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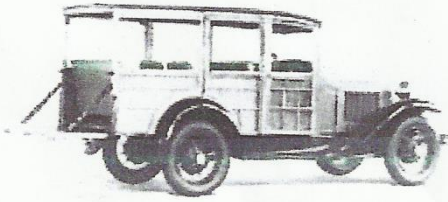
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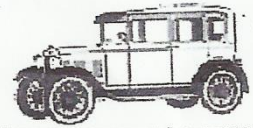


# EZ - ON

AUGUST, 2017

You do eat breakfast don't you ? Why not with your Model A friends on August 19th . Location & Directions at August 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

"...AND A SIDE OF PANCAKES WITH YOUR MODEL A?"



Summers long daylight hours are upon us. Why not drive you "A" to the Members Meeting on August 17<sup>th</sup>. If so, Reserved Parking for Model A's in the front parking lot...

A new "pickup" line for an old timer – When you meet a "cute older girl," Question - Is your house paid for, and do you like dogs ???

## SUGGESTIONS & COMMENTS

This is your club, please let us know what you are thinking...

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Please hand carry to any Club Officer or Committee Chair Person.

*Jim ...*

# JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: August 17, 2017- 6:00PM  
(EASTERN) Our next Club meeting will be at  
Woodmen of the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in  
Phenix City.

## COMING EVENTS

August 4	MATTS
August 11	Planning Meeting
August 17	Club Meeting
August 19	Breakfast Tour
September 1	MATTS
September 8	Planning Meeting
September 9	Workshop Carburetor Part II, Al's Garage
September 16	Model A Day- Uptown Columbus
September 21	Club Meeting

### CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Jim Bob's (By Hobby Lobby)
Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Jason Deli (Close to Sears)
Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Country's on Broadway
Every 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant (Stadium Drive, Phenix City)
Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Opelika Home Depot Cruise In
Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Phenix City Home Depot Cruise In (Starts March 18)
Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Every Sunday AM	IHOP Airport Thruway

### NATIONAL:

October 1-6	MAFCA National Tour- Pacific Coast Hwy
November 29- Dec.3	MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

**River Cities Model A Ford Club  
Club Meeting Minutes  
July 20, 2017**

The July meeting of the River Cities Model A Ford Club was held July 20, 2017, at the Woodmen of the World facility at 6:00 PM EST. Attending the meeting were Jim Langley, Paul and Mary Nelle Singer, Glenn Williams and Cindy, Wayne Kennedy, Bob Smith, Dick Noxon, John Robertson, Tom Ellis, Pat and Mark Gamble, Bobby and Connie Penny, Joe and June Spooner, Sharon Webb, Al Lugo, and Bill Shirley.

Jim Langley called the meeting to order and led the Club in the Pledge of allegiance, then said grace. Members proceeded to the buffet line.

Sunshine Report: Bill Shirley is recovering well from surgery.

Old Business: Minutes of the June meeting were approved by club members. Dick Noxon gave the treasury report which was approved by Club vote.

MATTS: Next meeting will be August 4<sup>th</sup>, members are encouraged to attend.

Great Race Rally: Jim Langley reported eight members and two Model A's attended.

New Business: Members were encouraged to read Pat Gamble's article published in the current Restorer magazine.

Nominating Committee will be recommending Club Officer candidates for 2018 election.

The planning meeting in July decided to table the cap on Treasury funds until August planning meeting.

The program for the August meeting will be a Show and Tell.

Tours/Activities: Paul Singer announced the Tour for August 19<sup>th</sup> will be a 9:00AM Breakfast at Howies Lee Road 246 off the Old Opelika Road in Phenix City.

Scholarships: Bill Shirley presented Joe and June Spooner Scholarship Certificates for their two grandchildren, Mary Mallery Hankes and Eben Glenn Jordan. They will be attending Auburn University this fall.  
Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully Submitted,

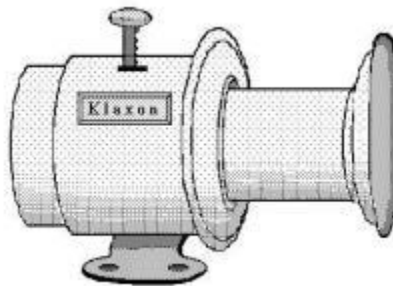
Mary Nelle Singer  
Secretary

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES**



**NONE**

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**



**AUGUST 4- Nancy Palmer**

**AUGUST 9- Joe Carter**

**AUGUST 9- Patrick Tyler**

**AUGUST 10- Linda Miller**

**AUGUST 12- Pamela Tyler**

**AUGUST 22- Burton Williams**

# **The Model A Carburetor**

## **Part II**

**Our next Workshop will be conducted on Saturday, September 10, 2017. The topic will be the Model A Carburetor, Part 2. The instructors will be Joe Spooner and Bobby Penny. The location will be at Al's Garage. Lunch will be provided, and starting time will be 9:00 AM Eastern.**

**Please sign up during the August meeting or please Email or call Al Lugo before September 1, 2017 (Last Day to sign up). This is very important to have an accurate headcount for the caterer. Come and Join us and learn more about keeping our Model "A"s on the road!**

**Al Lugo**

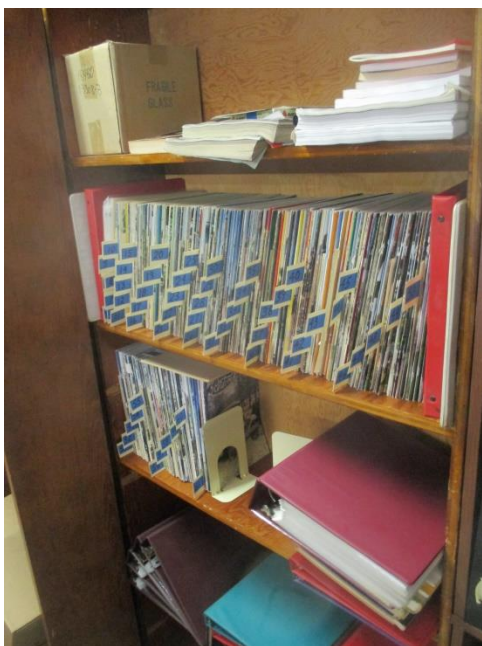
## **A's on Broadway**

**Mark your calendar for the 16<sup>th</sup> of September when we celebrate International Model A day at Uptown Columbus. More information to follow the closer we get to the 16<sup>th</sup>**





Photos by Howard Ruddick



Our Club library is coming along. Our Restorer magazines have been cataloged and placed on the shelf.

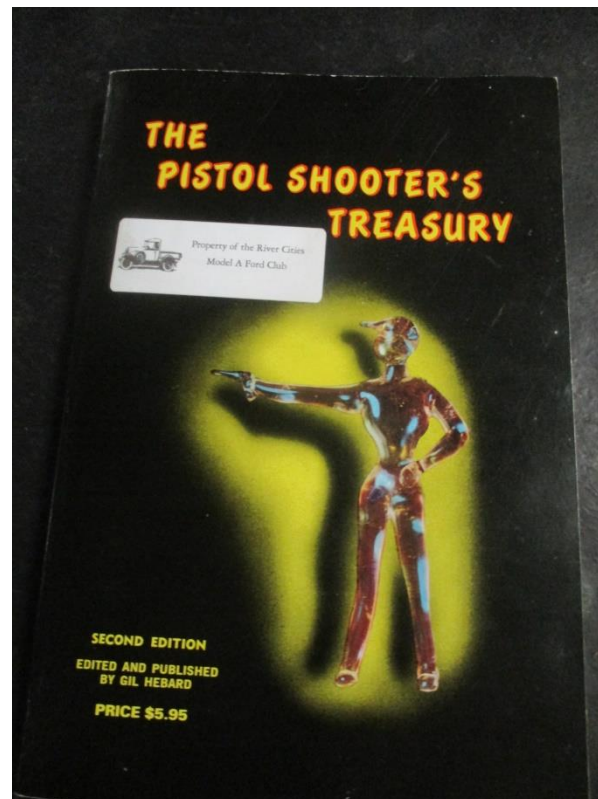


Dick explains the difficulty in obtaining the exact connectors for his 1929 Model A headlights.





**Bobby shows his model a 1929 delivery truck. I W Harper used this model in their advertising campaign.**



**The book written by Bill Blankenship, who was a match pistol champion and club member, is available for check out from our Club library.**

**Come join us for coffee, doughnut, and fellowship the first Friday each month to learn about our Model 'A's.**

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**Grand Mother June Spooner presenting her Grand Son, Eben Jordan, his Scholarship Award from the club. Eben will be attending Auburn University this year.**

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

**By AL LUGO**

**Will return next month**

**FOR SALE**

**1929 Ford Roadster restored 1994-95, all metal parts and about 95% original parts. Original engine. Asking \$12000.00.**

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# Parts needed

Gerald [gfireman52@aol.com](mailto:gfireman52@aol.com) Anniston, Al. Area. Needs a 2 tooth steering gear (A Complete unit) Help him out if you can.....

[modelaman@farmerstel.com](mailto:modelaman@farmerstel.com) Bob Sloman Needs a 1929 Alabama Plate for his Model A. Anyone got ONE ????

## WANTED

From Bentley Antique Auto Service



1930-31 Model A Sport Coupe wanted.

I have a customer looking for a 1930 or early 1931 (flat firewall) Sport Coupe for restoration. Does not have to be very nice, but must be rust free especially in the body. Looking for a complete car, does not have to be in running condition. Let me know what you have, thanks in advance, Bentley





Jay's Jargon

Comments, Suggestions and Ideas to Chapter Newsletter Editors

July, 2017

I hope everyone is getting out and enjoying their Model A Fords and the fun of your Chapter's Activities. As many of you who are friends on Facebook, I have just purchased a survivor 1931 Budd Cab, wide bed pickup. Whenever I have a new Model A join the family, I want to find out all about it. Production Numbers, Date of Production etc. It made me think how great it would be if we had a Special Interest Group (SIG), that covered this rare Model A. After having this thought, I also became aware that we have SIG's for Phaetons and Town Sedans that have no official Leadership.

I am asking each of you to join with me to try to find people to join our existing SIG's. I would also like to challenge you to contact me to help form a SIG for the Budd Trucks and to help get the Town Sedan and Phaeton groups going again. Remember, it only takes 5 members of MAFCA to renew or start a SIG. They will be listed as charter members and then get them going.



## MAFFI Newsletter Minute **There's A New Girl in Town!**

A new arrival at the Model A Museum is a 1931 Right Hand Drive Deluxe Phaeton which is currently on loan from MAFFI member, Tom Mack of South Carolina. It will be displayed as a part of the "A" round the World Exhibit. Make plans to come and say, "Hello" to this beauty during Model A Day, September 16<sup>th</sup>!

We had a visit recently from the cars in the Great Race which made for a busy day at the Gilmore. Lots of excitement and lots going on at the Museum!





September 24<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>  
Paso Robles to San Rafael

## Make your reservations now for the 2017 National Tour

We hope you will join us for this beautiful and relaxing drive. Experience the quaint seaside towns of Cambria and San Simeon, then drive through the lush vineyards on your way to the historical town of Monterey. Jumping on Northbound Hwy 1 will provide some of the most photographed vistas in the U.S. then crossing the spectacular Golden Gate to arrive in the enchanted town of San Rafael. Be sure to join us on the sightseeing bay cruise under the Golden Gate Bridge on our way to San Francisco.

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See you in September.

Eddie Pruett - Tour Chairman

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# BITTS & PIECES

Both Management and hourly employees of the Ford Motor Company, past and present refer to the end of the final assembly lines as “The Hole,” and the first vehicle of a new model as “Job 1.”

The Model A Tool kit is considered an accessory:

TRUE \_\_\_\_\_ FALSE \_\_\_\_\_

From December 1927 through May 1930, the Model A Screw Driver (a part of the tool kit supplied by Ford Motor Company with each new Model A, had a Ford script stamped on the shaft near the handle end:

TRUE \_\_\_\_\_ FALSE \_\_\_\_\_

In the MAFCA/MARC Judging Standards, an inside rear view mirror shall be considered an accessory when used to compliment a factory installed left outside rear view mirror:

TRUE \_\_\_\_\_ FALSE \_\_\_\_\_

Front fender lamps were offered through Ford Dealerships in place of Parking Lamps commencing in 1929. Was the toggle switch to operate the lamps placed left of the steering column bracket under the dash rail?

TRUE \_\_\_\_\_ FALSE \_\_\_\_\_

BRING YOUR ANSWERS TO THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING – August 17<sup>th</sup> ...