

"Aogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

July 2024

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

- July 20th.** Summer Business Meeting Held At The Home Of Jackie And Marc Rude. See Details On Page 9
- Starting Now** Photo Contest For 2024 - It Is Prime Time For Great Photos! Details On Page 11
- August 17th.** Summer Business Meeting Held At The Home Of Mary And Phil Zins Details In Next Newsletter
- Sept 21st, 22nd.** Apple Days In Excelsior
- October 2nd.- 6th.** Whitewater Gathering
- Thursdays** Model A'ers Breakfast Held On The Second And Fourth Thursday Of Each Month At McDonald's Near I-94 And Valley Creek Road In Woodbury At 9:00 AM.



Spotted in Clinton Wisconsin

TCMAFC Members

Cathy and Dave Kieger spent the day at the annual Model A day in June hosted by the Rockford A's

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Become A Member

**Interested in joining our club?
We would like you to join. Dues
are only \$35.00 per year.**

**For all the information about
what our club has to offer
please call our membership
director or see www.tcmafc.org**

**Members are recommended to
also have a membership in the
Model A Ford Club of America
or the Model A Restorer's Club.**



President's Letter

TCMAFC Presidents Letter

Greetings Club Members

July 2024

This past month we had a couple of great events where we got to see some of our members and socialize and see our cars.

We had a great turnout at Deb and Doug Persing's home in Ham Lake for our Pot Luck Picnic and business meeting. Our next meeting in July 20th at Marc and Jackie Rude's home. At these events we have a lot of fellowship and conduct a quick, casual, and laid-back business meeting. We often times generate a lot of laughter especially when the president makes a flub or two. It's all good. So...make your plans to attend the next meeting and take in a fun event.

Last month we had our annual pancake breakfast sponsored by Dave and Jean Gerold. We had a good turnout for this event also and the breakfast was very good. I would like to thank Dave and Jean for sponsoring this event and I and the club appreciate it very much.

In the coming months we have several events where we are getting requests to have our Model A's present for various functions. We have an active team of people coordinating getting our club lined up for these events. These events are good for our club to attend. First, it gets our cars out in public and generates interest in our club. I've had many people approach me when I have my car at events and want to know more about the car. Second: These outreach events spark interest in our hobby and some interested people turn into members. It ensures that our club remains for future generations. So if you see an event where you can bring your Model A, do so! Get your car on the road as others enjoy seeing it on the streets.

That is all for now...

Cheers – Keep the wheels on the road!
Jerome Bokelmann

Twin Cities Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes for June 8th, 2024

Meeting called to order at 1:10 P M. at the home of Deb and Doug Persing

Attendance: Board Members present: President - Jerome Bokelmann, Vice President - Marc Rude, Secretary - Mark Leder, Past President, Thom Boche. Members present – Nancy & Jerry Schilling, Cindy & Dale Pomerleau, Mariann & Steve Johnson, Roberta & Bob Butek, Doug and Deb Persing, Sue Leder, Guy Rhodes, Mary & Gary Thorin, Linda Boche, Judy and Gary Kreyer, Vince Smith, Mike Neeley, Phil Zins, Grace & Rollie Radil, Dawn Bockelmann, Jim Jones, Mary Ellen & Dick Pugh. Our President, Jerome Bokelmann called the meeting to order and conducted the board meeting in accordance with his duties to meet with the board in the monthly scheduled meeting.

Secretary's report: Our President asked if there were any corrections or additions to the report for the May printed copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Marc Rude to accept the April minutes as printed in the Aogah Newsletter in June. The motion was seconded by Thom Boche and the motion was passed unanimously.

Treasures report:

Doug Portlance, our treasurer was unable to attend this meeting and our president took those present thru a spreadsheet for this months bank and expense activity. An explanation of the line item for insurance was brought forward to clarify that the expense although large reflected a three-year payment as a way to save money in the long run for the club A motion was made by Mark Leder to accept the report as presented, a second was made by Thom Boche, there were no questions, and the vote was unanimous and passed.

Membership report: We had one new potential member presented for nomination. Eric and Jennifer Damman owners of a 1931 Standard Coupe. A motion was made to accept the applicant for membership by Marc Rude, Thom Boche seconded the motion, a vote was taken, and it was unanimous for approval. Our membership director will be informed of the acceptance of the new member.

Membership Greeter: Our official greeter was not present but previously reported to our President that he had made calls to new our new members. He will be given the contact information of the newly voted in member to enable him to welcome them.

Fashion Clinic: There is an open position that we would like someone to fill and coordinate activities. If interested contact any board member.

Tools: Coordinator was not present, inventory of tools is ready for members to check out, Steve Barnacle reported earlier in the week that we have tools out to members now and that there seems to be some activity

Sunshine: Will be advised of cards that can be sent this month

Newsletter: Continued postal delivery problems that we have no control over, but for some reason this month members received mailed copies quickly.

Service Advisor: Present, asked to collect business cards for any service or shop you can recommend and forward to him.

Fundraising: Nothing to report

Calendar of Events: Pancake Breakfast is June 15th, Marc Rude is getting information on an invitation to the club for our presence at the Osceola Wheels & Wings on September 7th.

Work meeting June 29th working on Marge Strands sleeping Model A. Contact Marc Rude or Jerry Schilling if you are willing to help.

New Business: The July board meeting date is July 20th. at the home of Marc and Jackie Rude. Mary and Phil Zins will host the August meeting at their home date to be determined.

Announcements: Thank you to our hosts today, Deb and Doug Persing. Shout out to members, Mary Ellen and Dick Pugh, Guy Rhoades, Jim Jones, and Mariann & Steve Johnson for coming to their first board meeting and letting us introduce ourselves and sharing their opinions on the club's activities. Every member is welcome to any board meeting and all suggestions or questions help us to build a better organization.

A motion to adjourn was made by Thom Boche, it was seconded by Mark Leder, the vote was unanimous. Meeting ended at 2:10 P.M. Minutes submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary

Pancakes And Good Friends

Our traditional spring TCMAFC Pancake Breakfast is always a special day bringing out families to enjoy a social outing. Dave Gerold put this and past breakfasts together treating us to great food and his generosity of providing the food and equipment and recruiting a crew to make this the kickoff for a summer of fun with the cars we so enjoy.

We gathered in Medina at the Baker Park Preserve at a really nice facility, if you have never been to this park where you can camp, boat and stroll it's worth a trip

Great pancakes, blue berries included, sausages, muffins, fruit, juice and coffee made for a satisfying breakfast at picnic tables with an estimated 65-70 members. We had great helpers serving and everyone helped in some way or another on setting things up and cleaning up. This is a very welcoming group and for those who were unable to come, put this event on your list for the next year.

But there is more- as traditions has it, there is a mystery tour. Although the morning did not overpower us with sunshine it seemed like a tour lead by Steve Barnacle would be a good way to end the day. First off, we toured thru Medina and then on to Long Lake, we drove past very large homes many with some acreage with horse pastures and barns, very impressive home sites. Our next destination was Watertown Mn. It sure lived up to its name, it started to rain really hard! Our next stop was a winery in Delano, they were expecting to see us, and we pulled into the parking a lot in a heavy rain, you could see all the hesitation of those in our group thinking will the rain stop or do make a dash up to the door? Maybe a dash is not the description of some of the Model A drivers, but we all made it in, left puddles on the floor and some of us sampled the beverages available. Most of us hung around socializing waiting for a break from the rain, it just did not seem to be in making.

The return trip home for me was probably 40 or so miles in heavy rain. For those interested, a working vacuum wiper may get you points in a judging meet, it may look cool, it may make a unique sound but with one small blade and intermittent reliable vacuum pressure produced by a Model A, not so much fun. Buy some Rain X, have a microfiber towel on your lap to frequently wipe the fog off the windshield, if your religious say a prayer or maybe stay home. Also, I would like to meet an owner who can say water does not come in around their windshield.





TO PLACE YOUR AD: CONTACT NEWSLETTER EDITOR

[FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES :](#)

Mark Leder mleder22@aol.com

- For Sale:** Rebuilt engines in stock.
Trade in or bring me yours to re-build. Precision machining and assembly work.
Call Dave Gerold for options and pricing at (952) 290-3630 or see my website
www.durableperformance.net
- For Sale:** 2 - 21" whitewalls for sale for \$175, each. Contact Thom Boche- 612-840-4046.
- For Sale:** Rebuildable Model A Ford engine. serial # A809223—Dec 1928. complete except for clutch and transmission. call for details \$500. firm. John Pole @612-810-6811 or johnfpole@gmail.com
- For Sale:** For Sale: 1929 Model A Blindback. Very nice older restoration, clean interior, runs good, many new parts with receipts and notes. Needs work on brakes and steering. 10k OBO. Will provide lots of photos and details, rlcolem@hotmail.com or 651-703-8695 .
- For Sale:** Original 1929 headlamps with script, nickel plated with rims, lenses and reflectors correctly cad plated mounting studs very nice selling for the cost of plating \$650.00 also original 1929 cowl lamps (no arms) chrome plated (easily stripped to nickel) includes rims lenses and reflectors \$150.00 contact Brad Nelson 651-253 3981
- For Sale:** 1928 Model A Roadster for sale owned by John Roehl It is an older restoration and the paint is showing it's age but still nice. The engine was rebuilt by Dave Gerold in 2018 or 2019 and have very few (less than 1k) miles on it. \$15,000 or best offer, contact Doug Persing 763-443-2375 with any questions or to setup a time to see the car.
- For Sale:** 29 Tudor, Needs complete restoration. Stalled project, owner passed away. Complete car, no rust thru. Many new parts: top wood kit, all new glass, new rubber floor mats. new ignition and wire kit. new dist. parts. Rebuilt carb. new upols. material. some new seat wood. Eng turns over but has not been run in years. Trunk and many extra parts. Six '21 in. wheels. Extra rad shell. car is all together and rolling. Pictures available. Asking \$8000. OBO. Jack 763-784-9001
- For Sale:** Wide assortment of Model A Parts. I am emptying my storage unit. Parts will be available at 3628 Steele St Minnetonka, mid April. Call to set up an appointment. Jerry Plagge 507-217-9565
- For Sale:** 1929 Model A Four door leather back sedan, very nice restoration of car which was owned by Walter Ranua. Very clean, rebuilt engine, beautiful paint, upholstery, and chrome work. Stored indoors, His family would like a new owner to appreciate it as much as Walter did. \$15500.00 or B.O. Pictures available. Contact Tami 612 - 865 - 0906

- For Sale:** Upgrade your Model A to a 6 volt positive ground alternator for \$145.00. Includes all brackets and bolts to install on your car. I have 4 alternators in stock ready to go. Call Steven Barnacle 952 212 6847
- Wanted:** I'm looking for a front leaf spring as well as a full set of tube style shock links for my town sedan. Dan Cunningham cell number is (651)442-6662
- Wanted:** Good original used parts for my 1931 narrow-box CCPU project: locking door handle, 2 roof panels, 2 top and 2 side hood panels, re-buildable distributor, tail gate + more. Call or text Al Malachowski 612-364-3423
- For Sale:** Model A Head, milled flat ready to install 125.00 New Wolf Whistle \$45.00, 19" Firestone tire in good condition. \$20.00 Jim Lake 651-245-1937
- Missing:** I lent my head puller to a club member and I cannot remember to whom, I have a request from another to use it Please contact Jerry Schilling and let me know when to expect it's return. Call 763 - 213 - 4917
- For Sale:** 1931 Standard Coupe, lombard blue, cloth interior, rebuilt engine by Bruce Remington, has rumble seat. Nicely restored, some spare parts included. Contact Gerald Aamodt 612 - 322 - 5819
- Wanted** A good, safe, reliable used trailer hitch for a 1931 Slant Window Sedan. Contact Thom Boche 612 - 840 - 4046
- For Sale:** Enough Model T parts to build a rolling chassis. Assorted Model T parts, NOS and used. 30-31 radiator shells. 30-31 headlights and parts. A 17 inch and a 18 inch Ford wheel. 1913-14 Ford side lights. Set of brass 1911-12 Model T lights. Darel Leipold leipolds@leipolds 952 474 5880 .
- For Sale:** Model A Test Stand on wheels \$100.00. 1929 Driver side front and rear fenders. \$40.00 each. Graco Paint System model 700 with portable spray equipment \$200.00 for all. Call Roger at 763-377-0086
- Wanted:** I'm looking for a right-side quarter window garnish molding, passenger door lower garnish molding and dash lamp for my 1931 Tudor. johnsonck@centurylink.net

With sadness and gratitude for their friendship and services to our club we are announcing that Joe Costa a long time member has passed, condolences to his family and hoping their memory gives the families comfort

Submission Deadline for advertisements is the 21st. day of the month

Do not text information, send via email, USPS or phone conversation

Sampled and enjoyed at the June Board Meeting!

RHUBARB COFFEE CAKE - Mariann Johnson

2 cups brown sugar

½ c. softened butter

2 eggs

1 c. buttermilk (or 1 c. milk with 1 tsp. of vinegar)

1 tsp. Vanilla

2 ¼ c. flour

1 tsp. Baking soda

scant 3 cups of diced rhubarb

TOPPING:

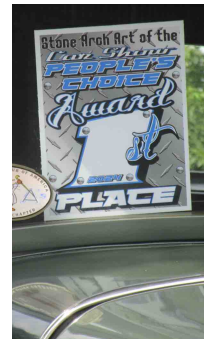
½ c. sugar mixed with 1 tsp. Cinnamon: sprinkle over the cake and bake as directed.

Cream the margarine and the brown sugar, add the eggs, and vanilla; beating well. Combine the flour and soda. Add alternately the buttermilk and flour to the creamed mixture beginning and ending with the flour. Stir in the rhubarb. Pour into a floured and greased 9x13" pan. Cover with topping. Bake at 350* for 45 minutes.

NOTE: I have substituted the sugar free brown sugar with great success. If you like less rhubarb, use 2 cups and then use only 2 c. flour, and bake for 40 min.

Mary, Gary and our 1930 Model "A" Ford Coupe attended the Stone Arch Bridge (only stone arch bridge over the Mississippi River) festival on Sunday June 16, 2024. There was a very large, and expensive, art sale, many food trucks (roach coaches) and a car show of about 40 cars. It was very hot!! 93 degrees. Sat there from 9AM to 5PM. Very large crowds of people with many questions about our car. We were also entertained by our new friend OOIE GOOIE. A caterpillar adopted our Model A. First showed up on our right front tire and later moved to the passenger door.

Before leaving we set him free. I laid my finger alongside of him and he crawled on. We set him free on a nearby tree. Anyone out there remember the OOIE GOOIE song. OOIE GOOIE WAS A WORM. A MIGHTY WORM WAS HE. HE SAT UPON A RAIL ROAD TRACK. THE TRAIN HE DID NOT SEE.-----OOIE GOOIE. **Anyway we took 1st prize!!! We beat out a 1934 Mercedes Benz, 1934 Packard and a Ferrari. Second place went to a 1934 Packard. third place went to a Nash Metropolitan.**



June Summer Meeting

Our meeting at the home of Deb and Doug Persing was well attended and we were visited by some new members and others who for the first time decided to experience a board meeting. The lunch was delicious, and our hosts are very appreciated for extending their home and hospitality. The board meetings are painless, we laugh alot and get things done and we look forward to everyone either on the board or not to speak up and give their opinion or suggestions on any topic concerning the running of this club.



July Summer Business Meeting July 20th.

Picnic style lunch, meeting at the home of Marc & Jackie Rude.

14895 318th St. Center City, MN. 55012. Phone 651 - 257 - 4369.

Social hour before starting at 11am. Lunch at noon. Meeting at 1 pm. Bring chairs, dish to share, good weather and your "A". This meeting is open to all members and we encourage your participation in all of our board meetings

August Summer Business Meeting August 17th

At the home of Mary and Phil Zins in Golden Valley, MN. Further details will be available in the August Newsletter

Work Meetings

Should anyone have a project, need help with getting a repair done we are always looking for someone to host at their garage. We can get experienced members together and give those wanting to learn, an opportunity to work and share the ins and outs of how these simple old school mechanical assemblies can be repaired. We all want to keep those A's moving down the road. Reach out to the clinic coordinators or any board member with a request for help .

Jim's Tech Tips

"Make and Carry a Temporary Gas Gauge"

Every now and then you will come across a car or truck with an inoperable gas gauge. For example, the float sinks. You don't want to go driving around without knowing how much fuel you have in the tank.

Here are some basic instructions that you can use to make a temporary gas gauge, to use until the gauge is repaired. It's not a bad idea to carry it with you, to use on your car or to help someone traveling with you.

Take a simple paint stirring stick, like they give away at a paint store, and measure up from the end to mark the place indicating a Full tank. From there, you can use a ruler to estimate the $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{8}$ levels. Score a line in the wood at these 4 places, and then darken each line with a black marker.

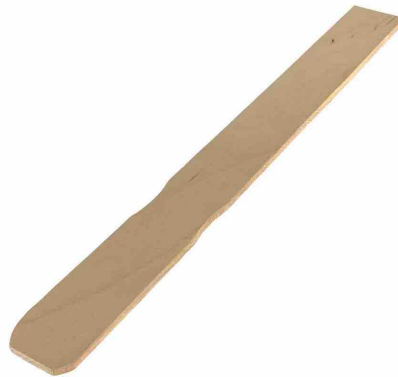
The gas tank changed design between 1928-29 and 1930-31. The '28-29 tank holds about 10 gallons, and the larger '30-31 tank holds about 11. That means that the distance to Full is slightly different between the two tanks.

I score and mark one side of the paint stirrer with the '28-29 height to Full of $7\frac{1}{4}$ " and then mark off the quarters from there. Then I do the same on the other side of the stick using the 1930-31 height to Full of $8\frac{1}{2}$ ". Label each side. Now you have a stick that can be used on any year Model A.

To use it, remove the gas cap (and the screen in the filler neck, if the car has one) and just dip the stick straight down until you touch the bottom of the gas tank. Now lift it out and see where the wet gas level is on the gauge. It will be approximate, close enough to drive with some confidence, knowing you will have enough fuel.

I hope you never get stuck with an inoperative gas gauge, but if you do, now you can be prepared with this temporary stick gauge.

Have a Model A Day!
Jim Cannon



It's back, one of the events that has been a favorite for our club to take part in

Apple Days in Excelsior on the Lake

September 21st. and 22nd.

300 Water Street

Great Flea Market - Cars On Display Both Days

for more details please Email Dave Peterson dpete40131@gmail.com
or phone 612-221-0282



Photo Contest For 2024

I'm counting on seeing more participation this year than last. We have our summer meetings, just finished the Pancake Breakfast and of course all of the warm days of this summer and fall to be out and about. And of course the 4th. of July

This contest will have two categories. "General" and "Scavenger Hunt" (Flag theme) Choose either or both. Each member family may submit a **total** of 6 photos. These must be photos taken in 2024, the contest will end in the month of November. Photos will need to be submitted as a printed item. I cannot accept digital files. When you submit the photos, you agree that we may use them in the publication of the Aogah Newsletter as well as possibly the Restorer magazine of MAFCA. All photos must have a tie in to a Model A theme or club event .



I'm looking forward to seeing your photos as well as all of our members so please, participate! Imagine what you can fill one of these frames with

Newsletter acceptance and deadlines

In order to put this newsletter out I need to have articles, ads for sale and general news in my possession by the beginning of the third week of the month. Consider the 21st. day of the month the cut off. I need to allocate space for known items, certain meetings, and club business. Wild card items do come up and I save some space to accommodate them. I would like items sent to me either by mail or e mail. Do not text ads to my phone. Please write your ads out and I can help edit them if needed. Contact me to remove ads that sell. I prefer that any newsletter items come to my personal e mail (mleder22@aol.com). Please refrain from texting. The club e mail address is used mainly as a one way service to deliver your newsletter and any late breaking club information items we feel you need to have. Since more than one person sends items out via TCMAFC @gmail.com, should you need to contact a person for clarification or assistance your board members, newsletter editor and committee members contacts are listed on the Presidents column page as well as in your membership roster. I appreciate all submissions to the newsletter however to give you a quality newsletter I need to have some preparation time to get it all together.

Mark Leder, Editor



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National Club Affiliation Information

Members are encouraged to belong to one or both of the National Model A Ford clubs. Benefits of membership include six high quality magazines for the year, ability to place advertisements in each of the publications as well as many technical and historical articles that relate to the hobby and time period of these vehicles. Each of the clubs host national meets, tours and social events. Products and services are reviewed and advertised in the publications and you get a overall view of where the direction of the Model A Ford enthusiasts car hobby is headed. Each club has an on line presence with well executed websites. Contact information for the each of the national clubs are below.



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