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## Monthly Message

With the nice weather showing up, it's encouraging to see new and old members working on their Model 'A's and getting them ready for touring season. Yvonne and I will be attending the North Alabama Model 'A' Touring Club's Fall tour in Ft. Payne Alabama at the end of October. This is a fun tour with a really nice group of people. We're looking forward to it .. Signup form is in this newsletter.

I haven't heard of a Veterans or Christmas parade in our area this year. If you hear of one, and want to plan something, give me a call and I'll help you. We might have a Christmas party forming but its not 100% at this point.

Our next meeting is November 6th at the Baldwin county Heritage Museum. There will be a short presentation on how to maintain and rebuild your Sparton Horn.

**Jim**  
**Newsletter Editor,**  
Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club



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*Thanks to Nancy and Terry Pampel for printing and mailing the newsletter to several people who do not have an email account.*



# Pensacola Breakfast at The Golden Corral

## With a Model 'A' cruise on International Model 'A' Day and 9/11

We had a great turnout at the Pensacola Golden Corral with a good group of people and six Model 'A's. One Model 'A' arrived late due to overheating issues and wasn't able to join us in the mini tour afterwards.

**Margret Hildreth** brought a mock up of a club brochure she's been working on. She also took some of the pictures that are in this article. Thanks !!

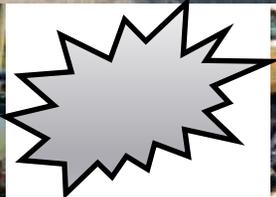
The food was very good and the weather was excellent.

Everyone seemed to have a very nice time. A good way to participate in International Model 'A' Day.



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# GCMAC Pensacola Breakfast 'continued



# Coming Events Calendar

For a comprehensive list of car shows in our area, here's a link to the Gearjammers website with them listed: <https://bamagearjammers.com/events.html>

**Oct 6-8 Hershey Swap Meet** (visit MAFCA booth)

**Saturday, October 9 (Tentative) Breakfast** at the **Golden Corral** in Pensacola at **8:30am** The Golden Corral is at 2260 Langley Avenue, Pensacola, FL

**Saturday, October 16, 1:00pm Garage Meet / Tech Day** at Jim & Yvonne Quinlan's place 9195 Clarke Ridge Rd. Foley, Al For more Info (727) 265-0381

**Saturday Oct 23 8am-3pm Lillian UMC Car Show**  
GCMAC Members may be participating. Let's show our Model 'A's. Weather will probably be nice.

**Oct 29-31 Northern Alabama Model 'A' Touring Group Fall Tour** Ft. Payne, Al See signup sheet is in this newsletter.

**October 31 Halloween**



**Club Meeting Saturday, November 6, 11 am**

Baldwin County Heritage Museum  
25521 US-98, Elberta, AL

**There will be a 10 minute presentation** *How to maintain and rebuild your Model 'A's Sparton Horn*  
**Drive your Model 'A' and bring a snack to share**

**CLUB MEETING**



**November 11 Veterans Day**

We need someone to organize a parade so that we can participate again !!!



**Don't leave it to someone else or it won't happen.**

**November 24 Thanksgiving**



**April 24 - 28, 2022 Nachez**

**Trace Parkway Tour.** Details will be announced later in the year as we finalize the planning.

## **Model 'A' Garage meet / Tech day Saturday, October 16, 1:00pm**

Garage Meet is at 9195 Clarke Ridge Rd. in Foley Saturday October 16 at 1:00 pm.

**Learn how to effectively set the float level on a Zenith carburetor and how to flow test carburetor jets for optimal performance. Bring your Zenith Carburetor to set the Float and flow test the Jets.**

Everyone is encouraged to drive their Model 'A's.

Any questions call (727) 265-0381 Jim.



# Happenings of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club

Chris and Amanda Hornady are now the proud owners of a 1930 Tudor purchased from Gator in Monroeville, Al. In early Sept, Chris along with Terry Pampel and Jim Quinlan took a road trip to Gator's place to check out vehicles Gator had for sale. Chris came away with a sweet 1930 Tudor Sedan. After, we all went to lunch with Gator and his wife Paula. A fun day for all.



Chris test driving the Tudor with Gator



Terry, Gator and Chris

Ron Persons is the proud new owner of a 1931 Model 'A' Coupe that he just purchased. He calls it his Barn Find and is in the process of getting it to running condition. It's a really nice looking car and he is looking forward to using it to participate in club events. Ron also shared that his car was shipped by "Kelly Enclosed" from Meridith Ms (601) 527-9309. He highly recommends this car Transporter



Terry Pampel recently purchased a AAMCO Brake arcing machine. These machines are used to shape the brake shoes to match the curve of the brake drum for 100% contact when braking.

Nice find Terry !!!



Got a new Model 'A'? Starting a new project or making progress on your current one? Send news and/or pictures to the editor at

[Tap5s@yahoo.com](mailto:Tap5s@yahoo.com)

## **Happenings of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club continued**



Several members of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club (**Mike Fowler** and **Jim Quinlan**) got together on Saturday Sept 18 to help GCMAC members **Philip and Lorena Childress** get their early 1928 Model 'A' Tudor running.

This was a particularly interesting process as we checked almost everything possible on the car. It "looked" like we were getting fuel but it wasn't until we removed the fuel line from the carburetor and had it drizzle into a cup that we realized we were only getting enough fuel to fill the bowl of the carburetor so it ran for 1-2 seconds and then died rather violently. Turns out the previous owner made modifications to the fuel line under the dash which kinked the gas line and restricted flow.

This was an interesting project for sure and lessons were learned by all. Philip has since learned his gas tank has a lot of residue and needs to be cleaned.

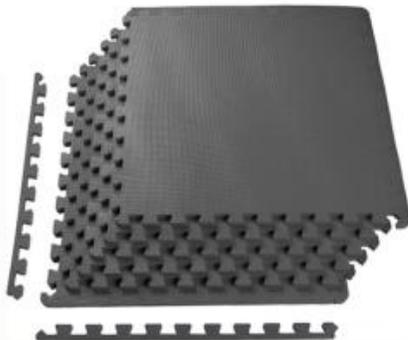
**Wesley Chalk** recently installed a new gas gauge in his Model AA Dump truck. He quickly learned that some of the after market gas gauge tools are good while others are pretty terrible, but he got the job done.



## **Exercise Mats for Comfort**

I picked up a set of 6 foam exercise mats, about ½" thick and 2 feet square, at a yard sale a few months ago. I think I paid about \$5 for them. They have interlocking edges that allow you to join them to make larger mats.

These things have proven to be wonderful to sit on or kneel on, any time I need to work on something low on the car. I will join 2 or 3 of them and lay under the car on them. They are also very comfortable to stand on in front of a work bench.



**Jim's Tech Tip**  
by Jim Cannon

I have seen these mats sold in a set of 6 on Amazon and similar places for about \$25. They are also sold in ¾" and 1" thicknesses. If you can't find them easily near you at a yard sale, that is another option. Either way, they are well worth having on hand.

**Be comfortable! Have a Model A Day! Jim**

## “Breaking Home Ties”

1954 Norman Rockwell painting of a father and his college-bound son sitting on the running board of a '30-'31 Model 'A' Pickup.



### October Birthdays

- |                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 3 Michele Gray      | 16 C.J. Baisden   |
| 8 Yvonne Quinlan    | 16 Betty Fortner  |
| 9 Tom Frazier       | 17 Scott Baisden  |
| 10 Michelle Collins | 23 Rheba Chaudron |
| 15 Debbie Fowler    |                   |



Have parts or a car you want to sell? Need a certain part for your restoration? Submit your ad and we'll run it in the newsletter for approximately 3 months.

Email your ad and photos to Jim at [tap5s@yahoo.com](mailto:tap5s@yahoo.com)

**Wanted— I'm looking for a nice good running Model 'A' Phaeton**

Contact Susan Bergen (251) 214-2296  
[brgnssn@outlook.com](mailto:brgnssn@outlook.com)

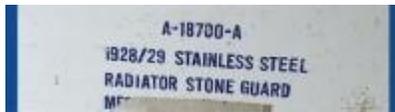


Susan in Austin Wall's Phaeton



Bonnie and Clyde

**New 28-29 Model A Stone Guard** in original box with installation kit. Great deal \$100.00  
Call Walt Fuller 251-716-8678



**Early 28 sport coupe with red steering wheel and left hand brake** runs and drives well, body good paint, has a patina...interior good... I have two spare engines to rebuild... trannys and bell housings...converted to 12 volt...numerous other parts can go with car or be sold separately

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**This is a fun trip and a great group of Model 'A' people. A beautiful area for touring in a Model 'A' in the fall. Why don't you join us this year !**



# **MODEL A TOURING CLUB OF NORTH ALABAMA**

**MARC MEMBER**

## **Annual Fall Tour Registration Form**

**Oct. 29th - 30th**

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse if attending \_\_\_\_\_

Children if Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Touring Car Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee \$20.00 - Farewell Dinner \$12 per meal \_\_\_\_\_, Total \_\_\_\_\_**

**Motel Reservation \$119.00 per night + Tax , Check in Thursday Oct 28th After 3:00 PM**

**Farewell Dinner will be at the Coal & Iron building in Ft. Payne, 6:00 PM**

HAMPTON INN

1201 Jordan Rd. SW

Ft. Payne, Al. 35968

256-304-2600

Mention, Model A Touring Club

Make Check Payable to: MATCNA, 665 Randolph Rd, Hokes Bluff, Al. 35903

At present the hotel is serving breakfast & the resturants operating at full capacity, but with Covid picking up momentum this could all change, this will not stop us from having a Great Tour.

We will keep you informed of any changes.

Looking forwad to a good ride

For additional Info call, Dan Nelson 256-490-4360



## MAFCA NATIONAL CONVENTION YO RANCH RESORT • KERRVILLE, TEXAS

From its spectacular scenery to its beautiful two-lane country roads, here you will experience our hobby the way it is meant to be at the 31st National MAFCA Convention!



FIND CONVENTION INFORMATION ONLINE AT: [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com)

Some of the week's highlights:

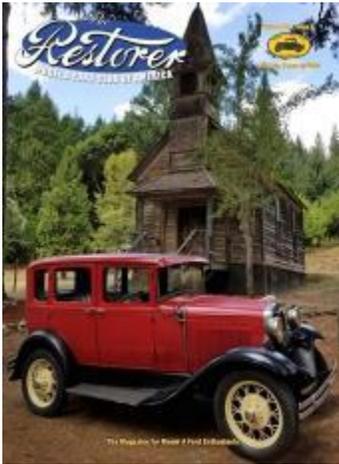
- San Antonio's Famous River Walk
- The Alamo - Birthplace of Texas
- Great Sightseeing & Restaurants!
- Fine Point Vehicle Judging
- Era Fashions & Judging
- Restorers Class



I've been on vacation for that past few weeks touring the Pacific Northwest in the Model A but wanted to remind all members that ballots for MAFCA's annual election will soon be mailed to all members. Additionally, the September/October Restorer magazine contains election information and bios on the candidates. This year we have six candidates running for four openings so be sure to vote for no more than four.

Your club has the option of collecting the chapter's ballots and mailing them to MAFCA in one envelope.

Robert  
2021 Chapter Coordinator



Our award winning magazine  
"The Restorer"

## The Model A Ford Club of America MAFCA

**Serving Model A Ford owners since January 1, 1997**

is dedicated to the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of the Ford Model A and AA cars and trucks, as manufactured from 1928 through 1931. We are an active, family-friendly organization whose members share a passion for these historic vehicles, plus other aspects of life in that era, such as fashions.

MAFCA is a not-for-profit corporation with members and local affiliated chapters all over the globe. This makes us the largest car club in the world dedicated to one make of automobile. We hope you enjoy looking through our site, and we invite you to join us!

Membership in Model A Ford Club of America is encouraged. MAFCA Dues are \$50.00 and should be

mailed to MAFCA Headquarters, 250 South Cypress, LaHabra, CA 90631-5586

For more info visit: <https://www.mafca.com/>



## About the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club

The Traveler newsletter is published for the membership and friends of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club. Outings are held monthly at various locations and times. Views expressed in the Traveler are not necessarily those of the Club Officers or MAFCA. Club membership is \$30.00 per year and can be mailed to Becky Baisden at:

GCMAC,  
PO Box 812  
Cantonment, FL 32533

**Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club website:**

<https://www.gulfcoastmodelaclub.net/>



**Download a Membership Application**

Club dues are \$30 per year for individuals or families. We currently have a membership of 30+ families. We believe in doing maintenance on the cars, educating ourselves on the Model 'A', fellowship with other members, showing the cars, driving the cars locally and on tours and having a great time seeing and driving Model 'A' Fords.

We have fun and would welcome you as a member whether you own a Model A or not. Come join with us in a wonderful hobby that is historical and worthwhile. You will meet friendly people who are in love with the Model 'A' and who love to drive, show and talk about these interesting cars.

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## Advertise in the Traveler.

If you know of any business that would like to place an ad in the Traveler they can run a credit card sized ad for \$50 and a quarter page ad for \$75 that will run for 12 months. Those interested should send artwork to the editor @ tap5s@yahoo.com with their billing and contact information