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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.

A Message from the Director

Susan and I returned home a week ago from the Bark River National Tour in Michigan. We had many beautiful Model A roads and some not so beautiful (like interstates), and then we made a right turn and there was no road. Back to the map, made a U turn and on the way again. We had a great time with great friends, but back home we decided that 1,131 miles in one week in the Model A was a bit much.



4) In California you cannot take a picture of a man with a wooden leg. Why not?

5) If a farmer has five haystacks in one field and four hay stakes in the other field, how many haystacks would he have if he combined them all in another field?

6) If you were running a race and you passed the person in second place, what place would you be in now?

See if you can figure out what these seven words have in common? 1) Banana, 2) Dresser, 3) Grammar, 4) Potato, 5) Revive, 6) Uneven, 7) Assess.

Answers to all these tests at the September 7 meeting.

I told you that I do not have Alzheimer's. I have "some-timers", sometimes I remember and sometimes I don't.

Hope to see you down the road in your A.

Warren DeJong

Gray Cells test:

1) Johnny's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May, What was the third child's name?

2) There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet tall and he wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weight?

3) How much dirt is there in a hole ... that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?



SEPTEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

The next business meeting will be held at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at 7:00 pm. The program will feature a the HIR's Annual Parts Auction.

Thanks to the Diecks, Seftons and Sefton IIs, and DeJongs for volunteering to provide the evening's refreshments.



Business Meeting from August 3, 2022

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

Warren DeJong introduced guest and new member Rick Miller from Hebron who owns a 1929 AA Truck. Also attending as a guest and presenter, Lauren Klemm from Eastwood.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kim Sefton reported the checking account balance, and discussed recent deposits and expenditures. After discussion the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

MINUTES: Cindy Fort presented the July 6 minutes as printed in the August issue of the *Spokesman*. After discussion the minutes were approved noting a correction to the SS Badger and not USS Badger.

FELLOWSHIP REPORT: Warren DeJong reported that Susan DeJong was doing well and at the meeting, and that Jim and Margaret McNabney are also doing well.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Kim Sefton reported membership at 54, noting that 40 were present and in attendance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER BUSINESS: Art LeMere provided details on the August 7 Grinder's game, hosted by A's R Us.

Art LeMere also provided a reminder about the August 13 car show at Pop's in Dyer, sponsored by As R Us.

Jerry Sund provided details on the National Tour to Bark River, Michigan, leaving August 15 and meeting at the Dunes Park train station.

Tom Rock provided details on Gilmore's Model A Days, leaving on September 15. Additional details will be discussed at the September meeting.

Dave Wright discussed the Model T meet that was held in Hamilton, Ohio the site of the 2023 National Meet.

Jerry Sund provided additional details on the Ladies Driving Program to be held on August 31 at the picnic pavilion.

NEW BUSINESS: Chuck Kolar announced details on the Malden Labor Day Parade on September 5.

Ed Javorka announced details on Dillinger Days in Warsaw, Indiana, on September 10.

Peter Hastings announced details of the Valpo Fest and Steam Show at Sunset Farms on September 24.

Jerry Sund provided an update on the Fall Tour, leaving from Frankies in Lake Village on October 7.

Warren DeJong announced that a Nominating Committee has been formed for 2023 officers: Warren DeJong, Tom Rock, Cy Sefton, and Craig Hansen. The club is looking for a new director and assistant director.

TECH TIME: Herb Southern discussed how his car would not start due to a bad distributor cap. Roger Gill discussed the ammeter broke in his car. Warren DeJong discussed on how his car didn't start because of a broken wire. Susan Timmons updated that her car is now running, thanking Art LeMere and Jerry LeMere.

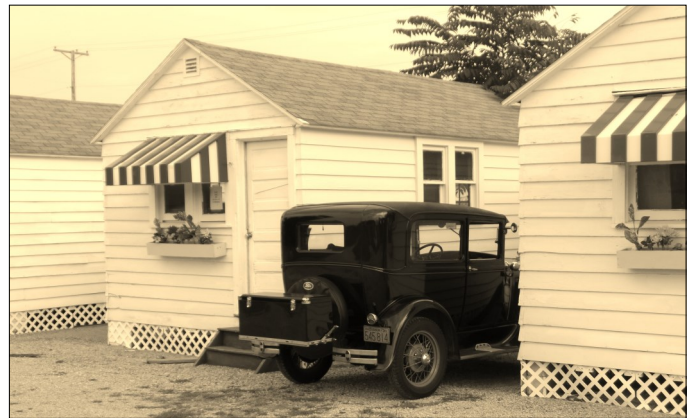
REFRESHMENTS/RAFFLE: Refreshments were provided by Walter Paslawski, the Kuipers and Paul Myers. Ed Javorka and Terry Dieck won the monthly raffle.

PROGRAM: The program was presented by Ed Javorka who introduced Lavern Klemm from Eastwood, who presented a seminar on powder coating.

A final comment included next month's annual Parts Auction.

Meeting adjourned 8:48 pm.

Cindy Fort, Secretary



Treasurer's Report						
By Kim Sefton						
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INCOME:						
Raffle			\$ 53.00			
Dues			<u>20.00</u>			
			\$ 83.00			
EXPENSES:						
St. Sava					\$ 50.00	
					<u>50.00</u>	



Trip to Bark River from the "Other Half"

By: Cindy Fort & Joy Kolar

Our club had 12 members and family heading to the Bark River Meet. Six cars, with Gene and Jacki Guernsey, Cindy Fort and Mike Higgins, Warren and Susan DeJong, John Pearson, Chuck and Joy Kolar and Jerry and Irma Sund; took off Monday morning from the Miller Train Station with Mike at the helm. The other six members trailered their cars and left on Tuesday. This is the story from the driver delegation the "other half".

It was a relatively uneventful trip to Ludington; however, we did detour several times because of road construction. While on the road Mike noticed some noise coming from his car and deduced a timing gear was going out. *(Mike babied the car until we arrived in Bark River and then the mechanics replaced the timing gear in a record 1½ hours.)* After arriving in Ludington, the challenge was trying to find a place to eat in a busy tourist town. After several attempts to get seated at local restaurants we ended up at Applebee's.



SS Badger.



Loaded on the Badger.

Early the next morning we traveled to the pier to load our cars on the SS Badger car ferry. We were the last to load our cars and later when looking over the back end of the ship you could see one of the Model "A's" protruding from the bowels of the ship. We had beautiful calm waters and a cool day for crossing the lake. Club members spent time strolling the decks and playing Bingo. Upon arriving in Manitowoc, we were the first cars to unload. We honked our horns and waved to the many people



Pitstop at the Museum.

leaning over the deck watching us leave. Jerry was now at the helm and we had 150 miles to travel to our destination. We stopped at some nostalgic places that Jerry had known about and we ate lunch at a small out of the way pub. The pub was directly across the street from the remains of a dance hall where Jerry's mother and father had their first date.



Picnic.

While we were stopped for gas, the other members of our club passed us by honking their horns (*not Ahooga*); later we found out that we had also passed them while they were at a gas station.

The hotel/casino was a very large facility. Our group was split up into two different towers on either side of the casino which made socializing difficult. We did find a remote gazebo which we declared as an outdoor meeting place.

On the first day some members went to the UP State Fair while others stayed behind to fix the Higgins car. Once the car was repaired, we traveled to Escanaba to tour the Historical Society Museum and explore the light house. (Trip to Bark River, continued, pg. 8.)



Mine Tour.



- Sept. 4** Linda Javorka
Justin LaPlante
13 Olan Smith
17 Mary DeYoung
20 Joy Kolar
21 Dave Kapica
23 Norma Knopf
27 Cy Sefton II
29 Jannette Foley



- Sept. 6** Paul & Claudia
Baillie
20 Dan & Terry Dieck
Justin & Carrie
Pierson
26 Cy & Alyssa Sefton



FELLOWSHIP

- Russell Smiddy
Bob & Dana Vandewater
Jim & Margaret McNabney

EDITOR'S CORNER

HOLY SEPTEMBER, is this club busy! In addition to all the September events don't forget those "pop-up" events like the Ice Cream Social! I think we're due and Buddy's Drive-In in Beecher is hosting its last Car Show on September 30!

It's the most wonderful time of the year... Fall! And with that, the Fall Tour in beautiful Parke County! In the meantime, saddle up people! September's going to be a fun and busy ride!

Roads were made for journeys, not destinations...

*Caroline Stanula & Russell Smiddy
(708-951-0209, cstanula@gmail.com)*



MALDEN LABOR DAY PARADE
September 5



ANNUAL PARTS AUCTION
September 7 Business Meeting



ANNUAL JOHN DILLINGER RAID

September 10

Warsaw, Indiana

Tour Master: Ed Javorka

GILMORE MUSEUM MODEL A DAY

September 17 & 18

Tour Master: Tom Rock

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

September 21 - 9:00 am

North Street Diner

(650 E. North Street, Crown Point, 3rd Wednesdays monthly)



VALPO FALL FESTIVAL & STEAM SHOW

September 24

Tour Master: Peter Hastings

JOLIET REGION MARC 2022 QUAD MEET

September 25

Joliet's Inwood Park, 3200 W. Jefferson Street

Great Food, Car Games, Prizes, Don Morman's Country Band

\$15/person, 12 & under \$5

Fried and Baked Chicken dinner with potatoes, rolls and drinks

Bring a dessert to pass ~ Arrive early, dinner begins at 12:30 pm

RSVP with check by September 17 to

Andy Honioties, 924 Daws Ave., Joliet, IL 60435 (815-954-1928)

Vintage Baseball Game

By: Tom & Pam Rock



But there is no joy in Mudville, er I mean Deep River. True to form when Tom and Pam Rock are on a drive out ... it RAINS.

Those of us from Highland met members of A's R Us at the First National Bank and headed for Deep River and the Grinders vs Shriners vintage baseball game. All went well along Old Lincoln Highway as our Model As made the short trek. The cars were lined up in the parking lot and we unloaded all our gear and made our way to the field. Everyone got set up, some of us went into the store, and the Grinders got the field ready...with no rain. As time went on it began to sprinkle and then poured a steady rain. The Highland folks went across the field to the Sugar Mill and set up in the upper deck under the roof and were high and dry. Of course, the mill would have been in fair play if the game had not been cancelled. A few of the A's R Us came over to our dry grandstand seats and complimented us on our ingenuity...thanks to Joy Kolar for the idea! They bid farewell as did the Grinders and we proceeded to stay and have our lunch, talk, and enjoy the rain!



Pam and I decided to go to Detroit and everything (well mostly) Ford a week later. Can you imagine this?!!! The 1867 Vintage Baseball World Series was being played at Greenfield Village while we were there!!!

Enjoy the images from Deep River and Greenfield Village.



2022 Master Calendar

- 2 - Business Meeting (Sund)
- 16 - Monthly Breakfast

Myers, Kuiper, McNabney

FEBRUARY 2022						
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- 3 - Business Meeting (Javorka)
- 13 - Friendly Ford Swap Meet, Roselle
- 13 - Grinder Baseball Game
- 17 - Monthly Breakfast
- 17-20 2022 MARC National Tour, Bark River, Michigan

- 2 - Business Meeting (Swan Lake)
- 16 - Monthly Breakfast
- 17 - Crown Point St. Patrick's Day Lighted Parade
- 26 - Safety Inspection (Hagberg)
- 30 - Swan Lake Meet set up
- 31 - April 3 Swan Lake Meet

Rock, Guernsey, McNabney

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

Dieck, Sefton, Sefton

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

Hansen, Gill, VanDerAa

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- 1-2 - Newport Hill Climb
- 7-9 - Fall Tour, Rockville, Indiana
- 5 - Business Meeting (Sefton)
- 19 - Monthly Breakfast
- 22 - Drive-Out (Foley)

Foley, Kolar, OPEN

- 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

MAY 2022						
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- 2 - Business Meeting
- 11 - Veterans Day
- 16 - Monthly Breakfast
- 19 - Drive-Out (Rock)

Kuiper, DeJong, Wright

- 1 - Business Meeting (Jeopardy!)
- 5 - Model A Day (Sharon, Wis.) National Meet (Morganstown)
- 15 - Monthly Breakfast
- 18 - Drive-Out (Kuiper)
- 25 - Drive-Out (VanDerAa)
- 29 - Bethel Car Show/Taco Night

Sefton, LaPlante, DeJong

JUNE 2022						
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- 3 - Hammond Parade
- 7 - Business Meeting/Pizza Party
- 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

JULY 2022						
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THIRD WEDNESDAY HIR BREAKFAST



620 E. North Street • Crown Point Square • 9:00

In Other News

Fall Tour



October 7-9

Rockville, Indiana

Parke Bridge Motel *
765-569-3525

\$84/night or \$73/night, including taxes

Rooms still available,
cancel no later than September 27

Tour Master: Jerry Sund



Bark River

Above: Leaving the train station on Monday morning.

Right: The men resting while the ladies shopped.



WANTED!
LOOKING FOR
2023 HIR CLUB OFFICERS
DIRECTOR
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Contact Warren DeJong, Tom Rock,
Cy Sefton or Craig Hansen



NEW FOR SALE: 1930 Model A Coupe. Restored in 2007. New roof repainted black with green pinstriping, 1932 Model B engine, 6 volt alternator, 1 year old 6 volt battery. \$12,000. Contact Rich Pramuk @ 219-669-3975.

NEW FOR SALE: 1929 Roadster. Rebuilt carburetor and distributor, 21" white wall tires, good radiator and brakes. Leather interior and rumble seat are like new. Top is in great condition and includes side curtains. Older restoration, has some paint chips but is still a nice looking car. This will make a great driver. \$13,500. Contact Art LeMere @ 708-878-6620



MAFFI Newsletter Minute

The MAFFI Board of Trustees invites you to Model A Days (September 16-17, 2022), at the Gilmore Museum, at Hickory Corners, Michigan. We have great programs for you and hope you visit one or both days.

For information visit www.maffi.org/Model A Days/Schedule of Events.

Thank you,

Mike DuBreuil, MAFFI
clubcontact@maffi.org

MODEL A PARTS: Six 16" wheels, ten 19" wheels, 2 rear axles, 1 front wishbone, 2 rear fenders-one used steel and one fiberglass appears unused (maybe for a 30/31). Tudor seat spring. Chuck Kolar @ 219-662-0056.

FOR SALE: 1931 Pick up. \$14,500. Paul Bailie @ 708-420-2150.

FOR SALE: 1930 Tudor (the late Steve Mihailovich's car). \$15,000. Margaret (Seve's sister) @ 219-306-6072.

MODEL A PARTS: Art's 'A' Parts, antique car parts. LED tail lights, LED third brake/directional lights, halogen head-line bulbs and other 'A' parts. Art LeMere @ 708-878-6620 or artlemere12@yahoo.com

FOR SALE: HIR window decals. Cy Sefton @ 219-836-2081.

Model A's for sale? Contact Chuck Kolar @ 219-662-0056.

Trip to Bark River *By: Cindy Fort and Joy Kolar (continued, from pg. 3)*



Mike and others fixing his A.

On our way back, a stop at the Leigh Family Winery brought us a great surprise. We ended up as part of a TV broadcast. John McGovern's Main Streets was doing a filming of the winery. So, we were encouraged to cozy up to the bar and became movie extras. Our next stop was the Welcome Party in a park near the hotel. The local Lions club sponsored a complimentary pasties dinner for everyone on the tour.

The second day we toured the Cornish Pump Museum and the World War II Glider Museum. Jerry, still at the helm, led us to an out of the way pub for lunch and then back to tour the Iron Mountain Iron Mine. The seating on the mine cars was all facing the same way towards the side of the mine. There was not much space on either side of the cars and the rock walls were very close. Luckily no skinned knees. After the mine tour the skies decided to let go with a monsoon of rain and one car got drowned out. Luckily Mike came to the rescue with Joy holding a "small" umbrella over him. Back on the road again.



Relaxing at the winery...

"There's nothing else. Just, us, and the cameras, and those wonderful people out there in the dark..."
[Sunset Boulevard]



DeYoung Family Zoo.

Day 3 took us to the DeYoung Family Zoo. While there we found out it is a very small world. The proprietor is from our area and knew a lot of the same people. Then off to Menomonee and the Light house pier for lunch. When leaving Menomonee, we stopped at the Yooper Winery for a taste of "Yooper Stooper".



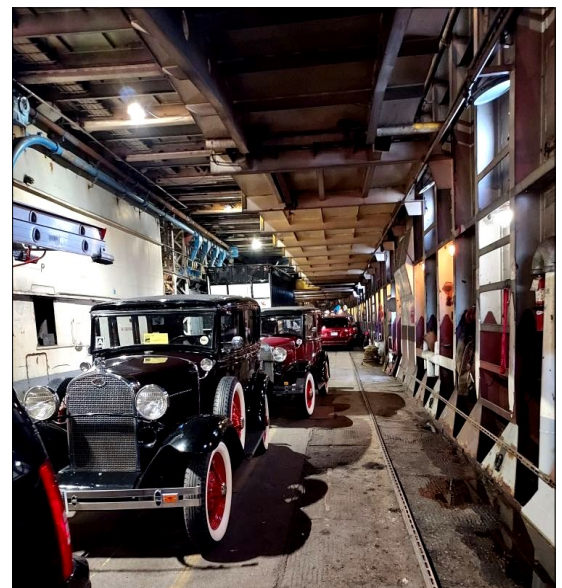
Mike Higgins, aboard the SS Badger.

After the wine tasting we drove along a beautiful scenic water front road back to the hotel. We arrived back just in time for the banquet and a delicious meal. At the dinner Mike was awarded the Hard Luck Trophy for his timing gear debacle.

On the way home a near disaster occurred when the Kolar car seized up and locked the back wheels causing it to veer off the road (almost) and then eventually be towed to a Model 'A' car recuperation center. Gene & Jackie and Mike & Cindy made room in their cars for Chuck & Joy to ride home with them. We were very fortunate that the car ferry had a later start time for our return trip back to Ludington. We had time to get lunch and park along the water front before loading onto the ferry. The trip back was not quite as smooth; the ferry was not

fully loaded and was traveling light in the water. We again stayed the night in Ludington and left early the next morning for the last leg of our trip.

The final stop, of course, was at Oinks in New Buffalo for ice cream.



All aboard the Ferry.

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.

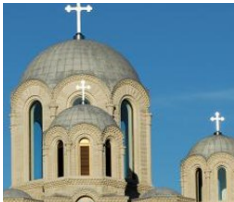
You need not own a Model A Ford to join or participate at any HIR Club sponsored event. All are welcome!



2022 Committee Chairpersons

- EVENTS/PARADES: Chuck Kolar
FALL TOUR: Jerry Sund
FASHION: Linda Javorka, Joy Kolar & Tom Rock
FELLOWSHIP: Susan DeJong
MARC CORRESPONDENT: Joy Kolar
MARC MILEAGE: Warren DeJong
MEMBERSHIP: Kim Sefton
NEWSLETTER: Caroline Stanula & Russell Smiddy
PICNIC: Ken Foley, Mike Higgins & Cy Sefton
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RAFFLE: Craig Hansen
REFRESHMENTS: Laura Hastings & Irma Sund
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2022 MEMBERSHIP MEET: Dan Dieck

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National Events



2022 Model A Day
September 16 - 17
Hickory Corners, Michigan
Sponsored by: MAFFI

2023 Membership Meet

April 14 - 16
Bay City, Michigan
Hosted by: Script A Region



2023 National Meet



July 30 - August 4
Hamilton, Ohio
Hosted by: Hamilton A's



MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB
Application for Membership

6721 Merriman, Garden City, Michigan 48135

2022 Membership Dues: \$50.00

With your subscription you will receive a club membership I.D. card and the Model "A" News, the bi-monthly official publication of the M.A.R.C.

Name (print):

Spouse's Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Email:

Permission to list phone number/email in club/MARC roster (yes/no)?

Check Visa MasterCard Discover American Express
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