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MONTHLY OUTING:

Fourth Sunday of the month or as voted by the club membership

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White Elephant Auction Sunday February 25



On February 25, fifty-five club members enjoyed a sunny & beautiful day attending the annual White Elephant Auction. Ten Model A's, 1 Model T, 1 early V8 and two vintage Mustangs were driven to the event. We all enjoyed bratwursts expertly prepared by head chef Bratmeister, Fritz Mietzner, and Jim Beebe. Joe & Kelly brought the tasty fried Chicken.

Thanks to all club members for bringing a variety of salads, vegetables and deserts. A big thanks goes to Shorty Allison for auctioneering, along with plates, cups, bringing and other items. Thanks goes to Ray Feierstein and Rey Brown assisting Shorty in as auctioneer, and to Christina Laukaitis and Bob Karn for collecting the proceeds of the auction.





A big thanks goes to Ron And Nancy Allen for arranging the Tucson Estates Club House. Also a big thanks goes to Allen and Marianne Elvick for bringing the drinks. Thanks also to all that donated auction items and those that assisted with the set up and clean up of the meeting room.

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White Elephant Auction Sunday February 25

The auction brought in eight hundred and thirty-four dollars. The profit from the auction will go towards defraying the cost of the April Progressive Dinner.

Thanks to all for making a successful White Elephant Auction.



Submitted by Rey Brown.









The 2018 MAFCA National Convention will be held June 24–29 in Sparks– Reno, NV. Sparks is about 4 to 5 miles east of Reno. Sparks is 850 miles from Tucson and has an elevation of 4400 feet.

A special rate has been negotiated at \$79.00 (+Tax) per night at the Nugget Casino Resort in Sparks. This rate is also good 3 days before and 3 days after the convention.

Basic registration cost is \$80 until May 1st, then \$95. Registration is for 1 or 2 people. The rest is à la carte.

Lots of information can be found at the website given below. Click on the various forms listed on the left side of this home page.

http://ncrgmafca.com/2018MAFCAConvention/2018index.html

MAFCA membership is required. If you have <u>never</u> been a MAFCA member and would like to join now, contact Mike for a *"gonga"* 2018 deal.

Reminders:

- The 2 Fallon Naval Air Station (NAS) tours are closed because these tours are full.
- The "Queen of Hearts Fashion Show" seminar has been canceled.
- The Friday (6/29) bus tour that includes Old Town Truckee, Lake Tahoe and a tour of the Hellman-Ehrman Mansion is full and has been closed.

Latest News:

- There is one bus tour still open. This tour includes a 2½-hour cruise on Lake Tahoe. (On a boat, not on the bus!) Also, there is still room on the Lake Tahoe Dinner/Dance cruise that takes place the evening before the Convention starts.
- The Grand Tour will feature 90 miles of awesome views and includes taking our Model A's over the Mt. Rose Summit. At lunch we will be entertained by a live Bluegrass Concert.
- \bullet The current number of Convention registrations (as of March 1 $^{\rm st})$ is 337.

"Check Your Timing and Advance to Sparks"

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- Meeting called to order by President Findysz at 7:30 PM.
- General meeting minutes from February 3, 2018 were approved.
- Treasurer's Report reviewed and approved (M. Liebert).

Welcome: Herman Lathrop.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Model A Club in Colorado will visit the Model A Museum. April 24 2018: Car Parts Swap Meet 6 AM-2 PM, Tucson Speedway.

Door Prizes: Donated by Joe and Kelly Findysz, Eugene Murphy, Bernice and Ron Edwards.

<u>Refreshments</u>: Mike and Ann Liebert, David and Molly Ramsower.

Old Business:

- Dues are due Cutoff date to be in the 2018 club roster is March 12. (M. Liebert)
- White Elephant Auction Thanks to those who did so much work, making it a fun time. (R. Brown)
- MAFCA National Awards Banquet Planning Thanks to David Rivard for his help. (D. Ramsower)

New Business:

- National Awards Banquet (D. Ramsower)
- 2018 Holiday Banquet (S. Allison)
- Approved \$100 to Jim Beebe for renting the Ramada at Udall Park for Breakfast in the Park.
- MAFCA National Convention (M. Liebert)
- Motion was made and passed for \$100 to go towards the National Convention.

Car Shows:

- March 11, 2018 Nogales Car Show, 10 AM to 2 PM. (R. Feierstein)
- April 28, 2018 Pima County Fair, 9 AM to 3 PM. Meet at 8 AM. (R. Feierstein)

<u>Outings:</u>

- March 24-25, 2018 Overnight tour to the Dwarf Car Museum and Arizona Model A. Meet at Cortaro Farms and Thornydale at 8 AM (D. Ramsower)
- April 22, 2018 Progressive Dinner. First stop: Mike & Ann Liebert's, Second stop: Andy Neal Jr.'s shop, Third stop: near Ace Hardware, 21st and Kolb.
- May 27, 2018 Breakfast in the Park (J. Beebe)
- June 24, 2018 Ice cream social, 6 PM. (Joe and Kelly Findysz)

Next Meeting April 3, 2018.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday March 6 — Regular meeting. See minutes on page 6.

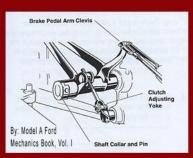
Saturday & Sunday March 24 & 25 — Overnight tour to Casa Grande, Maricopa and Chandler to visit Sam Guthrie's Arizona Model A store and the Dwarf Car Museum. Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493. See pages 8-9.

Tuesday April 3 - Regular meeting.

<u>Sunday April 22</u> — Progressive Dinner. Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493. See page 10.

<u>Saturday April 28</u> — Pima County Fair Car Show. Contact: Ray Feierstein 531-9724. See page 10.





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Jim's technical tip for March, 2018 by Jim Cannon, MAFCA Technical Director

Clutch Pedal "Free Play"

You don't want to drive your car without any free movement or play in the clutch pedal before it starts to disengage the clutch. The clutch pedal must have at least 1" free movement or play at all times. As the clutch facings wear, this play gradually becomes less, and, if not adjusted back out, will result in clutch slippage and a burned out clutch.

The free play is adjusted by removing the clevis pin on the clutch actuating arm, below the clutch pedal. Screw the clevis rod out to increase pedal movement, to compensate for wear. Replace clevis pin and cotter pin.

Make checking the clutch pedal clearance and adjustment (when needed) a part of your routine maintenance checklist, and Have a Model A Day!

Overnight Tour Saturday & Sunday, March 24 & 25

We are planning an overnight trip to the Dwarf Car Museum in Maricopa and to Arizona Model A in Chandler on Saturday March 24 and Sunday March 25. The trip will begin by meeting in the parking lot of the Cortaro Center at the southeast of corner Thornvdale and Cortaro Farms Road at 8:00 AM.



We plan to leave from there by 8:30 and drive over to the east I-10 frontage road to go north to AZ 87 to AZ 84 (the Casa Grande-Picacho Highway) to Casa Grande. We will follow AZ 84 through Casa Grande to AZ 347 and up to Papago Road, turn left and drive a few miles to have lunch at the Raceway Bar & Grill.

After lunch we will take another short drive on Papago Road, which turns into North Warren Road, and drive to W. Halfmoon Road to the Dwarf Car Museum. We will spend the afternoon visiting there. Around 3:30 or 4 PM we will head back to Casa Grande to the Quality Inn, located behind the Denny's on Florence Blvd. Dinner will be on your own, and there are many restaurants in the area.

On Sunday morning we will leave around 8:30 AM and drive from Casa Grande, staying on the secondary highways AZ 387 and AZ 187 to Gilbert Road and Sam Guthrie's Arizona Model A. For those who have not been there, it is a very eclectic collection of new and old Model A and Model T parts, as well as old tractors.

After the visit in the morning, we will stop for lunch at a restaurant of your choice just south of the I-202 and Gilbert Road. We will then rendezvous somewhere in that area and drive back to Tucson as a group, with an optional stop at the Casa Grande ruins near Coolidge.

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Overnight Tour Saturday & Sunday, March 24 & 25

For those who don't want to go to Sam's, the best way back to Tucson is to take AZ 287 (Florence Blvd) to the AZ 87/287 junction in Coolidge, then AZ 287 to Florence, and then AZ 79/77 to Tucson. More detailed directions will be given out when we meet on Saturday morning.

Reservations for our overnight stay at Quality Inn must be made by March 15th. Call them directly at 520-836-1600 and mention the Tucson Model A Club in order to get the \$55 rate. Quality Inn is located at 665 N. Via Del Cielo Road in Case Grande (behind the Denny's restaurant at 1851 E. Florence Blvd).

60 Gold Canyon Gilbert 15838 South Gilbert Road 60 Queen Creek Sun Lakes Gilbert Road San Tan (79) Valley A7 87 Sacato Maricopa Mobile Florence AZ 287 AZ 87 (387) Raceway Bar & Grill 49237 West Papago Road Alternate Route back **Dwarf Car** to Tucson Museum Casa Grande 52954 West AZ 84 Gila Bend Hwy 665 North Via AZ 287 Florence Blvd Halfmoon Road Del Cielo Road (84) Return to Quality Ini Tucson via AZ 79/77 AZ 84 Casa Grande-Picacho Hwy Arizona City AZ 87/84 Junction I-10 Frontage Road from Tucson Re

Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493

Progressive Dinner Sunday April 22

Join us for our annual progressive dinner on Sunday, April 22. Our three stops this year will be the home of Mike & Ann Liebert, the shop of Andy Neal, Jr., and a location near 21st and Kolb, close to Joe Findysz's Ace Hardware. Save the date and look for more details next month.

Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493



Pima County Fair Car Show Saturday April 28

Hello A'ers and T'er's,

We have been invited to spend the day at The Pima County Fair Saturday, April 28, 2018. It would be from 9 AM to 3 PM. I just need a headcount, so if you might be interested in displaying our vehicles at the fair please let me know so we get that location in the middle.

Thank you, Ray Feierstein 😲 😲 531-9724



Model A Accessory Tip

One of the problems with the standard Model A Generator Cutout is the possibility of overcharging the battery, which can shorten battery life. One solution is an electronic voltage regulator which directly replaces (and looks like) a standard 6-volt positive ground Model A cutout. You can get one from MAC's auto parts (800-828-1051) for around \$79.

MAC's website: <u>https://www.macsautoparts.com</u> MAC's part number: 28-20675-1

(Thanks to Leonard Nettles, Orange County MAFC)







Mar 3 – Brandy McLain Mar 4 – Candi Eppley Mar 12 – Bob Karn Mar 13 – Emmet Zimberoff Mar 13 – Nancy Riechers Mar 15 – Joe Findysz Mar 17 – Steve Morrison Mar 19 – Jeanne Mietzner Mar 21 – Kathie McWilliams Mar 23 – David Rivard Mar 25 – Bill Ellis Mar 25 – Mike Blaney Mar 26 – Andy Neal, Jr. Mar 27 – JR Stotts

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<u>NEXT MEETING:</u>

Tuesday April 3, 2018

Meeting Refreshments will be provided by:

Shorty Allison Meshell Mortensen



Buzz & Kay Davis Tucson 1941 Ford





Happy Anniversary

- Mar 15 Chuck & Lynn Thim
- Mar 16 Mike & Ann Liebert
- Mar 21 David & Molly Ramsower
- Mar 22 Tom & Kathie McWilliams



Spring Evening Wear

By Patti Jones (Taken from La Mode Francaise, 31 Mai 1931)

Well hopefully, my high school French can help translate from this beautiful French newspaper magazine. Because it's on newsprint, it is starting to deteriorate and I wanted to preserve some of the fantastic pictures in it.

- A. This dress (robe in French) is made of crepe satin. The drape effect of the sleeves complements the draping effect of the skirt. It can be accessorized with a multi-strand beaded necklace.
- B. This frock was made out of georgette crepe. The bolero was the newest rage. The lines of the skirt were to accent the "haunches" (hips). To accessorize the dress, they recommended a brooch to hold a gather at the neckline.
- C. A fine, printed brocade was used on this plunging back neckline dress. Note that it ties in the back. They recommended adding "des fleurs" (flowers) on the shoulder strap of the dress. They also suggest that if one is going to the theatre or the casino, a small evening chapeaux with the same couleurs (colors) of the dress was quite appropriate.

To also accessorize any of these 3 dresses. they showed 3 barrettes in the back on hair styled at the nape of the neck. The shoes shown here could also be worn with any of these dresses. The pair on the top were made of poire de soir and could be tinted to match or complement the colors in the dress. The black pair was made of black poire de soir and could be worn complement the to printed brocade dress "C".



(from MAFCA.com)





We were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Susie Beebe on February 12, after a multi-year battle with cancer. Susie and her husband Howard, along with Howard's parents Jim and Sally Beebe, have been members of our club for many, many years. In addition to the Tucson Model A Club, Susie was also a member of the Arizona Art Museum and a

photographer whose photos have been displayed and sold in Tucson.

We wish to extend our deepest condolences to Howard, Jim, Sally, and all of Susie's family members in Sayre, PA, where she grew up before serving eight years in the Air Force and finally settling in Tucson.

At Susie's request, no services were planned. The family requests that nothing be sent at this difficult time, but they would like the club members to be aware of her passing.

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