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PINEY WOOD MODEL A FORD CLUB

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MOTTO

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

QUALIFICATIONS

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

From the President's Desk

By: David Teale

Dear Model A Friends,

It looks like May will be a month with some great weather. Let's get those Model As on the road whenever possible. I encourage everyone to honor our veterans by driving somewhere on Memorial Day weekend and take the opportunity to place some flags on your bumper to celebrate.



There was a good turnout at April's breakfast at Lynn's Table. But I only counted two Model As out by the street. Did you know you can get free 50/50 tickets by driving to our breakfast. Just remember to ask Ron or myself for your extra 50/50 tickets. No one has asked me this year. Be the first.

As many of you know from our last club meeting, we voted as a club and have canceled our involvement in the Gulf Coast Tour due to poor attendance in past years. I have communicated this to our partner clubs, Golden Triangles and Houston Model As. They have acknowledged our decision. An official letter will be sent to each club announcing our withdrawal.

I still believe in keeping our relationships with our neighboring clubs strong. If you have any ideas on local events or activities where neighboring clubs can participate with Piney Wood, please send me a note. Our hobby is about sharing our love for these cars with our friends.

Stay tuned for our next club tour – Drive to Pickett House on May 11th. Keep a lookout for updates from Ron Cherry.

See you soon!

Happy Motoring!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned at the end of the letter.



ESTABLISHED 1977

PINEY WOOD MODEL A FORD CLUB

PO Box 691341
Houston, TX 77629

April 21, 2024

Golden Triangle A's: Bob Johnson – President and Club Members

Greater Houston Model A Ford Club: Warren Pollard – President and Club Members

RE: Gulf Coast Tour Sponsorship

Dear Fellow Officers and Club Members,

The Piney Wood Model A Ford Club deliberated on a motion from members in early 2024 regarding our continued involvement in the Gulf Coast Tour. This tour has traditionally been sponsored by Golden Triangle A's, Greater Houston A's, and Piney Wood A's with each club rotating sponsorship. Our leadership took a very hard look at reported attendance and tours from 2015 through 2023. The results showed multiple club cancellations and a track record of poor attendance.

The Board of Directors voted to cancel our sponsorship in the Gulf Coast Tour. This was a difficult decision since our Model A hobby thrives on participation in national events, local tours and the fellowship of friends and neighboring clubs. Many of our members belong to these other clubs.

This decision was subsequently brought before the general membership for another (optional) vote. The club responded in like, and the members voted to cancel sponsorship for the Gulf Coast Tour for 2024 and future Gulf Coast Tours.

We share the hope that our clubs find alternative events and activities that can be jointly participated in and that our club leaders recognize the value in our clubs continuing to share our experiences, friendships, and future functions. Our club looks forward to responding to and initiating any ideas and invitations for such activities.

Respectfully,

David Teale
President

PWA Meeting Minutes

By Joyce Perkins

Piney Woods Model A Club

Meeting: April 10, 2024

Held: Valley Ranch Restaurant

Meeting was opened at 7:01 by David Teale, President

Opening Prayer was led by Paul Gross,

Pledge was led by David Teale

Ruth Ann Van de Bogart reported the recent passing of Member, Marshall Isaacson, service details will be provided as they become available.



Minutes from the Club Meeting on March 9, 2024, were provided to members in the April Newsletter. Treasurer, Frank DeLucia, commented the February Treasury report was not included in the minutes, and he would provide the February report along with the March report in the March meeting. Motion to approve minutes was received from Marilyn Hitchcock and seconded by Linda Bragaw, All in Favor, Motion passed.

Opening Comments provided by President David Teale:

Board members approved on April 10, 2024, Joyce Perkins to be the Club Secretary for 2024.

Service Awards: 10-year service award Pins were presented to Ruth Anne and David Van de Bogart by Perry Jones.

David reported that the Board approved the cancelation of the Gulf Coast Tour on April 10, 2024, due to low attendance and lack of interest. David reached out to discuss the decision with the Golden Triangle Model A Club and the Greater Houston Model A Club, and they agreed with the motion to cancel the annual tour. David will send out an Official Notice of Cancellation of the Gulf Coast Tour to all club members in the participating clubs.

Events: A report of recent and upcoming Events was provided by Ron Cherry:

Ron shared all attended the Poor Boy Tour and had a great time held the previous weekend in Gonzales.

PWA had an exceptional turnout of the highest number of members attending.

Ron asked attending members who were planning on attending of the upcoming Texas Tour in Nacogdoches Tx, on 06.13 – 16, 2024, and reminded all that the registration deadline is 05.31.2024. Further details will be provided.

Ron also provided details of the other upcoming events including:

4/13: Saturday, PWA Breakfast, Lynn's Tables, Old Town Spring, Tx 8:00 – 9:00

4/19 Friday, Museum of Funeral History, in Spring Tx, 10:00 – 11:30, lunch to follow (Olive Garden)

5/4, Saturday PWA Breakfast, , Magnolia Diner 8:00 – 9:00

5/11, Saturday, Tour to the Pickett House, Woodville Tx, All Day

5/14, Tuesday, PWA Club Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00, held at Vally Ranch BBQ

The status of the upcoming Crockett Tour was provided by Troy Walling to occur on 09/13/2024 – 09/15/2024.

Further details will be provided when available.

David commented that the next offsite Club Meeting for the second quarter is scheduled for June, if anyone would like to host the club meeting, please let David know.

Treasurer Report: Frank DeLucia provided the February Treasury report, noting concerns regarding new Federal guidelines that became effective in January 2024 for all 501©7 clubs. Motion to approve February received from Paul Gross and seconded by Troy Walling. All approved and Motion passed.

Frank also provided the March Treasury report of the status of the account, credits received, and paid expenses. Motion to approve March received from Chris Fredona and seconded by Tom Bragaw, all approved, Motion passed.

Sunshine Report: David Teale presented the report for Mitzi Shaddix on April Birthdays and Anniversaries. (which were also included in the monthly newsletter).

Registrations: Perry Jones reported one registration had been received.

National News: Perry also reported that a new article is expected in the Restorer of the Committee Report.

Newsletter: Troy Walling shared his appreciation of the contributions received for the Newsletter, he also expressed what a difference the stories and articles make and encouraged all to keep them coming.

Toolbox: Frank DeLucia commented the Club Tools are available, for all who may need them.

Library: Tom Bragaw manages the library of resource materials available to members, no update was provided.

Club Apparel: An update report was not provided, Marion Hertzbach was not in attendance.

National Tour: Elaine Bullard shared that the Southwest A Model A Club as a SIG (Special Interest Group) is sponsoring a Raffle for the National Tour, in Ruidoso New Mexico, in June 2024. If anyone has any items they would like to donate for the raffle, please let her know and she will forward the information to the Southwest A's Club.

Poultry Coordinator: Dan Kundts presented the Rubber Chicken Award to Fred Schiefer for having a Model A breakdown during the recent Poor Boy Tour.

A break was taken, and the men remained for the Technical presented by Davie Teale on building a dash mount Cell Phone hanger with charger. The ladies practiced the new domino game called Mexican Train. David Teale won the 50/50 drawing.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn meeting was received from Ron Cherry, seconded by Larry Perkins, all approved, Motion passed, meeting ended at 8:30.

Respectfully Submitted by
Joyce Perkins, PWA Secretary

The Rubber Chicken Award was presented to Fred Schiefer
by Dan Kundts

The breakdown occurred on the road to the Poor Boy Tour.

Thanks to everyone who helped
and Bob Hitchcock for having a trailer to bring him home.



The Club extends a warm welcome to our new Secretary Joyce Perkins
And Bill Miller for taking over the Toolbox

Note for Breaking news see page 21



Marshall Isaacson

January 10th, 1943 March 26th, 2024

Marshall Isaacson, who was a Piney Woods Model A member for about 15 years, passed away in the Las Vegas area of Nevada on March 26, 2024. Marshall moved to Nevada to be near his cousins who were like brothers and sisters to him.

After living there for a short time, he fell and fractured his pelvis. He was hospitalized for several months until his death due to other complications that developed.

Marshall served as Treasurer of our club for several years and was also our tour organizer for the 2015 National Tour – Lobsters & Lighthouses of Maine. Marshall always enjoyed meeting new people from other clubs at all the tours.

Marshall could no longer drive because of his neuropathy, but his last wish was to buy a Model A when he was released from the hospital and have his cousins drive it with him as a passenger.



Charles Ray Atkinson

March 13, 1934 – April 6, 2024



Charles Ray recently passed after a lingering illness

Charles Ray and his wife of 69 years, Clarkie were members of the Piney Wood A's for 17 years.

They owned several antique automobiles in pristine condition. He enjoyed riding motorcycles until he was 80 years old.

Charles never met a person that he did not like and enjoyed sharing experiences with.

After retiring they enjoyed traveling to the nearby states, always making friends along the way.

His family and friends will miss him deeply.

April Events 2024

By: Troy Walling

Poor Boy Tour

April 5-7, 2024



31 members of The Piney Wood A's including 5 of our Beaumont area members traveled to Gonzales, TX April 5-7 for the 2024 Poor Boy Tour hosted by the Alamo A's. We were greeted with a goodie bag and homemade cookies along with many friends who were delighted to see such a large contingent of PWA members.

Thanks to the Richters for organizing a great tour.

Friday night was dinner on our own and Ron Cherry booked us at a local Italian restaurant that not only had great food but handled our large group very efficiently and quickly. There was visiting by the pool after dinner until the cool breeze had everyone bidding goodnight in preparation for the Saturday drive.





Members of the Piney Wood A's began lining up Saturday morning to begin a great day

Marlene Richter and Patty Nowak are dressed for the tour.



The Grand Tour on Saturday took us along beautiful back roads.

We saw patches of Bluebonnets, but the red Paintbrush and yellow Coreopsis were plentiful and made a beautiful addition to the drive.



Gonzales is known for being the location of the start of the Texas Revolution for Independence from Mexico and so it was fitting to learn the history of the area.

In 1831 while the colonists were under Mexican rule, the government loaned the citizens of Gonzales a small bronze cannon to protect themselves against hostile Indians with the understanding the colonists would return the cannon at the request of the government. In 1835 when soldiers were sent to retrieve the cannon, the colonists sent word they were keeping the cannon and took the soldiers sent to collect it as prisoners.



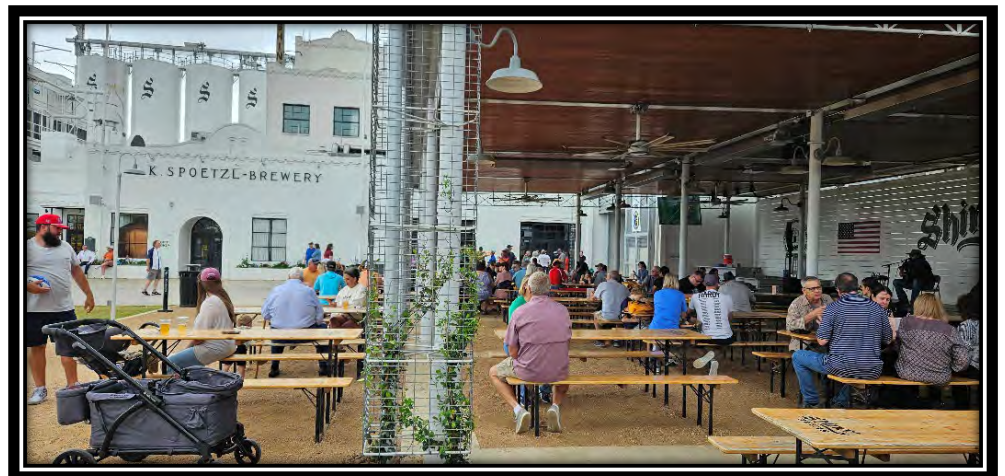
The colonists buried the cannon and sent for help. The Mexican army sent 100 soldiers to make a more serious request for the return of the gun. The Texians, as the colonists were called, had taken the motto of “Come and Take it” by this time. A few days before a battle over the cannon ensued, two young ladies made a flag with an image of a cannon and the words “Come and Take It”. The flag was raised above the cannon during the first day of battle in Gonzales.



You can see the original cannon and a replica of the carriage made for it at the Gonzales Memorial Museum. The cannon and flag were transported to San Antonio to serve there, but the flag was lost along the way and never rediscovered.

Along our 72-mile drive, we stopped at the marker for the first shot fired of the Texas Revolution on October 2, 1835. An Alamo A's member gave us a very informative talk on the beginning of the revolution.

After lunch in Shiner, we had suggestions of visiting the brewery, returning to Gonzales to explore the city or visiting an antiques and art shop with a large selection of beer and wine. The group split up and went to explore on their own. Maybe some went back to their hotel and took a nap?





Saturday evening meal consisted of Chicken fried steak, chicken, sides, and two desserts



Musical entertainment was provided by T J Delatina

There was a winner at each table of a beautiful lighted Model A bottle



After dinner, we gathered inside the host hotel lobby for more visiting with friends. Again, the cool breeze was going to be a little too much to be outdoors.

Before we headed back to the Hotel, we followed a long-time Piney Wood tradition of eating ice cream at the local Dairy Queen.



Sunday morning came too quickly and everyone headed home as they saw fit. Most Piney Wood A's members caravanned on back roads until we reached Simonton, where we stopped for lunch at Anthonie's Market Grill. Stopping there for lunch is getting to be a tradition that all look forward to! Goodbye, hugs were shared in the parking lot as we knew cars would begin to peel off as the path to home would change.



As always, a great time was had as we spent time with friends in our club and other clubs while driving backroads in our beloved Model A's.

Breakfast at Lynns Table April 14th



Seventeen members and two Model A's
met at Lynns Table Café located
In Old Town Spring, Texas



Museum of Funeral History

April 19th



Eleven Members of the Piney Wood A's met at the Museum of Funeral History. For those of you who have never visited here, this is a must-see stop

There are so many interesting facts and stories. For example, the 1921 hearse to the right was built to carry the coffin, pallbearers, and 20 mourners for the City of San Francisco. Unfortunately, it was not suitable for the steep hills of the city



Afterward, we all gathered at a nearby Olive Garden for a delicious meal. The waiter was so pleased, he brought a large box of mint chocolates for everyone. Fred Schiefer said Thanks, I believe I will

Special News



Congratulations to the Houston Model A Club on their 58th Anniversary.

Let's Welcome the newest Model A Club in the Greater Houston Area
For information, contact Michael Eisenbise @ M.Eisenbise@gmail.com

Purpose of Space City MAFCA

The Space City Chapter will as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of the Model A Ford car, and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve the car in its original likeness. This Club will exercise general supervision, assistance, direction, and control, to its members in their restoration process.

The Space City Chapter will operate like the Santa Clara Valley Chapter and the Twin City Chapter. The business meetings will be virtual meetings. Monthly technical sessions will focus on learning about and helping others with their cars. If possible, these sessions will be available via a virtual meeting, or video taped for other club members to access in the future. Social meetings, e.g., a meal, tours, and other activities may be made available to club members.

President's Page

April 2024

For those that subscribe to the Flying Quail newsletter, I'm sure you've noticed the revised look and enhanced content. The new Flying Quail appearance is vibrant and refreshing. I would like to especially thank **Will Langford**, Chapter Coordinator Director and **Gary Price**, Secretary for their efforts to renew and revitalize the publication. I would also like to thank all those that contribute articles and material to be included in the newsletter. Keep those articles coming. If you do not subscribe, you should check it out. I think you will find it very informative and interesting.



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, for Elaine and I at least, and driving our Model A only a little more the 5,000 miles my resolution is to drive my Model A weekly, weather permitting. Not to necessarily make it my daily driver but to get it out 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 you Model A out and about on a more regular basis in 2024.

Now is the time for you to decide if you are interested in participating in MAFCA's leadership as a National Director. Information is available on the MAFCA website at: www.mafca.com/elections.html. Additionally, each Director is available to answer your questions and help steer you in the right direction to run for office.

Our 2024 MAFCA national convention, Southwest "A"ventures", is scheduled for June 23 – 29 and is being hosted by the Southwest Model A's. They have planned a great list of activities and are working diligently to put together a great outing. Check their webpage: <https://www.southwestaventures.com> for information on registration, including the registration forms, convention clothing items, raffle items and access to purchasing raffle tickets. Sounds too good to miss, so start your planning now!

In prior years, MAFCA has clearly supported the concept that youth are essential to the Model A hobby's future and chapters are the means to introduce youth to the hobby. Establishing club activities that invite youth participation is a fundamental key to turning our youth into lifelong hobbyists. May of each year has been designated as Model A Youth Month. Now is the time for chapters to complete their planning and to begin publicizing their event. I look forward to reading about the many different ways our chapters are involving our youth in the hobby.

On another note, **Bob Moore**, President of the Model A Youth Restoration Award organization (MAYRA), provided me the following statistics: 2024 is the 30th year that MAYRA has been donating to youth. Through the last award in July 2022, they have made 105 awards to 85 youth. Awards have grown over the years, and in 2022, ten recipients each received \$3,000 in gift certificates. Currently, MAYRA is pushing to get the word out that **May 31 is the final date** to apply for a restoration award. They would love to have 20 applicants this year. Information on the award is on their website at www.modelarestorationaward.org.

I look forward to reading about the many different ways our chapters are involving our youth in the hobby.

"See you down the road!"

Robert Bullard, 2024 MAFCA President

MAFFI SWEEPSTAKES

Win "BETSY" Enter the MAFFI Sweepstakes Starting March 1st

Closing Date: October 6th, 2024
No Purchase Required!!

Through the generosity of Donna Lewis, former MAFCA President and MAFFI Trustee, "Betsy" has been donated to help raise funds for the expansion of the Model A Ford Museum. Enter this sweepstakes for a chance to win "Betsy" a 1930 Ford Model A Sport Coupe and support the expansion.

Drawing Date: October 12th, 2024

**The winner does have the option
to take \$15,000 instead of Betsy**



Enter now and
receive
20% more tickets for
your donation,
available at
checkout.



For more Information contact Jarrod Williams at
jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com or <http://maffi.org>



MODEL A YOUTH RESTORATION AWARD

Young Model A's - Time Is Getting Short. Restoring a Model A or thinking about it? May 31, 2024, is the final date to apply for financial assistance from the Model A Youth Restoration Award program (MAYRA). If you are between 12 and 22 and restoring your Model A or about to begin and would like financial assistance in acquiring parts, MAYRA can help.

MAYRA has made over 100 awards to youth over the past 30 years. Awards, in the form of gift certificates from various Model A parts vendors, are made every two years, and in 2022, each recipient received \$3,000 in certificates. Recipients will be announced at the MARC and MAFCA National Conventions this summer. The application and eligibility information are on the website <http://MAYRA.biz>. Clubs, Your help in directing youth to the program is really appreciated. May, Model A Youth Month, is just around the corner.

[For those of you who attended the Jamboree, there was a MAYRA brochure in your registration bag with The Blossom Trail A's listed under Sponsors! We were donors last year and *now we're famous!*]

SEEKING NEW WEBMASTER

November 23 - MAFCA is currently looking for a volunteer to take over the position of Webmaster. This person must have general knowledge of web infrastructure as well as a background in HTML editing using applications such as Dreamweaver. Experience with PHP, CSS and SQL as well as other scripting languages along with SFTP will be helpful as well. Training with our current platform will be provided by our interim webmaster **Rick Black**.



If your love of the Model A extends into the digital world then we could use your help. Please contact **Will Langford**, Website Liaison at chaptercoordinator@mafca.com or directly at 405 812 8131 or any current Board Member if you have an interest in volunteering for this position.





MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB MILEAGE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

The purpose of the MARC Mileage Program is to offer national recognition for all miles driven by MARC members. There is no intent to supersede or cancel any Regional or local driving programs now in existence; rather, the program seeks to further them by offering a driven-car recognition for all registered MARC vehicles.

GENERAL

All Model A's owned by MARC members and registered in the MARC Mileage Program, and which meet the following standards, are eligible.

- A. Of original manufacture from 1927 through 1931.
- B. Titled or registered as a Model A in accordance with respective state requirements.
- C. Authentic in overall appearance, with a minimum of the following basic features:
 - 1. Original Ford four-cylinder engine produced from 1927 through 1934.
 - 2. Body style for year of manufacture.

RULES FOR MILES DRIVEN

- A. All ground mileage is credited, except for non-emergency tow.
- B. All credited mileage is cumulative from year to year and to each higher award level.
- C. Mileage to be credited must be attested.
- D. No mileage is credited for any period of time that the owner is not a member of the Model A Restorers Club.
- E. Mileage does not have to be updated every year to maintain eligibility.
- F. Mileage is accumulated through the reporting of the odometer reading as of December 31 of each year.
- G. The MARC Mileage Program Chairman is the final authority on mileage credit and awards.

NATIONAL AWARDS

- A. Award recognition begins at 2,000 miles; the second award level is 5,000 miles; and subsequent levels are at each additional 5,000 miles thereafter.
- B. A radiator plaque is awarded with the first mileage level, and a replacement mileage tab is awarded thereafter.

REGISTRATION

- A. A registration fee of \$1.00 is required at time of vehicle registration and is good for as long as the owner is a member in good standing of MARC. If MARC membership is allowed to lapse, vehicle must be re-registered. Mileage reported during prior MARC membership may be carried forward.
- B. MARC shall maintain the original registration as a permanent record for each vehicle registered and receiving recognition.
- C. A vehicle transferred to another MARC member who re-registers the car may maintain its reported mileage award level and continue eligibility for further awards.

Questions concerning the MARC Mileage Program may be directed to the Chairman:

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 (To be rescheduled)
Mar 16*	Lunch at Romero's Las Brazas (To be rescheduled)
Mar 20	Ladies Luncheon Republic Grill, Panther Creek, The Woodlands
Apr 5-7	Poor Boy Tour in Gonzales, TX
Apr 10	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque (Wednesday)
Apr 13	Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring
Apr 19	Weekday tour to the National Museum of Funeral History (Lunch following)
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 Jim and Kathy Hartzog's home
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.



Breaking News

Bob Hitchcock with his newest updated Model A Ford truck



JUNE 13-16, 2024
61ST TEXAS TOUR
NACOGDOCHES

NACOGDOCHES

TEXAS STARTS HERE!



Fredonia – Host Hotel

200 N. Fredonia St.
 Nacogdoches, TX 75961
 \$169/\$189 + tax per night
 (pets allowed with fee)
 breakfast not included
 cafe on-site
 108 rooms
 936-564-1234

Comfort Suites
 3429 South Street
 Nacogdoches, TX 75964
 \$104-\$114 + tax per night
 breakfast included
 50 rooms blocked
 936-560-9900

Hampton Inn
 3625 South Street
 Nacogdoches, TX 75864
 \$109 + tax per night
 breakfast included
 (pets allowed with fee)
 20 rooms blocked
 936-560-9901

NACOGDOCHES

Oldest Town in Texas

Stone Fort Museum
 Old University Building
 Stephen F. Austin University
 Sterne-Hoya House
 Durst Taylor House
 Fortney House
 Visitor's Center Museum
 Millard's Crossing Historic Park
 Nacogdoches Railroad Museum
 Historic Homes
 Artist Jeffie Brewer
 Shopping, Dining

Registration, Hospitality, Raffle Items, Fashion Judging and group events will be at the Fredonia Hotel/Convention Hall
Nancy Cheshire, Tour Chairperson – nmcheshire@yahoo.com
Co-Chair Heather Anderson – heathertx90@gmail.com

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.

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2024 TEXAS TOUR SCHEDULE

		Attendees	Cost	Total
Registration Fee (per family)		____ family	\$75.00	
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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				
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T-Shirts (how many?), Green L _____, XL _____ with pocket			\$27.00	
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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				

Sunshine Report

By: Perry Jones, Sunshine Coordinator

Welcome to our newest members
Wade and Terry Gillaspie

Ray Barth	5/5
Rosetta Kundts	5/9
James Parsley	5/10
Marge Gross	5/11
Larry Perkins	5/11
Fred Schiefer	5/12
Tom Stevenson	5/13
Michael Hanson	5/19
William Hoeksta	5/19
Connie Miller	5/27
David Van de Bogert	5/29
Fran Hensz	5/30
Marilyn Hitchcock	5/31



James & Karen Parsley	5/1
Don & Beckie Endebrock	5/5
Dennis & Debbie Weyant	5/6
Dave & Mona Martin	5/8
Dr. David & Jennifer Gould	5/23

MAFCA A of the Day



Once again, the Piney Wood Model A Club is represented with a Model A of the Day on the national MAFCA website.



Bonnie's Bits of Yesteryear

Bonnie Penfield

Soda Clerk or Soda "Jerk"

Soda jerks were typically young men who prepared and served soda drinks and ice-cream sodas. Soda fountains were typically found in drugstores or "5 & 10 Cent Stores" such as Woolworths. The drinks were made by mixing flavored syrup, carbonated water and sometimes malt powder over ice or over a few scoops of ice cream. The beverages were always served in a tall glass with drinking straws or a long-handled spoon known as a "soda spoon".



The formal job title of the drugstore assistant who operated the fountain service was "soda clerk." However, "soda jerk" was a pun on that name which was inspired by the "jerking" action the server would implement to move the fountain handle back and forth when adding soda. The term became very popular in the 20s and 30s and even lasted into the 50s.

The soda fountain spigot was typically a sturdy, shiny fixture attached at the end of a pipe which protruded over the counter and curved down at the end for filling glasses. Since most drinks required carbonated water, the tap handle was large to accommodate the frequent use of the fountain.

The position of soda clerk was a coveted one, and usually only awarded after a prolonged position of menial labor in the store. Soda jerking was dominated by popular young men with flashy personalities and good people skills because of the popular environment and "cool" association. These boys who worked at the shops were expected to serve the drinks and also socialize and entertain the guests.



Soda jerks were known for having their own lingo for how their drinks were made. They created nicknames for different drinks. For example, they called a glass of milk a "baby" and a strawberry milkshake became known as a "milkshake in the hay". A coke with ice was called a "scratch one". They also had lingo to express how they wanted their drink to be served. Coffee would be served strong if called "draw one from the south". And if a drink was ordered with extra ice, it was "heavy on the hail".

P.S. While there are no longer any Woolworth stores, there is still a Woolworth Soda Fountain in Ashville, NC.

Perfume Sprayers

By Janet Gundlach

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WOMEN IN AIR RACING

Ever since humans invented motorized flight, they have attempted to race airplanes in the sky. Air racing thrived in the 1920s and 1930s when air travel was a novelty to the American public. Thrilling narratives of the races appeared on the front pages of leading national newspapers and periodicals. The popularity of air racing—which lifted to a high altitude in the early decades of the twentieth century—was grounded by the end of World War II.

The popularity of the air races and exhibitions expanded across gender and race lines. In 1906, the first woman flew an aircraft. In 1921, Bessie Coleman became the first African American (man or woman) to earn a pilot's license (she had to travel to France to receive it, as no domestic institute would offer her one).

The First Women's Air Derby was a transcontinental race that began in Santa Monica, California, and culminated in Cleveland, Ohio, for the 1929 Cleveland National Air Races. Amelia Earhart, Pancho Barnes, Louise Thaden, Bobbi Trout and other women aviators of the era brought international attention to women in aviation. That same year, The Ninety-Nines Women's Aviation Organization was born... literally under the wing of an airplane in Cleveland. The organization was founded November 2, 1929, at Curtiss Field, Valley Stream, Long Island, New York. All 117 women pilots at the time were invited to assemble for mutual support, the advancement of aviation and to create a central office to keep files on women in aviation. In 1931, Amelia Earhart was elected the first President, and the group selected the name "Ninety-Nines" to represent the 99 charter members.



Seventy women held U.S. Department of Commerce licenses in August 1929, but only 40 met the race requirements. Participants had to have 100 hours of solo flight including 25 hours of solo cross-country to points more than 40 miles from the starting airport. The pilot also had to hold a license from the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) and an annual sporting license issued by the contest committee of the National Aeronautics Association (NAA). Each participant also had to carry a gallon of water and a three-day

food supply. Twenty women entered the Derby. The course took eight days to fly and navigate using only dead reckoning and road maps. Undaunted by route changes, sabotage, and death, 14 women completed the Derby with Louise Thaden finishing first.



Prior to the Bendix Trophy Race, air racing officials just would not believe that women were skilled enough to compete against men. Women were encouraged to hold their own competitions. From this came competitions such as the Women's International Free-For-All. Occasionally, women were allowed to compete with the men, such as the National Air Race and Transcontinental Handicap Air Derby, but any accident gave race officials one more excuse to exclude women.

Attached are some interesting videos to enjoy

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

**Note: Touring Rules of the Road
Will be published before each Major Tour
Throughout the year**



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.

Jim's Tech Tips

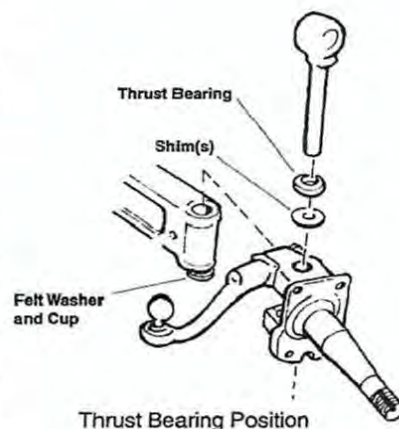
"Difficult Steering"

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!*

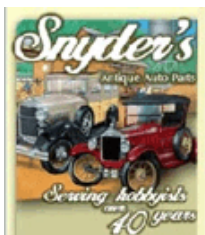
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The International Order of the Rubber Chicken

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 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 ARE THE CHICKEN~~

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