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MOTTO

Whats on the Calendar

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.

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From the President's Desk

By Jim Hartzog

IT'S PARTY TIME

As November comes to a close, it must be time for the annual Piney Wood Christmas party!

That means it is time for all to get out and brush off your finest party clothes and register for this year's event.

If you have not registered, please contact Susan Cherry ASAP so she can have a final count.

As always, when driving our lovely cars, we must keep in mind that they are not the safest cars on the road.

As mentioned before with the colder weather upon us, now is the time to check and double-check to make sure our cars are ready for 2024.

WE NEED A SECRETARY FOR THE COMING YEAR!

Please come forward so you can be included when next year's officers and board members are installed. And remember, all of these positions will look good on your next resume.

It has been my pleasure to serve as President this past year and I wish only the best to all Piney Wood members.

Jim Hartzog



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PWA Meeting Minutes

Minutes of Piney Wood A's Meeting - Nov 14, 2023

Valley Ranch Grill & Barbeque Restaurant

Jim Hartzog is not present tonight; David Teale is filling in for him.

David called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The invocation was given by Mitzi Shaddix and David Teale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ed Holtgraver and Linda Christy brought 3 beautiful Christmas trees she made and gave them to the club as giveaways for the ladies. Chris Fredona brought reprints of an old print of a Model A Mail Truck to giveaway. Robert Bullard brought a stack of old catalogs and magazines given to them as a donation by a Model A widow. They're free to anyone.

David welcomed visitors Larry and Joyce Perkins. They've had a 1929 Sports Coupe about 3 months. They heard about our club from Don Endebrock at a church car show, came to visit our meeting, and now have the paperwork to join our club.

David asked if everyone had read the minutes and for a motion to approve if there were no corrections. Chris Fedona moved to approve the minutes as published. Robert Bullard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Our Newsletter Editor, Troy Walling, asked for folks to let him know what they liked and didn't like in the newsletter, and to send him articles and photos for it.

Troy is also chairman of the 2024 Poor Boy Tour. He researched the suggestions he received from the club members and felt that we should hold it in Schulenberg about the first part of April. Robert Bullard moved that we hold the Poor Bouy Tour there. Ray Barth seconded the motion The motion carried.

Robert Bullard spoke about the proposed MAFFI Museum expansion that will cost \$1,000,000.00. MAFFI does not want to use Legacy funds to build the expansion. Their goal is to raise funds through donations and a fundraiser. Right now, they have approximately \$600,000.00 but will not start the expansion until they have the full amount needed. They contacted both MAFCA and MARC on how to do an effective fundraiser. Robert said MAFFI created a PowerPoint video and created a contribution card. He played their video and showed us the donation card. The club will get the card e-mailed to the members.

Frank DeLucia said we need to do both the September and October Treasurer reports. He read the September report. Ashley Griffin moved to approve the report as presented. Troy Walling seconded the motion. The motion carried. He read the October Treasurer's report. Tammie Jones moved to approve the report as presented. David Gould seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Ron Cherry talked about the AA truck our club helped repair for the Houston Hobby Museum. He said the Museum folks bought a 1929 Roadster to use for a fundraiser. They are selling 2,500 tickets at \$50.00 per ticket. He said our next tour is the Tomball Holiday Parade, scheduled this coming Saturday. We're located in the same location on Market. Be sure you're in place before 9:00 AM because the Tomball police start blocking off the streets at 9:00 sharp. You can decorate there. No Santa's and no throwing anything from the car. Right now, the count is 40 folks.

Ron said our upcoming events in December are:

- Dec. 02: Breakfast at Lynn's Table in Old Town Spring at 8:00 AM
- Dec. 9: Annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club from 11:00 AM 2:00 PM
- Dec. 13: Annual Catfish & Eggnog lunch at Vernon's Kuntry Katfish at 11:00 AM.

Our outstanding Christmas Party Chairperson, Susan Cherry, said the club did so well on our auction items and 50-50 sales at the Texas Tour that the club has a surprise for us. If you have your check in to her by 12/01/23 paying for your Christmas party reservations <u>and</u> you show up at the party, you will get your check back. If you send your check in but can't come to the party, you need to let Susan know by 12/01 that you will not be attending, so she can cancel you with the Yacht Club (or you won't get your check back).

Susan is also in charge of our annual Sweetheart Tour, which will be held in February 2024. She reported that she couldn't find an antique hotel that would let her do her usual (wonderful) cakes & décor. She did get a block of (25) rooms at the Hampton Inn & Suites in Brenham. They were willing to work with her. The Tour will be Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024. She didn't have the price yet but expected to get it by Wed. or Thursday. She'll send out an e-mail with the price. When you call the hotel to reserve your room, tell them it's the block of rooms for the Piney Wood Model A Club.

Sunshine Reporter Mitzi Shaddix read the names of the November birthdays and anniversaries.

Mileage Keeper Tom Bragaw is not here tonight. Davis said you need to get your total mileage for the year to him before the club's Christmas Party on December 9th.

Membership Chair Perry Jones said it's time to send in your membership renewal. It's due in by 12/31/2023.

National News Reporter Dan Kundts said we didn't get a report in to MAFCA in time for the last issue, but an article has been sent in for the next issue.

Apparel & Accessories Marion Hertzbach is not here tonight.

Club Tool Crib Frank DeLucia said there's no report tonight.

Librarian Tom Bragaw is not here tonight.

David Teale said we need to elect the Officers, Board Members and Chairpersons for 2024. There was a brief discussion, and the proposed slate was presented to the club members. Perry Jones moved to elect this slate. Troy Walling seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer Frank Delucia presented the proposed budget for 2024 to the club. Chris Fredona moved to accept this budget. David Gould seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Following a 10-minute break, a drawing was held to pick the lucky winners of the (3) beautiful hand-made Christmas trees that Linda and Ed brought and donated for the ladies. Sergio Fernandez had the drawing for the 50/50.

There was no further business. David Teale asked for a motion to adjourn. Mitzi Shaddix moved to adjourn the meeting. Ray Barth seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Marilyn Hitchcock, filling in for Elaine Bullard, Secretary

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

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

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.

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2024 PWA Nominee Election Slate

Officers, Board Members and Chairpersons

We are proud to present the Officers, Board Members and Committee Chairperson elected to serve our club in 2024. Please note: We still need someone to serve as Secretary for our club next year. Please contact David Teale if you would like to fill this position.

Officer(s)	Nominated
President	David Teale
Vice President / Tour Coordinator	Ron Cherry
Secretary / Advertising	<mark>. ?? .</mark>
Treasurer	Frank De Lucia
Board of Director(s)	Nominated
BOD #03 (For 2 Years)	Elaine Bullard
BOD #04 (For 2 Years)	Perry Jones
Chairperson(s) / Coordinator(s)	
Audit Committee Chairperson	Tammie Jones
Safety Coordinator	Perry Jones
Poultry Coordinator	Dan Kundts
Membership	Perry Jones
Newsletter Editor	Troy Walling
Sunshine Coordinator	Mitzi Shaddix
Apparel	Marion Hertzbach
Accessories	Marion Hertzbach
Librarian	Tom Bragaw
Technical	David Teale & members
Christmas Party Committee	Susan Cherry
Mileage Keeper	Tom Bragaw
Media Chairperson	Alex Brock
MAFCA, MARC & MAFFI Rep.	Dan Kundts
50-50 Drawing	Sergio Fernandez
National Reporter	Dan Kundts
Community Involvement (OME)	
Lady A Activities Coordinator(s)	Kim Teale
Model A Tool Crib	Frank DeLucia

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November Events 2023

By: Troy Walling

Tour to the 65th Annual Autumn Trails Weekend October 27-29 in Winnsboro, Texas

PWA members Robert & Elaine Bullard, Ron & Susan Cherry, Bill & Arnita Hoekstra, Tom & Jackie Walne, Fred Schiefer, and Bob Sample attended the Autumn Trails Weekend on October 27 – 29 in Winnsboro, Texas. The weather was warm on the way up then wet and cold on the way back.

We traveled to Winnsboro on Friday the 27th of October and arrived in time to attend the stew dinner which was held in a couple of barns about 2 miles outside Winnsboro. There were over 180 people there with their Model As and both the food and the camaraderie were awesome.



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The plan for the next day was for everyone to meet at the same farm in the morning and line up for the parade into town. Unfortunately, it rained Friday night and Saturday morning such that it was too muddy to meet as planned but we were notified to meet at a nearby paved parking lot.

Upon arrival, we immediately recognized Tex Willis' famous service truck as well as Tex himself wearing a life vest, mask, and snorkel.





Luckily it stopped raining in time for the parade to proceed into town and around the route. Following the parade all the Model As parked on Main Street which was blocked off for that purpose. One street was also blocked off for vendors and we were able to have lunch at the local restaurants.





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Saturday evening there was a big Barbecue at the local community center with our friend Tex serving as the emcee. The barbecue was tasty and Tex was entertaining.

PWA member and MAFCA President Robert Bullard also spoke at the dinner comparing the 65-year history of the Autumn Trails Weekend with MAFCA which began in the mid 1950's and now has grown to over 10,000 members.



Sunday morning included a very nice tour through timber forests in two segments.

First, we drove for a while and ended up at Tex & Chana Willis' home for refreshments and then the tour continued through a terrific route that Tex calls "Peckerwood Flats".

It is a thick forest area with a narrow curvy paved road winding along through the trees.

The autumn colors weren't quite at full effect yet, but it was a great route. A little before noon the tour ended in a most amusing way as we arrived back in town. Our hosts were standing along the side of the road with handheld signs thanking everyone and welcoming us back next year.





Special thanks to Elaine Bullard for the photos and Ron Cherry for writing this article

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Tomball Holiday Parade November 18. 2023



We had 20 cars turn out under a beautiful sky and pleasant temperatures. To enjoy the 58th Annual Tomball Holiday Parade. The crowd was enthusiastic. Most people arrived by 8:30 to have time to decorate their cars. before the parade starting at 10:00





Let the decorating begin

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There were decorations on the front and back of the cars



Even the Grinch showed up

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This event is always one of the favorites of the club. There are always new decorations and costumes that we all enjoy.

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On to Goodson's Cafe



Arriving at Goodson's for our annual Holiday Parade Lunch



Smiles all around.

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The year is rapidly drawing to a close. Soon we will celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas.





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Jalapeno Cornbread

(Can't Miss)

Take a bowl or pan, I use a bowl, about 9x9x2 or larger. Just something big enough to hold this conglomeration. It will raise a smidgen.

2 cups. stone ground cornmeal3 tsp. baking powder1 cup. or more sour cream1 ½ tsp. salt

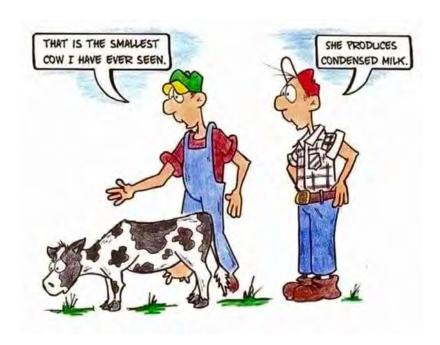
1 medium onion, diced 6-10 jalapeno peppers sausage, ham, or bacon block of sharp, grated cheddar Cheese. (Enough to mix In with mixture and Spread on top)

1 can cream-style corn ½ cup Wesson oil 3 eggs.

Stir all these ingredients together well. I like to use 10 or more jalapenos. I prefer the canned ones from Mexico. The sausage, bacon, and ham really Help out with the flavor and smell. Sprinkle top with cheese. Take a handful of Cornmeal and sprinkle lightly over the top. This will give the top a crunchiness and course look. PIG OUT!

Dave Parker of Litwin Engineering

My preference is to precook one lb. of sausage and bacon and mix in. (Troy Walling)



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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

WERMASTER 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

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



Someone asked Red Skelton what the secret of a long Marriage was. He replied.

The secret is to keep romance in your life. My wife and I go dining and dancing every week. She goes on Wednesdays, and I go on Fridays.

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November 2023



MAFCA once again had a presence at the Hershey Swap Meet in Hershey, PA from October 3 – 6. Office Manager Sandra Aguirre along with Chet Wojick Sr, Doug & Nan Linden, Kay Lee, Jay McCord and Wayne Champagne led the charge manning the tent and providing daily seminars on relevant Model A topics. By all accounts they did a great job. Thanks to all for their service to MAFCA and especially to Jay McCord for filling a vacancy on short notice.

MAFCA History: As I'm writing this article, I notice on my calendar that MAFCA's annual anniversary is just a few days away. Saturday, October 21 marks our 66th Annual Anniversary. I went back to the first Restorer newsletter published May/June 1956 for some "current" information about the beginnings. Originally MAFCA was formed as the Model A Restorers Club of Southern California, with Art Miller as president, and was part of the Model A Restorers Club of West Hartford, Connecticut which was formed in 1952. Mr. Art Grow gathered 15 members and met on October 21 1955 to start the process of forming a MARC regional club in Southern California. By late 1956, there were 34 members centered in Southern California. The 1st Annual Award Dinner was held at Sailee's Restaurant. Located across the street from NBC Burbank, the restaurant was noted for hosting television luminaries and stars.

On October 21, 1957, the MARC SC spun off from MARC and became Model A Ford Club of America. First mention of the current MAFCA logo is in Nov/Dec 1958. The 3rd Annual Business Meeting lists 1086 members. With a yeoman's amount of work done between 1956 and 1958, MAFCA was establishing itself as a stand alone club with a growing membership. From 15 members and one chapter, as of August 2023, membership has grown to 10,550 in the U.S. and 283 Internationally. With 245 Chapters, MAFCA is now the largest car club in the U.S. dedicated to a single model automobile.

To continue with this great success, all you need to do is remain committed to the Model A hobby and to MAFCA as the Model A club of choice. Stay involved with your local club activities and assume a leadership role if possible. We need new and committed leadership at all levels in order to maintain our relevancy in today's fast-moving, jet age society. Commit in the coming year to introduce our hobby to someone outside the hobby and by all means interface with our youth. They are a joy to be around and you never know when you are connecting and creating the desire for a future Model A hobbyist and potential MAFCA club member.

By the time this article is published we will have completed the 2023 Board of Directors voting and the new Board members elected by your votes will have been notified. They will meet at the National Awards Banquet in early December and will be sworn in as MAFCA's 2024 Board of Directors. Take a moment and welcome this new Board of Directors to their new positions. I am confident they will work diligently to make 2024 another successful year.

This is my final article as the 2023 National President. I want to thank you all for your hard work and dedication to making our Model A hobby so great. Your passion for Ford Model A's is a pleasure to experience. Thanks to you all for making my year as MAFCA National President so pleasant.

See you down the road!
Robert Bullard

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MAFFI Minute

Holiday Greetings! We're fast approaching Thanksgiving and then roll right into our holiday celebrations shortly thereafter. MAFFI Trustees Jerry Dennany and Jerry Morrissey, along with their Grape Country Model A Club crew, have been out at the museum maintaining and fixing the museum's Model A's. They just finished removing and repairing an engine and a transmission in a 1929 Tudor. Next up for work is a 1928 Tudor.

Meanwhile, Executive Director, John Marshall, and his crew have just finished holiday decorating at the museum. The outdoor lighting display is magical and the indoor museum exhibits make for nostalgic memories. If you haven't visited the museum during the holiday season, it's worth putting on your bucket list! There are displays all across the 90 acre campus with a variety of family activities.

Fundraising for the Model A Museum expansion continues with the Grand Opening planned for 2025. As you and your club plan for holiday giving, consider donating to the Model A Museum, one of the best in the country --- and a cause that keeps our cherished hobby growing and in the spotlight.

All contributors in a selected category will be recognized prominently in the new wing of our museum. Donations can be club chapters or individuals. In addition, clubs can give recurring donations by filling out a pledge card found at maffi.org (click on donations). For more information on donating, please contact: John Begg at 803-727-4392-President@maffi.org or Jerry Morrissey at 269-615-3719 – jertrudy@sbcglobal.net

Supporter = \$500

Patron = \$1,000 Donations should be mailed directly to

Bronze = \$5,000 Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.

Silver = \$10,000 P.O. Box 28

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Platinum = \$50,000

Happy Holiday Season,

Cindy Ellenbecker, MAFFI Board of Trustees, Secretary

MAFFI is a

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Piney Wood Model A Ford Club (PWA) Membership Application

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

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.

Date of Application	Dues being paid for year	(January 1 – December 3	1)
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	StateZip E	mail	
Phones: Home	Cell	Cell (spouse)	
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Make Check Payable to: Piney Wood Model A Ford Club

Mail to: Perry Jones

19207 Stanton Lake Dr. Cypress, TX 77433 281-844-0951

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What's On The Calendar?

By: Jim Blaszczak Tour Coordinator

Jan 7(Saturday)	PWA Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse, 8:00 am-9:00 am
Jan 10 (Tuesday) Jan 14 (Saturday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Joint Venture between Piney Wood A's and Houston Model A
Jan 18 (Wednesday Jan 21 (Saturday)	Club to Return a 1928 Texaco Fuel Truck to running status. Ladies Luncheon at Eden's Café) 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) Feb 18 (Saturday)	Sweetheart Mini Tour Team Leader Jim Blaszczak Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse followed by Offsite Monthly Meeting at Ed Holtgravers home 8:00 am - 12:00?
March 4 (Saturday) March 11 (Saturday) Mar 14 (Tuesday) March 15 (Wednesday Mar 31- (Friday)	Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring 8:00 – 9:00 Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Ladies Luncheon 11:30 am, Lambeau's in Cypress, Texas Poor Boy Tour in La Grange, Tx
April 1-2 (Sat & Sun) April 8 (Saturday)	Poor Boy Tour in La Grange, Tx. 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) May 9 (Tuesday)	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 9:00 Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
May 20 (Saturday) May 17(Wednesday)	Alton Hues Ranch near Richards, Texas (Bring Lunch) Ladies Luncheon
June 3 (Saturday) June 3 (Saturday) June 15-18	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 am Monthly Meeting at the Blaszczak's Home 10:00 am Texas Tour in Huntsville, Texas
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Dec. 13 (Weds)	Katfish and Eggnog @ 11:00 am Vernon's Kuntry Katfish Kitchen in Conroe
Dec. 2 (Saturday) Dec. 9 (Saturday)	Lynns Table in Old Town Spring Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club 13101 Melville Dr. Montgomery, Tx.
Nov. 14 (Tuesday) Nov. 18 (Saturday)	Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Tomball Holiday Parade
October 6-7 October 14 (Saturday) October 27-29	Gulf Coast Tour, Alvin, Texas Monthly Breakfast and Off-site Meeting at the Bullard's, Hockley, Texas Winnsboro Autumn Trails
Sept. 2 (Saturday) Sept. 12 (Tuesday) Sept. 30 (Saturday)	Breakfast at Lynns Café in Spring. 8:00 am Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00 pm-9:00 pm Model A Display, Heritage Museum of Montgomery County Conroe, Texas.
Aug. 5 (Saturday) Aug. 12 (Saturday)	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner 8:00 am Ice Cream Social at Spring Creek Forest Clubhouse and Monthly PWA Meeting
July 8 (Tuesday) July 11 (Tuesday)	Tour to Edmunds Fire Museum in Hempstead, Texas Monthly PWA Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ 7:00

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Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator



Jackie Walne	12/2
Linda Patterson	12/4
Beckie Endebrock	12/6
Jeff Boyles	12/8
Gene Parrish	12/17
Carla Zulinski	12/23
Doc Poth	12/23
Mitzi Shaddix	12/28
Ken Allee	12/28
Roland Costello	12/30







Jim and Kathy Hartzog	12/3
Ashley and Lisa Griffin	12/6
James and Leona Campbell	12/12
Melvin and Constance Pless	12/22
Charles and Clarkie Atkinson	12/30

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In working with Era sewing books I have seen most of these, if not all, referenced.



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Jim's Tech Tips

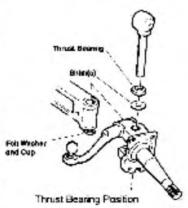
"Difficult Steering"

Many Model A owners find their car hard to steer when parking or maneuvering at low speed. After you confirm that there is oil in the steering gear box (not grease), the tires are all inflated to 35 psi, and everything on the front axle has been properly greased, you are left with the most likely cause: The spindle bolt (kingpin) "thrust bearings" are defective or they are not shimmed up properly to support the weight of the car. You can confirm this by using a floor jack to take some weight off of the front wheels, and then see if the steering effort is drastically reduced. If it is, the problem is the bearings.

To correct this, you need to remove everything from the spindles to get to the kingpins and remove them. See Les Andrews' Red Book, starting on page 1-209, for directions. The illustration below comes from later in that section.

Clean the thrust bearing and replace it if it does not turn smoothly or shows any signs of wear. Pack the bearing with grease before reinstalling.

When reassembling, you need to test fit the spindle with the kingpin fully locked in place with the locking pin. Temporarily leave the large felt seal and metal washer off of the bottom of the spindle for this. Start with the number of shims previously used, then add 1 shim at a time until very little or no vertical movement of the spindle is felt on the kingpin. It can take up to 4 shims to compensate for wear.



At some point, adding a shim may jam up the spindle, making it hard to turn on the kingpin. If it does, take that last shim out, reassemble, and confirm that the spindle again moves easily, as it should. Now reassemble the spindle on the axle with the felt seal and the cupped metal washer installed between the axle and the bottom part of the spindle (the metal cup touches the axle, the felt touches the spindle). The added thickness of the felt seal may temporarily make the spindle a bit stiff turning on the kingpin, but it will quickly flatten out and move smoothly when you drive.

Now reinstall everything that attaches to the spindle, install the brakes, maybe use this as an opportunity to clean and repack the wheel bearings, then install the drums and the wheels. Grease all of the fittings well. Go for a test drive, enjoy the easier steering, and Have a Model A Day!

Jim

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TECHNICAL TIPS



NUTS! CHECK THEM REGULARLY!

From the MAFCA Facebook group page, September 2023:

My GF was driving her 1930 Tudor back home from a car show yesterday. She called me saying there was a terrible knocking noise coming from the front of the vehicle. When I got there to see what was going on I saw this on the front passenger side wheel. Why would this happen? The lug nuts were tight. I ordered a new set of lugs and a new set of lug nuts with washers for all the wheels. I now am looking for a good used wheel.



Remember to check your lug nuts regularly for adequate tightness (50-55 ft-lbs.). They can and will come loose over time if not properly torqued. These photos show a worst-case scenario where the lug nuts were loosening over time, wallowing out the hub bolt holes and consequently posing a serious

danger. This wheel, lug nuts, and hub bolts should be replaced. In the 1980s, before I restored my '28 Special Coupe and was still a relative newbie to the Model A hobby, my left rear wheel fell off as I was driving past my house. It rolled uphill and settled against a tree (true!). My backing plate was damaged and had to be replaced. Fortunately,











Monty Hine lived across the road from me and came to my aid. I now use some Permatex Threadlocker Blue on hub bolt threads every time I remove a lug nut, and I check lug nuts regularly for tightness. - Editor

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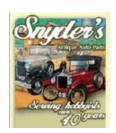
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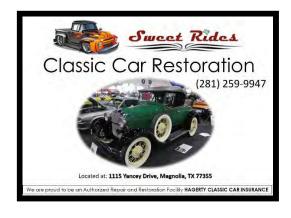
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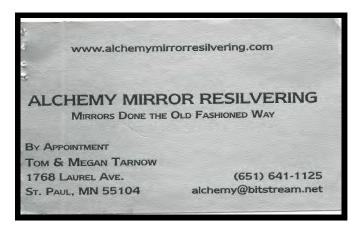














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AFTER 46 YEARS LETS LOOK BACK AT SOME PWA CLUB HISTORY

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 <u>"Let's Give This Club A Try"</u> received enough "Yes" votes.

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The International Order of the Rubber Chicken

By: Dan Kundts, Chairman of the Board

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



At a meeting of the international Order of the Rubber Chicken Society (IORCS), the following rules and silly things have been agreed to and enacted upon. The infamous Rubber Chicken is to be fan 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-

Rule #2

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

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. (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 - "" (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 fleu of the original rubber chicken.

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