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MOTTO

To promote and stimulate
the preservation, restoration,
and maintenance of the
Model A Ford automobile.

QUALIFICATIONS

Any person sincerely interested in the
Model A Ford automobile and the
purpose of this club shall be eligible
for membership as an active member.

From the President's Desk

By: David Teale

Dear Model A Friends,

February's Sweetheart Tour was a huge success as usual. Special thanks goes to Susan and Ron Cherry for all of their hard work organizing the event, running routes, and planning the lunch and dinner. The dinner was outstanding, and Susan outdid herself again with the variety of delicious cakes for dessert. Attendance was high with at least 12 cars braving the chance for rain. I would encourage every club member to go on the Sweetheart Tour to experience a great time.



Thanks goes to Tom Bragaw for managing our MAFCA Mileage awards. A signup sheet for 2024 will be circulating soon. Please consider adding your name to the list. It's only 800 miles and no penalty for withdrawal. As I have said before, if you go on less than half the scheduled tours, you will meet the target.

The Poor Boy Tour is fast approaching. Make sure you sign up as soon as possible. Troy has included all of the details in the past Newsletters. I think we will have a good turnout and I look forward to attending my first Poor Boy Tour.

It's time to get that Model A in shape for the rest of the tour year. Upcoming club events for March include our annual safety check at Copperfield Automotive. We also have our first off site meeting at Elaine and Robert Bullard's house. Check the events page on the website and look for additional email reminders as the dates get closer. I hope to see everyone at these events.

See you soon!

Happy Motoring!

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

PWA Meeting Minutes

PWA Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2024
Valley Ranch BBQ

President David Teale opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.
Mitzi Shaddix led the club in prayer and David led The Pledge of Allegiance.

David announced that he had a spare 2023 Edition of the Membership Directory if anyone was interested and that Troy Walling had received a sample of a pocket notebook with our club's name on it. If we would order 50 of them, the cost would be \$2 each. There didn't seem to be any interest from club members, so we will not place an order.

Minutes - Ron Cherry made a motion to accept the January meeting minutes and Marilyn Hitchcock seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer - Frank Delucia was not present so David gave the financial report. Robert Bullard made a motion to accept the report and James Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed.

David reported that the club is out of our license plate toppers and he's afraid the company may go out of business. He wanted to place an order for more stating that the club will get its money back when we sell the toppers to members. Dan Kundts made a motion to order more and Robert Bullard seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The club secretary position is still open. Please consider volunteering for this position.

The Poor Boy Tour registration is ongoing. Troy has put it in the newsletter.

Calendar - Ron Cherry reported on the club calendar.
Due to a conflict with the restaurant, **the April meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024.**

March 9 – Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse and off-site at the Bullard's home

March 16 – Annual safety check at Copperfield Automotive.

Bring your own oil and filter. Lunch will be at Romero's

March 20 – Ladies' lunch. Republic Grill on Panther Creek, The Woodlands

April 5-7 – Poor Boy Tour in Gonzales

April 10 – Club Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ (note the change in date)

April 13 – Breakfast at Lynn's Table

May 4 – Breakfast at Magnolia Diner

May 11 – Day tour to the Pickett House in Woodville

May 14 – Club Meeting at Valley Ranch BBQ

May 15 – Ladies Lunch. Location to be determined.

Ron stated there were 5 overnight tours in 2024. The Sweetheart Tour, The Poor Boy Tour, The Texas Tour, a trip to Crockett, and The Henderson Syrup Festival.

The trip to The Pickett House involves about 20 miles on a busy road and Ron questioned members on whether they'd rather make this a modern car tour. There were votes for both driving our Model A's and driving modern cars.

Ron said there was a possibility of a weekday tour in April to the Funeral Museum.

Robert Bullard asked about visiting the Gullo Museum. Ron said Mr. Gullo is giving fewer tours, but he'd check into having a club trip there.

Several people complimented Ron and Susan Cherry for the wonderful drive and all the special touches on The Sweetheart Tour to Brenham.

Mileage - Tom Bragaw gave the mileage report. We had 8 members drive over 800 miles last year. No one drove over 5,000 miles. Robert and Elaine Bullard have over 50,000 miles lifetime and several members are approaching 20,000 miles lifetime so maybe we'll have some 25,000 lifetime awards in the next few years.

Jim & Illona Blaszcak, Robert & Elaine Bullard, Tom & Linda Bragaw, Brandy & Bonnie Fuller, William Fuller, Bob & Marilyn Hitchcock, Bill & Arnita Hoekstra, Fred Schiefer and David & Kim Teale all received a patch for completing the mileage challenge.

The challenge was 800 miles in 2023, but Tom wants to raise the bar to 1,000 miles for 2024. That met with approval, so Tom will get it to Troy to put in the newsletter.

Sunshine-Mitzi read the birthdays and anniversaries for February.

Newsletter – Troy thanked everyone for their contributions and encouraged members to keep contributing.

National Report – Dan reported that David wrote an article with pictures about our 2023 Texas Tour and submitted it to Andy Scheer for The Restorer magazine. It will appear in the centerfold of an upcoming edition.

Merchandise – Marion was not present. Get with her if you want to order club logo items.

Toolbox – Frank was not present. Bill Miller will work with Frank to get Toolbox items listed on our website in the members-only section.

Library – Tom reported that if there's something a member thinks we should have in our library, let him know. We have a budget allotment for the library. Robert Bullard reported that MAFCA is working to add 15 years of The Restorer to the 50 years already available digitally. This would carry The Restorer to 2022. There are approximately 18,000 links that have to be verified in the process so there is still work to be done to accomplish this.

A break was taken and then the men had a seminar on Rules of the Road and Resources. The ladies learned to play a domino game.

James Campbell won the 50/50 drawing.

Marilyn Hitchcock made a motion to adjourn, and Linda Bragaw seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Bullard

Trivia Question:

Ford Motor Company is well remembered for identifying its early cars with simple, alphabetic letters...such as Model A, Model K, Model T, etc. Where else did Ford employ such a letter-series to establish similar market differentiation?

Answer on page 24

February Events 2024

By: Troy Walling

Magnolia Diner February 3



Although it was raining outside 24 members met at the Magnolia Diner for a great breakfast meeting

Sweetheart Tour Brenham, Texas February 10-11



Although it was a stormy and rainy weekend, 22 people and 11 Model A's ventured out for our annual Sweetheart Tour.



Our first stop was the Kenney General Store in Kenney, Texas where awaiting us was homemade white Chocolate cookies made by Susan Cherry.

I admired mine for a long time before I bit in. Delicious.
Then on to Brenham, Texas



Smiles were abundant all around.
However, the group put their game faces on and braved the weather again.

Thanks to Susan Cherry and Ron for
setting up a great annual Sweetheart
Tour
every year in February.
Each room at the hotel had a beautiful
handmade heart on each door.
The cookies and cakes were so innovative
and delicious.



Each Cake was a work of art. And so delicious



The Huey's and Jones's were well dressed in their Era Clothing



The meals at the Texas Steakhouse were great and of course,
followed by the delicious cakes on the table.

President's Page

February 2024



A couple of months into the new year and I hope you haven't broken all your new year resolutions. I hope you are still getting that "little bit of exercise" each day, eating wiser and healthier and haven't slipped back into that bad habit you swore to yourself to stop. Staying true to the course on our new years' resolutions, as my father once said after trying to hit a golf ball for the first time in his fifties: "It's harder than it looks". After a slow year in 2023 at least for Elaine and me, and driving our Model A only a little more than 5,000 miles, my resolution is to drive my Model A weekly during 2024, weather permitting. Not to necessarily make it my daily driver but to get it out and about on a regular basis. So far, so good. Good 'ol south Texas weather makes

that possible. Maybe not in your area, but good luck getting your Model A out and about on a more regular basis in 2024.

I recently met Bruce Witwer, current President of the Tyler, Texas Model A Ford Club. We met at the Winnsboro Autumn Trails annual tour held in beautiful Winnsboro, Texas. Last year was the 65th annual tour so you can see it has deep Model A roots. Brothers, David "Tex" Willis and Kevin "Scarecrow" Willis along with the rest of the Autumn Trails A's members put on a great tour.

Anyway, back to Bruce. Bruce had recently completed some historical research on a 1931 A400 Convertible Sedan he acquired and determined a previous owner had a rich history with MAFCA beginning with the founding days of MAFCA. The car was purchased in 1949 for \$125 for Mr. William Robert "Bob" White by his father so Bob could use it to commute from his home in Carlsbad, CA to San Diego State University. Bob wrote an article on his car titled "my baby" and it was published in Vol 1 Issue 3, Sept – Oct 1956 issue of The Restorer. Besides having a long rich history with the A400, which included driving the car ~2,700 miles one way to Detroit, MI to attend the first MARC national meet in 1957, Bob was also very instrumental in leading MAFCA in the early years. In 1955 Bob White was on the list of 15 Model A owners that Claude 'Red' Grow sent notes to asking them to attend a casual meeting to form the MODEL A FORD RESTORERS CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, which we all know later became the MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA; our beloved MAFCA. Bob became a founding member and served as Corporate Secretary for the club. Bob wrote many of the articles in MAFCA's "Restorer" magazine in the first years of operations. He and other members of the original group can be seen on the cover of the 10th anniversary "Restorer" magazine (Vol 10 Issue 4). Bob White served on the MAFCA board in many capacities through 1971. His last position with MAFCA was Director of Membership.

I always enjoy stories of car owners that can determine this level of history on their cars and the pride they must feel making the connection with their cars past. In this case, not only has Bruce Witwer, President of the Tyler Model A Ford Club, acquired a very collectible Model A but he has also been able to connect it to one of the founding fathers of MAFCA. A double treat if there ever was one.

"See you down the road!" Robert Bullard

MAFFI Minute (Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.)

The Trustees are already planning Model A Days 2024! So far it looks like a candidate for the First Start Event (barn find which hasn't been run in a few decades) has been located. And, the report from the Gilmore Auto Museum is that one of the Event Centers will be finished in time for Model A Days, which will be nice for our Model A visitors.

Other news is that Model A's donated to the museum to be sold for the Model A Museum Expansion are getting checked over and repaired so they are roadworthy to sell. Our hardworking team of volunteers devotes Thursday evening to getting the Model A's in "sale ready" shape.

1. One Model A Tudor (1929) is on the sales floor already.
2. Another 1928 Tudor has had Trustees and friends repairing brakes, gas gauge, and a gas tank, to name a few, so it should be ready shortly
3. A 1929 Fordor Blindback is also in the queue for roadworthiness work.
4. And there are two 1928 Phaetons that we anticipate will be available to sell in the coming months.

Please contact Jerry Dennany, jerrydennany@gmail.com or John Begg, jwbegg@gmail.com for information about these cars or if you have a vehicle you would like to donate to be sold for our expansion fundraising program.

Many of you have been following our Save the Bus project (school bus) and although the bus has taken longer than we anticipated, things are coming along nicely now. The sides are up and all 4 fenders have been installed as well as the bumpers. There's lots of sandblasting, and just plain sanding and priming going on now. Things are getting exciting at Save the Bus Headquarters! As always, we appreciate your support as we move forward with fundraising. It's all of you that make the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. Museum so awesome.

Cindy Ellenbecker, Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. Trustee/Secretary



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: Ron Cherry Tour Coordinator

2024 PWA Calendar of Events

Jan 6	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Jan 9	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Jan 13	Polar Bear Tour to City Hall Café & Pie Bar in Huntsville
Jan 17	Ladies Luncheon * Cancelled due to weather
Feb 3	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner
Feb 10-11	Annual Sweetheart Tour – Brenham, TX
Feb 13	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Mar 9	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Mar 9	Monthly Meeting at Robert & Elaine Bullard's Home
Mar 16*	Annual Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive
Mar 16*	Lunch at Romero's Las Brazas following Safety Check
Mar 20	Ladies Luncheon Republic Grill Panther Creek, The Woodlands
Apr 5-7	Poor Boy Tour in Gonzales, TX
<u>Apr 10</u>	<u>Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque (Wednesday)</u>
Apr 13	Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring
May 4	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner in Magnolia
May 11	Day tour to Pickett House in Woodville
May 14	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
May 15	Ladies Luncheon – Location TBA
Jun 8	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Jun 8	Monthly Meeting at TBA
Jun 13 – 16	Texas Tour in Nacogdoches, TX
Jul 6	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Jul 9	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Jul 13	July Tour to TBA
Jul 17	Ladies Luncheon – Location TBA
Aug 3	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Aug 17	Annual Ice Cream Social and Monthly Meeting

Sep 7	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Sep 7	Monthly Meeting at TBA
Sep 13-15	Davy Crockett tour to Crockett, Texas
Sep 18	Ladies Luncheon – Location TBA
Oct 5	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Oct 12	Tour to TBA
Oct 8	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Oct. 25-27	Autumn Trails Weekend, Winnsboro, Texas (For information only, not a PWA tour)
Nov 2	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Nov 9*	Heritage Syrup Festival in Henderson, TX
Nov 12	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Nov 20	Ladies Luncheon – Location TBA
Nov 23*	Tomball Holiday Parade
Dec 7	Monthly Breakfast at TBA
Dec 14	Annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club

- Date estimated or unconfirmed.

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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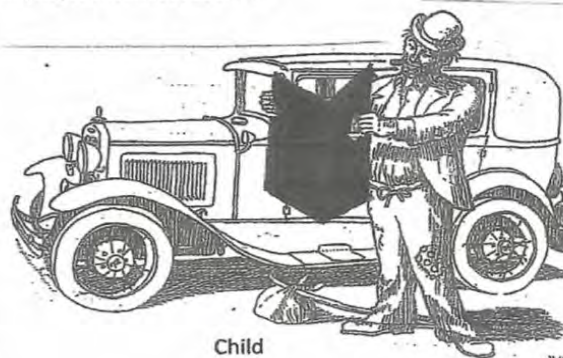
Note: Updated Poor Boy Registration Form - Feb. 2024

Wow! The Poor Boy Tour is coming to the historic city of Gonzales. Hosted by the Alamo A's. Lots of great food and fun! I just gotta hitch me a ride there!

Registration Form

54* Annual Poor Boy Tour
Hosted by the Alamo A's
Gonzales, TX April 5-7, 2024
 *no Poor Boy Tours in 2020 & 2021

Registration Fee: Adults \$ 50.00 each
Children 12 & under \$ 25.00 each
Sorry, No Refunds after March 15, 2024



Name of Attendees	Adult	Child
_____	\$ 50.00	
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Registration Fees Total	\$ _____	

_____ address _____ City, State, Zip _____ Phone number _____

Club Affiliation (Select one) Alamo A's Houston A's Piney Woods A's Victori-A's

Model Year _____ Body Style _____ Are you bringing a trailer? _____

Registration check-in & the hospitality room is located at the La Quinta Inn, Hwy 183, Gonzales, Tx

Registration will be on Friday, April 5, 3:00 - 6:00p.m. & Saturday April 6, 7:30-9:00a.m.

Please make check payable to Marlene Richter. Send check & this registration form to: Marlene Richter, 146 Palo Duro, San Antonio, Texas 787232

I hereby release the Alamo A's Model A Club, Model A Ford Club of America, Model A Restorers Club, including organizers & sponsors of this tour & their families from all liabilities. Submittal of this form whether signed or unsigned constitutes acceptance of this release.

Signed _____ Date _____

The 2024 Poor Boy Tour,

Hosted by The Alamo A's, is scheduled
for the weekend of April 5,6,7 in Gonzales, Texas

The headquarters motel is The La Quinta Inn. 1631 Water Street, 78629 which is Hwy 183 South.
It is approximately 1/2 mile south of Hwy 90A on Hwy 183 South 830-519-4255.

We selected this hotel for several reasons: Cleanliness, 62 rooms, a conference room that we can use,
plenty of parking, and the best overnight rates offered in Gonzales or any adjacent towns.

There are several other motels located just blocks away. See below.

1. **La Quinta** Daily Rates: Doubles, 2 queen size beds.....\$ 82.00 + tax
King: Single king size bed (no couch).....\$ 82.00 + tax
Suite Executive King: Single king size bed (couch/does not fold out).....\$ 92.00 + tax

***CODE:** To get this discount rate you must identify as "**MODEL A POOR BOY Tour**". Will have this price
until 3/15/2024, then regular rates resume.

Reservations **MUST** be made by phone. No discount rates online!!

2. **Best Western:** Approximately 3/4 mile from the La Quinta. 1811 E. Sarah Dewitt Drive. 830-672-5555
Breakfast 6:00 am - 9:30 am Best location if you trailer. They have regular rooms (27) and
cabinettes (23). The inside of the cabinettes are almost an exact match to the regular rooms, but individual
cabins. Very cute & convenient trailer parking is gravel area close to cabins.
website: "The Texas Lodge Gonzales"

Single: King size bed.... . \$ 75.99 + tax
Double: 2 Queen size beds.....\$ 89.99 + tax
Cabinets: 2 Queen size beds.....\$ 89.99 + tax

***CODE:** To get a discount, you must say "**MODEL A**". Will hold the discount until 3/15/2024, then regular
rates resume. Reservations **MUST** be made by phone.

Other motels in close proximity to the La Quinta:

3. Holiday Inn
126 Middle Buster 78629
830-672-2777
Rates: Double - \$140 + tax
King - \$140 + tax
King Suite - \$150 + tax
2 rooms with wheelchair access
4. Microtel (by Windham)
2019 Water Street 78629
830-443-9534
5. Sleep Inn Suites
2138 Water Street 78629
830-399-2003

Please note: **Make your reservations early**. All the towns in this area of Texas are involved in the Eagle Ford Oil
Production business. Oil workers can move into local motels for weeks or even months at a time. For these small
towns this is great business for them. As of October, there are very few oil field workers in the area.

Registration No. _____



REGISTRATION FORM

61st Texas Model A Ford Tour
June 13-16, 2024
Nacogdoches, Texas

Hosted by the Dallas Model A Ford Club

Please print all information on form:

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____
Local Club Affiliation _____ Phone (including area code) _____ Alternate phone _____
Address _____ Email _____
City/State/Zip _____ Any food concerns? _____
Children Attending (First and Last Names and Ages) _____

Will you drive your Model A to the meet? ☐ YES ☐ NO Will you be trailering your A? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Year _____ Body Style _____ 2nd "A" Year _____ Body Style _____

Will you be entering Car Judging? ☐ YES ☐ NO. **Restored class judging only.**

Your Model A must be registered by May 31, 2024, in order to be judged.

Will you be willing to serve as a Car Judge? ☐ YES ☐ NO Have you judged before: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Will you be entering **Fashion Model Judging** ☐ YES ☐ NO or **Fashion Display Judging** ☐ YES ☐ NO

Fashion Judging Participation forms will be emailed. Forms must be received by May 31, 2024.

Will you be willing to serve as a Fashion Judge? ☐ YES ☐ NO Have you judged before: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Registration will include 1 patch and 1 radiator badge. Additional patches and badges may be purchased separately. Registration Confirmation will be sent by Email. Lady Drives an "A" info will be sent by email also.

Note: Registrations must be received by May 31, 2024. Due to prior payment for facilities, food, and service, refunds cannot be given after May 31, 2024.

I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless from any and all liability whatsoever due to my attendance and participation at the 2024 Texas Tour, any and all of the following: Model A Ford Club of America Inc., and their Officers and Directors, the 61st Texas Tour committee, their facilities, and the Dallas Model A Ford Club, and their Officers and Directors. Submission of this Registration form whether signed or unsigned, constitutes acceptance of this release.

Signed _____ Date _____

Make checks payable to Dallas Model A Ford Club (DMAFC)

Mail to: Nancy Cheshire, Registrar
8450 Fallow Run
Larue, TX 75770 972-279-4786
Email: texastour2024@dmafc.com

For Registrar use only:

Check # _____

Amount \$ _____

Date Received _____

2024 TEXAS TOUR SCHEDULE

		Attendees	Cost	Total
Registration Fee (per family)		____ family	\$75.00	
Late Registration Fee after May 15, 2024 (per family)		____ family	\$90.00	
Wednesday, June 12, 2024	Times			
Early Registration/Self guided tours	3:00pm-6:00pm	_____		
Thursday, June 13, 2024		How Many?		
Registration/ Hospitality/ Raffles	9:00am-5:00pm	_____		
Repair Tent	12:00pm-5:00pm	_____		
Self-guided tours	all day	_____	n/c	
Guided Tour of Milam Lodge	2:00pm-4:30pm		n/c	
Guided Statue Driving Tour (no. of cars)	3:00pm-4:00pm		n/c	
Lady Drives an "A" Driving Test (no. of people/cost of patch)	3:30pm-4:30pm		\$7.00	
Fashion Entrants Meeting - Stage Area of Convention Hall	5:15pm-6:00pm	_____		
Welcome Dinner	6:00pm-8:30pm	_____		
How many of each? _____ Fajitas & fixins _____ Veg.	_____		\$25.00	
Kids (ages 6-12) _____ Fajitas & fixins _____ Veg.	_____		\$10.00	
Friday, June 14, 2024				
Registration/ Repair Tent/ Hospitality/ Raffles	9:00am-5:00pm	_____		
Fashion Judging (no. of people /\$ per person towards awards plaque)	9:00am-1:00pm		\$5.00	
Vehicle Judging (no. of cars /\$ per person towards award plaque)	9:00am-1:00pm		\$5.00	
Tour to Old Univ Bldg, Stone Fort, & Zion Hill Church (no. of people)	10:00am-12:00pm		n/c	
Tour to Sterne-Hoya, Durst Taylor House, & Zion Hill Church (no. of people)	10:00am-12:00pm		n/c	
Tour to Old Univ Bldg, Stone Fort, & Railroad Museum (no. of people)	1:00pm-3:00pm		n/c	
Tour to Sterne-Hoya, Durst Taylor House, & Railroad Museum (no. of people)	1:00pm-3:00pm		n/c	
Ice Cream Sundaes/Hubley Derby/Fashion Displays (no. of people)	6:00-8:30pm		n/c	
Hubley Derby Races (no. of cars/ fee per car)	7:00pm-8:30pm		\$5.00	
Saturday, June 15, 2024				
Grand Tour - historic sites, lunch & car games	8:00am - 3:30pm	_____		
Lunch - How many of each?: _____ Beef _____ Chicken _____ Veg.	_____		\$20.00	
Kids lunch(ages 6-12) - how many?: _____ Beef _____ Chicken _____ Veg.	_____		\$5.00	
Car Entrance Fee (no. of cars/fee per car)	_____		\$5.00	
Repair Tent/ Hospitality/ Raffles	3:30pm-5:00pm	_____		
Presidents' Meeting of TX club presidents. - Stage Area of Convention Hall	5:00pm-6:00pm	_____		
Farewell/Awards Dinner	6:00pm-9:00pm	\$ per person		
How many of each: _____ Lasagna _____ Chicken _____ Veg.	_____		\$35.00	
Kids Meal (ages 6-12) _____ Chicken strips and Mac & cheese _____ Veg.	_____		\$10.00	
TOTAL EVENT PRICE				
T-SHIRTS - see T-Shirt page for pictures of the shirts available				
T-Shirts (how many?), Green S _____, M _____ no pocket			\$25.00	
T-Shirts (how many?), Green L _____, XL _____ no pocket			\$25.00	
T-Shirts (how many?), Green 2XL _____, 3XL _____ no pocket			\$27.00	
T-Shirts (how many?), Green S _____, M _____ with pocket			\$27.00	
T-Shirts (how many?), Green L _____, XL _____ with pocket			\$27.00	
T-Shirts (how many?), Green 2XL _____, 3XL _____ with pocket			\$29.00	
Extra Patches (1 included with registration)	How Many? _____		\$5.00	
Extra Radiator Badges (1 included with registration)	How Many? _____		\$5.00	
TOTAL MERCHANDISE PRICE - tax included with all merchandise				
TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED				

Southwest Model A's
P.O. Box 44
Peralta, NM 87042

2024 Model A Ford Club of America National Convention
June 23-29, 2024 in Ruidoso, NM

Dear MAFCA Chapters -

As you may know, the 2024 MAFCA National Convention is being held in Ruidoso, NM, hosted by the Southwest Model A's group. MAFCA National Conventions are the largest gatherings of Model A enthusiasts from all over the country. Being centrally and conveniently located between large populations of Model A owners from California, Arizona, Colorado and Texas, not to mention the many attendees that regularly travel even farther to participate in these events, we're expecting a tremendous turnout!

One of the most anticipated and visited areas of any National Convention is the Raffle Room, where participants can purchase tickets to win a wide variety of prizes donated by generous supporters. A successful Raffle Room is an essential part of making National Conventions financially possible.

Can we count on your club for a donation for our raffle? Donors are credited by name and larger items receive special promotions. Supporting the National Convention would be a wonderful way to show your support of the Model A community nationwide.

Any car-related item, gift certificate to a Model A vendor or even a cash donation would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your generous support and please feel free to contact us with any questions or for help coordinating your gift.

If you donate an item to the Raffle Room please take a picture of the item and send it to Marlies Plaggenborg at marlies57@aol.com.

Please mail or ship donations to:

Ray Gabaldon Convention Chair
66 Don Ramon Rd.
Belen, NM 87002

Thank You

Vicky Lujan Gibbs Convention and Raffle co-chair
505-235-1713 [vjlee@comcast.net](mailto:vjee@comcast.net)

Marlies Plaggenborg, Raffle co-chair
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TOURING RULES OF THE ROAD

The following guidelines are intended to help Model A drivers tour safely, maximize the touring experience, and travel in a group with consideration for other vehicles.

Preparation

Before the start of the tour, participants will have their Model A in good mechanical condition, serviced, and filled with fuel. Drivers should carry a gallon of water, a simple first aid kit, and appropriate area maps. It is also strongly recommended that each car be equipped with a communication device (cell phone, Zello app, CB radio, two-way radio) such that each one be able to communicate with the leader and sweep. In the event of roadside trouble, medical emergency, or separation from the group, these communication devices are vital.

Tour Director

The Tour Director will be responsible for setting the route, date, time, and location for meeting prior to the tour. The Tour Director is also responsible for selecting convenient rest stops, fueling sites, and lunch arrangements as required. These details will be provided at the general meeting, in the **The Ford Squeaks** newsletter, by email, and on the website (www.pineywoodmafc.com.org). Maps will be provided in advance and at the meet site.

Tour Leaders

Two Tour Leaders will be available for each group participating in the tour, one to lead the group and one in the back (Sweep). The leader should follow the route plan as provided by the Tour Director. Drivers are expected to follow the leader's instructions, which will be outlined in the driver's meeting prior to departure. Communication channels will be specified and tested at this time. Primary use of the communications device will be for the leader to advise route changes, problems ahead, and to contact the Sweep. All may use the communications device to point out areas of interest. Any car manufactured after 1931 will travel behind the Model A group, unless a dangerous situation develops. These "modern" vehicles should also be able to communicate with the group.

The Sweep's responsibility will be to ensure that all Model A's have departed the meet site, that no one is left behind, and to advise the leader of any developing problems.

ON THE ROAD

Since any number of historic cars on the road is a major distraction while driving we will avoid “bunching up” and creating traffic hazards for others wishing to pass, or merge onto or off the road. If our participation is very high, the tour leader may find it necessary to separate the tour group into subsets for safer traveling. The participants in the back tend to get left behind following turns or traffic stops and must catch-up as a result. Therefore, it is a good practice to have cars equipped with overdrive in the back of the group.

The tour leader will be the first car in line and will set the speed for the group within legal parameters. On the open road, this speed will generally average 45 MPH, so all Model A's can maintain contact with the group, regardless of equipment.

In the event that the group becomes widely separated, the designated tour leader will keep in communication with the last car (Sweep) as well as maintain visual contact with the car following. **All drivers should keep the following vehicle in sight** to ensure that the proper turns are accomplished, that assistance situations are recognized and reported, and that possible road hazards are identified.

On the highway, maintain a 5-car-length space between vehicles. Always be alert to faster traffic, and be prepared to yield, when safe, to the right side of the road. It is preferable to stop in a safe location such as a paved lot but may stop on the shoulder along the road. In any event, we do not drive on the shoulder. When it is necessary to stop on the shoulder drivers should park well to the right to not impede visibility for the leader to see past the group to the sweep. The sweep determines when it is safe to proceed.

When driving city streets, remember that it is more important to obey traffic signals and use common courtesy... you can catch up to the group later. Cars need to maintain closer spacing on city streets to keep the group together. In the event of a mechanical breakdown, or other emergency, only those who are capable or designated to render assistance should stop. Other drivers should follow the instructions of the tour leader and continue on to the next stop. Multiple antique vehicles stopped on the side of the road will only cause more hazardous conditions for everyone.

When someone wants to drop out of the group a hand signal should be used. A simple thumbs up sign signifies to the group that all is OK and the remainder of the group should continue the route. A thumbs down signifies to the group that there is a problem that might require assistance.

Concerning the end of the tour, the tour leader will be responsible for informing all drivers at some time during the event of the return time and location of departure. If a driver wishes to return from the tour alone, he or she will notify the tour leader of this intent. Traveling with another Model A is always a good practice. Coming home safely is the goal.

Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator

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Dave and Margery Koogler

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Breckenridge, Texas - where horses ride in Fords. 1930s.



Photo submitted by Jim Hartzog

Answer:

Having constructed a tractor plant in Dearborn in 1918, Ford quickly realized that there was a housing shortage in the area. So a year later, the Dearborn Realty and Construction Company was established (by Ford) to help solve the problem. By October 1919, 94 homes were constructed with an additional 156 built in 1920. An entry-level Model A sold for \$5,750 while the upscale F cost \$9,550 (there was also a Model B, C, D and E in between). The area is now known as the Ford Homes Historic District (see fordhomes.org).

In the era of "Affordable Housing" discussions it is interesting to note that in 1918 you could buy a new home for ~\$6,000. This held true into the post-WWII 1950s. Probably 40 years of stable housing prices. Contrast that with today's economy!

Contributed by Robert L Bullard

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Women's stockings

As hemlines rose, tights and stockings became incredibly popular as a fashion statement in the '20s and '30s. Women wore tights for warmth and style because their legs were visible. The introduction of synthetic yarns in the '20s revolutionized the industry, making hosiery sheerer than cotton and cheaper than silk. Tights were often made from silk, wool, cotton, or synthetic rayon during this decade, and it wasn't unusual for women to powder their nude-colored tights to make them appear more natural with less sheen. The legendary luxury hosiery brand Cervin Paris began producing stockings and hosiery in 1920 with great international success. By the early '30s,

fish nets appeared, and in 1938, Dupont introduced the first nylon stockings. This innovation was a game changer for women worldwide because World War II made it harder to get silk from abroad. [hosiery history](#)

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Service weight silk stockings were not as sheer as "chiffon" ones. Sears, Fall 1930.

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(12 1/2 1/2)

75c

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69c

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Hem-Guard (patent pending) ★ Garter-Proof Inner Seam ★ Seven-Ply Hem ★ Fresh Silk ★ "Grenino"-Sealed ★ Cradle Dura-Foot ★ Flat-Seam Sole

REAL SILK

1931

Miscellaneous Club Activities



Frank & David, AKA the "Dynamic Duo," recently came to Doc's rescue, repairing engine fire damage and correcting other issues **they** uncovered. Generously sharing their time and expertise, they brought Doc's Coupe back to life and provided a bit of entertainment in the process. Doc was extremely appreciative of their efforts to get him back on the road.

Club Members helping Doc Poth with his car.

Here are the websites containing the information that was presented in the brief technical last month.

[Archival Collections - The Henry Ford](#) – Searchable database with everything Ford – even drawings.

[Model A | Model A Ford Club of Long Island | Long Island \(modelalongisland.com\)](#) – Ford Club of Long Island. Great Technical Section – Tips and Tricks and More.

[Hop in the Driver's Seat | Ford Heritage Vault](#) – Ford Vault. Related history.

Attached are some interesting videos to enjoy

https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/early-days-of-car-heaters/?utm_content=MED_UN_NA_EML_UN_UN_DailyDriver_Wednesday&hashed_email=0a6a8c46f9e5452551eb3d6adeadee941826b6a14f9d0bd7c2cd61d7879e9eed&dtm_em=0a6a8c46f9e5452551eb3d6adeadee941826b6a14f9d0bd7c2cd61d7879e9eed

<https://youtu.be/GGn-5VoS-m8?si=hUfSucb1sC3lky3y>

Many videos, interesting stories, and calendar news has been posted on the MAFCA website at www.mafca.com for your pleasure and information.

Jim's Tech Tip

by Jim Cannon

Check Your Oil Filler Pipe and Cap



While you have it off, also inspect the inside of the oil filler cap. It, too, needs to be clear inside. No pieces of steel wool, pot scrubber, or old sock in the cap! Look for evidence of someone accidentally pushing the oil filler cap on too far. When you do, you bend the little tabs inside the cap and mash it all the way down on the pipe. This blocks the engine's ability to vent the crankcase, builds up pressure, and causes a bad leak out the rear main seal.

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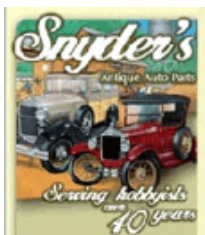


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By: Dan Kundts, Chairman of the Board



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 LOST THE CHICKEN**.

Rule #2
If, while on tour, you delay the group from leaving on time (excepting for bringing donuts & coffee) - **YOU LOST 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 LOST 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 LOST 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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