

The Running Board

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President's Memo

Hello Members,

Spring will arrive this month so it's time to start touring. Our first tour is on March 26 to Palestine, TX for the day. In April is the Bluebonnet Tour. Hope to have more as the year progresses. If you have any ideas, please let Nancy or I know, and we will put it in the works. Also remember this is the 20th year anniversary for the Cedar Creek Club. We will celebrate in November.

Have a new idea of a place to go for breakfast? Let us know at the March meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting on March 1.

*Happy Model Aing,
Chuck Cheshire, President*

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NAME AND PURPOSE

This club shall be known as the Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club, a non-profit organization, hereinafter referred to as the "Club."

The purpose shall be to maintain, preserve and restore the vehicle known as the Model A Ford (1928-1931) and all things pertaining to the Model A Ford, including literature, historical and technical information.

MEMBERSHIP

Application for membership shall be made in written form. Applications shall be filed with the Secretary and accompanied by dues for the current year.

RESTRICTIONS: All members of the Club shall be restricted to members of either the Model A Restorers Club or Model A Ford Club of America national clubs. Members may be accepted without ownership of a Model A Ford; however, no member shall be permitted to hold office unless said member has owned a Model A Ford within the six month period prior to the official election date.

DUES

The annual dues shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year. Dues are for the calendar year. The annual dues shall include member and wife and shall be payable before February 1st. Any member may be suspended by the Treasurer for non-payment of dues at the expiration of thirty (30) days from February 1st.

MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the members of this Club shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month unless said day shall fall upon a legal holiday, in which case the meeting date shall be established by the Board of Directors.

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A MAFFCA Chapter



MAFFI

The Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club (CCMAFC) was formed in 2002 in Henderson Co., Texas. The club's meetings are held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Henderson Co., Texas near Cedar Creek Lake.

Charter Members:

- John and Wanda Bell
- Jim Bellah – deceased
- Bill and Sue Capps
- O. V. and Lorene Cliver – deceased
- S. D. "Shorty" Johnson – deceased
- Olin Lewis – deceased
- Ola Powell – deceased
- Gene Tregre – deceased



MEETING MINUTES

Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club Monthly Meeting - February 1, 2022

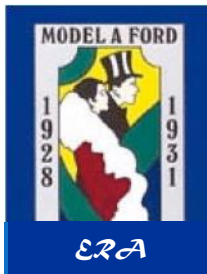
Chuck called the meeting to order and lead the pledge. We had no guests to introduce. The minutes from last month were accepted with a motion by Carolyn and seconded by Spencer. The financial report was given and accepted with a motion by Carolyn and seconded by Walt.

Nancy gave the outline of the Palestine tour planned for March 26th. The Dallas club will join us and make it a two day tour. You are welcome to join them for dinner, the play "Steele Magnolias" and stay overnight. There is a planned visit to Braly's Hardware. This will also be the weekend of the Dogwood Festival and the Old Time Dulcimer and Music Concert. We will drive Davy Dogwood Park and you can get out and look for fairy gardens. There are also Art Sculptures around town. This is shaping up to be an outstanding tour. The Tyler Club invited us to join them for their azalea tour but it is also March 26th.

Nancy is working on plans for the club's 20th anniversary celebration. There will be more details later. She needs old club photos so send her copies of any you think would be of interest.

Breakfast is at the Dairy Palace in Canton this month on Feb. 15th. There was a motion made to take Sue Capps off the bank account at First National Bank and add Lou Carpenter. Spencer accepted and Jody seconded the motion. The raffle raised \$46 dollars. Chuck won the drawing. Chuck asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was accepted by Jody and Carolyn.

Respectfully submitted,
Lou Carpenter Secretary/Treasurer



Model A Era Quiz

How fast could a brand new 1929 Model A Ford go?
a. 35 mph b. 45 mph c. 55 mph
d. 65 mph

What color were Model A steering wheels in 1928?
a. Red b. Black c. Gray

When did Ford start painting the Model A wheels other colors than black?
Dec., 1928 b. Jan., 1929 c. Jun., 1930 d. Never

Why was the gas shut-off valve moved inside the engine compartment?
a. State law b. Henry Ford was ashamed of it.
c. Passengers kept kicking it.

What movie star bought one of the first Model A Fords?
a. Charlie Chaplin b. Douglas Fairbanks
c. Harry Cheshire



Sunshine News By Lou Carpenter

Emma and Gerald are both fine but staying in as much as they can. Sandra Lee had her left hip replaced in January. Bill says it is coming along OK. Keep us posted on your needs. We care about you!!!!






Hello Everyone,

It will be spring soon and back to driving the As more. Be sure to read about the upcoming events for this year. An ideas for articles you would like to see in the newsletter are welcomed. See you at the March meeting.

Nancy Cheshire



From the Editor

Era Historical Tidbit



Back in

1928

DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS?

- Mickey Mouse appears in Steamboat Willie - the first cartoon with sound
- Kellogg-Briand Pact, outlawing war, is signed in Paris by 65 nations
- Amelia Earhart becomes first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic
- GE introduces a television set with a 3" X 4" screen
- The first television is sold - a Daven - for \$75
- Alexander Fleming discovers penicillin
- The Aschheim-Zondek urine pregnancy test is developed

Famous Birthdays

Fred Rogers
Maya Angelou
Shirley Temple
Stanley Kubrick
Andy Warhol
Noam Chomsky

Lucky Few Generation

20^s SLANG

- all wet - wrong
- bearcat - a fiery woman
- finger - identify
- bee's knee's - great
- edge - a buzz
- mazuma - money

WORLD POPULATION
2,034 Million

U.S. PRESIDENT
Calvin Coolidge

AVERAGE INCOME
\$1,490 per year

INVENTIONS
Electric razor, iron lung

IN SPORTS

NFL CHAMPIONSHIP
PROVIDENCE STEAMROLLERS

ABL CHAMPIONSHIP
NEW YORK CELTICS - FORT WAYNE HOOSIERS (3-1)

WORLD SERIES
NEW YORK YANKEES - ST. LOUIS CARDINALS (4-0)

STANLEY CUP
NEW YORK RANGERS - MONTREAL MAROONS (3-2)

IN MUSIC

JIMMIE ROGERS - T For Texas

HELEN KANE - I Wanna Be Loved By You

PAUL ROBESON - Of Man River

AL JOLSON - Sonny Boy


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THE SINGING FOOL

THE PATRIOT

NOAH'S ARK

STREET ANGEL



Back in

1929

DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS?

- The Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming is established
- The iconic character of Popeye the Sailor made his debut
- The very first Academy Awards, also known as the Oscars, were presented
- The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) is created in New York City
- The first running of the Monaco Grand Prix Formula One race is held
- The first public phone booths appear in London

Famous Birthdays

Martin Luther King Jr.
Audrey Hepburn
June Carter Cash
Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis
Grace Kelly

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U.S. PRESIDENT
Herbert Hoover

AVERAGE INCOME
\$1,582 per year

INVENTIONS
Sunglasses, frozen food

IN SPORTS

NFL CHAMPIONSHIP
GREEN BAY PACKERS

ABL CHAMPIONSHIP
CLEVELAND ROSENBLUMS - FORT WAYNE HOOSIERS (4-0)

WORLD SERIES
PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS - CHICAGO CLUBS (4-1)

STANLEY CUP
BOSTON BRUINS - NEW YORK RANGERS (2-0)

IN MUSIC

CLIFF EDWARDS (UKELELE IKE) - Singin' in the Rain

ETHEL WATERS - Am I Blue?

FATS WALLER - Ain't Misbehavin'

EDDIE CANTOR - Makin' Whoopee

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THE COCK-EYED WORLD

GOLD DIGGERS OF BROADWAY

SUNNY SIDE UP

ON WITH THE SHOW!

THE THIRD MONTH · 2022

MARCH

Named for the Roman god of war, Mars. This was the time of year to resume military campaigns that had been interrupted by winter.

THE SPRING EQUINOX

CELEBRATE THE VERNAL EQUINOX AND THE START OF SPRING!

The spring equinox marks the astronomical first day of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. What happens on the equinox? What determines the first day of spring? Before you try to balance that egg, read this!

In spring, no one thinks of the snow that fell last year.

SPRING EQUINOX FAQs

Q: DOES SPRING BEGIN ON MARCH 1 OR ON THE EQUINOX?

A: Well, both. The answer depends on your definition of “spring.” Both dates are accurate; they’re just from different perspectives. We’ll explain ...

Astronomically speaking, the first day of spring is marked by the spring equinox, which falls on **March 19, 20, or 21** every year. The equinox happens at the same moment worldwide, although our clock times reflect a different time zone. And, as mentioned above, this date only signals spring’s beginning in the Northern Hemisphere; it announces fall’s arrival in the Southern Hemisphere.

Interestingly, due to time zone differences, there isn’t a March 21 equinox in mainland U.S. during the entire 21st century! We won’t see a March 21 equinox again until 2101.

Meteorologically speaking, the official first day of spring is March 1 (and the last is May 31). Weather scientists divide the year into quarters to make it easier to compare seasonal and monthly statistics from one year to the next. The meteorological seasons are based on annual temperature cycles rather than on the position of Earth in relation to the Sun, and they more closely follow the Gregorian calendar. Using the dates of the astronomical equinoxes and solstices for the seasons would present a statistical problem, as these dates can vary slightly each year.

Q: ARE DAY AND NIGHT EQUAL ON THE EQUINOX?

A: No, but they are quite close to equal. In reality, day and night are *not exactly* equal on the equinox for two reasons: First, daytime begins the moment any part of the Sun appears over the horizon and is not finished until the last part of the Sun disappears below the horizon. If the Sun were to shrink to a starlike point and we lived in a world without air, the spring and fall equinoxes would truly have equal nights.

Bluebirds are a sign of spring; warm weather and gentle south breezes they bring.

MARCH HATH 31 DAYS · 2022

Q: ACCORDING TO FOLKLORE, YOU CAN STAND A RAW EGG ON ITS END ON THE EQUINOX. IS THIS TRUE?

A: This egg folklore became popular in 1945 following a *LIFE* article about the spring practice. “The origins of this myth are attributed to stories that the ancient Chinese would create displays of eggs standing on end during the first day of spring,” according to John Millis, assistant professor of physics and astronomy at Anderson University in South Carolina. “The ancient Chinese celebrated the first day of spring about six weeks earlier than the equinox”—not just on the equinox itself.

As with most folklore, it’s only partly true. You should be able to balance an egg on its end on the equinox, but it’s possible to balance an egg on other days, too!

Folklore or not, this egg trick sounded like fun to us. One spring, a few minutes before the vernal equinox, several Almanac editors tried this trick. For a full workday, 17 out of 24 eggs stood on end. Three days later, we tried this trick again and found similar results. Perhaps three days after the equinox was still too near. Perhaps the equinox has nothing to do with it. Perhaps we just don’t like to take ourselves too seriously!

Try this yourself and let us know what happens. (Tip: You’ll probably have better luck balancing an egg if you try it on a rough surface or use an egg that has a bumpy end.)

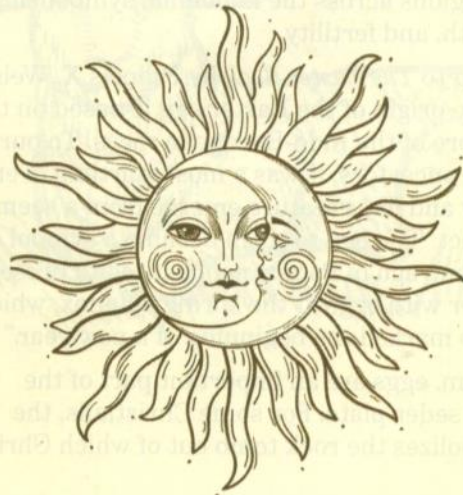
Q: WHICH DAY HAS THE MOST SUNLIGHT IN NORTH AMERICA?

A: The Summer—or “June”—Solstice is called the “longest” day of the year! The date of the longest day actually varies from June 20 to June 22, depending on the year, and the local time zone. By “longest day,” we mean the day that gets the most daylight (versus darkness).

Don’t say that spring has come until you can put your foot on nine daisies.

OBSERVE NATURE AROUND YOU!

- Are worms and grubs reappearing? (The March Full Moon is called the “Worm Moon” for this very reason!)
- Watch the arc of the Sun across the sky as it shifts toward the north. Birds are migrating northward, along with the path of the Sun.
- Are you noticing that the days are getting longer? Did you know that the increasing sunlight inspires birds to sing? Cool, eh?
- Are daffodils poking up their heads? Trees, shrubs, and flowers are sensitive to temperature and day length, too! Since ancient days, people have used natural events as indicators of when the weather is right for planting. For example: Blooming crocuses are your cue to plant radishes, parsnips, and spinach.
- Can you feel the Sun getting stronger? The longer days bring high temperatures. Both we and the animals around us discard our warm clothes and heavy coats!



CLUB NEWS



The club met for breakfast at the recently reopened Dairy Palace in Canton.

There were 14 in attendance. It was good food but a tough place to take pictures. The owner was really nice and asked if he could take pictures and post them on social media.



We will meet at the Whataburger/Service Station in Malakoff on Hwy 31 and TX 198 to leave by 8:30 am.



Day Tour Saturday, March 26

Braley's Ace Hardware in an 1938 school building

Railroad Heritage Center

Art Tracks Sculpture Tour

Davey Dogwood Park/Fairy Garden Trail

Dogwood Festival

Old Time Dulcimer & Music Festival

Lunch & Shopping in Old Town & Palestine Main Street.



Please let me know if you plan to go on the tour. Nancy Cheshire at 972-279-4786 text or call. Email: nmcheshire@yahoo.com



Bluebonnet Tour in April

Plan on attending the Bluebonnet Tour in the latter part of April.

More details in April Newsletter and on Mass Mailer.



20TH ANNIVERSARY

OF

THE CEDAR CREEK MODEL A
FORD CLUB

**PLAN ON ATTENDING THE
PARTY ON
THE FIRST SATURDAY OF
NOVEMBER (NOV. 5)**

**START COLLECTING PICTURES AND ITEMS TO
SHARE AT THE CELEBRATION**

**ANY PICTURES BROUGHT TO THE MEETINGS WILL
BE COPIED AND RETURNED.**



Technical Tips

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,



"The Right Tool for the Job" - Part 1

I've been working with a new Model A mechanic lately, which reminded me of some basics on choosing the right tool for the job. Today we talk about choosing wrenches and sockets for use on nuts and bolts. The thing that determines your choice is how well you need to grip the hex, to allow you to apply the torque (twist) you need... and your access to the nut or bolt head.

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Best Grip
(highest torque)



6-point socket and box end

Rusted and seized nuts and bolts need the torque from the wrenches at the top. And some good penetrating oil! Until next time,

Have a Model A Day! Jim



12-point socket and box end wrench



Flare-nut wrenches

Open-end wrench



Crescent wrench



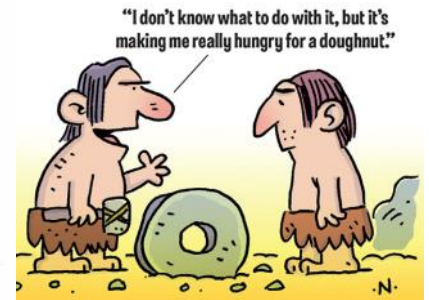
Slip-joint pliers



Poor Grip
(can chew up the nut or bolt - don't use them)



The first robin of spring always has regrets.



Answers from page 3

65 mph, Red, Jun, 1930 (dealerships would repaint them before that though), State law, Douglas Fairbanks

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Hello Fellow Model Aers,



I'd like to use this month's letter as a reminder of things to come. First and foremost, I would like to encourage you to renew your membership in MAFCA for 2022. It is critical so we can send your Restorer out with the bulk mailing each time. Second, I need your help as we work to grow our club. As I stated last month, we are reaching younger folks through our social media efforts. I would like to encourage you to talk about the club. Let the Model A Ford become your brand by wearing our hats and clothing items. As you do you will find people who will share their experiences with the Model A.

We are holding our National Convention this June 12 through 17th in Kerrville, Texas. I am looking forward to experiencing the Texas Hill Country as presented by our host Chapter the Alamo A's. There is so much wonderful history in the area from the River Walk to the Alamo. I'm told that some of the best Model A Roads are there so be prepared for some great country touring.

I'm looking forward to the Era Fashions show, the Fine Point Judging and of course the Restoration Class Evaluations. There will be something there for everyone. You can find registration forms on the front page of our website, www.mafca.com. I would like to thank the many fine members of the Texas Clubs who are contributing to the success of this event.

Our board of directors have decided to move the printing of our National Roster book ahead by one year. I am excited to see this book revised as it is a useful tool. I use mine many times a week as I help new members find Model A Club members in their area. It is also a must book to have when long distance touring. It was very helpful to our group when we drove from Maine to California last year.

Lastly, in our board meeting our membership director, John LaVoy, had his selection for the National Nominating Committee approved. They will be conducting a nationwide search for members to run for election to the 2023-2024 Board. Please contact John at membership@mafca.com if you have a desire to serve as a director of MAFCA.

I'm looking forward to seeing you soon,

Happy Motoring, Jay Mc Cord

Model A Ford Foundation

The organizers of Model A Days have been busy planning the 2022 Model A Days event. Model A Days 2022 will be for two days - Friday, September 16, and Saturday, September 17, at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan. The theme of this year's event is "Model A Trucks." This will include all types such as Panel Deliveries, Stake Beds, Deluxe Deliveries, Pickups, etc. There will be seminars, rides in Model As around the grounds, a great swap meet, and this year a tour to the "Air Zoo" Museum in Kalamazoo, and much more. Final details and registration information will begin to appear after March 1.



Marsha DuBreuil clubcontact@maffi.org

2022 National Convention Hotels June 12-17

-YO Ranch Hotel	830-257-4562	
1 person with breakfast	\$ 99	
2 people with breakfast	\$ 109	YO is filled.
3 people with breakfast	\$ 119	
4 people with breakfast	\$ 129	
-Inn's of the Hills	830-895-6001	
\$ 99 per room with breakfast		
-Holiday Inn Express	830-895-9500	
\$ 112 for standard room with breakfast		
\$ 140 for suite with breakfast		
-Best Western	830-896-1313	
\$ 109 per room with breakfast		

You must be a member of MAFCA to attend.



HELP US CELEBRATE MODEL A YOUTH MONTH THIS MAY

Since the 1950s and 60s, the Model A hobby hasn't been exactly overwhelmed with young folks. Well, sir, the **Model A Youth Restoration Award** program is trying to correct that. We are looking to expose as many kids to the Model A Ford as possible, around the country and abroad. We feel that the Model A experience can still appeal to today's youth IF they are exposed to it. **With the support of both national organizations – MARC and MAFCA – we are declaring May 2022 as the inaugural Model A Youth month and we ask ALL clubs to do an event that focuses on children and teens but encourage mom and dad to attend, too.**

This needs to be a sensory experience to appeal to them – the kids need to hear, smell, see and touch the cars. The automobiles need to be in context historically – in many cases as cars their great or great- great grandparents may have driven in an era when a new car cost as little as under \$400 (but 64% of the population made under \$5,000 per year!) And the vehicles should be presented as functioning cars and trucks, not museum pieces.

So, let's get our cars out to where the kids are: to the schools; youth groups (Boy and Girl Scouts, Police Athletic Leagues, 4-H, FFA, Boys and Girls Clubs, and church or temple associated youth groups.) Tie in your local Ford dealership or a business celebrating nearly a century in business. Don't be shy about local car shows or Cars and Coffee. Check with your local community museum and set up a "show and tell" with them.

Please check our website: <https://www.modelarestorationaward.org/> for more ideas and resources for Model A Youth month.

DO SOMETHING – THINK YOUTH and share with them their month, M A Y.

Get Your Hubley Derby Car Ready for the National Meet in June

If you don't have a Hubley Model A, look on Ebay for a kit to build or buy one that is already built. In 2008 a beat up green Hubley Tudor purchased on Ebay won the overall award. It doesn't have to look good just roll fast. More info on rules next month.



2022



Event Calendar

- MAR 1, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- MAR 15, 2022 Breakfast
- MAR 26, 2022 Day Tour to Palestine, TX
- APR 5, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- APR 19, 2022 Breakfast
- MAY 3, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- MAY 17, 2022 Breakfast
- JUN 7, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- JUN 12-17, 2022 ... MAFCA National Convention/Texas Tour, Y.O. Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, TX
- JUN 21, 2022 Breakfast
- JUL 5, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- AUG 2, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- SEP 6, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- OCT 4, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- NOV 1, 2022 Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points
- DEC 3, 2022 Christmas Party at Mabank Library



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