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MANIFOLD NEWS

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

Calendar of Events

Table with 2 columns: Date/Time and Event Description. Includes events like Annual Iola, Wisconsin Car Show, ByronFest Parade, Poplar Grove VintageWings & Wheels Museum, Meet Great Lakes A's, Monthly Meeting, 23rd Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza, 5th Annual Iowa Model A Day, Annual Club Picnic, Central Christian Church Car Show, Roscoe Lions Fall Festival Parade, Hill & Valley Antique Auto & Americana Show, International Model A Day, Fall Jefferson, Wisconsin Car Show, Chicagoland Vintage Clothing, Jewelry & Textile Show, Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade.

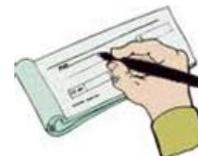
**June 25, 2013 Meeting Minutes** – submitted by Jim Morley

1. Welcome – 20 in attendance today!
2. At MARC National Meet in Lexington – Aupperles, Donleys, and Whitneys.
3. Treasurer’s report – see this page in newsletter
4. Social Concerns – loss of member Jerry Domeracki
5. Rock-Ford A’s custom shirts – contact Chris Weber a  
cw253748@hotmail.com
6. License plate toppers and hats all sold out – order more?
7. Upcoming events – Mt. Morris and ByronFest parades; Wings and Wheels show at Poplar Grove Airport (admission free for Sunday show with car entry; Jim Morley has limited number of free tickets for Saturday – contact him)
8. Breakfast group continues – thank you John Hausen!
9. Lunch group
10. Upcoming Amana Model A Day trip – Morleys, Aupperles, Donleys, Lanquists, Manns, Russ Kothe & Bill Cummings
11. Cody Steele asked about window/trim garnish molding
12. Contact Jake Milazzo if interested in a friend’s 1931 Chrysler for sale
13. Meeting adjourned.



Next meeting is Tues. July 30 at 7:00 p.m.

**Treasurer’s Report** - submitted by Jim Morley



**as of 6-25-13**

Checkbook balance on 04-29-13	\$2105.86
Cash on hand	85.00
Total balance on 10-22-12	\$2190.86

Income	
Coffee Money	10.50
Caps	480.00
Newsletter Ad	30.00
Plaques	940.00
Dues	30.00
50/50 Raffle	<u>141.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 1631.50

Expenses	
Chris Aupperle stamps & copies	68.38
Dwain Plymale Caps	<u>300.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 368.38

Checkbook balance on 06-25-13	\$3368.98
Cash on hand	<u>70.00</u>
Total balance on 06-25-13	\$3438.98

**Glimpse from the Gavel**

*Bill Aupperle, Director*



Thanks for the great turn-out for the “Let Freedom Ring” parade July 4<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Morris, Illinois. The last count I’m aware of was 19 cars. It must have made an impressive sight.

The MARC National Meet in Lexington, KY June 23<sup>rd</sup> — 28<sup>th</sup> was great. Over 500 registered attendees accounted for about 475 cars (more about that later). Regrettably, summer is slipping away much too fast, but we have many activities still on the calendar.

See you down the road,

*Bill*

**Editor’s Extras**

Chris Aupperle, Editor



This month’s Tech-Tip is courtesy of Dave Clark. Thanks, Dave, for sharing websites which offer troubleshooting helps for frustrated Model A owners!

Please share YOUR stories! Bring an old photo with even a few lines of information about it. I’ll be happy to help you write your article, too.

Also, please contact me if you are not getting your newsletter via email or postal delivery – keep in touch!

*Chris*

**Member’s Corner: Question About Molding from Cody Steele**

I would like to ask a question about window trim/garnish molding. I have one piece of garnish molding that slides under the window trim but all of the model A’s I’ve seen and I’ve even tried the Internet and I can’t find anything. This picture is what the normal “window under garnish trim” looks like but I can’t find anything like what mine looks like. It looks similar but not the same. But if someone you know in the club could bring a piece of the “window under garnish trim” I’d greatly appreciate it.



**Member’s Corner:  
Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

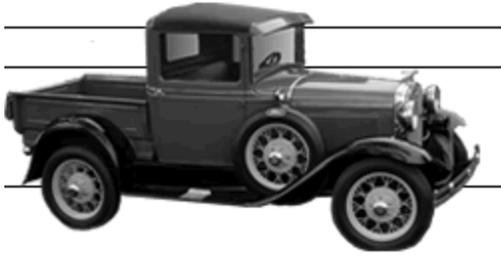


**Werckle’s  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Dr. Mike and Patti Werckle celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. They were married in New London, Iowa. They have three children, Michael, Elizabeth (Randy), and Sarah (Matthew) and three grandchildren, Anne, Dashiell, and Lincoln. Mike and Patti will celebrate with a European River Cruise in the fall.

# Roadside Troubleshooting the Model A

<http://modelbasics.com/Roadside%20Troubleshooting.htm>



## Engine Fails to Start (although engine turns over freely)

- Ignition switch is off
- No gasoline is in the tank
- Gasoline line valve is off (needs to point down for on)
- If engine is cold, mixture may not be rich enough.
- If the engine is warm-mixture is too rich, over choking
- Breaker points too close together. The correct adjustment is .018 to .022
- The spark plug gap is incorrect. The correct gap is .035.
- Water in filter bowl or carburetor

## Missing at Low Speeds

- Gas mixture too rich or too lean
- The spark plug gap is incorrect. The correct gap is .035
- Breaker points improperly adjusted, badly burnt or pitted.
- Fouled spark plug-spark plugs should occasionally be cleaned and the gaps checked.
- Water in gasoline

## Missing at High Speeds

- Insufficient gasoline, flowing to carburetor due to gasoline line or filter screen being partly clogged.
- Gas mixture too rich or too lean
- Water in gasoline
- Ignition switch is off

## Starter Fails to Turn the Engine Over

- Battery run down
- Loose or dirty battery connections

**Not enough information? More in next month's newsletter!**

## Fashion Fun - Vintage Hat Pattern

Retrieved 07/08/2013 from Anna Depew's blog - [http://afewthreadsloose.blogspot.com/2012\\_09\\_01\\_archive.html](http://afewthreadsloose.blogspot.com/2012_09_01_archive.html)

This hat pattern makes my eyes water I love it so much. I knew the moment that I saw it that the mere \$150 that I was planning on bidding would be nowhere near enough. I have never in my days seen a sewing pattern for a hat of this style. But, of course, I'm getting ahead of myself. You want to know what the pattern sold for, don't you? This rare beauty sold last night for a staggering \$685.00. No, that's not a typo. You really are seeing a pattern sell for more than \$600....

It is difficult to explain. I always say that any vintage pattern is worth what you are willing to pay for it. And clearly it was valuable enough for at least two collectors to bid over \$600 each... one person's high bid may have even been in the \$700 range....

But why? What is the appeal? We have already discussed the factor the more beautiful the art on the envelope, the more us collectors drool over it. Another important factor is the hat style itself. This pattern is dated at 1931 and features a hat style that was only popular for a few years. The close fitting cloche of the 1920's gave way to the soft brim at the end of that decade. Women who couldn't afford regular trips the milliner's sewed new brims onto their existing cloches to stay in vogue. The fact a pattern exists for such a short-lived hat is wonderful... we may never see another one like this again, so short is the time it had to be known.

But who would have the budget to buy such a rare gem? A collector, maybe, with a wonderful budget? That is a possibility for sure. Or perhaps someone willing to invest that much in the pattern in order to make a reproduction from it? Maybe. The most likely buyer of this pattern though will probably be a professional costumer for movies or theater. My mother used to work with the very best in the business, helping them procure beautiful clothing, accessories and jewelry for period pieces such as Titanic, The Adams Family, Amistad, and Legends of the Fall (my all-time favorite). It is no stretch of the imagination that they would be willing to pay such a Hollywood price to make near authentic copies for movies. My hope is that the buyer was someone planning to reproduce the pattern because I don't know about you, but I plan on bringing this hat back into style again!



## ~ Other National Club Events ~



**MARC 2014 National Meet**  
**June 22 – 27, 2014 French Lick, Indiana**  
<http://2014marcmeet.com/>



International Model A Ford Day will be Saturday, September 28, 2013 with a local rain date of Sunday, Sept 29. This day is simply a DRIVE YOUR MODEL "A" FORD this day, with friends, clubs, or whomever and enjoy the day

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[sailbruce@aol.com](mailto:sailbruce@aol.com)



**Model A Gallup to Puyallup**  
**2014**  
MAFCA National

July 14 - 18, 2014  
Sponsored by The Gallopin Gertie Model A Club.  
On the Western Washington Fairgrounds in Puyallup, WA.  
Puyallup, Washington (pronounced Pew al up), one of Washington State's oldest cities, is located approximately eight miles east of Tacoma in the Puyallup River valley.  
Sitting at the foot of Mt. Rainier, the area boasts spectacular views while still providing a modern-day urban atmosphere inside the city.



  
**Hilton**  
St. Louis Frontenac

## Welcome New Members !

Bruce and Jan Winslow 1N917 Saddlewood Dr., Maple Park, IL 60151  
630-715-9475 winslow@utlx.com

~ Member Concerns ~  
Continued prayers and support for Flo Monk

### PAST EVENTS:

#### MODEL A DAY IN SHARON, WI

State/Club	2010	2011	2012	2013
Rock-Ford A's	36	40	39	34
Illinois	70	80	80	77
Wisconsin	76	88	66	78
Iowa	0	0	1	1
Indiana	4	12	0	1
Minnesota				1
Kentucky				1
California				1
Registrations	187	220	196	194
Physical Count	238	231	200	213
Other vehicles			16	9



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#### SPRING TOUR TO PONTIAC, ILLINOIS



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Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

EXP. Date \_\_\_\_\_ last 3 digit code on back of credit card: \_\_\_\_\_

### 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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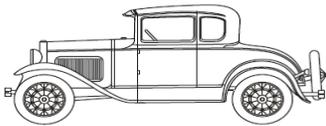
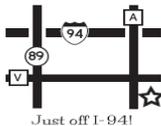
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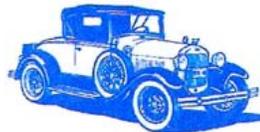


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