



THE SQUEAKS

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,

If you didn't get a chance to go to Crockett this past month, you really missed out on a great tour. A special thanks goes out to Troy Walling for organizing and planning the event. Great job! Everyone had a wonderful time. Thanks also goes out to Ron Cherry for planning the routes. As usual, a great job picking roads with beautiful scenery. Everything was just right for our Model As.



As we get into October, it reminds me that the end of this year is quickly approaching and with it starts our board election process. The Board is looking for members to volunteer for key positions for 2025. Ron Cherry and I will be stepping down and we encourage all members to think about volunteering for a position. The club continues to grow each year, and we have a lot of talent. We need your input so that we can continue to develop as an organization. Please contact a board member if you are interested.

The last quarter of the year also signals a reminder to pay our membership dues before the end of the year. Please send your dues to Perry Jones. It is easy to forget with all of the activities and approaching holidays. MAFCA and MARC are most likely also sending out reminders. Our club depends on you, so please don't delay.

Tom Bragaw is going to be reaching out to everyone for their yearly mileage totals. Let's get that MAFCA Chapter Mileage Award again and continue this year after year. We still have time and I can't wait to see the totals.

One last note. As the weather changes and Daylight Savings Time falls back, please be safe in everything you do. See you soon!

Let's Hit the Road!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David".

Minutes of the Meeting

By: Joyce Perkins

Piney Woods Model A Club
Meeting Minutes: September 7, 2024
Location: Home of Jim and Illona Blaszcak

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 10:40 by David Teale, President

Invocation: Opening Prayer was led by Mitzi Shaddix,

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by David Teale

Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the Club Meeting held on June 20, 2024, were provided to club members in the June Newsletter for review. No corrections or comments were received. Motion to approve minutes was received from Robert Bullard and seconded by Frank DeLucia, All in Favor, Motion passed.



Opening Comments:

David and attending members expressed appreciation to Jim and Illona for hosting the club meeting in their home. David spoke to miscellaneous articles displayed that were donated by a member and was available for those interested. The items were found in a Model A recently purchased.

Elaine Bullard offered several PWA Club items she had collected through the years to anyone interested including pictures, Large Club patch and a ladies' Star.

David commented to the club that the third quarter Board Meeting is due and proposed the Board Meeting to be held on October 8th at 6:00 PM at Valley Ranch BBQ, the hour prior to the Club meeting scheduled for 7:00 PM. Board to discuss 2025 Club Officer elections. David requested attending members to think about any interest in officer position for the upcoming year. All applicable agreed to the date and time.

David reminded members that it is time to turn in the mileage for Tom Bragaw this year.

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

Troy Walling provided information on the upcoming Crockett Tour on 09.13.2024. All items planned has worked out well. Tour will leave Friday morning at 9:30AM to arrive in Crockett for lunch, Tour to include two points of interest.

Ron advised the meeting point on Friday for the Crockett Tour will be McDonalds in Magnolia. Will arrive in Madisonville around 11:30 with 40 miles to Crockett. The return home on Sunday will leave at 8:00 AM. A motion was made for the club to pay for lunch on the Crockett tour, approved by Elaine Bullard and seconded by Jim Blaszcak.

09.25.24: Ladies Luncheon to be held as Puffa Belly's restaurant 100 Main St. Spring Tx.

10.08.24 PWA Monthly Club Meeting 7:00-9:00 – Valley Ranch BBQ

10.12.24 PWA Monthly Breakfast: Whistle Stop Café, Conroe.

10.12.24: Day Tour at the Heritage Museum in Conroe. 10:00-1:00, Lunch will be provided.

10.26.24 Winnsboro Autumn Trails, Winnsboro Texas, Further details to be announced.

Treasurer Report: Frank DeLucia presented financial reports for July, August and Sept 2024. Motion to approve the Financial Reports was received by Perry Jones and seconded by Ron Cherry. All in Favor, Motion Passed. Elaine Bullard presented a motion for the Club to pay for an apparel item for each club member, and Frank proposed the Club to pay for members tickets to the Christmas party. Proposals will be discussed in the upcoming Board of Directors meeting along with the 2025 budget expenses related to hosting of the 2025 Poor Boy Tour.

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

Registrations: No status was provided

National News:

Newsletter:

Toolbox:

Library:

Club Apparel:

Break:

50/50 Drawing: Was not held due to club meeting being held offsite.

Technical: After the meeting was adjourned: David provided instructions on how to test Model A engine coil and spark plugs to ensure they are in good working order. He had a sample of a homemade tester and how to build one. The information provided was very interesting and informative.

Elaine Bullard provided instructions and supplies for the ladies to make Organic Lip Balm; all had a great time. Thank you, Elaine, for teaching us something new and always making the time together fun.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was received from Troy Walling, seconded by Jim Blaszcak, all approved, the Motion passed, and the meeting ended at 11:12.

Respectfully Submitted by
Joyce Perkins, PWA Secretary

September Events 2024

By: Troy Walling

September 7, 2024



There was an excellent turnout at the Magnolia Diner for breakfast before heading out to the home of Jim and Illona Blaszcak for our monthly club meeting



Thanks, Jim and Illona for your generous hospitality.

Davy Crockett Tour September 13-15, 20124



The Piney Wood Model A's met in Magnolia on Friday morning to begin the drive to Crockett,
After we arrived, we ate lunch at the Moosehead Café on the square.

After lunch, we checked in the Holiday Inn on the loop
We had 12 Model A's and a Modern Car.

That evening, 27 people and 4 guests met at a cajon-style restaurant called Credeurs





Lots of smiles



Saturday morning, we began the day at the Monroe Crook home that was built in 1854

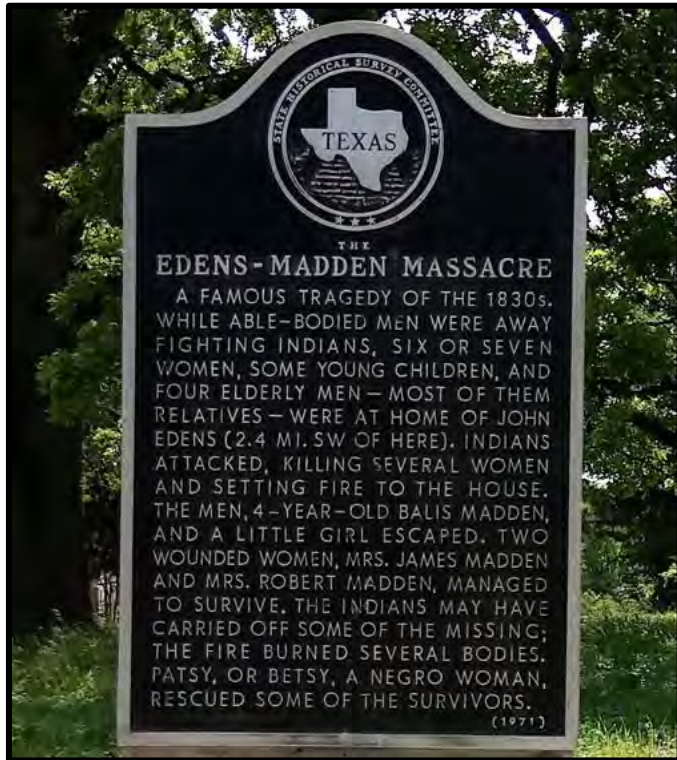
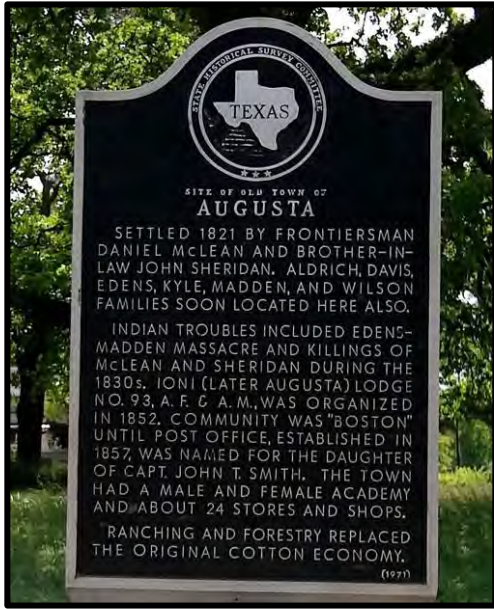


The ladies enjoyed touring the home, which was still mostly original. Era furniture decorated the home/
We did have a few that ventured up the staircase to explore the upper rooms.



The next stop was the Houston County Museum located in the 1909 railroad depot.
The railroad tracks were laid in 1872
Many artifacts have been donated over the years. It is hard to pick a favorite.

Augusta, Texas



The Old Spanish Trail from Nacogdoches to San Antonio was not a straight line as it is today. The original Settlers settled where clean water was available such as springs and clear-flowing creeks. As people flowed into Texas, they would stop at the same locations to barter for food and supplies. Augusta was one of the first locations in Houston County that people passed through. There are many historical markers in the area, these three give a glimpse of a point in time.

Refuge, Texas



Our Club stopped at a place known as Refuge.

Today, there is only a cemetery, but it is an area that is rich in history.

A Party of 31 families on 27 wagons pulled by oxen left east central Illinois in 1833.

They traveled around 1000 miles before arriving here in January of 1834.

Reuben Brown led this wagon train. He was married to Daniel Parker's daughter Sarah.

After a short while the main Parker family

Moved north near Elkhart to form the Predestinarian church.

At this time Cynthia Ann Parker was five years old.

Reuben and others built a fort {called Fort Brown} about two hundred yards west of this cemetery where remnants remain.

There was also an Indian village several hundred yards south closer to San Pedro Creek.

When concerns about the Indians arose, they sought refuge at the fort.

Hench is the origin of the name. Refuge



We finished up our day with dinner at the Lindo Guanajuato Mexican restaurant.

The next morning everyone left early after a successful weekend tour.



The following ladies met at Puffabellys for the Ladies Luncheon.

Darlene Bock

Kim Teale

Elaine Bullard

Marion Hertzbach

Always a good time.

Congratulations to Tom Mather

Piney Wood member Tom Mather wins “Best Vintage Stock” award for his 1931 Sport Coupe entry in the Tompkins HS FFA Booster Club, Katy, Texas. This Cars and Coffee event was held on April 13 and hosted over 60 cars on a perfect Saturday morning. Awards were awarded in nine categories and included both modern and antique autos. The FFA Booster Club will soon announce the date for the 2025 event and all are invited to attend.

See you there. Tom

P.S. I am standing to the left of the Tompkins HS Falcon mascot, a very nice bird.



PS; Frank: Several weeks ago you asked for a photo of the trophy I received at the Tompkins HS car show. The work that you, Chris Fredona, and David Teale did to get my car back on the road made this possible. Without your work, this would not be possible. Thank you.

How a Model A Ford became a part of the Karis Family

Model A Purchase

I purchased my 1930 Coupe when living in Champaign Urbana, IL. In 1977.

The coupe was advertised for sale in the local newspaper for \$600. It was in a dark corner of a barn, left by a serviceman then stationed in California in the care of his mother. A few hot rodders showed up to buy it, but she sold it to me because I planned to restore it. The car had a Texas title which I changed To Illinois.

My father had a Model A Coupe after the war while awaiting the availability of new car production.

I recall riding in the Model A and how it would shimmy when crossing the railroad tracks.

After seeing a restored A in a car show, I needed one.



Move to Texas

In July 1978, I was offered a job in Houston, Texas. The Model A was totally disassembled now and had to be moved in the moving van in pieces. I changed the title back to Texas.

The car remained in pieces for a while after our move was completed, and a new job was started.

Club Introduction

One day when driving on 1960, I saw a very nice restored 1930 Model Coupe. I followed the coupe to the feed store on Stuebner-Airline and observed a small group of Model A's. The club members were giving rides to some retirement home residents.

This is when I met Don Christener and Chuck Hahn, Piney Wood A members, and was invited to join the Club.

This when I decided to continue my coupe's restoration as a Blue ribbon car instead of a driver.

Chuck Hahn was also a member of the Houston A's which I also joined.

Car Judging

I had my Coupe completed in time for the 1987 Texas Tour (24th) in Huntsville and received a 3rd-place blue ribbon award. I also learned how serious some members are about the details.

Also participated as a car judge which provided the opportunity to review other entrants.

New to Texas

Except for a 1972 motor home vacation trip to Texas, we had never been to Texas.

Participation in many Poor Boy and Texas Tours provided us the opportunity to visit places and towns we would not have visited otherwise.

Swap Meets

The Model A interest introduced my family a new experience of attending and participating as a vendor in vintage auto parts and clothing swap meets. My son Ted got involved at the young age of 10.

For many years we made the annual pilgrimage to the Pate swap meet in Fort Worth Texas in search of auto parts, vintage clothes and other vintage items. We also attended the swap meets in Morrilton Arkansas (Petit Jean) and Oklahoma (Chickashaw). We also made trips to the Hershey Swap meet in Harrisburg Pennsylvania.

For many years the Piney Wood A's had an annual swap meet at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds which was well attended with approx. 1000 spaces and with some large vendors in attendance. The annual swap meet was a revenue producer for the Club and was a joint effort with the nifty fifties auto club.

*The first revenue producer for the Piney Woods was soda sales at the Woodlands Lake in-service event. The first swap meet was held in the parking lot for the Glass Menagerie Restaurant in the Woodlands. Other swap meets were held In the Woodlands and Houston racetrack.



Style Show Involvement

My interest in Blue Ribbon car judging led to Patricia's interest in era clothes judging in which she participated in at Annual Texas Tour for many years. In addition to being a participant, she also judged entrants and co-chaired the style show event at the Texas Tour sponsored by the Piney Woods in Conroe Tx.

National Tours

In addition to the Texas Tours, we attended the combined MAFCA/MARC national tours in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and Dallas, Texas.

Club Growth/Involvement

Since becoming a member of the PWA's in 1979, I have witnessed the growth of the club from a few members to a membership approaching 100, in which the club has become very active in the MAFCA organization with two members becoming president.

My Model A's

1930 Coupe

- Restored 1987

1930 Huckster

- Restored 2017

1931 Slant Window

- Restoration in progress

Clarkie Jean (Taylor) Atkinson

APRIL 26, 1937 - SEPTEMBER 15, 2024



[Cashner Funeral Home & Garden Park Cemetery](#)

Clarkie Jean (Taylor) Atkinson, 87 of Willis passed away on Sunday, September 15, 2024. She was born on April 26, 1937, in Galveston, Texas to Faye Weathers Taylor and Bruce Wallace Taylor. Clarkie grew up in Houston Texas, the East End and went to Milby High School. She graduated from Milby in 1955 as Clarkie Atkinson after marrying Charles Ray Atkinson on December 30, 1954, during his Christmas break from the military. Her mother allowed her to marry as long as she stayed home to finish school. Once graduated, she took off to California where Charles Ray served two years stateside during the end of the Korean War.

Then they moved back to Houston, settled in the east side and had a son Michael in 1956 and a daughter, Teri in 1957.

Clarkie went to college to become a school teacher while her children were young and taught homebound students for Pasadena Independent School District until she retired. Clarkie and Charles Ray moved into the beautiful house they built on Lake Conroe in 1997 where they lived for the remainder of their lives.

Clarkie lived a fun, full life as a child and throughout her entire life. Her working mother hired a sweet little black lady named Hattie to tend to the kids while she worked. Hattie was a very polished, refined woman and loved the children as her own. The three people that raised the 4 kids to become successful happy adults were their mother, Hattie and their Auntie Ed. Once married, Clarkie and her family camped, water skied, and traveled together. She was always close to her mother, aunt and siblings. She had many friends, and her hobbies were stained glass and sewing quilts. Through these hobbies is where she made many lifelong friends. Her generosity was astounding. Most mornings, during her entire life, you would find her in her recliner reading her Bible first thing of the day. Her continual prayer was for all to be saved.

Clarkie and Charles Ray enjoyed antique car clubs and traveling in their motorhome. They took their only granddaughter Denalei all over the US. Clarkie was gifted with great knowledge of history, so it was always interesting to have conversations with her. And when her only great grandchild Jacob arrived, she got to help out and always had a close bond with her 'sweet boy' as she called him.

She will be so missed by family and friends who are saddened, yet celebrate that she joined Charles Ray, her family, and Christ in Heaven. We are glad her body is healed and she is able to move on from this 'blink of an eye' here on Earth into forever eternity with her Maker where we will one day join her. May she rest in peace.

She is survived by her son Michael Atkinson, daughter Teri Walline, granddaughter, Denalei Ross, and great-grandson, Jacob Moore as well as one brother, Edward Taylor and one sister-in-law, Lois Atkinson plus nieces and nephews.

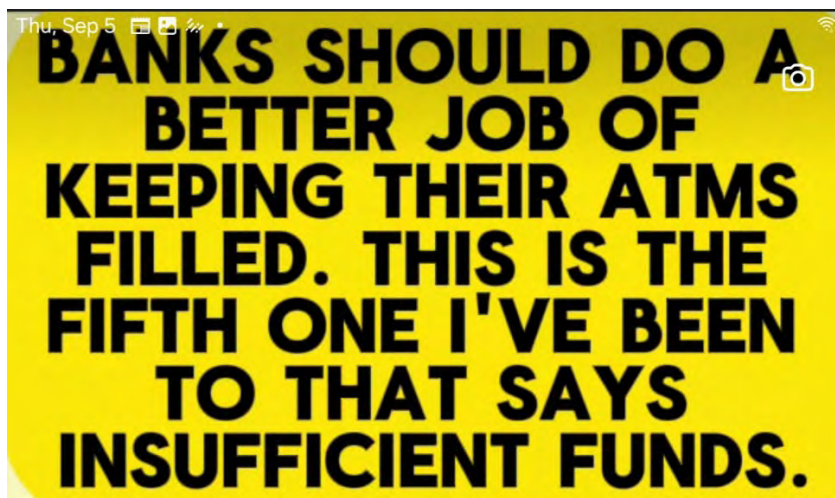
She is preceded in death by her parents Bruce and Faye Taylor, brother Bruce Taylor, sister Patricia McKinley and great Aunt Edella Weathers as well as in-laws and their wives Cleon, Leroy, Ira, and Oneal.

Special thanks to Laura (Tupa) Clark for the great care and love she gave to both Clarkie and Charles Ray

Visitation will be held Thursday, September 19, 2024 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at Cashner Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Friday, September 20, 2024 at 10:00am in Cashner Colonial Chapel with burial to follow in Clapp Cemetery, Trinity County at 2:00pm. Anyone wishing to participate, the family suggests donations for Samaritans Purse in lieu of flowers

National Club News

D e c e m b e r 11-14, 2024	MA FCA N a t i o n a l A w a r d s B a n q u e t	S a l t L a k e C i t y , U T
A p r i l 11-13, 2025	M A R C M e m b e r s h i p M e e t	N a s h v i l l e , I N
J u n e 15-20, 2025	M A R C N a t i o n a l M e e t	G e t t y s b u r g , P A
J u n e 12- 15, 2025	62nd Texas Tour —hosted by Lone Star A s	G i d d i n g s , T X
J u n e 15-22, 2025	MA FCA N a t i o n a l T o u r <i>hosted by Arlen & Trish Evans</i>	W a y n e s b o r o , V A



Reminder

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

66th Annual Autumn Trails Tour



October 24-27, 2024

Winnsboro, Texas

Thursday, Oct. 24, 1:00 pm

Registration for Trade Day and Swap Meet at City Park

Friday, Oct. 25 - Sunday, Oct. 27

8:00 am - 5:00 pm Trades Day and Swap Meet at City Park

Saturday, Oct. 26, 10:30 am

Antique Cars Grand Entry Parade

All day in downtown Winnsboro – Merchant and Vendor Sidewalk Sales

Arts & Craft Show, Downtown Winnsboro

Saturday, October 26, 5:00 pm

BBQ Dinner and Awards Presentations 5:30 pm

Doors open at 5:00 pm - Door Prizes

Sunday, Oct. 27, 9:00 am

Antique Car Tour Leaves the Trails Country Motel

For further information, call:

903-850-4303 (Autumn Trails Model A's)

Autumn Trails Association



1310 CR 4186

Quitman, Texas 75783

gvclark@peoplescom.net

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 President's Page

September 2024



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 Ray 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 Garipey 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 Garipey. 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 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, 2024 MAFCA President

Purpose of Space City MAFCA

The Space City Chapter will 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



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 20	Ladies Luncheon – Location TBA
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



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Slip Dress

Bikinis, Bell-Bottoms & Little Black Dresses, by Kate Mulvey

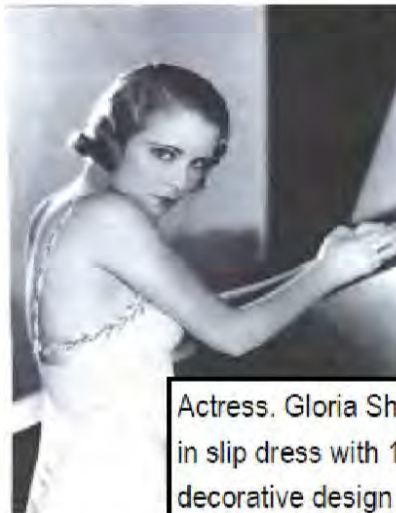
The slip dates back to the 1920s, when the streamlined "flapper" dresses required feminine undergarments in order to hang properly. Unstructured, clingy and light as a feather with its thin spaghetti straps and its lacy edges, this slinky descendant of the petticoat also carries with it a sense of semi-nakedness that draws attention to the body, giving it powerful sex appeal. These new style chemises which were highly decorative, deliberately sensual and often transparent became the forerunner of today's fashion slip. They were made of rayon, crepe de Chine or silk tricot so they were smooth, soft to touch, and considered to be the height of luxury.

The slip continued to be worn in the 1930s and 1940s, changing its shape and hemline as required by the current fashion. As American regulations regarding advertising became relaxed in the 1950s, the language of lingerie was changed forever. In 1958 the US company Maidenform promoted its bras and slips on television for the first time. Vogue and other magazines showed beautiful women in their underclothes, bringing the intimacy of lingerie into the public domain. The slip took on a sexy image in the bedroom thanks to the silver screen; curvaceous slip-clad stars like Elizabeth Taylor in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (1958), and Janet Leigh in *Psycho* (1960) sparked demand for similar styles in boutiques and shopping malls.

The slip moved out of the bedroom and into the fashion arena in the 1990s with the beginning of the waif look and a desire for a more feminine style of dress. Whether teamed with dainty kitten heels and a cardigan or dressed down with a denim jacket and biker boots, the slip will never lose its allure.



Marilyn
Monroe in
slip dress
1950s



Actress. Gloria Shea
in slip dress with 1930
decorative design



Variation of slip
dress today

Sent in by Nancy Gonyea

Tech Q&A - Chassis - Front End

FRONT AXLE

Question:

I am a new member of MAFCA and I am restoring a 1931 standard coupe (85B) as a driver (hydraulic brakes, etc.) The problem is the front axle is apparently installed backwards so that the spindle locking bolts have to be installed from the rear of the vehicle with the long nuts at the front of the car. The axle is apparently a 1928-29 with small Ford script but has a tapered pinion locking pin. The caster seems OK. The nuts on the bottom of the spring perch have damaged threads and don't want to come off. Is it OK to leave the axle this way. This is not a points car and the spindle locking nuts still keep the wheels from turning too far.

Answer:

The front axle has no front and back side. It can go either way. That is why FORD script is printed on the front right side and left rear side of the axle, no matter which way it is installed. Your problem is that someone has just put the spindle locking bolt in backwards. It can also go in from either side, but should be inserted from the front. Remove the spindle locking bolt and insert it from the front. Be sure to knock the bolt all the way in before applying the nut so as not to strip the threads by forcing the bolt in with the nut. I would suggest leaving the spring perch nut alone if it is still tight. Spring perch bolts are always a problem. They are usually rusted into the axle and can be very difficult to get out. By the way, my answer above assumes you still have a Model A axle and Model A spindles with those hydraulic brakes.

FRONT SUSPENSION

Question:

Do I take your comments (below) to mean that 1-1/2 to 2" is the acceptable play in the steering box? Mine has always had that much (maybe just a little more). If so, I'm surprised. I've been looking for something under 1/2". Well, Well, Well.

"Try to adjust the steering box using the procedure in the "Model A Mechanics Handbook". You should be able to adjust it so that you have no more than 1-1/2 to 2" of side-to-side movement measured at the outside circumference of the steering wheel (with wheels straight ahead). If it can't be adjusted up then you will probably need new sector housing bushings and races and bearings.... "

Answer:

Factory spec is 1" free movement with wheel straight ahead (or steering in center of travel). The amount of free play will increase as the steering wheel is moved right or left from center. This is all designed in to prevent binding. Two inches is acceptable but I would suggest you try adjusting it to get closer to the 1". To get the 1" you will probably have to make all three adjustments and a rebuild as I described to you earlier. The closer to 1" you get, the better it will handle. Careful with the adjustments. You do not want any binding. -- **Les Andrews**, 1998 Technical Director

“HIDDEN” OIL POINTS by Eric Engle

While pampering my 31 Coupe (oil/filter change, lube, etc.), I happened upon Paul Shinn’s video on just that subject. It’s an excellent video, covering all aspects of doing the job right. I thought maybe I should bring to light some of the “hidden” areas that need lubrication also...spots that are often overlooked, or forgotten.

Using a 1 oz. plastic bottle with a needle tip (from Amazon, Hobby Lobby, etc.), fill with 30W oil to reach the following: Hood hinges (3), Door hinges, Horn armature felts (2), Distributor “base oiler” cup and (if you have one) the hole in the top of Cam Screw, Throttle linkage cups (2) (mounted to back of block), all brake rod Clevis Pins. Also, be **SURE** to squirt some oil from your oil can onto the front engine mount where it passes through the front crossmember. Strange noises can come from that area if it isn’t periodically oiled. And don’t forget to periodically lubricate the speedometer cable with a dry graphite.

With a good spray lubricant (ie. Lucas Oil Red N Tacky Grease, White lithium grease, etc.), spray brake cross shaft where it passes through the frame. Also remember to spray some lube up inside parking brake mechanism and inside door latches.

And don’t forget to put a **small** dab of silicone grease on the points cam inside your distributor. Your point’s rubbing block will thank you.

These are some of the “hidden” areas that require lubrication every so often, to help keep your car in tip-top working condition for years to come.

Be sure to check out Paul Shinn’s excellent video series on this subject:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hMvUtcIljHY>



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The International Order of the Rubber Chicken

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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