



GOING PLACES



Columbus MARC Region Since 1964, MAFCA Chapter since 2009

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Upcoming Events

- Oct 8-** Membership Meeting —Sirloin Stockade 5:30 dinner, 6:30 meeting
- Oct 13-20-** Blue Ridge Parkway Tour (Sutton)
- Nov 12-** Membership Meeting
- Dec 13-** Christmas Party at Pines with Entertainment, 4pm

October 2020 Edition



This test tube was one of several that Charles Edison noticed standing open in a rack in the bedroom in which his father, Thomas, had just died in 1931. The attending physician was asked to seal the tubes, one of which was later sent to Henry Ford. Edison's last breath.

-The Henry Ford Museum

President's Report

By Ron Lawson



Hello Membership!

Congratulations to three of our Members for thirty years of MAFCA Membership Milestones; Wayne Arnholt, Tim and Dorothy Ellis.

Thanks to Wayne Arnholt for loan of one of the most recent addition to the Model A Ford Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan, is a 1931 Ford Ambulance, Ford body style 280-A. There is a real good write up about it in the September/October 2020 "The Restorer" magazine. We have to go and see this.



Congratulations to our newsletter editor Tim Diehn for an outstanding job on the newsletter. Tim received a recognition and a certificate from the Model A Restorers club for his outstanding work. Thanks again Mr. Tim.

We have two new club members. Tadd and his spouse Tressa Burbrink. They live in Seymour and they are the owner of a 1930 Ford Pickup. Welcome Tressa and Tadd to the Columbus Model A Club.

New GPS gadget for "Senior Citizens" that I found very useful. It worked just like a regular GPS and got me to the right location, but when I got there, this one reminded me why I want to go there! You got to get one of those!

See ya on the Road— **Ron**

September 10 Membership Meeting Minutes

Ron Lawson called meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Ten club members were present.

Ron introduced new member Tadd Burbrink. Tadd is from Seymour and recently acquired a 1930 Pickup from California. The proceeds from the purchase supported a car restoration youth program.

Ron reported that there were no known new illnesses of club members.

Treasurer report was given by Phil Sutton. Since March, we had \$133.52 in income from dues and 'found' money from our 2005 Swap Meet. Expenses were \$743.56 mainly from one time expenses to setup up the new website, close the old website, and mail newsletters. Our current balance is \$1,589.11.

Old Business:

Larry Morlock presented MARC mileage awards at the Clifty Falls Tour to Dennis & Kathy Meyer (15k), Roger & Cherryl Goodman (25k), Ed & Mary Dathe (40k), Ron & Katy Lawson (50k), Larry Morlock (80k), Phil & Marge Sutton (110k), and Jack & Linda Sullivan (155k).

The October Blue Ridge Parkway Tour is still on. Fifteen cars will be going.

September 19 is International Model A Ford Day. Larry Morlock has planned a tour to Butler Winery.

New Business:

Congratulations to 3 members for 30 years of MAFCA membership. They are Wayne Arnholt, Tim & Dorothy Ellis.

John Prohaska demonstrated the new website on his cell phone. The Members section gives access to the roster and bylaws. Contact John for the password.

Wayne Arnholt has on display at the Model A Ford Museum in Hickory Corners, MI for the next year his 1931 Ford Ambulance, body style 280-A. There is a nice write up in the September/October 2020 "The Restorer" magazine.

50/50 drawing collected \$10. Don Wessler won \$5.

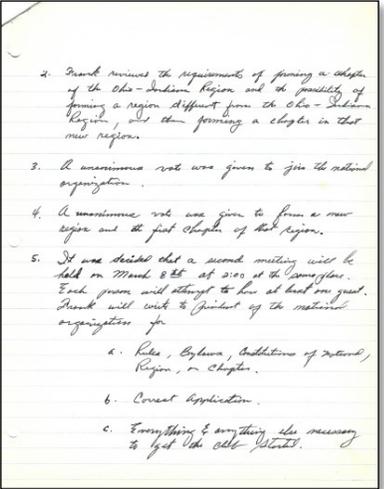
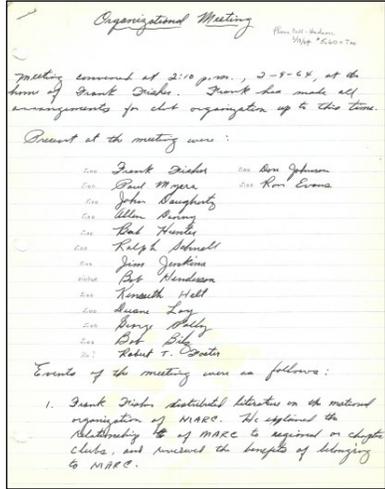
Ron presented Tim Diehn with a MARC 2019 Award of Participation for the 'Going Places' newsletter.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tim Diehn at 7:00 pm.

Recorded by Tim Diehn

FROM THE EDITOR

As the new club historian, the other day, Larry Morlock stopped by to officially drop off the club archives to me. Included are some past pictures, a 2010 MARC National Convention appreciation plaque, anniversary booklets and the first 35 years of club meeting minutes. Curious to learn more about the early days, I



immediately grabbed the file folder labeled "Columbus MARC History—1964".

February 9th, 1964 was the first organizational meeting led by Frank Fisher at his home. Fifteen men were present and Frank discussed requirements of becoming a MARC region and then forming chapters. While there was an existing Ohio—Indiana region, a unanimous decision was made to create a new region. At the second meeting, the regional name of 'Southern Indiana' was ultimately

selected after a runoff vote between it and 'Hoosier Hills'. Then 'Columbus' was selected as the Chapter name. Officers were selected, meeting dates, times and places determined. Dues were to be \$2 for the chapter, roughly \$17 in today's money.

As I troll through the history, from time to time I will spotlight a particular piece from the archives.

Tim Diehn, Newsletter Editor



Roger and Nora Dean celebrated their **50th wedding anniversary** on August 15. While they had wanted a larger gathering, close family came to their house on August 16th for a very short, mask wearing, social distancing "party" on August 16. They wanted to get some family pictures to capture the event, so masks removed, they took a few. Of course Roger's 'A' needed to be included! The eight grandkids (ages 7-15), being together for the first time since Christmas, enjoyed getting pictures with grandpa's car. The rumble seat is always a hit. Of course, Roger and Nora are both very proud of the grandkids and the car.



The BEST of the New and the Old!

A 'Cut' Above the Rest!

By Tim Diehn

It was a gorgeous day in early September. A great day to take a drive in my 'A'. Luckily, I had plans to drive to Bloomington to visit Ed and Mary Dathe. Ed had completed another one of his marvelous cutaway Model A displays, this time focusing on the front and rear brakes. So I gassed up my 1930 Tudor and jumped on Rt 46 heading west.

I've never been to the Dathe's place. I was greeted by an immaculately maintained yard, home and garage; a 2 car attached garage for his 1931 Model A pickup/workshop as well as a 1 car detached that doubles as a woodworking shop and home for his 1914 Model T Touring. Impressively organized and tidy, an efficiently managed space to produce the creations that I was about to see. Boy was I in for a treat!

Standing impressively in the middle of the garage was a full size working demonstrator of the front and rear brakes. Not some abbreviated setup that required imagination to understand the entire mechanism. These operate just like they would in the car with the added benefit of



strategically placed windows, or cutaways, to see the inner working mechanisms that are normally hidden from view. These are educational tools aimed for the younger generation to really experience the simplicity yet effectiveness of the design. They are meant to be



touched, rotated, pulled and adjusted to see how every piece works together to stop a car. "I want the kids to see

how these things work" Ed would constantly tell me. "Not just the brakes, but even the rear axle and

differential. I bet they never have seen how a pinion and ring gear mesh together" Ed continued. To be honest, I have never seen an 'A' differential in action myself. I guess I am just a kid as well.

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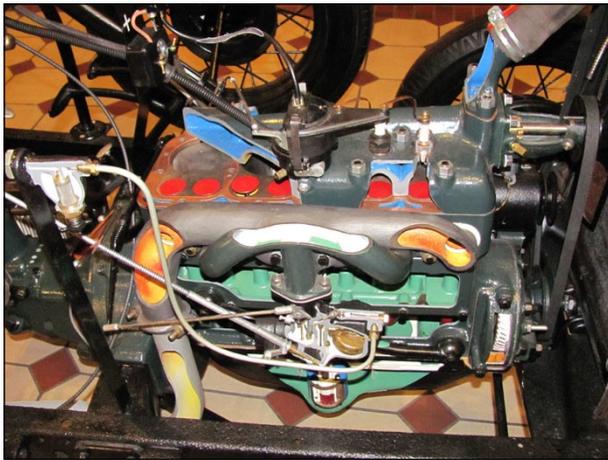
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This was not Ed's first go. In 2010, he completed **A COMPLETE CAR** cutaway! It was initially displayed at the MARC National Meet in French Lick and now is on permanent display at the

National Automotive and Truck Museum (NATMUS) in Auburn. Just like the brake displays, 'yank the crank' to see the entire drivetrain rotate. No less than 1400 hours was needed to complete the display. And again, Ed was quick to say the museum uses this to demonstrate the basic principles of a car to high schoolers that volunteer their time working on other restoration projects at the museum. Both Ed and Mary are very proud of the positive influence they are having on the younger generation.

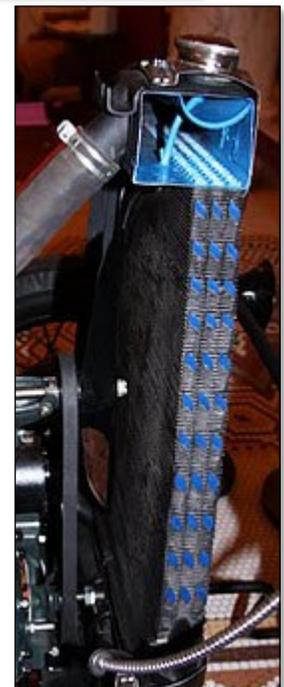
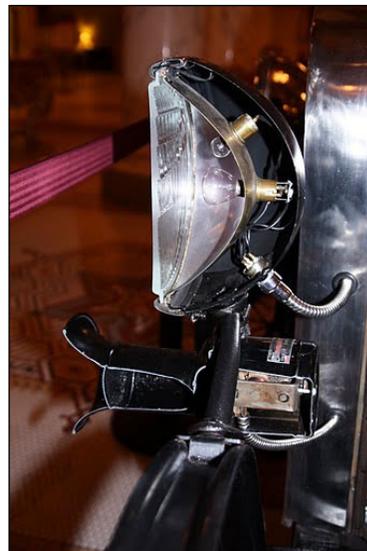


Soon the brake display will also be at NATMUS. So gas up your 'A' and jump on Rt 3 heading north. You won't be disappointed!



SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO DONATED PARTS & TIME
PROJECT BUILT BY ED DATHE AND SUPPORTED BY MARY DATHE
JOHN BENDER TRANS CASE & BELL HOUSING
PAUL BENDER MACHINE WORK
DAVIS AUTOMOTIVE BEAD BLASTED BLOCK
DON JOHNSON FRAME, FRONT RADIUS ROD, MOTOR,
WHEEL BEARING & SEALS
DON MCGLOTHLIN STEERING WHEEL & SPARK & GAS RODS
DON MILLER HEAD, MUFFLER & SPINDLE
RON WHITEMAN FRONT AXLE, CARBURETOR BODIES & BRAKE SHOES
BOB JONES RADIATOR

IF YOU WANT TO
SEE MY PARTS
MOVE, YANK MY CRANK!





'What Is It?' Challenge

Answer to last Month's Challenge



1929 Ford Model A Hearse very unique and rare.

People are dying to ride in it!

This Month's Challenge

What is it and what is it used for?



2020 Sponsored Tour and Event Schedule

- ~~April 2-4~~ — MARC Membership Meet, Swan Lake Resort, Plymouth, IN (Sutton)
~~April 9~~ — Membership Meeting - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
~~April 18~~ — Spring Mill State Park picnic breakfast at the Inn/Cobweb Tour (K. Sullivan)
~~April 25~~ — Pancake Breakfast - Bloomington, IN (Sutton/Lawson)
~~April 26~~ — Columbus MARC Swap Meet 4-H Fairground (Morlock)
- ~~May 4-6~~ — Spring Tour to Berlin Grand Hotel, Berlin, OH (Howell) **Cancelled**
~~May 9~~ — Ron and Katy Lawson Wedding, North Vernon, IN (Lawson) **Postponed**
~~May 14~~ — Membership Meeting - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
~~May 20~~ — Stream Cliff Farms and Winery, Commiskey, IN (Meyer)
~~May 30-Jun 8~~ — MARC National Meeting, Oshkosh, WI (Lawson/Sutton)
- ~~June 13~~ — Tour de Cluck, Wagner's Village Inn at 12:30, Oldenburg, IN (Prohaska)
~~June 13~~ — Pancake Breakfast, Bloomington, IN (Sutton/Lawson)
~~June 27~~ — Hardy Lake Breakfast and Car Show (Lawson)
- ~~July 11~~ — Picnic at Brown County Park (Sutton, Lawson, Howell)
~~July 22~~ — Dine at Ford Garage - Nashville, IN, Lunch 1pm (Lawson)
~~July 25~~ — Pitch in Dinner and movie at The Historic Artercraft Theatre in Franklin (Dean)
~~July 31-Aug 1~~ — Clifty Falls Inn, Madison, IN (Sutton/Meyer)
- ~~August 7-9~~ — Keck Gonnerman Steam Show, Mount Vernon, IN (Morlock)
~~August 22~~ — Tri-club picnic at Brown County Park, Indiana Live Steamers (Lawson)
- ~~Sept 10~~ — Membership Meeting - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
~~Sept 12~~ — Fire Truck Show, Seymour, IN (Pender)
~~Sept 19~~ — North Vernon Airport Day (Huddleston)
~~Sept 19~~ — Model A Day Tour—Butler Winery (Morlock)
- ~~October 3~~ — "The Fords meet the Fords" at Ed Dathe's home (Dathe) **Cancelled**
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~~Oct 13-20~~ — Blue Ridge Parkway Tour (Sutton)
~~October 31~~ — Fall Foliage Tour (Jack/Linda Sullivan)
- November 12 — Membership Meeting and Election of Officers - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
- December 13 — Christmas Party at Pines with Entertainment, 4pm, (Club Officers)

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Model A Engines

-Two Blocks with pistons, valves, cranks; no heads - \$75 for both
-Two Complete Engines - \$150/ea
If interested contact Bill Stidd @ 812-322-3718 or pstidd@bluemarble.net

Going Places is the official publication of the Columbus Model A Restorers Club Region and the Columbus Model A Ford Club of America Chapter. The general purpose shall be to encourage the members to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit and make use of the Model "A" Ford vehicle, model years 1928 through 1931 and all things pertaining to the Model "A" Ford, including literature, technical and historical information and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship for the enjoyment of its members.

This publication is mailed or emailed to members and editors of similar publications monthly. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month. We invite members to submit articles containing technical Model A information and other interesting tidbits for publication in this newsletter.

Classifieds



1929 Model A Coupe

For Sale, 1929 Model A Coupe, rumble seat, TX car, so no rust, alternator, steel fenders, nice interior, does not run as it has been stored inside for several years. It will not take much to get it running as it was running when put in storage. Car is located in Southern Indiana and shown by appointment only. More pictures available by contacting me. \$12,900.

If interested contact Randy Boles @ 817-313-3006



1929 Model A Roadster

For Sale, 1929 Model A Ford Roadster, lots of A parts and some A tools. We are asking \$15,000 for the car.

If interested contact Gary or Connie Lawless @ 812-376-8172

