

President's Message

Yup, we've got a new look. What do you think? It's still a work in progress. We are using a temporary "banner" until Greg Mack gets the club logo finished. Then the goal is to dove-tail the look of the newsletter, webpage, and Facebook page together so people who go from one to the other will instantly recognize it as being part of the *Utah Valley Model A Club*. Sorry the newsletter is not visually appealing, but we're working on that too.

I hate to start out the newsletter with a President's Message from me for fear you won't to read on. If worse comes to worse, skip the President's Message and read the rest.

I think we've come a long way since August when we held our first get-together. We've got a lot of experienced members whose expertise will help the club move forward, but one or two individuals can't do it alone. We need YOUR help to make it a success! This year will be an exciting one. We plan to have lots of fun now that the organizational foundation is laid. See you on January 18th for our next meeting! It's an important one, so please plan on being there if you can fit it into your schedule.



Christmas Dinner Meeting Dec. 12, 2012

This was my kind of meeting! We had a great time meeting together at Golden Corral on December 6, 2012. Even though we didn't have a room to ourselves we still enjoyed the food and each other's company. I don't know what I did more, eat or talk. It gave us a chance to get to know each other better.

The best part about it was the women (don't get me wrong, the best part was the wives came too). I keep "harping" about it, but we need to get the women involved in the club. In a typical family, the women are the glue that keep the family together and functioning. It's the same in the club. If the women are involved, we will be able to do things together as couples and families, rather than just a bunch of guys carrying on "car talk and fish stories." Keep coming ladies, it was a delight to have you there! This is the way this group will have class.

New Faces

We saw several new faces there. Janell Todd brought Bob. We were pleased that she had them dress up for the occasion, but it turns out we're not special at all. They came directly from the MTC. Jen Munson made sure Clyde was there. Maxine Fazzio made sure Joe wasn't late. Becky Mack brought the whole family so we were late. Jeff and Shantell, attended for the first time. Diane got Karl there early so that they could have an end row seat (Was that so they could make a quick get away or make it to the food faster?).

And... we have more good news! (I know, that isn't good grammar but I wanted the impact of a pregnant pause). As I mentioned before, Joe is doing

missionary work. He talked Elaine Carlton into bringing Reid to the dinner with her. Welcome Reid and Elaine! We hope to see you at the meetings even when the food isn't as plentiful!

Finale

We ended our get together with a raucous rendition of the Twelve Days of Christmas (graciously provided by the MAFCA board from Christmas 2011). We had twelve brave souls sing solos and the whole group sang the chorus together. Vern made a great AHOOGA sound! By the time we were done there were several people at other tables singing with us! My, we're a contagious group! I think it was because we were able to warm up prior to the finale by singing Happy Birthday to Dan. Can you believe it, he spent his birthday with us? Thanks Georgia.

Missing Souls

We were disappointed that we didn't see Jim Haire and his wife, Lloyd and Kelly Barker and their spouses, nor have we seen Tony and Janice Jacobs at any of the meetings. If you ever see the Jacobs, will you let them know we would love to have them join us? Bob Anderson came to the last meeting, but he didn't make it this time. Please give us a second chance Bob!



Facebook Page

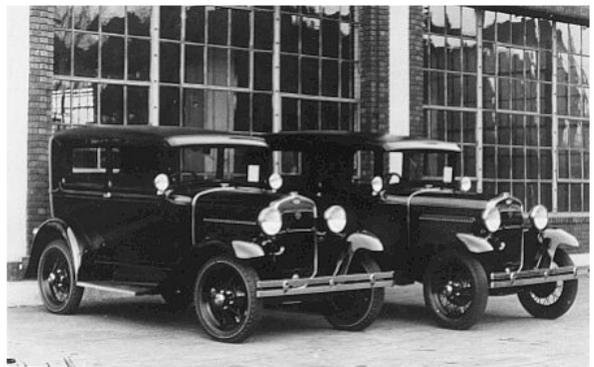
We actually conducted some business at the dinner meeting. Jen Munson volunteered to start up a

Facebook account (or what ever it's called) for the Utah Valley Model A Club. She will coordinate with Nicholas and Greg Mack so that it dovetails with the web page and eventually the newsletter. So watch for that soon.



2013 Calendar

Remember, next month is an important month. We will outline what next year's activities, tours, trips, and tech meetings will be. Don't miss it! We need your input, advice, previous experiences, ideas, and anything else you can offer. It's at 6:30 p.m. in the upstairs conference/lunch room at the Larry H. Miller Ford dealership on University Parkway in Provo on January 18th. Thanks again Vern for arranging for these facilities.



Dues are Due

We are pleased to announce that the newest members of the club, Reid and Elaine Carlton are the club's first dues-paying members. They wanted to be the first to start filling the treasury vault so they dropped

a check by since they couldn't be to the next meeting. If you remember, please bring your dues (\$25.00 for the first year -- \$20.00 there after) to the meeting on the 18th. If money is a problem, don't worry about it, we would rather have you come than not. Please make checks out the Utah Valley Model A Club. Karl Furr is the Secretary/Treasurer. Once he collects the dues he'll open up an account for the club.



Member Spotlight

No one likes to go first, so I'll set the example. But we want everyone to have the opportunity to share their family with the club members, so sharpen your pencils, we'll be asking you for submission.

The Mack Family



Robert and Becky were married in 1979. They had known each other while attending Provo High School. They have four children, Nicholas 31, Greg

29, Jeff 27 and Shantell 25 (yes, they are all single). Robert has had several careers through the years as a science teacher, National Park ranger and then spent his retirement nest egg with the purchase of two UPS Stores. Becky has been a school teacher since 1977. She quit teaching while the kids were young, but then went back as they got older. She has taught in Payson, Lehi, Clearfield, Wayne County, Panguitch, and now Springville. She recently completed a Masters degree in math.

Nicholas works for Alpine School District as a computer tech for four elementary schools. Greg and Shantell manage the UPS Stores and Jeff is getting ready to go back to school.

Robert's dad's first car was a 1929 Model A coupe. Lloyd (Robert's dad) talked about that car a lot. He had it until he went into the Service. He sold it to his brother who in turn sold it to a friend. The friend had it for two weeks when it stalled it on the railroad tracks next to the family farm. You know where this is leading, yup it was hit by a train before he could get it off the tracks.

The tales Lloyd told about a teenager growing up with a Model A instilled a desire to own one someday. After moving back to Utah County, Robert started looking, but could never find a car that could fit the budget so he quit looking, but Greg and Becky kept up the search. One day they found one on eBay. They kept it a secret as long as they could, and finally let the cat out of the bag right before they laid down the cash.

It is a 1929 Phaeton. It isn't historically accurate, but the family enjoys driving it. As time progresses and work needs to be done on it we will replace improper parts with more authentic parts. Because Robert is not a mechanic and knows only what he reads in various Model A publications, he is anxious to learn from fellow club members. The family is also excited about going on short trips with the group. They are anxious to see what 2013 will bring.

Here is a list of the body types and number of vehicles made each year. It will give you an idea of the rarity of your car/truck. Rare or not, nothing can beat having a Model A in the garage!

Model-A Domestic Production Figures

	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	Style Totals
Sport Coupe	734	79,099	134,292	69,167	19,700	302,992
Truck	286	63,229	156,433	159,341	103,561	482,850
Commercial Chassis	99	42,612	130,608	56,707	34,959	264,986
Phaeton						
Standard	221	47,255	49,818	16,479	4,076	117,849
Deluxe				3,946	2,229	6,175
Roadster						
Standard	269	81,937	191,529	112,901	5,499	392,135
Deluxe				11,318	52,997	64,315
Coupe						
Standard	629	70,784	178,982	226,027	79,816	556,238
Deluxe	-	-	-	28,937	23,067	52,004
Tudor						
Standard	1948	208,562	523,922	376,271	148,425	1,259,128
Deluxe	-	-	-	-	21,984	21,984
Town Car	-	89	913	63	-	1,065
Station Wagon	-	5	4,954	3,510	2,848	11,317
Taxicab	-	264	4,576	10	-	4,850
Fordor (2-window)						
Standard	-	82,349	146,097	5,279	-	233,725
Deluxe	-	-	-	12,854	3,251	16,105
Business Coupe	-	37,343	37,644	-	-	74,987
Fordor (3-window)						
Standard	-	-	53,941	41,133	18,127	113,201
Town Sedan	-	-	84,970	104,935	55,469	245,374
Convertible Cabriolet	-	-	16,421	25,868	11,801	54,090
Victoria	-	-	-	6,306	33,906	40,212
Convertible Sedan-	-	-	-	-	4,864	4,864
Yearly Totals	4,186	713,528	1,715,100	1,261,053	626,579	4,320,446