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Monthly Message ...



This is a busy time of year for the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club with several nice events planned. **Please RSVP** Jim Quinlan by 11/27 to attend our club's Christmas party at Paula Deen's restaurant located at OWA, Dec 4th, 1pm in Foley AL.

At the Christmas party we'll take nominations for available club positions while conducting a brief meeting.

Another important note is this is the time of year to renew your club dues. Club membership is \$25.00 per year and can be mailed to Becky Baisden at: GCMAC, PO Box 812 Cantonment, FL 32533

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club is a chapter of Model 'A' Club of America (MAFCA) and our members are encouraged to join MAFCA. If you're already a member, this is the time to renew dues.

Hope to see everyone at the upcoming parades and club events.

Jim Quinlan Newsletter Editor

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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.



Coming Events Calendar

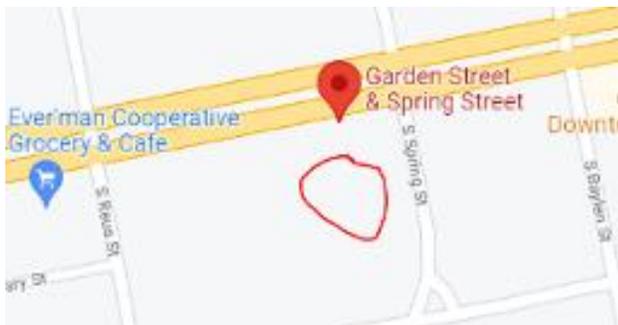
For a comprehensive list of car shows in our area, here's a link to the Gearjammers website with them listed: <https://bamagearjammers.com/events.html>

Saturday November 5, 8:30 am Pensacola Breakfast
Golden Corral, 2260 Langley Avenue, Pensacola, FL

Saturday November 5, 10:00 - 11:30 AM Mobile, Al.
Jim Henderson Car Museum joint meetup with the **Magnolia Model 'T' Club of Mississippi.** John and **Debbie Bright** coordinating. Lunch at Judy's Home Cooking Restaurant afterwards. RSVP Debbie Bright (251) 634-0035 **Details on Page 3**

Friday, November 11th Veterans Day / Pensacola Veterans Day Parade

Meet at 9:00am Downtown Pensacola vicinity of Spring between Garden and Romana Parade starts at 10. Nothing may be thrown from cars.



Thanksgiving Day A day that should remind us all to be thankful for all that we have.



Saturday December 3, 8:30 am Pensacola Breakfast
Golden Corral, 2260 Langley Avenue, Pensacola, FL

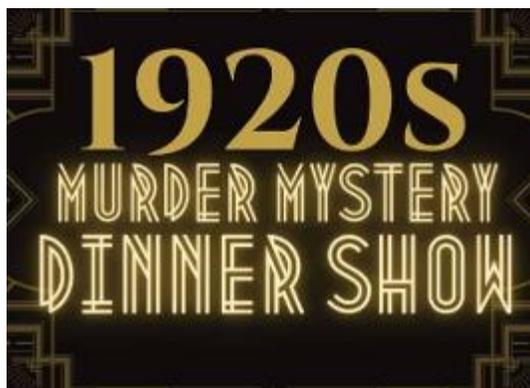
Sunday, December 4th, 1pm GCMAC Christmas Party at Paula Deen's Restaurant downtown OWA.

You must RSVP Jim Quinlan by 11/27 to attend the Christmas Party/Dinner. There will be a drawing with some nice prizes for club members.



Saturday December 10th Lillian Christmas Parade
1pm starting at the Lillian community center. Joe Stevens coordinating.

Thursday, January 5, 2023 6:30 pm 1920's Murder Mystery Dinner theatre at Brandon Styles Theatre in OWA. \$55 includes dinner. Details to be announced. If you can drive your Model 'A' you'll be able to park them in front of the theatre while we enjoy the show. Wearing 1920's attire is appreciated at this event if you have it.



Model 'A' Touring Club of Northern Alabama Fall Tour

Five members of Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club enjoyed driving the mountains of northern Alabama and Georgia in perfect fall weather with a nice splash of fall color. Driving a Model 'A' in the mountains and visiting parks and waterfalls along the way were a plus. Especially memorable was visiting the Chickamauga Battlefield from the civil war. As usual, the Model 'A' Touring Club of Northern Alabama hosted another beautiful tour complete with catered banquet. Around 24 Model 'A's toured over 300 miles and we were quite a sight going down the road. The theme this year was "Proud to be American" and many cars flew American flags while we toured. One participant brought their 1901 Duyarue (not sure spelling) and gave rides in the parking lot. They attempted to tour with us on day 2 but blew out their differential after 15 miles.

We all had a great time. If you've never toured in a Model 'A', you're missing out on a very enjoyable experience.

Big thanks to Dan and Barbara Nelson and their great team.



GCMAC Members (L-R) Ron Persons, Jim & Yvonne Quinlan, Martha and Walt Fuller



Martha and Yvonne



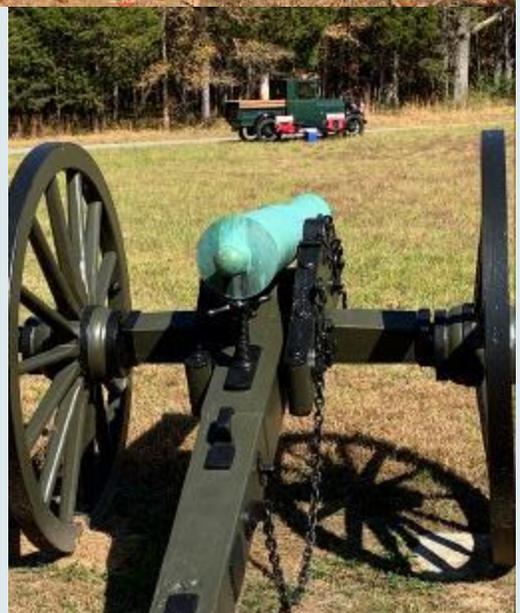
Jim taking a test drive



Colors were spectacular in places



Ready for touring



Picnic Lunch on the battlefield



Ron Persons in his beautiful Tudor



We encountered steep winding country roads while climbing and descending the mountains

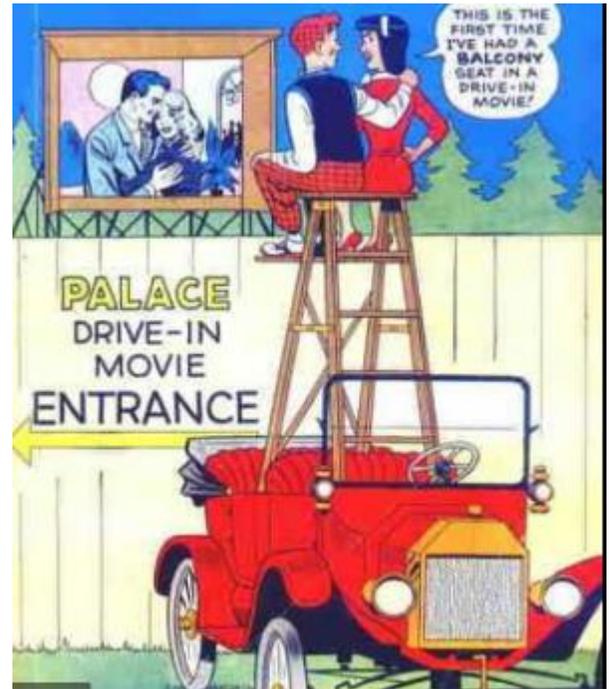


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October Pensacola Club Breakfast



Henderson Collection Club event Saturday, November 5

On November 5th we will be headed to Jim Henderson's awesome car collection. This collection is not open to the public except by invitation! **We will be joined by the Magnolia Model T Club that is based in Ocean Springs, MS.**

This collection contains over 110 cars as well as some special items like Larry Hagman's truck and Airstream trailer that he used while filming the I Dream of Jeannie show! He also has one of Liberace's vehicles as well as one of his pianos. Jim's collection contains many AACA national award winning cars. Model T's and Models A's are included in this wonderful collection too,

We will meet at Jim's car collection at 10:00am. His address is **5529 US-90 in Mobile, Al.** At 11:30 we will head to Judy's Place for lunch. It is a short 10 minute drive from Jim's and has a wide variety of items on their menu. They are known for their home cooking style of meals and are reasonably priced.



Please RSVP to Debbie Bright at 251/635-0035 so that we may get a head count.

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club Happenings



Mike Fowler's car started bucking and backfiring after filling up while on the tour to the Stagecoach restaurant. He suspects the gas but not sure. It now won't start. Also leaning towards it being a bad ignition switch.

Ron Persons gas tank was painted by **Gator** and GCMAC had an impromptu tech session meant to give members an idea how to install a gas tank on a Model 'A'. An interesting day with hands on experience what goes into installing a gas tank.



Mike Weeks - was given a timing gear cover from **Doug Wolbert** and also was fortunate to see Doug's impressive moto meter collection.

Mike Fowler helped **George Moore** get his 31 Coupe running. He discovered Permatex gobbled on the shut off valve from a previous attempt to stop a severe gas leaking problem.

Scott Lunsford brought his Tudor to **Jim Quinlan's** place and we got it running nicely with the help of a Zenith carburetor Scott had. We then took it for a ride and filled it with gas. Ran sweet !



Mike Weeks came to his senses and decided to ditch that fancy Stromberg racing carburetor he put on his 29 Roadster pickup for a boring but reliable Zenith. Mike explained "I want to participate in the Veterans day parade but don't want to scare people in the crowd with the loud explosions and backfiring that this Stromberg carb produces.

Terry Pampel is going through a mild case of Model 'A' withdrawal as his Model 'A' Coupe has been in a shop in Texas awaiting an engine rebuild since April. Terry Laments "I really miss my car".

Nicholas Collins (below, left) recently drove his Aunt to her wedding in his Red Model 'A' Roadster complete with just married sign trailing a line of tin cans.



Got a new Model 'A'? Starting a new project or making progress on your current one? Email news and/or pictures to Jim at Tap5s@yahoo.com (Please do not text, use email)

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club Garage Meet October 15th

It was a perfect day for a Garage meet. We had a nice turnout with a lot of new members and we were able to get some hands on Model 'A' mechanical experience setting timing. Cider and donuts were enjoyed by all on this beautiful fall day. **Walt Fuller** brought (and we tested) a rare Simmons racing carburetor which fired right up. Also a rare Swan Manifold.



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Daughter Daddy event at the Rex Theatre Oct. 8

Dad's and their daughters were treated to having pictures taken with a couple of our Model 'A' Fords during a Daughter/Daddy event at the **Rex theatre** downtown Pensacola. **Allen Braddy** brought his AA Truck and **Scott Lunsford** drove his Tudor. **Mike Fowlers** cars were out of commission so he borrowed **George Moore's** Coupe to attend the event.

Mike Fowler related one funny event. Just about the time the movie was about to start and they were gathering up the girls to go inside, they noticed a couple girls sitting in the coupe and just giggling up a storm. They called the rest of the girls over and whatever they were doing caused a chorus of giggles. Turns out they had discovered how to open and close a window turning a window handle. Something they had not seen before and something we kind of assume everyone knows about.

So I guess this was an educational event too !

Thanks to **Allen Braddy** for sharing these pictures.

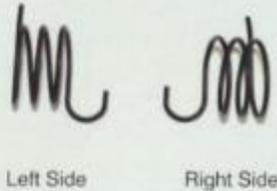




Emergency Brake Return Spring Installation

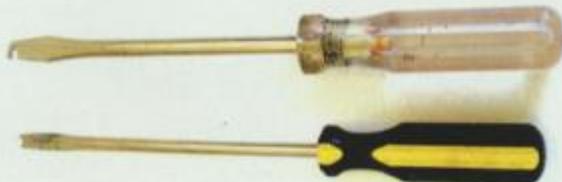
By Les Andrews, Grass Valley, California
MAFCA Technical Editor

Many have expressed great difficulty in attaching the Emergency Brake Return Spring. There have been several ways described how to make this connection. You can do it the hard or almost impossible way, or you can make the job simple and easy. Here is the easy way!



Left Side

Right Side



The first step is to modify the blades on two different screwdrivers. One is a Push Driver, and the other is a Pull Driver. Grind a V notch in the tip of the Push Driver. Grind a hook in the Pull Driver. The hook notch in the Pull Driver must be large enough and deep enough to hold the spring wire.



The return springs are made for Right and Left installation as seen in the top photo above.

Fig. 1



1. Jack up the rear end and remove the rear wheels for better visibility of the return spring. With the spring correctly installed on the emergency brake arm shaft (Fig. 1), the hook end of the spring can be seen below the arm shaft.



Fig. 2

2. From under the car, use the Push Driver to push against the spring hook to push the end of the spring up just above the shaft locking nut (Fig. 2). This will enable the Pull Driver to hook on to the wire from the front side



Fig. 3

3. Use the Pull Driver to reach in from the front side between the brake actuating arms and the radius rod brackets to grab the spring hook (Fig. 3). Now push down on the Pull Driver handle, using the brake actuating arm shaft as a fulcrum to raise the tip of the Driver and wire hook up about an inch.



4. At this point, hold the Pull Driver firm in position so a helper can reach in from just above the rear axle housing with the Push Driver (Fig. 4) to apply a push force on the wire along side the Pull Driver.



At the same time the helper is pushing with the Push Driver, the operator on the Pull Handle can now raise the Pull Driver handle up and pull straight back (Fig. 5) just past the actuating arm and place the spring wire hook over the emergency brake actuating arm (Fig. 6)



Now, wasn't that easy!

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NEXT TIME YOU EAT AT AN ORIENTAL RESTAURANT, SAVE YOUR CHOPSTICKS. THEY'RE GREAT FOR ADJUSTING YOUR GENERATOR BRUSHES!

This is an original bottle of Ford Tomato Juice, a product that many don't associate with the American automaker,

however Ford produced its own tomato juice for years back in the 1930s.

The reason the Ford Motor Company got into the juice business was that it owned thousands of acres of farmland near its factory in Michigan. Henry Ford grew up on a farm and remained interested in farming for the rest of his life, any Ford Motor Company employee who wanted it could be assigned a plot of land that they were free to work, and they kept the produce or profit for themselves.

“We cultivate several thousand acres at Dearborn; we also have a dairy herd of around three thousand cows; and near our coal mines in Kentucky, on mountain soil that was not supposed to be good for much of anything, we are growing garden vegetables and fruit.”

“Most of my own life has been spent on a farm. We are in touch with farming nearly everywhere through the sales of automobiles and tractors.” – Henry Ford, published in *The Canadian Countryman*, circa 1926

There's no publicly available information on exactly how long Ford tomato juice was in production, or how much was sold, however this is the only one we've been able to find that still has the actual juice in the bottle – all the others have been empty.

The label reads:

Ford

TOMATO JUICE

Rich in Vitamins A,B,C

Made from SELECTED TOMATOES

Grown on the FORD FARMS Dearborn, Michigan

Also good in Tomato Cocktail, Cream of Tomato

Soup, Meat Dressing, etc.

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Email your ad with photos to Jim at tap5s@yahoo.com



From Becky Baidson:

We have some '29 truck parts if anyone needs them. We have front and rear fenders for a '29 pickup and a '29 rear axle. Scott doesn't know the gear ratio for it. I believe me may have a few more things but we can't remember what they are right now. We are still going through things in his shop and still have to put the truck back together.

Let me know if anyone has a need for them.

Becky 850-384-5717

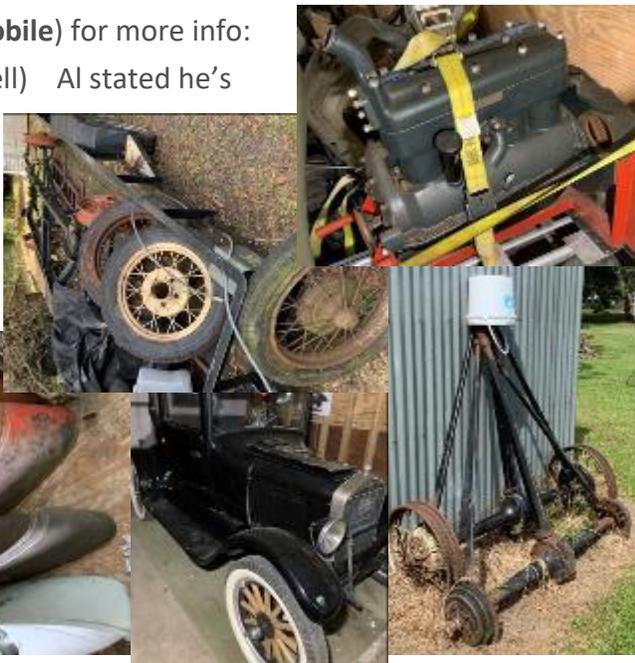
FOR SALE: 1930 Model A

Running Chassis with Cowl and re-lined gas tank, needs a body. \$3500.00

For more information contact: **Eric "Gator" Gould**, Monroeville, AL 318-268-8538 **Gators Cell** or 318-268-8537 **Paula's Cell**

FOR SALE: Tons o' Model 'A' & 'T' parts

Rebuilt engine, Vintage vehicles. Steering Columns, radiators, headlight shells (nice), rear ends, transmissions, cowls, wheels, nice fenders etc. etc. You name it! **Contact Al Manning (In Mobile)** for more info: **(251) 605-1635** (cell) Al stated he's liquidating his Redneck 401k.



Wanted: Zenith Carburetors any condition.

Jim Quinlan (727) 265 0381

For Sale:

1931 Alabama license plate.

\$100.00

Contact **Dan Nelson (Gadson)** at **(251) 490-4360**



For Sale: 1930 Ford Model A Coupe

Black & Green exterior w/tan interior. Original 4 cylinder engine w/3 speed manual shift. Runs great. Rumble seat. Roll down rear window. Chrome front grill stone guard. Battery cutoff switch. 2 car covers. \$13,700 obo.

Text/Phone: (703) 582-7703

Email: ThompLaw@outlook.com **John Thompson**



For Sale:

Late model 1931 slant window Model 'A'

Indented firewall with gas valve mounted on outside of firewall.

Have owned car 12-13 years. Never been in engine. Runs well —no knocks etc.

Goodyear 4.75 by 19 whitewall -like new- heavy duty radiator with stone hard—12 volt system with alternator, modern shocks, float-a-motor kit installed, new front and back bumpers, original to car, leak less water pump, temp. gauge and digital tach. New reduced gear starter, turn signal front and back, sparton horn.

Comes with a lot of misc. parts manuals, diagnostic tools, carburetor, 2 distributors, points, plugs, condensers etc. **asking \$17,500.00.** Car is located in Gulf Shores, Al. Has always been garaged. **Al Berzett (515) 360-5034**

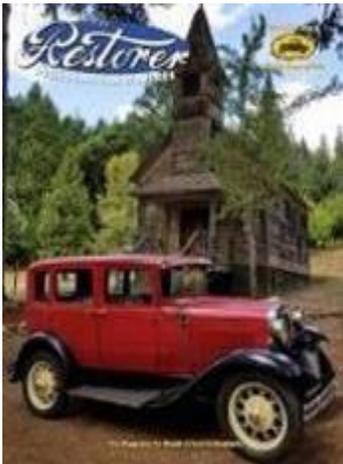




November Birthdays



- 7 Mike Short
- 17 Zeno Chaudron
- 18 Lorena Childers
- 24 Walt Fuller



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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 \$25.00 per year and can be mailed to Becky Baisden at:

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Club dues are \$25 per year for individuals or families. We currently have a membership of 40+ 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 love to drive, show and talk about these interesting cars.



Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club website:

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

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Membership Application

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



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