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Club dues were due Oct. 1st! Have you paid yours? Please read the follow-up on page 3.

November Refreshments



- Wanda Steffens
- Nancy Reeves
- Hazel Roberts
- JoAnn Bruce
- Ruth Anne Praeger

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Club Tours & Meeting Schedule

November 2009

23.....Club Meeting at Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th N.....7:00 PM
Program: Charity Auction



December 2009

5.....Ladies Christmas Brunch.....Graham, Praeger, Kottas
12.....Christmas Party.....McLaughlin, Guinty, Kottas
NO CLUB MEETING IN DECEMBER



January 2010

1.....New Years Day Model A Tour.....Grabendikes
6.....Newsletter Deadline.....editor@wichitaas.com.....
28.....Club Meeting at Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th N.....7:00 PM
Program: Swap Meet Planning



February 2010

5-6.....Sunflower Swap Meet, Kansas Coliseum.....Wichita, KS
Program: 2010 Tour Planning

Wichita A's Club Minutes

The 273rd Wichita A's meeting was called to order by **Jim Broadhead** Vice President on October 26, 2009 with 97 members present.

Guest present was **Bobby Watson**. Club member **Robert Mowat** introduced his wife, **Cindy**, to the club.

Motion made by **Wayne Orr** to accept the minutes as printed in the Rumbleseat Review. It was seconded by **Eric Broadhead**. Motion passed.

Treasurer **Bert Courtright** gave the financial report with income and expenses.

Sunshine Lady **Bonita Graham** reported the passing of **Carol Allen's** mother and **Jim Clark's** brother.

Correspondence was given by **Jim Broadhead**. He stated there are various flyers available on table and order forms for the book, "Model A Ford Advertising".

Doug Schoemaker was not present for Wichita Area Club Council report.

Kerry Steffens reported no news for MARC and MAFCA.

Old business reports were given about Fords Day, Derby Historical Tour and Men's Tour.

New business reports covered the NW Oklahoma State University Home Coming Parade and the Arkalalah Parade. Members were reminded to sign up for the Ladies Christmas Brunch and Club Christmas Party. We were reminded the November meeting is the Annual Charity Auction. **Ray Harshfield** announced he had signup sheets for the Car Barn positions during the Swap Meet. **Frank Chenoweth** gave his latest

update report regarding the Swap Meet.

Refreshments hostesses were **Judy Hill, Joyce Guinty, Donna Hileman, Vicki Hildibrand** and **Linda Boivin**.

Program was presented by **Jim Broadhead** on "The Flasher".

Meeting then adjourned.

President's Note

As we start another holiday season it is common to think of friends, family and loved ones that are important to us. It is also important to think of those who are less fortunate than us. Given the current state of affairs in our country it may be more important than ever. At the November meeting we will once again be having our annual charity auction. I encourage members to bring items to sell as well as plenty of money to buy items. As has become our custom I will have my truck in front of the building and will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food for the Kansas Food Bank.

I also need three volunteers to select charities to donate the proceeds of the charity auction to. I will be calling for the volunteers during the business portion of the meeting so if you are interested in helping out make sure to have a charity in mind at that time.

I am looking forward to the charity auction and upcoming holiday season.

Ed Giesen, President

P.S. **Don't forget** the swap meet is coming soon and we need volunteers now.



From Your Tour Director

Our tour planning meeting is in February. Our goal this year is to have at least four over night Model A tours this year. I have several destinations in mind and all I need is some willing leaders. Plenty of assistance is available.

Richard Kibbe

tourchair@wichitaas.com

Announcements

December 2009 Birthdays

2	Jim Broadhead
5	Ruth Anne Praeger
7	Doris Gosch
9	Luke Headly
12	Joyce Moore
13	Eric Baggs
13	Sharon Chansler
13	Deanie Hancock
14	Pat Hammar
14	David A. Moore
15	Al Hildebrand
15	Dave Laurie
15	Nor Masters
17	Darcy Beaver
17	Ken Broadhead
18	Kerry Steffens
19	Megan Stone
19	Socorro Wade
20	Jadenna Brown
21	Harry Lee
21	Don McLaughlin
22	Eilene Cox
23	Norm Hall
25	Gary Kirk
26	Glorinda Shearer
28	Don Setser
29	Paul Chansler
29	Clarence Frazier
31	Bill Bowman
31	Mark Newman

January 2010 Birthdays

1	Chris Cushman
3	Ed Gibson
5	Brigitte Baggs
7	Lynda Cushman
8	Otto Praeger
9	Randy Frazer
10	Florence Titus
12	Carroll Eastin
14	Dwayne Green
15	Carl Brandt
18	Grace Brooks
19	Virginia Voth
24	Tim Klingenberg
27	Phyllis Madden
28	Lylia Clark
30	Connie Craft
31	Roy Goates

Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to **Jim & Lylia Clark** for the loss of his brother.

Our deepest sympathy to **Marvin & Deb Hamlin** for the loss of his father.

Thank You

Dear Model A Friends,
Thank you for the cards of sympathy after my mother's death.

Carol Allen

Dear Wichita Model "A" Club,
Deb and I would like to sincerely thank all our Model "A" friends for all their cards, thoughts and prayers for the loss of Marvin's father. Dad loved his Model "A" Ford and took great pride in keeping it in top running condition and driving it to coffee each morning in Winfield.

Happy tr"A"ils!

Marvin & Deb Hamlin

I would like to thank everyone for the cards and those who attended the services for my brother. He was a great guy and will be missed.

Thanks again.

Jim & Lylia Clark

Dear Wichita A's
Thank you for the flowers and cards. My surgery went well and I should be getting around fine in a few weeks.

Jim Broadhead



Wanted

WANTED: Six good used (600 x 20) tires for my 1930 Model "A" Ford AA truck project. Please call **Marvin Hamlin** at Thanks!

WANTED: 1932 Ford 2 door Drivers door (any condition), Cowl, front axel assembly, and Misc. Parts car? What do you have? **Bill Yardley**

.....or

Thank you!

DUES WERE DUE OCTOBER 1 - HAVE YOU PAID YOURS??

About 25% of the Club Members have not paid their 2010 dues. As of January 1, 2010 your names / addresses will be removed from the Club Mailing Lists. To pay your dues, send them to: Wichita A's, PO Box 25, Wichita KS 67201.

If you are in doubt whether you have paid or not, contact Susan Stone, Membership Chairman.



January 2010 Refreshments

Dennis Anderson
Eilene Cox
Lenette Kottas
June Hall
Kathleen Paxton

February 2010 Refreshments

Vinita Hawthorne
Nancy Slater
Sue Robare
Claudia Ellerman
Dawna Ruggles

Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday - January 6, 2010

Future Activities and Tours

Charity Auction

November 23, 2009

The Charity Auction will be held as the program, following the club meeting. Now is the time to check around your house and garage to find things you want to donate.

Also bring non-perishable canned or boxed foods to the meeting and **Ed Giesen** will transport it to the Kansas Food Bank.



Club Christmas Party

December 12, 2009

The party will be held in the 3rd floor banquet room of the Museum of World Treasures, located at 835 E 1st street in Wichita, Ks. It will begin at 6 PM and we will have dinner and entertainment.

Those that want to go through the museum may do so after the party.

The cost is \$10.00 per member and \$25.00 for guests or non members. There will be sign up sheets at the Nov meeting.

Any questions may be addressed to **Lawrence & Lenette Kottas** at, **Charlie & Joyce Guinty** at or after Nov 4th, **Steve & Jane McLaughlin** at



Happy New Year

January 1st will be the first Model A driving tour for 2010. To start the tour we will have breakfast at the Broadview Hotel, (Douglas & Waco). Following breakfast, we will have a tour of Wichita. The length of the tour and location will be determined by the weather.

Most important you will have the satisfaction of saying "I drove my 'A'" on the first day of the year.

Breakfast will be served at 10:00 am

Cost will be \$6.00 per person for members and \$15.00 for guests.

Please phone your reservations to:

Don Grabendike by December 25.



Grabendikes are leading another tour on the first day of the new year.. Read all about it!

MAFCA 2009 Membership Meeting

December 2nd to December 5th, 2009 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Come join your fellow MAFCA members in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and experience the wonderful social and educational attractions our great city has to offer. Visit the brand new Harley Davidson Museum, the world renowned Milwaukee Art Museum, and dine at one of our great German Restaurants prior to attending the classic play, A Christmas Carol, performed at the 1927 restored Pabst Theater. Meet the new 2010 MAFCA Board of Directors, and renew and establish new friendships with MAFCA members from around the world.

See your July/August issue of the Restorer for complete details, or visit www.MAFCA.com for more information.

Gary Zehren, Chairperson

Past Tours and Events

Men's Tour

Led by Tom Ruggles & Chris Cushman



This tour has come and gone and I think everyone who attended had a great time. We had a total of 26 participating, with 8 pickups, 1 AA truck and 16 cars. We checked out the junk yard in Yates Center, Kansas, had lunch and went to Iola, Kansas to Model T Haven owned and operated by **Mark Frymiller**.

Don't let the name Model T fool you, he has everything. In the beginning **Mark** and **Clarence Howland** had an agreement that **Mark** would sell Model T's and parts and **Clarence** would sell Model A's. **Clarence** has now decided to let **Mark** do it all. **Mark** is constantly up dating his inventory. He has acres and acres of rust and some things with no rust.

Several of our group made purchases and the prices were reasonable. **Tom Ruggles** even found an EMF wrench and several other goodies.

That evening there were several tailgate parties in the parking lot of the Best Western in Iola, where we stayed. We had a fabulous dinner and enjoyed good fellowship. We were also pleased that Mark and his family were able to join us for dinner. We all retired early for the drive home on Sunday.

Tom and I thank all who joined us.

Chris Cushman



Charlie Sill took a growth hormone before leaving on this tour. He is not disclosing the product's name.



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2010 National and Regional Meets



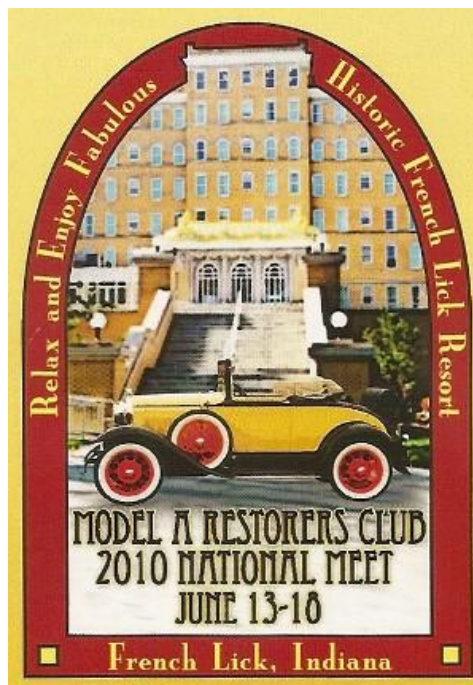
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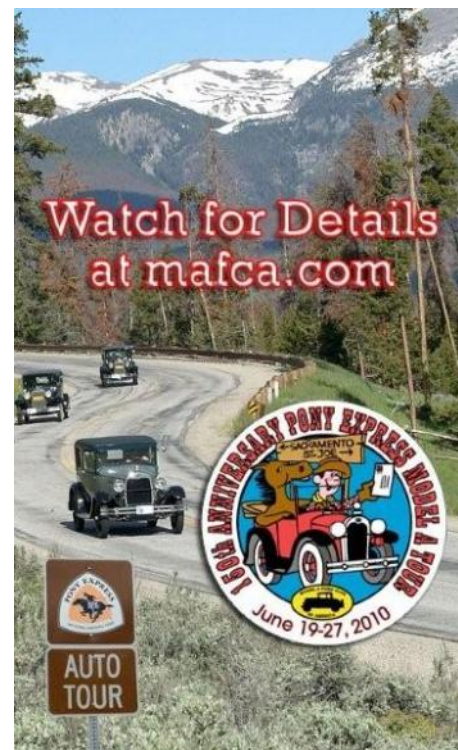


August 1-6, 2010

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Men's Tour - continue:



Chenoweth's Anniversary Trip



Frank and Peggy Chenoweth's 50th anniversary is this year. They wanted to do something special but really weren't interested in the usual party with reception and punch. Early in the year, the MODEL A NEWS arrived one day and they noticed that the 2009 MARC NATIONAL TOUR was to be held in late September in Charlottesville, Virginia. Then the week after The NE REGIONAL MEET, was to be held in Laconia, New Hampshire.

They immediately began planning a Model A trip, attend both meets, take in the fall foliage and visit friends in New York and Ohio on the return trip.

After driving over 1000 miles on club tours to, Ok in May and the KC trip in August they were sure that the car was road ready.

They departed Clearwater early on Sept. 15th and the odometer rolled over 50,000 miles that first day, which was a good omen they thought for a 50th anniversary trip.



They averaged just over 300 miles a day through Missouri and Western Kentucky. Then, on day 4 the mountains slowed them down considerably with all of the sharp turns, second gear up and down. They had been across KY many times but not at this speed and really enjoyed the scenery and took many pictures.



The only mishap so far was a lost gas cap. **Frank** laid it on the running board while refueling and didn't miss it for 100 miles. He jerry-rigged a water bottle over the opening and taped it on with duct tape. He then called Brattons' in Maryland and they promised to have a gas cap waiting for him when he arrived at the meet.

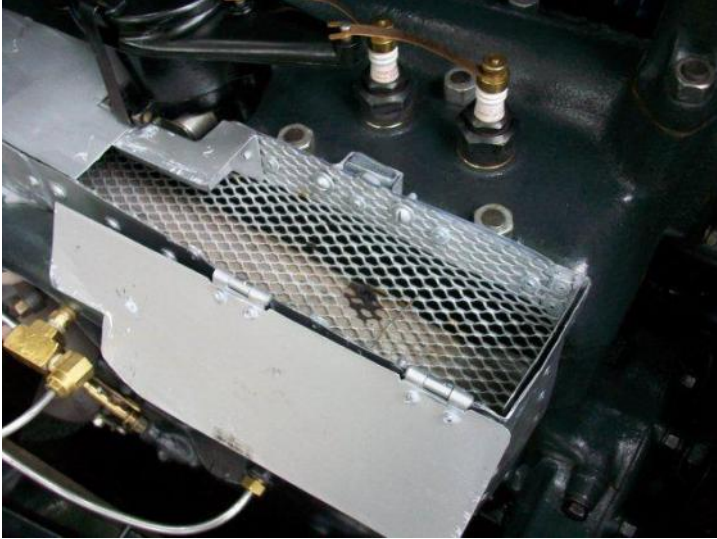
Day 5, they arrived in Virginia as planned, and observed a "Peggy FRANK" political sign, which was the second good omen that they had encountered. Sure enough the gas cap was waiting for them in Charlottesville.



They slept in the next morning, changed oil, greased the car and checked into the meet. There were about 260 registrations and some really neat cars.

Day 7, the meet activities began. They visited Monticello, the Michie Tavern and in the evening went to a drive-in movie, Thunder Road, starring Robert Mitchum. 90% of the cars at the movie were Model A's.

They visited the campus of the University of Virginia and its really old buildings. Then there was the manifold cooking contest which was fun but not taken very seriously.



They did blow a manifold gasket and a couple of guys at dinner offered to help change it, one of them had a gasket and it took about an hour to complete the task.

After 5 days in Virginia, great weather, great food and friendly people they headed north. They visited Montpelier, (James Madison's home) and found it very humbling to stand in the room where the Constitution of the United States was drafted. **Frank** thinks that he learned more history in these few days than in all of his school studies.

On day 10 they traveled in Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania which was all mountains and hills. Day 11 and 12 in New Hampshire, great place to spend International Model A day. Great Model A roads, up/down, beautiful foliage and visiting the Castle in the Clouds. Good music, good fun, great day.

Day 13 they decided to head west since it was raining. Beautiful drive through Vermont and New York even though it rained all day, stayed the night in Saratoga, NY. Found slow going in NY with all the hills, small towns and beautiful farmsteads. They stopped to see Oklahoma friends in their summer cottage on Lake Erie. It was here that **Frank** noticed a strange noise in the engine. **Frank** and his friend diagnosed a loose timing gear, and after using a "Phone a friend" option they were able to tighten it up and get back on the road.

Next they visited friends in Cleveland where they had lived for 8 years before coming to Wichita. Then a side trip to Battle Creek, Michigan to visit a cousin that they hadn't seen in 40 years.



Leaving Michigan they visited the Fair Oaks Farms in Indiana where they milk 32,000 cows a day and 80 calves are born each day; quite an experience for a guy who had grown up on a single family farm in Okla.

Next day in St Louis they visited a 97 year old friend of **Frank's** parents who lived next door to them when **Frank** was born.

It was good to see the entering Kansas sign, see the beautiful Flint Hills and see the Braums store in Eldorado. Glad to be home.

Trip Statistics: 23 days, 4607 miles, 14 states, 271 gallons gas, 3 oil changes, 1 gallon Marvel Mystery Oil. Two Longest Distance Travel awards in 4 days.

Overall the Model A performed outstandingly. No water was added and only 1 quart of oil in the mountains.

Trip as reported to **Roger Graham**.

Tech Talk



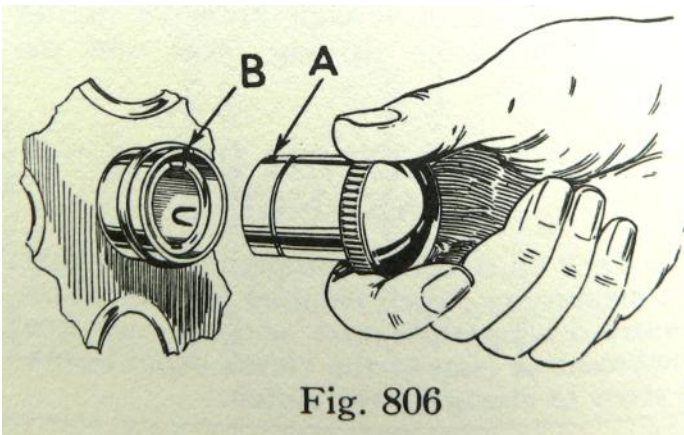
Instrument Panel Light Cap

More instrument panel lamp assemblies are damaged through improper removal and installation of the cap, than from any other source.

Many owners and mechanics use a twisting movement when removing or installing the cap. This invariably results in damage to the assembly.

To remove the instrument panel light cap, first turn on the instrument panel light, then pull the cap straight backward. To install, turn on the light, then line up the small depression in the cap (see “A,” Fig. 806) with notch “B” in cap body and push cap straight in.

Turning on the light, lines up the tongue or groove inside of the lamp assembly with the notch in the cap body and permits easy removal or installation of the cap.



Copied from Model A Ford Complete Service Bulletins, page 166

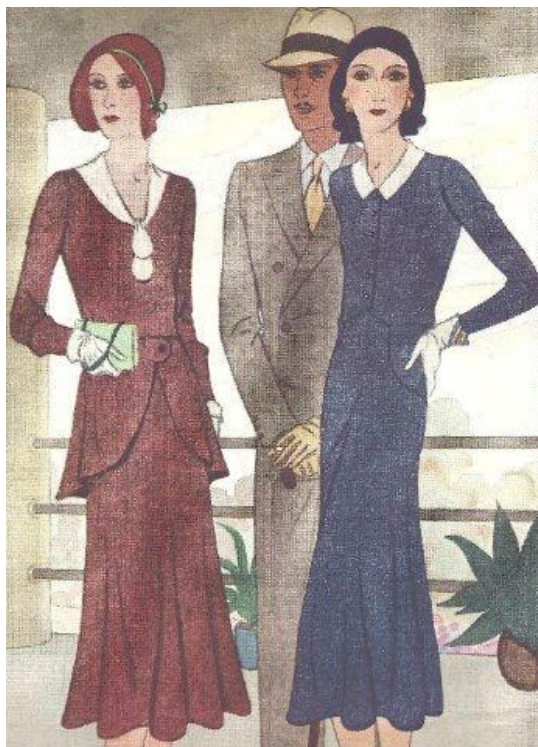
2009 - 2010 Swap Meet Schedule

February 5-6, 2010.....	Sunflower Swap Meet.....	.....Wichita, KS
March 18-19, 2010.....	Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet.....	.....Chickasha, OK
April 29 - May 2, 2010.....	Pate Swap Meet.....	.....Fort Worth, TX
June 15-19, 2010.....	Petit Jean Show and Swap Meet.....	.....Morrlilton, AR
July 3-11, 2010.....	Iola Old Car Show & Swap Meet.....	.....Iola, WI
October 6-9, 2010.....	Hershey Swap Meet.....	.....Hershey, PA
October 15-17, 2010.....	Chickasha Antique Auto Club Swap Meet.....	.....Chickasha, OK

2009 - 2012 Future Regional & National Model A Meets

December 3-5, 2009.....	MAFCA Annual Membership Meeting.....	.....Waukesha, WI
April 9-11, 2010.....	MARC Membership Meet, Sycamore A Region.....	.....Terre Haute, IN
June 7-11, 2010.....	Meadowlark A’s Regional Meet.....	.....Omaha, NE
June 9-13, 2010.....	Texas Tour - Fort Worth Model A Ford Club.....	.....Granbury, TX
June 14-18, 2010.....	MARC National Meet, .....	.....French Lick, IN
June 19-27, 2010.....	150th Anniversary Pony Express Model A Tour.....	St. Joseph, MO- Sacramento, CA
August 1-6, 2010.....	MAFCA International Meet.....	.....Vancouver, BC, Canada,
December 8-11, 2010.....	MAFCA Annual Membership Meeting.....	.....Colorado Springs, CO
June 5-11, 2011.....	Plain Ol’ A’s Regional Meet.....	.....Kansas City, KS
2012.....	Central Iowa Regional Meet.....Des Moines, IA

Era Fashions - Perfect Lines in Autumn Tailleurs



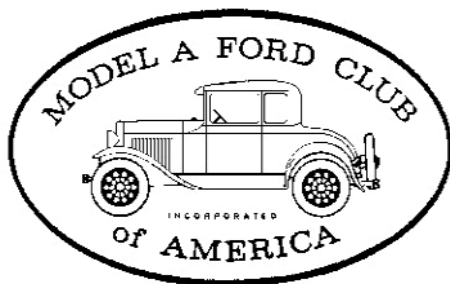
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6236

No. 6242. A peplum smartly breaks the simple lines of a tailored frock. The lingerie collar is finished with two rounded tabs forming a petal jabot.

No. 6236. Flattering slenderness is produced in a princess frock by the cut of the skirt, joined to the top in a line that is low in back and high in front.

Copied from September 1930 issue of McCall's Magazine, page 96.



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