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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 Hartzog

HIP HIP HOORAY!

Finally, fall has arrived and the cool air from up north has taken place over us!

Now is the time to get out and make ready your 'A' for the many available fall festivals and other outings in the surrounding area.

Of special note is the annual Tomball Christmas parade on November 18, 2023. More information to follow on this event later. Mark this date to ensure, as usual, a good turnout.

Also, this year's PWA Christmas Party is on December 9, 2023. Registration forms are available now so be sure and register as soon as possible to help in the planning for this event.

Let's all get out and drive and enjoy this time of the year. Be safe!



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Hartzog".

PWA Meeting Minutes

Piney Wood Model A Ford Club
October 14, 2023 Meeting
Robert & Elaine Bullard's Home

David Teale opened the meeting at 10:04. President, Jim Hartzog was not able to attend. Mitzi Shaddix led the members in prayer and David led The Pledge of Allegiance.

Jim Blaszcak made a motion to approve the September minutes. Art Shaddix seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The aluminum license platter toppers are available. The larger one for the front of your car is \$45 and the smaller one in the shape of Texas for the back of your car is \$25.

Jim Blaszcak still has some carb spacer/insulator kits for \$10.

David Teale has some timing tools for \$10.

All proceeds go to the club.

Jim Blaszcak thanked everyone who went to the Conroe Heritage Center in September and said that day qualified as the International Model A Day outing. He had patches for those who attended.

There's been an email chain for The Autumn Trails weekend at the end of October. Ron Cherry will be coordinating with anyone interested in going.

Troy Walling talked about the Poor Boy Tour we will host in 2024. He's thinking of Schulenburg but is open to ideas. Bill Hoekstra offered Brenham and Bob Hitchcock suggested Caldwell. Elaine Bullard reminded everyone that we have to stay within 75 miles of Schulenburg as that's the center between Houston and San Antonio. There was discussion on past tours and the viability of future tours. Attendance seems to be declining to the point, where people are wondering if we should try to organize any multi-club tours. Suggestions for PWA club tours in the fall could be the Peanut Festival in Houston County or Petit Jean State Park in Arkansas. David made a motion to put the Gulf Coast Tour and whether to hold it to the Board of Directors for a decision. Ron Cherry seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Susan Cherry reported that the Christmas Party will be on December 9, 2023, at the Walden Yacht Club. She likes how everything is already decorated and everyone seems to have a good time there. Tickets are \$45 per person for PWA members and \$50 per person for guests.

Susan then reported on The Sweetheart Tour. The LaSalle Hotel in Brenham is permanently closed, and The Faust Hotel in New Braunfels is closed for redecorating. Susan checked into some cabins on Lake Conroe, but there were only 9 cabins. We will still have a Sweetheart Tour, but it won't be in a period hotel. It may be in Brenham at a regular hotel.

We need someone to serve as secretary for the November 14 meeting. We are also looking for people to offer to serve the club as officers for 2024.

With no further business, Ron Cherry made a motion to close the meeting and Troy Walling seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The ladies went inside to make a Thanksgiving card and David Teale led a technical on horns.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Bullard

The end of the year is fast approaching,
It is time to renew your membership for 2024.

October Events 2023

By: Troy Walling

Piney Wood Model A Ford Club was invited to participate at the Heritage Museum in Conroe on September 30. It was well attended by not only members of our club but also by the public as well. We started the day by meeting at the Honor Café in Conroe. Afterward, we parked in the Museum parking lot. Later we were treated to a great lunch by the Museum directors. Thanks to George Williamson for setting up this great event.





LOUIS SCHROEDER 100 YEARS OLD

Attending a recent car show with Model A Fords brought back many memories for Louis Schroeder, who recently celebrated his 100th birthday.

Growing up on a farm in Wisconsin, he recalls learning to drive with an early-day Model Ford.

He also remembers mechanizing the farm from horses to tractors.

During WW2, he spent 18 months in France and Germany.

After moving to the Chicago, Illinois area, he began employment at the Fisher Body GM plant.

After retiring, he and his wife Elsie began full-time touring with a 5th-wheel RV.

For their snowbird life.

He was mechanically inclined and modified many vehicles to suit their lifestyle.

He still enjoys cars, trucks, and other machinery as well as occasional trips down memory lane

On October 6-7, the 21st Gulf Coast Model A Tour was held in Alvin Texas.

Hosted by the Greater Houston Club

There were 14 cars and 40 people in attendance.

It was a beautiful weekend. Smiles all around.

The only mishap was mine. After dinner Friday night, not being familiar with the area, I decided to follow a Model A back to the Hotel. Eventually, I realized I was behind someone going home instead of the hotel. Thank goodness for GPS.



Well attended at the Friday night dinner



A short stop at Danbury Park



On the way to the Stephen F Austin Statue, we were interrupted by a train.
No problem, the others waited for us while we chatted.



No event is complete unless we play Model A Bingo.



David Teale addressed the club at the October monthly meeting.

The October 14, 2023 breakfast and off-site meeting started with breakfast at Harris County Smoke House in Tomball and the off-site meeting was held at Robert & Elaine Bullard's home. 27 PWA members attended.

The weather was beautiful and a cool fall day.

David Teale led a short meeting and then conducted a technical on horns. Everything was set up inside so the ladies could make a greeting card using the top layer of a decorative napkin as a background.

Everyone gathered outside at about 11:30 to watch the annular eclipse.

The club provided solar eclipse glasses for everyone to use to safely look at the sun. The eclipse was very special to watch, and the shadows created were very interesting.

From breakfast to the meeting, technical and then the eclipse, it was a great morning to spend with friends.



Thanks to Elaine Bullard for the great article and for being the temporary secretary at this month's meeting.

**We need a volunteer to step up and to be
our secretary for our meetings.
It is a rewarding job**

Model A Days 2023
Gilmore Museum
Hickory Corners, MI

The Model A Ford Foundation Inc., also known as MAFFI, created another wonderful 2 day event this year to celebrate Model A Days. It was held October 15 & 16 at the Gilmore Museum Complex. The sky was bright and the temperatures were amazing! 46-50 degrees first thing in the morning with a high of about 72 degrees. The focus this year was the open car and there were plenty of cars driven by Model A owners.

The event was well attended with people from 7 different countries attending. Texas was fairly well represented, too. There were several Dallas MAFC members, Paul & Kathy Smith from the Golden Triangle A's, Ray & Sherry Hinnant of the Brazos Valley A's and representing the Piney Wood A's was Roger & Tavi Minson, Jim & Illona Blaszcak as well as Robert & Elaine Bullard.

We had a great time, but it wasn't all fun and games. Jim helped park vehicles, Robert was promoting MAFCA and Illona & Elaine were selling merchandise at the MAFFI tent. We got to see "Betsy", the car that Donna Lewis just donated to the museum.

There was plenty to see and do during the two days. Besides visiting the car museums, The Dixie Land Band played music on Saturday, the Caliope made quite a few rounds though the grounds playing music, you could take a ride on a fire truck, in the yellow school bus, on the back of a truck, or one of several other vehicles. There was a first start on both Friday and Saturday this year. These cars had not been driven in 40+ years and visitors got to guess how long it would take to get the cars ready to try and start. Once started, the engines were turned off and work continued on them. Friday evening we had the opportunity to visit the Kellogg Mansion and had a barbeque dinner on the grounds of the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary which was just beautiful.

Many automobile manufacturers are represented in their own museum buildings as well as The Gilmore Museum which has a wide variety of beautiful cars. Both the Model A Museum and the Cadillac Museum are planning expansions and the Horseless Carriage Museum is planning a new building. It's truly and amazing campus and worth the trip to visit.



Red Grow's Betsy

Model A Ford Hall of Fame Nomination & Induction

Name of Nominee – George Patrick Tynan

Nominee’s date of birth – November 16, 1928 (deceased July 16, 2020)

Nominee’s Occupations(s) – U.S. Air Force 1951-1980

Nominee’s Principal Address – Dallas TX

Nominee’s Relationship to Model A Fords – MAFFI President 2006-2011. Further details below.



Nomination Narrative – **George’s first car was a 1929 Ford Roadster** with no top for which he paid \$35. After a lifetime of flying, George retired in 1992 and joined the Dallas Model A Ford Club. He was very active in the club, working **Monday-Friday at a good friend’s Model A** garage educating newcomers to the hobby and helping others fix and recondition their Model As. He organized parades, meetings, canvassed huge swap meets on foot handing out club flyers, and led fundraising efforts like the Leake Kruse Auction. He was elected Vice President (1995) and President (1996), served as Chairman of the Auction Committee for many years, Chairman of the Texas Tour (2000), and President of the Southwest Swap Meet. He was awarded the Carl McClellan Award in 1997 and became a Life Member in 2011. He received the MAFCA Service Award in 1999, served as a MAFCA Board Member from 2001-2004 and 2009, and was MAFCA President in 2003. From 2006-2011, George was President of the Model A Ford Foundation (MAFFI) and instrumental in building the Model A Ford Museum. He travelled extensively to promote support for the museum, raise awareness, generate donations from local Model A clubs, and provide project status updates at national conventions.

As a teenager in 1944, George flew a Stearman biplane for the first time and got hooked on aviation. After high school, he served in the Marines from 1946-48. He then attended the University of Miami on the G.I. Bill, received a commission in 1951, and served in the U.S. Air Force from 1951-1980. During his career, he flew 468 missions in Korea and Vietnam and accumulated over 17,600 hours of flying time, mostly in B-52s. He was awarded the Legion of Merit (5 times), the Distinguished Flying Cross (twice), the Bronze Star, and more than 18 other medals. He retired in 1980 from the Air Force with the rank of Colonel.

Following his military career, George continued flying in the corporate world for 12 years. He founded Care Flight in Kansas City while his boss was on vacation.

Over the years, George managed to buy a beat up 1930 Cabriolet in Connecticut, drove it home to Dallas, rebuilt it himself, and drove it in all 48 contiguous states. In 2017 with his 1931 Blindback, he was the only one in the Dallas club to drive a Model A the entire way from Texas to Yellowstone National Park, up into Canada, and back home...by himself!

George was a college football star, career U.S. Air Force officer, NASA astronaut candidate during the Apollo Missions, and a passionate advocate of the Model A hobby. *Written by Doug Scott*

Submitted by the Dallas Model A Ford Club, May 2023

Induction Ceremony

The Model A Ford Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony was held at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners during the annual Model A Days, September 15-16, 2023. The nomination narrative for George was read before the presentation of the Certificate. Some Dallas Model A Ford Club Members who attended the induction ceremony were Bill & Pat Buckmeyer, Merle Gulick, Bill & Mary Holcomb, and Keith & Carolyn Weiss.

Pictured below are: MAFFI Pres. John Begg presenting certificate to George's son, Tom Tynan, and grandson, James Tynan. Second picture is Son, Tom Tynan, & wife, Sandra with grandson, James Tynan, and wife, Megan with George's picture.



Tom Tynan is the host of the long-running radio show called The Home Show
He has hosted the show for the last 38 years.

George Tynan was also a member of the Piney Wood A's



Pumpkin Fun Facts



- A pumpkin is really a squash—it's a member of the Cucurbita family which includes squash and cucumbers.
- Pumpkin flowers are edible.
- Pumpkins were once recommended for removing freckles and curing snake bites.
- The largest pumpkin ever grown weighed 2,702 pounds in Peccioli, Italy.
- Native Americans flattened strips of pumpkin, dried them, and made mats.
- Native Americans used pumpkin seeds for food and medicine.

Pumpkins require warm soils to germinate, and they cannot tolerate frost or freezes. To produce a fall crop of pumpkins, plant the seed approximately four months (generally around July) before the first frost. At the end of the fall season, feed your pumpkins to wildlife as the seeds and the flesh will be enjoyed by birds and several small animals. Wildlife experts suggest you cut up the pumpkin into smaller pieces and place them away from your house so that you don't encourage wildlife to feed too close.

The largest pumpkin pie according to the Guinness Book of World Records weighed in at 3,699 lb., was 20 feet in diameter, and the crust was made of 440 sheets of dough. This was made by New Bremen Giant Pumpkin Growers in New Bremen, Ohio on Sept. 25, 2010.

The spice blend has long been a part of the American baking tradition and in the 1930s, spice manufacturing companies like Thompson & Taylor Spice Co. and McCormick & Co. came up with Pumpkin Spice, a pre-blended mix that meant bakers could buy one spice instead of several.

Thompson & Taylor's version, released in 1933, included nine spices. McCormick's blend which was originally launched in 1934 and is still around today, includes four spices: cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, and allspice, plus sulfating agents.



From the Greater Athens Magazine, October 2022

Pumpkin Cream Cheese Pie Recipe

1 cup Graham Cracker crumbs, 1/4 tsp. vanilla, 1/4 cup butter, melted
2 eggs, 4 pkgs. (3 oz.) cream cheese softened, 2 egg yolks, 3/4 cup sugar
1 can pumpkin, 1 1/2 Tbsp. flour, 3/4 tsp. lemon peel, grated, 3/4 tsp. orange peel grated

Crust: Mix graham cracker crumbs with butter, mix well, press into bottom and sides of 9 inch pie pan. Refrigerate.

Filling: Beat cream cheese, sugar, flour, both peels, vanilla, eggs, egg yolks, and pumpkin until smooth. Pour into pie crust. Bake at 350 degrees for 35-40 min. or until center is firm. Let pie cool completely (1 hour).

Sour Cream topping: Combine 1 1/2 cups sour cream with 2 Tbsp. sugar & 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Mix well. Fold in Cool Whip. When pie is completely cooled, spread topping evenly over pie. Refrigerate overnight.



Congratulations to the Cowtown A's for this great display of their Model A Fords.
They used 71 Model A's to stage this event. Great Job.





Miller Reese Hutchison 1876 - 1944

The Ahooguh Origin by Tom Endy

The Ahooguh horn, also known as a Klaxon horn, was developed and patented by Miller Reese Hutchison, an inventor of the early 20th century. Hutch, as he was known, patented the mechanism in 1908. The Lovell McConnell Manufacturing Company of Newark, New Jersey bought the rights to manufacture the device and it later became standard equipment on motor cars. Franklyn Hallett Lovell Jr., the company founder, coined the name klaxon from the Ancient Greek verb klazō, meaning shriek.

Klaxon horns produce an easily identifiable sound, often described in English as "ahooguh". Like most mechanical horns, the klaxon has largely been replaced by solid state electronic devices, though the memorable tone has persisted on in classic cars of the era. Klaxon later became a brand name. The Klaxon horn was used on U.S. submarines during WWII. The Klaxon horn's characteristic sound is produced by a spring steel diaphragm with a rivet in the center that is repeatedly struck by the teeth of a rotating cogwheel. The diaphragm is attached to a horn that acts as an acoustic transformer and controls the direction of the sound. In the first Klaxons, the wheel was driven either by hand or by an electric motor. Hutchison went to work for Thomas Edison in 1909, and was the chief engineer for Edison from 1912 to 1918. The ahooguh sound is usually heard today when a Model A Ford goes rolling down the road.

*From mafca.com website

[Tom Endy's Technical Articles - Santa Anita A's](#)

written by Tom Endy
Westminster, CA

WEBMASTER WANTED

MAFCA IS SEEKING a volunteer to take over the position of Webmaster. This person must have general knowledge of web infrastructure as well as a background in HTML editing using applications such as Dreamweaver. Experience with PHP, CSS, and SQL, as well as other scripting languages, along with SFTP, will be helpful as well. Training with our current platform will be provided by interim webmaster Rick Black.

If your love of the Model A extends into the digital world, we could use your help. Here is an opportunity to contribute to the hobby you enjoy.

If you have an interest in volunteering for this position, please contact me at chaptercoordinator@mafca.com or directly at 405-812-8131 — or any current Board member.

— Will Langford, 2023 Chapter Coordinator/Web Liaison



A man called the hotel manager . He said, “Come up quickly, I fought with my wife and now she wants to throw herself out of the window!”

The manager replied, “Sir, this is a personal matter and we can’t get involved. I can call security.”

The man interrupted, “NO! This is a maintenance issue! The window won’t open!”

*Thanks to the Script A News-Editor

President's Page

October 2023

If you missed attending the 2023 MAFFI Model A Days event in Hickory Corners, MI during mid-September, you missed a great Model A gathering. Attendance was strong, lots of Model A's were on display and there were plenty of activities and events to keep a person very busy during the two days.



MAFCA had a tent/canopy on site with some MAFCA items for sale and a lot Model A advice and information available for free. We were in a prime location and mostly had a continuous stream of visitors throughout the meet. It was great to see old friends and make new ones. A special thanks to Dave and Diane Libbey, Doug and Nan Linden, Kay Lee, Jay McCord and Rick Black for helping to man the tent. Their help was invaluable for maintaining a MAFCA presence at the tent.

Voting is underway for the 2023 Board of Directors election. By now you should have received your ballots and membership renewal notice in the mail. Please vote. This your opportunity to make a difference and help choose the new directors to serve in 2024. Nothing is as powerful as your individual right to vote for members of the MAFCA leadership team. Also, an early renewal of your membership is always appreciated..

MAFCA will once again have a tent as the Hershey Swap Meet in Hershey, PA from October 3 – 6. Office Manager, Sandra Aguirre along with Chet Wojcik SR and Chet Wojcik JR will lead a group of volunteers manning the tent and providing daily seminars on relevant Model A topics. Also, Sandra will have a host of MAFCA merchandise items for sale. Good time to pick up a MAFCA piece of clothing, a relevant Model A book or even Christmas cards and save on the shipping costs.

Also, it is time to make sure you are registered for the MAFCA National Awards Banquet being hosted by the Santa Maria A's and being held in Santa Maria, Ca. Registration information is available on the MAFCA website and by contacting the Santa Maria A's. I'm looking forward the meeting and the visit to Hearst Castle. Visiting Hearst Castle has been on my bucket list for years and it will be nice actually check that one off the list. I recently spoke with event organizers and they would appreciate early registrations. This will help them with planning and would assure you a spot on the tours. There is a chance the tours to Hearst Castle and Solvang (Danish Capital of the US) could sell out.

See you down the road!
Robert Bullard, 2023 MAFCA President

**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

What's On The Calendar?

By: Jim Blaszczak Tour Coordinator

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| 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 |
| April 1-2 (Sat & Sun) | Poor Boy Tour in La Grange, Tx. |
| April 8 (Saturday) | Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse followed by Offsite Monthly Meeting at Hartzog's Home 8:00 12:00? |
| April 12 | Wig Party by Linda Bragaw |
| April 15 Saturday) | Burton Cotton Gin Tour Team Leader Bragaw |
| 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 20 (Saturday) | Alton Hues Ranch near Richards, Texas (Bring Lunch) |
| May 17(Wednesday) | Ladies Luncheon |
| June 3 (Saturday) | Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 am |
| June 3 (Saturday) | Monthly Meeting at the Blaszczak's Home 10:00 am |
| June 15-18 | Texas Tour in Huntsville, Texas |

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| July 8 (Tuesday) | Tour to Edmunds Fire Museum in Hempstead, Texas |
| July 11 (Tuesday) | Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 |
| Aug. 5 (Saturday) | Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 am |
| Aug. 12 (Saturday) | Ice Cream Social at Spring Creek Forest Clubhouse and Monthly PWA Meeting |
| Sept. 2 (Saturday) | Breakfast at Lynns Café in Spring. 8:00 am |
| Sept. 12 (Tuesday) | Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm |
| Sept. 30 (Saturday) | Model A Display, Heritage Museum of Montgomery County Conroe, Texas. |
| October 6-7 | Gulf Coast Tour, Alvin, Texas |
| October 14 (Saturday) | Monthly Breakfast and Off-site Meeting at the Bullard's, Hockley, Texas |
| October 27-29 | Winnsboro Autumn Trails |
| 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. |

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.

Piney Wood Model A Ford Club

Christmas Party



Come Join the Party!

We'll have food, it'll be fun, and there will be surprises, all in one place.

Saturday December 9, 2023

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Place: Walden Yacht Club
13101 Melville Dr.
Montgomery, TX 77356

Cost: \$45 per Club Member
\$50 per Guest

Dress: Christmas Attire

The Menu will consist of:

- Filet & Pork Loin
- Buttery Mashed Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Dinner Roll
- Dessert
- Water & Ice Tea

Cash Bar Available

Please List all attendees

\$ _____
\$ _____
\$ _____
\$ _____
Total \$ _____

Please mail this reservation form and your check made payable to Piney Wood Model A Ford Club to:
Susan Cherry
1719 Chestnut Ridge Rd
Kingwood, TX 77339

Reservations will also be accepted at club meetings. All reservations due by December 1, 2023

Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator



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| Jane Rivers | 11/1 |
| Marion Hertsbach | 11/5 |
| Kristen Brock | 11/8 |
| George Williamson | 11/15 |
| Jim Hartzog | 11/21 |
| Sarah Warren | 11/22 |
| Rich Haut | 11/24 |
| Alicia Stevenson | 11/29 |
| Ed Holtgraver | 11/30 |



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|------------------------|-------|
| Roger and Tavie Minson | 11/1 |
| Dan and Rosetta Kundts | 11/10 |

Bonnie's Bits of Yesteryear

Bonnie Penfield

Getting the Word Out

Bumper stickers have been around for a long time. Almost as long as car bumpers to be exact. But before there were bumper stickers or even bumpers, people were advertising on their horses and buggies! The idea of using your vehicle or mode of transportation as an advertising space has been popular since before the 1900's!

But in order for bumper stickers to be created - cars first needed bumpers! The earliest cars did not have this safety feature. It came around in 1927 when Ford released the Model A car. But bumper stickers were not created for a little while later. Before the sticker came around, people would attach cardboard signs on their bumpers and hold them in place with string and rope. Using a window-shield decal was also another option. These paper strips could be wetted and placed inside a car window. Needless to say - the signs could not withstand rain, snow, or any other type of inclement weather. And the window strips did not hold up well when placed on a bumper. Thus, the idea of custom bumper stickers was born.



A man named Ray Stanton Avery is often credited with the creation of the modern-day sticker because he created the first pressure sensitive labels. Shortly thereafter he created the first commercial labels, and the bumper sticker was born.

The first industry to grab hold of this new trend was the tourism industry! While people were visiting resorts, tourist attractions and amusement parks, the resort staff would actually run out into the parking lot and adhere their bumper stickers to the cars in the lot! The main benefit to this industry was that their guests could advertise for them across the country - wherever their visitors were driving back to after their trip.

After the tourist industry got a hold of this trend - presidential campaigns then joined the bandwagon. The idea of using custom bumper stickers began with the 1952 Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Election. The campaign was promoted with his slogan "I Like Ike". Bumper stickers were used widely during the campaign and have been used widely during every single presidential campaign since!



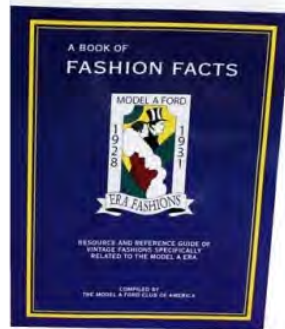
Sincere Thanks to Bonnie Penfield for her excellent articles.

GETTING STARTED IN MODEL A ERA FASHIONS

By Sharon Johnson

Thinking about getting into vintage fashions? Where to start?? I would recommend that anyone interested in becoming active in fashions from the Model A era attend various club meets. Regional and National meets usually have seminars on fashions. They sometimes have handouts and informative displays so you can get hands on approach to whatever subject they are talking about. The fashion luncheon is always fun because you get to see categories of Model A era fashions.

Here are some of the publications for sale at the MAFCA website. If you are handy at sewing, the Fashion Pattern Catalog is a must have.



There are also tests you can take to become a judge. They are listed on the MAFCA site. Judging is a lot of fun and you get an up close look at all the entrants and an education on what is right and what is wrong.

Don't think you have the money for original era fashions. You are in luck.....there is a category that's called, Model A Era Image fashions. You will be amazed at the dresses, hats and shoes that are out there that have the Model A Era "look".

The items below would be suitable for attending club events and driving your Model A on tours but not suitable for judging.

GETTING STARTED IN MODEL A ERA FASHIONS

Here are a couple of fun fashions that have a Model A look and jewelry from Roamans...website:

www.roamans.com



The following shoes are from Aerosoles...website: www.aerosoles.com



The following hats are from Village Hat Shop...website: www.villagehatshop.com



Good luck and I hope this will entice you to start enjoying the Model A "look".



Model A Ford Tech Talk



By Willie Priaulx

Air Filter or Not to Air Filter

That is the question – and a major topic of conversation at the Midwest Regional in Breckenridge this past June. “It Never rains in Colorado in June” they said. Apparently they forgot to tell the Weather Troll, and on the drizzly afternoons in the mountains, the repair tent offered refuge from the weather with plenty of opportunity to check under the hoods. One look at my air filter started a series of discussions.

One of the Colorado A-400s recently had an air filter fire. The damage to the engine compartment had been repaired and the hood repainted before regionals, but the story was still fresh. No one wants an engine fire and the concern is well warranted.

The choice to use an air filter or not, is of course up to you, and depends in part on how your car is used. Henry used no air filters, so if your goal is to have a show car the choice is easy. If touring is your plan, racking up the milage, then an air filter probably makes good sense.

For me, if I have a babbitt engine with substantial mileage already on it, adding an air filter at this point may be unwarranted. My newly rebuilt, insert bearing engine however, definitely gets an air filter, no question.

If you decide to use an air filter on the Model A Ford, it's essential that it meets these criteria;

1. It must be safe, shed excess fuel from flooding or leaking, and not become a fire hazard.
2. It must not restrict the air flow to the carburetor and provide maximum performance.



Unfortunately, the most commonly available air filter sold for the Model A **Fails** both of these requirements. The 90° bend places the air filter directly next to the hottest part of the exhaust system in a downward position that will collect any gas leakage. The replaceable paper air filter clogs quickly and restricts air flow. In my humble opinion, this air filter is an accident waiting to happen and should Not be used.

The solution is a K&N® washable, reusable High-Flow Air Filter™ fit on a simple do-it-yourself airway made from common 1½” PVC pipe fittings from the local home store. Originally designed for high-performance on the racetrack, K&N air filters are engineered to ensure maximum airflow.

I have been using the K&N air filter for several years now and can recommend it without reservation. Even at altitude in Breckenridge, where both man and machine were sucking for more air, any restriction caused by this filter was negligible.

PARTS

K&N Clamp-On Air Filter (3.5”x4.0”) RD-0700 ~\$50
K&N Cleaner & Red Oil Service Kit 99-5050 ~\$18

DIY PVC Airway Hardware (schedule 40): ~\$12
1- 1½” PVC Street 90°
1- 1½” PVC 90° Elbow
6” length 1½” PVC Pipe
1- 1½” PVC Street 45°
1- 2” to 1½” PVC DWV Flush Bushing (OD 2 3/8”)
1- 2½” Hose clamp
PVC primer & cement. Satin black spray paint.



INSTRUCTIONS

The Do-It-Yourself Airway is a series of pipe fittings, glued together and connected with hose clamps to the Zenith carburetor on one end, and the air filter on the other end. This design routes the airway under the carburetor, with the filter forward and away from the exhaust manifold. The last 45° elbow raises the filter above the lowest section of the airway where a small drain hole sheds leaked fuel. The full assembly can be installed and removed with a screw driver.

1. The large end of the Street 90° fits over the carburetor mouth and will be used as the mounting collar with a hose clamp. This flange measures 1 7/8" ID and 2 1/4" OD.

Cut two 9/16" diameter semi-circles in the flange at the horizontal center line with a die grinder, Dremel tool or round file. These cut-outs will accommodate the choke shaft bushings cast in the carburetor and allow the fitting to slide fully on the carburetor. (See Gray cutout area in Figure 3)

Cut 4 relief slots in the flange with a hack saw to allow the collar to compress under the pressure of the hose clamp. (See Red cut lines, Fig 3)

Fig. 3



2. Assemble the five pipe fittings in the configuration shown in Figure 4 and glue it all together using PVC cleaner/primer and cement.

This is also a good time to remove price stickers and sand off any unnecessary mold marks.

3. Drill a 1/8" drain hole at the bottom of the 45° elbow.

4. Now paint your new Airway satin black for a nice professional finish, or it will look like you just cobbled together some plumbing parts from Home Depot.

5. Test fit the airway assembly to the carburetor and air filter. If the fit is too loose for the hose clamp to tighten securely, some shim stock may be needed. I have used 1/2" strips of aluminum soda can, strips of inner tube rubber, or simply several wraps of duct tape.



Fig. 4

6. Attach the Airway to the carburetor and air filter with hose clamps.

The K&N® High-Flow Air Filter can go up to 50,000 miles under normal highway driving conditions before cleaning is required. That's a quote straight from the manufacturer folks! For Model A usage, a cleaning every other season or so should be more than sufficient. Easy cleaning and oiling instructions come with the service kit.

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Enjoy the ride and keep the rubber side down – Willie



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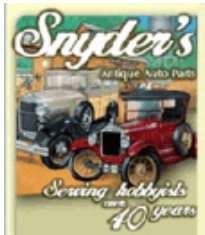
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AFTER 46 YEARS LETS LOOK BACK AT SOME PWA CLUB HISTORY

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 35th 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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