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A Message From Our

The purpose of the club is two-fold:

1. To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of Model A Ford cars and trucks and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve these vehicles in their original likeness.
2. To unite in a central organization, all individuals who are interested in restoring the automobile in a manner to attract prestige and respect within the community. It shall further be the purpose of this club to help these individuals become better acquainted and encourage and maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship, sociality, and fair play through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation.

The Utah Valley Model A Club is a chapter of the Model A Club of America (MAFCA). Membership with MAFCA is highly encouraged. Meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. upstairs in the Larry H. Miller Ford Dealership at 1995 N. University Parkway in Provo

2017 Club Officers

CLUB OFFICERS

Chairman of the Board	Nicholas Mack
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Photographer	Greg Mack
Activities	Clyde Munson
Awards	Kelly Barker
Newsletter	Robert Mack

ALTON'S JALOPY!

Dear Model A'ers,

School is out and the summer season is here, hurray. A Model A can be driven in all seasons, but summer is best. Everyone loves to see an old car. Let's do our best this year to give them something to look at, all over Utah & Sanpete Counties!

June is also Father's Day, where we honor our fathers. I guess we could say that our car's father was Henry Ford. The best way that we can honor him is to drive, drive, drive them. In order to help you with that, we have a number of upcoming great activities for you to support and have a good time. Check the upcoming events in this issue.

One of the great things about our Model A club since its inception is that we slowly continue to grow. It is wonderful to welcome and get to know new people that share our love of the Model A.

I recently was given an article written by my older cousin about his dad's Model A. It was affectionately given the name "Alton's Jalopy". My uncle's name was Alton Stringham of Manti, Utah.

He started with a 1929 Model A pickup. He removed the cab, added a covered wagon bow and made a canvas that could be quickly installed in case of rainy weather. He also added a tag axle with wheels and lengthened the pickup bed for heavier loads, etc. In the winter or with very muddy roads, he made a set of chains that could revolve around both sets of rear wheels similar to a half-track. This provided the extra traction to go almost anywhere in any kind of weather.

Another addition he fabricated was a pulley that was held on with the wheel lug nuts. He would back up to a tree, jack up

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2017 Calendar of Events

June

- 3rd — Rat Fink Reunion, Manti
- 3rd — Heber Creeper Tour with the Salty A's. Meet at Orem's Harmons on 8th North. Leaving parking lot at 10:00 a.m. Book your tickets before the trip at hebervalleyrr.org
- 5-9th — Omaha Regional Meet, Omaha Nebraska, for more information, their website address is: <http://meadowlarks.omahaneb.org/2017/>
- 10th — Strawberry Days Car Show 8-4 p.m. 200 S Main, Pleasant Grove (not club sponsored)
- 10th — Summerfest Car Show 10-3 p.m. Scera Park, Orem.
- 15th — Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Larry H Miller Ford, TechTalk, rebuilding transmission top tower, Clyde Munson
- 22-24th — North West Regional Meet, Coos Bay, Oregon, Hosts: The Myrtlewood A's, website info is: <http://2017nwrw.weebly.com/>
- Veteran's Benefit Car Show & Cruise — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1551 North Main Street, Payson, UT; more information at: <http://shoutout.wix.com/so/7Li0vYHF?cid=7e941c22-6278-47f9-ac40-bbd5793d157c#/main>

July

- 8th — Steel Days Car Show, Rotary Park, American Fork, 12 noon to 8 p.m. registration, free for UVMAC
- 15th — Steel Days Grande Parade w/ Mayor JH Hadfield, six cars will escort dignitaries, other will drive the parade. Meet at 9:00 a.m. More details to follow.
- 20th — Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Larry H Miller Ford, TechTalk, lubrication points, Nicholas Mack
- 22nd — Mapleton Pioneer Day Parade 9:00 a.m. BBQ afterwards at Carlson's.
- 30th — Henry Ford's 153rd Birthday

August

- 3rd — 4 to 9 p.m. Lindon Car Show, Lindon City Park
- 24th — Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Larry H Miller Ford, TechTalk, Model A body styles by Bill Thompson
- 19th — Ely, Nevada Tour, ride the Nevada Northern Railway with Salty A's.

September

- 15th — MAFCA Board Meeting, Hickory Corners, MI
- 21st — Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Larry H Miller Ford, TechTalk, timing & Setting Point, Bob Todd
- 24-29th — MAFCA National Tour, traveling Pacific Coast Highway, visit Half Moon Bay, Big Sur, Golden Gate Bridge, Monterey Bay, Carmel and San Francisco, <http://www.mafca.com/events/2017%20Nat%20Tour%20Info.pdf> has more info.
- International Model A Day/Vintage Iron Chef, TBA

October

- 4th-7th — Annual Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey, PA
- 26th — Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Larry H Miller Ford
- Fall Color Tour with the Copper Classics Chapter of the Veteran Motor Car Club of America, Sanpete County
- 28-29th — Cedar City Heritage Festival, parade, arts and crafts, concerts, vendor booths and food



Margaret Griffes — June 2
Richard Judd — June 5
Loraine Carlton — June 12
Reid Carlson — June 21
Bill Thompson — June 27



May's Monthly Meeting

Attendance:

Diane and Brim Brimley, Chad Burrell, Elaine Carlson, Vern Cope, Roger Davis, Howard and Gemma Eckstein, Pat Hansen, Tim Isacksen Tony Jacobs, Ken Johns, Nicholas, Greg and Robert Mack, Dick and Aniece McCulloch, Clyde Munson, Karl Pope, Will Redd, Bill and Colette Thompson, Chris and Richard Tucker,

Welcome:

Chad Burrell drove down from Kamas to join with us tonight. He is finishing up a nice '31Tudor. He has done the work himself, including the body. Congratulations Chad, the car looks great. We hope you will join our ranks!

Club Business:

Chairman Nicholas Mack conducted the beginning of the meeting until VP Greg Mack got there, then Greg took over.

Treasury: Diane gave us an accounting of the monies in our coffers. We have \$1969.96 in savings and \$149.48 in checking.

Dues: Dues are overdue. We still have eight members who haven't paid. Please help the club with their functions by paying your dues.

T-Shirts: Brim is starting a new order for t-shirts.

Awards: **Vern Cope** received his plaque for his TechTalk from last year. **Greg Mack** received the Bent Rod for driving into a huge pothole, spraying car parts everywhere.

Howard Eckstein recapped the very successful WPA tour from last month where 20 cars participated. He highlighted great opportunities we had to take pictures of our cars in front of many historic structures and the attention it attracted. He also described some of the lessons learned about moving large crowds of people, both club members as well as spectators. Because of this the board met to discuss new touring guidelines. We appreciate Howard's efforts making this trip possible. The travel guide was a wonderful resource.

Clyde Munson, our Activities Chairman, read the guidelines that the club members are to follow during tours and other club activities. These guidelines will help make the activities more enjoyable for all involved. Please follow this protocol. The guidelines will also be posted on our club's webpage as well as passed out in the next club meeting. Please read the touring protocol in Touring/Activity Guidelines on the following page.

2017 Club Goals:

President Carlson has outlined four goals he would like us to strive toward:

1. Get all club member's cars running and on the road before the end of June.
2. Have an activity where everyone's car is in a club photograph.
3. Develop a 90th anniversary/celebration gift for the Model A's as they each turn 90 years old.



Utah Valley Model A Club Touring/Activity Guidelines

- 1) Prior to each tour, a wagon master will be chosen. We ask that each tour participant provide a cell # to the wagon master.
- 2) The wagon master will select the lead and tail cars for each leg of the tour.
- 3) If you choose to leave in the middle of a tour we ask that you notify the wagon master.
- 4) We ask that tour participants arrive on time ready for the tour (gas full, oil checked, bags packed, pets fed, snacks eaten, bladders emptied). We will leave on time to ensure we stay on schedule.
- 5) If a tour participant suffers a breakdown on the way to a tour they should call the wagon master or other tour member to notify the group (depending on circumstance, we will wait).
- 6) If a tour member suffers a breakdown during the tour, all members should stop (provided it is safe to do so and await instruction from the wagon master). If it is not safe to stop, the lead car should travel to the next safe location and stop and await direction from the wagon master.
- 7) All cars should attempt to maintain a 4-5 car length space from the car ahead.
- 8) Tours in town will travel at posted speed limits, highway tours will travel at 40-45 mph
- 9) We ask that members use the buddy system. Watch your rearview mirror and turn on your headlights and pull over if the car behind you pulls over (w/ lights on) (breakdown).
- 10) Members wishing to join the tour but who are driving modern cars are asked to follow behind all Model As (there are two reasons for this; it allows the model A drivers to more easily see each other and in case of a breakdown a modern car can catch up to the lead car and notify them of problems). We ask that members in modern cars not pass unless to take photos (notify the wagon master prior to the start of the leg of the tour if you will be passing for photos).
- 11) Please be patient with other tour members (driving 80 year old cars in large groups leads to unexpected situations (breakdowns, photo ops, or friendly but talkative onlookers can cause delays; please plan for the unexpected).
- 12) Any complaints about the tour timing, weather, scenery, route, or any other issues should be brought to the wagon master. The member lodging the complaint will be required to be the wagon master for the next tour.





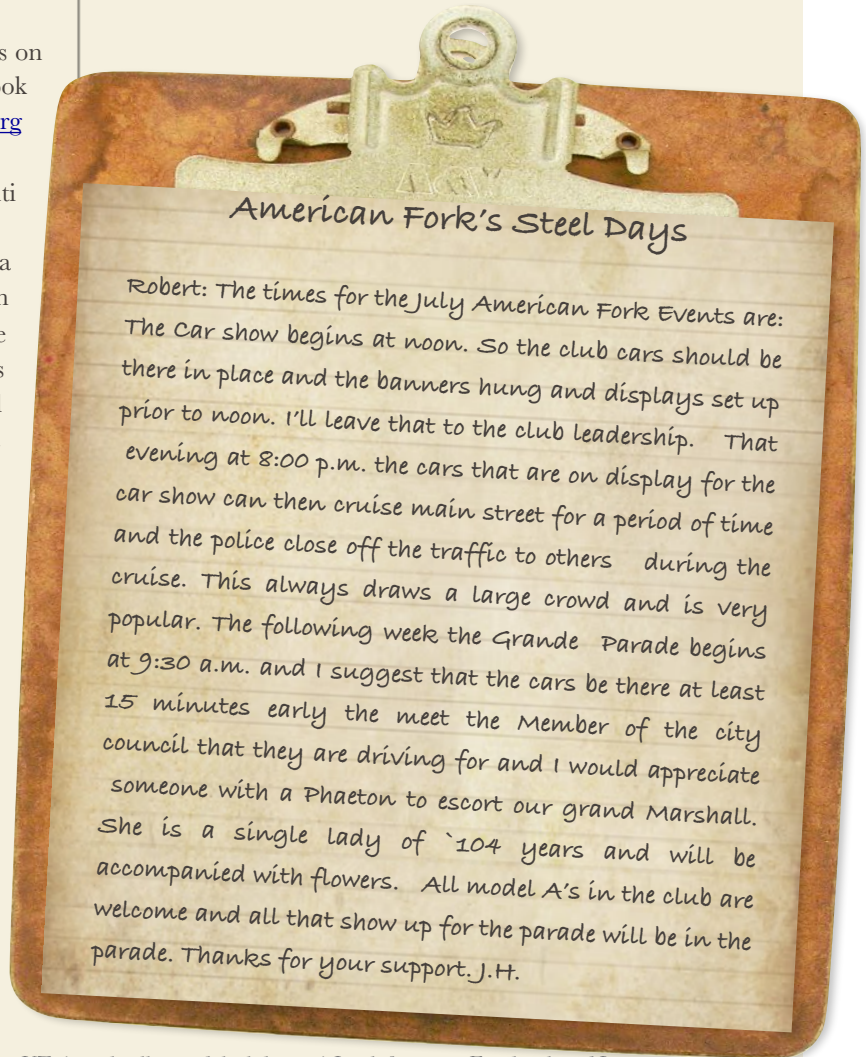
Upcoming Activities:

- May 19th-20th: the UVU Swap meet is this Friday from noon to 4 and Saturday from 7 to 5. \$5.00 entrance fee gets you into both the swap meet and the car show.
- May 27th: Spring City Tour will meet at the Spanish Fork Shopko. We will leave bright and early at 7:30 a.m.! We will travel through Nephi and up Nephi canyon. The Scandinavian Heritage parade will start at 9:00 a.m. on 3rd South and Main St. They want us to straddle the yellow line down the middle of the road. After the parade, we will go to Spring City for the home tour (\$10).
- June 3rd Heber Creeper: meet at Orem's Harmons on 8th North. Leaving parking lot at 10:00 a.m. Book your tickets on-line at <https://hebervalleyrr.org> before the trip. Tickets are \$15.
- June 3rd Rat Fink is also that weekend. The Manti branch will be participating.
- Steel Days: Car show is on Sat 8th. JH will have a place reserved for the club. It starts at noon in Veterans Park. Around 7 p.m. Main Street will be closed for a cruise in Veterans Park. The parade is on July 15th with staging at 9:00. All other cars will be in the parade. Tony will escort the Grand Marshal, but five other cars will be needed to escort dignitaries. Staging normally near Doug Smith Auto.
- July 22nd Mapleton parade. We will help with veterans again. Staging time is 8:00 a.m. at Mapleton Junior High School on 1200 N and 200 E. Elaine volunteered her home for BBQ. Are we interested in doing period photos as a fund raiser? Gemma will look into costs and Roger will pass it by the Mapleton activity committee.
- Aug 7th 4-9 p.m. for the Lindon Car Show. Anyone who pre-registers will get a t-shirt. The park is located in Lindon on about 100 N State Street
- Aug 30th - Sep 3rd is the Ely Tour. We will spend

one night in Delta, two in Ely and one in Wendover. More details to follow.

TechTalk:

500 and 1000 mile lubrication was topic of this month's TechTalk given by Roger Davis. He did his homework and proved it by handing out a packet for everyone to take home that detailed everything from lubrication points, to types of oil (that opened a can of worms).



American Fork's Steel Days

Robert: The times for the July American Fork Events are: The car show begins at noon. So the club cars should be there in place and the banners hung and displays set up prior to noon. I'll leave that to the club leadership. That evening at 8:00 p.m. the cars that are on display for the car show can then cruise main street for a period of time and the police close off the traffic to others during the cruise. This always draws a large crowd and is very popular. The following week the Grande Parade begins at 9:30 a.m. and I suggest that the cars be there at least 15 minutes early the meet the Member of the city council that they are driving for and I would appreciate someone with a Phaeton to escort our grand Marshall. She is a single lady of '104 years and will be accompanied with flowers. All model A's in the club are welcome and all that show up for the parade will be in the parade. Thanks for your support. J.H.

Heard it Through the Grapevine

OUT & ABOUT WITH CLUB MEMBERS

Shortly after the WPA tour **Nicholas Mack** received the e-mail pictured on the right. At the Fort Utah Park we were also noticed by park volunteers. They took pictures of the club to be used on the **Provo City Parks and Rec.** Facebook page. We are noticed where ever we go!

Like some other club members who seem to have the travel bug, **Richard Judd** has spent the last month traveling through-out Vietnam. Read Richard and Judy's spotlight this month and you will learn more about Richard's connection to Vietnam.

Since **Bill and Colette Thompson** couldn't come on the scavenger hunt, they watched the UDOT website to see if we passed any of the cameras. This is what they found: Nicholas driving in the rain in his Tudor.



Greg and Nicholas Mack have been working on Nicholas' car and found a cracked race that did damage to the hub. It looks like someone will soon be the new recipient of the Bent Rod Award.



On Monday, May 1, 2017 9:07 AM, Randy Keys <Rkeys@springville.org> wrote:

Nicholas, I am the new Associate Director for the Springville Museum of Art. I am also a great fan of classic cars. A couple of Saturday's ago your club met at the Springville Museum of Art. I would like to know if any of your group took pictures of the cars with the museum in the background and if they would be willing to let us post them through our social media. I also would like to know if your group would be interested in doing a car show sometime in the future here at the museum.

Please let me know.

Randy

Randell Keys
Associate Director
Springville Museum of Art



Although not a sponsored club activity, half of the club members were present at the UVU swap meet and car show. **Wayne and Jan Atkinson and Tony Jacobs** were vendors. **Joe Fazio, Vern Cope, Bill and Colette Thompson, Nicholas and Greg Mack, Ron Sessions and Ed Stilson** as well as **Denny Sprecher and Keith Painter** from the Salty A's .were all spotted at the meet.



Member Spotlight

RICHARD AND JUDY JUDD

I was born in Salt Lake City and lived there until I was eight-years-old, after which my family moved to Bountiful, where I lived until I joined the service.

I bought my first car, an MGB hard top, just two weeks out of high school with money I earned working at a Pepsi bottling plant. In those days their major product was Hires Root Beer rather than Pepsi.

That fall I followed in the footsteps of my father and uncle and joined the Marine Corps where I served for four years. Though my father told me that if I joined the service, to pick one that offered a bed to sleep in, I joined the Marines! I felt it was my turn to serve. The Marines had landed at China Beach just prior to my enlistment.

I left my car at my father's house. I had put 20% down on the car, and made payments for six months, but in those days, the longest you could borrow money on a used car was 24 months. I didn't get my first check from the military for 10 weeks, so I asked my father to sell the car. To this day I don't know if I lost or made money on the sale.

After boot camp and infantry training, I was sent to Camp Lejeune in North Carolina for ten months as part of the 8th Battalion.



I was constantly requesting orders to be sent to Vietnam. Finally I received orders to serve either in the State Department or Vietnam. Can you guess which one I chose? Yup, I was off the next week to Jungle War School then

on to Vietnam. After serving for 13 months, including Tera, I was able to go home. If you volunteered to extend your service for six months, they gave you 30 days leave, so home I went.



After being home for three days, I bought a 1968, 327 Camaro. After being home for four days, I got engaged to my wife, whom I had met while on R&R in Hawaii that same year. We were married six months



later and have been married for 48 years. Having still nine months left in the corps, we were assigned to Camp Pendleton.





By now, my Camaro had around 700 miles on it, so I traded it in for a 1969 Austin Healy convertible to ride the freeway with three other Marines and their wives, who had sports cars. It was a bad move economically, but sure was fun in the sun!



After our mission, I bought another Harley. But after a few crashes, I



decided to get my Model A. I used the money from the sale of my bike and a few dollars



left from my final UMPA check.



After a year home working for Bountiful Light & Power, my wife, Judy, became pregnant, so it was bye-bye sports car. Either that or I had to find a big shoe horn for Judy.

I thought I wouldn't need to do much work on the Model A, however that was wrong thinking. Joe and Clyde helped me put a new distributor, new carburetor, and new manifold on the car. Then, with help from Howard, we put four new brakes including an emergency brake on the car.

We had a 1969 four-door Buick and my favorite, a 49 Studebaker pick-up. The pickup had a broken heater, non-working wipers and needed to be started by shorting the starter motor. I drove it everywhere come hell or high water. Finally, I sold it to a coworker and purchased a 1971 Ford 150.

I took a job in Nephi City for six years. By then we had a son and daughter. Coming from a house of nine children, two children were plenty. I then took a job as Chief Operating Officer / General Manager of Utah Municipal Power Agency for 22 years.

At 55 years of age, my wife and I went on a Humanitarian Mission to Cambodia in 2003. By then we had seven grandchildren.





Grand Excursion — Heber Valley Railroad

BY HOWARD ECKSTEIN

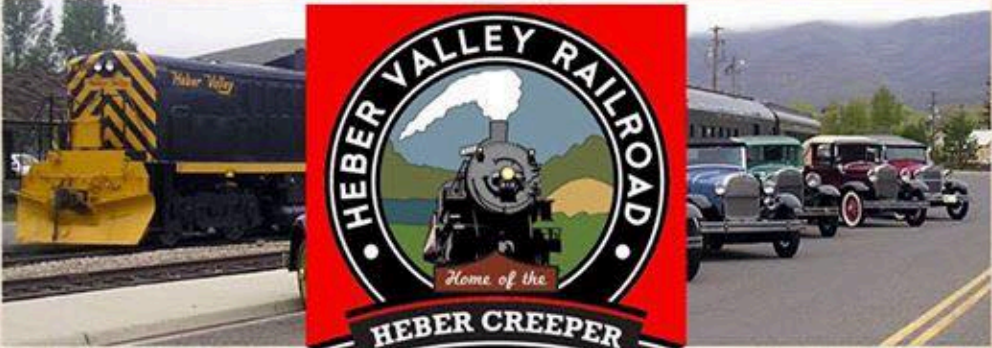
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GREAT EVENT

Railroad from Heber to Deer Creek and points between - Round Trip

Grand Excursion

OF THE



HEBER VALLEY RAILROAD
Home of the
HEBER CREEPER
Est. 1899

Utah Valley Model A Club and Salty As Depart from

HEBER

Train leaves at 12:00 p.m.

Utah Valley Model A Club Leaves From Harmons Orem at 10:00 a.m.
870 East 800 North

Fare is \$15 per passenger - Reserve ahead at hebervalleyrr.org

LUXURIOUS CARS AND FINE EATING IN HEBER AFTER THE RETURN

Wild West Desperados and Scalawags Beware

Drive your Model A to the depot at 450 South 6th West in Heber.

Salty A's Game Day Invitation

BY ROBERT MACK

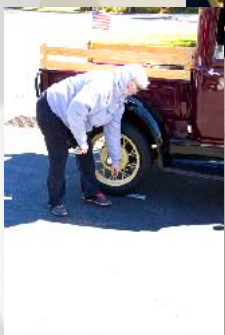


It was a cold and windy day; a miserable day to be out in the weather. But, seven Model A's, one 1940 Ford, a 2016 Mustang and several other moderns loaded with people had a fun time testing their wits and skills against each other during the Salty A's game day.



It started out with donuts and juice, then on to three car games. Simple games, yet very challenging! The first game's challenge was to place the tip of an arrow (taped to the front bumper) as close to the bullseye taped to the asphalt as possible. Of our own club members, Greg barely made it onto the target; Howard fared much better. The second charge was to place the back right tire on top of a \$2.00 bill taped to the asphalt. Both Howard and Greg did well at this endeavor. In fact Howard did well enough to win his own Jefferson. The last test was a race between two cars. Greg beat all the Salty A contestants, but the rival from our own club defeated him. That meant Howard was to race the Mustang. This is the first race I've witnessed where a Model A was triumphant over a muscle car. The point of the race, however, was to drive as slow as possible.

Following the games, a short tour was taken, or rather a circuitous course was driven, to Woody's for lunch. It may have been cold and the wind strong, but warm food and great fun made it



Spring City Heritage Day Tour

BY NICHOLAS MACK

Seven thirty in the morning and the sun is already up and working hard. Fumes from rich or lean carburetors permeate the morning air. Nine beautiful Model A's are lined up in the Shopko parking lot, all gassed up, water fed, and oil a drippin'. As on lookers pass by with smiles, waves, and honks, the crew saddles up for the awaiting adventure ahead. The Model A's come alive as the engines are revved fiercely as if they were lions, but only the sound of a little lamb is produced...putter-putter.

After leaving at our assigned time, we hit the open road. There's nothing more exciting to me than being in a caravan of classic Model A's. With the combination of old, beautiful, classic cars and people on the side of the streets, surprised at the wonderment they just saw, my chest puffs up with pride. "I'm a part of this club, and I'm proud of it." We traveled at a "quick" pace of 40-45 mph and enjoyed the wind in our face and the purr of our engines. We stopped in Nephi to get some go-go juice for our cars and a potty break. Then we were back on the road. We were making good time! As we neared the top of the canyon, it brought back memories of the last time I was here. I down-shifted in my dad's Model A and spun the inner tube causing us to have a flat tire. In remembrance of this incident, I honked the horn in tribute.

We got to Ephraim where we met up with Bill and Collette. They directed us to the staging area for the parade. We had a great time in the parade, but felt bad not having any candy to throw. How quickly I forgot how great these small-town parades are when you move to the big city. I remember as a kid from a small town, I didn't care about who or what was in the parade; I cared about how much candy I would get. After the parade, we gathered the troops back together and headed for our destination - Spring City!

Spring City is a quaint little town, with a population of 956 full time residence. It is packed with history and hometown values. The town is now on the National Register of Historic Places along with the

famous Gettysburg, Hoover Dam, Harpers Ferry, and the Erie Canal, just to name a few.

Our first stop was the famous Spring City Historic Stake Center. Upon entering town, cars were stuffed along the side of the road and folks flocking from one historic structure to another. We seemed to be a big hit as we drove in with our beautiful historic cars. The town seemed to freeze in place as we entered, and smiles and waves began to spread as we reached the Stake Center. Allison and I were quickly greeted by the VP of "Friends of Historic Spring City". He explained how excited his committee was to see us, how we really set the mood, and invited us back for many more years to come. It's always nice to feel so welcomed!

We purchased tickets for the famous Norbest turkey dinner from the youth of an LDS ward for a fundraiser. Then we began our historic tour.

We were able to see some wonderful examples of the Mormon pioneer ingenuity and architecture. We were able to tour beautiful homes as old as 1859, as well as the Strates Garage which was built in 1919. It has now been converted into an art gallery. We also got to tour the Bishop's Storehouse, which I found out was never really a house. They never built a kitchen or bedrooms. All the rooms were built for storing food and other items. The storehouse was built back in 1905 and wonderfully restored. We even got to tour a home built in 2016. This home was patterned after several historic homes in Spring City with the intent of having it compliment the historic district. We also met a gentleman that had a 1929 Tudor that was owned by Jerry Seiner. We had a wonderful conversation about the history of his car.

Our deadline of 4:00 quickly approached, and we met the group back at the church. We saddled up again, to make the journey home. Along the way, we stopped at the Red Barn in Santaquin for some ice cream. We arrived back home without any breakdowns or problems, which I think is a new club record. Seeing these wonderful pioneer homes was a treat, and I thoroughly loved it. But, I do love my air conditioning.





Ephraim Scandinavian Days Parade



When we reached the middle of the parade the Master of Ceremonies made this announcement to the crowd:

“The Utah Valley Model A Club is an organization of individuals and families that are interested in the preservation, restoration, history and enjoyment of the Model A Ford automobile. It is a chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America which has chapters in every state consisting of thousands of cars and their owners.

The club meets monthly in Provo to discuss the restoration and operation of our cars. We have 30 cars

and over 60 people who are members of the local club. Cars are maintained by the owners with help from other club members. An activity involving the cars is held also each month throughout the year.

Model A Fords were made from 1928 to 1931 in many body styles.“

Check us out on the Internet at utahvalleymodela.org. We are also on Facebook. We are always looking for new members. You don't have to own a Model A to join”

This write-up was crafted by Bill Thompson. Great job Bill!

President's message continued...

the wheel, wrap a rope around the pulley and use it like a winch. He was very ingenious. Of course he had a canvas water bag in front of the radiator to keep the water and engine cooler. He also attached a 30-gallon barrel on the passenger side for lots of extra fuel for long mountain trips, etc.

Attached is a photo of this Model A marvel. You can see Alton proudly in the driver's side along with his wife Lola and daughter Enid.



If Alton were here today, I think he would join our club and proudly bring his highly modified Model A with an original patina to our activities.

Thanks for all you are and do,

Reid



Golden Wrench Award - Installing a New Top

BY DICK MCCULLOCH

Eight years ago I purchased a 1928 Model A Sport Coupe. It had been stored and neglected for forty years. Still, I bought it. The top on this Model A was so badly rotted through, I had to tear it off and discard it. Nothing but the wire supports was salvageable.

Many of the wood frame pieces were also rotten. To save some money, I manufactured my own wood ribs and the frames, the ones around the body behind the passenger compartment. I then installed them. Happily I found they fit very nicely.

I ordered a top kit from LeBaron Bonney and with less than full confidence, I began installing it. With the included instructions I was able to mount the three support strips, then I laid the padding over them. I threw the pre-sewn, fabric top over it all. By tacking and pulling and tacking some more I got the top secured to my wood framing. I have never done anything like this before, and still got what I feel is a decent job, satisfactory to me and my sweet wife.

I did the same thing with my rumble seat covers. The car originally had a trunk. With some special parts, a lot of effort and help from my sweet wife, I converted it to a rumble seat condition. I ordered the springs and a cover kit from the same company as my top. I had no idea how to install the hog rings, but soon learned. First the burlap was cut and ringed onto the springs, then the batting was trimmed to size. Finally the heavy Naugahyde material was tacked on, trimmed, stretched and hog ringed. I have to give a lot of credit to the kit manufacturer for the success we realized.



Photos from a garage day activity before the top and rumble seat kit was installed.



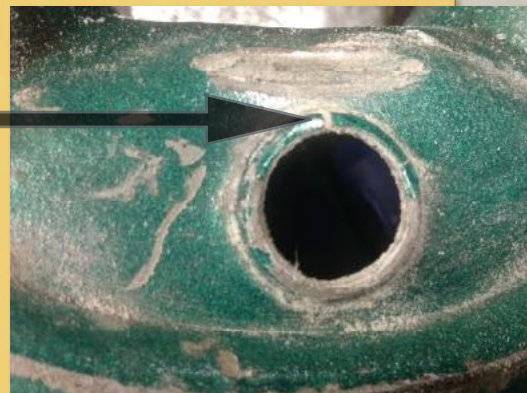
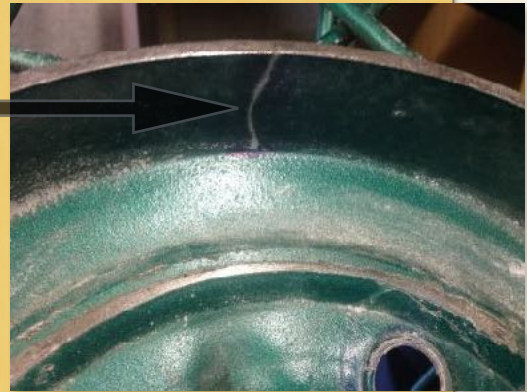
Inspect Those Wheels

BY CLYDE MUNSON

One great thing about the Model A is that it is an engineering marvel that never breaks down and was built to last forever. Unfortunately, from time to time Ford's quality control team missed a couple of items and a car would make it out into the world with a tiny almost insignificant flaw.

I came across one of these issues recently that concerned me slightly. I had one wheel on my coupe that had a couple of cracks that appeared in the rim. I will be honest, I have been driving it with these cracks for years and thousands of miles and they never grew, so I figured I would switch the rim out eventually. I finally decided to do this last summer. When I pulled this wheel off, I saw something that scared me. There were cracks emanating from the lug holes!!!!

I have not taken the time yet to address my warranty concerns with Ford, but I will. Until then, I decided it would be a good idea to inspect all of my other wheels and I am happy to say they are all fine and have no cracks. I feel much better that I took the time to look. I have never heard of a rim failure causing an accident, but I wouldn't want to be the first. So, if I were you, I would inspect the wheels.





UVMAC Member Spotlight Template

As an aid to help you write a spotlight, Howard has written up a template to assist you. Use these questions and comments to get you going. These ideas are just a guide. As you write, they may inspire you to think of other things to write. Don't worry about having good writing skills, as we can help you if need be.

Your name.

Your spouse's name.

The town where you now live, and how long you have lived there.

What do you do for a living? Tell about your family.

The place where you grew up.

When did you realize you like or wanted an old car? What made you decide to get a Model A?

What year and body style is your Model A? (Or the one you're associated with)

When, and where, did you get it?

What are the circumstances that led you to own it?

Did it run when you got it, and does it run now?

What is some of the most recent work you've done or had done on it, and what still needs to be done.

What are some of your favorite memories with the car?

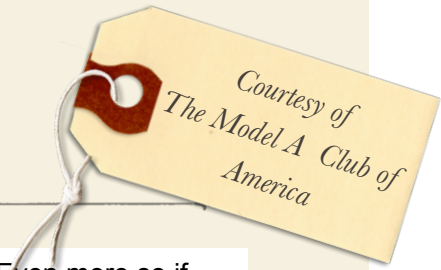
What's the craziest thing you've done, what crazy things have you done with with your car?

How did you find out about our club?



The Fashion Journal

BY TRUDY VESTAL OF THE HANGTOWN A'S



When dressing in era styles, finding the appropriate shoes can be difficult. Even more so if you have a beach or sports outfit.

Well, look no further than your Keds shoe store of 1931. Right out of the vintage catalog are the following styles. The illustrations and descriptions are off the pages of the *Keds Catalog for 1931, United States Rubber Company, Buffalo, NY.*

Finding the right look in modern shoes is often challenging, however, these styles have not changed much. Good Luck!





BEACH CLOG



PALOMA

Keds

These Beach Clogs and Paloma shoes are made of striped awning cloth. The strap on the left shoe is self-adjusting. Strap on the right shoe can be tied around the ankle as well as over the instep.



MENTONE

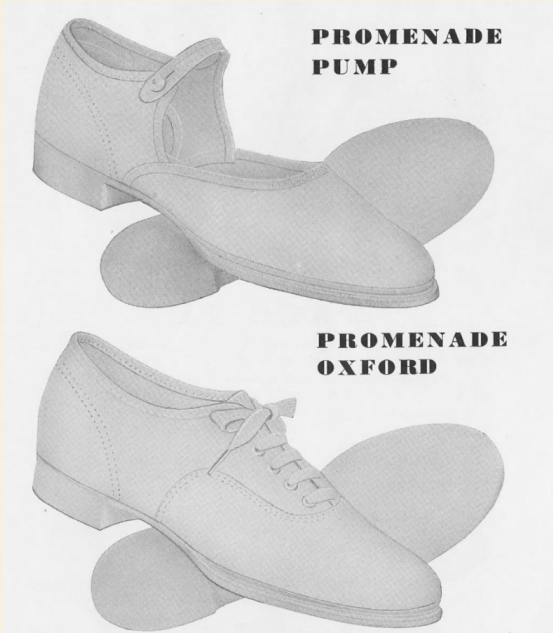
A colorful sport oxford for women. Bleached and mercerized combed duck upper with black, tan, jade, blue or crimson saddle straps. White small ridges on the sole and white molded heel on shoes.



REGINA

Keds

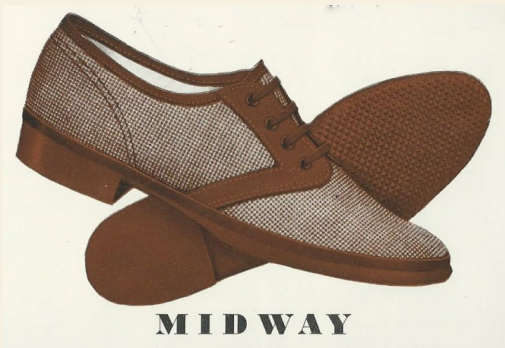
A dainty, stylish one-strap pump. Made in white linen with covered Cuban heel, and a light-weight sole.



PROMENADE PUMP

PROMENADE OXFORD

An attractive oxford and one-strap pump. Upper of bleached white or black duck. Outsole and heel matching in color with the duck upper. Low heel and welt-type sole.



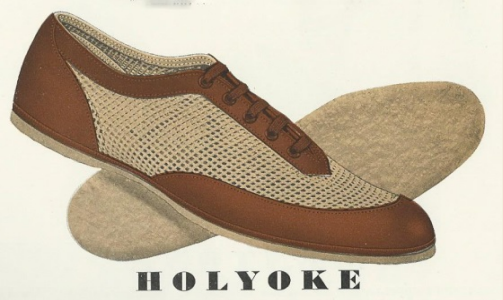
MIDWAY

The Midway, an oxford for women, features attractive tan and white printed duck.



ROVER PUMP

The Rover pump is a durable two-strap pump with a white or brown duck upper. It features a corrugated sole and gum toe cap.



HOLYOKE

The Holyoke is an ideal oxford for tennis and beach wear. Uppers are unlined and of open-weave duck.



Classified Ads



Wayne Atkinson has something for everyone.

- New .060 over pistons \$90
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 - 30-31 Radiator - may need cleaning and repair
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 - Used 4:11 ring & pinion - look good
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 - 2 transmissions
- You can contact Wayne in Fairview at (641) 390-0870.



Paul Shafer is helping his mother-in-law sell a 1931 Ford Model A pickup. He has an ad on [KSL.com](https://www.ksl.com) <https://www.ksl.com/auto/listing/3689105>. He can be reached at: (801) 358-4830. He lives in Springville.

- Hard top, wide body & metal bed.
- Restored in 1977 by Pete Deneris who passed away shortly after. Have notes & receipts. His widow stored the pickup until she sold it to Dick Webb in 2000.
- Dick worked on it to get it running. Have receipts and notes. When Dick bought it, it had 45 miles on it. He titled it in 2005.
- It has only been driven to car shows and in parades in our small town. Just enough to keep it running.
- He has the title.

If you would like to have an item included in the Classified Ads, call Robert at (801) 489-9808 .



Clark Christensen is selling his 1929 Coupe. He can be reached at: (801) 362-0210

Joe Fazzio is selling a lot of his stuff, and he has A sharronstilson@yahoo.com LOT! Even if you think you might need a part, call him (541) 990-2162 before he sells them all.

Mark Layton and **Tony Jacobs** have a lot of parts for sale too. If you need something for your car, call Mark at (801) 361-7300 or Tony at (801) 796-0396.



2018 MAFCA National Convention

SPARKS, NEVADA, JUNE 24-29, 2018



Do you like trains, mining towns, auto museums or mountain scenery? If so, we've got the place for you! In one year from now, Sparks, Nevada is expected to host over 500 Model A's and approximately 1,500 people at the 2018 National Convention. How can we be so lucky to have another convention so close?! If you missed last year's convention, you missed a wonderful event. Everyone who went last year is planning on going again next year. We've also added Clyde and Jenn Munson to the entourage. So, look at your calendar and schedule June 24-29, 2018 for the MAFCA Sparks convention!

Each month until next June, we will devote a page in each newsletter to sights and activities that will be part of the convention. There will be a lot to do and see. Whet your appetite by watching their introductory video. If you are reading this online, you can click either URL and watch it right from here. If you are reading the printed version you can copy either web address into your web browser and watch it from there. They are: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=POSGaq_l9mQ&t=5s or <https://vimeo.com/153386141> (It is the same video).

You can pick and choose what activities you want to participate in. They have vehicle and fashion judging, fashion and tech seminars, driving tours, Hubley races, a repair tent, a tourist railroad, an auto and railroad museum, and much more.

You can keep up with the latest information by subscribing to their early bird newsletter at <http://www.mafca.com/events/2018EarlyBirdRegistration.pdf>. The newsletter is only available electronically however. We will be highlighting the information they have on their newsletter here when they post it.

So, remember to mark your calendars now so you won't have conflicts later. It is worth every minute and every penny! Let's all go together and have a good time.





Model A Ford Club of America

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I recently came across a Ford Motor Company advertisement from a Good Housekeeping magazine, dated August 1930. It features a photo of a 1930 Roadster on a dock near the sea. Its caption was, "A joyous car for golden summer days."

It goes further to say, "Many are the delights of the Ford Roadster these golden summer days. Short the miles and pleasant because of its alert and sprightly performance, its safety and its easy-riding comfort. And what a joy it is to travel along the way with the top down, the blue sky overhead and the fresh, cool air brushing a rosy glow upon your cheeks... Many months of glorious motoring await your beckoning." Wow, I'm sold! Let's take out our Model A's and go for a ride!

Don't forget to keep track of your miles for the 100K Miles in A Day **Challenge! Travel with your** Chapter or on your own - you pick the day! Send your mileage to Garth Shreading, Membership Director, 100k@mafca.com.

The long awaited Model A Coupe Book is now available for purchase, \$24.95, through the MAFCA Store and online at www.mafca.com. This book was put together by some of our most dedicated members, Alex and Ruth Janke, Les Andrews and Garth Shreading, with assistance from many others. This is a superior compilation of all of the articles ever published in *The Restorer* on Model A Coupes, plus some written by Les Andrews and never before published, until now! The book has a terrific introduction written by Alex Janke, which includes all of the data sheets with the original fabric, paint, and stripe combinations available on the various Coupes. This book is a must for the Model A hobbyist! It is only available from MAFCA and our vendors, order yours, today!

Over the years, the Model A Ford Club of America and your Board of Directors has been very successful in giving you, our membership the best that can be offered in the antique car hobby. Our membership is the largest

of any single marque. I believe this is because we have many great membership benefits such as our award winning magazine, *The Restorer*. Our magazine went from a fledgling cut and paste, black and white newsletter in 1957 to a sixty-six page, full color magazine today. Published six times a year, *The Restorer*, features articles about the Model A Ford, news of Chapters and activities, and other interesting articles.

Along with *The Restorer*, MAFCA's Directors, especially the Technical Director, are available to you via telephone, mail and email to answer your questions and guide you in the repair and restoration of your cars.

Each year, MAFCA recognizes our members who have contributed their talents to MAFCA and the Model A hobby at the National Awards Banquet. Every even numbered year, we hold a National Convention, hosted by one or more Host Chapters in different places, gathering more than 1,000 members, and every odd numbered year, one or more Chapters host a National Tour for our members. We help to bring you together with others who have the same great love for the Model A Ford.

The Board of Directors has always been prudent in the expenditure of our membership's money, carefully investing along the way. As everyone is aware, the cost of doing business is an ever-increasing number, and we have arrived at an economic squeeze point. We have done the very best to give you the most for your dues that we could, cutting out non-essential expenditures and reducing costs of doing business where possible, yet offering great membership programs. It has been ten years since MAFCA has had a dues increase. In order to maintain and continue our great club, it is necessary to have one. Beginning with renewals for the 2018 calendar year, dues will be \$50 for US membership. Along with this increase, we will be including a bonus, the online edition of *The Restorer* with every membership. The online edition of *The Restorer* is a very valuable premium, as it is readable on your desktop and laptop computers, your tablets, and your smart phone - no matter where, around the world, you are! Up to three years, will be available.



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