



# UTAH VALLEY

## *- Model A Club -*

- 2014/2015/2019/2021 Newsletter of Merit • 2016 Newsletter of Distinction
- 2017/2020 Newsletter of Excellence • 2018 Newsletter of the Year
- 2013 Most Improved Newsletter

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### Remember...

- Be sure to track your car's mileage during 2025 and earn awards.
- Join MAFCA and enjoy the benefits, including the Restorer Magazine.
- Enjoy the **New Feature** in the Motometer – “Do You Remember This Car Song?”
- Previous editions of this newsletter are available on the club's Website.
- Don't forget the road trip to Vernal, NE Utah and Evanston, Wyoming – 12-14 Sept.
- Mark your calendars for the club's Christmas Feast – Currently planned for 6 Dec.

## UVMAC MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the club is two-fold:

1. To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of Model A Ford cars and trucks and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve these vehicles in their original likeness.
2. To unite in a central organization, all individuals who are interested in restoring the automobile in a manner to attract prestige and respect within the community. It shall further be the purpose of this club to help these individuals become better acquainted and encourage and maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship, sociality, and fair play through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation

The Utah Valley Model A Club is a chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). Membership with MAFCA is highly encouraged. See MAFCA News at the end of this newsletter for more information.

Club meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month — 7:00 p.m. in the Clyde Companies building at 730 N. 1500 W. Orem, Utah. Use the north side entrance. The meeting room is on the immediate right.

## 2025 Club Officers

### CLUB OFFICERS

|                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Board Chair    | Brian Lindenlaub |
| President      | Roger Davis      |
| Vice President | Buster Hansen    |
| Secretary      | Robert Mack      |
| Treasurer      | Diane Brimley    |
| Activities     | Howard Eckstein  |
| Membership     | Amber Morrell    |

### APPOINTED POSITIONS

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Awards                | Theon Laney     |
| Facebook              | Clyde Munson    |
| Librarian             | TBD             |
| Merchandise           | Paul Jerome     |
| Photographers         | Howard Eckstein |
|                       | Amber Morrell   |
|                       | Buster Hansen   |
|                       | Greg Mack       |
|                       | Nicholas Mack   |
|                       | Robert Mack     |
| Tech Talks            | Reid Carlson    |
| Meeting Refreshments  | TBD             |
| Web Page              | Greg Mack       |
| Newsletter            | Jeff Niven      |
| Restorer Chapter News | Clyde Munson    |

### Past and Current Club Presidents

|                      |                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 2013 Robert Mack     | 2020 Greg Mack           |
| 2014 Clyde Munson    | 2021 Greg Mack           |
| 2015 Howard Eckstein | 2022 Brad Christofferson |
| 2016 Nicholas Mack   | 2023 Brian Lindenlaub    |
| 2017 Reid Carlson    | 2024 Roger Davis         |
| 2018 Clyde Munson    | 2025 Roger Davis         |
| 2019 Clyde Munson    |                          |



# President's Message

From Roger Davis



This note is an expression of gratitude for being part of the amazing Utah Valley Model A Club. We had a very busy June and an even busier July—August looks like another great month in the making. We supported at least 10 parades and car shows. We had well over 100 people combined at those events with almost 70 appearances of our cars. These events were in 8 different communities here in Utah Valley. That is absolutely incredible! To cover that many events, with some at the same times, we had to split up and support multiple events on the same day.

Oh, and as documented in the August Motometer, we received at least 14 awards so far this summer.

## Summary of Club Awards

| Recipient       | Award                 | From           | Event    |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------|
| UVMAC           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Mona City      | Parade   |
| Nick Mack       | Memory Lane Marvel    | Legacy House   | Car Show |
| Reid Carlson    | Golden Oldie          | Legacy House   | Car Show |
| UVMAC           | \$100                 | Legacy House   | Car Show |
| Paul Jerome     | Sponsor's Award       | Eagle Mountain | Car Show |
| Bill & Collette | Sponsor's Choice      | Lindon City    | Car Show |
| Bob & Janell    | Grand Marshal Award   | Lindon City    | Car Show |
| Roger Davis     | City Council Award    | Lindon City    | Car Show |
| UVMAC           | \$75                  | Mona City      | Parade   |
| Steve Dutton    | Sponsor's Award       | Spanish Fork   | Car Show |
| Bill Thompson   | Artist's Choice Award | Rat Fink       | Car Show |
| Tyler Lewallen  | Best Classic Car      | Toole City     | Car Show |
| Jeff Niven      | Sponsor's Choice      | Orem Fest      | Car Show |
| Roger Davis     | Artist's Choice       | Rat Fink       | Car Show |

Our reputation is growing and you are what makes the club great! Howard and I were even invited to share dinner with the Utah County external promotion leaders—seeking to get prominent out-of-state events held here in Utah Valley.

Thank you for your support! Keep enjoying your cars! Keep bringing your friends! Keep encouraging young folks to join the hobby. Because of your commitment, we are truly becoming a recognized force for good here in Utah Valley.

Happy driving!

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## Utah Valley Model A Club Meeting

### 21 August 2025

The August 2025 meeting of the Utah Valley Model A Club was called to order by the club's Vice-President, Buster Hansen, at 7:05pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August 2025 in the Clyde Company Building in Orem, Utah.

The first order of business was the recognition and welcoming of visitors and new members. New member Nathan Swenson was introduced to the club members. His wife's name is Kristina, and we hope to meet her at the next meeting.



Next on the agenda, Buster introduced Tracy Wagstaff from Courtyard at Jamestown Senior Living, who invited members of our club to their 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Car Show and Carnival, which is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 3pm to 6pm. She encouraged everyone to attend and distributed flyers and sign-up sheets for the event. All proceeds from the car show will go to the Gail S. Halvorsen (The Candy Bomber) Aviation Education Foundation.

Members of our club supported the event last year, including Brian Lindenlaub, who recently wrote to the club about this event. He said;

*A few of us participated in this show last year. It is a fun show for a good cause. If you aren't going on the [Wyoming] tour, I encourage you to spend a pleasant Saturday afternoon at this show in Provo.*





Next on the agenda, Club Treasurer, Diane Brimley, gave the financial report as follows:

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Checking Account - | \$527.12  |
| Savings Account -  | \$2301.11 |
| CD                 | \$3054.09 |

Robert Mack, who was in charge of the coordinating all the parades this year, next made a brief comment about the results of the parades, and thanked all the club members who participated in them, for their time and effort.

Buster presented awards to three members of the club who attended the Lindon Parade on August 1<sup>st</sup>. They were Roger Davis, Robert Todd and Bill Thompson (photo right). More details and photos of that parade and the BBQ at the Palmers afterwards, is included in this newsletter.



Andy Hudspeth talked briefly about the Eureka/Tintic Parade that took place on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August. There were 4 Model A's and 6 club members at the event, for which more details and photos are included in this newsletter.

Roger mentioned that the club also participated in the Mona Parade, for which the club received a \$75 prize.

Bill Thompson told the club that he and Colette recently attended a local event in their Model A, and planned to watch from the sidelines. An official with the event came up to him and asked him what he was doing on the side and Bill answered that they were going to watch.

"Absolutely not!" he told Bill. "You take your car up the street and get it registered so you can participate." Great job, Bill and Colette for representing our club.



Model A's Parked at the Clyde Building for the August 21<sup>st</sup> Club Meeting

The next item on the agenda was the presentation of awards by Theon Laney. Theon first mentioned that we have a lot of members who are working on their 13+ Award, which is presented to those members who drive their Model A's (or ride in someone else's car) for 12 straight months, including driving/riding the car to at least one club activity or meeting. (Thus 12+1 = 13+) There followed a short discussion about when those 12 months started and ended each year, which will need to be resolved at the next board meeting.

Theon mentioned that he knows of at least 8 members who have already earned their Lucky 7 Award, which is presented to members who drive their car to at least 7 club activities (NOT including regular club meetings). Those awards will be presented in the future as the award patches are produced.

Next came the coveted Bent Rod Award which is presented to members who have car problems for which they are the source of the problem. This month, the nominations were limited to the following:

- Clyde Munson who struggled with an electrical problem only to discover that the car's battery had been charged BACKWARDS, so that the polarity of the battery posts was wrong.
- Then he was late and had to drive in the dark on the I-15 Freeway.
- To top this all off, he was waiting at a local intersection and a guy turned the corner and ran into the left rear corner of his Roadster causing damage to the fender as well as the lower body.
- Robert/Greg/Nick Mack who complained of an overheated engine, with all the related symptoms. "Knock, Knock, Knock, who is there?"



Based on these nominations, and because Clyde refused to be considered for the award, the two Bent Rod Trophies were presented to Robert and Greg Mack.

Right after the trophies were presented, Steve Dutton showed the club members his broken Distributor Shaft that had broken due to lack of lubrication. (I am not sure why Steve was not considered for the Bent Rod for this, since it was clearly the owner's responsibility to keep the car lubricated. But he was not.) Steve admonished the club members to keep their Distributor Shafts well-oiled to prevent a similar failure with their cars.





A quick announcement was made for the club members to mark their calendars for this year's Annual Christmas Party, which has been scheduled for Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> in the Clyde Building.

Next on the agenda, Activites Chairman Howard Eckstein reminded everyone in the club about this month's official club activity, which is a tour of club member Judd Houser's garage in Holladay, Utah. Judd has a wonderful collection of antique cars including a 1909 Hupmobile as well as a 1911 Sears Motorbuggy, and a number of Model T's and a Model A. The plan is to join up at the "On the Go" Gas Station in American Fork, this Saturday morning, and then leave there to arrive at Judd's garage at 10:00am. The Judd's are planning to provide lunch for all of us.



Howard also reminded the club members about the 3-Day Vernal/NE Utah/ Wyoming Tour next month. It is discussed in this newsletter as well.

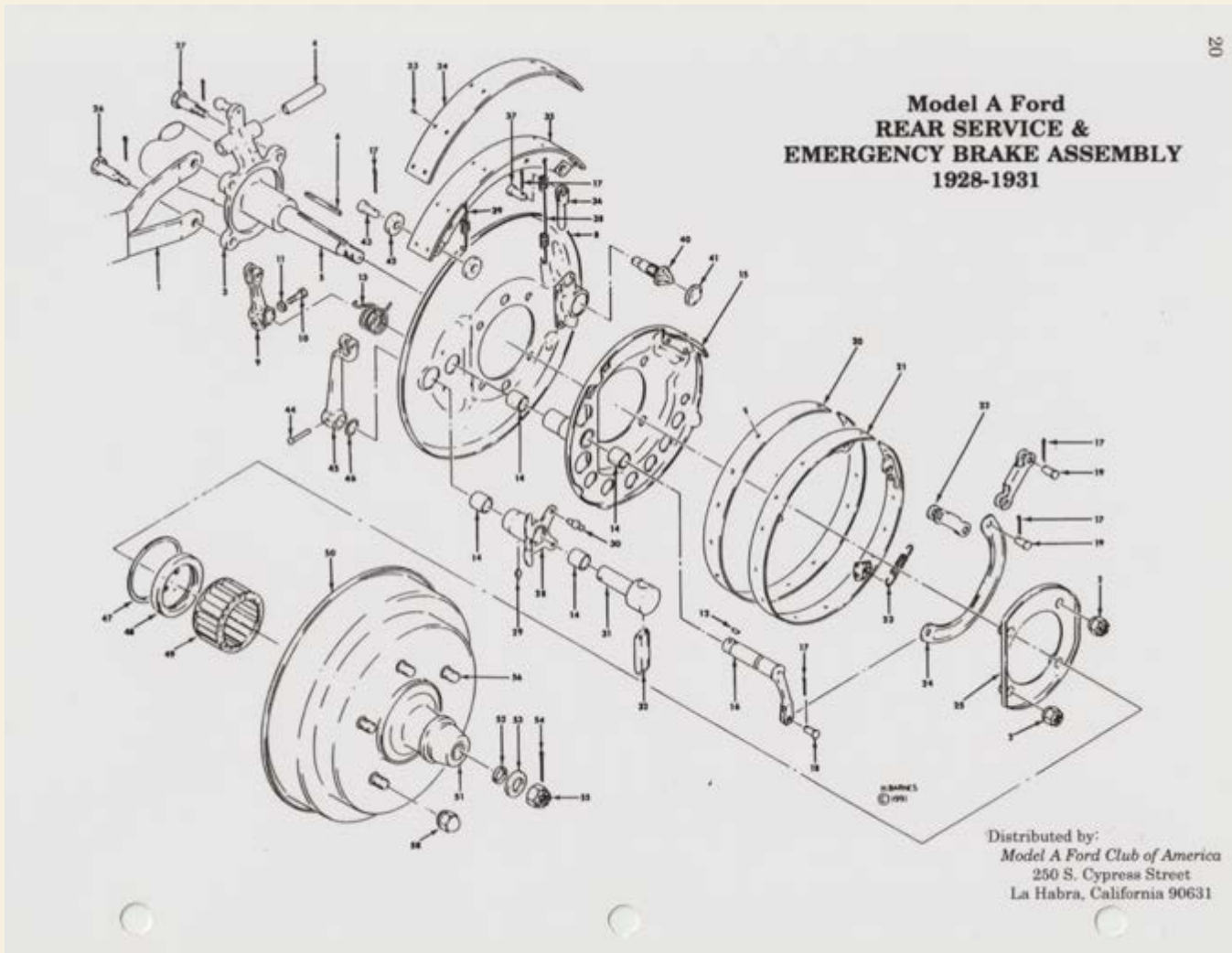
Next Paul Jerome discussed the upcoming Eagle Mountain Tour that is currently planned for October 11. In addition, Paul auctioned off two books about the Lincoln Highway, to the club members at the meeting.

The club members stopped for a refreshment break provided by club member Glenn Johns. Thanks, Glenn for the tasty donuts, cookies and water.

After the break, Roger Davis was introduced and provided the club members with an interesting and informative talk about his experience with a locked-up emergency brake on his Fordor Sedan. The club members learned that we should never apply the Emergency Brake "hard" without first applying the service brake, to prevent damaging the Emergency Brake Carrier, which is part number 15 on the following exploded view drawing.







At the conclusion of Roger's excellent Tech Talk, the club members were asked to begin thinking about selecting a new Club President for 2026.

Before concluding the meeting, Bob Todd mentioned that he had a box of Model A parts that are available for the club members to examine at the end of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm.

# A Note on Authenticity

By Roger Davis



Area 17 of the Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards addresses the tools that came with each Model A. This is an area you can pursue without changing anything on your car. Page 17-10 says, "Starting in January 1928, an instruction book was provided for every vehicle sold. The instruction book was changed as major changes were incorporated..." There were actually 13 different instruction books produced for the Model A.

**BUYER BEWARE:** This is an area where you need to make sure you get the correct book for your car. There have been many reprints of the instruction book. In fact, you can buy a reprint from the MAFCA website. The first time I saw one of these books, I offered to buy it. Come to find out, it was a MAFCA reproduction and thus had no authenticity value in my toolkit.

The Standards say that instruction books have glossy pages. Also, the Ford Script in the oval on the cover was the same size as the one on the inside front page. Be sure to check the copyright page to ensure it's not a MAFCA reproduction.

Below is the Instruction Books chart from page 17-10 of the Standards which shows the usage dates for each version of the Instruction Book (see figure below). The chart will help you identify the major change in each version so you can be sure it will match your car.

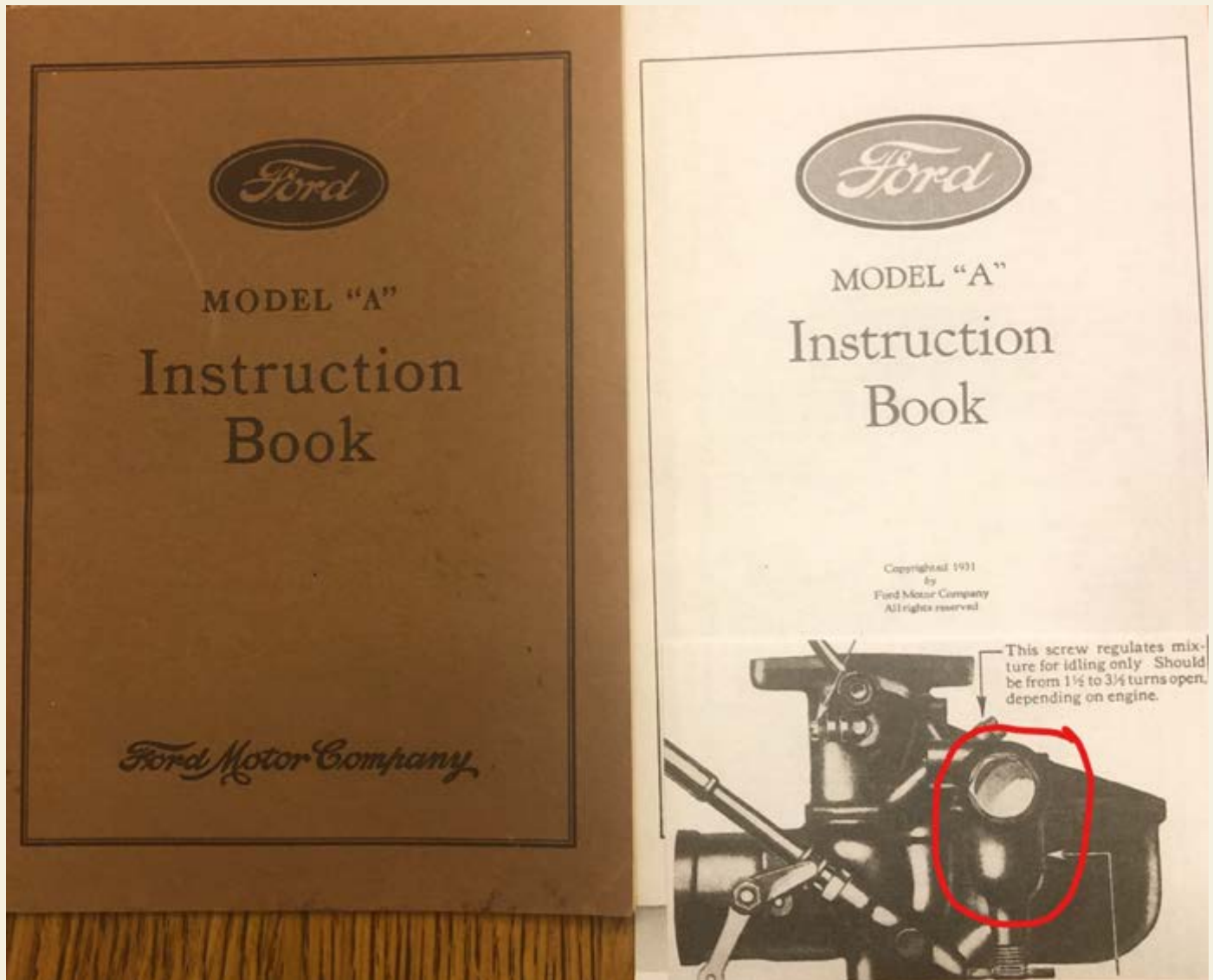
| Model A Ford<br>INSTRUCTION BOOKS<br>1928 - 1931 |      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 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For example, if you have a late 1931 Model A with the indented firewall and the associated Side Bowl Carburetor, then you need the second book printed in 1931. You'll see this feature described if you look in the book where it shows the side bowl carburetor (see figure below). (Now, upon further inspection, my 1931 Instruction Book looks to have different size scripts and is not printed on glossy paper. Perhaps, I need to keep looking.

Be authentic!



# Recipe of the Month

## Magic (Malt-O-Meal) Muffins

A Family Favorite Since 1919

Malt-O-Meal Company was founded in 1919 as the Campbell Cereal Company by John Campbell, a miller in Owatonna, Minnesota. He invented a combination of farina wheat and malted barley hot breakfast cereal he called Malt-O-Meal. Campbell intended to compete with Cream of Wheat. The cereal can also be used to make a batter that makes delicious muffins. Here is the recipe:

### Ingredients:

- 1-1/4 cups of all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cups of Malt-O-Meal hot cereal, dry
- 1/2 cup of sugar
- 3/4 cup of milk
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla (optional)

### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.
- Combine all ingredients in large mixing bowl.
- Stir together until all ingredients are moistened.
- Pour batter into greased or paper-lined muffin pan, 3/4 full each.
- Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until center is firm to the touch.
- Serve hot, with butter, honey, jam or jelly.

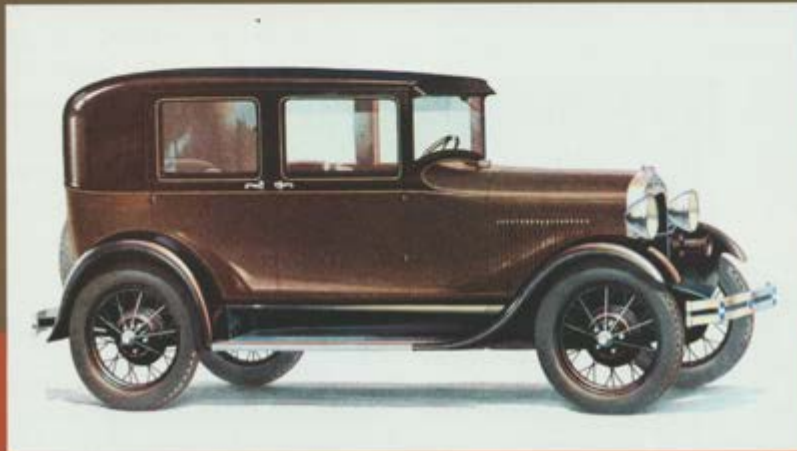
Yield: 12 muffins





## Model A Ford – Model of the Month

### FORDOR SEDAN



|                           | TOTAL   | 1928   | 1929                          |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Ford Body Style           |         | 60-A   | 60-A<br>60-B<br>60-C<br>170-A |
| Weight (pounds)           |         | 2,467  | 2,286                         |
| Price (FOB Detroit)       |         | \$570  | \$625                         |
| Units Produced (U.S.)     | 228,446 | 82,349 | 146,097                       |
| <b>Number of U.S. Ads</b> |         |        |                               |
| Primary Formats           | 13      | 3      | 10                            |
| Ad Variations             | 33      | 8      | 25                            |
| Magazine Insertions       | 69      | 18     | 51                            |

Following the initial five Model A body styles introduced in December 1927, the Fordor Sedan (60-A) became available in May 1928. This vehicle was a four-door, two-window sedan with a brown artificial leather-covered roof, manufactured by Briggs. Later, in 1929, the Briggs-manufactured black artificial leather top (60-B) and black steel top (60-C) Fordor Sedan models were added. In July 1929, Briggs also produced a new two-window Model A Fordor Sedan (170-A), using more steel in the structural body parts.

Ford promoted the Model A Fordor Sedan in 1928 and 1929 using 33 different magazine ad variations. All of the 1928 magazines ads featured Fordor Sedans with Seal Brown artificial leather top treatments (60-A). In 1929, most of the ads showed cars with black artificial leather covered roofs (60-B). However, the last two ads produced in 1929 featured Fordor Sedans with black painted steel roofs (60-C).

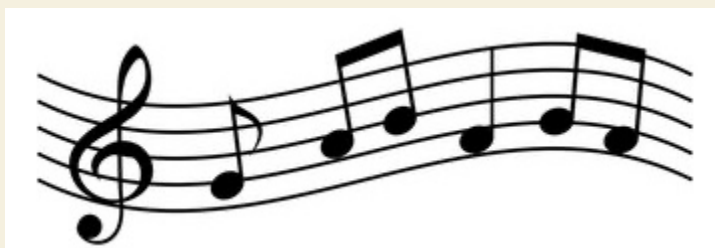
## - New Feature -

# Do You Remember this Car Song?

It is estimated that there have been hundreds of songs written about automobiles before and since the time of the Model A. This new monthly feature of the Motometer will highlight one of those songs along with a Hyperlink which you may use to listen and enjoy the song.

The song featured in this edition of the Motometer is "Henry's Made a Lady Out of Lizzie", written in 1928 by Walter O'Keefe. Click on the link below to enjoy this wonderful tribute to both the Model T and the Model A Ford Automobiles. If the link does not work, then simply cut-and-paste the link into the space provided. If the video starts with an ad, you can skip the ad.

Included on the following page are the lyrics to the song so you can sing along, if you wish.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOw-qEIH-7M>



# Henry's Made a Lady Out of Lizzie

Words and music by Walter O'Keefe, ©1928

As sung by Irving Kaufman on Conqueror 7029-A

Have you seen her? Ain't she great?  
 She's something you'll appreciate.  
 I'm sure you understand just what I mean.  
 Ev'rybody ev'rywhere is falling for her now.  
 I'm talking 'bout the new Ford, and boy, it sure is a wow!

Lay off, people; lay off, folks.  
 None of your sarcastic jokes.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 No more bruises, no more aches.  
 Now she's got those four-wheel brakes.

Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 She's even got a rumble seat, and lots of style and class,  
 And the horn just seems to holler out, [honk, honk] "They shall not pass."  
 The Lincoln car is made of tin.  
 They're sisters underneath the skin.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.

Now she's even learned to stop  
 For ev'ry single traffic cop.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 Not a rattle, not a bit;  
 Lizzie now has lots of it.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 There's ev'rything inside her now except the kitchen sink:  
 A mirror and a powder puff, and a shower bath, I think.  
 I'll bet my socks that this miss Ford  
 We'll live as long as Fanny Ward.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.

C.O.D. and F.O.B.,  
 All you need is dough-re-mi.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 Since he lifted up her face,  
 She travels at an awful pace.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.  
 She's not like Calvin Coolidge; she's a girl who likes her fun.  
 She says, "Imagine anyone who doesn't choose to run!"  
 You should get delivery  
 By nineteen-hundred-thirty-three.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.

Her dashboard has a clock that's made a hit with all the Scotch.  
 A Scotchman saw the clock and so he promptly stopped his watch.  
 You've all heard the Frenchmen song:  
 Fifty million can't be wrong.  
 Henry's made a lady out of Lizzie.



# Gwen's Thistle Memories

From the Scrapbook of the late Gwen Gerber Dockstader  
1932 – 2022

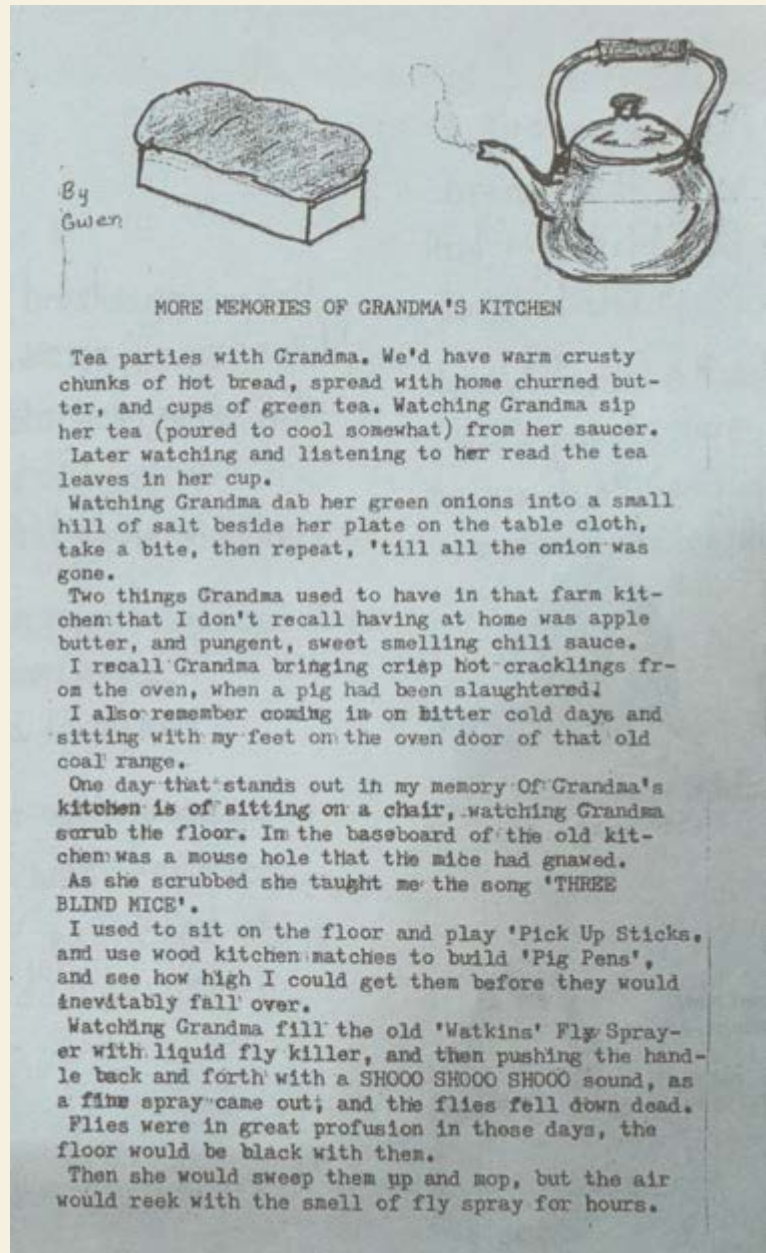


Gwen Dockstader

## New Feature

This is a new feature of the Motometer. Each of the entries comes from the scrapbook kept by Evelyn "Gwen" Gerber Dockstader as she documented her life growing up in Thistle, Utah. Gwen was born in 1932 and passed away in 2022. Gwen allowed me to make a copy of her scrapbook when I visited her in November 2019. Gwen made her own drawings and often wrote poems about her life.

Editor



# Calendar of Birthdays, Activities & Events

## 2025 SEPTEMBER

| SUNDAY                             | MONDAY                                            | TUESDAY           | WEDNESDAY                        | THURSDAY                               | FRIDAY                                                         | SATURDAY                                                                 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                    | 1<br>Labor Day                                    | 2                 | 3                                | 4                                      | 5                                                              | 6                                                                        |
| 7<br>Full Moon<br>Darin Swan       | 8<br>UVMAC<br>Board Meeting                       | 9<br>Jason Beadle | 10                               | 11                                     | 12<br>Vernal/NE Utah/<br>SW Wyoming<br>Road Trip - 12-14       | 13 International<br>Model A Ford Day<br>Jamestown Car<br>Show & Carnival |
| 14                                 | 15                                                | 16                | 17<br>Susette Gertsch            | 18<br>UVMAC<br>Monthly Club<br>Meeting | 19<br>Model A Days –<br>Model A Ford<br>Museum – MI -<br>19-20 | 20                                                                       |
| 21<br>Greg Mack                    | 22<br>September<br>Equinox (First<br>Day of Fall) | 23                | 24<br>Karla Lynn<br>Linda Vernon | 25                                     | 26<br>Mike Carlton                                             | 27                                                                       |
| 28<br>Howard Eckstein<br>Boyd Hash | 29                                                | 30<br>Judd Houser |                                  |                                        |                                                                |                                                                          |

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## Upcoming 2025/2026 MAFCA Events:

National Awards Banquet – Alabama – December 3-6  
 National Convention – Oregon – May 31 – June 7, 2026



# Period Fashion

From MAFCA Restorer Magazine – January 2018

## Beauty and Health, the Model A Way

*Are you sure you want to do this?*

By Mary Carlson

Any time you open a magazine, you'll be bombarded by ads for beauty products. In addition, an 'expert' will tell you how to take care of your health. Nothing changes, as this was also the case in the Model A era. However, some of the suggestions that we see in the era magazines would be suspect now. It's always fascinating to examine what was taking place during those earlier years. Following are some examples, taken from a single issue of a 1930 magazine.

### General beauty and health tips:

There were numerous articles and advertisements focusing on the internal workings of the body. It was stated that lasting loveliness could not be achieved unless you kept internally clean. Products such as Sal Hepatica, Olive Tablets, fresh yeast and Postum would work towards that goal.



**Sal Hepatica** uses the saline method to make horrible conditions such as constipation, colds, acidosis, rheumatism, headaches and auto-intoxication disappear. The ad goes on to say that sluggish livers respond, complexions bloom and the bloodstream is purified. 'Glory on the cheek ... sparkle in the eye... Health'

Now, for something different, try eating **Fleishmann's Yeast** three times every day. It will keep your stomach in good condition, as well as stimulating the intestines and correcting constipation. See the testimonials in the ads to the right.

If that doesn't fix you up, try **Dr Edwards Olive Tablets**. The ad states that they will keep your blood free of the poisons of constipation and the results will be lustrous eyes and clear skin.

*Some Women Always Attract*

The women you most admire, and perhaps envy, prize their beauty and guard it. Their lustrous eyes and clear skin are the result of daily care. Above all else, these women keep their blood free of the poisons of constipation. Thousands of such women find Dr. Edwards Olive Tablets a matchless corrective. Made of pure vegetable ingredients. Know them by their olive color. They are a safe substitute for dangerous calomel. Not habit-forming. All druggists, 15c, 30c and 60c.

**Dr. Edwards OLIVE TABLETS**

### Her experience bore out what great doctors say

(Beverly) "I was always bothered with indigestion," writes Miss Joanne Johnson of Los Angeles. "Then I noticed a lot of the prettiest girls at school ate Fleishmann's Yeast. I tried it and my indigestion was forgotten. My complexion improved, too."



(Beverly) "When I returned from the War I couldn't eat without indigestion," writes Willard Davis of Atlanta, Ga. "I heard about Fleishmann's Yeast, tried it, and soon lost my sluggishness and indigestion."





If all else fails, try drinking **Postum**. This product made from roasted whole wheat and bran should be drunk instead of caffeinated beverages. Try it hot or cold and you can even add a dollop of whipped cream to the top, or beaten into the drink. Thousands of people are said to have claimed that 'they feel like a different person' after consuming Postum for thirty days.

A tip – smoke **Old Gold Cigarettes** and you won't be left with any irritation to your throat. They are made of better tobacco and are endowed by nature with a new taste-thrill. The first carload reached the west coast on October 24, 1926.



At the end of a tiring day, rest your weary muscles in a warm bath. Simply fill your bathtub with warm water and stir in a half pound of **Arm & Hammer** or **Cow Brand baking soda**. Lie there for 5 or 10 minutes and you will feel the soda working to loosen up your muscles, soothing and resting you. When you get out of the tub, you will be wonderfully reinvigorated.

## Skin care:

As is the case today, during the Model A era there were a multitude of skin care products to choose from. It seems that every one of these products was the one you should use. What is your choice?

**Ingram's Milkweed Cream** promised to make your skin clearer and healthier. It was meant to be applied as a cleanser for a few moments, then patted off. Add a fresh film of the cream and pat it gently and carefully into your skin. Doing this will allow the special cleansing and toning ingredients to penetrate the pores. Your skin texture will be finer and smoother.







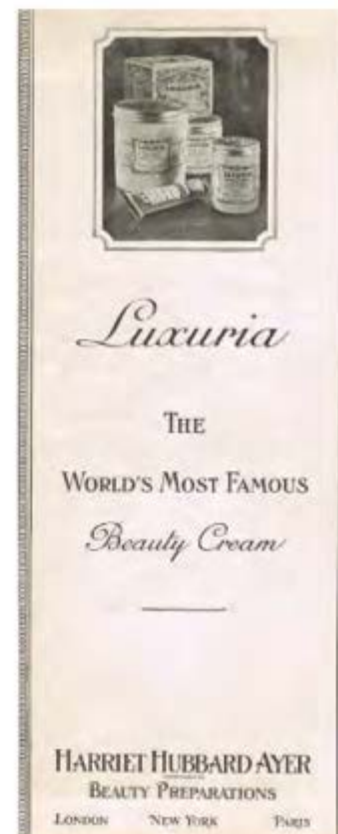
**Ponds Extract Company** sold 4 skin preparations to ensure that your skin would be dazzling fine and fair. They say that Pond's Cold Cream is the lightest and most exquisite obtainable, for immaculate cleansing several times a day. Then, to give you the alabaster look of utter daintiness, use Pond's Cleansing Tissues which are soft, safe and super-absorbent. After all the cream and dirt is removed, refresh your skin with Pond's Skin Freshener. This will banish oiliness and shine. The final step to achieving a peach-bloom finish is Pond's Vanishing Cream.

The model in the ad is Mrs Adrian Iselin II, of New York. She is wearing a black and white chiffon dress [a Paquin model] along with a Reboux hat of satin-trimmed black [Milan]. Both the hat and dress are by Hattie Carnegie.

**Harriet Hubbard Ayer Incorporated** sold beauty products. They had locations in London, New York and Paris. Their ad simply stated that **Luxuria** is the World's Most Famous Beauty Cream.



A somewhat more modest ad was from the company called **Dorothy Gray**, with locations in New York, Paris, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Washington and Atlantic City. The areas to be focused on, according to Dorothy Gray, were the wrinkles at the eyes or mouth, a crepe-y texture of the throat and a drooping of the underchin. They have a simple and successful treatment for each of these areas.







What is this "modern" dirt?

Modern dirt can be banished, if you use **Ambrosia**. This pore-deep liquid cleanser ends the modern dirt problem. What is modern dirt? It is a grimy, greasy deposit that comes from motor exhausts, soft coal soot and oil from machines. Modern dirt finds its way into the pores of the skin and is kept there by its oily content, impervious to ordinary cleaning. As a result, you will have a coarsened, roughened condition, impaired circulation and large pores. Ambrosia penetrates instantly, dissolving pore deep dirt and rousing circulation.

Are you plagued with freckles? **Stillman's Freckle Cream** can bleach out those nasty freckles, while you sleep. It's been endorsed by thousands, for 37 years! It will whiten your skin, too.

Do you have hair you don't want? Well, help is on the way. Del-A-Tone, Neet and ZIP are available. Each product has its own promise of how it will take care of your problem.



**Del-A-Tone** is faintly fragrant, snow white and removes hair safely in 3 minutes or less. They say that you can meet curious eyes with poise and self confidence. Forget the fuzzy hair.

**Neet Cream Hair Remover** promises that the hair will be removed instantly and that when it does reappear, there won't be any sharp stubble or coarsened growth. This exquisite toilet crème resembles superior beauty clay in texture.

**SUMMER LEGS**  
are lovely only  
when free of fuzzy hair

That's why society, modern women turn to Del-A-Tone Cream. Faintly fragrant... moisture... it is as easy to use as cold cream. Removes hair safely in 3 minutes or less. You can meet curious eyes with poise and self-confidence if you keep your skin smooth and hair-free with Del-A-Tone Cream... the most pleasant, modern way to remove superfluous hair from legs, back of neck, face, eyebrows and under-arms. (Removal of under arm hair lessens perspiration odor). Perfected through our exclusive formula, Del-A-Tone has the distinction of being the first and only toilet cream hair-remover. Send coupon below for generous





disfiguring hair growths  
permanently destroyed—  
(not merely removed)

*The undergrowth must also be removed  
in order to prevent a bristly regrowth*

**ZIP** claims that disfiguring hair growths are permanently destroyed. ZIP gets to the undergrowth and the roots, and is pleasant to use. It's harmless and painless. It leaves no trace of hair above the skin; no prickly stubble later on, and no dark shadow under the skin.

#### Lips and teeth:

Dental care was important during the Model A era. Numerous ads for tooth brushes, toothpaste, toothpowder, mouth rinses and gargles were seen. Even chewing gum was promoted for its beauty benefits. Colgate and Pepsodent were vying for your business. They each had a different 'spin' on why you should brush your teeth with their product.

'Everybody knows that the real fascination of any charming woman centers in her possession of



a pair of pretty lips.' So states an ad for **Wrigley's** chewing gum. They tell us that one of the oldest and most inexpensive beauty secrets is that chewing gum from the Sapota tree keeps your lips young and pretty. Therefore, chew Wrigley's at least 10 minutes a day. 'Note the added loveliness in texture and contour that gradually finds its alluring way to your lips.'

**Colgate** would give you a double cleansing, when the penetrating foam sweeps into the tiny crevices and washes out decaying particles, as well as polishing the surface of the teeth.







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The competition, **Pepsodent**, claims that their product is gentle and contains no pumice, harmful grit or crude abrasive. Pepsodent is the most effective way of removing the film from teeth. This film is a major cause of decay and other serious troubles.

If that isn't enough, you should use a mouthwash. **Listerine** promises that it kills virulent *Staphylococcus Aureus* and *Bacillus Typhosus* germs.

The ad features the story of a girl from Michigan who was pretty and was predicted to go on to great things such as popularity, a career and a happy marriage. But, because she had halitosis, her social life was a disaster. Keep yourself free from such a fate, by using Listerine, the safe antiseptic.

### Deodorants:

It wasn't just your breath that could be unpleasant. To combat underarm odor, there were at least two brands of deodorant available.



**MUM** is a snowy cream that you can dab on in a moment. There is no need to wait for it to dry and it doesn't leave the skin greasy. It will not irritate sensitive skin or injure delicate fabrics.

Crystal – Pure Deodorant is how **DEW** is advertised. It is a deodorant and instant non-perspirant that will not irritate tender skin or injure delicate fabrics. 'DEW' is the original colorless deodorant.'



Just before you slip on your finest gown... a few DEW drops to keep it dry and fresh.

Confused yet? Are there too many choices? This was a snapshot of the advertising that was being used in the Model A era. Remember, all these ads came from one magazine. Imagine how many more there are out there, competing for your attention.

Reference: August 1930 Delineator

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# Report on Lindon Parade and Putt-Putt Golf BBQ at the Palmers

The Utah Valley Model A Club showed up “in force” at the Lindon City Parade on the evening of August 1<sup>st</sup>, as you can see from this photo (below and right). Below are some of the photos taken by Clyde Munson of the great looking cars that were driven in the parade.







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After the parade, everyone gathered at Par and Patsy Palmer's home for a delicious BBQ and a game of Putt-Putt Golf on their tremendous miniature golf course. Thanks, everyone for a wonderful time and thanks to the Palmers for hosting this great event!



# Have Some Fun

## Endless Summer – Surf's Up

Sam the Surfer has been surfing all day and now as the sun goes down he seems to have forgotten where he parked his 1929 Woody Station Wagon. Can you help Sam the Surfer find his way back to his 1929 Woody before the sun drops behind the horizon and the beautiful sunset disappears? (Solution on page 46)



# Report on the Eureka/Tintic Parade

## 16, August 2025

Just as the sun was rising in the East, four Model A's and their drivers and passengers were making their way to rendezvous at the old Sinclair Station in Elberta, Utah, at 8:15am, on Saturday, 16 August 2025. Andy Hudspeth and his wife, Jana (coming from South Jordan), had joined up earlier with Jeff Niven and Paul Jerome at the Smiths Market in Saratoga Springs. At the Sinclair Station, those three met up with John Warby and his grandson, Weston, coming from Spanish Fork.

The group had a special treat when the owner of the Sinclair Station unlocked the front door and allowed us to step inside to look around and take photos. What we saw inside is covered in a separate article in this Motometer.

Once John and Weston arrived, the four cars headed west towards Eureka, up the winding uphill grade that almost required us to downshift into 2<sup>nd</sup> gear. After arriving at 9am, we took care of the parade-required paperwork, and decorated our cars for the Tintic Silver Jubilee Parade which started at 10am.

If you take a look at a map of Eureka, with its population of around 600, it is located on the Grand Army of the Republic Highway, or Utah State Highway 6, with a few side streets on either side. I was amazed that the local Police and Sheriff departments were able to block off traffic on Highway 6 during the parade, which lasted about 45 minutes. The parade route was all down-hill, so we only had to gently apply the brakes occasionally.

The parade was well attended for a town of 600 folks, and everyone enjoyed seeing the four Model A Fords and hearing them honk their Ahooga Horns as they passed by. Andy and Jana led the group and tossed out candy to the happy children on both sides of the street.

After the parade, we all went back up to the top of the hill for hamburgers and fries, before heading back home. Here are some photos of the parade and the attendees, and the cars.











## Sinclair Station Surprise

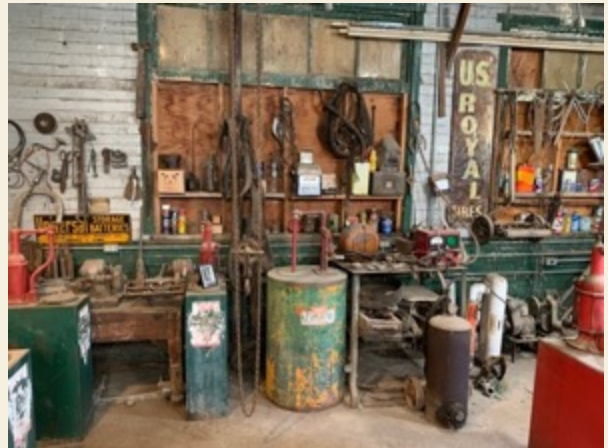
By Jeff Niven

Located at the intersection of Utah Highway 6 and 68 in Elberta, Utah, stands an old gas station that began serving early automobiles in 1917. It remained in operation until 1982. The station was constructed to serve everyone who passed by on their way to work at local mining operations. When the local gold mine shut down around 1947, local populations began to decline and most everyone moved away. The station is one of the most photographed landmarks in the state of Utah.

The Utah Valley Model A Club is just one of many organizations that often use the station for rendezvous during local activities. As an example, the four Model A's that participated in the recent Eureka/Tintic Parade met there on their way to Eureka. On that particular morning, however, the owner of the station just happened to stop by, as well, and unlocked the door to the garage. He allowed us to go inside and have a look. Inside was a collection of tools, and artifacts, and equipment, that took my breath away! Below are photos of some of the items I saw around inside.











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## Youth Spotlight – Tyler Lewallen

One of our young club members, Tyler Lewallen, has left town to attend Utah State University in Logan. Before he left, he sold one of his cars (see photo bottom right), which leaves him with his Coupe and his Sedan. Tyler left the following short message to the members of the club, along with a photo.

*Hey everyone this is Tyler. I don't think I will have the time to be able to come to any remaining events before I go to college. My Model A registration is expiring today, and it has a slight misfire. I wanted to say thank you to everyone for your kindness and for letting me be part of such an amazing group of people. I'll be sure to join the meetings via zoom. I hope everyone has a wonderful evening!*

*Sincerely,  
Tyler Lewallen*



I am sure I speak for the entire club when I say that we will miss Tyler and we wish him the best in his college experience. Tyler is the recipient of two Youth Restoration Awards, and a four-year scholarship from MAFCA. That is quite an accomplishment after being in the club for such a short time. Tyler hopes to be able to attend our monthly club meetings, via Zoom, and possibly attend a few of them in person, depending on his class schedule.

In the meantime, Tyler is settled in his apartment in Logan and recently sent this photo (below left) of the view from his window. In his letter, he lamented that he couldn't see any Model A's from his window. We'll be sure to stay in touch with Tyler with our club correspondence as well as the monthly Motometer newsletter.





## Youth Spotlight – Jason Beadle

We recently received a letter from another of our youth members, Jason Beable, who is currently serving a full-time mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in Liberia, West Africa. In his letter, Jason related a story about them working on a service project. I will let you read it yourself and enjoy it in Jason's own words:

*"Saturday was sweeeet! I finally got to participate in the Africa West service project of Mormon Helping Hands lettssss gooooooooo. (last year my companion was feesie and wouldn't let us participate) But I tell God thank you that I got to do it this year!*

*So, Friday evening we decided to go to Madena to spend the night because the place they were having the service project was in Kakata . So, we spent the night there and woke up the next morning to head over to branch 2 around 7:30 am. The service project was awesome, we started at the Bongmine road Chapel and did some landscaping around the church to clean it up. Most of us were just brushing grass (cutting grass with a machete tool) it was nice being able to do some hard manual labor after so long. I got to chop down the bushy areas with a machete so no small enjoyment. Unfortunately, my hands were not used to manual labor so I got a lot of blisters, but it was totally worth it.*

*After we had finished cleaning the chapel we made our way down the main road, cleaning all the garbage along the road and brushing more of the grass to make the area look nice. Many people were surprised to see a white man brushing grass and picking up their garbage. They said:*

*"Oh! da whie man can work-oo!"*

*That's when President sarko would come in and be like: "wha? you tink da whie man can't work? Tha how you tink their country come and be developed like the way it looking now? It because they can work-oo!"*

*Thanks President Sarko*

*What a legend*

*Sometimes when I'd be picking up trash, I'd be picking up every little nook and cranny and the Africans would tell me "nooooo that one is allright, you not need to clean tha one!" Then I'd just respond "well, if I not pick it up now then tha who will clean it up? Aye you want Africa to be clean??"*

*Overall a great experience."*



# Model A Mail Truck

## Virtual Convention Coming Soon

From Roger Davis



Postal As will host a Model A Mail Truck Virtual Convention,  
Tuesday, Oct 14, 2025, 8:00 pm EDT (5:00 pm PDT).

Join via Zoom at: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87226593416>.

We'll answer questions, share stories of our Mail Trucks, and review available resources.





## FORD MODEL A

### "THE MODERN ANTIQUE CAR"

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Taken from the Cowtown "A" – August 2025 – Fort Worth, Texas

# Message from MAFCA President –

## By Ed Tolman



By now many of us Model A owners will have had ample opportunities to get Henry's Lady out on the road whether it be to car shows or tours like the National Tour of Virginia. By the time this edition of the Restorer is published I will have made my cross country road trip to Virginia from California in my 1928 Tudor and should have posted a few photos and videos on Social Media.

I'll give a better report of the trip in the September issue of the Restorer but if you'd like to see what I've been up to visit our Face Book page.

Some of you are aware that MAFCA has a digital newsletter to serve our members when no Restorer is in your mailbox; but for those who aren't aware, it is called The Flying Quail. Envisioned several years ago by the MAFCA Board as a way to keep us connected, it was originally intended as a monthly newsletter but has since morphed into a bimonthly digital magazine when there is no Restorer magazine in your mailbox. (even numbered months)

This is where MAFCA leadership can keep us informed and connected with articles from Technical to Era fashion as well as information on Local, Regional and National events. And sometimes, when space is an issue for in-depth articles in the Restorer, you can read them in the Flying Quail, where space isn't an issue.

**Robert Mack of the Utah Valley A's has taken over the responsibilities as editor of the Flying Quail and is doing a great job.** Currently the number of folks taking advantage of this publication is rather small so if you would like to add your name to the distribution list please visit the MAFCA website and find the button for publications and then scroll down to Flying Quail and click the link. This page allows you to view past issues as well as sign up for future issues.

And don't forget to mark your calendars for Model A Days at the Model A Ford Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan this September 19th and 20th. This year is special as it will be the official opening of the Museum Expansion. And if you'd like to follow the final stages of the project just visit the Model A Ford Foundation website and click on the 'live' cams. [www.maffi.org](http://www.maffi.org)

Ed

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Editor's Note: I was excited to read this about our Robert Mack. Congratulations to Robert! I know he will do a wonderful job!



# Report on Judd Houser's Garage Tour

23 August 2025

By Jeff Niven

On Saturday morning, at 9:00am, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, members of the Utah Valley Model A Club rendezvoused in American Fork to drive up to the home of club member, Judd Houser, in Holladay, Utah. The club members were excited to see Judd's collection of antique automobiles and memorabilia.



By the time we arrived at Judd's home, the street in front of his house, as well as his driveway and front yard were packed with dozens of cars, and visitors who were talking and getting acquainted.







Looking through the hundreds of items in Judd's collection reminded me of my recent visit to the Sinclair Gas Station in Elberta, Utah.





Judd and his wife were presented with a framed picture to commemorate the day of our visit and to thank them for letting us come and view the collection. (photo left).









After viewing all the cars and parts and memorabilia, and asking questions of Judd, we all moved to the shady back yard and ate sandwiches, chips, cookies and drinks and got to visit and know each other better. It was a wonderful and relaxing afternoon.

Finally, it was time to go and after saying our goodbyes to the Housers, we all moved to the front yard and started our cars. The red hot-rod was a bit louder than the rest of the cars. Clyde took charge of leading the group back to Utah Valley, and was careful to stop along the way when the caravan got separated due to numerous stop lights. Finally, we all stopped at the Maverick Gas Station at the Point of the Mountain, to take restroom breaks and get something to eat and drink.



At this point, some members of the group decided not to stay with the stop-and-go caravan and decided to head off on their own. Others followed Clyde and eventually broke off when they got near their homes. By about 4pm most everyone, except Steve Dutton had made it home.

Steve reported that he "Broke something bad, so no forward power in any gear." Steve used his trailer to tow his station wagon back home. For much of that evening, as Steve took things apart trying to find out what had broken, he kept the club informed of his progress with photos and texting. The first thought was that there was a broken axle key, but after the disassembly (see photo below) it was clear that that was not the problem. Many of the other club members tried to



help with suggestions and offers to help. By Monday and Tuesday, the diagnosis was that there is a problem with the clutch. We expect a full report when the final diagnosis is made, and the repairs are completed.

In summary, the event was a great success. Everyone seemed to have a good time and enjoy seeing all the hardware and the cars. Andy Hudspeth counted 16 Model A's at one point, Tyler Lewallen came all the way from Logan to attend the event, and we had several members from Spanish Fork at the southern end of the Utah Valley. Thanks to everyone who participated.

# Back in Time

By Jeff Niven

When I talk to young people these days about the times, in which I grew up (1950's), and the technology that we had back then, many of them are in awe that I ever was able to grow up and survive to the age I am today. Consider the following:

No felt tip pens. No aluminum cans. No Andy Griffith Show or the Flintstones, and TV was barely viewable and still black and white. People that I knew were suffering from Polio. The electric typewriter was just being invented. A modern computer filled an entire room and required dozens of people to operate it. The Beatles were introduced in England. Touch-Tone telephones and cassette tape recorders debuted. The Ford Mustang was introduced. Skateboards were just becoming popular. (We made ours from our sister's metal skates and a piece of 2" x 4". No credit cards. No self-serve gas stations. And the list goes on and on.

But what if we consider what it was like even before that, in the 1930's, at the time of the Model A Ford? Consider the following:

People still traveled in Airships. The first car radios were being introduced. The phrase "complete with radio and heater" was used by car salesmen to make sales. The first tractors to have rubber tires and diesel engines. The TV was in its infancy with only AM radio and newspapers to report the news. The first around-the-world telephone call was a miracle. Radar was in its infancy. Scotch tape and nylon bristle toothbrushes were invented. Clarence Birdseye invented the frozen dinner. Railroad technology was advanced with streamlined trains like the Zepher which were fast and reliable. Sliced bread became popular. Notable achievements in aviation included the DC-3, which reduced cross-country travel times and the ability to fly across the Atlantic. Ball point pens, parking meters, and chocolate chip cookies were just invented. Many roads in the US were still unpaved. Refrigerators were now becoming more commonplace. Talking movies were new, and color movie film was being invented.

And yet out of these impossible circumstances, the new Model A Ford was introduced to the public in December 1927, and it still survives today. This month, we celebrate International Model A Ford Day on Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Hip, Hip, Hooray, for the Model A!





# Out and About

By Jeff Niven



The other evening, I was cruising around town in my Model A. I do this often when I need time to think and be alone. Sometimes, I do it for “Therapy”, to take time away from the troubles and problems of the world. I might even stop in at a quiet ACE Hardware for a bag of popcorn, and for a look around.

I also enjoy making people happy and smile as they drive up next to me, on the road, to take pictures and give me a “thumbs up”. Often, they wave and tell me how much they appreciate my car.

One day, I came across a sign pointing up a narrow winding hill. I turned to drive up the road and check it out. At the top of the steep hill, I found one of the most beautiful cemeteries, I have seen, in this area. It is called East Lawn Memorial Hills Cemetery Gardens. At the top of the hill, I turned off the engine and got out of my car. It was very peaceful and quiet, and not another soul was in sight. While it was a bit hazy, the sunset was wonderful, and I spent some time, there, looking over the valley below with Utah Lake in the distance.

While some people might not like to spend time in a cemetery, I find it to be a very relaxing and thought-provoking experience, often a spiritual time for me. If you happen to be near the north-east area of Provo, I encourage you to check out this quiet place. You might find that you enjoy it as well.



## Letters to the Editor

Just after I sent out the August edition of the Motometer to the club members, I became aware that I had failed to include some important information about an upcoming club activity that I had promised to include in the newsletter. I felt terrible, and immediately sent out an Extra edition of the August Motometer to all the club members, which included that information.

Within a short time, I began receiving Emails and Text messages from many of our club members about this Extra edition. Here are some of those that I received: Thank you, to all those who responded!



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Editor,

I received both the August edition of the Motometer and the supplement. I know that this represents a lot of effort on your part because the newsletter is excellent. Thank you for all your hard work in publishing the Motometer and seeing that it gets to me.

With gratitude,  
Ralph

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Editor,

Thanks, Jeff, for the extra edition of the Motometer. This is a first for the official publication of the Utah Valley Model A Club. History in the making.

Howard

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Editor,

This is really cool! Thanks for going to the effort to share this.

Roger

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Editor,

Thanks, Jeff.

Bob

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Editor,

Thank you. Blessings,

Jill







## UTAH VALLEY MODEL A CLUB ROAD TRIP

**Fri Sept 12 thru Sun Sept 14**  
Leave Harmon's in Orem at 8:00 am  
on Friday the 12th

### See the Sights

- Dinosaur National Monument
- Vernal Field House Museum
- Flaming Gorge
- Fort Bridger
- Evanston Roundhouse

See the August Motometer for hotel information



Puzzle Solution from page 27  
of this edition of the  
Motometer.



# Golden Wrench Article

## Luggage Rack Restoration

By Clyde Munson

You wouldn't know it from reading what some people post on the internet but Henry Ford wasn't really concerned about absolute purity (at least as far as the Model A was concerned, when it comes to his alignment with a guy with the initials AH that made it impossible for anyone to copy Charlie Chaplin's mustache, but that is a discussion for another time.) So, almost immediately after the Model A started selling, customers began to accessorize their cars, one of those accessories was a luggage rack.

Originally the racks were decorated with what appeared to be wood slats. These were, in fact, wood grained steel with special rivets that held the decorative strips on. Unfortunately, reproduction luggage racks aren't as well made and have real wood slats, these are held on with carriage bolts to mimic the rivets used on the period correct racks. The problem with these carriage bolts is unless immediately after installing a rack on your A you don't remove the nuts from these bolts and apply some Loctite it is likely the nuts will loosen and bolts, nuts and wood slats will fall off your brand-new rack while you are zipping down highway. To combat this, years ago, I cut some new wood strips, used counter sunk screws with acorn nuts on the "outside".

Recently, I noticed that the clear finish that I put on those strips was failing so I pulled the strips off sanded them and applied new stain and new clear coat. Hopefully, this refurbishing work I did will last another 15 years.







## Model A Ford Club of America National Awards Banquet

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Mobile History Trolley Tour

### Seminars

Fashion with Sherry Winkinhofer  
Mechanics with Paul Shinn  
The History of Mobile





## AGENDA

### Friday, September 12

- Leave Harmon's in Orem promptly at 8:00 AM
- Meet Beehives at 8:40 AM in Heber Utah
- Arrive in Vernal at approximately 11:00 AM. Go to Lunch.
- At noon, travel to Dinosaur National Monument.
- The club will return to Vernal at 3:00 PM
- Upon returning to Vernal, the club will visit the Field House Museum
- Attend Dinner around 6:30 PM

### Saturday, September 13

- 9:00 AM - Depart for Evanston, Wyoming
- While driving, visit Flaming Gorge
- At approximately noon, the club will enjoy lunch, followed by visiting Fort Bridger
- The club will leave for Evanston at 2:00 PM
- Dinner will be held in Evanston that evening

### Sunday, September 14

- The club will explore the Evanston Roundhouse at 10:00 AM
- Lunch Break
- After lunch, the club will head home







## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

### Friday, September 12

Quality Inn Vernal

1684 West Highway 40, Vernal, Utah, 84078

(435) 261-2952

Room Rate: \$109.00 plus taxes and hotel fees

**GROUP NUMBER:** NX81R5

### Saturday, September 13

Quality Inn Evanston

1936 Harrison Drive, Evanston, Wyoming, 82930

(307) 789-6000

Room Rate: \$58.70 plus taxes and hotel fees

**GROUP NUMBER:** CL14V1



## QUESTIONS?

Please call or speak with Clyde Munson at (801) 376-0594 / [clyyslly@yahoo.com](mailto:clyyslly@yahoo.com)

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*Application for Club Awards*

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Club Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Award Requested:**  
 Bent Rod - ☐ (trophy for avoidable or self-inflicted Model A mishap)  
 Crying Towel - ☐ (for Model A mishap - unavoidable or caused by others)  
 Mileage - 500 - ☐ 1000 - ☐ 1500 - ☐ 2500 - ☐ 5000 - ☐ 10K - ☐  
 13+ Award - ☐ (Driving car 13 consecutive months including to club mtg)  
 Golden Wrench - ☐ (writing newsletter article re. your Model A car work)

**Justification/Details/Information, etc.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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For Sale: KRW Combination Machine, for line-boring Model A and Model T blocks, lots of extras, make me an offer.

For Sale: Complete set of four original Model A shocks, rebuilt (not sure by whom) and in the original shipping bags, a little oily and dirty but never mounted, complete with new shock arms, and four tubular links, all new \$1000 or offer.

For Sale, 21" Model A wheels, \$40 each.

For Sale, two Model A horns, rebuilt by the late Chuck Ferrell, \$150 each.

Also have several 21" Model T wire wheels, and one front two rear hubs, call for more information,

Thanks Kevin Fielding 801-726-7042

Note: Kevin Fielding is a member of the Beehive A's, up in Ogden, Utah.