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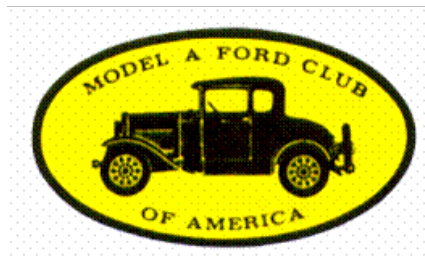


Annual Picnic



Photos by Bob Schmiechen

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Advanced Timing Events for 2021	
Oct. 24	Fall Spooktacular Tour - Dennis & Vicki Cooper
Nov. 14	Indoor Meeting - Pizza & Fellowship following meeting
Nov. 21	Waukesha Christmas Parade - Dave & Linda Huenink
Dec. 12	Christmas Party/Indoor Meet - Karen Schmiechen
2022	Happy New Year
Jan. 9, 2022	Custard Social/Indoor Meeting
Jan. 16, 2022	Annual Banquet– Schmiechens and Hueninks
Feb. 13	Indoor Meeting
March 13	Indoor Meeting

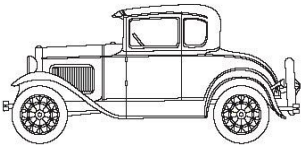
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It is the intent of the Wisconsin Chapter to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and materials for admirers of the Model A Ford and Model A era fashions; to help those admirers become better acquainted; and to maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship and sociality through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A and family participation.

WE'RE WORKING ON HAVING A SPOOKTACULAR EVENT

OCTOBER 24TH

Looking for a spooktacular time, join us for a tour to the Gales haunted barn in Hartford for spookgetti lunch. Feel free to bring your favorite slimey or spooky dish to share. Costumes are optional but encouraged as it will be more fun with them. We will have some activities for the young and young at heart.



Meet us at Hardee's N101 WI-83 Delafield at 10:00 a.m. Sunday October 24, 2021

If you can't make it for the tour but would like to join the party you may call or text me for the address.

Vicki Cooper 262-337-0426

NOVEMBER 14TH INDOOR MEETING 1:30 P.M.

Pizza and Beverages after the meeting

REMEMBER ALL INDOOR MEETINGS ARE AT

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Waukesha Christmas Parade November 21, 3:15 p.m.

The club will be participating (with our cars) in the 59th Waukesha Christmas Parade. As in years past, we will decorate our cars in the Christmas spirit to celebrate the season. There is a rumor that Santa will be in attendance and will be checking on his list to see who has been naughty or nice. The parade will take place on Sunday, November 21th at 4:00 p.m. What "A" great opportunity to bring out our "A's" one last time before we put them to bed for the long winter. The weather at the parade has been in our favor nearly every year.



The parade starts at 4:00 p.m. so we will plan on lining up at 3:15 p.m. This will give us plenty of time to decorate our cars, look at the other participants floats and listen to the bands play some seasonal music. For those interested in driving to the parade together, we will meet at Culvers Restaurant at 1720 Hwy 164 at 2:45 p.m. for some hot chocolate before we head to the parade. The restaurant is on the Hwy 164 by-pass just south of Moorland Road by all the car dealerships on the east side of Waukesha. If you have any questions, please feel free to give Dave or Linda a call at 262-719-1056.

We look forward to seeing you there!!!

Dave and Linda Huenink!!

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Save the Date!

Sunday, December 12th

Annual Club Christmas Party

Details in next month's newsletter

Hosts: Karen & Bob Schmiechen

Santa's helpers: Art & Sue Blazek, Randy & Ellen Kind

**INDOOR EVENT HOSTS NEEDED for Jan., Feb., and March.
CONTACT MARK ACKERMANN To sign up**

Spring Into Spring

Save the date

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Machine Shed, Pewaukee

11:00 am-3:00 pm

Wisconsin Chapter

Model A Ford Club

2022 Annual Banquet

Presenting 2020 & 2021 Awards

2022 Model A Reunion Planning Meeting

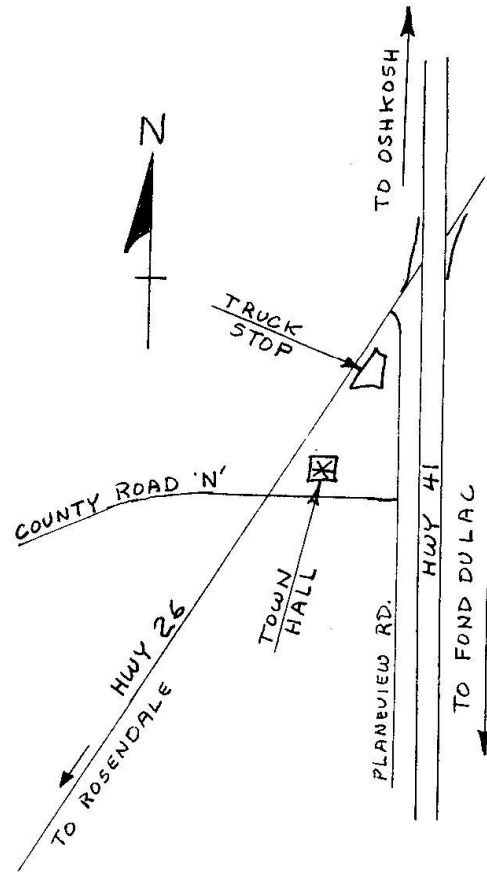
The Planning Meeting for the 2022 Wisconsin Model A Reunion will be held at 11:30 a.m. on October 23rd, 2021, at the Nekimi Town Hall. This meeting brings members from each of the four clubs together to plan for an exciting weekend in July.

The Town Hall is located at the intersection of Highway 26 and County N, south of Oshkosh, and west of the intersection of Interstate 41 and State Highway 26.

If you have ideas and suggestions for next year's Reunion, and cannot attend this meeting, please contact someone in your local club who is able to, or e-mail the Reunion's web site at wirapidmodela@gmail.com.

As a reminder, the 2022 Reunion dates have been set as July 29th, 30th and 31st. Be sure to make your hotel reservations now.

<http://clubs.hemmings.com/wirapidmodela>



Sunshine Report by Karen Schmiechen September report for the October newsletter, 2021

Sadly, 42-year member, age 95, Gerald (Jerry) Flynn passed away September 9th. Visitation was September 16th at St. Teresa of Calcutta. A donation to the Richfield Historical Society has been made in his name.

Note from the family: Jerry is at peace now and happy again reunited with his wife, Mary "Toots". Jerry was such an active member in the Model A Ford Club for over 40 years and enjoyed the many friends and memories made over those years. One of Jerry's most prized possessions was his yellow Model A Ford Club Ford jacket.

Jerrold Robert "Jerry, J.R., Loose Lug Nuts" Manning, former member passed away August 19. Jerry did writings and drawings in our club newsletter many years ago.

Ken Vodak, of the Wisconsin Region MARC, passed away on August 30th. Ken's last time at the Reunion was in 2013.

On a happier note, Jo Lene Janssen has become Great Grandma to twin boys, Caden and Beckett. Granddaughter Kelsey (mom) and boys are doing well. Congratulations!

Please notify Karen Schmiechen with all your sunshine needs at 262-544-5005 or email vpwchapter@gmail.com

"In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love."

-Mother Teresa

NEW APPARAL IS HERE FOR FALL AND CHRISTMAS

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\$13.68



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\$4.34

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The link is also on the club website at wichaptermafca.com under "Apparel"

MAFCA Wisconsin Chapter Meeting Minutes Board Meeting September 12, 2021



Board Members Present: Mike Quam, Dave Huenink, Karen Schmiechen, Mark Ackermann, Steve Lewis

The meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m.

President – Mike – The Board received the typical correspondences.

Vice President / Sunshine –Karen – Nothing to report. Jerry Flynn passed away

Secretary – Dave - A motion was made by Karen and seconded by Mark to accept the minutes from the August 15th, 2021 Board meeting. The motion was put to a vote and it carried. The club has one hundred and sixty-one current members as of this meeting. Mary Kosalos's family asked to cancel her membership.

Treasurer –Steve – The treasurer's report was given. A motion was made by Dave and seconded by Karen to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was put to a vote and it carried. Several bills were turned in. Dave made a motion to pay the bills and it was seconded by Karen. It was put to a vote and it carried.

Event Coordinator – Mark – There are two outdoor tours left this year – September 26th and October 24. Indoor hosts are needed for November, January, February and March of the upcoming indoor season. A discussion was held regarding the October 24 tour. A certificate of insurance from the club was requested by the facility the club is going too. It was given to them. Dave will be investigating a new insurance carrier for the club and will report back to the Board.

Old Business – An update was given on the banquet. The plans are progressing well.

New Business – Jan and Wally Klager purchased a Model A picture years ago called "A Christmas Leave". Jan wants to donate it to the club to be used as a fund raiser. A discussion was held and the thought was to hold an auction for it at the banquet. However, the Board wants further information from Jan regarding the donation before proceeding forward.

The October 9th, 2021 meeting has been changed to October 8th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Karen and seconded by Steve to end the meeting. The motion was put to a vote and it carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Huenink
MAFCA – Wisconsin Chapter Secretary

These minutes have not yet been approved by the Board of Directors

Club Photographer position is open. If you're interested please contact any board member.

For those with smart phones take pictures when you can and email them to Sue at wheelingthea@yahoo.com

Thank you



Presidents message:

Hi All

As we approach our last tour of the season it's hard to believe the touring season is almost behind us. We had some great activities again this year, thanks to all that hosted them for us.

As we approach the end of the year it's time again for the question "will you consider running for the board of directors?". The nominations will close at the end of the business meeting in December so if you are interested in a board position please contact me or any board member before the December indoor meeting.

We are in need of some hosts for indoor meets if you would be interested in hosting an indoor meet please contact Mark Ackermann.

Well that's all I have for this month if you have any questions feel free to contact me anytime.

Mike



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'A' Trip Back to.....well, when the ladies started driving.....

I spotted an article in the September 1980 *Wheelin' the A* that got me onto the subject for this month. The article was written by Gene Engle and titled "Thoughts on Lady Drivers." He had overheard a man at a Wisconsin Rapids Meet say, "I'd never let my wife drive my Model A." Gene was disturbed by this because his wife had not only helped to purchase his 1929 Tudor and helped in the restoration, but drove it the day it first ran. She used this car, and subsequently other Model A' purchases, for errands, shopping and even picking up sand and gravel in the A-pickup. She would also be behind the wheel at parades, mall showings and long trip tours.

A Saturday Evening Post article from March 2017, titled "Selling cars to women in the 1930's" looked at a 1932 marketing report that explained why the automobile was appealing to women in greater numbers. That report documented the fact that women were not just influencing car-buying decisions but actually buying and driving cars. In 1922 Fisher Body Corporation started advertising closed bodies. The closed body, nice upholstery, body hardware, flower vases, and vanity cases were added to cars to appeal to women. Shorter wheel bases, easier steering, balloon tires, four-wheel brakes, windshield wipers, and eventually car heaters increased women's appeal to owning and driving.

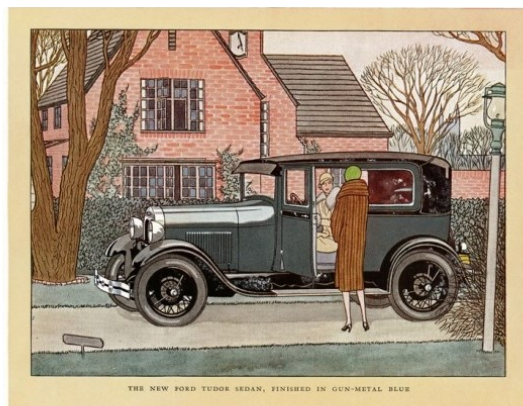


Interestingly one article I found in my research said that electric vehicles actually appealed more to women than the gas-powered cars. They were simpler, cleaner, safer and nicer to drive. No cranking, just get in and go. The article said, "Henry Ford's wife knew this. Clara Ford apparently wouldn't drive the Model T. She stuck to her electric car instead, a 1914 Detroit Electric.

(What her husband made of the fact that she wasn't driving a Ford is lost to history.)

A 1925 Ford ad titled *Your Heritage of Health* featured a charming image of women driving their Model T to meet ladies for a golf outing. The ad points out, "A Ford car has been the stimulus to thousands of women to lead happier, healthier, more active lives. It enables them to now do things and to go places that had hitherto seemed out of the question. They drive this easily-handled car themselves with as much confidence and satisfaction as men." (Karen's note: WOW! All by ourselves! What a breakthrough! Love the "hitherto"!)

Another ad declares, "By owning a Ford car a woman can with ease widen her sphere of interests without extra time or effort. Activities that of necessity take her from home may be carried on regardless of bad weather and roads. She can accomplish more daily, yet easily keep pace with the usual schedule of domestic obligations." (Karen's note: Us ladies must always attend to our "domestic obligations".)



The ad that ran for a 1926 Ford Tudor (selling for \$520) and celebrating the "torque tube drive" featured a woman driving the car. The picture above was featured in a Model A ad titled "Smooth riding ease and restful comfort make the new Ford an especially good car for women to drive." *Continued on next page...*

The Wisconsin Chapter Model A Ford Club of America has several lady drivers. The two we see at most of the meets are Jan Olsen and Vicki Cooper

Jan said that she learned to drive the A out of self-defense. Roger and Jan were doing many trips in the A and she felt that if something happened to Roger she better know how to drive the car to get help. After learning to drive and learning the shifting, it just became fun. She said that she has driven several A's and she drives both their 1928 Roadster as well as the 1931 Pickup. She now fearlessly joins our club trips coming alone from Racine to many starting spots in Waukesha County and beyond. If there was one thing she wished she would have done different was to learn more about what is under the hood rather than just the mechanics and skill of driving.

Vicki and Dennis purchased their first Model A on a trip to Michigan over 30 years ago. Vicki didn't learn to drive, though, until about 4 years ago when she asked Mike Yokofich to teach her when they were at a Rapids Meet. Now her and Dennis have more than one Model A -- a His and Hers! Vicki is quite possessive of 'Hers' and even uses it for errands. She gets a chuckle from the reaction men have when she is standing on the running board filling up the tank. They are always sure she doesn't know what she is doing!

Happy motoring ladies!

We are, historically and hysterically, Karen (and Bob) Schmiechen

Past Events...

Annual Picnic

This years annual picnic was well attended, the food was great and seeing everyone was even better. Thank you to Mark Ackermann for organizing the picnic, to Dave & Linda Huenink and Jan Olsen for handing the 65th anniversary details, to Bob Schmiechen for taking the photos of all the Model'As. Thank you Sandi Davisson for donating part of Bobs collection of Model A's for door prizes.





Photos's from: Bob Schmiechen, Brian Shaw, Mark Ackermann

Past Events— Picnic



65th Anniversary Committee
Jan Olsen, Linda and Dave Huenink



Grand Prize Winner K.J



Past Events— Picnic



Chauffer Eddie bringing wife Lorraine and Marlene Stegner.



Dennis Coopers new truck



Art & Sue Blazek's wrecker



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Past Events...

Roaring 20s

The Roaring 20s Day at Old Falls Village Park in Menomonee Falls was a good time, the weather...hot, humid and rainy at times, but we still had a nice time. The depot beer garden otherwise known as "the Speak Easy" took us on a trip back to prohibition days. Suffragette's marched and federal agents raided a still encampment with the help of driver Mike Quam.

We had a nice representation of Henry's ladies on display, a Pickup, a Roadster, a Tudor Sedan, Fordor Sedan, and a Sport Coupe. Also had visits from the Taurmans and the Wackers who spotted the Model A's from the road and stopped.

Thank you to the Blazeks, Coopers, Gillens, Quams and Schultzs for coming out to share your Model A's. Special thank you to the Gillens, who brought an easy up tent which saved us from the hot sun and the rain.

-Sue Quam



A visit from Scott Tilton while we bask in the shade.



Photos by Debbie Gillen and Sue Quam



Local artist was painting the Model A's, never got to see the final painting.



Planning the raid on the still



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CLASSIFIED ADS:

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FOR SALE: Restored 1931 Ford Pick Up For Sale. Asking \$16,900. Owner located in Delafield WI. Contact at 262-490-3498 or email at voseg1@gmail.com



From the Jerry Flynn estate:

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WANTED: To thank each & every one who helped at the Model A Reunion's Mechanic Seminar on our Model A's first trip to event. She ran well on way up, but had engine noise. Seminar found it was running on 1 cylinder when not under load, running on 3 when under load. Summary was manifold leak and possible stuck valve. Thanks again to all who worked on and had great incite on fixing/ finding the problems. Chad & Lynette Peck - cpeck3@frontier.com



Please remember:

- To contact the club secretary if you have change of address, email address or phone number!
- Deadline to submit articles and ads is the 15th of each month and emailed to wheelingthea@yahoo.com
- PLEASE remember to turn in your articles before and after your events.
- Our photographer can not be at every event, so please take out your cell phones and snap pictures. They can very easily be sent to wheelingthea@yahoo.com right from your phone. All photos are welcome and needed!



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Model A's _____

Send my newsletter via email _____ or US MAIL _____

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