



ROCK-FORD A's MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Region of MARC – Chapter of MAFCA

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March, 2010



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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

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Submit to Bill or Chris Aupperle at aupps31ford@comcast.net 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 <i>(see feature inside this newsletter)</i>
Saturday March 13, 2010 1:30 p.m.	St. Patrick's Day Parade Rockford, Illinois 1:30 line up at Amcore Bank on 7 th St. & 4 th Ave. 3:00 parade begins
Tuesday March 30, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting TechTalk: "Show & Tell" Bring your Model A era collectibles, parts, tools, and unique items to share. Lady A's: "Vintage Unmentionables" presentation by Pauline Lawhorn
April, 2010 ?	Fix-it Day - TBD
Tuesday April 27, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting
Tuesday May 25, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting
Sunday June 6, 2010 9-2:00 p.m.	14 th Annual Model A Day Sharon, Wisconsin
Sunday – Friday June 13-18, 2010	MARC National Meet French Lick, Indiana
Sunday June 20, 2010 ?	Polo Town and Country Days Parade Polo, Illinois
Tuesday June 29, 2010 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting



It's time to pay your \$15.00 Club dues for 2010!

Please make your check payable to
Rock-Ford A's and submit to:

Jim Morley
4538 DellView Drive
Rockford, IL 61109

Renew your membership now! Your prompt renewal minimizes time & paperwork!

Thank you!

November 14, 2009 Meeting Minutes

(Submitted by Bill Aupperle)

1. Welcome visitors and new members
2. Annual Fall Banquet at Giovanni's Restaurant, Roscoe, IL – 71 members attended; Man of Year: Matt Tortorici, Woman of Year: Chris Aupperle
3. Charlie Monk, Treasurer's Report:

Ending Balance 11-06-09		\$4891.40
Expenses		
Banquet décor		70.22
“ drawing items		373.12
“ cake		52.45
“ DiGiovanni's		1730.08
Stamps, etc.		26.40
Cards		10.70
Paulson Ag Museum		120.00
Income		
50/50 Raffle		80.00
Meals paid at banquet		149.92
Dues		330.00
Balance as of 12-10-09		\$3068.35
4. New Club officers introduced: Bill Aupperle – Director, Tony Whitney – Vice Director, Jim Morley - Treasurer
5. Old Business - The “rubber chicken” stays with Jim Morley!

Glimpse from the Gavel

Bill Aupperle, Director



This is my first year as your Director and I will try to do my best, but I need your help!

Many thanks to all who volunteered last year to make our Club such a success! It wouldn't be possible without you!

Special thanks to Kathy Forbes, Nan Stewart, Marliss Schnitz and Jim Morley for their help with the banquet last November!

And finally, thank-yous to all of you for your fine soups and dishes to pass at the Soup Lunch meeting in February.

And now gentlemen (and ladies), start your engines! Spring is around the corner so let's get touring! Anyone have ideas for a Spring tour?

Drive safely . . .

Editor's Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



We enjoyed Bob Lawhorn's photo and story feature in October's issue. We'd love to hear your Model A story – your first Model A, how you became interested in the Era, how you got your car, etc.

Send your story along with a photo, if possible, to:

Chris Aupperle
621 Hemlock Lane
Rockford, IL 61107

Photos will be returned.

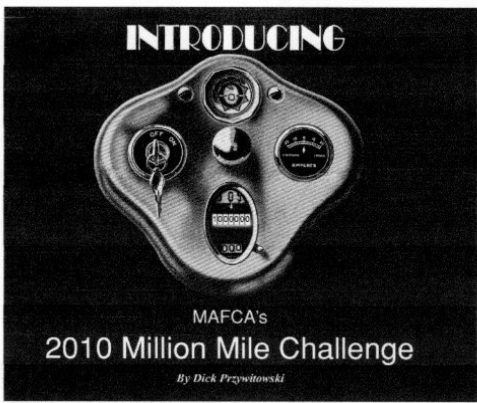
Thank you!

Driving for Weddings

It's that time of year, when thoughts of love and commitment possibly turn to marriage! Have your bridal party escorted from church to the reception in a Model A Ford! Drivers and passengers might even appear in Era apparel!

Cost is \$50 per car (\$25 to drivers, \$25 to Club)

Attention Club members: Drivers need to wear a white shirt, bow tie, suspenders, dark/black slacks. Wives/passengers are encouraged to wear a hat or Era style clothing. We go out to eat afterwards and enjoy a wonderful evening together! Come join us! Contact Alice Whitney at 815-895-5023 for details.



MAFCA's
2010 Million Mile Challenge
By Dick Przywitowski

Monthly Miles Driven GOALS:

January	25,000
February	25,000
March	100,000
April	100,000
May	150,000
June	150,000
July	150,000
August	150,000
September	150,000
Our Goal – a Million Miles!	

Report your miles
either through your chapter or individually.
Always send your name/address.

Mail mileage to:
Million Mile Challenge
c/o D. Przywitowski
11619 Billings Ave.
Lafayette, CO 80026

E-mail mileage to:
MillionMiles@MAFCA.com

This program is open to all MAFCA chapters and members. The basic premise is: can we accumulate 1,000,000 driven miles in our Model A in one year? The season for miles driven will be from January 1 to September 30, 2010. We ask that Chapters maintain running totals of miles driven for their members throughout the Challenge. This will make reporting easier. Individuals who are not chapter members will also be able to submit their miles directly. Reporting of miles will be via E-mail (MillionMiles@MAFCA.com) and regular mail*.

Since chapters vary greatly in size it would be unfair to compare. Participation is the primary goal of this event.

Our progress will be reported on the MAFCA Web Site (www.MAFCA.com) as well as in *The Restorer*.

Rewards: Chapters will keep track of individual MAFCA members who participated and their mileage. Each participant will be rewarded with a window decal noting that they were part of the MAFCA MILLION MILE CHALLENGE 2010.

TechTalk: Getting Out of Winter Storage

Things to do:

1. Pull out the long johns, coveralls, overcoat, gloves, hat, scarf - you know the drill.
2. Pour yourself a warm beverage, or a nip of brandy (optional). Have another one - you'll need it.
3. Take a deep breath, rub arms - it's cold in the garage.
4. Remove car's cover – still a beauty, isn't she?
5. Check oil, ignition, radiator, air up the tires etc.
6. Look for oil puddles that might only show up after parked for awhile.
7. Gas up, take 'er for a test drive. Think Spring. Repeat if necessary.

Fashion Fun: Men's Era Unmentionables

Boxers or Briefs?

Drawers were the bottoms of the two piece underwear set. They had a three button yolk front closure. This could be worn with a short or long sleeve shirt which also had three button center front closures.

Drawers could be flat knit cotton with rib knit cuffs. There were cotton and wool blends, and all wool for cooler weather.

Athletic Shirts were similar to the ones men wear today. They had a scoop neck and a deep sleeveless cut of flat knit, various rib knit cotton or Rayon knit. They look like the tank tops we wear in today's era.

Examples of Athletic Shirts are in the picture on this page, left model; also shown on the first page of this article with the Shorts.



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http://www.mafca.com/ef_articles.html

January, 2010 article by Jeanie Adair

February 20, 2010 Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome new members Hank (and Carol) Hoeksema
2. 71 members attended today's Soup Luncheon
3. Thank you for set up today: Stan Stewart, Tony & Alice Whitney. Thanks to the following chefs for their delicious soups: Flo Monk, Chris Aupperle, Alice Whitney, Ron and Darlene Ortberg, Nan Stewart, Larry & Marliiss Schmitz, Dave & Sara Werckle, Jenny Plymale, Vivian Ryerson, Larry & Denise Ethun, Larry & Jan Henert, Pauline Lawhorn, Bill McConnaughy & Jean.
4. Social Concerns: sympathy to family of Bill Bylsma, healing for Kathy Forbes' broken ankle, Jack Gustafson surgery and healing.
5. Old Business: Dues now payable; please send to Jim Morley, Club Treasurer
We need more people signed up to start coffee for our meetings; goodies optional.
6. New Business: St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sat. 3/13/10 – 10 cars signed up today; Bill Aupperle is parade co-ordinator
2010 MARC Membership Meet raffle tickets available from Bill Aupperle, Club Director
Mike Peters suggested picnic/event with combined local antique Ford clubs (Model T, Model A, and Early v8)
(attending members overwhelmingly supported such an event)
Possible event to attend: Fri. 6/4 and Sat. 6/5 Cavalcade of Planes with Tri-motor airplane from the movie "Public Enemies" at the Clow Airport in Bolingbrook, Illinois
7. Need suggestions for TechTalks and Lady A's Chats this year.
8. Keep track of your mileage this year and record it at the next meeting for MAFCA's Million Mile Challenge
9. The rubber chicken will be passed from Jim Morley to Larry Schmitz!
10. Russ Kothe, John Hausen and Jim Morley to plan a day trip after one of the upcoming Saturday breakfasts.

Welcome New Members!

Hank and Carol Hoeksema
 P.O. Box 134
 Holcomb, IL 61043
 (630) 816-6390

PAST EVENTS



New Board Members Bill Aupperle, Director, Jim Morley, Treasurer and Tony Whitney, Vice Director enjoy the Annual Fall Banquet at DiGiovanni's Restaurant, Roscoe, Illinois.



Kathy Forbes, Club Historian displays Club photo albums, awards and memorabilia at the Annual Fall Banquet DiGiovanni's Restaurant, Roscoe, Illinois.



A cool crowd of 71 Club members enjoyed hot soup and warm friendship on a cold winter's day at the Annual Soup Lunch at Central Christian Church, Rockford, Illinois.



MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

6721 Merriman, Garden City, Michigan 48135

Membership Dues: Regular Mail: U.S. \$38;

Air Mail: U.S./Canada \$50, International \$56 for the calendar year.

Includes 6 issues of *Model "A" News* over a calendar year.

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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

Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Country _____ Telephone _____

Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Posters? Yes: ___ No: ___

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Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City _____

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Country _____ Telephone _____

Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Posters? Yes: ___ No: ___

~ Membership Benefits ~

The Restorer magazine • Technical Support • Local Chapters • National Meets • Era Fashion Guidelines • "How To Restore" Series • Judging Standards and Restoration Guidelines

Dues per year are
 U.S. Membership - \$40
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Membership Only Membership + Initiation Package

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- 1 - Back issue of *The Restorer*
- 1 - MAFCA Lapel Pin
- 1 - MAFCA Decal
- 1 - Name Badge
- Only \$10 extra



Return this form and payment to:
 MAFCA

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

Source: MAFCA Web Site
 2009 Membership Form

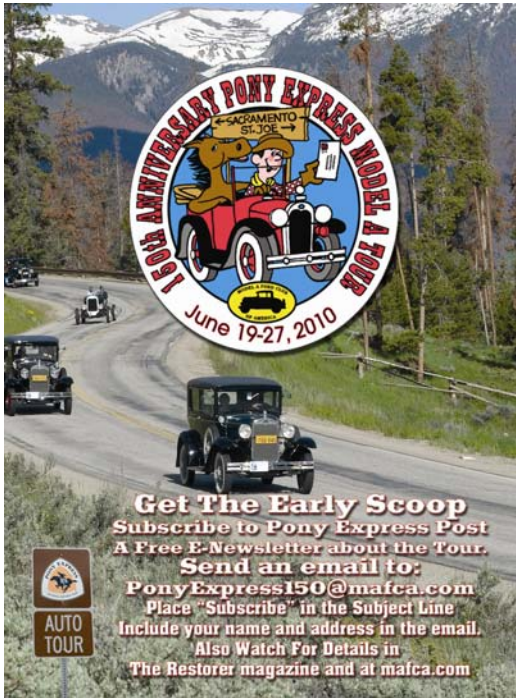
Member Concerns

Deepest sympathies to the family of Club member Bill Bylsma

Remember Kathy Forbes - broken ankle

Remember Bernie Rosander - recovery and healing after surgery

Remember Jack Gustafson - recovery and healing after surgery



150th Anniversary Pony Express Model A Tour

June 19-27, 2010

Sponsored by Model A Ford Club of America

MAFCA's exciting National Tour in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the famed Pony Express is well underway. To subscribe to our free 150th Anniversary Pony Express Tour E-newsletter, *The Pony Express Post*, send an email to ponyexpress150@mafca.com. Write "Subscribe" in the subject line and include your name and address.

You'll receive

- Early information and details about the tour
- Historical tidbits about things to see and do along the way
- Be among the first to receive the registration packet.

The 150th Anniversary Pony Express Tour is a MAFCA-sponsored event.

Lead cars from both ends will be equipped with live GPS sending units and the teams will be able to be tracked via a unique Web site. Visitors will know where the lead cars are within five minutes.

Watch *The Restorer* magazine and mafca.com for more details. Better yet, subscribe to *Pony Express Post* for the earliest and latest information.

The 2010 Model A Restorers Club National Meet

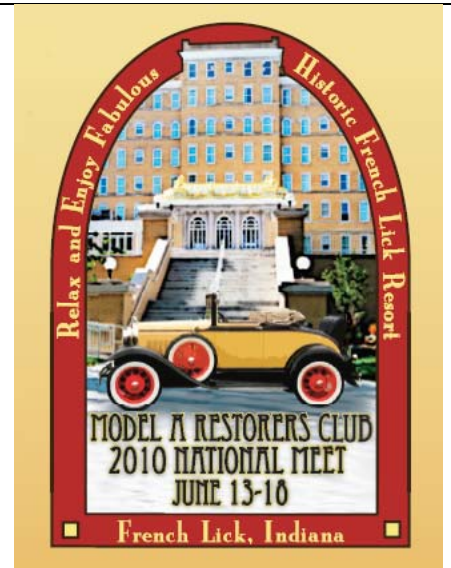
June 13 -18, 2010 in French Lick, Indiana.

"The Meet will take place at the fabulous French Lick Resort which is made up of two elegant, historical, luxury hotels and their associated amenities.

Both hotels experienced their heyday as health and recreation destinations in the early part of the last century. After decades of neglect they have been meticulously restored and modernized to today's standards within the last ten years."

Join Us!

www.2010marcmeet.com



Event Cancelled

Annual Spring Collector Car Auction

Monday, March 15, 2010 at 9:00 A.M.

Antique cars or related memorabilia

1066 E. US Hwy. 136

Hamilton, IL 62341-0111

Phone 217-847-2160

Event Cancelled

www.sullivanauctioneers.com



2010 MARC Membership Meet

April 9-11, 2010

Terre Haute, Indiana

Raffle tickets available, too!

Contact Bill Aupperle,

Rock-Ford A's Club Director

http://sycamore.com/2010_meet.htm

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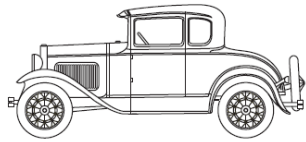
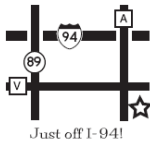
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WANTED: 4.50 x 19 tires for 1930-31 Model A. Contact Dean Wanfalt for details 815-222-2117

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