

# NOMAC NEWS

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The NORTHERN OHIO MODEL "A" CLUB is a Region of the [Model "A" Restorers Club \(MARC\)](#) and a Chapter of the [Model "A" Ford Club of America \(MAFCA\)](#).

The NOMAC is a family oriented technical club, founded to share restoration and repair knowledge and experience among its members. We show our cars and drive them as well. Several NOMAC members have written extensively on various aspects of restoration. The club maintains a collection of special tools for the Model A, which are available to all members. NOMAC meets once per month in suburban Cleveland, Ohio. The focus of each meeting is a technical seminar, in which an experienced member or a guest speaker presents a how-to demonstration of some phase of Model "A" Ford restoration or repair. Meeting announcements and club news are contained in its monthly newsletter.

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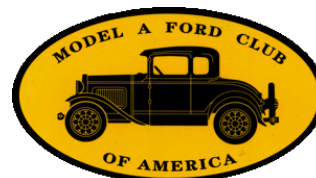
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## Technical Sessions Scheduled

January	Electrical
TBD	Brakes
TBD	Rear End

## 2019 NOMAC Monthly Meetings and Events

January 21	NOMAC Meeting
February 16	Crawford Auto Museum Tour
February 18	NOMAC Meeting
March 14-17	Piston and Power Show
March 18	NOMAC Meeting
April 15	NOMAC Meeting
TBD	Amish Tour
May 20	NOMAC Meeting
June 18	NOMAC Meeting
July 13	Model T Club Cookout
July 15	NOMAC Meeting
TBD	Summer Picnic
August 19	NOMAC Meeting
TBD	National Model A Day
September 16	NOMAC Meeting
October 21	NOMAC Meeting
November 18	NOMAC Meeting
December 16	NOMAC Meeting

## Madden's Muffler – Puffing out Model A Thoughts

Ahhhhhhh! It's already February and my car is nowhere near being ready for the Piston and Power Show! It has definitely been a struggle to be able to work on it in the barn that I have it in this year. It's not located at my house, no heat, no electricity and since it basically gets dark at noon in the winter, that doesn't give me a big window to work on it. I was able to rebuild the carb, got it back installed and.....the car fired right up! The ole Vicky started as easy as my daily driver! But unfortunately then it started leaking gas. It was still running, but definitely leaking quite a bit of gas. It looked like it was coming out of the drain plug in the bottom. I took the carb back off and checked/readjusted the float, drain plug, main jet, etc. Everything appears (to this layman's eye) to be how it should. I haven't had a chance to reinstall yet and see if I somehow fixed it. Hopefully it will be ok now! Definitely getting nervous about having the car ready for the show. But in the end, I don't know why I'm nervous, it's just a fun event win, lose or draw!

By the way, these events don't just happen. A lot of planning and work outside of the monthly meetings happen in order for us to have a great time. Ken, as usual, is the ring leader for the event, but I know Grant, Steve, Bill and Jerry have been instrumental in getting the stanchions completed for our MLB All-Star Game theme. I tip my hat to you gentlemen. Thank you!

As we are now officially in 2019 and nearing driving season, I have already turned my thoughts to warm weather and driving the car. I know others will have tours planned, but I'm thinking of planning my first tour for us this year. I want to do some more research on "Model A" roads in the area before I get too excited. More to come! If you have attended an interesting location, building, etc. and think the club would like it, please mention it – or if you want to set up a tour, let us know when and where to be!

Take care and I hope to see you at the Gilmore Museum this Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>!

-Josh

P.S. I will have updated rosters for distribution shortly!



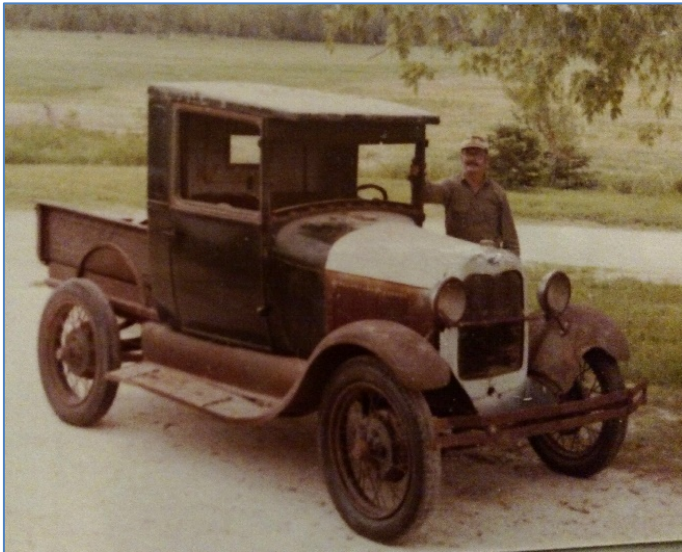
## "A" thought from Bill

Debbie and I were able to make our way to Florida and happily I write this while sitting outside with beautiful 75 degree and sunny weather. Debbie is feeling much better and so far, all is well. Today is also my birthday so I've been thinking about my Model A Pickup that was built sometime after the engine stamp date of February 24, 1930. By the time I was born the truck was nearly 26 years old and, in all likelihood, cast to the side and considered used up. From accounts of Dave and Paul, the sons of the owner prior to me, they remember the truck sitting under a shed roof not far from their family farm during their childhood. In 1975 their father, Bob, acquired the truck because he wanted to drive in the Pickford, Michigan Bi-centennial parade in 1976. With some cleaning, wrenching, sanding and painting he had a vehicle drivable for the parade. After the parade, the sons would on occasion get the truck started and drive the dirt roads surrounding their parent's farm. Those events became less and less frequent and eventually the truck just sat in their barn. In 2011, Bob died and Dave and Paul decided it was best to sell the truck and give the money to their mother. Both sons had moved south to the Grand Rapids area and I saw the truck advertised on Grand Rapids Craigslist. Dave saw the truck as one of their father's pride and joy projects and it was almost like an interview process to ensure him that it would be restored and not cut up to be a hot rod. After several months of e-mail correspondence, we finally worked out a time that I could go to the Upper Peninsula to look at the truck. I put my trailer behind my truck and on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2012, I pulled into their farm in Pickford, MI. The truck was not in the parade condition I had envisioned – in fact it was obvious that it had earned a living as a hard-working farm truck. All the body panels were dented, the side windows broken out, no rear brake linkage, four rotten tires and the list went on. My gut said to walk away from it, but son Paul calmly said, "You are not leaving without this truck". He made me an offer I couldn't refuse and we pulled it onto the trailer using an old Ford 8N tractor. I spent the next 5 years restoring the truck and this past summer took it to Model A day at the Gilmore Museum. Being a short drive from Grand Rapids, I invited Dave and Paul to drive to the Gilmore to see what had become of their dad's truck. We had a great visit and I enjoyed learning what they knew about the history of the truck. It was cool to get firsthand knowledge of almost 60 years of this truck's history.

We will be heading north in time for the Piston Power Show and I know that Ken is working hard to get the finishing touches on the 1935 All Star Game theme. Set up days for the show are Wednesday, March 13 and Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. I would like to invite all members, even if they are not displaying a car, to come during set-up time. You can come in thru the exhibitor door for free and lend a hand in setting up or just to look around. We rotate who goes to the show each year so you can get a feel for how it works in case you want to display your car next year.

Also, Vice President Jamie Holzheimer will be conducting the meeting on Monday in my absence. I would like to thank him in advance for doing this for me.

Hope to see you at the IX Center! -Bill



1975 photo of Bill's truck w/  
previous owner Bob



1976 photo of Bob and Wife  
before Bi-Centennial Parade

## Upcoming Events

- February 16 – Crawford Auto Museum Tour
- February 18 – NOMAC Meeting – Walton Hills Community Center
- March 14-17 – Piston and Power Show – IX Center

## January NOMAC Meeting Minutes

January minutes are abbreviated, as the club met at Certified Auto Electric for an overview on various electrical components including 6V to 12V.

### January 21, 2019 NOMAC Meeting Minutes

Meeting Started at 7:01 PM

Location: Certified Auto Electric

Members Present – 13 members, 5 guests

- Began with introductions
- Review of previous months minutes – None printed as there was no December business meeting
- Treasurer's Report – Jon Peterson discussed the P&L Statement and moving the club's funds to Fifth Third Bank.
  - Balance as of 12/31/18 – \$7641.26
- Piston and Power Show
  - Ken is finalizing club display
  - All members are welcome to come visit the display!
    - Just because you don't have a car, you can still come!
- New Business
  - Crawford Museum Tour – 2/16 from 1-4pm
  - Working with Ron Becker to visit the Crawford facility in Macedonia
    - More to come, but this could be fun!
- CAE presented a demonstration on electrical systems and components
- Meeting Adjourned at 8:45

## Model A Tip

### Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

#### Oil vs. Grease -- What's the Difference?

We pour oil into the engine, transmission, differential and steering gear box. We use grease on the chassis, in all the "grease fittings, and we pack our wheel bearings with grease. Have you ever wondered what the difference is between these two? I have.

Oil is a slippery liquid at room temperature that provides a film between parts that are sliding or pressing quite hard against each other while in use. Higher viscosity oil will allow for higher pressure between parts before the oil film gets pressed out and you lose the protection between the parts. It also helps with cooling inside an engine while it runs.

One characteristic of oil that you are all familiar with is that it does not mix with water, because it is made up of organic molecules that don't interact with polar water molecules. They will usually mix with other oils and solvents. The oil molecules may be distilled from the mix of hydrocarbons found in crude oil, or they may be formed and built up, piece by piece, in a chemical reaction with catalysts (which we call synthetic oil). Synthetic oil molecules tend to be more uniform (all the same) than conventional mineral oils, because they were each built from the same building blocks. That improves their performance in many applications.

Grease is a lubricant that consists of about 85% base oil, as above, about 15% thickener that keeps the grease in a semisolid state, and various additives for things like corrosion prevention. The base oil can be a vegetable oil (safe to use around food), conventional mineral oil from crude, or a synthetic oil. The thickeners are actually some form of soap, made with things like lithium, calcium, or aluminum. Unlike oil, grease does not "flow"; that's why it is not recommended in our steering gear box. We want the oil to run down into all the bushings, bearing and gears.

Grease is an interesting substance. It has a high initial viscosity or thickness but as stress is applied, the viscosity decreases, approaching that of the base oil. Release the stress and it thickens again. Grease can separate over time -- you've probably seen the oil part run out of a grease gun that sits. Grease can dry out and harden with age. The soap part can break down with a lot of heat, reducing how well the grease stays inside the bearing (think of front wheel bearings).

So if you can't remember when you last packed fresh grease into your front wheel bearings, you might want to go clean them and repack them this weekend. Avoid problems on the road and Have a Model A Day!

Jim



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### Did You Know?

**MAFCA offers a special membership for students?**

Get the information at:  
[mafca.com/membership.html](http://mafca.com/membership.html)

## Model A Fashion

### How to Look Like a Model A Era Man with Very Little Effort

By Sharon Johnson

Your wife is all decked out in her era fashion outfit and she's looking at you like, "get with the program". What does she want? You've got on black pants and a white shirt and even put on a tie and she still isn't satisfied. Well here's where I can help.... All you need to do to make this outfit look like the Model A era is to add a few accessories. Here are a few examples that will make her think you are a fashionista of Model A era fashions.

If you are wearing trousers and a long sleeved shirt, roll up the sleeves on your shirt; add a bowtie and a straw boater. They are usually easy to find at a costume shop. You are now dressed for a summer outing.



If you are wearing black pants and a shirt, put a vest on and wear a cap. If you are wearing a suit, a fedora (shown on the left) or a homburg (shown on the right) would be a nice touch.



Hope these tips help you and will encourage you to start dressing like the Model A era.

## NOMAC Classifieds

### For Sale

1930 Ohio License plates – Contact Joe – 386-689-4921

## Services Offered

Need some work done on your Model "A"? Here is a list of businesses and/or people who are known entities and have been recommended by club members. These services are tried and true. Have you had good service? Please add to the list so that we all know where to go!

### PARTS

- John Holland 7208 West law Rd. Valley City Oh. 330-483-3896
  - Carburetors, Model "A" Parts
- Gene Brolund, 131 Singer Ave, P.O. Box 224, Grand River, Oh 440-352-8005
  - Steering boxes, carburetors, windshield wipers, others
- Paul Eippert, Model "A" Parts Mineral Ridge, OH 330-652-0038
- Snyder's Antique Auto Parts, 12925 Woodworth Rd 888-262-5712  
New Springfield, Oh 44443
- Bratton's Antique Auto Parts, 1606 Back Acre Circle, 301-829-9880  
Mount Airy, MD 21771
- Mac's Auto Parts, 6150 Donner Rd., PO Box 238 877-220-8230  
Lockport, NY 14095

### SALVAGE

- S & W Auto Salvage 10635 Shanks Rd, Garrettsville 330-307-3139
  - Specializes in 1920s, 30s, 40s, 50s automobiles and trucks
- Budds Auto and Truck 2350 SR 14 Deerfield, OH 44411 330-947-2002
  - Parts '59 and older whole cars and trucks

### RESTORATION AND MECHANICAL WORK

- Don Davison, 11408 Wheeler Rd. Garrettsville, Oh 330-357-6290
  - All aspects of restoration body, engine rebuilding
- Zembur Enterprises Mechanical Work, N. Lima OH 330-549-3605
- Matlins Transmission, Aurora Ohio contact Matt 330-562-6734
- CAE-- Certified Auto Electric, 225 Northfield Rd., Bedford Ohio 888-597-8278
- Buckeye Auto Electric, Painesville, OH, Joe Mazzone 440-354-2060
  - Specializing in antique autos, Model "A"
- Integrity Auto Care, Akron, fixing horns Philip Evans 330-689-2100

### UPHOLSTERY

- J's Upholstery, 6865 Tallmadge Rd., Rootstown, Ohio 44272 330-325-1610
- Sutton Upholstery Jim and Ike Sutton 3505 North Ridge Rd. Perry, Ohio 440-361-0049
  - Good quality, reasonable auto upholstery
- Portage Trim, 3097 Ohio 59, Ravenna, OH 44266 330-296-5511
- Sullivan Upholstery LLC, 12 TWP. Rd. 1281, New London, Oh, 44851 419-929-1400

### PAINTING/PINSTRIPING

- Chip Judd, pin striping on cars. 4296 East River Rd. 440-258-1075  
Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054
- Custom Paint and Detail, painting and Pin striping, Matt Smith 330-571-4595

### SANDBLASTING/POWDER COATING

- Summit Powder Coaters, 619 S. Van Buren av. Barberton, OH 330-753-7040
- Diversified Maintenance—Sandblasting Michael Molnar 330-549-3605  
N. Bloomfield, OH
- Custom Sandblasting and Priming (Summer only) Daniel Gingrich 330-565-2618  
16640 Madison Rd. (SR 528) Middlefield, Ohio 44062 440 548-5866
- Ready Strip, 2748 S.R. 44, Rootstown, OH 330-325-1050  
Sandblasting, media blasting
- Backwoods Blasting and Powder Coating, Kent, OH 330-678-0048  
Ask for Doug

### INSURANCE

- Hagerty Insurance, Contact Jim Englert, Kim Todd 419-271-3835  
419-271-0049

### OTHER

- Champ Mat, JR Manufacturing, 6198 HWY 12 East, Eau Claire WI. 54701 715-834-7748
- License plate restoration Joe Ledford, 3 Ledford Ln, P. O. Box 83 H 919 365-7176