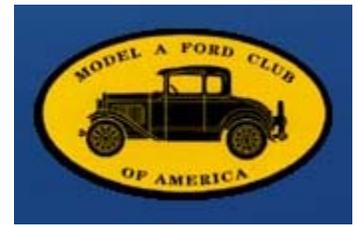




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MANIFOLD NEWS

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December, 2016



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MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Peace, comfort and strength to those who are hurting

Calendar of Events

Saturday, Feb. 25
12:00 p.m.



Annual Soup Lunch Meeting



Contact Alice Whitney if you can bring a pot of soup.
Otherwise, bring a dish of your choice to pass.
The Club will provide tableware and coffee.

Tuesday, March 28
12:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting

TechTalk:
Lady A's Chat:

Fix-it Day
(to be determined)



Perhaps:

- * Transmission repair
- * Starter repair
- * Camshaft replacement replacement

Or make a suggestion . . .

***Pay your 2017 dues now – please note increase.
Make your \$20 check payable to Rock-Ford A's
Give or mail to: Jim Morley, Treasurer
4538 Dellview Drive
Rockford, Illinois 61109***



Thank you!

***Please review your contact information for the roster and notify Bill Aupperle.
A new roster will be printed in February. THANK YOU!***

11/13/16 Meeting – Annual Fall Banquet

1. Welcome members!
2. There were 83 in attendance at the meeting.
3. Club vests cost \$17.00; one free to member, pay for an extra; patches from Jim Morley (\$4) and Lori Weber for embroidery (\$10). Contact Jim Morley if you are interested in purchasing a Rock-Ford A's metal license topper.
4. Treasurer's report – on this page of newsletter.
5. Elections were held at the Fall Banquet. Ron Lanquist and Jim Morley will serve as co-Directors, Wayne Henson has volunteered for Vice Director, Dwayne Meier has volunteered for Treasurer, and Bill Aupperle will assist whoever volunteers for Secretary. The current Board of Directors are: Bill Cummings, Larry Ethun, John Hausen (breakfast and dinner club), Russ Kothe (tours), Ron Kramer, and Chuck Milazzo.
6. Hotels for the 2017 National MARC Meet in Gettysburg, PA are filling up fast.
7. There will be winter projects for the "do-it-yourselfers" in the club including rebuilding a transmission, starter, and a camshaft. Details will be forthcoming via email & newsletter. If you have any additional projects, contact one of the officers.
8. Saturday Breakfast Club & monthly Dinner Club continue - Contact John & and Sue Hausen for details.
9. Next meeting - Soup Luncheon in February at Central Christian Church.

Glimpse from the Gavel



Congratulations to the new officers elected at the November Banquet. Without a doubt, 2017 will be another great year. Thanks again to all who contributed to making our November Banquet the best ever.

Bill

Ron and I are looking forward to planning a full calendar for 2017. There will be a Officer and Board Member meeting during the week of January 9th. You will be notified of the specific date, time, and location later.

Sharon and I would like to say that 9 years ago this month, we bought a Model A; so we joined the Club. But, we have actively participated because of all the wonderful people we have met. Our members are what make our Rock-Ford A's great!

Jim & Ron

Treasurer's Report - submitted by Jim Morley



as of 12-11-2016

Checkbook balance on 10-24-2016	\$3878.30
Cash on hand	100.00
Total checkbook + cash	\$3978.30
Income	
Pre-paid Banquet meals	\$ 1201.00
License Plate Toppers	40.00
2017 Dues	455.00
Patch	4.00
Coffee money	3.00
Roscoe parade	100.00
Banquet raffle	180.00
Banquet 50/50	103.00
Checkbook correction (#2402 written as \$74.10, deposited as \$74.00)	.10
2017 dues kept as cash	20.00
Total Income	\$2106.10
Expenses	
Charlie Monk – Fireside refund	\$ 137.04
Ron Lanquist - Plaque	62.79
Jim Morley - Banquet prizes	126.80
Thunder Bay Grille – Banquet	2029.85
Kelly Roby – Banquet cake	125.00
Chris Aupperle – Banquet prizes	36.00
Chris Aupperle – Newsletter	44.55
Ron Ortberg – Banquet refund	34.00
Stan Stewart – Darlene Ortberg flowers	<u>113.25</u>
Total Expenses	\$2709.28
Checkbook balance on 11-11-2016	\$3255.12
Cash on hand	<u>120.00</u>
Total checkbook + cash	\$3375.12

Editor's Extras



Due to popular request, a December newsletter is being published. Please pay special attention to the first page which lists the names of your NEW Club officers and Board of Directors.

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!

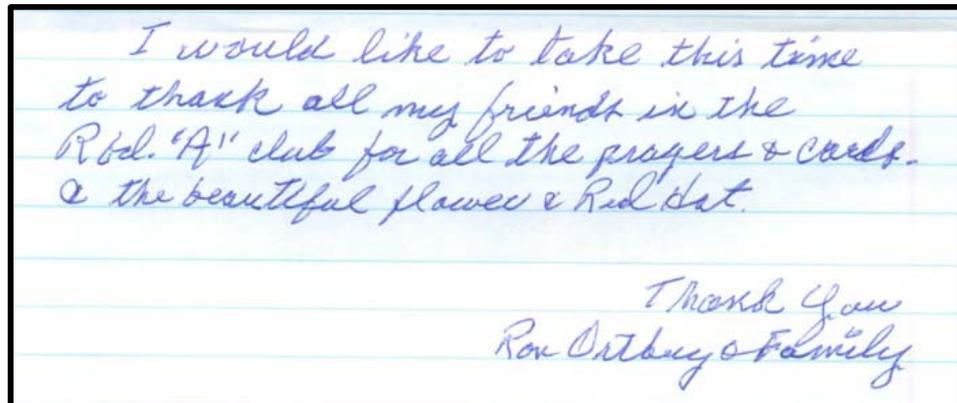
Thank you very much!

Chris Aupperle, Editor

Member's Corner



Friends in the Rock-Ford A's lovingly remember Darlene.



Tech-Tip: The Correct Speed!

by Tom Endy

The speedometer is off:

If you have ever checked your speedometer against a road marker or on a Triple-A tread mill you might find that the old speedo reading on the dash is not quite accurate. The cause may be that you have the wrong speedo gear installed in the speedo housing on the torque tube. They come in three sizes, 17 teeth, 18 teeth, and 19 teeth. It is up to you to figure out which you are supposed to have. See Bratton's 2005 catalog, page 108.

An overdrive installed:

If you have a Mitchell, Ryan, Borg-Warner, or Volvo overdrive installed and you are picking up the reading at the output of the overdrive, it could still be incorrect. Of course if you are still hooked up to the front of the torque tube you will be way out of the ballpark every time you shift into overdrive.

A correction adapter:

Back in the old days when modern cars had mechanical speedometers there were speedometer shops in almost every town that could correct a speedometer. However, with today's advanced technology most have gone out of business. Back then you could take your car to the neighborhood speedo shop and they would calculate what the error percent of your speedometer was and for a nominal fee they would install an adapter box with the correct gear ratio to correct the error. The box was half the size of a pack of cigarettes and had a standard speedometer cable input and output connection. The box was usually installed under the car somewhere and was connected in series with the car's speedometer cable.

They are still available:

There is a company in Portland, OR that manufactures them and will assemble them according to the error factor they are provided with. You can obtain one from Bill Swigart, the fellow in Redding, CA who builds and markets Borg-Warner overdrives.

Bill Swigart:

There are two things you have to tell Bill when you order one. (1.) You have to know what your error factor is. For instance if the measured speed is 45 miles per hour and your speedometer is reading 52, you need to give Bill that information. (2.) You have to tell Bill which type speedometer cable is installed in your car. There are two versions that connect to the speedometer housing on the torque tube. One version has a round end with a key. The other version has a square end. Henry made the change just to confuse and confound future generations of Model A Ford hobbyist. You will also find that Bill's fee is very reasonable. Contact Bill Swigart 9537 Peaceful Lane Redding, CA 96003 530-221-1628

<http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/20C-Correct-Speed.pdf>

Fashion Fun: The Princess Silhouette is Important for Winter

by Judy Lewis

For all the ladies, including myself, who do not find the 1928 dresses, with wide girdles around the hips or belted around the hipline flattering to their figure, Delineator, October 1928 featured the princess silhouette evening gown. The dress was a Butterick pattern #2257. It outlines the figure and flares outward at the hem; it has the deep U décolletage in front and a deeper V in back, featuring a huge bow at the side. The hem in back flows to ankle length. This silhouette is very new and extremely smart. The model shows spike heel pumps and a long single strand necklace; although you can't see them, she would be wearing matching earrings. To complete the outfit, above the elbow evening gloves, evening bag and a wrap would be appropriate.



<http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Princess%20Silhouette.pdf>



We had another fun Model A Day at the museum in September. The 'Around the World Model A Trip' was the special exhibit and what an adventure it told. There were also seminars and swap meet for all to enjoy. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the day and to all who attended. If you missed it, start planning now to attend next year's event on September 16, 2017.

Please note that MAFFI has a new address: MAFFI, PO Box 28, Peotone, IL 60468-0028, as John Marshall takes on the job of Executive Director following Art Callan's retirement after serving in that role for 18 years. Thank you Art, for the countless hours you have given to MAFFI through the years and the excellent leadership you have provided. And thanks to John for taking on these new responsibilities.

As always, we appreciate the support of local Model A clubs and Model A'ers everywhere.

Loukie Smith
MAFFI president

NEW RELEASE OF RESTORATION GUIDELINES

October 27 - The long awaited Revision 4 of the Model A Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards has been announced, with shipping starting in December. The Standards are a collaboration of both MAFCA and MARC and are the definitive guidelines for restoring a Model A Ford to factory original. It will be available as a complete volume for \$55 or just the Revision 4 update that you can add to your existing Standards for \$30, both plus shipping.

To order online https://mafca.com/cart/index.php?show_price=yes.

Or to order by phone, contact **MAFCA** Headquarters (562) 697-2712 Monday - Friday from 10AM to 4PM Pacific time.



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Send questions to marcnationalmeet2017@gmail.com.



Welcome New Member from Last Month!

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Member Concerns: Sympathy to family of Darlene Ortberg

PAST EVENTS: A MARRIAGE AND FALL BANQUET



Hearty congratulations to Tour Director Russ Kothe on his recent marriage! Welcome to the Club, Karen!



*Newly elected Co-Presidents Jim Morley and Ron Lanquist present plaque to long time Rock-Ford A's past president Bill Aupperle.
 Congratulations Jim and Ron!
 Thank you for your service, Bill!*



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Contact: Dave Werckle (815) 979-3900. Call for details.

For Sale: "Gulf Oil" items (oil cans, signs, etc.) for my vintage gas station.

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

For Sale: Dozens of Model A parts, some stored for 30 years in good condition, few NOS items. No sheet metal. Call for complete list - Rock-Ford A's first on this sale.

Contact: Bob Bellard (608) 362-8356, Beloit, WI. Leave phone number for call back.

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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