

The Steering Wheel



November 2021

A Publication by and for the members of the Victori-A's

Issue 11

Under the Hood with.....your Prez, Ron Albert

Greetings fellow Model A'ers.

I hope that everything went well and that everybody had a wonderful time at the Autumn As tour. A huge thanks to all that helped and made the tour a success. Special thanks to Willie, Clyde, James, and Gary for all the work, time, and effort they put into this event. Also, thanks to Betty, Anita, Chris, Nancy, and the rest of our girls for their inside work.

We are looking forward to the Veterans Day Parade on November the 11th, such a special event.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting at Bayside Restaurant 4202 N Navarro, November 14th at 5pm.

Thank You take care. Sincerely Ron Albert.



See you all soon, Ron Albert

Yorktown Western Days 10.16.2021, James Kasper & Bob & Wilma Ferry & Gaylon Vaughn







A 2021

It was a success. Thanks to Willie & Clyde for planning our route for Saturday. We toured the Praha Painted Church, had lunch at Robert's Steakhouse, visited the Four E Dairy, the Moravia Store where we ran into a Car Club out of San Antonio with some neat Model Ts, on to the Majek Vineyard, ending with dinner at Los Cabos. Betty East and her crew had an excellent hospitality room with wonderful snacks and games. We had 30 plus attendees and 12 plus Model As. Thanks to our club for sponsoring this event and thanks to the Austin Model A Club for attending and Joyce for again designing the t-shirts. Attendees from our club Gary, Betty & Mary Ann, David & Anita, Gary Henrichs, James & Chris, Willie, Bill & Theresa, Gaylon, Steve & Nancy.















2nd stop









https://www.facebook.com/MoraviaStore/

This is where we ran into the San Antonio Model A Club with some Model T's and other cars.

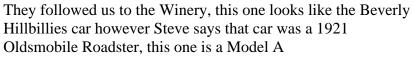






















What our members are doing

Men at Wednesday morning coffee, Oct 6th



Richard says - See, Real Tech Q&A



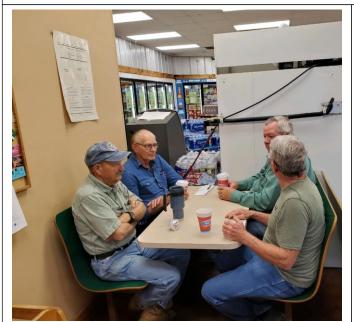






What our members are doing continued

Men at coffee Oct 13th -





Willie talking with his pen!



Richard with guest David Neil





All lined up waiting for the Turkey Fest Parade to begin!

What our members are doing continued

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Happy Birthday November

Jody Brett11/03Hollis Millard11/04Laura Sanders11/14J.R. Rusch11/23



Happy Anniversary November

I don't see any for November

If I have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let me know email nwhiddon@suddenlinkmail.com

We think of and remember Laura Sanders on her Nov 14th birthday. We lost her on 2.13.2021

Welcome New Members

Bob & Wilma Ferry

Tom LaGrega



Subject to change

Calendar of Events

Nov 07 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

Nov 11 – Veterans Day

Nov 14 - Regular Meeting. (Second Sunday)

Bayside Restaurant 4202 N Navarro 5pm to eat, 6pm for meeting.

Nov 25 – Thanksgiving Day

Watch emails for any changes or additions.



Come, Lord Jesus, our guest to be
And bless these gifts
Bestowed by Thee.
And bless our loved ones everywhere,
And keep them in Your loving care.

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Some information contained in our newsletter may have been reprinted from other newsletters; we thank and acknowledge them.

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Minutes of Meeting VictoriA's Model A Ford Club October 10, 2021 @ Bayside Restaurant

Due to an unexpected closing of King's Grill, the meeting was moved to Bayside Restaurant at 5 pm. The president called and texted members to let them know of the change. The Kasper's were unable to attend due to being quarantined, so President Ron Albert asked Betty East to take minutes in Chris's absence.

5: 15 pm - President Ron Albert asked Willie Sanders to lead the group in prayer. Gail Henrichs provided the flag for the Pledge of Allegiance. The meal followed.

Attendees: Ron and Nena Albert with guest Pilar, Gary and Gail Henrichs, Steve and Nancy Whiddon, Willie Sanders, Joanne Shaffer, and Gary and Betty East

5:55 pm - Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order and asked for the reading of the minutes from the September meeting. Since the secretary was absent and no copy of the minutes handy, Willie made a motion to accept the minutes from the September meeting as printed in the newsletter. Joanne Shaffer seconded the motion, and it passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Gail Henrichs provided the Treasurer's report: Beginning balance in September \$1,456.84

Deposits- none

Expenditures of 100.00:

50.00 check to St. Jude's Hospital in memory of Clint Williams

50.00 check to Fannin State Park for the use of the facility for the picnic last month

Ending balance as of October 10, 2021, is \$1, 356.84

President called for a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, and Gary East made the motion with a second from Gary Henrichs. Motion was approved.

Old Business: Autumn A's Tour to Hallettsville on October 29-31, 2021. Anita Harris sent a text, volunteering to shop for the snacks and water for the Hospitality Room since Gail Henrichs is having foot surgery and will be unable to do it. A discussion followed about using the provided room for snacks and games on Friday evening as a Welcome Party for attendees. Since no registration is required for this event, our club estimates an attendance of approximately 30 out-of-town club members and 15 VictoriA members, for a total of 45 attendees. Many of our club expressed their plans to drive over each day and not stay at the hotel in Hallettsville. Willie reported that he had set the tour route for Saturday. The handling of prizes was brought up, and after a discussion, Willie recommended a prize for youngest and oldest driver and a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize for the fashion show winners, for a total of 5) \$20.00 prizes. Gail Henrichs suggested giving Walmart gift cards, and Ron Albert volunteered to obtain them.

New Business: Meeting place – since King's Restaurant did not honor their commitment to stay open for the club meeting this month, and no one there seemed to know about the arrangement, the club will no longer use that restaurant for meetings. Willie talked to the manager of Bayside and set up our next meeting for November 14, 2021, at 5 pm. The location of the December combination auction meeting and Christmas party was discussed, and Willie inquired about the meeting room at Bayside and learned a \$75.00 refundable deposit was required to reserve the room and a guarantee of 20-25 attendees was needed to make the expense of hiring another waiter worthwhile for the restaurant. Several suggestions followed and questions raised, so Ron Albert tabled the decision until club members could gather more information and find the best date that would not conflict with other plans, so a decision will be reached at the next meeting.

Sunshine Report: Nena reported she sent a get-well card to James Kasper and read the birthdays and anniversaries.

Since no one else came forward with any business to discuss, the President called for adjournment at 6:30 pm. The motion was made by Steve Whiddon, seconded by Willie, and passed by all present.

President Ron Albert ended the gathering with a joke to leave the group with a smile.

Respectfully submitted by Betty East for Secretary Chris Kasper

What you should see in the November/December issue of The Restorer



Chapter Report

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Thanks to all club members and friends for pictures and info, On the Road, The Flying Quail, The Ford Squeaks; Cowtown A for articles and information in this issue of our newsletter.

Please put in newsletter that the dues need to be mailed to: Gail Henrichs
575 Crestview
Victoria, TX 77905



COMING EVENTS

Nov 11 – Veterans Day Parade, more info to follow

Nov 14 – Bayside Restaurant 4202 N Navarro 5pm to eat, 6pm for meeting.

Dec 04 – Christmas Parade, more info to follow

Our Annual Meeting & Auction usually held in September is tentative right now. Watch your emails and texts for more info. In 2020 we combined our Annual Meeting, Auction, and Christmas Party was a combined event because of the Covid shutdown.



She said she missed me. Usually that would be good, but she's reloading.

The squirrels must be gathering nuts - three of our members are missing...

Schedule of Regional/National Events

2021

December 2-5

MAFCA's National Awards Banquet

Hosted by: Cowtown A's

Contact: Jordon Douglass 817-584-8125

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2022

June 12-17, 2022 MAFCA National Convention

Kerrville, Texas Hosts: Alamo A's Contact: Jimmy Taylor 830-660-8094

2022 Dues

Please pay your \$20 local club dues to Treasurer Gail Henrichs.

Membership in the MAFCA or MARC is not mandatory to join the Victori-A's, but we do encourage all members to join one or both. Application forms for these clubs can be obtained on their website as follows: MAFCA www.mafca.com (\$50); MARC www.modelaford.org (\$45). You will receive all the national information and opportunities in the enjoyment of your Model A. You will also receive *The Restorer* magazine. (mafca) or *Model a News* magazine (marc). Membership does not require the actual possession of a Model "A", but merely an interest in the club's objectives, and a desire to take an active part in club activities.



Willie & Marilyn at the Moravia Store back in March

Jim's Technical Tip

by Jim Cannon,

There are several places on a Model A where you are installing something that is attached with multiple screws. For example, here are a few:

Instrument panel

Floorboards

Valve cover (under exhaust manifold)

Oil pan

Window trim

When installing them, start each screw with only a few threads. Leave them all pretty loose to start. Then you can move the piece around, as needed, to finesse each subsequent screw into the next threaded hole. The last ones areoften the hardest to get aligned. I use an awl in the hole where the screw will be going to adjust the piece to get the holes to line up.



Get all of the screws started, and then go around and tighten them all up in several passes. Have the screw head just touching the piece at first, then make them all snug, then make them all fully tightened. Just like you do when tightening head nuts, start with tightening the screws in the middle andthen work your way out to the ends. Alternate sides left and right as you goon each tightening pass





I hope this helps you get things together a bit faster and easier next time. Have a Model A Day!

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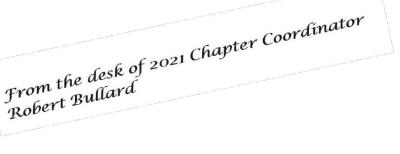
Robert's Ramblings, MAFCA Chapter Coordinator



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Amongst all the planning each of you is doing for your local Chapters' fall outings don't forget the MAFCA National Awards Banquet being held in Ft. Worth from December 2nd through December 5th. If you live in colder climates, it will be a good time to take an early break before hard winter weathersettles in and if you live in more temperature moderate climates it presents an opportunity to enjoycooler, fall weather. The Cowtown A's membership along with Jordan Douglas have put together a great agenda with plenty of opportunities to immerse yourselves into the local Ft. Worth culture.

They have planned trips to the Ft. Worth Modern Art Museum, a walking tour of the historic Ft. Worth stockyards, an awesome banquet scheduled for Joe T. Garcia's Mexican food restaurant and atrip to the Stockyards Championship Rodeo. And of course, plenty of time to meet old friends, make new friends and catch up on all the latest at MAFCA and the Model A hobby. As we would say in Texas: "Alright Buckaroo's, this should make for a rootin' tootin' good time! Ya'll make sure ya comeon down."

As you start to plan for your Christmas gift giving don't forget the great collection of Model A literature, books, pins, stickers, clothing, patches, and other items available from MAFCA. We had a nice display of these items at the Hershey Swap Meet and they were well received, and many sold from the many visitors to our tent. We clearly have items for those new to our hobby and the seasoned veterans as well. There is also a nice selection of Christmas Cards available that are very attractive.

Speaking of the Hershey Swap Meet you definitely want to put it on your bucket list if you haven't ever attended or if it's been a while since you were there. Attendance looked a little down this year as everyone continues to recuperate from the Covid 19 economic impacts. I still saw lots of great Model Aparts available on the fields. I expect to see attendance and vendor participation to continue rebounding to historic norms. When you get a chance to attend don't forget to stop by the MAFCA tentand say hello. The tent is a great place to meet and catch up with fellow Model A hobbyists.

Drive carefully and "I'll see you down the road" (maybe at the MAFCA Notional Awards banquet in Ft. Worth?)

Robert 2021 Chapter Coordinator

With the Holiday Season just around the corner, here are some special holiday greeting cards available from MAFCA.



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Last Month's Best Comments You Caption It Our Photo of this Month is a future MAFCA leader?

"You wanna race" Anonymous

"My dad drives a Model A!"...Stewart Wolfe

"When I grow up it's mine"... Mrs. Garth

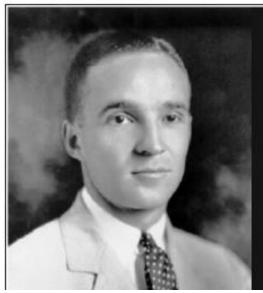
You Caption It Our Photo of this Month What is Denise Doing?



"A" Wow Moment – Photo provided by Garth Shreading of the Big Sky A's Chapter while touring the Texas Hill Country







Father made the most popular cars in the world; I want to make the best.

— Edsel Ford —



This is the back of the car repair shop in Cuero, Ron could paint this on the side of his garage!



Remember Our Veterans November 11



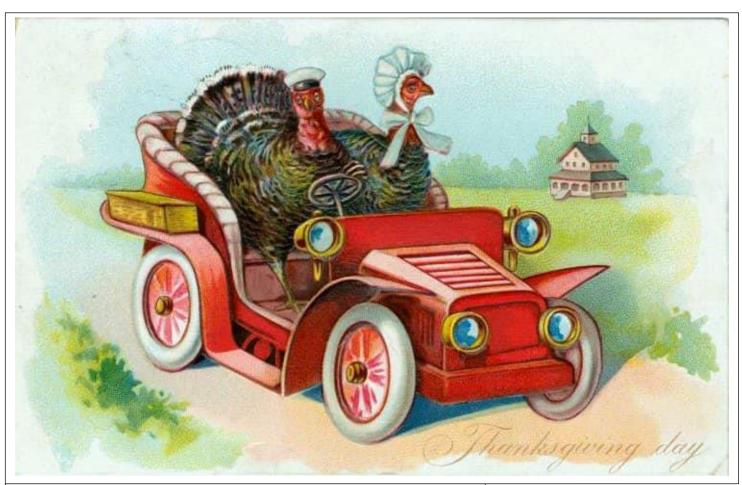
Come, Lord Jesus, our guest to be
And bless these gifts
Bestowed by Thee.
And bless our loved ones everywhere,
And keep them in Your loving care.

There is a Presidential Proclamation every year proclaiming the fourth Thursday of November as a National Day of Thanksgiving. It is a day set aside to be thankful for our lives, our freedoms, our blessings and above all to God for giving us this life.

On Face Book the other day my daughter posted the following about Thanksgiving: growing up in Singapore we always went to a Thanksgiving Day celebration hosted by the American Association. Part of the service included the US Ambassador reading the president's Thanksgiving proclamation. I grew up thinking the proclamation was a really big deal and I figured in the states it would be on TV and in the newspaper. Then I moved back to the states and found out no one had even heard of it and knew it happened. The Associated Press releases it every year so when I did the editorial page for the paper the day before Thanksgiving (it was a small paper and we didn't publish on holidays) I always made sure to include it. (Note, you can Google and find it on www.whitehouse.gov)





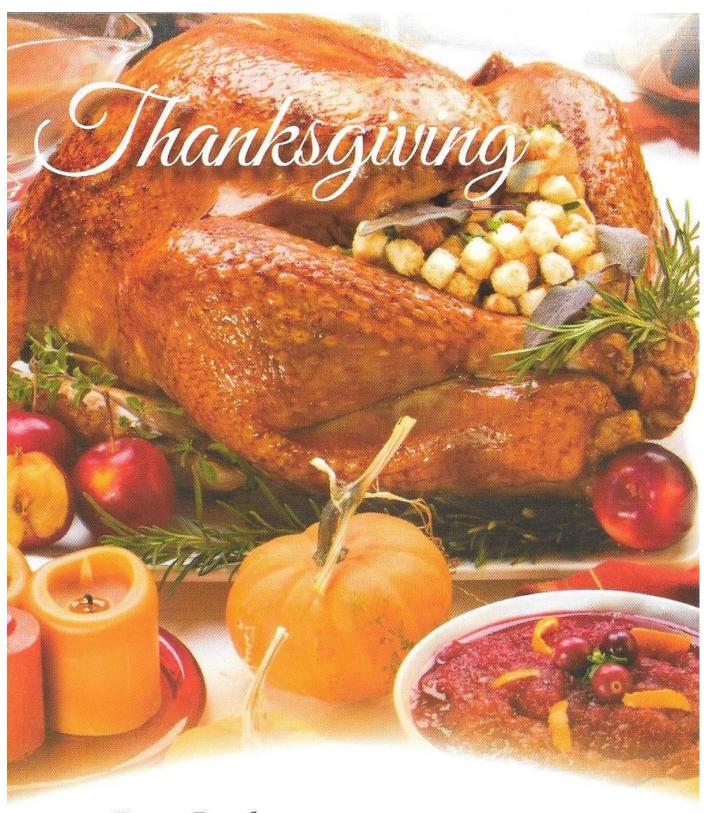




Now, that's how car enthusiasts celebrate Thanksgiving







Dear Lord,
Thank You for this gift of food
You've placed upon our table—
And help us all to do Your work
In any way we're able.

Mark Your Calendar! December 2-5 Fort Worth, Texas



FORTWORTH STOCKYARDS

The Fort Worth Model A Ford Club invites you to Fort Worth—where the west begins!

Come and experience the uniqueness of the Fort Worth Stockyards, listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

- Enjoy our festive welcome reception & our awards banquet.
- · Take part in the living history that is the Fort Worth Stockyards.
- . Tour our world-famous Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth.
- Experience Technical & Informational Seminars presented by some of our leading experts.
- From authentic Texas barbeque restaurants to south-of-the-border cuisine, you can
 find whatever food you've got a hankering for after a day on the trail. Authentic
 cowboy gear, vintage record stores, fashion boutiques—there's shopping for everyone.









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MAFCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

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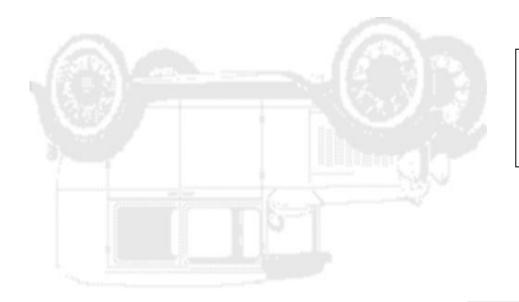




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MEN'S TECH SESSIONS

Every Wednesday morning at 8 a.m.
Nursery "Cimmaron Crossing" Shell Station.
The sessions in November will be:
November 3, 10, 17, 24
Come and join in on these sessions. Everyone can learn something NEW.



