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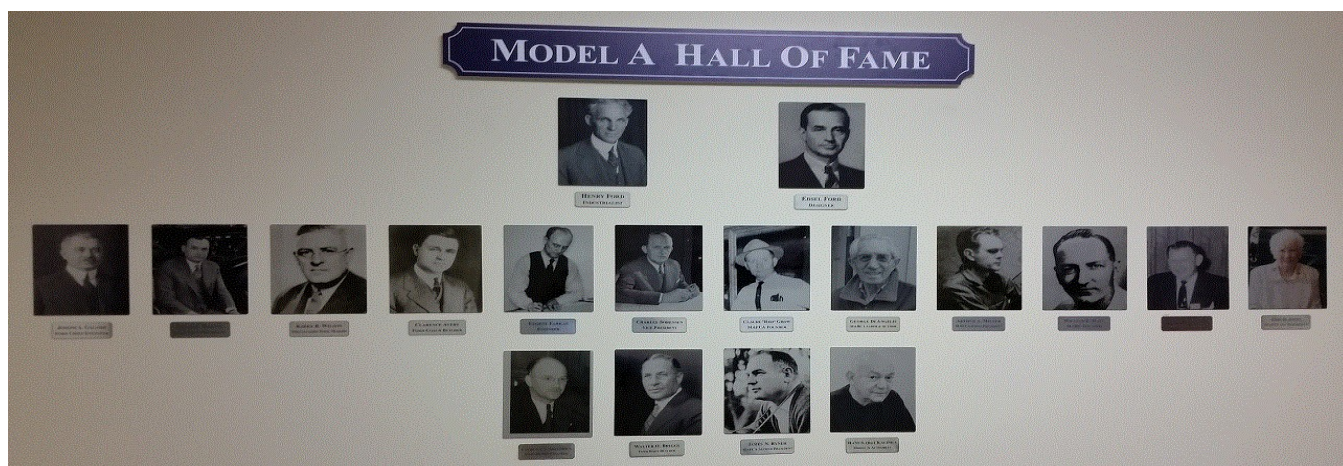
Model A Ford Hall of Fame

By Jim Thomas, Trustee

The Model A Ford Hall of Fame is a component of the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. (MAFFI). Each year, beginning in 2014, the Foundation has researched, selected and inducted new members to the Hall of Fame.

The Model A Hall of Fame exists to recognize those individuals who have developed, produced and maintained Model A Ford vehicles. It also recognizes the many individuals who have developed supporting activities, authored and published articles and books and organized and led national organizations devoted to the Model A Ford.

Current Model A Ford Hall of Fame members and their induction dates are:



2014 – Henry Ford and Edsel Ford

2015 – Charles E. Sorensen, Eugene Farkas, Claude (Red) Grow and George DeAngelis

2016 – Clarence W. Avery, Kirke R. Wilson, William E. Hall and Arthur A. Miller

2017—Peter E. Martin, Joseph A. Galamb, Edie Davis Jones and Kenneth B. Brewer

2018 – Walter O. Briggs, Laurence S. Sheldrick, James N. Ryner and Hans S. (Doc) Kalinka

See the MAFFI website (www.maffi.org) for photos and background information about these Hall of Fame members.

To be nominated, a Model A Ford Hall of Fame candidate must have strong connections to some aspect of the Model A Ford
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President's Message

By John W. Begg

Even though the Winter has a grip on us, a hard charging group of Model A Trustees and volunteers are busy at work on new displays and planning for this year's Model A Day at the Gilmore. A new display is being developed for the Showroom and one for the Parts and Service Department.

In addition to a Victoria and Cabriolet, the Showroom will exhibit a Town Car with a display case that will have Town Car specific materials and era fashion memorabilia reminiscent of an elegant night on the town, circa 1929.

The Parts and Service Department will have a new exhibit showing a Model A, with hood open, being serviced at the Ford dealership as though it might appear in the early 1930's.

When completed this Spring, we hope you will find these new exhibits both interesting and educational. As a matter of fact, thanks to Trustees Greg Fish and Greg "Shep" Shepherd, you can watch our progress through the three newly installed cameras showing much of the Museum through our website.

We've been working on our plans for this year's Model A Day at the Gilmore, which will be held on Saturday, September 21st. Our goal is to showcase original, unrestored vehicles as well as unique or 'one off' Model A's. Contacts are being made with the owners of such vehicles and we would greatly appreciate any additional leads. Please contact me or Lou Ironsides with any suggestions. We have some other surprises for you that are under development and planned for this Spring and Model A Day. More to come later.

It won't be too much longer until we are again touring in our Model A's In the meantime, thanks to all that continue to support our hobby and our world class Museum.

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A Ford – including activities related to the design, development, restoration, preservation, and publications, or affiliation with national or local hobby organizations dedicated to the Model A Ford.

Candidates are inducted into the Hall of Fame each year in ceremonies on Model A Day in front of the Model A Ford Museum on the grounds of the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan. Inductee photographs are displayed on a dedicated wall inside the Museum and their background sketches maintained in a notebook next to the photo display.

This year, four new Hall of Fame members will be inducted on Model A Day IX -- September 12, 2019.

We welcome nominations for 2019 Hall of Fame candidates. Visit the MAFFI website (www.maffi.org) for information about the Hall of Fame nomination process and a nomination form. Completed nomination forms can be submitted to any MAFFI Trustee. The submission deadline is June 30, 2019.

Executive Director's Report—March 2019

by John D. Marshall

Membership numbers are continuing to grow, and we now have 1315 Family memberships, an increase of 101 members from last year. Total Club membership declined by one as a couple of clubs disbanded but a couple of new Clubs took their place. Welcome and thank you to all our new members and Clubs. We wouldn't be able to exist without your generosity and support.

The current total of Museum Walkway Bricks stands at 1591, an increase of 107 from last year. We still have room for more and bricks are a great way to honor a current or past club member, relative or friend or just to see your name cast in stone! They are a permanent memorial and their purchase helps to fund the best Model A Museum in the world.

Unfortunately, again, we lost many Model A'ers and friends this past year. MAFFI Memorial Certificates were issued to Memorial Donors and special certificates were issued to the families of those remembered. All Memorials are listed in the "Memorials" section of the MAFFI website and in the permanent Memorial Book located in the showroom section of the Museum near the parts department.

It's not too early to start making plans to attend Model A Day IX on September 21st. It's a great time to visit the Museum, renew friendships, make new ones and see what unique Model A vehicle or vehicles will be featured at the event.

Yearly MAFFI memberships expire in May. For those of you whose memberships will expire in May of 2019, it's not too early to send in your renewal dues now. If you do send them in now, your membership will be extended to May of 2020. This helps save the expense of sending out renewal notice reminders, and ensures you continue to receive the "A Preserver" as well as free admission to the Gilmore complex and YOUR Model A Museum.

Thank You for your continuing support of MAFFI and the Model A Museum. Without you, the Museum would have remained but a dream!

GET ONE NOW.....MODEL A DAY -2018 PIN...There are just 24 left so send your order and \$8 each (postage included) to me Suzan O'Neale, 477 Beaver Pond Way, Mineral, VA 23117. Make checks payable to MAFFI. I will have some available for sale at the MARC Membership Meet.

This pin is the Model A Day 2018 featuring Tim Kelly's Town Car and a beautiful memory of this very special day.



Suzan O'Neale

MAFFI Membership Application

The Model A Ford is a symbol of Americana. MAFFI is dedicated to the preservation of the Model A and associated historical information. By joining MAFFI, you will help meet that goal while receiving an informative quarterly publication and other benefits. Your membership donation is tax deductible under Internal Revenue Service rule 501 (c)3 and will help with MAFFI's many projects and worthwhile goals.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

MAFCA/MARC Chapter _____

Family Membership Category: _____

Annual (\$25.00) _____ Three Years (\$70.00) _____ Life Member (\$350.00) _____

Club Donation: \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Mail this form with your payment to: Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc., P O Box 28, Peotone, IL 60468-0028.

Annual Financial Report as of 12/31/2018		By Gene Tallone, Treasurer
BALANCE SHEET		
ASSETS		\$
Checking Account		1,759
Museum Operating Fund		94,546
Endowment Fund		136,699
Endowment Fund Investment		<u>600,000</u>
SUBTOTAL--ASSETS		833,004
Inventory		5,080
Museum Building (net of Depreciation)		836,195
Museum Fixtures & Equipment (net)		17,365
Model A's & Other Assets		957,846
Other Investments/Assets		19,263
Unrealized Gain/Loss from Endowment Fund Investments *		<u>65,135</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		2,733,888
Liabilities		ZERO
EQUITY		2,733,888
INCOME & EXPENSES		
INCOME		
Membership Dues		18,507
Memorials		19,073
Museum Contributions		39,099
Endowment Fund Contributions		57,029
Sales		3,501
Special Events		28,900
Other/Miscellaneous		<u>8,750</u>
TOTAL INCOME		174,859
EXPENSES		
Newsletters/Printing/Postage Costs		3,090
Office/ Administration		4,757
Promotional/ Fund Raising		4,588
Gilmore Museum Assessment		30,327
Insurances		7,592
Utilities		6,290
Storage Facility Rent		5,300
Maintenance & Display Costs		11,493
Model A Transport Shipping		11,728
Special Events		13,331
Depreciation		31,299
All Other Operating Expenses		<u>5,824</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES		135,618
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		<u>39,241</u>
Unrealized Gain/Loss from Endowment Fund Investments *		(24,118)
Unrealized Gain/Loss from other Assets *		5,387
TOTAL		20,510
Note * At Market Value on Dec. 31, 2018		

2018/2017 Financial Comparison

Dec.31, BY Gene Tallone, Treasurer

	\$	\$	
BALANCE SHEET			
	<u>2,018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
Liquid Cash	233,004	270,569	(37,565)
Endowment Fund Investment	600,000	500,000	100,000
Unrealized Gain on Endowment Fund Investment	65,135	89,253	(24,118)
Model A' and Other Assets	957,846	748,346	209,500
Equity	2,733,888	2,505,377	228,511

INCOME STATEMENT**INCOME**

Membership Dues	18,507	18,785	(278)
Memorial Donations	19,073	16,503	2,570
Museum/ Endowment Funds	96,128	66,122	30,006
Model A's/ Other Assets	209,500	10,000	199,500
Model A Day (Net)	13,661	17,594	(3,933)

EXPENSES

Gilmore Museum Assessment	30,327	29,748	579
Depreciation	31,299	31,255	44
OPERATING INCOME	39,241	42,356	(3,115)

NOTES

1. All Financial Reports are unaudited and on a cash basis and therefore may have some timing differences.
2. With Trustee approval The Foundation entered into an agency agreement to have a portion of it's Funds Professionally managed and invested. In February 2016 the first portion was invested. During 2017 an additional \$100,000 was advanced to the Professionally managed fund.
3. During 2018 an additional \$100,000 was advanced to the Professionally managed fund.
4. The Unrealized Gain/Loss is the cumulative value as of December 31, each year.
5. During 2018 The Edstrom Family donated Model A's equal to \$179,500 in appraised value
6. Operating Income excludes any Unrealized Gain.

MAFFI 2019 BUDGET

by Gene Tallone, Treasurer

\$

EXPECTED INCOME

Membership Dues	20,000
Pledge Donations	5,000
Member & Club Donations	65,000
Memorials & Bricks	20,000
Gift Shop & Other sales	3,000
Model A Day	<u>18,000</u>

TOTAL 131,000**ANTICIPATED EXPENSES**

Gilmore Museum Assessment	30,750
Office/ Administration	5,000
Museum Utilities	7,000
Insurance	8,000
Newsletter/ Publicity	8,000
Transport/ Shipping	5,000
Project Materials	20,000
Storage	7,000
Depreciation	<u>31,750</u>

TOTAL 122,500

NEW MEMBERS

(from 25 October 2018-31 January 2019)

The following new members recently joined the Foundation. We welcome them to the important work of preserving the Model A and its era for future generations.

LIFETIME

Dennis & Claudia Ellerman, Wichita, KS

3 YEAR MEMBERSHIP

Dr. J. Steven Teal, Winter Garden, FL

FAMILY

Robert Milligan, Knoxville, TN
Chuck Stinnett, Fullerton, CA
Daniel & Karin Lannigan, Spokane, WA
Edward Jankowski, Jr., Eudora, KS
Mike Remy, Thornwood, NY
Darrell Henderson, Grovetown, GA
Erik Kellner, Danville, CA
Rodney Brundage, Jackson, MI
Larry Smart, Orange Park, FL
William Acker, Phoenix, AZ
Ezell Brewer, East Orange, NJ
Chuck Green, Terrell, TX
Ronald Huntimer, Ankeny, IA

Memorial Donations (Bricks)

(from 25 October 2018-31 January 2019)

David G. Scott in memory of Al Fisher
New Hampshire Lakes Model A Ford Club
in memory of Bruce Reynolds
Rouge Valley A's in memory of Judy Wadleigh
Rouge Valley A's in memory of Jerry Bradford

Memorial Donations (Monetary)

(from 25 October 2018-31 January 2019)

The River Cities Model A Ford Club
in memory of Neil LaClair
The River Cities Model A Ford Club
in memory of Pat Langley
The Cape Henry Model A Ford Club
in memory of Perry E. Harris
The River Cities Model A Ford Club
in memory of Paul Singer
Mrs. J. Daniel Palmer in memory of Pat Langley
Dr. & Mrs. Alberto Lugo
in memory of Paul Singer
Tom & Terry Machado in honor of Walter Caplan
Bob Smith in memory of Paul Singer
Fort Worth Model A Club
in memory of Nancy Lee
The Sonoma A's in memory of Sue Mitchell

Joe & Pam Baxter in memory of Paula Witte
Sandra Patterson in memory of Robert G. Patterson
Peter B. Walstrom in memory of Tim Kelly
Henry's Lady Chapter, MAFCA

in honor of Mike Wing
Fairfield County A's in memory of Tim Kelly
The Modesto Area A's in memory of Mae Kriese
The Modesto Area A's in memory of Gwen Barber
The Modesto Area A's
in memory of Cliff Wagoner
David E. Johnson
in memory of Aldie E. Johnson Jr.

Attention Members

You can now renew your MAFFI membership using Paypal on the website.

This is another way that you can save MAFFI the expense of sending renewals notices.

Your A Preserver can be emailed

Advantages are that you will get your *A Preserver* issue sooner than mailed and in color. This also allows MAFFI to save on printing and mailing costs which helps to keep expenses down. If you would like to have your issues emailed, send an email to editor@maffi.org.

Phase II MUSEUM ENDOWMENT THERMOMETER



Phase II Goal

When the first goal of \$500,000 was reached, those funds were invested conservatively, in the hands of a trusted investment institution.

The original \$500,000 endowment goal was based on an expected rise in interest rates..

The Trustees decided to adopt a Phase II goal of \$1 million, to be raised over time, to completely assure that the Model A Museum lives forever, even if interest rates stay at present levels.

\$802 Dec '18

\$750K This December '18 total reflects the temporary drop in the market. It includes \$65K of unrealized gains in the invested funds

\$500K

\$250K

\$0

Klecha Bequest.

Butch Klecha's will provided \$102,658 to the Museum. This was one example of the generosity shown by Model A Ford owners around the nation.

*Keep raising the temperature,
Assure the Museum's Posterity*

MAFFI NEWS

Please remember that MAFFI has 42 videos including a complete set of the Diablo A's Technical Seminars available for loan to MAFFI members and Model A Clubs that support the Museum with a financial gift. Any one of these videos would make a nice program for your club through the winter months while the weather keeps us inside. You can look over the titles at maffi.org (programs) or on the back of the MAFFI newsletter, the *A Preserver*. If interested, please email Janice Barker jlb72443@aol.com and she will take care of your request.

Please mark your calendar now for **September 21, 2019 for Model A Day!** If you can't make it in September, please plan a trip to see the Model A Museum and the entire Gilmore Complex when you are in the area. Remember, that as a member of MAFFI, your admission is FREE! Just show your membership card at the museum entrance.

As always, thank you' for supporting MAFFI and the Model A Ford Museum.

Does Your Model A Club Have a MAFFI Liaison?

We are making an effort to reach out to each club that belongs to MAFFI to make sure you know what is going on within the organization. We are encouraging each club to appoint a MAFFI Liaison so we can get this information to you. If your club currently has a designated Liaison for MAFFI, we are excited to be working with them. If not, please consider appointing one at your next club meeting. If you are wondering what a MAFFI Liaison would do or want to be a MAFFI liaison, send their name, club affiliation and email address to:

Marsha Quesnel, clubcontact@maffi.org

Model A Day 2019 Seminars Volunteers Needed

by Louis Ironside

The Model A Day committee is actively searching for volunteers who would like to share their technical knowledge at Model A Day on September 21st of 2019. Seminars can be a hands-on demonstration in the Gilmore shop area, or a power point session in the Gilmore theatre. The seminars are usually 45 minutes in length, and allow another 15 minutes after the seminars for questions and answers. This is a chance to pass along your knowledge of the Model A Ford to other members. If you have any interest in helping MAFFI with a seminar, or have any questions, feel free to contact the Model A Day chairman Louis Ironside either by e-mail at LouisIronside@aol.com, or by phone at (810) 798-8803. Thank you in advance for your consideration of helping us at our yearly event at the Gilmore.

Model A Day 2019 — Hotel Information — The Four Points Sheraton is now a part of the Marriott Corporate group and they are ready to accept bookings for Model A Day 2019. The Four Points Sheraton is located at 3600 E Cork St. Court, Kalamazoo, Michigan Phone 269 385-3922.

This years' room rate is \$108 per night and does include their delicious buffet breakfast. The items on the breakfast buffet can change daily and the made to order omelets should continue on Thursday. Wednesday evening Brews and BBQ is a complimentary finger food buffet offered by the hotel management.

The direct link to make reservations: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1546963751806&key=GRP>

The block expires on August 18, 2019. The MAFFI web page will contain updates on Model A Day 2019 and you can book your room from a link contained on the site. If you have questions about bookings, please let me know.

Suzan O'Neale, oneale31@gmail.com or 540 748-0659

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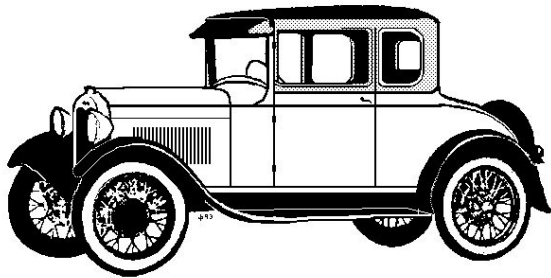
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| The Model A Story—1928 (33 minutes) | Highway Hangouts & Diners (90 minutes) |
| MAFFI Model A School Bus Program (14 minutes) | Model A Locks and Keys by Cal Allen (90 minutes) |
| Twenty Millionth, The Milestone Model A (42 minutes) | Forty Horses (30 minutes) |
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| Buckeye Bank Robbery by Dayton-Buckeye Model A Club (45 minutes) | |
| Around the World in Model "A" Fords (74 minutes) | |

Diablo A's Technical Seminar Videos

See MAFFI.org for the complete list of 43 DVD's for use by MAFFI members.