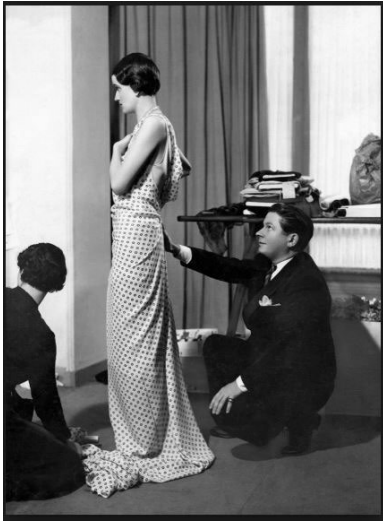


Madeleine Vionnet found her inspiration in ancient statues, creating timeless and beautiful gowns that would not look out of place on a Greek frieze. Queen of the bias cut (cutting diagonally across the fabric's lengthwise threads), she produced evening dresses that fitted the body without excessive elaboration or dissimulation, employing a flowing and elegant line. Her perfect draping of chiffon, silk, and Moroccan crêpe created a marvelously poised and sensual effect. The unparalleled success of Vionnet's cuts guaranteed her reputation right up to her retirement in 1939.

Madeleine Vionnet



Mainbocher, the first American designer to live and work in Paris, was also influential, with his plain yet supremely elegant designs, often employing the bias cut pioneered by Vionnet. The luxury goods manufacturer Hermès began to sell handmade printed silk square scarves in the early 1930s, in addition to popularizing the zipper and many other practical innovations. Toward the end of the decade, women's fashions took on a somewhat more imposing and broad-shouldered silhouette, possibly influenced by Elsa Schiaparelli. Men's fashions continued the informal, practical trend that had dominated since the end of the First World War.







Tech Q and A for October, 2024

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Q: Rayburn Mitchell writes- Gentlemen,

I often see Model A's that owners have converted to 16" tires and wheels. I have spoken to a few of the owners as to the rationale behind the change. I am beginning to suspect that it has more to do with the "look" as compared to the actual advantages as to the change. I would appreciate your honest feedback as to the real advantages of this change. Is more tread on the ground for traction and braking the primary or only reasons for this change? I would also like to know the disadvantages (I know cost and speedometer are two).

The background for this question is that several years ago I purchased an "A" that had 16" wheel and tires and I nearly have it ready for the road. I have those as well as 19" ready to go. Which one should I use?

A: Lots of people go to 16's or other wheels for the looks. Others because they want to run modern tires that are available at almost any tire shop. Some people want to go to larger, wider tires because their car's front end is worn and instead of fixing the worn part(s), they switch to wider tires so the car handles better. Lots of reasons. -Paul

Q: Brenden Johnson writes- Hi do you know the number for the wix filter that goes in the [glass] sediment bowl on the Model A?

A: Wix 33039 or Napa 3039. -Paul

Q: Sam Weston writes-

Recently I had the engine rebuilt by Bert's Model A in Colorado. I just reinstalled it and tried to start the car. I have adjusted the timing using the nu rex tool and the method Paul Shinn outlined in one of his YouTube videos. The car does start, however, it only runs for less than a minute before it stops. Any suggestions on how to keep the engine running or what systems you would look at? And last question, when the engine is running for a brief minute, I cannot shift the transmission into first gear with lots of grinding. Is it something to do with the clutch pedal adjustment (where the peddle is linked up to the clutch under the car) or something else?

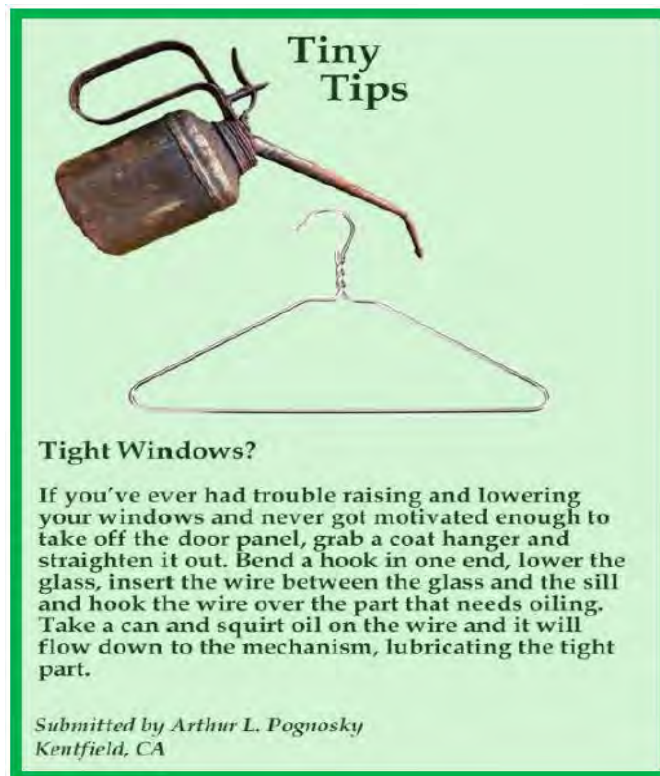
A: Hello Sam-First thing I would check is your fuel line. Disconnect at the carb, place a can under the line (to catch gas) and turn on the gas. The line should flow freely and steadily. As for the clutch, it needs adjustment. Make sure you have about one inch of "free play" before the pedal starts to engage with the throw out bearing. -Steve Schmauch

Paul adds- Hey Sam, I agree with Steve (as usual!) about the fuel flow being the likely issue. Just for giggles, try running it with the gas cap removed from the top of the gas tank to be sure it isn't a venting issue. -Paul

Sam Responds- Hi Steve and Paul, Thank you so much for your help. It was a gas flow issue. Once I removed the gas cap and found the gas flow was much better. I have a new gas cap ordered from Berts. Thanks!

Q: Hello Model A Tech Team! My name is Mike Froeder, from Brazil. I need to know, before I open my engine, how much play in the distributor's drive shaft (spinwise) is normal? What causes it and how to fix it? The engine backfires when slowing down, could this be a symptom of it?

A: Hello Mike-There should very little play in the distributor shaft, maybe a few thousands of an inch back and forth to almost none. If you have more, then it indicates a worn distributor drive gear located below the distributor shafts (2) and visible in the valve chamber. This unit is driven by the camshaft. Many vendors carry a replacement gear and it is a fairly simple job to do. The engine backfires could be a symptom of timing. I would replace the drive gear first. -Steve Schmauch



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By: Dan Kundts, Chairman of the Board



The International Order of the Rubber Chicken
-Rules, Regulations and Other Silly Stuff-

At a meeting of the International Order of the Rubber Chicken Society (IORCS), the following rules and silly things have been agreed to and enacted upon. The infamous Rubber Chicken is to be fun and full of frivolity. The purpose of these rules is to provide consistency and fairness for those persons desiring (or not) to acquire the scandalous Rubber Chicken.

Rule #1
If your car causes an unscheduled stop while on tour- ~~YOU ARE THE CHICKEN~~

Rule #2
If, while on tour, you delay the group from leaving on time (excepting for bringing donuts & coffee)- ~~YOU ARE THE CHICKEN~~

Rule #3
If, after meeting with the group, you have a trailer (or modern car) problem, causing the others to stop alongside the road or be delayed- ~~YOU ARE THE CHICKEN~~ (aka: the Fred Rule)

Rule #4
If during any tour, you call another tour member to "help, aid, assist, tow, repair or suggest what 'might be the problem'", which causes him/her to stop whatever they are doing - ~~YOU ARE THE CHICKEN~~ (Fred Rule #2)

Rule #5 Passing the Chicken On. Procedures on how to give the chicken away

Rule #5-a
To pass the chicken on to another, the current chicken holder must be on said tour.

Rule #5-b. While broken-down on the side of the road, it is NOT advisable to hand over, throw to or put the chicken inside the broken-down car or its owner or driver. Nor is it advisable to stand alongside any broken-down car taunting the car's owner with the chicken. It also not advisable to have a photo with you standing next to the broken vehicle giving a thumbs-up jester (Dorothy Rule). Injury for violating these Rules is at the current chicken holder's own risk.

Rule #5-c. It is appropriate to pass the chicken at any meal once faces have turned from red and steam is no longer venting from ears. -Or- At any chapter meeting. -Or- If the new recipient requests it (while on the side of the road).

Rule #6
All chapters should name their chicken. It is most appropriate to name the chicken after a member so deserving because of the regularity or quantity of times he/she has had the honorable chicken bestowed up him/her.

Rule #7
Out of respect, the Rubber Chicken shall be honorably retired once its head or both legs has fallen off.

Rule #8
Each chapter should appoint a Colonel Chicken whose job shall be to determine all disputed matters. His/her word is final and not open to debate.

Rule #9
Life Time Achievement Award. The Rubber Chicken shall be permanently given to he/she who run their Model A out of gas while on tour (known as the Pruett Rule of "Don't worry, I have plenty of gas". This is not debatable! Note: an appropriate rubber chicken Mardi-gras necklace may be given in lieu of the original rubber chicken.

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