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### ADVANCED TIMING SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR 2009

April 25	Bonus– Technical Seminar– See page 4
April 26	Spring Start up Tour– Hosts Jim Kummer & Carrie Frank See page 3
May 17	May Tour– Hosts Bob & Sandi Davisson See page 5
May 25th	Memorial Day Parade– Host Bob Sonnen Meet at N. 4th St & Michigan St. Ziedler Park See page 6
May 22-25	Memorial Day Over Nighter Trip– Hosts The Olsens and the Jannsens See page 6
June 7	Sharon Model A Days- Hosts Bob & Sandi Davisson
June 14	June Tour- Hosts Dennis & Anne Wacker See page 7
June 14	Flag Day- Stan & Pat Larson See page 7
July 4	<b>4th of July Parades-</b> Greendale– Hosts Pat & Paul Piotrowski <b>see page 8</b> Franklin– Host Dave Huenink
July 12	July Tour- Hosts Gene & Betsy Taurman
July 24-26	Wisconsin Rapids Reunion
August 11	Congregational Home Car Show– Host Dave Huenink
August 23	Annual Picnic- Hosts Dave & Linda Huenink
Sept. 12	Mitchell Manor Car Show- Host Mark Ackermann
Sept. 13	September Tour– Host Mark Ackermann
Sept. 19-20	Richfield Thresheree – Hosts Art & Sue Blazek
Sept. 26	International Model A Day-
Oct 11	October Tour- Hosts Marty & Jolene Jannsen
Oct 25	Last Outdoor Tour– Hosts Dave & Donna Boucher and Mike & Marilyn Brojanac
Nov 7	Veterans Day Parade– Host Neil Besougloff

### OUTDOOR MEET ADVISORY TEAM

For help in running an event call: Jim Kummer 262-895-2897 Stan Larson 262-251-1655 Dave Boucher 262-662-2273

### SPRING START-UP TOUR – April 26<sup>th</sup> Dash Plaques to First 50 Cars

Join us for a casual tour through scenic western Racine and Walworth Counties. Our tour will take you driving through back roads and over rolling hills, passing several lakes in the area. We will also be stopping in front of some barns that are part of Racine's county-wide art project that have painted "quilt patterns" on them.

#### Ladies please note!

We have a planned stop at **MY STORE**, a small country store. They primarily carry a large selection of herbs, spices, and mixes for soup, bread, dips, cocoa and cappuccino. They also sell tea, pasta, soy candles, soaps and some locally handmade crafts.

We should arrive at our final destination, The DMZ Bunker in Rochester, about 4 PM. Our club will provide a light dinner buffet there of hot ham sandwiches, potato salad, snacks and beverages. Door prizes will also be awarded.

The Bunker has a unique atmosphere of military artifacts and history throughout their establishment including a small shop with military clothing and miscellaneous items for sale. If the weather is accommodating, we can relax on a large outside deck overlooking their military helicopter, tank, airplanes and guard tower.

### MEETING TIME: 1:00 PM LEAVE: 1:15 P.M. Promptly

Location: Piggly Wiggly parking lot (formerly Sentry) W189 S7847 Racine Ave., Muskego Racine Ave. (County Y) and Janesville Road (County L)

**Questions:** Call Jim or Carrie 262-895-2897 Cell 262-210-0718

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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.

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Saturday, April 25, 2009 from 9:00 A.M. - Noon (Snow/Rain Date will be the same but on May 2nd)

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# \*\*\* THE MAY 2009 TOUR \*\*\*

Join with us on **Sunday**, **May 17th** for a fun afternoon of Model A touring and sightseeing.

We'll leave promptly at 12:30 PM from McDonald's just north of the intersec-

tion of West National Ave. (County ES) and South Moorland Road. Hungry? Grab a burger before we start out.

After a little run through the countryside to get the old A's limbered up, we'll arrive at the home of Mr. Donald Woelbing, the chairman of Carma Laboratories, Inc. in Franklin. Carma Labs' is world famous for producing the very popular lip balm, CARMEX. Here, we'll be treated to a hands on tour of Mr. Woelbing's private railroad. \*\*\*\* **BRING LAWN CHAIRS!** \*\*\*\*

Next, we continue to the nearby Carma Labs Franklin facility where Mr. Woelbing will enlighten us about his company's products. Then, we will view his collection of nearly 50 antique and classic automobiles, including three Model A's and one Model T, housed in their headquarters building.

Following the Carma Labs visit, it's back in the Model A for a short drive over to Michaelangelo's Pizza, 8330 West Puetz Road, Franklin for a round of pizza and beverages; compliments of your chapter.

So, mark your calendar now and plan on hitting the road with us for an enjoyable and different afternoon. Rain or shine ..... we're on!

Your tour hosts: Bob and Sandi Davisson 414-543-2424

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La Crosse, Wisconsin Model A Weekend Memorial Weekend May 22, 23, 24, 25, 2009 Drive antique or modern . . . and plan to join our Wisconsin Chapter Model A weekend!

**Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** Depart from McDonald's on Capitol Drive near Hwy 164 8:16-1/2 A.M. in the morning <u>ON THE DOT</u> We will be doing A Mystery Tour in the La Crosse area most of Saturday with those who depart with us Friday. Hosts: Marty & Jo Lene Jannsen and Roger & Jan Olsen



You have a choice between A two or A three night stay at the Settle Inn in La Crosse. Our Wisconsin Chapter has been given a price of \$78.32/night, including all applicable taxes. Make your **Model A Ford Club** reservation TODAY!

### Phone: Settle Inn 1-608-781-5100

Sunday morning we will tour Elmer's Auto & Toy Museum in Fountain City. You will see lots of antique toys, toy cars and real cars. A low entrance fee will be charged.

A Three Hour Cruise is planned for late Sunday afternoon on the La Crosse Queen. Cruise (tax & gratuity included) = 37.00/adult (children ½ price) Make check out to <u>Wisconsin Chapter</u> and send by April 1, 2009 to Roger Olsen 4706 Forest Lane Racine, WI 53403

Hosts: Marty & Jo Lene Jannsen and Roger & Jan Olsen



## Milwaukee's 144th Consecutive MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MAY 25TH Meet at 1:00 PM

Corner of North 4th Street and Michigan at Carl Zeidler Park Parade begins at 2:00PM

Join us in parade to remember our veterans who gave their lives while in service to their country, so that we can enjoy the freedoms and securities we have today. Any questions contact hosts Bob & Barb Sonnen 414-771-1692

http://www.war-veterans.org/Parade.htm

# JUNE 14TH, 2009

Come join us for a very interesting tour that will take place in the city of Milwaukee. No need to travel a great distance to see a different and unique artistic process. It is a chance to see the project from the design stage to the completed art.

Hosts: Anne & Dennis Wacker

# FLAG DAY PARADE - JUNE 14TH

We would like to invite our Model A friends to join us for this festive parade to honor the birthplace of FLAG DAY.

We will be in the parade held in Waubeka. This small town goes all out to host this event. This year Vietnam Veterans will be honored.

**Meeting Point:** Cedarburg General Store Museum. W61 N480 Washington Ave. Cedarburg, WI. 1-262-377-9620

**Time:** 10:00AM We will have a guided tour of the museum. This an old time general store featuring items from 1900 up to the 1950's

Lunch: Wayne's Drive Inn, with car hops on skates or dine in.

Depart to Flag Day Parade in Waubeka. Please RSVP with the Larson's so we know how many Model "A"s we will have.

Stan & Pat Larson 262-241-1655





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### Register Early SNV \$5.00

### **Registration Form**

Register Early SNV \$5.00

2009 Wisconsin Rapids Model A Reunion July 24<sup>TH</sup>, 25<sup>TH</sup>, 26<sup>TH</sup>

Name:Address:	
City: Phone: ( ) E-Mail:	State: Zip:
Please Indicate the number of people attending:    Family Members:  Guests:   Adults Adults   Children Children    Are you camping? Yes No    If yes, how many nights? One Two    Do you currently have a plaque? Yes No	Which Model A Club do you belong to:   Central Wisconsin MAFCA   Nickle A MARC/MAFCA   Wisconsin Chapter MAFCA   Wisconsin Region MARC   No club or other (ff other, please write club's name below)
Car Information: Year: Model: Year: Model:	Fashion Judging:    Will you be entering Fashion Judging?    Yes
	this event and must be worn at ALL times

to enjoy the free drinks and meals over the weekend.

# <u>PRE-REGISTER FOR ONLY \$10, AND SAVE \$5 ON THE WEEKEND!!</u> REGISTRATION FEES

1)	<u>Club member</u> : family and one Model A (pre-registered \$10 + \$20)\$30	0.00
	For participants not pre-registered\$33	5.00
	Each additional Model A\$ 3	5.00
2)	Non-club member: family and one Model A (pre-registered \$10 + \$25)\$33	5.00
	For participants not pre-registered	
	Each additional Model A\$ 3	
3)	<b>Guest Fees</b> Guest is anyone who is not an immediate member of your family, which includes married children. Your immediate family is your spouse and unmarried children who live with you.	
	Each Adult, 21 and older\$13	5.00
	Each Child, ages 6 to 20\$10	0.00
	Each Child, 5 and under is free, but must be registered	
4)	<u>Camping Fees</u> per site: \$15/weekend	
	**Guests using additional sites will be charged per campsite	
	Make \$10.00 check payable to Janet Olsen	
	Send pre-registration fee and registration form by July 1st to:	
	Janet Olsen	
	4706 Forest Lane	
	Racine, WI 53403	

Questions?? Check out the website at http://clubs.hemmings.com/wirapidsmodela/ or email to wirapidsmodela@netwurx.net

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WORLD WIDE

**EVENT** 

Check out page 17 in the

March/April 2009 copy of the Restorer

Magazine. On International Model A Day

September 26<sup>th</sup> 2009, Model A's around

the world are going to take to the roads.

Our club would like to be a part of the

worldwide event. We need ideas and a

chairperson or persons to host the event.

This would be an added outdoor event to

our calendar. Any questions, ideas or vol-

unteers for this world wide event contact

our outdoor chairman Dave Boucher at

### Get Your "A" to the Reunion License Plates

Tony Sillman has designed two license plates that pretty much tells everyone to get their "A's" to the Reunion. One has a car, the other has a AA-Truck. These will be silkscreened black on a white aluminium plate.

A minimum of 20 orders of  $\underline{a}$  design are needed, to have <u>that</u> design printed out. These are \$10 per plate.

The plan is to distribute these at the Reunion. If you would like them earlier, and mailed to your home, a shipping and handling charge will be added to the cost of the plate

If interested in a plate, or two, send a letter to Tony at W8210 Doepke Rd.; Waterloo, WI 53594, or an e-mail to aatruck@netwurx.net, and indicate which plate you would like. No phone calls please. Ordering deadline is May 15th, to try to get these plates ready for those going to the National Meet.

Tony points out that not only will he have one of these plates on his Model A, but there will also be one on the wall of his home office.

# WANTED:



We are in need of back up photographers for club events. Barb

Sonnen is doing a fine job, but she can't be expected to be at every event. Here's a good chance to help out our club. If you're attending club events and you take pictures anyway you're a perfect candidate for the position. After an event all you do is e-mail your pictures to our editor for use in the newsletter. Here's a chance to be active in the club and have fun at the same time. Please respond to the outdoor chairman Dave Boucher at 262-662-2273 or e-mail at

dndbchr@yahoo.com. Thanks Dave

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# ARE YOU MISSING THE BOAT ??



If you're not using our club web site <u>model-a-wis.com</u> you're missing the boat. Anything you need to know about club activities past and future is listed there. You can check out the current issue of Wheeling the A or past issues. Need a membership form or a check request form? You can download one from our site. You will find many more features you can use. Our web master, Carl Doro has done a great job of setting up a very informative site. Thanks Carl!! Make sure you view the photo section. Just click on

the photo box to see the current photos and then click it a second time to see photos of past events. Look for the newsletter to be posted on the website the first of every month. Don't be left on shore, check it out. This is the first in a series of thanks to all our members in volunteer positions.-Dave Boucher

### <u>From The President</u>

Time flies. It seems like yesterday that I wrote my first letter for the March issue of Wheeling The "A".



Thanks to Stan Larson for the great rearview article about the "Gangster Reunion" and Sue Quam for inserting the pictures in the right places. Really neat! Go to our club website and see Wheeling The "A" rearview article in color. Carl Doro (our webmaster) put a banquet slide show with music on the website. Thanks, Carl!

Recent event pictures that Carl has put on the website include the horn rebuild, chili & salsa cook off, the swap meet, March indoor meet and the St. Patty's Day parade. Take a look at some great pictures. Barb Sonnen is getting some photographer assistants so look for more great pictures on the web and in the newsletter.

I talked to Carl about putting a picture roster on the web of our members with their cars. This roster *would not* include phone number, email address and street address. It would just be your name and the town, village or city you are from under the picture. Carl and I would like to hear from members about this idea.

A big *Thank You* to Roger and Jan Olsen for organizing and taking charge of the swap meet on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Look for Roger and Jan's report on the event in this newsletter.

Well the indoor season is over and it ended with some snowflakes. I think those were the largest flakes I have ever seen. Thanks to Dan Kane, our indoor chairman for a great season and thanks to Sally Neuenschwander for all her help. I don't think Dan could have done it without her!

I have had enough winter and can't wait for the outdoor season to start. Dave Boucher, our outdoor chairman has a long list of events for 2009. Check page two of this newsletter for that list. Dave has had dash plaques made for the spring start up tour. I think he may have a prize for anyone who can tell him what is unique about the plaque. Dave has mentioned that Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> is International Model A Day and he is considering a club event for that day. Dave's goal for this year is to have an increase in attendance at the outdoor events. **Remember** that if your "A" is not running or if you don't have an "A", a modern car is welcome or call a member for a ride in their "A". We want to see more of you this year!

My goal for 2009 is 5,000 miles on the "A". Wish me luck!

I hope to see you on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Marty

### General Membership Meeting Minutes for March 8, 2009

Present: Dave Boucher, Dan Kane, Paul Piotrowski, Dave Nueman, Roger Olsen, Marty Jannsen, Mike Quam, Sue Quam, Bob Davisson.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 PM by President Jannsen

**Vice President** – **Mike Quam**: The board approved two new members at last nights BOD meeting, Rhody & Carolyn Megal and Steve Blundon.

**Secretary – Sue Quam:** Motion to accept the minutes as written from the previous meeting was made by Carrie Frank and seconded by Jim Kummer. Currently we have 275 members.

**Treasurers Report – Paul Piotrowski:** The Treasurers report was given. Paul updated us on the swap meet deposits, this year vs. last year. This year's gate sales were higher.

**Outdoor Meet Coordinator – Dave Boucher**: Check the advanced timing for the many events we having coming up. Memorial Day Overnighter is coming up soon, make sure to call and reserve your hotel room and sign up and pay Jan Olsen for a reservation for the dinner cruise if you're interested in going. We will have two different departures. One Friday and one Saturday, check the Wheeling for information. August picnic hosts will need help running the picnic, please sign up to help. Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> is International Model A Day. It would be nice if we had some kind of event that day, if interested in running an event, contact Dave Boucher.

**Indoor Meet Coordinator – Dan Kane:** We are using the old hall for today, the large hall was double booked. Thank you to Wally and Sally Kaufman for todays movies. Our next indoor meet will be Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009, that days event will be an antique dealer who will appraise our items.

**Technical Meet Coordinator – Roger Olsen:** Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> will be an additional seminar on trouble shooting and diagnosing problems. Every one in attendance will receive a laminated trouble shooing guide to keep in your cars. Roger would like some feed back and ideas for next seasons technical seminars.

**Club Accessories – Bob Davisson:** Times Embroidery has a monthly special on denim shirts for the month of March. Hopefully we will get information from Times on advance sales and get that information into the Wheeling in time for members to take advantage of the sales.

**Sunshine & Awards – Dave Neuman:** No sunshine to report

**Old Business:** Swap Meet- Thank you to all those who helped with the swap meet. There were 30 more vendors this year. Many customers commented on what a nice swap meet we put on. Next swap meet is Feb. 28, 2010.

**New Business:** Dave Boucher suggests we have a few more photographers, as Barb Sonnen can not be expected to be at every event. Anyone wishing to take pictures please let any of the board of directors know.

The club banner is aging and looks out dated. The board is accepting idea's and drawings for a new banner.

The Board of Directors has decide that the newsletter should be posted on the website on the first of every month.

The Rapids reunion is looking for items for the goodie bags. Register before July 1<sup>st</sup> and save \$5.00. Camping fee this year is a flat fee of \$15.00 whether your there one night or three. Rapids reunion committee is looking to purchase a walk in cooler. WI Chapter members voted all in favor and one opposing the purchase. Motion was made by Mike Yokovich and seconded by Jim Kummer to donate \$125.00 for raffle prizes for the reunion.

Motion to adjourn made by Bob Sonnen and seconded by Dave Rozman.

Respectfully submitted by

Sue Quam, Secretary Wis. Chapter Model A Ford Club



# Reminiscing with the Historian

FIFTY YEARS AGO, 1959 - No information is available.

**FORTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1964** - A few hardy souls ventured to Madison, Wisconsin, to drive their "A's: in a parade that ended at the Governor's Mansion. The group toured the mansion and had refreshments.

**FORTY YEARS AGO, 1969** - The club held the biggest swap meet in the Midwest. There was a \$.50 donation to enter and vendors paid \$2.00 to rent spaces. Art Sternhagen handled publicity, Wally Wall took care of clean-up, Larry Koser was in charge of food concessions, and Francis Drake was in charge registrations.

**THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1974** - The family of the month was Dick Erickson's family. A suggestion was made that we have two dances a year.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO, 1979** - The technical seminar hosted representatives of the Champion Spark Plug Company. The reps explained spark plug heat ranges, and the effect they have on engine performance.

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, 1984** - The Village Ramblers entertained the club during the ice cream social. Hosts were Dick and Carla Lauwasser.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO, 1989** - The spring start-up tour was a visit to the Heritage Museum in Hartford. The group viewed many nice cars, including the Kissel. The Kissel was manufactured in Hartford from 1906 until 1931.

**FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, 1994** - An impromptu tour was held at Old World Wisconsin. Muskego County Park was the place for ladies to learn to drive a Model A, as this was the theme of the April seminar. Fifteen Model A's participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

TEN YEARS AGO, 1999 - Lee and Karen Pagel organized a tour to Yerkes Observatory in Lake Geneva.

**FIVE YEARS AGO, 2004** - The spring start-up tour, hosted by Pat and Stan Larson, took a slow drive on back roads to Portage, Wisconsin. The group visited a cheese factory, general store, a bakery that uses wood to heat the ovens, a quilt shop, a sawmill, a log home, and other points of interest.

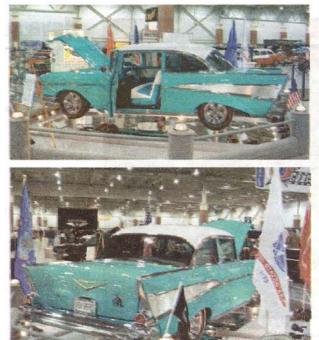
Submitted by Art and Sue Blazek

Todd Ryan Cornell is the nephew of Darrell and Marlene Cornell

> Article found in Boomers March 2009

> > Submitted By Pat & Paul Piotrowski

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# An American Soldier and a '57 Chevy

By Katie L. Huber

Staff Sergeant Todd Ryan Cornell was born on January 3, 1966. After graduating from high school in Menomonee Falls, Cornell began his dedicated career by enlisting in the United States Army Reserve for six years. For the rest of his career, Cornell served diligently in the United States Army, the United States Army National Guard, and the United States Army Reserve. Upon completing Drill Sergeant, Cornell was marshaled in support of "OP-ERATION IRAQI FREEDOM" in 2004.

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# **An American Soldier and a '57 Chevy**

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Less than a month later, he was deployed to Iraq where he served as Senior Drill Sergeant Instructor, Combat Operations Advisor to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, Iraqi Intervention Task Force. On November 8, 2004, Cornell and his unit were attacked from multiple enemy fighters. In an attempt to save his comrades, Cornell positioned himself to suppress the enemy, while putting his own life on the line. Cornell was mortally wounded and died on November 9, 2004.

Not only did Cornell leave family and friends behind, he also left his dream of restoring his '57 Chevy Belair. Purchased while Cornell was stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, the car remained in his shed at home until his death in Fallujah, Iraq. Halbman discovered Cornell's dream project while at Cornell's funeral. After purchasing the car from the family in May of 2005, he began the three and a half year journey of restoring the car.

Starting with the pieces Cornell had so carefully set aside and labeled, Halbman began his work. His work was only finished after a new frame, new fenders, new rear quarter panels, a new engine, and a new interior and paint were purchased and assembled. The turquoise '57 Chevy Belair was now a dream come true for both Cornell and Halbman, which brings the story of Cornell and Halbman's '57 Chevy to the present day.

For the first time after being restored, Halbman entered the '57 Chevy in the World of Wheels auto show at the State Fair Park this past February. According to Halbman, the response toward the '57 Chevy at the show was overwhelming. The '57 Chevy not only represents the beauty of the car in its early years, but more importantly represents the sacrifice that Staff Sergeant Cornell gave for our country.

Halbman won the Super Chevy award, which is only given to first time exhibitors, as well as the award for the best display at this years show. The honor to win these two coveted awards was an emotional experience for Halbman as well as the family of Staff Sergeant Cornell. Halbman mentioned that he is so blessed to have the ability to put the money into the car as a means of fulfilling Cornell's dream and supporting the troops.

Not only has the car been fully restored, but it has taken on a new level of meaning. Halbman said originally the car was meant to fulfill Cornell's dream. As the project progressed, it has become a memorial to all the men and women serving in the armed forces. The turquoise Belair sports a license plate that reads "USA Hero", as well as a mural of a soldier with Cornell's name underneath it on the trunk. According to Halbman, the project snowballed and became so much more than he originally had planned. Halbman's son is a Marine and support for the armed forces is important to him.

Halbman plans on continuing to show the car. Future plans include the Menomonee Falls Fourth of July parade this coming year, as well as the Super Chevy Rally at the Indianapolis Speedway in June.

The dedication by both Staff Sergeant Ryan Cornell and Mark Halbman will not go unnoticed. Cornell's family, friends, and country will never forget the sacrifice he made for his fellow countrymen. Halbman's dedication to make Cornell's dream a reality is an uncommon, yet creative way to support the troops. Their love for restoring cars, particularly the '57 Chevy Belair, brought together a love for their country with a dedication that is unforgettable.

### Car Shows and Swap Meets:

#### April 25-26 Spring Jefferson Swap Meet and Car Show

**May 3, Drive the Mile** is a unique event that will take place rain or shine on Sunday, May 3rd. Minivans, mopeds, work trucks, classic cars and motorcycles will all be allowed to take laps around America's Legendary Oval. Drivers must be insured and 18 years of age, passengers of any age ride free.

Admission to participate in "Drive The Mile" will remain at \$15 plus two non-perishables for the Hunger Task Force of Wisconsin. Drive The Mile event details are forthcoming, and will again include a huge classic car show, race cars on display, refreshments and more!

Please continue to visit www.milwaukeemile.com for more information

May 17, Wisconsin Early Mustangers 27th Annual All Ford Show and Swap

Location: Ewald's Venus Ford, 2727 E Layton Ave., Cudahy. Hours: 8am-3pm

Admission Fees: Spectators-Free, Show Cars \$8 B4 May 1, \$10 day of show

**Details:** Rain or Shine. Check-in 8-11:30am. Dash plaques to all show vehicles! Trophies in 26 classes plus People's Choice and Dealer's Choice. For more info, call Tom Miller, President at 414-764-6726,

e-mail Dawn at treasure65@hotmail.com or go to www.wemustangers.com.

#### July 9-12, Iola Car Show and Swap Meet, Iola WI

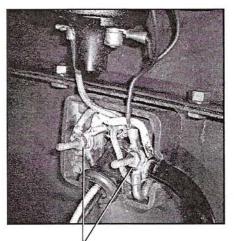
# ELECTRICAL TROUBLES LOOSE WIRING CONNECTIONS

Loose wiring connections at the terminal box can cause a number of problems. The two most neglected wiring connections are at the terminal box and the back side of the ammeter.

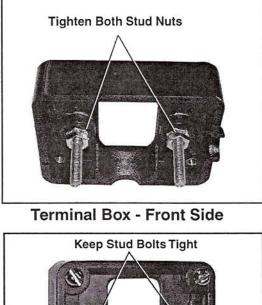
Ford issued a Service Bulletin in October, 1930, (page 505) that identifies "Winter Electrical Troubles". Winter electrical troubles are principally due to the effect of cold weather on the electrolyte in the battery. At zero temperatures the starting ability of a battery is reduced to one-half its normal capacity. In the winter months, the car's battery should be charged frequently to ensure a full charge is on the battery at all times. A low charged battery can freeze and destroy the battery. A fully charged battery will not freeze until sub zero temperatures are reached.

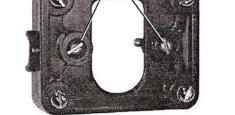
Loose or corroded connections cause a drop in voltage and an increase in current flow. This can cause the wires at the connection to get hot and possibly to start to burn.

The two long studs on the terminal box always have 6 volts applied. Before working on any wiring connections, disconnect the battery or remove a fuse if installed. Corrosion has a tendency to form around the nuts and wire connections at the terminal box studs. The nuts should be removed and the wire terminals removed from the studs and cleaned. Before installing the wires back onto the studs, the lower nuts on the studs should be securely tightened. These nuts hold the studs rigid to the terminal box. When the studs become loose, they can move back against the fire wall and develop an intermittent electrical short against it. There is very little clearance between the head of the stud bolt on the back side of the terminal box and the fire wall. The stud bolt nuts must be kept tight.



Clean and tighten both wiring connections

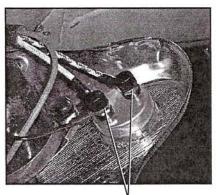




**Terminal Box - Back Side** 

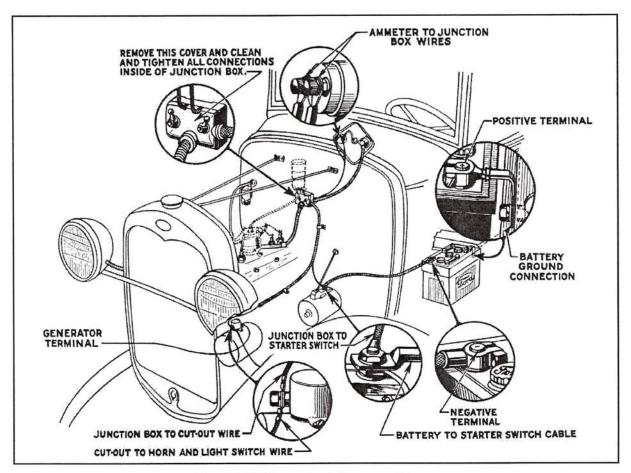
This article was printed in the January, 2006 Volume Two, Issue One of the Model A Times. Subscriptions are available for four issues for \$25.00 per year. Loose connections can cause an electrical fire. The most common cause of an electrical fire is from loose ammeter nuts. These nuts become loose from vibration and are seldom checked. Loose connections at the ammeter cause heavy current flow through the wires from the ammeter to the terminal box. Before you know it, the wires are melting and you have a fire in the gas tank trough.

Loose ammeter connections can also cause other problems such as poor starting, poor running condition, and loss of power. This is the result of low voltage to the coil. The ammeter connections should be checked periodically to ensure full voltage to the coil and other ignition circuits, and to guard against an electrical fire. Loose connection anywhere in the electrical circuit will generate heat



Check ammeter connections on back side of ammeter

due to increased current flow. Excessive heat can cause a fire. Keep your Model A running smooth and free of electrical fire by checking all electrical connections at least annually.



**Model A Electrical Connections** 

### Wisconsin Chapter, Inc. MAFCA Technical Seminar Aaa-ooooo-ga! Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

We had a mixture of 6 volt and 12 volt Model A horns brought to our February seminar to see if the Aaa-ooooo-ga could be resurrected to the individual horn. Al, Tony and I worked on each horn trying to find what the particular problem was. Several men choose to work on their own Model A horn and get their "Aaa-ooooo" back with "ga"!

We re-did the fields on one 6 volt horn to change it to a 12 volt system. We also had to re-wind one 6 volt horn. The majority of

horns brought in only needed a brush set . . . that is new springs and brushes.

After working with several different horns, we noticed most problems seemed to be solved quickly with <u>a</u> <u>**drop** or two of oil</u> on the ends of the armature to get that distinctive Aaa-00000-ga sound again!

We came to some interesting conclusions as we finished working on the horns. Almost all of the horns brought in were ready to Aaa-00000-ga again with just a few drops of oil and cleaning. Only one Model A horn brought to this seminar needed minor surgery to help it Aaa-00000-ga again!

**REMEMBER - - -** in case you take your Model A horn apart - - - that round horn motor ratchet at the end of the armature is a <u>LEFT HANDTHREAD</u>! The club member found it will break off real quick if you work it like a right-hand thread!

"A Thanks" to all who came out on this brisk Wisconsin night to Mail Truck to get ready to Aaa-00000-ga in 2009.

Remember, you can always call Wally Kaufman, Mike Brojanac or me with any questions you may have. Never can tell, we might even know the answers to your question!

Roger, Technical Chairman





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### 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Greater Milwaukee Area Winter Swap Meet

There are many stories from our greater Milwaukee area winter swap meet and I would like to share 'A' few with you! There's one about some special club members and 'A' couple of friends. We entered Washington County Fair Grounds buildings Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. and began to have a panic attack as we saw the scene in front of us! We would not have even <u>begun</u> to mark swap spaces without the outstanding effort by each individual with us!



The "old" building had chairs stacked in groups 15 high totaling 1,700 chairs on the main floor; there were bleachers with 15 high rows of seats on two sides of the room; the third side of the room had a stage and several gigantic tubs of musical equipment.

The "new" building had an animal show which had ended hours earlier that Saturday afternoon. But, some of the animals and their handlers were still on site and had not begun to exit the premises. It would be safe to say the condition of the building was challenging!

With the phenomenal effort by our people and the Washington County Fair Grounds staff, every person worked quickly and efficiently to get the previous events cleaned up and ready the building for our swap meet just hours away. These incredible people finished all swap space marking by one (1) minute to 12:00—midnight!

A Very Special Thanks and Appreciation to: Mike Olsen Pete Olsen Pat Piotrowski Paul Piotrowski Gary Schwabe Andy Schwabe Bob Schaefer John Boticki AND Dave and his Washington County Fair Grounds crew.

I am sorry to say we were notified of a small problem after marking was completed in the new building. When we finished measuring all the vendor spaces Paul noticed . . . he had made a 300<sup>th</sup> of 1(one) inch miscalculation in the overall layout of the building!!!

We appreciate the men who stood outside in the brisk (single digits on the thermometer) early morning Wisconsin air to direct our vendors. Gary Schwabe and William Ford took charge of the vendor entrance gate. Eric Haban and Bob Schaefer then directed people to the correct building where their vending space was located.

The majority of vendors took time to mention how much they appreciated the unloading help they received from our Wisconsin Chapter members. They were impressed by the terrific members from our club! *Continued on next page* 



'A' special "Thanks" to Sandy Ford who went above and beyond the call of duty Sunday morning. Sandy knows how to remove a gallon of bright yellow paint when spilled in a gigantic puddle in the Expo Center entrance. Todd (Washington County crew) and Sandy did such an outstanding job cleaning the paint off the floor, that the floor looks better than new!

We are most thankful for the invention of cellular phones! These wonderful devices make communication so much easier!

For those of you who wish to purchase new steel toe boots, you need to talk with Sarge about how to purchase new boots for only \$5.00!

Near the end of the day, Gary Schwabe put a "FREE" sign for items still on his trailer. But, a man had to buy the trailer Gary used to bring his "stuff" because Gary would not give the trailer away free!

'A' special "Thanks" to my sister-in-law, Bea Olsen, for letting me use her electric wheels so I could keep on the move all day.

Our swap was 'A' success because of our club members who gave so generously of their time. We appreciate all our extraordinary members who pitched in wherever they saw a need and took care of it. 'A' special "Thanks" to everyone who helped take tape off the floor! We hope your fingers have recovered!

We hope we listed the names of all who worked Swap Day.	Please let us know if we inadvertently
missed anyone.	

Mark Ackermann Neil Besougloff Mike Clinnen Sandy Davisson Bob DuKatz Jerry Flynn Ron Fowler Jess Janke Sarge(Greg)Jennik Stan Larson Al Mueller Mike Olsen Paul Piotrowski Andy Schwabe Joe Schwark Glenn Willcox

Tony Baudo Mike Brojanac Marlene Cornell Carl Doro Gene Engel Sandy Ford Eric Haban lo Lene Jannsen Dan Kane Charlie Morgan Sally Neuenschwander Pete Olsen Mike Quam Gary Schwabe Barb Sonnen Dave Boucher

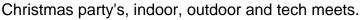
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# Our Greater Milwaukee Area Winter Swap Succeeded Because of You!

Roger & Jan

### March 2009 Indoor Meet

The last indoor meet of the season met with great success. Wally & Sally Kaufman were the event hosts, and movies were on the menu. First we had a Henry Ford History of the Model A Ford borrowed from the library. Next we had a slide show (from the Wisconsin Chapter Film File). WHAT A HISTORY! Pictures from the '70 National Meet at Milwaukee and the '94 World Meet at Lake Geneva. Also included were pictures of past picnics,





Sally insisted we serve popcorn to go along with the movies just like the real shows. A great time was had by all and great thanks need to go out to the Kaufmans. They have agreed to show more old movies to go with the chocolate chip cookie contest in March 2010.



Photographs by Barb Sonnen



### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

Rhody & Carolyn Megal 3331 N. Knoll Terrace Wauwatosa, WI 53222 414-476-1836 rhodym@megal.com 1930 Roadster



Steve Blundon 10744 S. Nicholson Rd. Oak Creek, WI 53154 414-764-1087 stevelundon@yahoo.com No car yet, looking to be Educated before buying a Model A

#### Rapids Planning Meeting February 21, 2009

On a cold wintery day, nineteen brave souls fought the elements of a winter snow storm to represent their Model A club for the annual Wisconsin Rapids Model A Reunion Planning Meeting. Thanks to all who attended, special thanks to all who sent in suggestions/ideas for this meeting. The following are some key points from this meeting:

• Was requested that each club provide an item for the "Goodie Bag". This could be a "freebie' item form your area, like a key chain, etc. Would need to fill 125 to 150 bags.

• Due to larger kids using and breaking the wooden playground equipment, an age limit of 12 and under has been established for playing on this equipment. Common sense was requested to be used in this area.

• Camping rate has been changed to \$15 for the weekend, no matter how many nights you stay.

• The charge per plate for the pot luck line, for ANYONE without a ribbon has been raised to \$5.

• To help create more space for modern car parking, all car trailers/haulers will be required to park off of 72nd Street. This is on the east side of the road, south of the club grounds entrance.

• Camping will be restricted west of the clubhouse, and east of the row of the new tree plantings. This is to create a traffic lane during car games. Because of this, the campers are being asked to 'snug it up a bit'.

• Have you made song requests in the past, and the DJ has

not had the song with him? E-mail in your song requests to the Reunion web site at wirapidsmodela@netwurx.net.

• There has been low voting results for the People's Choice Awards - please vote on your favorite car at the Reunion. The voting ballots will be stapled to your window card.

• Everyone above the age of 16 is required to sign up for a job on the Duty Roster. Don't make the Chairman and Co-Chairman hunt you down to sign up for a task.

• As in the past, each club is requested to make a \$125 total donation to the Raffle, \$50 for the Men's, \$50 for the Women's, and \$25 for the Kid's. This is in addition to any individual donations made by club members.

• Chairpeople are needed for Kid's Games and Car Games. Contact Jack Barham, or e-mail the Reunion's web site if interested.

• A walk-in cooler is being looked into, to replace the numerous refrigerators used over the years. The CWC was given the authorization to spend up to \$2000 on this.

• Ice will be available for purchase again this year on the grounds for the campers.

# NEED HELP WITH YOUR "A"? QUESTIONS THAT YOU NEED ANSWERS TO??



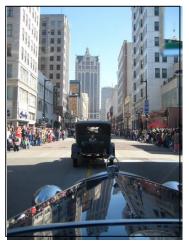
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### st. pats day parade-march 14th

The weather was sunny and with temps in the mid 50's, couldn't ask for a better day for the Milwaukee Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. We traveled through Milwaukee's beautiful downtown streets. The sidewalks were lined with thousands of spectators taking in the beautiful weather, the parade and of course our 8 Model A Fords. Thanks to: Roger & Jan Olsen, Carl Doro, Bob & Barb Sonnen and Andi, Glenn Willcox and his co-pilot Bob the dog, Bob & Kitty Schaefer, Ron Fowler and Neil Besougloff for joining myself and my dad in this years parade. It made for a great line up with 2 trucks and 6 cars. Thanks again to all and see you next year! -Mike Quam





Quam and Fowler pick up trucks



**Bob– Our official** Parade mascot

Photos by Barb Sonnen and Glenn Willcox





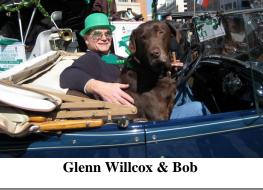
Lined up and waiting!



HORSE power vs. Model A horse power

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### CLASSIFIED ADS

**FOR SALE:** Beautiful 1931 Model A Pickup: Restored to all original. Vagabond Green with black fenders, Medium Cream pin striping. Less than 500 miles on a 2007 frame-up restoration. \$22,900 Includes custom manufactured complete enclosure Omni-dry carjacket, custom "pickup" dust cover, and 1 generic dust cover. Call Bob @ 920-946-1292: Sheboygan, Wisconsin. Runs very smooth drive it home.



**FOR SALE:** 1929 Model A Sedan, Original colors, Seal Brown/Rose Beige. LeBaron Bonney interior. Dual Side mounts. \$13,000.00 Contact Dick Ziegert 920-725-7810 or email iluvaaaas@yahool.com

**WANTED:** Radiator for a 1929 Model A. Call Dan Hedtke 920-359-0360

If anyone has a Model A for sale they can contact me and let me know. I constantly have people looking for cars and may be able to help sell their cars. Al Downs 414-762-3731

# SUNSHINE REPORT:

Emmalyn Smith was the star of the "Believe" program at Sea World - San Antonio. She was selected to be on stage with the whale trainers, she introduced herself- told the audience what her dream was (to become a teacher) and called Shamu to the lower part of the stage.

Sue Quam had arthroscopic knee surgery on Friday the 13th.

### Ordering your club apparel...

Call- *Times Custom Apparel.* 920-994-4396. Business hours will be Monday through Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

When you call to place an order, the printing company's main switchboard will answer. At that time, please ask to be connected to *Times Custom Apparel*. *Due to the extra pages, the order form is not included in this months Wheeling.* 

At five minutes and six seconds after 4 AM on the 8th of July this year, the time and date will be --

04:05:06 07/08/09. This will not happen again for a thousand years. Thanks to Marilyn Brojanac for submitting this info



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