# Highland, Indiana Region Model 'A' Restorers Club



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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.

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is a publication of the
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Model "A" Restorer's Club, Inc.,
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2023 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.

# Director's Message

The St. Patrick's Day Parade in Crown Point was on a very cold and windy evening, but the spectators showed up in force anyway and we had eight Model A's show up as well. Driving their cars were Warren and Susan DeJong, Dan and Terry Dieck, Gene and Jacki Guernsey, Wally and Barb Hagberg, Mike Higgins and Cindy Fort, Chuck and Joy

Kolar, Jon Pearson and Tom and Pam Rock. Irma and I were standing with the crowd on Main Street, but due to the cold and wind, we left right after the Model A's passed by. Even though it was cold, we went to Culver's for ice cream after the parade. Our thanks to Chuck and Joy Kolar.

The Model A Inspection at Wally Hagberg's place had nearly twenty HIR members show up and about 10 to 12 Model A's



were inspected. The weather wasn't much better than last year, but it was a lot better than predicted. We did manage to drink all the coffee and eat most of the donuts. Our thanks to Wally Hagberg for arranging the inspection shop and to the volunteers that helped inspect the cars.

I'm looking forward to the MARC Membership Meet in Bay City, Michigan. We also plan on visiting The Henry Ford in Greenfield for a few days on the way home. Let's start thinking about doing some drive-outs in the near future.

Jerry Sund



This Month's Featured Photo:

Jerry Sund

Annual Safety Inspection





# **Business Meeting and Other Tidbits** from March 1, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Director Jerry Sund at 7:00 pm at St. Sava in Merrillville. Assistant Director Mike Higgins led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jerry Sund introduced new member Dave Shivalec, new owner of a 1931 Coupe (formerly Rich Pramuk's).

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kim Sefton on recent income and expenditures. After discussion the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

MINUTES: Cindy Fort presented the February 1, 2023, minutes as printed in the March issue of *The* Spokesman. After discussion the minutes were approved as presented.

FELLOWSHIP REPORT: Susan DeJong reported that Dave Wright had skin cancer removed and is doing well. Karen VanDerAa had trouble with an angiogram but is doing better. Joy Kolar is also doing well. Chuck Kolar reported that Rich Pramuk had recently been hospitalized but is now home. Congratulations to Peter and Laura Hastings on the birth of their first grandson, Henry Chase.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Kim Sefton reported paid membership at 53, with 36 members in attendance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and OTHER BUSINESS: Chuck Kolar announced that on March 9 members are traveling to Blufton, Indiana, to see new Antique Engine Rebuilders.

Craig Hansen announced raffle tickets for sale.

Mike Higgins announced that Model A Day on June 4, has been moved form Sharon to Clinton, Wisconsin.

Tom Rock reminded members to make plans for the National Meet in Hamilton, Ohio.

Pam Rock announced that 16 members have signed up to view Casablanca on March 5.

Chuck Kolar announced details of the lighted Crown Point St. Patrick's Day parade at dusk on March 17.

Wally Hagberg announced that Great Oaks is hosting a corned beef dinner on March 17.

Wally Hagberg provided details on the annual car inspection on March 25.

Art LeMere announced details of a Mystery Dinner drive-out to Michigan, November 3-5. Accommodations may be made at Lakeside Inn under Art's Model A Club, the cost is \$160 for two nights plus \$45 dinner (Lakeside Inn 269-469-0600).

TECH TIME: Dave Shivalec discussed trouble in repairing his horn. Ron Kuiper has parts for sale.

REFRESHMENTS/RAFFLE: Refreshments were provided by the Rocks, Guernseys and Hansen. Volunteers for next month's meeting were sought. Cylas Sefton II and Dave Shivalec won the monthly raffle.

PROGRAM: Tom Rock presented the evening's program on Major General John A Logan.

Final comments included a reminder about next month's meeting featuring *Jeopardy!* 

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm.

Cindy Fort, Secretary

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INCOME:	2	3 4	EXPENSES:	
Dues	\$	50.00	St. Sava	\$ 50.00
Raffle		60.00	Member refund	20.00
Donation	\$	24.00 134.00	Web Page	\$ 70.00



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MODEL A PARTS GARAGE SALE: All members of the Highland Indiana Region of MARC are invit-SALE ed to a one-day sale of Model A Ford parts at the home of Bev and Lew Palmer, on Saturday, May 20, 2023 from 8 am-4 pm. The address is 5517 W 850 S, Claypool, In 46510 (south of Warsaw).

The sale is an accumulation of almost 60 years of Model A Ford parts. The complete inventory is too long to list in this ad, but consists of the following: 30-31 front fenders, 30-31 roadster doors, 30-31 gas tank, 30-31 radiator, truck cowl band, truck headlights, truck radiator shells, 19" wheels, brake drums, backing plates, front axle and steering parts, numerous small parts, some NOS, some new reproduction, some used. Also, some accessories such as metal Potter trunk and restored Sportlight. A complete updated inventory can be emailed upon request. Also my 1930 Deluxe Roadster is for sale, asking \$20,000.00 (reasonable offers considered). And my 1930 Toro Jr Model A Ford Golf Course Tractor is for sale. Asking \$5,000.00 Reasonable offers considered.

For more information call or text Lew at 574-250-5220 or email to agnes40b@hotmail.com

**WANTED:** 1928-1929 wheel. Jim McNabney @ 219-924 -5070.

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

# 2023 Master Calendar

1 - Business Meetir 15 - Monthly Breakfa

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**AUGUST 2023** S M T W Th F S 

July 30-Aug 4 MARC National Meet 9 - Business Meeting (Javorka)

16 - Monthly Breakfast 26 - Drive-Out (Sefton II)

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- 1 Business Meeting (Tom Rock)
- 5 Casablanca (Pam Rock)
- 15 Monthly Breakfast
- 17 Crown Point St. Patrick's Day Lighted Parade
- 25 Safety Inspection (Hagberg)

Rock, Guernsey, Hansen

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**FEBRUARY 2023** 

**SEPTEMBER 2023** S М Т w Th F S 

4 - Malden Labor Day Parade

6 - Business Meeting (Parts Auction)

8-9 - Old Car Festival, Dearborn

14-16 - Model A Day, Gilmore

18-23 - GAMARII

20 - Monthly Breakfast

23 - Valpo Fall Festival Steam Show

5 - Business Meeting (Jeopardy!) 14-16 - Bay City Membership Meet 19 - Monthly Breakfast

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- **OCTOBER 2023** Т W Th s M F S
- 4 Business Meeting (Kolar)
- 6-8 Fall Tour (Higgins)
- 18 Monthly Breakfast

- 3 Business Meeting (Dan Dieck)
- 6 Route 66 Red Carpet Ride
- 12 North Judson Drive Out
- 17 Monthly Breakfast
- 19-21 Murder Mystery Drive Out (tentative, LeMere)
- 20 Garge Sale, Claypool, Indiana
- 27 Cobe Cup (confirmed)

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- **NOVEMBER 2023** М Т W Th F s S
- 1 Business Meeting (Kolar/Rock)
- 3-5 Mystery Dinner Drive Out Michigan (LeMere)
- 11 Veterans Day Parade
- 15 Monthly Breakfast
- 18 Cedar Lake Light Parade

4 - Model A Day (Clinton, Wis.) Lake County FOP Car Show 7 - Business Meeting (Swap Meet) 9-10 - Delphi Drive Out (Higgins) 21 - Monthly Breakfast

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- **DECEMBER 2023** M T W Th F S
- 2 Hammond Holiday Parade
- 6 Business Meeting/Pizza Party
- 20 Monthly Breakfast
- 31 Polar Bear Dash

- 4 Whiting July 4 Parade
- 5 Business Meeting
- 8 HIR Picnic
- 16-21 MAFCA National Tour
- 19 Monthly Breakfast
- 28 Pierogi Fest Parade, Whiting 30-Aug 4 MARC National Meet

JULY 2023								
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#### THIRD WEDNESDAY HIR RREAKFAST



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

# Let's Celebrate!

## **April**

- 1 Alyssa Sefton
- 8 Cindy Fort
- **13** Kathy Kuiper
- **17** Terry Dieck
- 21 Roger Gill
- 23 Craig Hansen Pamela Stonerock
- 28 Chuck Kolar

# **April**



13 Gene & Jacki Guernsey20 DJ & Pam Stonerock

# FELLOWSHIP Leah, daughter of

Susan Crabtree Timmons Ann Pramuk

Kathy VanDerAa

#### **EDITOR'S CORNER**

A little confusion in last month's newsletter... Eugene Guernsey also bought a 1929 Roadster pick up, and Eugene Gillingham bought a 1931 Tudor. Cylas Sefton bought Gillingham's parts of a car. And, I understand from Zeke himself that he had his last A towed to his daughter's (I believe in Valpo), who decided she wanted to keep it after all. Glad it stayed in the Pramuk family.

Quite the rainy March, but that's okay for us! Gives us a little more time to work on our A. Glad so many showed at the annual safety inspection, and wish to thank the Hagbergs for the use of their garage!

Road trips are not about anywhere you'll go, they're about going anywhere.

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

# Looking 'A'head



# **April 5 Business Meeting**



# Hosted by Ed Magerl and Dave Wright

Refreshments: Schopp, Kolar, Hansen



# 2023 Membership Meet April 14 - 16

Bay City, Michigan

# **Monthly Breakfast**

April 19 - 9:00 am



Casa Balbino (formerly North Street Diner) 4
(650 E. North Street, Crown Point, 3rd Wednesdays monthly)



# May 6 - 7

The festival highlights 100 miles of Route 66, which is the most famous road in the world. The event features 14 participating communities from Joliet to Bloomington, all of which will have their own festivities from full-blown festivals to antique and craft sales, to car and motorcycle shows, to live entertainment, and everyone is sure to discover something unique. The event was created by the well-known Illinois Route 66 preservationist, John Weiss.

The 2023 event has not only expanded to add Bloomington-Normal, but it has also expanded from a Saturday-only event to a Saturday-Sunday event. There are a host of lodging options along this 100-mile-long event to accommodate this bigger and better event. Participating communities include Joliet, Elwood, Wilmington, Braidwood, Godley, Braceville, Gardner, Dwight, Odell, Pontiac, Chenoa, Lexington, Normal and Bloomington.

www.ilroute66redcarpetcorridor.com

## 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!



# 2023 Committee Chairpersons

BY-LAWS: Chuck Kolar, Wally Hagberg,

Dave Wright

DONATIONS: Joy Kolar, Kim Sefton, Ron Kuiper,

Jerry Sund, Craig Hansen

EVENTS/PARADES: Chuck Kolar FALL TOUR: Mike Higgins

FASHION: Joy Kolar and Tom Rock

FELLOWSHIP: Susan DeJong
MAFFI LIAISON: Mike Higgins
MARC CORRESPONDENT: Joy Kolar
MARC MILEAGE: Warren DeJong
MEMBERSHIP: Kim Sefton

NEWSLETTER: Caroline Stanula and Russell Smiddy NOMINATING: Appointed Annually in August

PICNIC: Ken Foley, Irma Sund and Cy Sefton

PRINTING: Chuck Kolar RAFFLE: Craig Hansen

REFRESHMENTS: Laura Hastings and Irma Sund
WEBMASTER: Chuck Kolar (chkolar@sbcglobal.net)

WINTER BANQUET: Pam Rock

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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.

# National Events

## 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

#### 2023 MAFCA National Tour

July 16 - 21

Auburn, Indiana

Hosted by: Southeastern Touring Group





#### MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB Application for Membership

6721 Merriman, Garden City, Michigan 48135

#### 2023 Membership Dues: \$50.00

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

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