

# **ROCK-FORD A's**

# **MANIFOLD NEWS**

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#### MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

#### **Calendar of Events**

Annual Club Picnic instead of monthly meeting No monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 28!

Saturday	
August 4, 2012 11:00	Brunch at Stockhom Inn Restaurant
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Model A Day at the Conservatory Nicholas Gardens, Rockford They are encouraging us to dress vintage! Each car displayed gets 2 free tickets to the Conservatory – a \$12.00 value!
Sunday August 5, 2012 – 8:00 to 5:00 p.m.	22nd Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museum Union, Illinois Send in the registration form & \$5.00 to ride the trains & buses all day! Bring a picnic lunch!
Sunday August 12, 2012 – Noon	Annual Club Picnic Warren Paulson's Farm – Argyle, Illinois Bring a dish to pass. Beverage, brats & burgers, tableware will be provided.
Saturday August 18, 2012	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Model A Day Amana, Iowa
Sunday September 9, 2012 – 11:00 parade begins	Roscoe Lions Fall Festival Parade Roscoe, Illinois
Sunday September 9, 2012 – 11:00 to 4:00	Beckman Mill Heritage Sunday  Beloit, Wisconsin
Saturday September 15, 2012 – 7:00 a.m. meet at Jessica's Restaurant in Roscoe, IL	Hill & Valley Antique Auto & Americana Show Cross Plains, Wisconsin \$10 registration; contact Chris Aupperle for a registration form
Saturday September 22, 2012	International Model A Day with the Great Lakes A's Yerkes Observatory in Williams Bay, WI 1:00 lunch at Sprecher's Restaurant, Lake Geneva, WI
Sunday September 23, 2012	Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade Stillman Valley, Illinois Dessert afterwards at Dave & Sara Werckle's home
Tuesday September 25, 2012 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting
Saturday & Sunday October 6 - 7, 2012	Fall Tour Milwaukee, Wisconsin area

Have you told your friends about the Rock-Ford A's? Car ownership is not necessary – just come along for the fun!

#### July 24, 2012 Meeting Minutes – submitted by Chris Aupperle

- 1. Welcome 40 in attendance today!
- 2. Thanks to Larry Ethun for bringing cookies tonight!
- 3. Welcome visitors: Frank McReynolds, Cody Steele, Nichole Wagner
- 4. Cars for sale: contact Bob Poggensse and Bill Aupperle who has info. from a seller in Wisconsin.
- 5. Parades: Mt. Morris = 11 cars, \$110; ByronFest = 9 cars, \$85;
- 7. Breakfast Club continues thank you John Hausen!
- 8. Scheduled events (see front page): Model A Day at Nicholas Conservatory; Vintage Transport event at IRRM; Beckman Mill Heritage Day; annual Club picnic August 12; Model A Day in Amana, Iowa; Tour with Great Lakes A's on Int'l Model A Day in Sept.; Roscoe and Stillman Valley parades not yet confirmed; Ill. Region MAR & MAFCA Model A & T Swap Meet; Hill & Valley Show; Fall Tour details yet to come.
- 9. Tonight's Tech-Talks courtesy of Tim Stolberg and Bob Bellard thank you!
- 10. Tonight's Lady A's Chat courtesy of Chris Aupperle with Pauline Lawhorn, Alikce Whitney and Linda Clark
- 11. Treasurer's Report as of 5/22/12, submitted by Jim Morley, Treasurer

Checkbook balance as of 6/24/12 \$ 4872.85 Cash on hand 15.00Total balance \$ 4887.85 Expenses = Chris Aupperle

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newsletter expenses 28.69Total Expenses \$ 28.69

Checkbook balance on 7/24/12 \$4944.16
Cash on hand 21.00
Total balance on 7/24/12 \$4965.16

 Income
 =
 Dues
 15.00

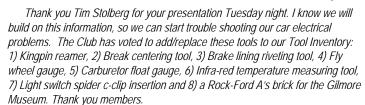
 Coffee Donations
 6.00

 Mt. Morris Parade
 85.00

 Total Income
 \$ 106.00

# Glimpse from the Gavel

Bill Aupperle, Director



Drive carefully . . . .

## Editor's Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



Everybody has a story about their car adventures, repairs, history. Share yours, so we can all enjoy the many aspects of this car hobby. Make this newsletter even better with YOUR story!

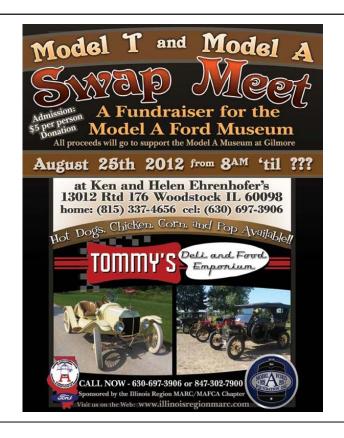
Please contact me if you are not getting your newsletter via email or postal delivery – keep in touch!

# Member's Corner: Model A Tip

Contributed by Bob Bellard

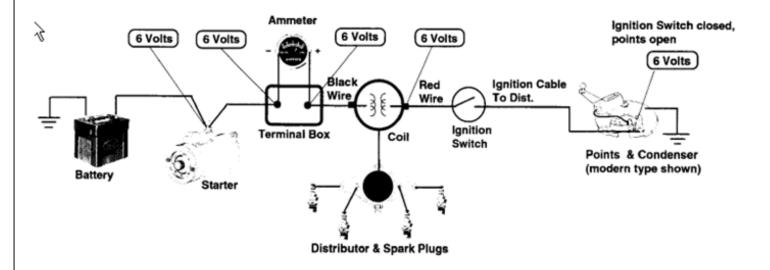
This week my starter acted as though it was dead, not even a click. All the lights and horn worked. I charged the battery just in case but it wasn't dead. I tried rocking the car in gear thinking the Bendix was stuck--nothing.

I tried handcranking no avail. I took out the starter motor and noticed the shaft and Bendix was bone dry but very clean. I took it to Ed Trap in Beloit and he spun tested it and was perfect. I have an fuse on my starter switch which was OK. So I took apart the starter switch cleaned it and cleaned all the screws and terminals on the fuse box. Then used alot of light weight machine oil on the Bendix and shaft. It popped right off first time. Might have been both or either---can't tell. The fuse receptical might have been oxidized or Bendix hung up? Works fine. Make sure you use lite oil not grease on Bendix shaft. There should be a felt washer-oiler on the shaft, some are gone.



# **Tech-Tip**

Building on the key information provided by Tim Stolberg's presentation Tuesday, I'm including a diagram for points we will be measuring voltages and resistances. This is to show where our electrical discussions are heading. As Tim said, there is a lot more to come' there is a lot to be learned about the Model A electrical system. **But, the rewards will be great.** 



Ignition System Schematic

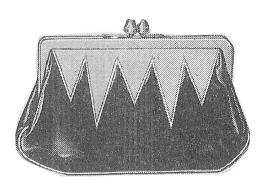
This is just the ignition system. There'll be more diagrams as we work our way though all these wires - the horn, lights & turn signals, engine starter, generator and charging diagrams. Lots of fun.

# Fashion Fun - Era Purses

The term 'handbag' first came in to use at the beginning of the twentieth century and was used for leather bags then carried by men. It was the 1920's that saw the first emergence of the modern handbag carried by women. This was another period with a fashion for light, skimpier dresses that weren't suited to pockets. It was also a period of growing independence for women, when women could go out on their own and travel without a man or a servant to carry things for them. The handbag was at once a **fashion accessory** chosen to match an outfit and a practical symbol of their new independence, women could now go forth into the world carrying all they needed themselves, self-reliant and fearless.

http://www.gleni.it/bag-in-history.html







## Welcome New Members to the Club

Don't forget that you don't need to own a Model A; enjoying friends is the most important aspect of this hobby!

## **PAST EVENTS**



Members enjoy waiting before the Mt. Morris parade



The Byron parade was hot and slow, but it was nice to cool down with snacks afterwards at Wendell & Sharon Anderson's house.



Cruise Night at Winds & Wheels Museum, Poplar Grove, IL



*Linda Clark shares her expertise about era kitchens.* 



#### 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. Name (Print) Spouse's Name Address State ZIP City Phone Number Is it ok to list phone number in club roster (yes or no)? Signature EMAIL address Is it ok to list email address in club roster (yes or no)? \_\_\_

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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

Spouse's Name	Postsortion Childelines	
City	U.S. Membership - \$40 International Membership - \$50 International First Class - \$56	
Country Telephone Permission to publish my telephone rumber in future Membership Rosters? Yes: No:  Gift Membership		
NameSpouse's NameAddress	For Credit Card Orders ~ Visa / MasterCard (crote one Card Number:	
CityStateZip	Signature:	
CountryTelephone		

Return this form and payment to: MAFCA 250 South Cypress Street • La Habra, CA 90631-5515

Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters? Yes:

New Membership

Source: MAFCA Web Site 2009 Membership Form



~ Membership Benefits ~ The Restorer magazine • Technical Support • Local



#### Lexington, Ky., to host more than 800 Model 'A' Fords June 24-28, 2013

Lexington, Ky., will be the site of the 2013 National Meet of the Model 'A' Restorers Club, an international group that supports the preservation and enjoyment of the Model 'A' Ford, which was manufactured from 1928-31. The Central Kentucky chapter of the Model 'A' Restorers Club will host the event June 24-28. The year 2013 will be the 85th anniversary of the first Model 'A' Ford and the 100th anniversary of the Ford - Louisville Assembly Plant.

#### **Events will include:**

- Daily Model 'A' driving tours visiting such sites as Keeneland, Shakertown, the Kentucky Horse Park, distilleries, horse farms, museums, shops, wineries, restaurants, and more;
- Seminars on vehicle restoration and maintenance;
- Fine point judging of some of the most original Model 'A' Fords in the nation;
- A fashion show of 1920s-'30s clothing;
- A swap meet of antique auto parts and period clothing and jewelry.

The Central Kentucky Model 'A' Restorers Club consists of more than 80 memberfamilies from central and eastern Kentucky and beyond. The group holds monthly Model 'A' tours and other events.

HOST HOTEL: Hyatt Regency Lexington - 401 West High Street - Lexington, KY

Call (800) 233-1234 after June 23, 2012

Be sure to give this code MDLA to get the Meet Rate



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.





Welcome to the official website of the 2013 MAFCA National Tour down the Blue Ridge Parkway. Covering approximately 470 miles from the north entrance, Rockfish Gap, VA, to the southern tip of the parkway near Cherokee, NC. The Blue Ridge Parkway is accepted as one of the most beautiful drives in America and is perfect for a Model A. Commercial traffic is prohibited and the speed limit the entire parkway is a comfortable 45MPH or less. Over the course of the tour we will stop at many scenic and historic points of interest which will surely take your breath away. Each night you can relax at a top of the line hotel and enjoy catered meals and other forms of entertainment while you rest up and reflect on the days activities. Come be a part of what will surely be one of the most memorable trips that you and your A have ever taken.

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