

Messages from the Museum President and Executive Director



Volkmer Donation Henrietta - 1929 Blindback



Thanks to the Grape Country A's! We've moved into a new offsite storage area.

The Quarterly Newsletter of the Model A Ford Museum

## THE 'A' PRESERVER

~ Enhancing the preservation of the Model A Ford and its Era ~





### **Message from the President, Jerry Morrissey:**

pring has arrived! Here in Michigan that means our Model A's will soon be back on the road for our touring season. Hopefully, all of our winter maintenance projects are nearing completion. Our local Club has an annual Safety Check which is good to have others review the condition of our cars.

The Model A Museum looks really good and I encourage all of you to make a visit in the near future. I am excited to announce that we are working with the Gilmore Car

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Museum to develop a short-term exhibit highlighting the Early Fords from 1903-1953. This will be on the second floor of the Campagnia (C) barn and should be in place around April 1st. This will give the Foundation some additional space to display our Model A collection and help to tell the story of how Fords developed before and after the Model A era.

The Board of Trustees has been busy planning for this years MODEL A DAYS (Plural). We will be having some great new events, which will be sure to make this the best Model A event at the Museum yet. Larry Shepard will be bringing out a "Barn Find" Model A that has not run in 40 years and hopes to get it running on Friday. Also, we will have our first ever Model A Driving School at the Gilmore. Friday evening will be a private party at the Air Zoo (airzoo.org) in Kalamazoo, which can include dinner there as well. Saturday's regular events will conclude with a relaxing barbecue on the Gilmore grounds. With all of these extra attractions to take in, we are implementing a registration for the event. Look for publicity on this in the near future and spread the word to attend!!

The Bus project is coming along. Special thanks to Ken Ehrenhofer and the barn crew for their hard work. Also, many thanks to all who have contributed funds to help make this happen. There is still a lot of work to finish the Bus and progress reports are posted periodically on the MARC Facebook page. They are now working on assemblies and putting together pieces, which means they are past the disassembly, rust and grime for the most part.

Let's hope that this year finds us all healthy and able to enjoy our old cars and the great people in the Model A community! *~Jerry* 

## A Featured Truck at Model A Days this September 16 & 17, 2022



Beautifully restored
Telephone Truck,
recently acquired by
the Model A Ford
Foundation, Inc.

### **Message from the Executive Director, John Marshall:**



embership numbers are remaining steady; we now have 322 Club Members and 1313 Family Members. Please tell your friends and fellow local club members about MAFFI and the Museum. Let them know that you do not have to own a Model A to be a member and help support the Museum, you just have to love Henry's Lady.

The current total of Museum Walkway Bricks stands at 1819. We still have room for more and bricks are a wonderful way to honor a current or past club member, relative or friend or just see your own name in stone! They are a permanent memorial, and their purchase helps to fund the Museum.

Unfortunately, we lost many Model A'ers and friends this past year. Memorial Certificates were issued to the families of the deceased and to the club or individual donors. The Memorials are now listed in the permanent Memorial Book located in the Showroom of the Museum and the MAFFI website for all to view. There were a few major donations this year. The Minuteman Model A Ford Club of Massachusetts made a large donation to the Museum Fund in honor of their longtime member and our past Executive Director, Art Callan. Bruce Howe of California, John & Nancy Firth of Oregon and Dianne Frazee all made major contributions to the Museum in memory of John Frazee, Past MAFCA President and longtime devoted Model A hobbyist. Charles Bartlett of Michigan made a major donation to the Endowment Fund, Tim & Cheri DeBruicker of Indiana and Ray Millette of Enfield Auto Restorations in Connecticut made major contributions to the Bus Restoration Project and an anonymous donor made a considerable donation to the Museum Fund. We thank you all for your continued support of MAFFI and the Museum. All of your generous donations, no matter how large or small, are what make the Museum the showpiece destination it has become. It is truly *your* museum.

Model A Day at the Museum was again a great success. We signed up more than one hundred new MAFFI members and the ALL MODEL A SWAP MEET was better than ever! Four more individuals were added to the Model A Hall of Fame including our Past President, Stan Johnson and the featured vehicles at last year's event were First Responder vehicles including fire trucks, a Police Patrol Wagon, police car, ambulance, and tow truck. It is not too soon to start making plans for Model A Day 2022 on September 16th AND 17th, our first 2-

day event! It is an exciting time to visit the Museum, renew friendships and see what unique Model A vehicles will be featured at this years' event.

MAFFI memberships expire in May. For those of you whose memberships expire in May 2022, it is not too early to send your renewal dues in now. Your membership will be extended to May 2023. It will save us the expense of sending out renewal reminders and ensures you continue to receive the "A Preserver" and unlimited free admission to the Gilmore and YOUR Model A Museum!

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

### **MAFFI Mission Statement**



The Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. seeks to preserve Model A Fords and related memorabilia, encourage research, and educate present and future generations.

### **Publishers Statement**

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### **Museum Membership & Contributions**

embers play a critical role in helping care for the Model A Ford Museum and enjoy unlimited free admission and other benefits. Consider becoming a member to support the Model A Ford Museum. With each membership, access to the Gilmore Car Museum is included! The Gilmore is the home of the Model A Ford Museum and the membership allows 2 family adult admissions (married couple or parent and adult child) to the entire Gilmore Car Museum Campus. New Members from 16 Nov 2021 thru 22 Feb 2022:

### Lifetime

Gene & Joyce Yoder, Sturgis, MI Ted Selle, Turner, MI Greg & Patricia Fish, Jackson, MI Robert & Elaine May, Decatur, MI

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Diane Zuidema, Homer Glen, IL Lora L. Rossi, Home Glen, IL Bruce Meyers, Mokena, IL Paul L. Christianson, Rockledge, FL Mark Wright, Raleigh, NC Andrew Morse, Berkley, MI Pogy & Kathy Pogany, Norwalk, CT Barney Hixson, Hixson, TN Cindy Omoth, Santa Rosa, CA

### Memorials from 16 Nov 2021 thru 31 Dec 2021 - Bricks

The Diablo A's in memory of Alicia R. Watson
The Central Kentucky Region MARC in memory of Nancy Swisher
The Central Kentucky Region MARC in memory of Kathy Queen
The Gold Coast Region MARC in memory of Patricia Kipp
Fairfield County Model A Club in memory of Lenny Mercurio

### Monetary Memorial Donations 1 Jan 2022 thru 22 Feb 2022

The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Mike Tobiasson The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Mark Manzanares The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Mary Heppting The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Joyce Laaker The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Rich Kellogg The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Betty Haight

The Model A Ford Club of Colorado in memory of Bob Peiffer

The Columbus Indiana Region, MARC in memory of Richard Herbert

John Poletto in memory of Hearold Montgomery

Doug & Nan Linden in memory of Ed Hunt Jr.

Doug & Nan Linden in memory of Dan Foulk

The Evergreen Chapter MAFCA in memory of Gary DuPen

The Bakersfield Chapter MAFCA in memory of Dan Foulk

Ralph Wirebaugh in memory of DeWitt Clinton "Bud" Crepps

Anne & John Crepps in memory of Lecil Alexander

The Colorado Model A Ford Club in memory of Ruth Hardman

Stephen & Judy Hamilton in memory of Gary DuPen

James Brand in memory of Tim Kelly

Harry Hirschensohn in honor of Steve Kurtz's birthday

Modesto Area A's in memory of Paul Curtis

Modesto Area A's in memory of Leroy Stanton

Modesto Area A's in memory of Gail Waters

### Memorials from 1 Jan 2022 thru 22 Feb 2022 - Bricks

The Fairfield County Model A Club in honor of Lenny Mercurio

Mark Smith in honor of the 2021 MAFCA National Tour Committee

Rev. Dave Chase in memory of Rowell Chase

Mary Anne Stergion in honor of George Stergion

Gary Ford in honor of Bill Haag, Larry Reynolds and Gary Ford

The Sonoma A's Chapter, MAFCA in honor of Rich Zell

Ed & Susan MacDonald

Joseph S. Ewanowski

The 1st Coast Model A Club in memory of B.J. Cannon

The Central Kentucky Region MARC in memory of Dottie Loiselle

The Central Kentucky Region MARC in memory of Virginia Martin

The Conejo Valley Model A Ford Club in memory of Walter Ogden

The A'Corn A's in memory of Virginia Boling

The A'Corn A's in memory of Jack Trowbridge

The A'Corn A's in memory of Kay Crosby

The A'Corn A's in memory of Jimmy Correia

C.N. Butch Artzer in honor of Joshua Mabry

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David & Jo Lynne Johnson in memory of Aldie E. Johnson

The Cabriolet Club in memory of Dale Krull

The Cabriolet Club in memory of Bill Tipton, Sr.

The Mohican Model A Club in memory of Michael O. Polacelli

The Minuteman Model A Ford Club in memory of William Minear

The Minuteman Model A Ford Club in memory of Doris Ferguson

The Minuteman Model A Ford Club in memory of Rose Champagne

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The Minuteman Model A Ford Club in memory of Gail Barrera

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The Minuteman Model A Ford Club in memory of George Stokinger

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Henry's Lady Chapter, MAFCA in memory of Adeline J. Addison

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Lenny & Peg Michalak in memory of John Jacobson

The Evergreen Chapter, MAFCA in memory of George Kaitis

The Salt Creek Chapter, MAFCA in memory of Lou George

The Salt Creek Chapter, MAFCA in memory of Terri Karls

The Fox Valley Region, MARC in memory of Donald J. Ohlinger

Jerry & Nell Mathern in memory of John Frazee
The Palm Beach Model A's in memory of Bill Kennebeck
Bruce Howe in memory of John Frazee
Dianne Frazee in memory of John C. Frazee
John & Nancy Firth in memory of John Frazee
Henry's Lady Chapter, MAFCA in memory of John Frazee
John & Happy Begg in memory of John Frazee
The Lone Star Model A Ford Club in memory of John Sullivan
The Lone Star Model A Ford Club in memory of Paul Ranney
The Lone Star Model A Ford Club in memory of Max Phillips



# 2022 Model A Days Fashion seminar will be given by Melanie Whittington

### Saturday, September 17, in the Gilmore Theater

@ 9:15am

Melanie has been a member of MAFCA & MARC for over 10 years. She is in her second term on the MAFCA Era Fashion Committee. She is an administrator on the MAFCA Facebook page and the MAFCA Era Fashion Committee Facebook page. She enjoys researching different time periods & has been recreating vintage fashion for nearly 30 years.

Don't miss her seminar, "Looking great in the great outdoors!"

## Go to <u>www.maffi.org</u> for more information regarding 2022 Model A Days, September 16 & 17!

Support the MODEL "A" MUSEUM with a lifelong tribute BRICK ORDER FORM - \$150 per BRICK 3 line message-20 Characters/line including spaces & punctuation 17 Characters for CAPITAL LETTERS

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### 2022 Model A Days Information

www.maffi.org

- When and where are Model A Days? Model A Days are Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at The Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan.
- What is this year's theme? This year, the theme is "Model A Trucks". This includes trucks of all types such as Panel Deliveries, Stake Beds, Deluxe Deliveries, Pickups, etc.
- Why is the event two days this year? Our event has grown to such a degree, two days are needed to experience all Model A activities and the other museums.
- What is the cost for admission? \$16 per day per person for adults. Two-day passes are \$28 per person during Model A Days. MAFFI Museum members get in free of charge. You can join the MAFFI Museum now or during MADs for a \$25 yearly membership that allows Gilmore grounds admission for two people each day. Go to maffi.org to join.
- Can I drive my Model A onto The Gilmore grounds? Yes. What is the cost? There is no cost for MAFFI Museum members. Non MAFFI Museum members will be required to pay the normal cost of admission as stated above. A \$10 donation is suggested.
- **Where can I stay?** The Delta Hotel (Host Hotel) has the largest block of rooms reserved for our event. Hotel information is listed on the <u>MAFFI</u> website.
- **Do I make my own hotel reservations?** Yes. **How?** Contact the hotel of your choice directly and let them know you are with The Model A Museum event. You will receive our lower negotiated rates. Contact Suzan O'Neale for hotel reservation questions <u>oneale31@gmail.com</u> or (540) 748-0659. Hotel reservations and cancellations must be handled directly with the hotel, and cannot be handled by the MAFFI Museum.
- Why not The Four Points Hotel as in the past? The Four Points Hotel is the host hotel for another event that weekend.
- **How do I register?** Go to tinyurl.com/Model-A-Days. The prompts will lead you through the process. For questions, contact Katie Herrick <u>katiehcpa@gmail.com</u> or (615) 604-7423.
- Why do I need to register? Registration is needed to secure reservations for our special optional events at The Air Zoo, the Saturday night BBQ at The Gilmore, and "Learn to drive a Model A Class".
- What is The Air Zoo? We have a special private event that will be closed to the general public. The Air Zoo event is on the agenda for Friday. The Air Zoo is an airplane and air science museum in Kalamazoo. More info can be found online, airzoo.org.
- Can I get my special optional event money refunded if I have to cancel my trip? Yes, if cancelled by September 1<sup>st</sup> for the Air Zoo and/or Saturday night BBQ and/or the Learn to Drive a Model A class. Contact Katie Herrick katiehcpa@gmail.com or (615) 604-7423 for cancellations.
- What happens if I don't register for the special events but later decide I want to attend The Air Zoo and/or BBQ and/or Learn to Drive a Model A class? Registration is required in advance, before September 1<sup>st</sup> to secure the required amount of food and logistics for each event.
- How can I get questions answered during Model A Days? Ask any volunteer wearing a neon vest. Or contact John Begg, Model A Days Chairman, (803) 727-4392 or <a href="mailto:jwbegg@gmail.com">jwbegg@gmail.com</a>, at any time.

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## 2022 Model A Days Technical Seminars Saturday, September 17

**Venue: Garage Works Building** 

"The Working Mans Vehicle" by Jordon Beller

"Model A Pop-Outs, Keys & Locks" by Howard Denker

"The Manufacturing of Ford Wood for the Model A" by Harold Comstock from Classic Wood



### Does Your Model A Club Have a MAFFI Liaison?

e 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 Liaison so we can get this information to you. If your club currently has a designated Liaison, we are excited to be working with them. If not, please consider appointing one at your next club meeting. Please send their name, club affiliation and email address to:

### Museum Membership dues now payable online

You can now renew your membership using secure PayPal on the Museum website. This is another way you can help better utilize funding in the operation of your Model A Museum.

Click here to pay online

### **Editor's Note:**

pring has arrived in Michigan and it's time to start making your plans to visit your Museum! Model A Days will be here before you know it. The Board of Trustees have answered the call to expand our annual event into two days. As always, it will be over the third weekend in September. More details to come.

Please, consider making a donation to the Museum or Endowment Funds. All donations are tax deductible, and every donation goes directly to the museum and ensure its existence for future generations to enjoy. ~Happy Begg

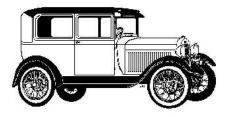
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