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Dedicated to the encouragement in acquiring, restoring, preserving and exhibiting the Model "A" Ford, and to enjoy the fellowship of other Model "A" Ford owners around the world.

The Spokesman is a publication of the Highland Indiana Region of the Model "A" Restorer's Club, Inc., founded in 1964, and is published monthly.

2022 National dues are \$50.00. Local HIR dues are \$20.00. National Membership is required.

Business meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Hall 9191 Mississippi Street Merrillville, Indiana.

You need not own a Model A to become a member.

Saturday's drive-out, hosted by the VanDerAas, was outstanding. After a rainy start at the Park Place Senior Community, we visited a garage (muscle cars). Then off for lunch on some back roads to McVey's. Then to Mike McIntires to look at his antiques. And as usual some ice create (root beer floats). Great drive-out, thanks.

We look forward to the events of July. Schaaf drive-out, Whiting parade, club picnic, monthly breakfast and then the Pierogi Fest Parade in Whiting.

Instead of me rattling on I heard these quotes recently:

From Mark Twain, the more I learn about people the more I like my dog.



A Message from the Director

The oldest computer can be traced back to Adam and Eve. Surprise! Surprise! It was an Apple. But with extremely limited memory. Just one byte. Then everything crashed.

Scientists say the universe is made up of protons, neutrons and electrons. They forgot to mention morons.

Its better to grow old with a sense of humor than to grow old with no sense at all.

We live in a time where intelligent people are being silenced so that stupid people won't be offended.

Hope to see you down the road in your 'A'.

Warren DeJong



WHITING INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

July 4 9:00 am line-up, 10:00 am start



Line up at Nathan Hale School 1831 Oliver Street, Whiting





The next business meeting will be held at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 7:00 pm. The program will feature a Hubley Derby clinic hosted by Dan Dieck.

Thanks to Mike Higgins, the Hagbergs and LeMeres for volunteering to provide the evening's refreshments.



Business Meeting from June 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Director Warren DeJong at 7:00 at St. Sava in Merrillville. Assistant Director Tom Rock led the membership in the *Pledge of Allegiance.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kim Sefton reported an June 1 checking account balance of \$6,597.51. After discussion the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

MINUTES: Cindy Fort presented the April 6 minutes as printed in the June issue of the *Spokesman*. After discussion the minutes were approved noting the change and correction of the Pullman outing from March to May.

FELLOWSHIP REPORT: Jim McNabney reported on Margaret's angioplasty, which went well, and a second procedure scheduled for June.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Kim Sefton reported membership at 51.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS: Dan Dieck announced that the next business meeting will include a Hubley Derby seminar.

Jerry Sund suggested a club pamphlet.

Cy Sefton announced that the Picnic Committee will be scheduling a meeting; an email with more details will be forthcoming.

Warren DeJong provided a reminder on the Bethel Church Taco Night/car cruise on June 29.

Tom Rock gave a history on the origins of Memorial Day (Decoration Day), first in 1868.

Peter Hastings reported on the Swan Lake Membership Meet, and final figures. A report was prepared for MARC and is on file with the HIR club secretary.

Tom Rock announced that a \$500 check is being sent to the Model A Museum, as voted on at a previous meeting.

A discussion was had regarding donations to the Model A Youth Scholarship Fund and the MAFFI Model AA Bus Restoration Project. More discussion followed with regard to forming a committee on how to spend the money; the matter was tabled.

Glen VanDerAa provided a reminder and more details on the June 15 drive out to Park Place of St. John Senior Community, followed by a visit to Vince Spretnjak's shop and car collection. Lunch will be at McVey's in Lowell, then on to Michael McIntire's shop and car collection also in Lowell.

Dan Dieck provided a wrap-up on the Pullman Railroad Days drive out May 14. He announced details for the South Holland Memorial Day Parade, and advised that SoHo already provided compensation.

Warren DeJong provided details on the July 2 drive out to the Schaaf tractor museum, to begin at the DeJong's in Dyer.

Chuck Kolar provided details on the July 4 Whiting Parade at 9:00 am.

Jerry Sund provided a wrap-up of last month's Youth Day and Car Display outings at Lake Central and Crown Point High Schools.

Paul Myers reported on the May 28 Cobe Cup Cruise. Awards were presented to Herb Southern and Jon Pearson; John Schoop's car was featured in *The Times*.

TECH TIME: Jerry Sund discussed a ticking noise, which turned out to be a spun rear main bearing. Jon Pearson discussed seat belts for Model A and provided a handout. Warren DeJong discussed radiators that that they do not have to be filled to the top.

REFRESHMENTS/RAFFLE: Refreshments were provided by the Seftons, LaPlantes and DeJongs. Herb Southern and Jerry Sund won the monthly raffle.

PROGRAM: The program included *Jeopardy!* Hosted by Dave Wright and Ed Magerl.

Final comments included reminders to sign up for various drive outs and parades.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm.

Cindy Fort, Secretary



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Raffle		\$ 40.0	00	St. Sava	1	\$ 50.00
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2022 Master Calendar

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2 - Business Meeting (Sund)

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2 - Business Meeting (Swan Lake)

17 - Crown Point St. Patrick's Day

26 - Safety Inspection (Hagberg)

Rock, Guernsey, McNabney

30 - Swan Lake Meet set up

31 - April 3 Swan Lake Meet

16 - Monthly Breakfast

16 - Monthly Breakfast

Lighted Parade

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- 3 Business Meeting (Javorka) 13 - Friendly Ford Swap Meet,
- Roselle 17 - Drive-Out (Kuiper/Dieck)
- 17-20 2022 MARC National Tour, Bark River, Michigan

Paslawski, Kuiper, Myers

- 5 Malden Labor Day Parade
- 7 Business Meeting (Parts Auction) 9-10 Old Car Festival, Dearborn
- 16-17 Model A Day, Gilmore
- 19-23 GAMARI
- 21 Monthly Breakfast
- 24 Valpo Fall Festival Steam Show

- 1 3 Swan Lake Meet
- 6 Business Meeting (Jeopardy!)
- 16 Drive-Out (DeJong) 20 - Monthly Breakfast

Hansen, Gill, VanDerAa

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-2 - Newport Hill Climb

- '-9 Fall Tour, Rockville, Indiana
- 5 Business Meeting (Sefton)
- 19 Monthly Breakfast
- 22 Drive-Out (Foley)

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16 - Monthly Breakfast

19 - Drive-Out (Rock)

11 - Veterans Day

Foley, Kolar, OPEN

Kuiper, DeJong, Wright

- 4 Business Meeting Annual Cake & Cookie Auction
- 7 Route 66 Red Carpet Ride 13 - Lake Central High School
- Auto Shop Car Display
- 14 Pullman Drive-Out (Dieck)
- 18 Monthly Breakfast
- 28 Cobe Cup (confirmed)
- 30 South Holland Parade (confirmed)

Sund, Schopp, Magerl

1 - Business Meeting (Jeopardy!)

5 - Model A Day (Sharon, Wis.) National Meet (Morganstown)

- 15 Monthly Breakfast
- 18 Drive-Óut (Kuiper)
- 25 Drive-Out (VanDerAa)
- 29 Bethel Car Show/Taco Night

Sefton, LaPlante, DeJong

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^{3 -} Hammond Parade

21 - Monthly Breakfast

31 - Polar Bear Dash

Rock, Dieck, Hastings

- 2 Schaaf Drive Out
- 4 Whiting July 4 Parade
- 6 Business Meeting (Dieck) 9 - Club Picnic (LC Fairgrounds)
- 20 Monthly Breakfast
- 29 Pierogi Fest Parade, Whiting

Higgins, Hagberg, LeMere

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THIRD WEDNESDAY HIR RREAKFAST



620 E. North Street

Crown Point Square

9:00

Dieck. Sefton. Sefton

^{7 -} Business Meeting/Pizza Party

Memorial Day Parade

We had twelve cars participate in the South Holland memorial Day Parade last month: DeJongs, Diecks, Gerrity, Gills, Hagberg, Higgins, McNabney, Myers, Pearson, Rocks, VanDerAas and Wrights. Again this year, we had the honor of transporting the South Holland Village officials en route. It was a warm and sunny day, people lined the



officials en route. It was a warm and sunny day, people lined the streets. The Mayor said a few words before we began our route through the parade, thanking the club for coming and the use of our Model As. And as usual, *When We Meet, We Eat.* We ended our gathering at Applebee's for a nice lunch and then journey home. Thank you to all that participated. Dan and Terry Dieck



MAFFI Newsletter Minute ⊘

Model A Days Model A Driving School. Registration for this event has been light so far. Each student will have ample attention and anybody who does sign up should be in for a real treat. Jerry Morrissey attended the Model T Driving School at the Gilmore on June 9, looking for insight and ideas for the Model A Driving School being offered Friday September 16, 2022, at Model A Days. He came away very excited about parts of their program that had not been discussed for our program. Jerry explained, "The Model T's took a short drive to learn forward and reverse with each driver. Then they took a longer drive to experience shifting into high gear. Lastly, they finished with a mile long drive along the private road towards Gull Lake utilizing both gears, stopping and turning around. For the Model A's we can do something similar with a short, medium, and longer drive." While nothing is set in cement at this time adding a one-mile scenic drive on a private road in one of the several cars or trucks being offered for the class would be exciting, no matter what your previous driving experience is.

Enrolling in the Model A Driving School is done by registering on-line at <u>www.maffi.org/</u>Model A Days/Special Event Registration.

Thank you, Mike DuBreuil, MAFFI clubcontact@maffi.org

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Marlene Straka

July 17, 1929 ~ January 23, 2022

Marlene Straka, age 92, passed away January 23, 2022. She is survived by her brother, Robert Walko of Whiting, and three nieces (Eileen Kevelaar, Julie Tomczak and Dr. Christine Leahy) and one nephew (Bert Woess). Preceded in death by her loving husband, Luverne ("Lu").

Marlene was a graduate of Georges Rogers Clark High School. Along with Lu, she belonged to the Highland Model A Restorers Club, and enjoyed playing the organ. She was an avid tennis player and devoted member of Our Lady of Grace Church.

Raymond L. Ferry

January 7, 1945 ~ May 18, 2022

Ray Ferry, age 77, passed away May 19, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Helen, six children, 3 step-children, 23 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren, and 5 siblings.

Ray was the owner of Lake Electric in Cedar Lake since 1970. In retirement he enjoyed classic car shows and collecting antiques. He was very generous in helping others.

The HIR extends its deepest sympathy to the Straka and Ferry families.

About the Highland Indiana Region Model A Restorers Club

The purpose of the Club shall be to encourage the acquisition, preservation, restoration, exhibition, and use of the Model A, including literature, technical and historical information, and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship among owners and members of the Club.

You need not own a Model A Ford to join or participate at any HIR Club sponsored event. All are welcome!



2022 Committee Chairpersons

Chuck Kolar

EVENTS/PARADES: FALL TOUR: FASHION:

FELLOWSHIP: MARC CORRESPONDENT: MARC MILEAGE: MEMBERSHIP: NEWSLETTER: PICNIC:

PRINTING: RAFFLE: REFRESHMENTS: WEBMASTER: WINTER BANQUET: 2022 MEMBERSHIP MEET:

Jerry Sund Linda Javorka, Joy Kolar & Tom Rock Susan DeJong Joy Kolar Warren DeJong Kim Sefton Caroline Stanula & Russell Smiddy Ken Foley, Mike Higgins & Cy Sefton Chuck Kolar Craig Hansen Laura Hastings & Irma Sund Chuck Kolar (chkolar@sbcglobal.net) OPEN Dan Dieck

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Special thanks to

St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church/Hall

for hosting the HIR Business Meetings

Mission... to, through appropriate teaching, edify the believers towards spiritual and moral perfection, to foster mutual brother love and unity, and to mold worthy and loyal citizens of these United States of America.



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National Events

