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Russ Winter's panel truck has turned out beautifully!

The Prez Sez

I hope you all got out and drove your Model As in October. What a great time of year to do a little touring! We are beginning to bring the year to an end, and we have a lot to do in the next two months.

In the October monthly meeting, Brad presented the current ballot of candidates for officers and directors. He explained the proposed changes to our bylaws to address the number of directors, updating of officer's responsibilities, and the added section about use of donations specifically for the Model A Ford



Youth Center. You will be receiving a separate email during the first week of November with all candidates for officers and directors, and a red-lined updated bylaws. At our November meeting, we will vote our officers and directors into office, as well as vote on approving the bylaws. I will also be presenting the initial fundraising plan. Hopefully this presentation will help you see where you can help the club in fundraising activities! After the meeting, I will send the presentation to all members via email so all can review and help the club meet its goals for fundraising.

Reminder: We are looking for advertisers for the newsletter. This is the place where vendors/suppliers, etc., can advertise their products or services. We need to find six more advertisers to cover the printing of the newsletter for those without the ability to view digitally. The cost to advertise is \$100 per year and will include a business card size advertisement within the Distributor. If you would like to advertise within our newsletter, please let me know.

With the election of officers and directors being complete in November, they will start immediately planning the club calendar for 2026. This has been a fun activity the last two years. There are always lots of ideas for tours and activities. The issue seems to be finding someone, a couple or two, to plan them and make them happen. So, if you have some ideas or memories of past tours that were fun, please let your board know asap! Most importantly, if you are willing to plan or help in planning, please step forward.

During our last board meeting on Oct. 6, we came away with many action items to accomplish. By becoming a nonprofit, there are items we must cover, such as establishing a yearly budget, updating bylaws for how we will handle donations, determining how we respond to donations accepted, etc. In addition, there are activities around fundraising, such as updating our website, identifying members who can help in fundraising, and establishing the plan. Your board is working hard in moving the club forward. Please take the time to tell them thank you.

Your annual dues are due! Please be sure to pay your annual dues of \$25 no later than Jan. 15th. After this date, you will be removed from the active roster and email list. Payments can be mailed to John Haack, 4300 Canoebrook Rd., Charlotte, NC 28210 with a \$25 check to QCMAC, or digitally send your \$25 via Venmo to @Jochen-Haack with your name in the comment section.

In November, the only activity planned other than our monthly meeting is the Veterans Day Parade in uptown Charlotte on Sat., Nov. 8. Last year we had around eight vehicles and it was lots of fun showing off our cars, getting all the smiles and waves from attendees. The horns were the big winner. Kids just seem to love that sound. So, make sure your horn is working well and prepare to have some fun honoring our veterans. We also have our monthly meeting on Mon., Nov. 17th at the Sports Page.

Make sure to mark your calendars for the Christmas Parades on Dec. 6th and the annual Club Christmas Party on the 8th.

See ya down the road,

Troy



CLOUDS & SUNSHINE

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Keep the members below in your special prayers:

- Ola Mae Matthews, as she deals with the loss of her husband, Vann.
- Carl Adams, as his Parkinson’s disease limits his mobility.
- Ron and JoAnn Bryant both with health problems.
- Susan Phillips, who is recovering from heart surgery.
- Jim Townsend, who is recovering well from radiation treatment for brain cancer.
- Frank Gerosa, who had shoulder surgery on Oct. 1.



“Enthusiasm is the yeast that makes
your hopes shine to the stars.
Enthusiasm is the sparkle in your
eyes, the swing in your gait. The grip
of your hand, the irresistible surge
of will and energy to execute your
ideas.”
– Henry Ford

Submitted by Larry Long

**NOVEMBER
HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**



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|---------------|---------|
| Bill Parker | Nov. 5 |
| Jenny Epperly | Nov. 8 |
| Mike Burns | Nov. 12 |
| Byron Falls | Nov. 14 |
| Manfred Kothe | Nov. 17 |
| Sue Moore | Nov. 22 |
| Kate Neil | Nov. 29 |
| Ann Widner | Nov. 28 |



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The Trustees of the Model A Ford Foundation acknowledge you for your donation of \$150.00 for a Museum Walkway Brick in honor of Vann Matthews. Per your request, an acknowledgement certificate was sent to Ola Mae Matthews. Our brick order must be placed prior to June 1st so they can be manufactured and installed in time for Model A Days in September. Your brick will be in place for Model A Days in 2026.

Thank you for your support of the Model A Ford Foundation by purchasing a Museum Walkway Brick and for the opportunity to remember Vann. We hope your members will be able to join us at the Museum on the third weekend of September 2026 for our next annual Model A Days celebration.

The Gilmore campus and the Model A Ford Museum have become major automotive museums, and the Model A Museum is one of the best in the country. *All of this is made possible because of generous, dedicated people like you!*

Thanks for your support,

John D Marshall

John D. Marshall

Executive Director

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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Veterans Day Tour: Nov. 8th. Host: Kalei Unea. Meet in uptown Charlotte, at the corner of N. Tryon St. and Ninth St. at 9 a.m. for the parade, then enjoy lunch immediately after the parade at Skyland Family Restaurant, 4544 South Blvd. All are welcome!

General Meeting @ Sports Page: Nov. 17th. Hosts: Marty and Manfred.



Harvey Hood Memorial Christmas Parade Tour: Dec. 6; time to be announced closer to event date. This tour is followed by the Denver, NC Christmas parade.

QCMAC Christmas Party: Dec. 8, @ 6 p.m. at Longhorn Steakhouse, Pineville, NC. Start thinking about your steal-worthy gift!

OCTOBER 2025 QCMAC REVIEW OF CHECKBOOK

Beginning Balance as of Oct. 1, 2025:
\$5302.72

Income:

New Members (3)	\$75.00
October 50/50	\$55.00

Expenses:

Museum Brick in Memory of Vann Matthews	\$150.00
Distributor Expenses	\$141.49
Awards Express, Name Tags	\$59.56

Ending Balance as of Oct. 31, 2025: \$5081.67

New!

**QCMAC Youth Center Savings Account Balance
as of October 2025: \$10,000.00**



QCMAC 2025 CALENDAR



<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
20 th General Meeting @ Golden Corral Host – Fishers	10 th - 11 th Augusta Club Meeting Host – Troy Dalsing 17 th General Meeting Internet Safety presentation @ Longhorn Steakhouse Host – Berry Family 22 nd Cob Web Shop Time Host – Jim Townsend	5 th QCMAC Breakfast 9:00 am Big View Diner Host – Manfred Kothe 17 th General Meeting @ Sports Page Host – Silvers	5 th -7 th Hornets Nest Auto Fair 10 th Breakfast at Stacks 9:00 am Host – Manfred Kothe 13 th QCMAC Car Show @ White Home Host – Rhea Farris 21 st General Meeting @ Showmars Host – Swanns 26 th – 27 th – Mystery Tour Host – Phillips and Crosbys
<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
12 th 501(c)3 Nonprofit Follow-up meeting @ Sports Page 6:00 pm Host – QCMAC Board 17 th Youth Tour Host – Troy and Jon Dalsing 19 th General Meeting @ Golden Corral Host – Gustafsons	13 th -15 th Tour to MARC National Meet Gettysburg Lead - Troy 16 th -20 th MARC National Meet 16 th General Meeting at MARC National Meet 21 th -23 rd Tour Home from MARC National Meet	19 th Very Berry Ice Cream Day Tour Host – Berrys 21 st General Meeting @Longhorn Steakhouse Host – Heather, Karsen & Claude	15 th -16 th Shade Tree A's Swap meet Tour Host – Dalsing 18 th General Meeting @Sports Page Host – McDonoughs
<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
4 th -6 th Hornets Nest Auto Fest 13 th Intl Model A Day Tour "Little Brown Jug" Host – Widners & Dalsing 15 th General Meeting @ Golden Corral Host – Leeks 26 th -28 th Beach Tour Host – Karsen, Heather, Claude	20 th General Meeting @ Showmars Host – Haacks 24 th -25 th Spirit of Wilkes	8 th Veterans Day Tour Host – Kalei Unea 17 th General Meeting @ Sports Page Host – Marty and Manfred	6 th Harvey Hood Memorial Christmas Parade Tour 6 th Denver NC Parade 8 th Christmas Party @ Longhorn Steakhouse Pineville 6:00pm

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Meeting Place Addresses

Golden Corral, 11025 E. Independence Blvd., Matthews, NC
 Sport's Page, 8400 Bellhaven Blvd., Charlotte, NC
 Longhorn Steakhouse, 10605 Centrum Parkway, Pineville NC
 Showmars, 7260 NC-73 Suite 119, Denver, NC

EDITOR'S LETTER

| By Karsen Palmer Titus |

I had a dream recently that I needed to learn every conceivable thing about Model As before my dad was gone. It was a really bad dream for obvious reasons. It's also an impossible goal! To complicate things, I can't retire (maybe ever, haha), and so I'm missing out on a lot of learning time at the shop, week after week.

I have absorbed a lot of information about Model As in the last several years, when compared to what I used to know – which was how to *ride* in the car. It's a start. I read the grouchy MAFCA Facebook page regularly. I like sending Jim Townsend videos and having him diagnose my carburetor, or calling my dad and looking for parts together – me on my computer and him looking in a catalog that's about 3 years old. He usually finds the part number first.



What I love is watching our Club members work on a car on the side of the road. Weird, right? This is a scene I've witnessed since my earliest childhood days, back when my dad was the one in the middle diagnosing the problem. At times, it seems like magic. Unfortunately, we saw this scene a lot on our September beach tour with the Sedan – which incidentally just had her engine pulled. (Turned out to be a faulty cam shaft! No wonder she didn't want to go.)

My dream is to be one of those experts some day. You can scoff at that, but I was a tomboy growing up and I firmly believe that anything boys can do, girls can do (maybe even better). But I do feel like I'm running out of time ... and don't have time to spare at the shop. I am worried about losing my experts.

Last winter, we held a club event on "zerks." Maybe we could fill the winter months with monthly hands-on trainings at Jim's shop. I think it would be great to learn how to do these things below – and by learn, I don't mean *watch*. I mean *do*. That's the only way I can learn, by doing it.

My list:

- Set the timing, including finding TOP DEAD CENTA (for my fellow "My Cousin Vinny" fans)
- Use the volt meter to figure out what is getting current or not
- Understand the distributor better and how to change condenser
- Learn how to adjust the brakes (on my own)

What things would you like to learn? Maybe we could plan a series of workshops. With snacks.

Ah-OOO-ga!

Karsen

YOUTH REPORT

| For the love of driving Model As |



Connor Jackson is having the time of his life with his A! Left, he waits with his Tudor at a railroad track; below left, he poses with friends in a Johnny Cash-esque photo. He also was recently nominated for a national AACA award!

His dad, Greg, says, "We don't know what award it is. They have quite a few that they give out – different classes, different makes, etc. At each AACA meet, they have a team of senior judges that reviews the cars and makes recommendations for the nominees."

The team will meet in December to decide the winners for the year, and awards will be presented in February at the annual convention, located in Chantilly, VA in 2026.

"Cars that are generally nominated are some of the best of the best, but they do have them in the driver participation class, which is what I think he will be getting," Greg says. Best of luck!!!



In other "youth" news, Everett and Karsen Titus's 4-year-old granddaughter, Ava, is a Model A fan.

She went for several neighborhood rides in Peyton's Big Red Tudor with Karsen (Gigi) and loved it. The horn has never worked ... but her tiny little hands were magic; she beeped that horn every few seconds! There might be some driving lessons in her distant future.



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Top left, Jim Townsend might use a walker, but he's still capable of working under an A! Top right, Frank Gerosa got some gas in his eye, and after flushing it, Kalei Unea thought it would be fun to let him borrow the eyepatch from his cataract surgery! Right, Heather and Dan Fitts took home Best of Show in Kannapolis. Congrats! Bottom right, Greg Foster with his new Fordor, bought from Rion Rutledge. Rion donated half of the sale proceeds to the Youth Center! Below, Claude Palmer's B model engine was pulled after the beach tour. The guys found that the cam shaft had major issues! Hold on, Heather Fowler, there is hope for "Betsy."



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Larry and Holden Long's Coupe – known as Leapin' Lena – has completed her transformation! The Coupe has been in and out of Jim's shop for months this year. She successfully received a "heart transplant, new voice, plastic surgery, smoother stride, bone mending," along with many other updates! Time to tour, Larry!



Her makeover was completed in October, and Larry drove her back home to Lake Wylie, SC. Larry said, "Thanks to Jim Townsend and the many club members who shared their knowledge, skills and abilities and especially their love for Model As."

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The Palmers beach trip to Ocean Isle Sept. 26-28 did not disappoint ... unless you wanted to go over 45 mph! It was the maiden tour for Claude Palmer's Sedan since the upgrade to the B-engine he received from Sonny Sain & QCMAC. The engine, sadly, was not a happy camper. We had several delays, including an hour break on Interstate 74, where our QCMAC team of troubleshooters changed the carburetor, distributor and set the points twice! We managed to get to the beach, where the weather was overcast but pleasant. We had a blast! Saturday, a group did a breakout tour to Southport for lunch, while others hung out on the beach. Sunday we headed for home. Claude's car stalled coming off the interstate for lunch, and we had a fun moment where six of us pushed the car across four lanes of traffic! (No photos, unfortunately.) We nursed the Sedan back to Jim's shop and everyone made it home safe.



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The Palmer Sedan gets an adjustment ... and an adjustment ... and most likely the Golden Wrench.



Above, John Haack fights vapor lock. Left, we had four women driving As on this tour - perhaps an all-time QCMAC record?

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We had seven dogs on this trip! Sandeep made QCMAC bandanas for the pups. Below, Frank's truck was the inspiration for her shirt design.



MEETING MINUTES

| By Carrie Swann, Secretary |

The QCMAC had their Oct. 20, 2025 monthly meeting at Showmars restaurant in Denver, N.C. Brad Fisher opened the meeting at 6:58 p.m. and asked the blessing also. There were 28 members present and two visitors. John and Bertha Haack were the host/hostess for the evening.

Dispensing the reading of the Treasurer's report and last month's minutes was motioned by Brad Fisher, 1st by Bruce Hyland and 2nd by Bill Parker.

Committee reports were all unchanged. A brick for the MAFFI Museum was purchased in memory of longtime member Vann Matthews. Potential member Dennis Barnes was present and gave a report of his car; he has lots of parts that need to be connected to the body of the car. Larry Long has finished his work on his car and is driving it with his grandson, Holden. James Mayhugh is now able to drive his car. Ads for the newsletter and website are available for a donation of \$125 a year. These ads will help pay for the newsletters that are being mailed out to members who can't print issues off the Internet.

State and US approval for 501(c)(3) nonprofit standing has been approved and we have received a donation from Rion Rutledge from the sale of his Model A. Rion donated ½ of the proceeds to the club. Thanks, Rion!

Connor Jackson was nominated by the AACA for the National Drivers Participation Award; he will find out later if he wins. Connor is one of the youths that have been working on his Model A, and driving it ALL around. We are all praying he wins!

Slated members for Officers and Board and Director positions will be emailed, along with changes to the bylaws, to be voted on at the November monthly meeting. Changes for the bylaws will appear in red. In the bylaws, Membership will fall under the duties of Vice President.

Officers: President - Brad Fisher, Vice President - Bill Parker, Treasurer - Mike Burns, Secretary - Carrie Swann.

Board Members: Newsletter Editor - Karsen Titus, Webmaster - Sandeep Berry, Tool Crib - Ron Bryant.

Directors: Fundraising Committee Chair - Troy Dalsing, Newsletter Editor - Karsen Titus, Special Projects - still open. **Audit Committee** will be Jim Townsend and Mike Burns.



TECH TALK

| How Much Fuel Flow Does a Model A Ford Need? • By Jim Kessler |

Why Ask This Question?

My 1929 Model A Sport Coupe was stalling - especially during acceleration, climbing hills, and even cruising on flat roads around 35 mph. To troubleshoot, I turned to my new QCMAC friends and scoured multiple YouTube videos. The most consistent advice? There should be a "good" fuel flow when the gas line is disconnected from the carburetor. But what does "good" actually mean? My Model A seemed to have decent flow... yet I wasn't convinced it was good enough.

Measuring Fuel Flow

To find out, I grabbed a measuring vessel from my shop (a Lowe's container marked in 100 ml increments up to 500 ml). I fashioned a hanger wire to hold it in place and used it as a catch basin (attached photo). Then, using my phone's stopwatch, I measured how much fuel flowed in 30 seconds.

Result: About 100 ml, consistently. But again - is that good enough?



Doing The Math

I remembered hearing that Model As typically get between 15 and 25 MPG. Knowing that one gallon equals 3785.4 ml, I opened Excel to calculate how much fuel the car would consume in 30 seconds at various speeds (35, 40 and 45 mph). Estimated 30-second fuel consumption: Between 44.2 ml and 94.6 ml, depending on speed and MPG. So, my 100 ml flow seemed adequate for cruising on flat land at moderate speeds. But what about acceleration or climbing hills?

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Clearing The Fuel Line

Since I couldn't find more data, I decided to test the system further. I used my air compressor to force air backwards through the fuel line - removing the fuel cap and sending bursts of air into the line at the carburetor connection. It was messy (the fuel valve had to be open), but with a friend helping, we kept it under control. Afterward, I retested the flow. New result: About 400 ml in 30 seconds - 4x the original flow! Clearly, my fuel delivery system needed attention.

Fixing The Problem

I drained the tank and removed the fuel valve. Using a flashlight and mini camera, I inspected the tank - it looked great. The previous owner had cleaned, repaired, and sealed it during restoration. The valve, however, was dirty and lacked a pencil filter. I replaced it with a new valve with a filter and also swapped out the under-dash fuel line. After refilling the tank, I tested again.

Final Result: About 450+ ml in 30 seconds.

Back On The Road

With the improved fuel flow, the car now performs beautifully, whether accelerating hard or climbing steep hills.

Conclusion!

What Is "good" fuel flow? Based on my experience:

- 100 ml in 30 seconds is not enough
- 450 ml in 30 seconds is more than enough for all driving conditions

Hopefully, this gives you a practical way to measure your own Model A's fuel system, and a clearer idea of what "good fuel flow" really means!



DRIVING TIPS

| Touring Etiquette • By Jim Townsend |

I love touring in my Model A, and group tours bring in new members and give us opportunities to get to know fellow club members better. But all too often, touring can become something like a chore when some participants either fail to plan, fail to prepare or just don't seem to care that they may be having a negative impact on others on the outing.

I'll confess, I'm sometimes guilty of not reviewing maintenance needs before a tour, making the odds go up that I may experience problems on the road. There are many articles focused on preparing your car for a tour, so I won't repeat here. But simple things needed are often overlooked.

On the appointed time, arrive at the starting point with gas, ready to go. All attendees are anticipating leaving, and one person 15 minutes late is not good. The solution: Arrive early and with a full tank of gas. Plan ahead and have supplies that you or others may need. Always carry a gallon of water. If you think you may need oil, carry some so you don't have to go shopping when you do. Have a basic tool set and a few spare parts. If your car is running well before the tour, don't experiment to see if you can get it running better. (If it ain't broke, don't fix it). Do make sure you have good brakes and check your wheel lugs to make sure they are tight, and check tire pressure.

When more than a few cars drive together, the leader has a full-time job making sure no one falls to the side of the road. That's not just the job of the leader; all should be sensitive to how the car behind you is doing - if it pulls off the road, stop and check on them.

Also, keep the pace! When cars drop back 50 yards, the leader loses the ability to count the cars behind him. Leave enough space between cars for safe stopping, and for modern cars to pass, but when in towns, close the distance, reducing the chance that traffic lights will separate you from the group. Most leaders will wish to drive at 45 and sometimes up to 50 mph on tour. Have a discussion with the leader if you can't or won't drive at those speeds. If others wish to also drive slow, consider forming a separate group driving at a preferred speed.

We encourage members to tour, assuring them we will help if they experience problems. But be realistic about the condition of your A. If it is not roadworthy, fix it or don't tour in it. Cars without brakes should not be on tour. Cars that overheat regularly spoil the enjoyment of everyone who has to stop. Again, if your car is not roadworthy, fix it before a tour.

Model A Fords, properly maintained are very reliable making touring a fun activity for all. Unforeseen problems do occur, sometimes adding to the experience. We expect some problems but let's try to make tours go more smoothly by planning ahead and showing concern for the enjoyment of others.

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QCMAC: WHERE ARE WE GOING? UPDATE By Troy Dalsing

As I updated you last month, **the Queen City Model A Club has officially received our corrected 501(c)(3) nonprofit designation.** We have established the Model A Ford Youth Center savings account and currently have a \$10,000 balance.

Your board met on Mon., Oct. 6 to further develop our plans for fundraising/donations and establishment of the Model A Ford Youth Center. We have many action items from the meeting and are in the process of refining the fundraising plan. **The plan will be presented at the November monthly meeting on the 17th and then emailed out to all members.**

The board approved the forming of a fundraising committee. I have agreed to lead this committee and assume I will be elected as a director at our November monthly meeting. Brad Fisher has been contacting many of you to ask for your help on this committee as part of the nomination committee.

The official kickoff for fundraising will begin Jan. 1, 2026. However, if you have a desire or need to make a charitable donation in 2025, please contact me and I will help to make that happen!

What to expect in the near future:

Nov. 17 - Presentation at monthly club meeting of initial plan for fundraising. Emailed version to follow.

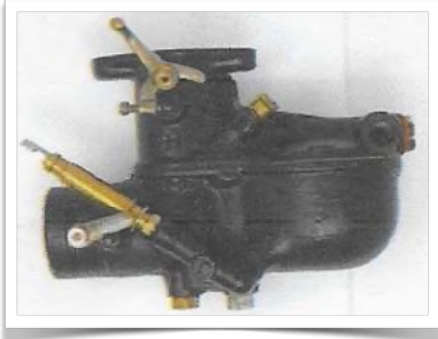
Jan. 1 - Official kickoff of fundraising campaign
Monthly updates to follow!



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Bjhyland87@gmail.com



The Model A Restorers Club, Inc.

THE *running* BOARD REPORT

From Tom Hovetter, President and Jim Zimmer, Director of Regions

October 2025

MARC your calendars for the 2026 MARC National Meet at the magnificent French Lick Resort, July 12-16. Venture on tours to the Red Skelton Museum, historic New Harmony, and Jasper Engine plant. Or try classic adventures such as French Lick scenic railway, Patoka Lake cruises, and Amish/German country tours. For an active experience, enjoy the resort's new pickleball courts, quick-play (75 minute) 9-hole golf course, and West Baden bowling pavilion. This isn't just a Meet, it's a journey through history, full of Hoosier charm and new excitement!

All, we are compiling a list of members who have Model A mechanical knowledge and a desire to help other Model A owners or be a resource to MARC to answer questions from members either via email, phone call or through a MARC forum. Please email your information to Larry Shepard, including your name, phone number, email and include your area of expertise at marctech@modelarestorers.org. For example; Jim Zimmer, 614-353-8236, jwzimmer9119@gmail.com, tire pressure.

Regions, don't forget that ANY member of your Region who has never been a MARC member qualifies for a FREE 12 month membership (digital *Model A News*). Also, young adults age 18-25 not living at home qualify as well! It's easy to enroll. Just call 734-427-9050 during normal EST business hours.

Consider hosting a MARC national meet. Our national tours are very popular as there are no seminars, no swap meet, no judging, no formalities. Just drive your Model A and have fun! Contact any Board member for information and to get you started. Other Model Aers would love to see your part of the country in their cars! We're also looking for Regions to host Membership Meets—we do not have a host for 2027 yet and would be happy to assist with your questions and comments.



Model A Restorer's Club (MARC): Dues are \$50 annually, which includes a subscription to The Model A News magazine. Send to: MARC, 6721 Merriman Rd, Garden City, MI 48135. Note: MARC membership is required of all QCMAC members. Visit their website at: ModelARestorersClub.com

FASHION:

A Short History of the Bob • By Karsen Titus



Did you know that the first bob, the Castle Bob, was a happy accident? It became famous in 1915 due to ballroom dancer and actress Irene Castle, who cut her long hair before having an appendectomy. While growing her locks back, she used a turban to hide her short tresses ... until a friend encouraged her to show it off and the public fell in love with the look.

By the 1920s, women began to enjoy personal freedom, including the right to have a job, play a sport or cut their hair. Short hair became a symbol of independence. Women everywhere suddenly wanted their hair bobbed, which sent stylists scrambling, because all of their experience had previously been in styling long hair. There were suddenly long lines of women wanting a bob! Other women, who were afraid to commit to short hair, pinned their long hair up to fake a bob without risking negative public sentiment.

In the 1930s, the Great Depression made it difficult for barbers and beauty parlors to have a true brick-and-mortar shop. The need for affordable hair cuts created the fad of road-side beauty salons for both women and men. Above, a stylist in London in 1930 gives her customer a short bob. Later in the decade, bobs became longer, curlier, and "more feminine." Today, the bob remains a popular hair style.

Source: Leon Studio One School of Beauty Knowledge.



1930 Thanksgiving Day Proclamation: Notwithstanding that our forefathers endured the hardships and privations of a primitive life, surrounded by dangers and solaced only with meager comforts, they nevertheless bequeathed to us a custom of devoting one day of every year to universal thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the blessing of life itself and the means to sustain it, for the sanctuary of home and the joys that pervade it, and for the mercies of His protection from accident, sickness, or death.

Our country has many causes for thanksgiving. We have been blest with distinctive evidence of divine favor. As a nation we have suffered far less than other peoples from the present world difficulties. We have been free from civil and industrial discord. The outlook for peace between nations has been strengthened. In a large view we have made progress upon the enduring structure of our institutions. The arts and sciences that enrich our lives and enlarge our control of nature have made notable advances. Education has been further extended.

We have made gains in the prevention of disease and in the protection of childhood.

Now, Therefore, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, November 27, 1930, as a National Day of Thanksgiving, and do enjoin the people of the United States so to observe it, calling upon them to remember that many of our people are in need and suffering from causes beyond their control, and suggesting that a proper celebration of the day should include that we make sure that every person in the community, young and old, shall have cause to give thanks for our institutions and for the neighborly sentiment of our people.

A handwritten signature of Herbert Hoover in cursive script.