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From The President

August 2024. The Southwest Model A's convention committee, supported by MAFCA, is dedicated to meticulously addressing the aftermath of the canceled 2024 National Convention. Their professionalism in handling the refund process is truly commendable. The upcoming auction of raffle items is a crucial step towards recovering some of the convention's expenses, and your support in this endeavor would be greatly appreciated.



The ongoing efforts to revamp and modernize MAFCA's website are set to revolutionize the user experience, offering enhanced interaction and a more user-friendly interface. Embrace this exciting progress and look forward to a more streamlined and engaging platform ahead. The new website will also be hosting an online auction which will benefit the Southwest A's as they recover from their losses from the convention. Please support the auction to help them manage this difficult time.

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Chapter News



It's almost Fall! Soon there are many who will make their way to Hickory Corners, Michigan, for Model A Days. This two-day event sponsored by the Model A Ford Foundation showcases not only the entire 90-acre Gilmore Museum and puts the spotlight on the Model A Museum.

With the support of MAFCA and many of its chapters and others, ground has been broken on the project to expand the Model A Ford Museum. This year's Model A Ford Days is made even more special with the placement of the 100 bricks celebrating those Model A Ford Club of America chapters that have achieved the honor of being recognized for 50 years continuous membership in MAFCA. If you are a member of one of these chapters, I hope you are able to attend.

The MAFCA Service Award is a heartfelt way to express gratitude to those who consistently make a positive impact. This could be your newsletter editor, website manager, or the club historian dedicated to preserving your chapter's legacy. It might be the individual who's always ready to assist with car troubles or the one who ensures new members feel included. Whatever their unique contribution to your club may be, nominating them is straightforward with the Service Award application available for download below.

[MAFCA Service Award Application](#)

Membership Moment

August 2024. It's always exciting to see the Model A Touring Season in full swing, with club events, gatherings, and tours all at maximum levels. And there's even more to look forward to with the announcement of the 2024-2025 Nominations for

the Board of Directors. The Nomination Committee has done an excellent job in selecting a group of individuals who bring a wealth of energy, effort, and innovative ideas to the table. With such a talented group of leaders at the helm, the national club is sure to continue thriving and evolving well into the future.

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Vice President's Desk



National Event News

This June we watched in horror as fires, then floods, devastated the Lincoln National Forest of southern New Mexico where we had planned to hold our 2024 National Convention. Our hearts go out to the people of Ruidoso and the Southwest Model A's, who had prepared long and hard to host this event, only to be forced to cancel when the area was evacuated just days prior to our arrival. Still, we were blessed that this didn't happen during our convention ... with hundreds of antique cars on the road! Our thoughts and prayers go out to those affected by the fires.

Preparation is underway by the Utah Valley Model A Club, with assistance of the Salty A's and the Beehive A's, for this year's National Awards Banquet to be held in Salt Lake City December 11 to 14. Please watch the video below or visit them by clicking the button below where you can download a registration form. See you in Salt Lake City!

Registration is also open for next year's National Tour to Civil War battlefields of Virginia, hosted by MAFCA's Dallas Chapter. The dates for this event are June 15 to 22, 2025. Registration forms can be found on the MAFCA website or the Dallas Model A Club's website. Accommodations are self-serve, so please book your rooms soon. You can find information on the chapter's website: <https://www.dmafc.com/>.

Later next year, the 2025 National Awards Banquet will be held in Mobile, Alabama, hosted by the Gulf Coast Model A Ford Club. Please check the MAFCA website for details.

Finally, our 2026 National Convention will be hosted by the Blue Mountain As of Pendleton, Oregon, assisted by several neighboring chapters. This is already gearing up to be a memorable event. The convention date has been set for May 31 through June 7, 2026. Please mark your calendars! We will share more details soon.

[Visit National Awards Banquet Website](#)



Ruidoso Benefit Auction Update



MAFCA National Convention 2024

Ruidoso New Mexico

[Online Auction Catalog](#)



Southwest "A"ventures Seeing Online Auction Success!

After a few short days, most of the items intended for the "Pick a Prize" room at the 2024 National Convention in Ruidoso, NM are being bid on and bid up! If you haven't visited the online auction yet, you still have until August 26th to place your bids.

The auction site is built on a preview of the new MAFCA website which will be launched this fall. Be sure to take a look at the site while you are looking at the auction! You'll be impressed!

Many thanks to all of the bidders that have placed bids so far. More than 200 MAFCA members have been bidding for over 100 auction items. You can also make cash donations to support the Southwest A's or buy convention memorabilia and T-Shirts. Please use the button below to go straight to the auction site, set up an auction account, and place your bids!

[Bid Now](#)

Restorers Class

How I Enjoy My Model A

Howard Eckstein

The enduring legacy of the Model A is a testament to the dedication and passion of car enthusiasts who believe in the importance of preservation and authenticity. My personal journey with my Model A has been one of restoration and reverence, having meticulously restored it three times with the intent of enhancing its authenticity each time. The Restorers Class has been a beacon for individuals like myself, uniting us in our shared commitment to not only maintain our vehicles but also to celebrate the rich history they represent. It is through this program that we, the custodians of these classic cars, find camaraderie and knowledge, ensuring that future generations can appreciate the beauty and craftsmanship of these remarkable machines. My intention is to continue sharing my car with the world, as it is through this act of sharing that I truly experience the joy and fulfillment of ownership, fostering a community that thrives on passion, history, and the love of the open road.



Jim Cannon's Tech Tips

Jim's Tech Tip Identifying Your Carburetor

When ordering parts or looking up adjustment specs for your carburetor, it is important that you identify which one you have. Below are 4 of the most common carbs used on a Model A with the gasket sets they use, which gives you a feel for the shape of the casting and bowl. Until next time, *Have a Model A Day!* Jim

Zenith Model A



Tillotson Model A



Marvel Shebler Model A or B



Zenith Model B



ERA Fashions

It's Razor Thin

By Perry Jones, Piney Wood Model A Ford Club

When I think about shaving during the Model A Era, I always think about straight razors (also known as cut throats), a lathering cup and brush. This type of razor has been used for centuries for shaving and grooming, and it is still popular among many barbers and shaving enthusiasts today. But where did the straight razor come from, and who invented it?

Despite the invention of the safety razor, the straight razor remained popular among barbers and shaving enthusiasts throughout the 20th century. Today, many barbers and shavers still prefer to use a straight razor for its precision and control.

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JSC With Tom Jeanes

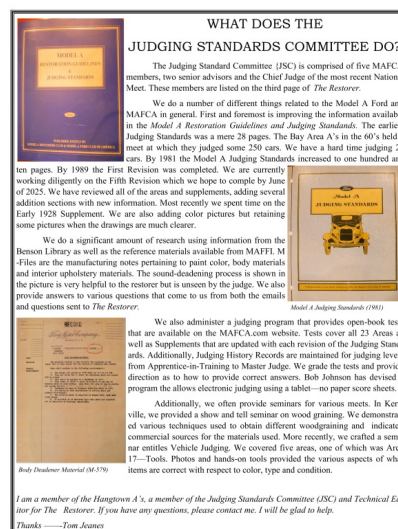
It's truly an honor for seven MAFCA members to be selected to sit on the Judging Standards Committee (JSC). These individuals have a crucial responsibility of keeping the Model A Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards current and relevant.

They work tirelessly to select the Chief Judges for MAFCA National and Regional meets and conduct extensive research using information from the Benson Library and reference materials available from MAFFI.

The JSC also administers a comprehensive judging program that provides open-book tests, which are accessible on the MAFCA.com website. In addition to their regular duties, they also provide seminars for various meets.

The JSC's dedication and commitment to preserving the Model A Ford hobby is truly commendable.

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A-World: A publication for the youth, and those young at heart too!

Sherry Winkinhofer, Editor, A-World



A-World is a newsletter targeted towards kids of all ages! It always includes a story, tech articles, and games, as well as sharing pages of pictures of kids having fun with their Model A's. The goal is to continue to encourage kids' participation in and enjoyment of this wonderful hobby. But I've received a lot of feedback from readers of all ages letting me know how much they enjoy reading it. I love hearing this, but to keep up the good work, I need help!

There are two ways you can help! First, share it with everyone you can think of! Grandkids, kids, nieces, nephews! Neighbor kid who likes your car? Share it! Better yet, sign them up for their own subscription. It's free; all you have to do is send an email to

AWorldEditor@hotmail.com. No worries, this email is used ONLY to forward a copy of A-World four times a year.

The second way to support this worthy project is to be a contributor! Send in pictures of kids having fun with Model A's. Like most people, kids love to see their pictures in these newsletters. Know a young person who is working on a Model A? I'm always looking for stories of those special projects. Anything Model A-related is fair game, from a ride in a parade to a special car wash in the driveway to a little grease monkey under the hood. If you send it, I'll print it if it has anything at all to do with the Model A Hobby!

Click the button below to see a page with a puzzle from the A-World archives as an example of some of the fun included with every issue! Share this puzzle with your favorite young person and do them and the hobby a big favor and introduce them to A-World!

[A-World Puzzle](#)



Who is ready for Model A Day September 20-21st, 2024?

Model A Days always include the third Saturday in September at the Model A Ford Museum on the Gilmore Car Museum campus in Hickory Corners, Michigan.

[Click Here](#)

The Flying Quail is free to all members of the Model A Ford Club of America. Please help us by encouraging your fellow members to join today! Please forward this to them and encourage them to sign up.



After Model A day at the Silverado Museum finished in Oregon, stopped for a burger and had a great visit with the "one" Dodge and Marauder. Ray Henson

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