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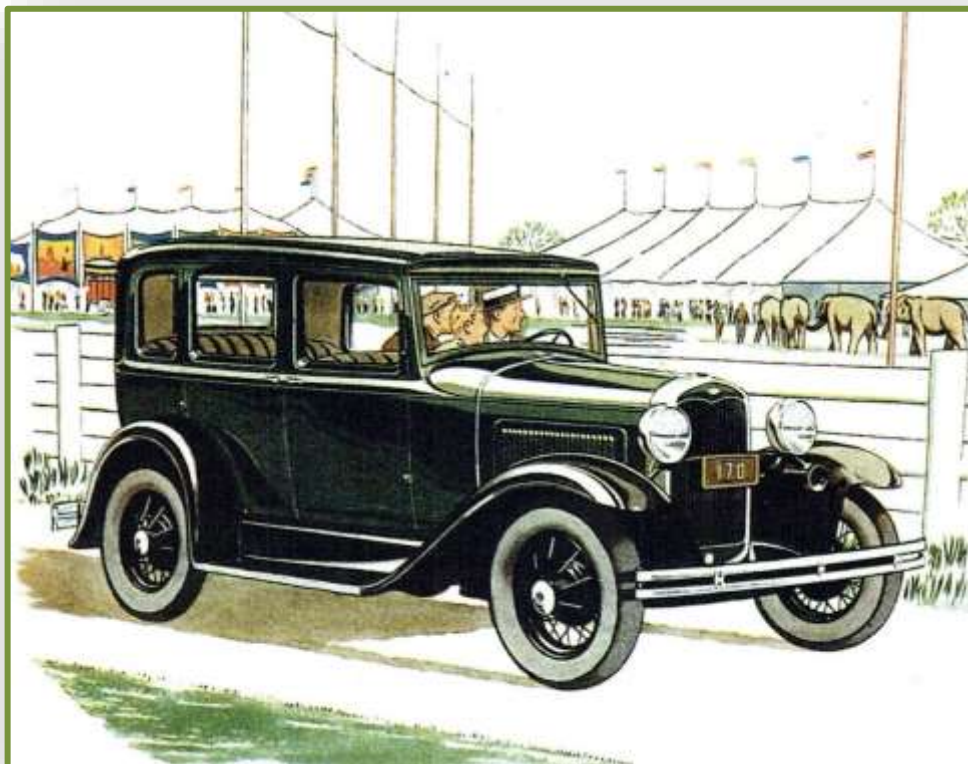
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"Let's visit the Big Top!"

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****Board Meeting Minutes:** We will now be posting our Board Meeting Minutes on the website each month. Simply go to the website and click on the link under "About" on the home page, or [click here](#).

2025 Southside A's Club Events

June 13	Lunch Bunch – Hills & Dales tour, lunch in LaGrange
July TBD	Lunch Bunch
August 13	Lunch BRUNCH. City Café, Fayetteville
Aug. 29-Sept.5	Tentative tour to Charleston, SC with Georgia Region.
September 18	Lunch Bunch - TBD
October 11	Southern Belle Farms day
October 16	Lunch Bunch – Tim's Lighthouse
November 8	Annual Business Meeting
December 6-7	Callaway Christmas Lights overnight

Activities of Interest

June 16-20	MARC National Meet, Gettysburg, PA
June 15-22	MAFCA National Meet, Waynesboro, VA

Editor's Note:

When it rains it pours! My goodness, we've certainly proved that adage lately. So let's be sure to enjoy the sunny days when they appear.

As we head into summer, taking advantage of cool mornings will be just the ticket. And we'll do just that with our June Lunch Bunch, which starts with a morning tour of the lovely Hills & Dales estate in LaGrange. See details inside, recaps of prior activities, and more.

—Gwyneth



Happy Father's Day, Sunday, June 15

Happy Birthday!

10th - Sally Jones
13th - Paul Beeghly
20th - Jill Dyke
26th - Drena Miller
27th - Teri Besch



Happy Anniversary!

3rd - Tony & Meghan Martino
14th - Sean & Lori Hobbs
17th - Marshall & Marilyn Corley
18th - Benny & Pam Bohanan
18th - Johnnie & Wyvonne Hobbs
22nd - Tom & Betty Miller
25th - Jack & Drena Miller
26th - David & Fran Birch
27th - John & Ruth DeBroux



Thoughts from Our Director

Greetings Model A Members,

Now that we've gotten past our rainy season, I've been getting my Model A out for a drive more often. Even if it's just around the neighborhood, it's always a thrill to drive.

We were disappointed that we were out of town for our Lunch Bunch tour to Woodbury, Ga. I heard that we had 21 people and 9 Model A's. Sounds like we missed an exciting and enjoyable day.

Hopefully all of our Mothers were treated well on their special day, Mother's Day. Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers!

I'm looking forward to our Summer Social at Line Creek Brewery. Bring your cars because we're expecting a good crowd of spectators! See you there.

I want to warn our club that several members have received scam notifications using my name and my title as director of the SSA's. They are usually requesting payment of some sort. I would never make that request. Please do not open any suspicious notifications.

--Steve

"I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."

---Thomas Edison



June 21, 2025

Doodlum's Barbecue & Fruit Stand, Woodbury, GA - *Recap*

Thursday, May 15, 2025



We had a really nice turnout for our May Lunch Bunch, with nine Model A's venturing out of Senoia towards Woodbury. The route was purposely circuitous, the better to enjoy back roads that could make you think you were back in the 1930s.

Our destination was Doodlum's Barbeque & Fruit Stand, a new venue for us, but just a stone's throw from one of our favorite places, the Blackbird Café. This restaurant is quite large, and had no trouble accommodating our group of 21 people, but also the local lunch crowd that made for a bustling atmosphere.

The service was cheerful and friendly, and the food certainly did not disappoint. Of course, with ice cream on the menu (or from the fruit stand next door) diners were fully satisfied at meal's end.

After lunch several of us purchased fruits, boiled peanuts from a large cauldron :-), and various condiments, to take home. And the long front porch, featuring rocking chairs, was perfect for visiting and eating ice cream.

I think we'll definitely put Doodlum's on our list of return places, after a lovely first taste.



Attendees: Terry & Nive Atkins; Mike & Gwyneth Shotwell; Jack & Drena Miller; Kelly Adams; Steve Searock; Dick Carne with daughter Cynthia, and grandkids Haleigh & Easton (navigating); Kevin & Donna Moss; Jim & Ann Hunter; Mark & Marilyn Corley; Jim & Kim Wingo; Fred & Kathy Huey.



Here's a fun opportunity to share your Model A amongst about 100 cars, and enjoy a large craft show, right on the outskirts of Peachtree City, on June 7th. Director Steve Vied invites everyone to this event at his church, Flat Creek Baptist, located at 161 Flat Creek Trail, Fayetteville.

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Join us on Facebook!



Treasurer's Report

Balance as of March 31, 2025:	\$3,143.13
Deposits: Dues/Badges	\$72.00
Expenses:	- \$00.00
Balance as of April 30, 2025:	\$3,215.13

Next Lunch Bunch Tour

Friday, June 13, 2025

Tour of Hills & Dales, LaGrange Lunch, and Dairy Queen for dessert!



Nive Atkins, with help from MaryJane Cleveland, have arranged a great Lunch Bunch for us.

We will start our day with a tour of the Hills & Dales Estate in LaGrange, Georgia, featuring the beautiful 1916 Neel Reid designed Callaway family home and mid-19th century Ferrell Gardens.

We will arrive by 10:00 a.m. for a guided tour, which includes an orientation film, estate tour and garden tour, and will take about 2.5 hours. We will be split into groups of 12 for the tours. **The price per person is \$23.**

Nive will need a final head count no later than Tuesday, June 10th.

NOTE FROM THE VENUE:

Please note that the Callaway family home does not have an elevator, so only the first floor is accessible for those with mobility issues. We do have scrapbooks showing pictures of the second and third floors that can be utilized by those unable or unwilling to venture upstairs. The paths of the historic Ferrell Gardens are mostly pea gravel, which is also difficult for wheelchairs to use. Please let me know if you think there will be any issues with mobility. We also do not allow photography inside the home, but encourage it in the gardens.



We will follow up with a short drive (1.5 miles) for lunch at the Nutwood Winery Restaurant & Wine Bar at 300 Main Street in LaGrange, GA 30240. Our reservation is for 1 p.m. Parking will be available behind the Wild Leap Brewery building.

We will end our tour at the Dairy Queen for some refreshing ice cream before heading back to our prospective homes.

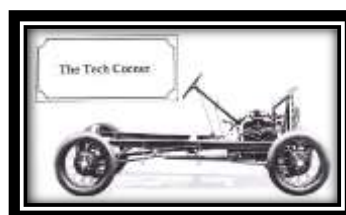
DATE: Friday June 13, 2025

TIME: We will meet at Sam's Club at 8:30 for an 8:45 departure to Hills & Dales

LUNCH: Reservations are at 1:00 p.m. at The Nutwood Winery Restaurant & Wine Bar

RSVP: **You need to let us know if you are attending, by Tuesday, June 10th.**

Nive: 864-525-6364 (call or text), niva@charter.net.



The Tech Corner

Frozen Speedo Drive Gear

by Tom Endy December 2023

When in the Course of human events it sometimes becomes necessary for a bunch of old Model A guys to resort to drastic measures to get a Model A rear end apart. This was the situation when the BLT Guys organization was in the process of installing a Mitchell overdrive in a 1930 Model A Tudor. The rear end had been removed from the car and the next task was to remove the torque tube. The speedo module had been removed from the front of the torque tube and the snap ring was removed from the front of the drive shaft. The next step was to easily slide the speedo drive gear off the end of the drive shaft....*we thought!* It would not budge and repeated prying and hammering would not budge it. Until the speedo drive gear was removed there was no way the torque tube could be slid off. It then becomes necessary for one people, the BLT Guys, to dissolve the political bonds which have connected them with the Model A kingdom, and to assume the judging standards do not apply, and drastic methods would have to be used. So we declared our independence from MAFCA and sawed the front of the torque tube and drive shaft off. With the torque tube off we found the speedo drive gear was frozen solid to the drive shaft.



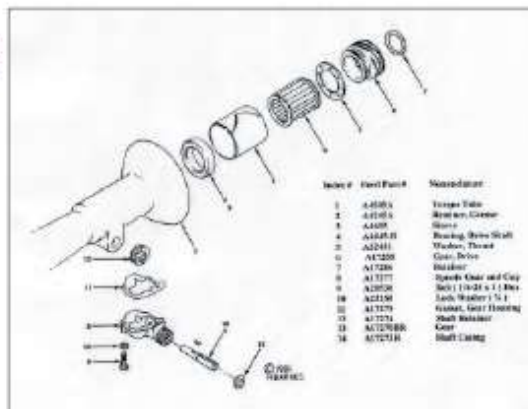
The front of the torque tube was sawed off



The speedo gear frozen solid to the drive shaft

The speedo drive gear is the second item from the right (item #6) in the drawing, it should easily slide off the end of the drive shaft once the snap ring is removed and the speedo cup (#8) blow the torque tube is removed.

The flange end of the torque tube was salvaged and used to make a puller-inner tool for installing Mitchell overdrives.



The Model A Restorers Club, Inc.

THE running BOARD REPORT

From Tom Hovetter, President and Jim Zimmer, Director of Regions

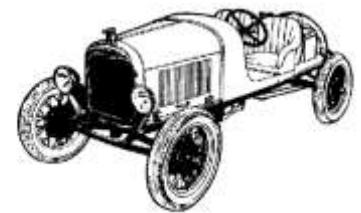
May 2025

Members, we are excited to introduce your Board of Directors for 2025; President, Tom Hovetter; Vice President, Joe Valentine; Secretary, Chris DuVall; Treasurer, Paul Ganning; Director of Publications, Bill Bass; Director of Membership and Public Relations, Joe Fox and Director of Regions, Jim Zimmer. We all look forward to serving for the next 12 months and have a full schedule ahead of us.

As you may know, one of several areas of focus by your Board during the past year was growing our membership. It now looks like we will meet or exceed our budgeted membership level. However, we would certainly like to see continued membership growth. With that goal in mind, we are announcing a new membership initiative. ANY member of a Region who has never previously been a MARC member qualifies for a FREE 12 month trial membership, digital copy of the *Model A News*, and all of the other benefits of full membership. Call the MARC office Monday through Friday, 9am to 5pm at 734-427-9050 to enroll.

Recently we learned that international postage expense has increased to the point that an issue of the *Model A News* mailed to some countries postage expense is more than \$12 per issue. Due to the extremely high cost, your Board has decided to hold international membership dues to \$50 per year, but offer the digital version of the *Model A News* only to our international members. Paper issues will still be available, but shipping will be at cost.

Certainly you've seen that Larry Shepard is our new Technical Chairman. Please direct any technical questions or tips to Larry. He would also like to communicate directly with all Region technical advisors. Email Larry at marctech@modelarestorers.org to be added to his contact list.



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- ALL NEW STUD, NUT & BOLT SET
- COMPLETELY PAINTED TO MAFCA JUDGING STANDARDS



FASHION FINDS...

From Gwyneth Shotwell

This month we have page 2 of the article on Novelty Era Jewelry, with lots of fun examples. We hope you enjoy it, and even get inspired to search for similar items on your antique-ing outings.

(Thanks to Sherry Winkinhofer of the Northwest Missouri Chapter of MAFCA, and the MAFCA website.)

Monkeys, turtles, elephants, camels, and snakes make appearances in many era jewelry catalogs. Even mythical creatures such as dragons and chimeras could be found.



No. AJ-112
10K or 14K
Solid Gold
Men's rings Japanese signet tokens - Keen's Diamond Merchants 1928. Other animals and mythical creatures were also options, and the round opening at the bottom right is for a diamond!



31030
Chas. L. Trout Co 1931—Monkey dangle brooch. Simulated Ruby eyes.



P 2321 1.00
Cunning turtle bracelet in silver finish.
With jade in turtles backs.
P 2322 1.75
Shown 1/2 size



Jason Weiler-Baird North Co 1930—Turtle cufflinks, and a turtle bracelet.



Illustrated Ford Dearborn Gift Book—Sport Tie Holder featuring palm trees and a camel.



Interesting Cloisonné Enamel Bracelet that has a popular demand. Finely modeled black enamel elephants on jade green enamel background. Sterling silver. P2222 4.00
Daniel Low 1930—Cloisonné bracelet with elephants.



A10721—Elephant hat ornament, enamel... \$2.40
Baird North 1928 - Elephant hat ornament



Tribuadeau Factory catalog, from France, 1929 —Yellow gold snake ring, with ruby or sapphire eyes.



2579. Bracelet serpent en or jaune, rebouché saphir. 50. 1,250 fr.



3075. Bracelet serpent, oris en or jaune, avec de corail, 2 pierres corail, rubis, saphir ou émeraudes. 40 fr.

A collection of snake bracelets were available from the Tribuadeau Factory catalog, 1929 —Yellow gold, green gold, and matte gold, with sapphire or ruby eyes in some.



This multi-coil bracelet from the Tribuadeau Factory catalog, 1929 could be purchased with 2 or 4 coils, and with or without gemstone eyes.



Daniel Low 1930—Dragon pin



Tribuadeau Factory catalog, 1929 —Pocket watches with dragons, griffins, and chimeras.

Novelty Era Jewelry

MAFCA.com

July 2023



MAFFI Minute

Model A'ers:

The Model A Museum Expansion is moving along nicely. We do have a temporary closure from May 16 until June 1, 2025 to finish up the flooring/coating. In the meantime, get your next visit to the museum on your calendar and make your reservations (go to MAFFI.org and click on Model A Days).

- The Grand Re-Opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Souvenir Gift is Thursday evening, Sept. 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
- Model A Days are September 19 & 20, 2025 so get your room reserved to stay for the weekend. It promises to be a really exciting event, especially this year!

- And don't forget to enter the Sweepstakes for a chance to win the 1928 Ford Model A 4-door Phaeton! (Maffi.org and then click on Expansion).

Thank you for supporting the hobby we all love! 'Tis the season to drive those cars nationwide!

Cindy Ellenbecker
MAFFI Trustee



NATIONAL EVENTS



Waynesboro, VA



For Sale/Wanted

FOR SALE:

1931 Model A Mail Truck. Has a bench seat, but original seat is available. This is a fine Mail A Mail Truck. Comes with 30's mailman uniform, mail bags, and Mail Truck mailbox. I've driven it on Talladega Motor Speedway. Runs, drives and stops with no issues. It does have fiberglass fenders. Other than that it is pretty much original; has the security wire and curtains on the rear door. Oxford, AL. **Asking \$25,000.00**
Call 256-310-6463 or email gfireman52@aol.com
Gerald Grizzard



FOR SALE: PRICE REDUCTION!

1930 Model A four door Town Sedan, dual side mounts; rebuilt starter, distributor, carburetor, battery disconnect, new wiring harness, turn signals, new 2 blade fan, new coil, brakes have been gone through; mains & rods bearings have been tightened. Nice driver; paint is presentable; steel body; cranks, runs and drives with no issues. Oxford, AL. **Asking \$14,500.00**
Call 256-310-6463 or email gfireman52@aol.com
Gerald Grizzard



FOR SALE:

Slightly used Float-a- motor FRONT motor mount.
Asking \$50.00. New ones go for \$ 75.00
Contact: Tom Romine 770 527-4039



FOR SALE:

1928 Leather Back Fordor Sedan

Complete frame off restoration. Excellent condition. Runs and handles well. Regularly driven; always garaged. Rose beige original color.

Asking \$31,500

Contact: David Hadden 770-539-1742
davidonnahadden@gmail.com Buford, GA



FOR SALE: 1930 Georgia License Plates.

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Contact: Bill Nitschke, cell (914)-323-8958, williamjnitschke@gmail.com

WANTED:

A 2012 **Model A Day patch** to complete my collection. I will purchase the patch or trade a 2024 Model A Day patch.

Contact: Gerald Grizzard, 256-310-6463 or email gfireman52@aol.com

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Here's how to place your order:

1. EMAIL your name(s), and City/State as you would like them to appear, PLUS your mailing address for delivery, to **Pat Tyler:** pat@patpamtyler.com.

2. Send your check at **\$8 each**, made out to **SOUTHSIDE A's**, to:

Nive Atkins
156 Taylor Len Drive
LaGrange, GA 30240



Club Items

Club Banners: We have designed a Club Banner to display on your car when touring or just to hang in your shop. \$15/each.

Call Jim Hunter @ (770) 710-2153 or ytguy@aol.com



Application for Club Membership

Southside A's Membership

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____

Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Business) _____ (Cell) _____

Occupation _____ E-mail _____

Please list Model A's you own (You do not have to own a Model A to join our club)

YEAR	BODY STYLE	ENGINE and/or VIN No.
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Membership Dues: \$20.00. (See below for National Dues, if necessary.)

Applicant's Signature _____

_____ Date

*NOTE: Applicants approved for membership at the November or December Board Meetings shall be considered paid for the following year.

Send application, along with check made out to "Southside A's," to: Niva Atkins, 156 Taylor Len Dr, LaGrange, GA 30240

Membership in the national Model A Restorers Club (M.A.R.C.) required. Are you a member?

() YES Please furnish membership Number _____

() No Please complete application below for National M.A.R.C. membership

Model "A" Restorer's Club
6721 Merriman Road, Garden City, MI 48135

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$50.00/YR
SEND DIRECTLY TO ADDRESS ABOVE

NAME (print) _____ SPOUSE'S NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

DAYTIME PHONE _____

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Invitation to join Model "A" Restorers Club

(Membership in Southside A's requires membership in MARC, as well.)

MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

P.O. Box 498, Howell, Michigan 48844

(734) 427-9050 Office

(734) 427-9054 Fax

modelarestorersclub@gmail.com

Membership Application 1 Year Term

☐ U.S. Membership \$50.00

☐ U.S. Air Mail \$62.00

☐ Canada \$60.00

☐ International \$70.00

☐ Digital Only Membership \$50.00

Call office for Youth Membership and Surviving Spouse
Membership

Make checks payable to: Model "A" Restorers Club or (M.A.R.C.)

All checks must be payable in U.S. funds. U.S. funds must be stamped on the check and drawn from a U.S. bank. International Money Orders in U.S. Funds are also accepted.

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EXP Date _____ CVV Code # _____ Phone # _____

Membership # _____ If renewing Region (If member) _____

Name: _____

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I give permission to publish my phone number in the future MARC Membership Rosters:

☐ Yes ☐ No Phone: _____

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Model A Restorers Club Purpose:

The purpose of the Model "A" Restorer's Club is to encourage its members to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit, and make use of the Model "A" Ford vehicles (models 1928-1931) and all things pertaining to the historical information, and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship among its members.

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Country _____ Telephone _____

Permission to publish my telephone number in
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