



# 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: Jim W Hartzog

April is here and brings with it the promise of better weather and the chance to get out and drive our fabulous A's.

Also, the Texas Tour that Piney Wood is sponsoring is less than 90 days away. This may seem like a short deadline, but our Committee Chairs in place have done a tremendous job in getting us to this point.

The agenda, facilities, entertainment, etc, have all been finalized.

Once again, thanks to all who have participated to this point.

Do not feel left out, help is always needed to make this event an event to remember.



Looking back, March included the yearly Safety Check and the breakfast at Lynn's in Old Town Spring. Both were well attended.

Our monthly meeting included a presentation by the representative from Pate Swap Meet offering details to Piney Wood for future consideration of providing labor at the swap meet. David Teale provided the technical meeting covering carburetors. Very TECHNICAL.

Moving into April, we will have the tour of the Burton Cotton Gin and the offsite meeting at our house. Details for both are in this newsletter.

Looking forward to the rest of Spring and pleasant weather before the dog days of summer are upon us.

Jim H

# PWA Meeting Minutes, March 14, 2023

By: Linda Beitler

## **PINEY WOOD MODEL A FORD CLUB Minutes for March 14, 2023 Meeting Valley Ranch BBQ**

**Call to order:** President Jim Hartzog called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Invocation:** Mitzi Shaddix led the group in prayer.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Jim Hartzog led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** Robert Bullard made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 18, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Marilyn Hitchcock. The minutes were approved.

**Presentation of MAFCA Award:** Robert Bullard, President of MAFCA, presented to the Piney Wood Ford Model A Club the MAFCA 45-Year Longevity Award in recognition of the PWA chapter's many years of support in maintaining the history and heritage of the Model A Ford. Jim Hartzog accepted the award on behalf of the PWA chapter.

**PATE Swap Meet Presentation:** Robert Wheeler, President of the Antique Automobile Club of America, was introduced by Robert Bullard. Mr. Wheeler spoke to the members of PWA about PATE, one of the largest automotive swap meets in the United States. Held annually over a three-day period in April at the Texas Motor Speedway in Fort Worth, Texas, the PATE event hosts approximately 9,000 vendors and is visited by 200,000 to 400,000 automobile enthusiasts each year, depending upon the weather.

As Mr. Wheeler explained, profits are distributed, after payment of all the event expenses, to the member clubs based on the number of individual members in each club. The annual PATE swap meet is managed totally by volunteers from the various member clubs. PATE expects each member club to provide volunteers numbering approximately 10% of the club's total membership. Volunteers are needed for all aspects of the event, including security, vendor coordination, booth set-up support, event registration, garbage pickup, lost & found, and breakdown and clean up after the event.

Mr. Wheeler reported that there is a two-year buy-in for new members during which 50% of the distributable profit for a new member will be retained by PATE. This buy-in period provides time for the new member and PATE to determine if the new association is a good fit for both organizations. Within the two-year period, the member club or PATE may terminate the association with no further financial obligation. Mr. Wheeler noted that the next event is already scheduled and it is too late to accept new member clubs for participation in the 2023 event next month.

The members of the PWA agreed to consider membership in the PATE organization as a potential source of future income.

**Treasurer's Report:** Frank De Lucia presented the Treasurer's Report for February 2023. David Teale made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. David Gould seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

**Newsletter:** Troy Walling encouraged the group to forward pictures taken on tours, functions and ladies' activities for publication in the newsletter.

**Sunshine Report:** The Sunshine Report was presented by Mitzi Shaddix.

**Upcoming Events:** Jim Blaszczyk reviewed the upcoming events scheduled through April 2023 as follows.

March 15 Ladies Luncheon

March 31 – April 2 Poor Boy Tour hosted by Victoria A's  
Robert Bullard and James Blaszczyk will lead 2 groups

April 8 April Meeting of PWA at Jim and Kathy Hartzog's home

April 15 Burton Cotton Gin Festival – weekend tour

**Texas Tour:** Troy Walling reported that all positions are filled except Car Games. He further advised that there was a big need for donated items and reminded the members that this event is the club's biggest fund-raising event. Troy noted that, as of three weeks ago, all 69 rooms reserved at the Fairfield Inn were filled and an additional 8 rooms at the Holiday Inn were filled. He reported that the registration forms would be mailed within the week.

**Website:** Frank De Lucia reported that the PWA Website has been down because of maintenance by Go.Daddy and that it would be up again soon.

**MAFCA, MARC & MAFFI:** Dan Kundts volunteered to maintain updates with these organizations.

**Rubber Chicken:** The Rubber Chicken was passed to Frank De Lucia for a flat tire.

**Christmas Party:** Susan Cherry reported that the 2023 Christmas Party is set for December 9, 2023.

**Breakout Sessions:** David Teale lead the men's technical session on carburetors. Linda Bragaw led the ladies' session with a White Elephant Trash or Treasure gift exchange.

**50/50:** Kim Teale handled the 50/50 drawing which was won by Mitzi Shaddix.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ron Cherry and seconded by Linda Bragaw. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.





# March Events 2023

By: Troy Walling

## Lynns Table March 4th



Cars lined up in front of Lynns Café in Old Town Spring, Texas



Piney Wood members enjoying breakfast to start a beautiful day.

# Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive

March 11th



Up on the rack



Under the hood



Cars Serviced and ready to go back on the road again

**The Piney Wood A's would like to thank Copperfield Automotive for offering their facilities to our club so we can maintain our cars.**



# Monthly Meeting at the Valley Ranch BBQ March 14th

## Awards



Jim Hartzog receives from Robert Bullard a certificate recognizing the 45<sup>th</sup> Longevity Award of Piney Wood A's



Frank DeLucia receives the Rubber Chicken Award from Dan Kundts

Congratulations to All

## Mens Technical



David Teale presented another outstanding technical  
This time on carburetors.



## Ladies Technical



Trash or Treasure?



From the Smiles, it was all treasure



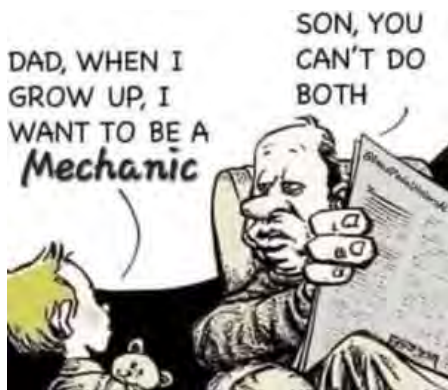
All smiles at the Ladies' Luncheon  
March 15<sup>th</sup>  
Lambeau's Sports Bar and Grill Cypress, Texas

## Who is this?

Just a good southern California guy  
who enjoys working on his  
first Model A in 1985



Answer on page 17



**Successful Model 'A' clubs have one common ingredient. They have members that will plan events and volunteer to assist in running the organization.**

**It's a necessary ingredient.**





## Model A Ford Club of America

Over 25 Years on the Web - 1997-2023

"The Largest Car Club in the World Dedicated to One Type of Automobile"



### Presidents News



March is my favorite month of the year. Besides being my birth month (I get to celebrate yet another birthday) it also ushers in the first day of spring (March 20th) and the return to daylight savings time (March 12). With the optimism, that comes from Spring being just around the corner I look forward to the longer days and more daylight in the afternoon and evenings. I love driving my Model A later in the day with the world has started to quieten down and the pace of life slows down a little. The soft light of late afternoon along with the long shadows makes for great Model A driving on the rural roads in our area. You can almost feel mother nature's anticipation of the trees, flowers and fields coming back to life after winter. To me it is a great time to be outside and no time better to driving a Model A.

A couple of exciting products are nearing distribution. First, the latest edition of our Membership Roster should be available for delivery by late Spring. Our 2023 edition will have all the latest membership information available for use at home or on the road, additionally it will have all our domestic and international chapter information sorted by state and/or country. This is also a must have book when Elaine and I travel out of our home area. Our 50 years of MAFCA magazine technical articles USB flash drive is being updated to 65 years and should be available in late summer.

The membership director, Jay McCord had his selection for the National Nominating Committee members approved. They will be conducting a nationwide search for members to run for election to the 2024-2025 Board. Please contact Jay at [membership@mafca.com](mailto:membership@mafca.com) if you have a desire to serve as a director of MAFCA. On the MAFCA webpage on the left ribbon click MAFCA Info then click on Elections. You will find a link midway down the page titled: What you can expect if you become a MAFCA Board member. This is an excellent source of information on the expectations for serving on the Board.

I'm looking forward to seeing you soon,

See You Down the Road, Robert Bullard



———— Come Ride with Sam ————

# 60<sup>th</sup> Model A Ford TEXAS TOUR

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Huntsville, Texas

June 15-18, 2023

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Hosted by the  
Piney Wood Model A  
Ford Club

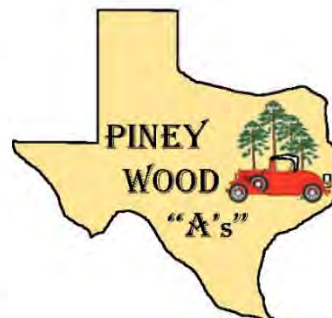




## Texas Tour 2023

June 15-18, 2023

Huntsville, Texas



**Come Ride with Sam!**

### **Host Hotels**

***Fairfield Inn & Suites*** (Tour Registration Desk)

136 Ravenwood Village Drive Huntsville, Texas 77340

Room Rates: 50 rooms @ \$109, 19 rooms @ \$149

Phone: (936) 436-7000

Check-in time 3:00PM

***Holiday Inn Express & Suites***

148 I-45 Huntsville, Texas 77340

All Rooms @ \$119

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***Hampton Inn***, Next to Fairfield Inn (alternate hotel)

Phone: (936) 439-5228

### **Main Event Center**

Walker Education Center Located in the Sam Houston Museum Park

1402 19<sup>th</sup> Street Huntsville, Texas 77340

### **Planned Events**

Short driving tours (Friday)      Grand Tour (Saturday)

Interested in the Friday Dinner Fashion Walk? Contact Perry Jones at [jones\\_perry@hotmail.com](mailto:jones_perry@hotmail.com)

Car Games      Great entertainment

*Points of interest:* The Home of Sam Houston (next to event center), Prison Museum, Military Museum, The statue of Sam Houston, and others.

Trailer parking available

**See Registration Form for Registration Fees**



## 60th Annual Texas Model A Ford Tour Registration Form

Huntsville, TX | June 15-18, 2023  
Hosted by The Piney Wood Model A Ford Club



**Please Note - To ensure adequate facilities, service, and food,  
we cannot give refunds after May 31, 2023**

**Registration Fee:** \$125 per adult (\$135 after May 15, 2023)    *No charge for children under 18 years*

Name(s) of attendee(s):	Adult	Child	Dinner Fashion Walk <sup>1</sup> Participant (✓)
_____	\$ _____		<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	\$ _____		<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	\$ _____	\$ N/C	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	\$ _____	\$ N/C	<input type="checkbox"/>
Club Affiliation: _____	TOTAL \$ _____		

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Model A Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style: \_\_\_\_\_ Will you have a trailer? Yes  No

**Registration** check-in and hospitality room located at the Fairfield Inn will be open Thursday, noon to 5:00 PM. This registration includes Thursday Welcome Party, Friday evening meal, Saturday Grand Tour lunch, and Saturday Closing Banquet. The Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening meals will be at the Walker Center located in the Sam Houston Museum Park, 1402 19<sup>th</sup> St, Huntsville, TX. **Late registration** will be Friday morning 8:00-9:00 AM. Trailer parking will be available.

If you have special dietary requirements, contact Frank DeLucia at (281) 797-0026.

<sup>1</sup>Friday Dinner Fashion Walk - Contact Perry Jones at [jones\\_perry@hotmail.com](mailto:jones_perry@hotmail.com)

**Make checks payable to: The Piney Wood Model A Ford Club**

Send check and registration form to: Frank DeLucia, 11415 Lakewood Estates Houston, TX 77070

Questions: Contact Frank at e-mail [frankdelucia@att.net](mailto:frankdelucia@att.net) or phone (281) 797-0026

**Accommodations:** Please mention **"Texas Tour or Piney Woods"** for special rate

Fairfield Inn & Suites	136 Ravenwood Village Dr.	(936) 436-7000	\$109 per night
Holiday Inn Express	148 I-45	(936) 295-4300	\$119 per night

Disclaimer: I hereby release The Piney Wood Model A Ford Club, Model A Ford Club of America, Organizers, Suppliers, and Sponsors of the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Model A Ford Tour and their facilities from any and all liabilities. Submittal of this registration, whether signed or not, is in acceptance of this statement.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Visit: [www.pineywoodmafc.com](http://www.pineywoodmafc.com) for more information



**Piney Wood Model A Ford Club (PWA)**  
**Membership Application**

One Year Family Membership \$25.00  
Renewal dues are delinquent after December 31<sup>st</sup>

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

# What's On The Calendar?

By: Jim Blaszczak

## 2023 PWA Calendar of Events

Jan 7(Saturday)	PWA Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse, 8:00 am-9:00 am
Jan 10 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
Jan 14 (Saturday)	Joint Venture between Piney Wood A's and Houston Model A Club to Return a 1928 Texaco Fuel Truck to running status.
Jan 18 (Wednesday)	Ladies Luncheon at Eden's Café )
Jan 21 (Saturday)	Tomball Museum Center
Jan 28 (Saturday)	Dedication of running 1928 Texaco Fuel Truck back to 1940's Air Terminal Museum at Hobby Airport. Followed by Potluck Lunch
Feb 11 (Saturday)	Sweetheart Mini Tour Team Leader Jim Blaszczak
Feb 18 (Saturday)	Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse followed by Offsite Monthly Meeting at Ed Holtgravers home 8:00 am - 12:00?
March 4 (Saturday)	Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring 8:00 – 9:00
March 11 (Saturday)	Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive
Mar 14 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
March 15 (Wednesday)	Ladies Luncheon 11:30 am, Lambeau's in Cypress, Texas
Mar 31- (Friday)	Poor Boy Tour in La Grange, Tx
<b>April 1-2 (Sat &amp; Sun)</b>	<b>Poor Boy Tour in La Grange, Tx.</b>
<b>April 8 (Saturday)</b>	<b>Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse followed by Offsite Monthly Meeting at Hartzog's Home 8:00 12:00?</b>
<b>April 15 Saturday)</b>	<b>Burton Cotton Gin Tour Team Leader Bragaw</b>
May 6 (Saturday)	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 9:00
May 9 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
May 13 (Saturday)	Alton Hues Ranch near Richards, Texas
June	Monthly Meeting (To Be Determined)
<b>Jun 15-18 (Thurs-Sun)</b>	<b>Texas Tour in Huntsville, TX</b>

July 11 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00
August ?	Monthly Meeting (To Be Determined)
Sept. 12 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
October ?	Monthly Meeting (To Be Determined)
October ?	Gulf Coast Tour (TBD)
Nov. 14 (Tuesday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
Nov. 18 (Saturday)	Tomball Holiday Parade
Dec. 9 (Saturday)	Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club 13101 Melville Dr. Montgomery, Tx.

During the Monthly Piney Wood Club Meeting on January 10,  
Members were asked to fill out forms for future Ideas for Places to visit.  
Many new locations were suggested as well as old favorites to visit as well.  
Thank you and continue to think of ideas as these trips have.  
Always has been so informative.

Answer Art Shaddix



# Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator



Bob Sample	4/1
Ted Karris	4/5
Carl Capers	4/6
Bill Miller	4/6
Bonnie Fuller	4/13
Joyce Grivet	4/13
Constance Pless	4/16
Jennifer Gould	4/25
Clarkie Atkinson	4/26
Mary Mendez	4/30
Troy Walling	4/30



Jeff and Shelley Boyles	4/5
Ray and Patricia Barth	4/18



# Era Fashions



## MODEL A FASHION HATS



**THE TRAVELER**  
Monthly publication of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club - Southern Alabama to the Florida Panhandle





Fashion Innovation:

# Slide Fasteners (a.k.a. Zippers)

By Perry Jones

**A**lthough not common during the Model A Era, the slide fastener, which we now call a zipper, could be found in an array of items. One example is the Saks Fifth Avenue advertisement to the right from a 1931 *New York Times*, featuring a sportswear outfit including a suede blouse with the “convenience of a Talon fastener.”

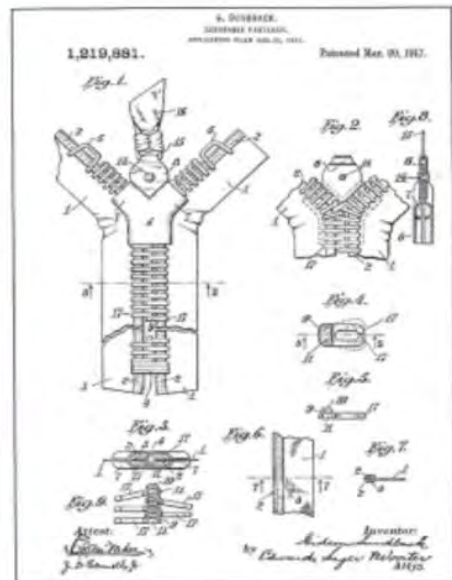
The story begins in 1851, when Elias Howe, Jr., inventor of the sewing machine, received a patent for an “automatic, continuous clothing closure.” Howe’s device was more like an elaborate drawstring than a true slide fastener, but because of the success of the sewing machine, he did not pursue marketing his clothing closure system.

In 1893, Chicago inventor Whitcomb Judson marketed a “clasp locker” device, similar to what Howe described. Being first to market, Whitcomb got credit as the “inventor of the zipper.” Still, his patent did not use the word zipper.

Judson’s “clasp locker” was a complicated hook-and-eye shoe fastener. With businessman Col. Lewis Walker, Judson launched the Universal Fastener Company to manufacture the device. While the clasp locker debuted at the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair, it found little commercial success. The Universal Fastener Company moved to Meadville, Pennsylvania, where it operated for most of the 20th century as Talon, Inc.



Saturday Evening Post, 1928.



elements from four per inch to 10 or 11, had two facing rows of teeth that were pulled into a single piece by the slider, and a larger opening for the teeth guided by the slider. His patent for the “separable fastener” was issued in 1917.

**Naming the Zipper.** The term zipper, based on the sound it makes, was first used in 1923 by the American B.F. Goodrich Company. The company opted to use Sundbäck’s fastener on a new type of rubber boots (or galoshes) and called it the zipper. The term stuck.







*Swimsuit with zipper, Ladies Home Journal, 1931.*

The two chief uses of the zipper in its early years were for closing boots and tobacco pouches. Zippers began being used for clothing in 1925 by Schott NYC on leather jackets. In the 1930s, a sales campaign began for children's clothing that featured zippers. The campaign hailed zippers as a way to promote self-reliance in young children, as they made it possible for them to dress themselves.

**The Battle of the Fly.** A landmark moment happened in 1937, when the zipper beat the button in what was called the "Battle of the Fly." French fashion designers raved over the use of zippers in men's trousers and *Esquire* magazine declared the zipper the "newest tailoring idea for men."

**Zippers in the Model A Era.** The *MAFCA Fashion Guidelines* mention slide fasteners or zippers six times. "Slide fasteners or zippers," the *Guidelines* say, "were discussed in magazines for men's tailors, but were not commonly used in the fly until after the Model A era." They mention they "could be found in pockets or down the front of coveralls" and also picture a heavy cotton outdoor clothing set "with sliding rustproof fastener [that] is practical for boys and girls." The document also mentions zippers use in men's and women's golf bags for the ball and shoe compartments.

The two images above come from the same Talon advertisement in a 1931 *Ladies Home Journal*. "Traveling Case — equipped with a Talon Slide Fastener. It can be opened or closed in an instant — but it can't come open accidentally."

The ad also says if you are heading to the beach, "The very newest knitted bathing suits have a Talon Slide Fastener at the back of the jersey. Beach pajamas are cotton mesh and Talon-fastened at the side. And the polo shirt of cotton mesh is Talon-fastened, too — at the front."

While slide fasteners did exist in the Model A Era, they were not as accepted and used nearly as much as they are today. ☹

*Perry Jones and his wife, Tammie, live in Cypress, Texas, where they belong to the Piney Wood Model A Ford Club. They own a '31 Slant Window and share a '30 Special Coupe with other family members. Perry is a proud member of the Era Fashion Committee.*



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# RON'S TECH TIP PAGE

## OIL YOUR DISTRIBUTOR FREQUENTLY

from Hub City News, Hub City A's  
& republished in Script A News, March 2023

I was called upon to visit one of our longtime members to see if I could get his 1930 Coupe running after a rollback-home incident while he was on a leisurely jaunt around the local area. The coupe hadn't been driven much in the past few years, and while out, it just quit running. No fire during cranking, eh? I missed the part about a knock recently during running. That's a symptom of a more serious problem than just dirty ignition points. Anyway, I gathered a few tools and arranged a time to see the car. Points and electric all as they should be, fresh gas was there, but no fire during cranking. In fact, the distributor rotor was not turning at all - WHAAAT? That means the timing gear was probably not turning, or the shaft driving the distributor from the cam was having a problem.



After consulting with our trusty Hub City advisor (one of many), I rounded up some Model A guys to share the blame in case I was wrong and decided to pull the timing gear cover. Sure enough, some teeth were chewed off the timing gear, and you



could see, under close examination, where the gear hub was coming loose from the fiber part. That is probably the explanation for the recent noise. The distributor was next to be removed, and it was definitely tight enough to cause the teeth to be chewed off the fiber gear. The lesson here is, if your A sits around a lot, every time you take it out, oil the upper and lower oil points on your distributor. Each time you shut your car off after a drive, moisture in the crankcase eventually tends to condense around the distributor.

If it sits a long time between runs, the bushings and shaft corrode and get tighter and tighter. Over time, it will cause the timing gear teeth to fail. They are designed to be the weak point in the drive chain so the gear teeth on the cam are protected.

**Get in the habit of oiling the distributor regularly.**



# FOR SALE

Webber Carburetor Model 3236 Setup for your Model A includes everything needed  
Choke Cable, exhaust header cast iron collector, 12-volt fuel pump, pressure regulator  
Fuel line and gauge with mounting bracket.

Asking price \$900 or best offer

The original cost was over \$1200 plus shipping  
Please contact David Van De Bogert at **262 325 5206**  
Or Gregg Zulinski **936 521 9287**



## Wanted

A running Model A in fair condition. \$12,000 range  
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Email: [AAuguste@pvamu.edu](mailto:AAuguste@pvamu.edu)



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## AFTER 45 YEARS LETS LOOK BACK AT SOME PWA CLUB HISTORY

The Following Article, By Gwyn Machacek,  
Entitled "CRANKED UP IN 1977",  
Was Published In Our  
September 1995 & July 2012 Newsletter  
By Paul Lewis:

"For several years there was talk between Model A'ers about trying to form a Model A Club North of Houston and in Montgomery County. Four people said, "Let's try". Notices were posted everywhere in the Spring, Woodlands, and Conroe area telling of the first gathering to be held August 9, 1977 at the Gulf State Auditorium in Conroe. Those four people were Keith Jenkins, Buddy Moore, Larry, and Gwyn Machacek.

Eight families attended the gathering and they all said, "Let's give this club a try". Officers were selected and then one of the big topics of discussion was what can we call ourselves. Suggestions such as; Conroe A's, Montgomery County Motometers, Piney Wood A's, Big Thicket A's and Rambling A's were suggested. It was suggested that a name would be picked at the September meeting. Everyone then browsed through the display of literature on the Model A that Keith Jenkins and Larry Machacek had set up.

At the second meeting the name Piney Wood Model A Ford Club (Piney Wood A's, for short) was chosen and a Newsletter's name "The Ford Squeaks" was selected. Moreover, the club grew by 4 new members.

By the end of 1977, the newly formed club had 16 families. They were Bryant Baugus, Donald & Cindy Chrisner, John & Judy Davidson, Monte Fine, Jerry Fisher, Thomas Gilbert, Dick Hand, Keith & Marlene Jenkins, Benny Klekar, Tom & Joan Lowery, Larry & Gwyn Machacek, Donald Mog, Buddy & Sandy Moore, Guy & Betty Nightingate, Harold & Carolyn Smith, and Thomas Wilkerson.

The following year (1978) saw the club becoming a chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). Years later, in 1983, the club became a region in the Model A Restorers Club (MARC). **"THE REST IS HISTORY."**

At our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary luncheon on July 14, 2012, we all receive a souvenir printout of all the Piney Wood A's meeting minutes for 1977. The club today has far surpassed any vision our founding fathers might have had 35 years ago.

We all should be proud of that as we tack on the future years to come and, be very thankful for that meeting held on August 9, 1977, when **"Let's Give This Club A Try"** received enough "Yes" votes.



# 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 LOSE THE CHICKEN!**

### Rule #2

If, while on tour, you delay the group from leaving on time (excepting for bringing donuts & coffee)- **YOU LOSE 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 LOSE 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 LOSE 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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