



ROCK-FORD A's MANIFOLD NEWS

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Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 11
2:00 p.m. line up
3:00 parade begins

Rockford's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade



Line up westbound on 4th Avenue at 7th Street, across the street from Katie's Cup Cafe – same as last year

Thursday, March 23 –
Sunday, March 26

MARC Membership Meet – Shippshewana, Indiana

<http://model-a-ford.org/event/2017-membership-meet/>

Tuesday, March 28
7:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting

TechTalk:
Lady A's Chat:

Tuesday, April 25
7:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting

TechTalk:
Lady A's Chat:

Sat., June 10 – Sun. June 11

Overnight Spring Tour to Kenosha, Wisconsin

Details to be determined – modern cars okay, too

July 13 - 15

Arthritis Foundation Classic Car Show - Dublin Ohio

Contact Jim Morley for details

July 30 – August 5

MARC National Meet - Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Sat., Aug. 19
(leave 8/18, return 8/20)

Model A Day in Amana, Iowa

Contact Jim Morley for details



Pay your 2017 dues now – please note increase.



Make your \$20 check payable to Rock-Ford A's

Give or mail to: Dwayne Meier, Treasurer

4128 Will Ann Drive

Rockford, Illinois 61101



ATTENTION FIRST TIME MARC NATIONAL MEMBERS:

MARC is offering a one year membership for \$22.50 which is half-price. This includes full membership and a year's subscription to "Model A News". Application form needs to be filled out by Dwayne Meier, Club Treasurer.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

7:00 pm **LAST** Tuesday
Central Christian Church
6595 Guilford Road
Rockford, IL 61107

Please review your contact information for the roster and notify Bill Aupperle.

A new roster will be printed in February.

THANK YOU!

02/25/2017 Meeting – Annual Soup Lunch Meeting

submitted by Anne Laviolette, Secretary

1. Welcome members and guests. 62 in attendance.
2. Thank you to all of the “Soup Chefs” for the delicious selections of soups and the “Salad and Dessert Chefs” for all the rest of the goodies! If anyone went home hungry it was their own fault. Thank you to Alice Whitney and Kathy Forbes for all of the planning for the event.
3. Treasurer’s report – on this page of newsletter.
4. Thank you to Al Pederson for his hard work converting the club’s entire video library to DVD format for easier use by members and adding a check-out list to keep track of the DVDs.
5. The club recognized Chris Aupperle for being awarded a “Certificate of Merit” from MAFCA for the *Manifold News* for “meritorious achievement in the publication of this superior newsletter”. Well done, Chris!
6. Charlie Monk made a “spinner” for raffle at Model A Day in Sharon. Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20. Great job on that spinner, Charlie!
7. Upcoming events: St. Patrick’s Day Parade is Saturday, March 11. Line-up is at 2pm, parade starts at 3pm. Contact Bob Bellard for questions; 2017 MARC Membership Meet in Shipshewana, IN March 23-26; accommodations for the 2017 National MARC Meet in Gettysburg, PA July 30-August 4 are filling up fast.
8. Saturday Breakfast Club and monthly Dinner Club continue. Contact John and Sue Hausen for details.
9. Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 28 at Central Christian Church at 7pm.

Treasurer’s Report - submitted by Dwayne Meier



as of 02-09-2017

Checkbook balance on 10-24-2016	\$3199.72
Cash on hand	<u>100.00</u>
Total checkbook + cash	\$3299.72

Income	
8 - 2017 Dues	<u>155.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 155.00

Expenses	
Jim Morley – Radiator cap parts for raffle @ Sharon, WI	148.00

Total Expenses	\$ 148.00
Checkbook balance on 02-09-2017	\$3206.72
Cash on hand	<u>100.00</u>
Total checkbook + cash	\$3306.72

Glimpse from the Gavel



Since we last met in October...we have ended the 2016 Rock-Ford A’s season with our fall banquet. A record 83 people attended and all left with a door prize. Bill Aupperle was presented with a certificate for his 10 years presiding as President. Thanks to Jim Morley for arranging this successful event. The kick-off for the Spring was our annual soup lunch held at Central Christian Church. 65 people attended this event, bringing 11 crocks of soup and lots of salads, desserts, etc. If you missed this lunch, you missed a great event. Thank you to Tony and Alice Whitney, Tony Lynn and Michael Carlson, Stan Stewart and Kathy Forbes for arranging this very successful lunch. Also a thank you to Linda Lanquist for making the flower arrangements. At the luncheon, Chris Aupperle was presented with an award from MARC for her excellence in composing our newsletter. Our next event will be the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Rockford. Please contact Director and Parade chairman Bob Bellard (608-362-8356) if you plan to participate. June 3rd will be Model A Day in Sharon WI. There will be sign-up sheet at our upcoming meetings for help with this event. Also in June, Russ and Karen Kothe are planning a tour to Kenosa WI. scheduled for June 10th & 11th. Your Board of Directors plan to meet regularly to make this a fun year. See you at our first regular meeting on March 28...again at Central Christian Church.

Jim & Ron

Editor’s Extras

Dear Members,



Please pay special attention to the first page of this newsletter which lists the names of your NEW Club officers and Board of Directors for 2017.

I will continue to need items of interest and technical information so please compile stories of interest, travels, and repair. Please email, “snail” mail or provide a handwritten copy of your story. Members - we want to see **your** car (and you) here next time. Send Club activity photos by email, text or print so I can add them into the newsletter. You can make my job easier!

Thank you very much!

Chris Aupperle, Editor

Member’s Corner: Transmission Repair Clinic



On Wednesday, February 8,
a transmission repair clinic
was hosted (and fed by)

Jim Morley.

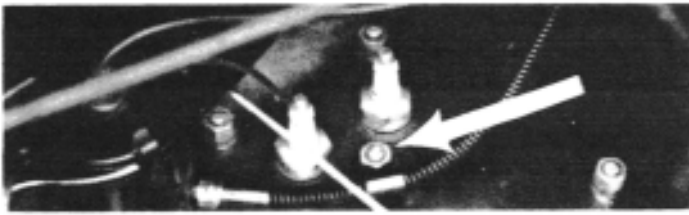
Thank you, Jim!



Tech-Tips: A Variety of Useful Information

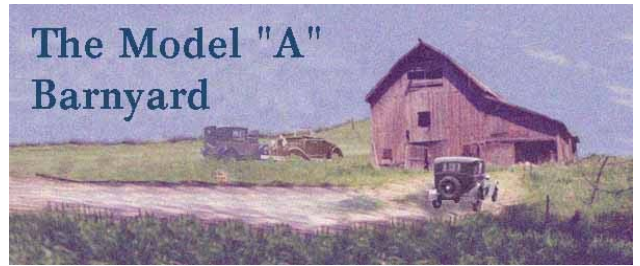
by Bob Bellard

TINY TIPS . . . FROM READERS



■ If you ever remove the head bolt which holds the ignition cable clamp, *do not leave it off for very long!* While doing some major repairs to a gas tank, I left this nut off for about three weeks. Fortunately I checked the oil before starting the engine after installing the tank. I found the crankcase to be full of water! With just this one head bolt off, the surrounding head bolts had created a “doming effect”. This opened up the gasket just enough that water had seeped into No. 3 and No. 4 cylinders, past the gaps in the rings, and into the crankcase—at least 3 quarts of it! Amazing! You would not think the head was that flexible. This also points out the reason for torquing down head bolts in a definite sequence, and to a uniform tightness of 50 foot pounds. *Don Winchell, Chagrin Falls, Ohio*

The Model "A" Barnyard



I phoned Bratton's asking for information to help me re-align one of my 4-doors as the Fordors are a beast to shim. They were very helpful and gave me a great helps website. The website has many great Model A restoration topics and our club needs to be aware. See [Marco's Model 'A' Ford Barnyard](http://www.abarnyard.com/) then click as needed.

(<http://www.abarnyard.com/>)

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The Carb restoration man in Kenosha Richard A. Hansen severely injured his hand requiring a lot of stitches, so he told me he can't do any work until it heals up. Just in case members are going to do business with him.

Fashion Fun: The Perfect Bow

by Peggy Gill

For the Model A gentleman, one did not go out and about in public without a tie around his neck. A bow tie is a necessary accessory for formal wear, and can be a fun addition for casual fashions. However, tying the perfect bow takes practice to get it perfect. Some friends in the Model A hobby happened upon an expert who gave them the following step-by-step process in an effort to help their men “get it right.” I thought I would share these steps for the rest of the men out there! The following information comes from Carrot and Gibbs, a maker of fine bow ties, made in the USA. Carrot and Gibbs was founded in Boulder Colorado in 1987. For more information about them and their products, please visit their website at www.carrotandgibbs.com. So...take the time to read through the directions on the website. Practice does make perfect! And gentlemen...please, please be gentle when helping a friend straighten or smooth his tie. Egos are at play here.

http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Perfect_Bow_2016-11.pdf



George K. Arthur and Louise Lorraine in *Circus Rookies*, MGM 1928.



From a "Spur Tie" advertisement in *The Saturday Evening Post* 1928



MAFFI Newsletter Minute

We have been busy working on our new exhibits for Model A Day, Sept. 16, 2017 and are very excited about them. The new interactive 'starting display' should be ready to go by Model A Day and will present a challenge for anyone wanting to climb onto the seat and go through the steps required to start a Model A. We are looking at the possibility of having two new truck exhibits, a Stand Drive Milk truck and a 1928 AA Express Bed Truck. We are also beginning to work on a "Fords Around the World" exhibit and should have a GAZ engine (originally manufactured in Russia) also ready to go by Model A Day. So, there will be lots of new things to see in the Model A Museum and new exhibits at the Gilmore as well.

See you there ~ Loukie Smith, MAFFI President

2017 MARC Membership Program



Be a MARC Spark Plug!

Everyone knows it takes healthy spark plugs to make an engine run at its best. Be a MARC Spark Plug and keep our club running at its best by recruiting NEW members in 2017! Every new MARC member who joins a Region during 2017 will receive his or her MARC membership for only \$22.50! Early memberships get a half year for FREE! You can help add members to your national organization while increasing your Region membership at the same time.

Recruit now!



2017 MARC National Meet

July 30 - August 4

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Visit hubcitymodela.com/marc-meet-2017 for meet updates.
Send questions to marcnationalmeet2017@gmail.com.



33ST ANNUAL

WINTER CAR PARTS SWAP

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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Set-up: Saturday 4:00—6:00 PM Sunday: 5:30 AM

ALL VENDORS TO STAY UNTIL 1:00 PM

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NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED

2017 MARC Membership Meeting



Shipshewana, Indiana

March 23-26



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ROCK-FORD A's TOOL LIST

The Club encourages members to work on their cars and learn how to make repairs. These tools have been purchased with Club money are available to all club members. If you have questions about how to use any of these tools, please ask for help. Members will be glad to help. Also, if a tool is worn out, broken or otherwise does not work properly, bring it to our attention. Contact any Committee Member.

Brake Lining Rivet Tool **NEW**

Rear Hub Puller

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Rear Spring Spreader

Camshaft Nut Wrench

Following Reamers [with handles]

- Front Brake Shaft (.559)
- Front Spindle(king pin-.814) **NEW**
- Steering sector (1.125)
- Pedal Shaft Bushing (.874)
- Rear Brake Camshaft (.688)
- Distributor Shaft (.500)

Valve Guide Tool

Axle Seal Drive Tool

Front Spring Spreader

Ratchet Nut Wrench

Shifter Spring Tool

Fly Wheel Gauge **NEW**

Light Switch Spider C-clip Insertion Tool **NEW**

Infra-red Temperature Measuring Tool **NEW**

Carburetor Extra Long Socket

Carburetor Jet Tap

Carburetor Float Gauge **NEW**

Brake Centering Tool **NEW**

Engine Lift (Cherry Picker)

Wheel Balancer

Steering Wheel Puller

Door Hinge Pin Remover

Heavy Duty Gas Gauge Tool

Engine No. Stamping Set (Larry has)

Ignition Spark Tester

Ignition Voltage Tester

Front-end Toe-in Tool

1-112" Spud Wrench

Engine Stand Adapter

Bushing Remover

Piston Ring Groove Cleaner

Cowl Light Locating Punch

Mechanics Stethoscope

4 Jack stands

Tire Changing tool **NEW**

ROCK-FORD A's RESOURCE LIBRARY

Revised 02/26/2017

(Members contact Jim Morley 815-979-6980)

Books:

Automobiles 1949-1959

Ford Model A 1929-1931 NAPA/Martin

The New Ford. (Reproduction of an original Ford Motor Company Sales Promotion Book), published by Jim Born, printed by Richards Publishing Co., Inc., Gonvick, Minnesota 56644, July 1, 1978

Tillotson Carburetors Repairing and Restoring Model "X", "Unmarked X" and "XF"

Movies/Videos/DVD

1. "Model A Day: An American Spirit" Creative Edge Video Productions
2. "Autumn Trails" Double D Productions, Inc., Dallas TX 1989
3. "How to replace your brake drums" Video Technical Seminar Series for the Model A Ford" Diablo A's Concord, CA (2 cc)
4. "Grinding Brake Shoes" Technical Seminar Series for the Model A Ford" Diablo A's, Concord, California
5. "Your Car will be Happier For It!" LeBaron Bonney Company, 2007 **(INTERIOR)**
6. "Carburetors and Carbohydrates" Double D Productions, Dallas, TX 1988
7. "How to Stop in a Dime" Double D Productions, Inc., Dallas, TX 1988
8. "Dial D for Distributor" Double D Productions, Inc. Dallas, TX 1988
9. "Driving Passion" 1995 Disc 1 & 2 4 hours
10. "How to avoid Fahrenheit Fright" Double D Productions, Inc., Dallas, TX
11. "The Flasher" Double D Productions Inc., Dallas, TX 1989
12. "Rebuilding the Model A Ford Front End & Freeing a Stuck Spring Perch" Diablo A's Model A Ford Club Inc.
13. "Horatio's Drive: America's First Road Trip" Ken Burns, PBS Home Video, 2003
14. "Timing the Ignition" Double D Productions, Inc., Dallas, TX 1988
15. "A Journey Down Route 66" Michael Wallis, The Entertainment Group, 1994
16. "MARC National Meet" Pheasant Run Inn, St. Charles, Illinois 1983
17. "Rebuilding 2 Tooth Steering" Diablo A's Model A Ford Club Inc.
18. "How to Replace your Timing gear while on the road"
19. "Rock-Ford A's Tour" June – White Pines
20. "Rebuilding the Model A 3 Speed Transmission"
21. "Timing for Power & Front End, Steering and Handling"
22. "Welding" Training Course
23. "Yokohama Model A" Building the 1930 Ford in Japan Silverado Productions, CA
24. "Vol. 3 Patchwork & Metal Finishing" The Collector Car Restoration Home Video Library
25. "Vol. 4 Lead Work & Plastic Fillers" The Collector Car Restoration Home Video Library
26. "Vol. 5 Painting & Wood Graining" The Collector Car Restoration Home Video Library
27. "Vol. 6 Metal Trim & Chrome Preparation" The Collector Car Restoration Home Video Library

**PAST EVENTS: * WORK DAY AT CHARLIE MONK'S
* ANNUAL SOUP LUNCH MEETING**



*Disassembling differential
to diagnose noise.
Inspection revealed two
broken ring gear teeth.*





*Soup Lunch on a cold
day starts another
year of Model A fun
with friends!*



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EMAIL address _____
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Check, Visa, Master Card, Discover Card, American Express (Circle one)
Card Number _____
Expiration Date (mm/yy) _____ CVV (3 digit code on back of credit card) _____
Daytime Phone Number _____

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE

Name (Print) _____
New Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Old Address _____
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Effective Date _____



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Contact: Wayne Henson 815-645-8695 or battgcmdr@aol.com

For Sale: Good used parts: 1929-31 wheels, '28-'29 rear bumpers, Ford script headlights, front axle-wishbone assembly, manifolds, starter, generator, front spring, plus many misc. parts. Contact: Bob Bellard (608) 362-8356, Beloit, WI.

Wanted: 1931 Deluxe Model A Roadster **Contact:** Paul Sheldan 815-558-2565

For Sale: 1929 special coupe project w/new wood kit \$5K; 1926 Star Roadster pickup \$6K; 1935 Ford fire truck \$8K; 1935 project Ford Fordor top smashed/cut off & replaced, needs finishing. **Contact:** Bob Wendt 815-238-2854 wendt@aeroinc.net.



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