



## ROCK-FORD A's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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### MONTHLY MEETINGS:

7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month at:

Central Christian Church  
6595 Guilford Road  
Rockford, IL 61107

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Submit to Bill or Chris Aupperle  
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or 815-397-4059 by no later  
than the 5th of the month.

### Calendar of Events

Now!	Read your odometer for MAFCA's 2010 Million Mile Challenge
Sunday July 4, 2010 <i>2:30 line up back of Village hall (across the road from the junior h.s.) near inter- section of Brayton Rd. &amp; McKendrie Ave. 3:00 parade begins</i>	Let Freedom Ring Parade Mt. Morris, Illinois
Sunday July 11, 2010 <i>12:30 line up (parade starts from staging area behind schools at Maple &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> Streets) 2:00 parade begins</i>	ByronFest Parade & Dessert Get-together <i>at Wendell &amp; Sharon Anderson's 11408 N. Kennedy Hill Road, Byron, IL Drop off desserts at Anderson's and leave from their house at 12:30 for Byron</i>
Saturday July 17, 2010 <i>no breakfast meet – drive to lunch!</i>	Poplar Grove Wings & Wheels Museum Brat Day <i>(details inside newsletter)</i>
Tuesday July 27, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting <u>TechTalk:</u> TBD – What do you want to discuss? <u>Lady A's Chat:</u> We need ideas!
Sunday August 1, 2009 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	20th Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza <i>Illinois Railway Museum – Union, IL (details inside newsletter)</i>
Sunday August 15, 2010 Noon	Annual Club Picnic & August Meeting <i>Paulson's Farm; 6910 Belvidere Rd., Caledonia, IL Bring a dish to pass. Meat, beverage &amp; tableware will be provided. Drive your "A"!</i>
Sunday September 12, 2010	Roscoe Fall Festival Parade <i>Line up at Main &amp; Grove Sts. (1 blk. south of Bridge St.)</i>
Sunday September 26, 2010	Stillman Valley Fall Festival <i>(line up behind high school off Meridian Road)</i>
Saturday August 21, 2010	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Model A Day in Amana, Iowa <i>(details inside newsletter)</i>

## June 29, 2010 Meeting Minutes

(Submitted by Chris Aupperle)

1. Welcome: Maynard Swain and Ron Steffen
2. Rock-Ford A's clothing available: hats & jackets from Wendell Anderson; vests from Kathy Forbes
3. Jim Morley, Treasurer's Report:
 

Ending Balance as of 5-23-10	\$3114.33
Expenses	
Newsletter, supplies	62.77
Timing Gear Film/Video	27.74
Total Expenses	\$ 90.51
Income	
Coffee donations	1.10
Alternator raffle in Sharon, WI	174.25
50/50 raffle in Sharon, WI	101.00
Wedding	25.00
Dues	60.00
Total Income	\$ 361.35
Checkbook Balance as of 6-27-10	\$3235.17
Cash on hand as of 5-23-10	150.00
Total Club Balance as of 5-23-10	\$3385.17
4. Coffee prepared by John Hausen; cookies by John & Sue Hausen. Thank you!! Thanks again to Stan Stewart for facilitating room setup! Next month's coffee preparation courtesy of Ron & Darlene Ortberg.
5. Social concerns: None at the present time. Please contact Nan Stewart if you know of any member concerns.
5. Event reports: Model A Day another success (see details in feature article); only 6 cars at 6/20 Polo parade; MARC National Meet attended by Andersons, Aupperles, Clinnins & Whitneys; No. Grove Country School celebration attended by Whitneys, Earl Straley, Matt T. & Peggy K., Morleys and Aupperles; Whitneys as wedding drivers brought in \$25:
6. 44 at today's monthly meeting.
7. New Business: MAFCA's Million Mile Challenge; bring your mileage to next month's meeting; no Ford joint event this summer; Quad Meet 8/15; ILRR 8/1; Picnic 8/15; Amana Model A Day 8/21; Mendota Sweet Corn Days 8/12-15; Amboy Depot Day 8/29.

### *Glimpse from the Gavel*

*Bill Aupperle, Director*



*Let's get driving! The weather is perfect and roads aren't bad, either! Please help plan a Fall Tour - it doesn't have to be far or fancy! Pair up with friends and divide the work. Fall is not that far off!*

*Drive safely . . .*

### Editor's Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



Please help us save time and money by getting your newsletter electronically! If you have an email address, you'll get your monthly copy as an attachment. Please let me know if I can omit your name from the "snail mail" list. Every little bit helps!

Thank you!

### **Poplar Grove Wings & Wheels Museum Brat Day**

1920s – 1940s cars featured

Sat., July 17, 2010

\$5.00 buys a brat lunch; visit the museum, too!

5151 Orth Road, Poplar Grove, Illinois

[www.thevintagemuseum.com/Calendar/2010UPCOMINGEVENTS.aspx](http://www.thevintagemuseum.com/Calendar/2010UPCOMINGEVENTS.aspx)

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### **Quad Meet 2010: "Hats off the the Model A"**

Sun., August 15, 2010 10- 4:00 p.m.

Volo Auto Museum & Antique Malls; Volo, Illinois

\$12/person for Model A with 2 people;

includes museum pass & lunch

[www.illinoisregion.com](http://www.illinoisregion.com)

Mark Maron (847) 302-7900

### **Illinois Railway Museum**

#### **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Vintage Transport Extravaganza**

Sun., August 1, 2010 8 – 5:00 p.m.

\$5.00 advance registration per vehicle – vehicle driver & passengers receive free train tickets (\$12 value each).

Vehicle registration at the gate = \$10.00

[www.irm.org](http://www.irm.org)

(815) 923-4000

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Model A Day - Amana, Iowa**

Sat., August 21, 2010

Several members will be driving that Friday and returning Sunday – join us!

[www.hawkamodelaclub.org](http://www.hawkamodelaclub.org) or

[www.festivalsinamana.com/model-a-day.html](http://www.festivalsinamana.com/model-a-day.html)

Contact Bill Ackermann (319) 622-3756

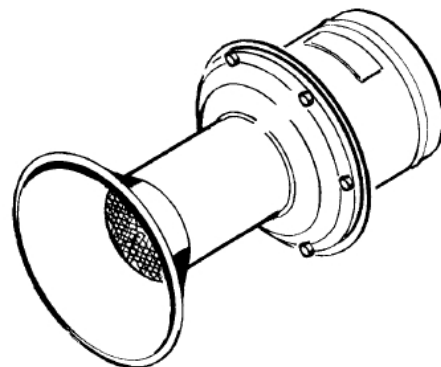
## Tech-Tip: Honk Your Horn!

### Brief Summary of the June Tech-Talk on the Model A Horn

It's not hard to keep the voice of your Model A sounding loud and clear. The distinctive ah OOO' gah is generated by a small DC motor spinning a 'waffle' disk. The diaphragm stud bounces against the waffle wheel. As the motor accelerates, the vibration resonates the 1<sup>st</sup> part of the ah OOO' . On release of the horn button, the sudden stop of the wheel produces the 2<sup>nd</sup> tone... GAH. An adjusting screw sets the tension on the diaphragm.

#### MaintainceTips:

- 1) Oil the motor felts with a couple of drops of light weight oil of your preference a couple of times a season.
- 2) Good wiring connections are essential to delivering consistent power to the motor. The horn rod, can be the weak link in the circuit. A supplemental relay to ground can be helpful.
- 3) The varying voltage from the generator can make adjustment a little touchy. Tune it for the speed (rpms) you are going to drive; or when the engine is off and only on battery power.
- 4) The Model A horn is a truly unique sound... don't let your Model A admirers down.



Let 'em hear it!

## Fashion Fun – Weddings, anyone?



Bride in wedding dress flanked by her bridesmaids, 11 September, 1929, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Bridesmaids1929.jpg>

“Designers used multiple hemlines to accustom the eye to longer skirts.... foreshadows the higher waist and feminine look that would spread to everyday fashion by the early 1930s. Evening dresses featured simple lines and emphasis at the hips. Hair is parted to one side and worn in soft waves. After many years of a "stovepipe" silhouette, "natural" curves were beginning to reappear. Knee-length, pleated skirts and dropped waists were still popular as everyday clothes in 1929, though Paris designers were already showing longer skirts and higher waistlines. Bridesmaids gowns of 1929 have knee-length underskirts and longer, sheer over skirts, foreshadowing the trend toward longer skirts.”



## Welcome New Members to our Club!

Wayne and Julia Rowehl  
P.O. Box 850  
Williams Bay, WI. 53147  
[wrowehl@woodsschool.com](mailto:wrowehl@woodsschool.com)

### PAST EVENTS

#### MARC NATIONAL MEET FASHION AWARDS



Chris Aupperle earned a Clara award and Alice won an Award of Achievement at the National Meet in French Lick, Indiana.

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#### MEN'S TECHTALK



Bill Aupperle leads discussion about horn repair and maintenance.

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#### LADY A'S CHAT



Pauline Lawhorn brought part of her extensive collection of vintage hats from 1860-1960 to show the ladies.



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#### Free Membership Program

As you may know, MAFCA is offering a year's free membership to Model A enthusiasts who are not MAFCA members. This program has been met with excitement throughout the world and so far has been very successful in introducing MAFCA to new members. But, there is some small confusion. This is being offered to people who have not been MAFCA members before. It is designed to encourage people interested in the Model A hobby to join our family. It is not meant to be used for renewals. The Board of Directors encourages the chapters to continue to provide these free applications to prospective members.

#### Invitation To Join Model A Ford Club of America

##### New Membership

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##### ~ Membership Benefits ~

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1 - Name Badge

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Return this form and payment to:

MAFCA

250 South Cypress Street • La Habra, CA 90631-5515

Source: MAFCA Web Site  
2009 Membership Form

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Contact: Gene and Lillian Elliott, Tour Directors  
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**2011 MARC MEMBERSHIP MEET**  
March 24 - 27, 2011  
St Augustine, FL

[www.modelameet.com](http://www.modelameet.com)

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The 2010 International Model A day is scheduled for Saturday September 18, with a LOCAL rain date of Sunday, Sept. 19. It coincides with Henry Ford's trip to Europe in Sept. 1930 to Internationalize the Model "A" Ford by establishing Ford plants in Dagenham, England, Rotterdam, Holland, and Cologne, Germany. This is a good opportunity to get your Model A's out on the road to "celebrate" our cars.

## Model A Day in Historic Sharon, Wisconsin

Historic Sharon, Wisconsin hosted its 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Model A Day, Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2010. The Sharon Main Street Association, in cooperation with the Rock-Ford A's Club from Rockford, Illinois welcomed over 238 Model As to celebrate this FREE yearly event.

The perfect, sunny day brought Model A drivers from Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin to enjoy live music, a variety of food offerings and entertainment venues. Era re-enactors, vintage fashion show, and a parts flea market provided fun for everyone.

This year's theme commemorated the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Women's Suffrage Movement, leading up to the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution. Mike Peters' 1930 Model A Roadster police car escorted the period-garbed, banner-waving women, while hecklers, both encouraged and derided their efforts from the sidelines.

The day ended with a drawing for a chrome-plated alternator and a 50/50 raffle. A great annual event; always held on the first Sunday in June.





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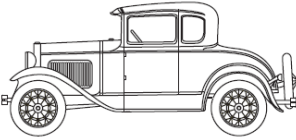
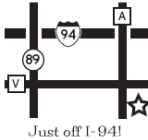
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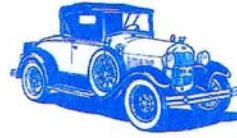


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