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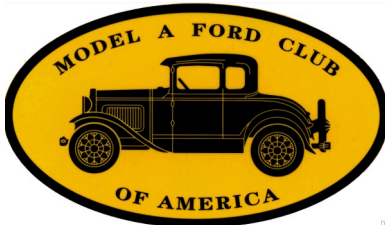
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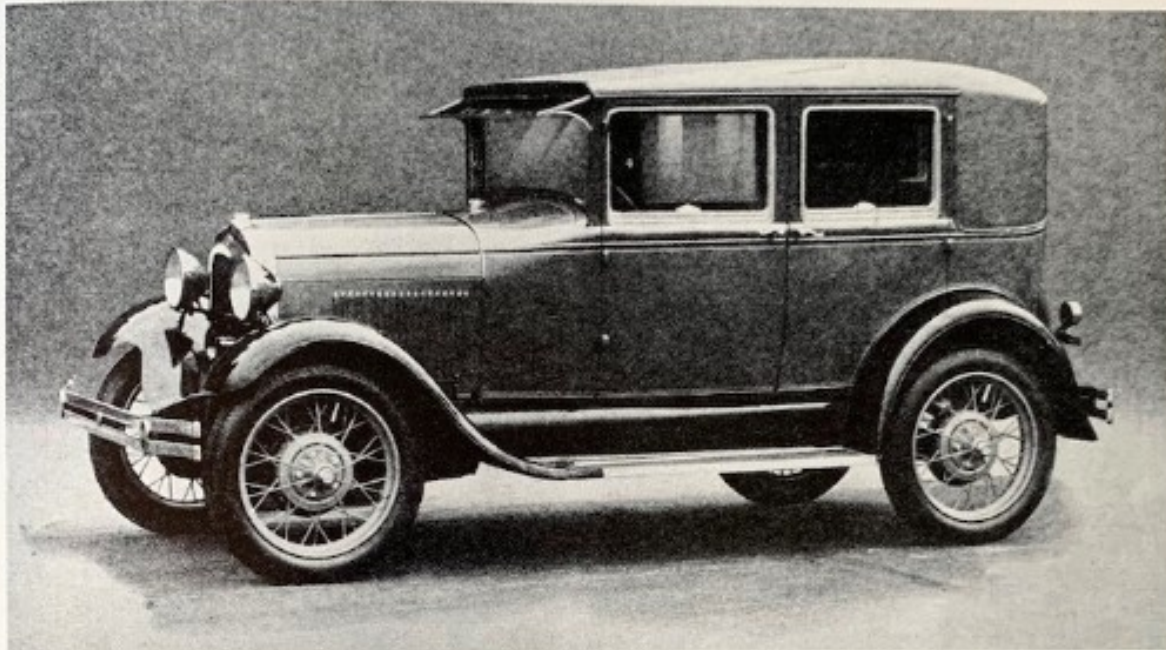
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Nickeled windshield frame and a nickeled moulding at the juncture of the cowl and hood are other bits of refinement. Ventilators are found in the lower panels of the cowl on either side. The hardware is all nickeled in a conservative style of scroll effect and of uniform design.

The height of the body is 48 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches and height of the car from the road is 70 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches. There are 4 color options. Besides the special features described, the standard equipment is the same as included in other Model A Cars. Price, \$570 F. O. B. Detroit.

"A" Note from the President...

The Palmetto A's / Smith & Jones annual swap meet was a big success. We had amazing weather and enjoyed fellowship with those from other area clubs and vendors. I thank all who helped with the task of "set-up" and "tear-down" on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A special thanks goes out to Wayne Areheart for being our head chef and to Debbie Areheart and Twila Cockerill for being in charge of setting up and being in charge of the food sales table on Friday. On Saturday special thanks to Danny Austin and Wayne Areheart for being our chefs and Cheryl Austin, Debbie Areheart, and Twila Cockerill for being in charge of the food sales table. To all the other behind the scene helpers, thanks to you as well. Also, a huge thank you to Margaret Smith and Davin Smith for providing the hit of the day, their homemade ice cream! And, of course, thanks to Davin Smith and Smith & Jones Antique Auto Parts for hosting this annual event. **For our July 15th outing we're heading to Holly Hill to have lunch at Sweatman's BBQ.** We'll meet at the IGA in Gaston and leave at 9am. Please be fueled up and bring your walkie talkies.

Some of our members will not be making this trip as we will be headed to the MAFCA National Tour in Indiana/Michigan.

Congratulations to our newsletter editor, Twila Cockerill, for receiving the Award of Excellence from MARC for *The Spare Tire*. Also, MARC's Mileage Program recognized Danny and Cheryl Austin for 10,000 miles in their 1931 Closed Cab Pickup and Happy and John Begg for 15,000 miles in their 1930 Sport Coupe.

Let's keep those on our prayer list in our thoughts. We hope to see them rejoin us soon! Remember as always, if your "A" is in the "repair or restore shop," you can still be part of the fellowship in your "modern." **So let's dust'um off, gas'em up, and let's go "Model A'ing!"**

John Cockerill

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Palmetto A's July 15 Tour

We will be going to Sweatman's BBQ in Holly Hill, SC. We will meet at the IGA in Gaston, and leave promptly at 9am. Please have your gas tank full.

IGA
185 Main St N (Hwy 321), Gaston
Sweatman's BBQ
1427 Eutaw Rd, Holly Hill



July

Birthday

Mike Petty - 15th

Anniversaries

Doyle & Deneise Gains - 10th
Mike & Karen Lewter - 12th



Down the Road

Is there a destination to which you would like to drive your Model A? Is there a lunch spot to which you would like to drive your Model A? Call or email Cheryl and Danny Austin at 803-351-5687, daustino02@sc.rr.com. They are looking for your ideas and input!

Palmetto A's Schedule for 2023

- July 15 - Sweatman's BBQ in Holly Hill
- August 19 - Sylvan Farm and Market, Saluda
- September 16 - Lone Star BBQ, Santee
- October 21 - Breakfast at Lizard's Thicket, Lexington, then tour to the Benjamin Mayes Historical Site in Greenwood
- November 18 - McCleod Farms, McBee
- December 9 - Christmas Party

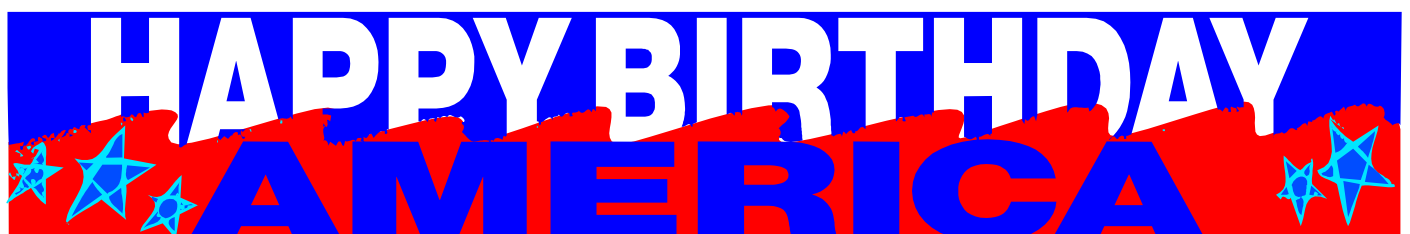
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Other Events of Interest

- July 16-21 - [MAFCA National Tour](#) "Backroads to the Classics" in Indiana/Michigan hosted by Southeastern Tour Group
- July 30-August 4 - [MARC National Meet](#) in West Chester Township OH
- September 7 - 9 - [Charlotte Auto Fair](#)
- September 15-16 - 12th Annual Model A Days at the MAFFI Museum in Hickory Corners MI
- September 16 - International Model A Day
- October 2 - 6 - [Hershey Swap Meet and Car Show](#)
- October 14 - Warren Reynold's (Old 96) Annual Yard Sale. 120 Stoker Rd, Greenwood. Info: 864-980-7937, 864-980-0708 or swreynolds@centurylink.net
- November 30 - Dec 2 - MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Santa Maria, CA

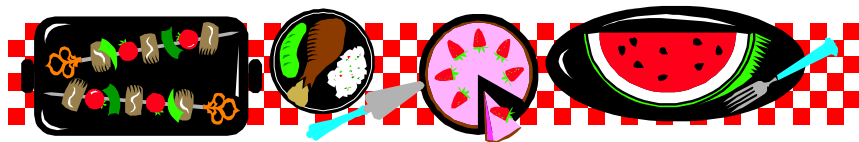


MAFCA NATIONAL AWARDS BANQUET
NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 1-2
See Ya! in Santa Maria!





Palmetto A's 2023 Swap Meet at Smith and Jones Antique Auto Parts



Treasurer's Report, June, 2023

We continue to maintain a balance in line with the club budget as set and approved by the Board of Directors. All bills and receipts are processed promptly. The checkbook is balanced monthly with no discrepancies. The club account balance is reported at each General Membership meeting.

Dick Fraser, Treasurer

Sunshine Report

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: John Cockerill, Mack & Mary Day, Wes Porterfield and Pat Robbs, and Happy Begg and family on the loss of her father.

Remember: call, write or send a card to someone who needs encouragement. We are "FAMILY" and it helps to be thought of and prayed about.

If you have any Sunshine concerns, please call or email the newsletter editor to add the name to our Sunshine Report.

Restoring Fuel Level Indicator

After spending over 80 years inside the gas tank of my 1930 standard coupe, the fuel indicator was looking pretty sad. Paint was missing from the numbers and the overall appearance was dingy and tarnished. I decided to see if I could bring it back to life.

Since the numbers are actually stamped into the indicator, lower than the surrounding surface, I figured I might be able to flow some new paint into the recesses, wait until it dried, and try to rub the paint off the top surface, leaving just the numbers painted. It worked like a champ. Here's what I did.

I gathered up a small artist's brush, a tiny cup, and some fuel proof paint. This is the same model airplane paint recommended to repaint your carburetor. After shaking the paint up for at least a full minute, I squirted some into the small cup.



Getting just a bit of paint on the tip of the brush, I let the paint flow into the recesses of the numbers where they had been chipped or eaten away over the years.



It might actually pull the paint back out of the recesses. I needed something smooth but stiff. A scrap piece of pine, from another project, laying on my work bench caught my eye. A sort of burnishing tool. Perfect!

Once the paint had thoroughly dried, I looked around for something to rub the surface with. I decided against a cloth as being too floppy and



I rubbed it over the now dried paint and it not only took off the unwanted paint around the numbers but it had a sort of polishing effect on the metal as well.



Whatever the surface of the indicator is plated with, it came right back, shiny as new and the numbers looked terrific (the lovely hands belong to my wife. I'm manning the camera.)

This is going to look great, even behind the old, original bezel.

After cleaning and polishing the inner and outer rings as best I could, my gas gauge is



ready to be reinstalled in the fuel tank and give another 80 plus years of service.

Brian Amato, Kwesting@aol.com, Membership Number 53732, Traverse City, Michigan

Courtesy of MAFCA

Model A Ford Technical Questions

Paul Shinn has gathered a group to help answer your technical questions about Model A's. The group includes MAFCA's current tech director and several past tech directors. You can email your questions and concerns to:

ModelATechQuestions@gmail.com

Who knows, you may even see your question answered in *The Restorer!*

NEED HELP WITH YOUR MODEL A?

IS YOUR PROBLEM SOMETHING THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE CLUB "TECH TEAM?" WAYNE AREHEART AND THE "TECH TEAM" ARE LOOKING FOR SMALL JOBS THAT WOULD PROVIDE A "LEARNING" TECH SITUATION FOR THE CLUB. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT WAYNE at dareheart@sc.rr.com or JOHN COCKERILL AT johntwilac@yahoo.com.

Just a reminder!!

The club has a library of Model A Technical DVDs for your use.

Contact John Cockerill at 803-446-3837 (cell) or at johntwilac@yahoo.com.

Fashion's New Two-in-One Dresses

May be worn:
with sleeves
for afternoon
without sleeves
for evening

Ultra-Chic and New
3 5 322—Here is one of Fashion's new Two-in-One Dresses, specially designed for wear in the evening without the sleeves or for afternoon with sleeves, which are included. (See waist view pictured above.)

The dress is made of excellent quality ALL-SILK Flat Crepe and features a new and very charming use of embroidered net. The entire yoke, front and back, which is faced with tan all-silk flat crepe, is of embroidered mesh net set in to scallops on a diagonal line that is very becoming indeed. Scalloping flowers of self material droop from one shoulder.

The body of the dress is exquisitely cut, especially in the skirt, where curved seams produce beautiful lines both front and back. The entire skirt is gracefully flared, a feature which is distinctly flattering to the stout figure. There is an all-around belt with a Rhinestone buckle.

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Cook's Corner...

PECAN PIE BROWNIES

Ingredients:

1 box Brownie mix, must have instructions for making in 13x9 pan + ingredients listed on the package

Pecan Pie Filling:

- 1 cup Sugar
- 1 1/2 cups Light Corn syrup
- 4 Eggs
- 1/4 cup unsalted butter
- 1 1/2 teaspoon Vanilla extract
- 2 cups Pecans, roughly chopped

Instructions:

Preheat oven according to brownie package instructions.

Mix brownies according to package instructions. Pour brownie batter into a greased 13x9 inch pan and place in the oven to bake for 20 minutes.

Whisk together the sugar, corn syrup, eggs, butter, and vanilla in a small saucepan. Place on the stovetop over medium-high heat and begin to cook, stirring continuously.

As the brownies bake, the filling in the saucepan should have thickened enough to coat your spoon (about 15 minutes). Stir the pecans into the mixture and continue to cook for 2-3 minutes until the mixture reaches the consistency of runny oatmeal. You want it to be loose enough to pour over the brownies but not liquid.

When the brownies have finished pre-baking remove them from the oven and pour the pecan pie filling over them spreading it out to cover the brownies completely. Place them back in the oven and bake for 25-30 minutes or until the filling only jiggles slightly in the middle when you move the pan. Let cool to room temperature before cutting.



On March 10, 1876, Alexander Graham Bell made the first phone call ever. Moments later, he was notified that his car's extended warranty had expired!



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**Due date for submissions
for the August 2023
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Members are encouraged to join the following national clubs:

Model A Ford Club of America.

Annual dues are \$50 and include a subscription to *The Restorer Magazine* from MAFCA, 250 South Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631 and

Model 'A' Restorers Club

Annual dues are \$50 and include a subscription to the *Model 'A' News Magazine* from MARC, 6721 Merriman Road, Garden City, MI 48135

Benefits of National Club Memberships

Membership in MAFCA includes the following:

A one year subscription to *The Restorer*, our award-winning bi-monthly magazine including free classified ads.

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Free classified advertising on the MAFCA web site and posting of photo of your car in the Photo Album section

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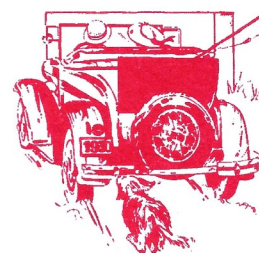
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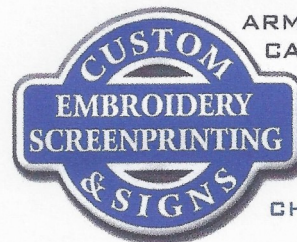
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