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<u>MOTTO</u>

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 Blaszczak

Hey Y'all

What a year this has been. I never would have believed that 2021 would go by so quickly. Piney Wood As was able to do many things I did not think would be possible while we were all dealing with COVID. I have the utmost admiration for our membership's loyalty to our club during some very challenging times. It's a verification of our club's values. We have returned to doing everything we did before the pandemic as well as adding wonderful new members to our Model A family. We are truly blessed.

The fact that I am writing my last President's message for the newsletter is also hard to believe. David Teale will be taking over as President for 2022. My biggest



take away from these past two years is how fortunate I was to have the honor to serve such an amazing group. I am excited and grateful for David Teale to accept the call to lead our club again. His demonstrated leadership has contributed profoundly to our club's success. I will miss his outstanding technical presentations.

I am also grateful to have had the support, counsel and friendship of Robert Bullard as Vice President and Tour Chairman. We are a touring club and with Robert's talents we were able to get back on the road with many great outings much sooner than I would have imagined. Robert has truly been the driving force, no pun intended, behind our club's activities. I will never be able to thank him enough. We are so blessed to have Ron Cherry serving again as Vice President and Tour Chairman for 2022. Ron was involved in many of the tours this year and his input and experience were invaluable. I'm really looking forward to the places we will visit next year.

Elaine Bullard will continue to serve as Secretary for 2022. It is hard to fully express my appreciation for Elaine's tireless dedication to our club. She has always been there to offer support, make valuable suggestions and keep me on track. Elaine's organizational skills are unmatched. That fact was validated by the success of our Craft Bazaar in October. What a great event. The club remains indebted to her for all she does in support of the Piney Wood As.

Also, I want to thank Frank De Lucia for all the work he has done to keep our books straight as Treasurer. Most importantly, Frank's work on the newsletter is a fundamental and irreplaceable part of our club.

The newsletter provides so many good things for the club. Our newsletter has been recognized by MAFCA multiple times for very good reason. It takes lots of work and I am sure the rest of the membership is as grateful to Frank as I am.

It takes the efforts of lots of people to make our club the great organization it is. The officers are not the only ones who make things happen. Every member who participates contributes to the club. Members have the opportunity to do as much as they want. Some are more involved than others, but everyone who participates is essential. As we move into 2022, I would encourage everyone to contribute whatever they can to help keep our club active and fun. Think about leading a tour or giving a tech presentation. Don't be intimidated. We are all here to help and support each other.

Finally, I want to thank Susan Cherry for her hosting of our Christmas Party. It is our very good fortune to have someone as talented and willing as Susan to make our party the event it has become. We all know how many hours are required to organize and execute this type of activity. I hope everyone will take the opportunity to personally thank her.

One more thing. As we arrive at the holiday season, I want to express my thanks for the fellowship and friendship Piney Wood MAFC provides. Although it was the cars that initially brought us into the club, they are no longer the most important part for Illona and I. It is the opportunity for the relationships that we value and appreciate the most. We love our Model A family. Illona and I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and most Happy New Year.

Take care,

PWA Meeting Minutes - Nov 09, 2021

By: Elaine Bullard, Secretary

President, Jim Blaszczak called the meeting to order at 7:04. He then led members in the Pledge of Allegiance and Mitzi Shaddix led members on prayer.

Jim then showed slides and gave information on what was happening 100 years ago.

Christ Fredona made a motion to accept the minutes from the October meeting and David Teale seconded the motion. The motion carried.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> - Frank Delucia mentioned that we had not approved the September Treasurer Report and so he updated the club on the finances for September first. Linda Bragaw made a motion to accept the September treasurer report. Mitzi Shaddix seconded the motion. The motion carried. Frank then gave the October Treasurer Report. Jim Blaszczak made a motion to accept the October Treasurer Report and Chris Fredona seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Frank reported the during the October meeting a motion had been made to pay all back donations that the club had forgotten to pay to MAFFI, MAFCA Youth Scholarship, and MAFCA Youth Restoration Award. At the October meeting, it was voted to get information on how far back we were remiss in our contributions. Frank reported that 2014 was the last year PWA made a donation to MAFFI and the MAFCA Youth Scholarship. 2016 was the last time PWA made a donation to MAFCA Restoration Fund. Elaine Bullard made a motion that the Board of Directors take this information and the amounts that were usually donated under advisement and make a recommendation to the club. Marion Hertzbach seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Tours & Events - Robert Bullard was absent so Jim Blaszczak talked about upcoming tours and events.

- Henderson Heritage Syrup Festival two night trip on November 12-14.
- Tomball Holiday Parade Be at our usual meeting spot by the train depot BEFORE 9:00. More details are in emails that Robert is sending out. Lunch will be at 11:00 at Goodson's Café in Tomball.
- December 4 Monthly breakfast at Magnolia Diner
- December 11 Annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club. Susan Cherry is promising a great time and we all know she'll deliver BIG! She has been sending emails asking members to register so please do so quickly!
- Either December 16 or 17 (Dan Kundts wasn't there to confirm the date) will be the casual, but traditional lunch at Vernon's Katfish on Hwy 105.

<u>Guests & New Members -</u> Jim recognized our newest member Steve Quance. Steve told us he had a 1931 Roadster that he bought from his great uncle's estate.

<u>MAFCA National News</u> - Jackson Garrison took this opportunity to announce that Bob Hitchcock's mother passed away recently. Jackson then announced that registration for the MAFCA National Meet, June 12-17, in Kerrville is open. The hot hotel, the YO Ranch, is fully booked, but there are other hotels nearby that still have rooms. Jackson also stated that November 20-21 is the Pecan Harvest Festival in Richmond, TX in case you wanted to attend. There is a \$25 entry fee for entering the car show.

Merchandise - Marion Hertzbach said to let her know if you wanted to order something.

Tool Box & SME - Frank Delucia said to call him if you needed anything.

Elaine Bullard spoke on several topics. She said she had fun organizing the Craft Bazaar Fundraiser and thanked everyone for their contributions. She then said there were several International Model A Day Patches left and you could buy one for \$3. There are 2 Sets of Bumper Reindeer left. She will bring them to the Tomball Holiday Parade in case you want a set. Piney Wood A's are in charge of manning the hospitality room at the National Meet in June. Elaine will have a signup sheet to choose volunteer times as we get closer to June.

<u>Tomball Parade -</u> Ron Cherry reminded everyone to be at the Tomball Holiday Parade meeting site before 9:00 as the city closes the roads about then. After we have concluded our drive down Main Street, we will turn left and drive straight to Goodson's Café for lunch. We usually arrive about or just before 11:00 am.

<u>Christmas Party</u> - Susan Cherry reminded everyone to send in their registration form and payment for the Christmas party by December 1. She hinted at an even bigger gingerbread house as well as more surprises! You've seen her parties before so don't miss this event!

<u>Sweetheart Tour -</u> Susan said the tour will be February 12-13, 2022. We will stay at The LaSalle Hotel in Bryan again. She has reserved 25 rooms under Block 27083. (I had to tell them Piney Wood Model A Club). This is another "Don't Miss It" event. Book your rooms ASAP. The hotel's phone number is 979-822-2000.

<u>Election of Officers -</u> Jim Blaszczak announced that the current board has filled the two remaining spots on the board. Please welcome Susan Cherry and Chris Fredona as the New Board Members. They will serve two years. Jim then stated that the following had been nominated to serve as officers:

- President David Teale
- Vice President Ron Cherry
- Secretary Elaine Bullard
- Treasurer Frank De Lucia

Jim then asked if there were any other nominations for 2022 Officers. As there were none, the club was able to vote by acclamation. Bill Hoekstra made a motion to accept the proposed Slate Of Officers and Troy Walling seconded the motion. The motion carried.

<u>Membership</u> - Perry Jones was not at the meeting so Jim reminded everyone that it's time to pay your dues. We have less than 40 members who have paid their 2022 dues so far.

<u>Library -</u> Dan Kundts was not at the meeting so Jim reminded everyone that with a small deposit, there was lots of information available to check out.

Jim gave a run down on upcoming tours and activities. We've been on 16 Tours; 2 of which were overnight trips.

- Meetings began again in April.
- Breakfasts and off-site meetings began again in June.
- We've been in 2 Parades.
- We've had 1 and attended another Ice Cream Social
- We've visited Spring Cypress Assisted Living Center.
- We've had a successful Craft Fair.

Frank asked if the MAFCA Mileage Program is still in effect. There are several programs in effect. The individual and the Chapter Mileage Awards.

The club took a 10 minute break and then regrouped for a men's seminar on Altenators given by David Teale.

The women gathered for an Ornament Hanger Session led by Linda Bragaw.



Elliott Hertzbach won the 50 / 50 which included a Hand Turned Pen made by Sergio Fernandez.

David Teale made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ron Cherry seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

FIXING EXHAUST MANIFOLD LEAKS

Extracted From: Alex Janke, Technical Seminar

Exhaust leaks at the manifold are a fairly common problem. These leaks can be prevented with some advance preparation, careful installation, and the use of exhaust manifold glands.

The exhaust manifold glands, Ford part number A-9440, were a carryover from the Model T Ford. The gland is a small metal ring that fits between the exhaust manifold and the engine block. Both the exhaust manifold and engine block are counter bored to fit the glands. The glands help seal the manifold and keep it from "sagging" under heat and the weight of the muffler. The Model A uses four glands, one for each exhaust port.

At the rear exhaust ports temperatures can reach 900 to 1200 degrees F. At those temperatures the weight of the muffler can cause the rear port to sag as much as 1/2 inch, causing a misalignment between the port and the gasket, creating an exhaust leak.

In the January 1929 Service Bulletin, a new manifold gasket was introduced that would,

"...eliminate the counterbore for the glands in both the manifolds



Counter Bore in Exhaust Manifold

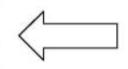
and cylinder block " This new design was to be installed without glands.

NEW MANIFOLD GASKET

Fig. 629 shows the new design one piece intake and exhaust manifold gasket A-9448.



Service Bulletin January 1928



From January 1929 through March 1929, engine blocks were produced without counter bores for the glands. Beginning in April 1929 the production of engine blocks with counter bores resumed and continued through the end of production. Since putting a counter bore in the block or manifold is a machining process requiring additional time and cost, resuming counter boring was done for a reason. The support provided by the glands was necessary. The glands never went out of production and their use was resumed with the April 1929 counter bored blocks.

When an exhaust manifold is removed a straight edge can be laid across the edge of the openings and the amount of "sag" can be measured.

Below is a new manifold that has been mated with intake manifold and machined flat, note the exhaust openings are in alignment intakes are slightly smaller than exhaust so they do not match but are centered correctly.



Counter Bore in Block



The standard exhaust manifold carries all the weight of the muffler and tail pipe. Over time this weight and the heat generated in the exhaust manifold causes the cast iron in the manifold to sag unless gland rings are installed.

Used original manifold showing sag of about 1/2"

The glands ride in the engine block, through the gasket, and into the manifold. Often when a manifold is changed the glands are thrown out with the old gasket and never reinstalled.



Eventually the manifold leaks and it is too late to reuse it because of sag. New glands will not fit and the ports will not align. Good gaskets can obtain a seal if the ports do not line up, but over the course of time the gasket will leak around the weak point of the seal. Some years ago, there were a number of articles written about heating exhaust manifolds and returning them to their original configuration. Unfortunately, most of these efforts resulted in cracked manifolds and used a lot of oxygen and acetylene. The new manifolds sold by the Model A parts suppliers are counterbored for glands and are properly aligned.

Exhaust manifolds with heaters generally did not experience excessive sag because of the additional material helped carry the weight.



Well-used exhaust manifold heater that shows no sag

Using glands prevents both leaks and sags. Here is a photograph of an exhaust manifold that had been installed using glands for 7 years and driven over 50,000 miles yet has very minimal sag.



Glands are sold by all the part suppliers and are of the split ring type. These can be pressed into the counter bore by hand. Glands can be fabricated using a piece of 1 1/4" EMT conduit. The EMT is just slightly too large and can be machined or sanded down to fit and cut with a hack saw or band saw.

Glands sold by suppliers on left and homemade glands made from conduit on the right



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In May of 1931, another new gasket type was introduced. The Ford Service Bulletin announcing this gasket included the advice, "If an owner has experienced any trouble with manifold gaskets blowing

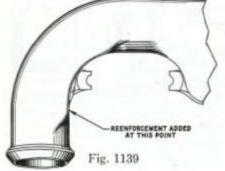
out, always remove the exhaust manifold and carefully check it to determine if it is warped or cracked."

The fit of the exhaust and intake manifolds is essential. They must be bolted together tightly and then machined so that the top of the ears on each are even and so the surface mating to the cylinder block is flat. (0.001" to .004") The mounting ears on both the exhaust and intake manifolds must be within .010" thickness or height of each other. The attaching cupped washer sits on both the exhaust manifold ear and the intake manifold ear. If the two ears are not close in thickness, the high (thicker) ear will possibly crack when tightening down the manifold stud nuts, preventing a tight gasket seal.

When using a new exhaust manifold and an old intake manifold it may be necessary to machine off a lot of material to get a flat surface across exhaust and intake ports. Since most of this grinding takes place on the exhaust manifold the depth of the counter bore is affected. When everything is new the glands are approximately ¹/₄" thick and fit nicely, but if the counterbore has been reduced the glands may be too thick and if installed will result in a leak.

To avoid this problem install the manifolds with glands and fit to the block <u>without</u> a gasket. They should fit flush, if there is a gap the glands need to be filed / sanded down until the fit is flat. Then the gasket is installed and the manifold tightened. It is critical this be done slowly and incrementally so as not to stress and crack one of the manifold ears.

In March of 1931, a strengthened exhaust manifold was introduced to help prevent some of the "sagging". This new design kept the counter bore and the additional reinforcement acted much like the extra material on a heater manifold.



The best results are obtained with both a new intake and exhaust manifold from the parts suppliers. They should be mated and port surfaces machined flat. The amount of machining is minimal, but essential. With glands, a good gasket, and careful torque application this arrangement should provide an engine free from manifold leaks for years of touring.

Special thanks to Mr. Les Andrews for his assistance in completing this article.

What's On The Calendar?

By: Robert Bullard, PWA VP & Tour Coordinator

As we approach the end of the touring season for 2021, it has been a great run. Sixteen tours, along with our normal club meetings and breakfast outings created a very busy year. I would like to thank everyone for their participation and support of the club in general but specifically for supporting all of our driving tours. We have put some miles on our cars this year in spite of the COVID-19 virus challenges. Throw in a state tour and a national tour and I believe anyone could have a found a tour to suite their idea of fun.

In December we have our monthly breakfast at the Magnolia Diner on Saturday, December 4. We'll meet at our usual time (8:00 am) for a nice breakfast gathering and a chance to swap tall tales. Next will be our annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club. Festivities start at 11:00 am and finish at 2:00 pm. If you only intend to participate in one event this year, make it the Christmas Party. Susan Cherry, along with a little help from Ron, create a wonderful event that is an unbelievably comfortable and respectful way to end the year. Anybody that is anybody in the Piney Wood Model A Club world will be there. If you haven't signed up yet do so soon. You don't want to miss this event.

Following the Christmas Party on Thursday, December 16th, Dan Kuntz has arranged out annual eggnog and fried catfish luncheon at Vernon's Kuntry Katfish in Conroe. The specific time will be announced soon. If you love eggnog and/or fried catfish this is the place to be on December 16th.

Since this is my final newsletter article of the year, I'd like to tell everyone what a great two years run it's been as club Vice President and Tour Director. We got slowed a bit due to Covid-19 restrictions, but we weren't' down for long. I look back on those outings to the state parks that got us back on the road and socializing with each other again with fond memories. We did a few new things with a few old things thrown in for what I think has been a great run of tours and outings.

As Ron Cherry picks up the torch and leads us all into the 2022 touring season, don't hesitate to talk with him and see what you can do to help the club plan, organize, lead or execute a tour. It's not very difficult and there are plenty of members willing to help you "git 'er dun". All you've got to do is step up and raise your hand.

Elaine and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Heritage Syrup Festival

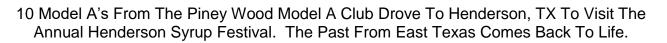
Saturday, November 03, 2021

Photo's By: Chris Fredona Fred Schiefer David & Kim Teale

The tradition of ribbon cane syrup making is commemorated at the Annual Heritage Syrup Festival, held the second Saturday of November. The highlight of the only folk life festival in East Texas is the syrup making demonstration on the Depot Museum grounds. Experienced syrup makers operate the museum's antique mule powered equipment to produce old fashioned cane syrup.

While the syrup cooks, other folk artist demonstrate the techniques of lace making, rope making, basket making, blacksmithing, wood carving, quilting, and other old-time survival skills. Folk singers entertain, antique tractors whine, a petting zoo, and local civic organizations offer a varied selection of food and beverages.

From the museum, the festivities spread six blocks to Heritage Square, which is located in the Downtown National Register Historic District. Browse among the 150 handcrafted arts and crafts booths, sample East Texas cuisine and enjoy the musical entertainment on stage one.





Lunch At Moosehead Cafe, Crockett Texas



Annual Heritage Syrup Festival Main Line Up



A Donkey Is Attached To The Bar, Which Turns The Press As It Walks In A Circle To Squeeze The Juice From Sugar Cane.



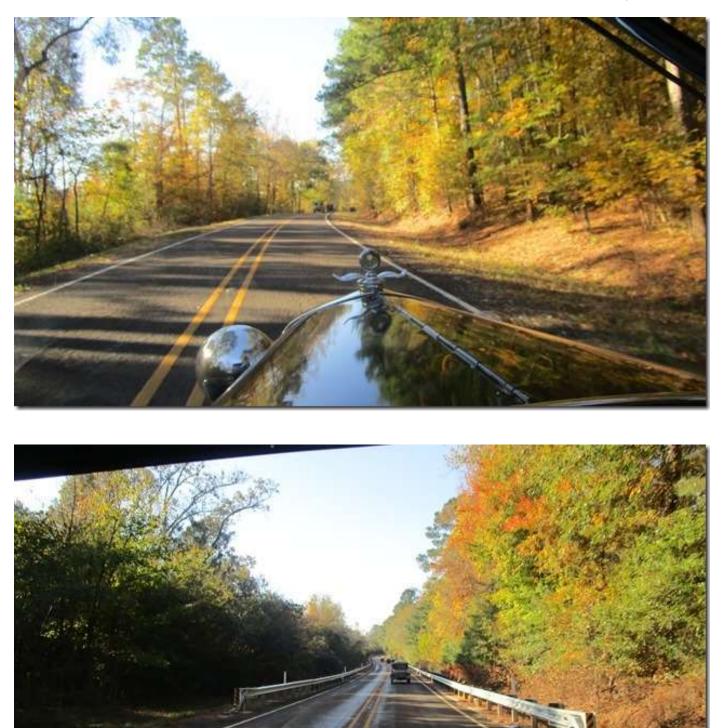
Feeding Sugar Cane Into The Press.



The Juice From The Sugar Cane Is Boiled Down Into Syrup.



The Sunday Drive Back To Houston And A Lot Of Trees Were Turning Colors.



56th Annual Tomball Holiday Parade Saturday, November 20, 2021



















Sunshine Report

By: Mitzi Shaddix, Sunshine Coordinator

NEW MEMBER:	TOM & JACKI	E MALNE
George Ross	12/1	and the
Linda Neibel	12/5	
Beckie Endebrock	12/6	Butters &
Jackson Garrison	12/7	
Jeff Boyles	12/8	
Karen Milazzo	12/18	
Carla Zulinski	12/26	
Mitzi Shaddix	12/28	
Ken Allee	12/28	





Jim & Kathy Hartzog	12/3
Ashley & Lisa Griffin	12/6
James & Leona Campbell	12/12
Charles & Clarkie Atkinson	12/30

National Club Update

By: Jackson Garrison, MAFCA, MARC & MAFFI Representative





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From the desk of 2021 Chapter Coordinator Robert Bullard

December 2021

As the year barrels headlong towards completion and things start to slow down, there is still an important laundry list of individual and chapter Model A related tasks to complete.

First, all chapters are finishing up their officer and directory ballots and voting on which officers will lead their chapter beginning in January. If you haven't served on your local Chapters' Board now would be a good time to volunteer. I guarantee that you will get a ton of satisfaction from helping lead your local chapter.

Second, sign up and join in on your local chapter's end of year Holiday Party/Dinner. It's a perfect time to sit down and give thanks along with your local chapter members for the safe and prosperous 2021. Think of all the miles driven without incident and give thanks that we all drove our A's safely in 2021. I personally drove in Maine, New Hampshire, Kentucky, Texas, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon this past year. Over 7,000 miles driven with many other dedicated Model A enthusiasts without any traffic incidents. We were truly blessed.

Third, thinking of those miles, now is a good time for you as an individual or your chapter to submit consideration for the various MAFCA driving awards available in recognition of individual or chapter driving records. Available on the MAFCA website is MAFCA Policy P2S05-G detailing all the specifics necessary to receive a driving recognition award. You still have time to submit your records.

And last, don't forget to send in your MAFCA chapter registration credentials necessary to maintain your Chapters' prime standing within MAFCA for 2022. We currently have 270 registered chapters and special interest groups. What a great resource MAFCA provides to us all. And, to my knowledge MAFCA remains the largest car club in the world dedicated to a single model and manufacturer of car.

That speaks volumes as to the popularity and enduring qualities of the Ford Model A and the strong cadre of individuals that keep that legacy alive.

Elaine and I hope to see or meet you somewhere down the road in 2022. Lots of good stuffing coming next year and I can't wait to get going. I'll see you down the road and don't forget to pay your blessings forward. You will be helping to make the world a better place.

Robert, MAFCA Chapter Coordinator

Era Fashion – The Perfect Bow By: Peggy Gill, MAFCA Fashion



George K. Arthur and Louise Lorraine in Circus Rookies, MGM 1928.

The Perfect Bow By Peggy Gill

I overheard two Model A gentlemen who will remain nameless discussing their prowess at a recent event. "It went so slick," said one, "I got it the first time!" "Lucky you," replied the other. "I had to start from scratch three times, and it still doesn't feel right." Intrigued, I paused to listen closely. I turned my head just in time to see the first man grabbing his friend around the neck. "Maybe if you..." said the first man, as his hands twisted and tugged his friend's shirt collar and then at the loops on his bow tie to smooth the folds around his neck. Ahhh, so *that* is what they were discussing....the art of tying a bow tie!

For the Model A gentleman, one did not go out and about in public without a tie around his neck. A bow tie is a necessary accessory for formal wear, and can be a fun addition for casual fashions. However, tying the perfect bow takes practice to get it perfect. Some friends in the Model A hobby happened upon an expert who gave them the following step-bystep process in an effort to help their men "get it right." I thought I would share these steps for the rest of the men out there!



From a Spur Tie advertisement in The Saturday Evening Post 1928

The following information comes from Carrot and Gibbs, a maker of fine bow ties, made in the USA. Carrot and Gibbs was founded in Boulder Colorado in 1987. For more information about them and their products, please visit their website at <u>www.carrotandgibbs.com</u>.

So...take the time to read through the directions on the following page. Practice *does* make perfect! And gentlemen...please, *please* be gentle when helping a friend straighten or smooth his tie. Egos are at play here.

"A Tying Guide for Tying Times" Source: Carrot and Gibb

IF YOU LIKE, HANG THIS GUIDE NEXT TO YOUR MIRROR...Then match your movements to those seen below. <u>The illustrations appear as you would see yourself in the mirror</u>. So when we say "left," we mean the "left" you <u>see</u> in the mirror.

1. Slide the unformed tie under your collar. Extend the end of the right 1" further than the end on the left.

2. Cross the long end over the short end. Then pass it back and up through the loop at your neck, making a loose, overhand knot. Gently tighten the knot so it fits snugly around your neck.

3. Fold the lower hanging end up and to the left, as shown. Make sure the unfolded end is hanging down over the front of the bow.

4. Pull the bow ends forward and gently squeeze them together, forming an opening behind them. Now, turn to the right and notice the opening you've created.

5. With your left thumb or forefinger push the wide, middle part of the tie and your finger up through the opening from left to right, taking care not to let the end of the of the tie pass all the way through the opening. Use your right hand to help pull the back loop through.

6. Your bow tie will be uneven at this point. Although a few bow tie enthusiasts purport a preference for this look, we suggest that some tightening is in order. This is where you fashion your own unique style: with a large knot or a small one; with dimpled bows or smooth...

7. Gently maneuvering, pull the loops and watch the knot grow smaller. Then, pull both flat ends and loops, lightly tugging up and down to straighten. This tightens the knot...and will smooth out the bow...and viola! Your bow is tied!

With a bit of practice, you'll give your bow tie the dash, the flair, the "je ne sais quoi" that is yours and yours alone. And always remember,

If at first you don't succeed, tie, tie, again!









Era Fashion – Pen And Pencil Sets By: Judy Lewis, MAFCA Fashion

As advertised in Art Needlework, Fall and Winter 1930-31, Catalog No. 37

Pen and pencil sets are great items to use as an accessory and are easy to find in most antique shops, flea markets, estate sales and the like. Most of the sets I have seen are in very good condition and can fit easily in a handbag or the inside pocket of a suit or sport coat. The following are quite typical of all 4 years of the model A era.

No. 1402: Ladies' non-breakable pen and pencil set. 14K gold fittings. Red or green with gold marbleized effect. Leatherette case. Per set, postpaid \$1.25

No. 1405: Combination pen and pencil. When not in use it is carried like a pencil. Pen has gold nib with iridium tip and gold trimmings. Triple action pencil. Guaranteed unbreakable. Mother-of Pearl and black. Price, postpaid \$2.75

No. 1406: Jumbo size pen and pencil set with pocket clips. 14K gold trimmings. Pen has gold nib and iridium tip. Triple action pencil. Guaranteed for 5 years. Gold and black marbleized effect. Per set, postpaid \$2.95

No. 1408: Ladies' pen and pencil set. Pearl and black; gold trimming. 14K gold nib and iridium tip on pen. Triple action pencil. Per pair, postpaid \$2.75

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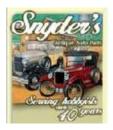


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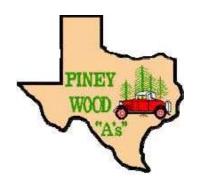
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AFTER 43 YEARS LETS LOOK BACK AT SOME PWA CLUB HISTORY

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 of "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). <u>"THE REST IS HISTORY."</u>

At our 35th Anniversary luncheon July 14, 2012, we all receive a souvenir print out 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 <u>"Let's Give This Club A Try"</u> 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 GET THE CHICKEN!

Rule #2

If, while on tour, you delay the group from leaving on time (excepting for bringing donuts & coffee)- YOU GET 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 GET 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 <u>whatever</u> they are doing - YOU GET THE CHICKENI (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.

<u>Rule #5-b</u>. 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.

<u>Rule #5-c</u>. 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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