

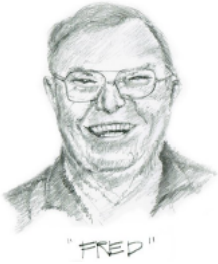


NEWS BRAKE



Livingston As Great Lakes Region - Model A Restorer's Club October 2025

Director's Message



As I sit here writing, I am watching the leaves coming down. Fall is here. At my home the annual "Battle of the Leaves " has begun. It lasts until early November when the trees are laid bare. Until then, my mulching lawn tractor is my best friend.

With Fall we begin to conclude our 2025 driving season. The Ladies Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, October 19th. Dinner will be at the Preserve Golf Course at 2:00 pm. The club picks up the tab for the ladies, while the men must pay a \$24 charge. If you haven't signed up as yet and are interested in attending contact Sandy Tryles. On that same day, prior to the dinner, is the Fall Color Tour. The tour will begin at the M-59 and Oak Grove Rd. Kroger store Parking lot. We will leave promptly at 10:30 am. and will end the tour at the Coyote Preserve parking lot in time for the dinner.

At the last meeting, an Election/Nominating Committee was formed to prepare a slate of officers for next year and handle the election which will take place at the November meeting. All of the current officers have agreed to run for re-election for the next year. The Election/Nominating Committee is interested in anyone else who would like to run for any of the four offices, that is, Director, Vice Director, Secretary or Treasurer. If interested in running, contact a member of the Election/Nominating Committee and get your name on the ballot. The election will occur at the November meeting.

Also at that meeting, come prepared for "Turkey Bingo". So bring your lucky hats, tokens, and charms. You might come away with a Thanksgiving turkey. Good luck!

As you may recall, club members approved a lottery at one of the spring meetings. It was agreed the any club member who led a tour or hosted an event would receive one lottery ticket for each tour led or event hosted. The prize was club payment of the MARC and regional club dues for next year. We will hold that lottery at the November meeting, since there is no December meeting.

There is the club Christmas party at the Coyote Preserve Golf Course. Organizing this event is Cheryl and Vic Caporosso. At the September meeting it was decided that the club would pick up the tab for the Christmas party as was done last year. If you plan on attending this event you must make a payment , a check or cash, in

the amount of \$24 per person. This amount will be returned to you at the party unless you fail to show up. In that case, your cash or check will be used to cover the expense of your meal and can not be returned.

As in past years, at the Christmas party ,we will hold our annual auction to raise funds to cover the expense of the Christmas party. So, dig into your closets, attics, basements, barns and garages and donate good usable items for sale in the auction. The proceeds from the auction will determine whether or not the club can continue to cover the expense of the Christmas party in the future'

Lastly, there will also be the "Dirty Santa" gift exchange. If you choose to participate, men will be required to bring a man's gift and women , a woman's gift. It is always a lot of fun and laughs as your prize gift is stolen and you go in search of someone else's prize gift. Good luck with that!

See you at the next meeting,

Fred

Director, Livingston As



Next Meeting-October 21, 7pm
H. H. Barnum Tech Center
7891 Lochlin Dr., Brighton

Business Meeting Minutes September 16th, 2025

Meeting Date of Minutes: 9/16/25

Number of Total Attendees: 31

There was/were 0 new member(s) this month, and 0 guest.

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:03pm

Minutes: Bill Metz motioned to accept the minutes from July 2025 as read in the newsletter with one edit to be made. Tom Brown seconded the motion.

Treasury Report: Mike DeLuca read the July 2025 report. Cheryl Caporosso motioned to accept the report, and Tom Mosier seconded. It was received and placed on file for future audit.

Old Business

OB1: Old Car Festival

-There was a significant turn out, and the weather was optimal.

OB2: Gilmore Museum

-Nine Model A's are signed up in total to leave from the McDonald's on Burkhart Rd on Thursday, September 18, 2025.

-Stop for lunch in Charlotte.

-Club members will leave the Gilmore no later than 2:30pm on Saturday, September 20, 2025.

OB3: Ladies Appreciation Dinner

-Sandy Tryles announced we still need 10 people to meet the minimum for this event. Guests may attend, but will need to pay \$24/person.

OB4: Fred Tryles discussed creating a Nominating Committee for the upcoming election.

-Chris Jones, Mike Johnson, and Deby Jajuga have agreed to be on this committee.

OB5: Turkey Bingo

-Club members will play bingo, and then pick a number from a hat to win a prize. People can win 1 prize per game, but the turkeys can only be won by a couple/family once.

OB6: Christmas Party 2025

-Cheryl Caporosso and Fred Tryles proposed the club pick up the tab for this year's Christmas party, and Tom Brown proposed a half-priced ticket.

-Please pay only with cash or check before the party. The money will be returned to you afterward.

-Lisa Meissner proposed limiting what to bring to the auction, and Pam Barylski suggested not bringing alcohol for the auction, but bringing it as a ladies or gentleman's gift is fine.

-The party will take place December 6th from 4pm to 10pm.

-Men bring a gift for men, and women bring a gift for women.

New Business

NB1: Marty Kapanowski is willing to pass on the Newsletter duties.

NB2: Bill Metz called Frank Remnar, and he is selling his cars. Frank has a Tudor Sedan, and Bill Metz says he has three engines for sale.

NB3: Tom Runyon has a couple AA trucks he is planning to sell.

NB4: Mike Johnson mentioned that Bratton's is going out of business.

NB5: Cheryl Caporosso mentioned that Carol Esher from the V8 Club is going to have a sale on September 24, 2025. If it rains, it will take place September 25th.

Sunshine News

Sandy Tryles reported news in newsletter.

Car Problems

CP1: Vic Caporosso had car problems at the Old Car Festival at Greenfield Village. He thinks it was a ground issue.

CP2: The light rod for Gary Barylski's Model A broke, and he had to use sand paper to work on it.

Treats September (thank you!): Tom & Anne Brown/Mary & Cindy Kapanowski

Treats October: Judy Colby & Sandy Tryles

September Birthdays: Tom Mosier and Gary Barylski

September Anniversaries: Gary & Pam Barylski and Mike & Mary DeLuca and Vic & Cheryl Caporosso

50/50 Raffle Winner: Tom Shepler

Meeting Adjourned at 7:49pm

Model A Days at the Gilmore

On September 18th, a gorgeous sunny day, Fred and Sandy Tryles led a group of 9 or 10 cars to Hickory Corners for Model A Days at the Gilmore Car Museum. On the 19th and 20th there were seminars, bus rides, car rides, and tours of the excellent museums including the well-done new museum. Some people went antique shopping and others went part shopping at the large swap meet. Fred found a 19" rim with less runout than the inch or so on one of his current wheels! :-).

There were seminars on many subjects as usual, including one on "Logical Troubleshooting" put on the Ehrenhofer brothers. A good seminar to be sure, emphasizing the importance of pursuing a problem one step at a time, and not "shotgunning" it from every angle. However when Fred's starter went, he obtained experience that he could use to put on a different seminar, called "Illogical Troubleshooting"! Haha! Shortly after he developed starter issues, the crowd gathered 'round, as they tend to, with EVERYONE offering their sure-fire solution to his problem! Fred sent me this picture he took during the height of activity:

Fred and his pit crew worked on the starter issue from 9am-2pm, checking the alternator, changing the battery, swapping starters, swapping several starter switches, and checking many other things. They eventually jump started it directly to the starter and it ran great all the way home. Battery was full at home too, so the alternator was ok. Once home he had the starter's armature rebuilt but still, no luck! As of this writing, starter-side battery cable seems to be the next step. Good luck Fred!!!

The Model A Restorers Club, Inc.

THE running BOARD REPORT

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

September 2025

Meeet us next May in the beautiful Finger Lakes Region of New York State when we present the MARC 2026 Membership Meet/National Tour as a joint event! The Finger Lakes area is renowned for its scenery, local wineries, and quaint villages. For an extra thrill, drive your Model A on the world-class Watkins Glen International Speedway! Details are still being finalized so keep checking the *Model A News* and *The Running Board Report* for information as it develops!

ALERT! Scammers are back again. Recently an email, purportedly from Tom Hovetter, MARC President, was sent to Regional officers requesting gift cards be sent for veterans. This is a scam. MARC does not solicit funds except for payment of membership/Region dues.

Recently the Driver Class committee met to make changes to the judging standards based on feedback we have received. An example of a few of the changes made are that we will include vehicles with fiberglass fenders and later Ford axles to participate going forward and have enhanced the awards! We want to encourage participation of almost any Model A with non stock parts and modifications. Look for the updated standards on the MARC website shortly.

Certainly you've seen that we have the digital version of the *Model A News* posted on our website for MARC members to view. If you are a new member or just renewed, at the bottom of your receipt is a button to view your account and it will take you to it. This method is in addition to access through the MARC website. If you need a copy of your receipt, just contact the office at 734-427-9050 and we can sent it to you..



MAFFI Minute

Model A Hobbyists,

The air is just "electric" at the Model A Museum in Gilmore! You can feel the energy of Model A Days: the biggest and best yet! The Thursday evening ribbon cutting is sold out! The Friday evening dinner is sold out, and the Delta Hotel (host hotel) is sold out, but there are other hotel options in the area.

Also, your time to enter the Sweepstakes for the 1928 Phaeton is running out; you need to enter by October 19, 2025. Like a traditional phaeton, this open car has no side windows, providing an open-air driving experience. Unlike a Ford Model A roadster, the Phaeton has four doors, allowing passengers access to the back seat. With an open design, the Phaeton was not as commonly purchased as other Model A body styles, so wouldn't it be fun to win this car? Go to the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. page and click on Expansion and then Sweepstakes to be routed to enter.

And lastly, my term on the board as a Trustee is up and John Grossheim, a young Model A Trustee, will be taking over as the Secretary for the MAFFI Board. He's from Ohio and his enthusiasm bubbles over for this hobby. I know you will look forward to his MAFFI Minute each month!

Cindy Ellenbecker
Trustee/Secretary

For Sale/Items Wanted

This section is for anyone looking to sell or obtain something. Just text, call, email me, or stop over and tell me what you'd like to sell or buy. I'll include it here every month until you tell me your buy or sell request has been fulfilled.

FOR SALE:

Two 1930 engines in good condition.

One 1932 engine.

One 1930 frame.

One 1930 chassis.

If you are interested, please contact Willam Metz
Wlmetz@Mac.com, 810-355-6392

WANTED: 1929 Frame, just the frame. To buy, or borrow for a long time, as a platform to build my 1929 body on. If you have one or know of one, please contact Marty at martincin@sbcglobal.net, or 734-730-7745.

2025 Treat Schedule

Oct 21	Judy Coebly	Sandy Tryles
Nov 18	Dianna and Tom Mosier	
Dec	None - Christmas Party	

Upcoming Trips, Tours and Events

Ladies Appreciation Dinner and Color Tour - October 19th. 1:30 pm social time, 2:00pm lunch, at the Coyote Preserve in Fenton. Color tour leaving from Kroger's on M-59/Oak Grove at 10:30am. \$24 each for men, the club picks up the tab for the ladies.

Please RSVP and provide payment to Sandy Tryles by October 7th. Send a check to Sandy at 3230 Ponemah or give it to her at the next meeting. Sandy can be reached at 810-423-9237 with questions or to RSVP.

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Lemonade

Instant lemonade kept in the cupboard at HH Barnum for club use at meetings.

Coffee Thank you HH Barnum for providing coffee for the club at meetings!

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FB search "Livingston As Great Lakes Region" or go to <http://livingstonas.com/>

Membership dues in the Livingston A's are \$12 per year and also require membership in the MARC NATIONAL CLUB.

Newsletter contributions are appreciated! Please have any newsletter information to us by the 25TH of each month. Email contributions to martincin@sbcglobal.net. For any clarifications, call Marty at 734-730-7745. We will do our best to get the newsletter out by the 5th of each month.

Books, videotapes and DVD's are available to borrow. Contact the Vice Director.

1. The Art of Buffing.
2. Custom Radiators (Brass).
3. Hammer welding.
4. Brakes and Understanding Overdrive.
5. Model A Introduction.
6. Generator Repair (Gennin Along with Lloyd & Floyd).
7. Patch panel installation (Car Guy)

We have many large photo albums depicting events since the beginning of our club in 1980. If you are interested in borrowing any of these to browse and if you take any pictures you would like to be included, please let Perry Points know. He is now the keeper of these books. The albums as well as an event history were created and maintained by Lucille Duke from 1980 until 2004.

The Livingston A's have four tables and two large ice chests available for club members to borrow.

The NEWS BRAKE is the monthly news-letter of the Livingston A's Region of the Model 'A' Restorers Club

Editor's Corner

October finds me wrapping up a new chapter in kick-starting the body restoration of my '29 Coupe. In September I had the opportunity to spend a few days learning the "pick and file" method of sheet metal shape restoration with MARC restoration icon Ken Ehrenhofer. Wow, what an experience. I had done generous Bondo-ing in my youth on cars that my dad eventually painted. But quite a different ball of wax to take a fender that had good metal, but many creases and dents, and turn it into a show-quality fender, with the least possible amount of bondo used for the last stages of shaping.

I've now got some rearranging to do in my barn, to get a body work station set up as well as a paint booth of sorts if I am to move this skillset beyond its current infancy.

I am also looking for a 29 frame to build the body on. I built a cart initially but realize that while it's flat, I did not build it close enough to the frame shape, and it might just be easier to find a frame. If you know of one, please let me know.

Enjoy these last months of warm weather driving!

Marty Kapanowski
editor, Livingston As News Brake

