

President's Report

– By Tim Diehn



Hello Membership!

Officers

A few of us made the trip to Hickory Corners, MI to attend the annual Model A days at the Model A Museum at the Gilmore. Seems like the event gets bigger and bigger every year. Ron and Ken Ehrenhofer held the official unveiling of the Model AA Bus. They did an outstanding job with the restoration. The intention is to have people ride it daily, so with this in mind, they gifted it to the Gilmore for their use. What a fabulous donation that demonstrates the generosity of our community. John Prohaska and I were

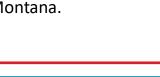
hawking the 2025 MARC Membership Meeting to the attendees. Seems like most people have been to Brown County and are looking forward to visiting the area yet again. Please keep in mind we will asking for volunteer help as the day gets closer.

The other big news is the 2026 MARC National Meet. Following the unanimous vote to support the event at the September membership meeting, a contract has been signed with the French Lick Resort committing us to host the event from July 13-16, 2026. Lots of work to come, but let's pause and celebrate this exciting milestone which also demonstrates our willingness to support the hobby we all enjoy so much.

October brings the annual pilgrimage to Hershey, PA for the largest combined swap meet, car sale, car show east of the Mississippi hosted by the Hershey AACA region. This is certainly a bucket list item for those into 1950's and earlier vehicles. Something unusual normally shows up. I have been going on and off since the mid-1970's, probably longer than most in our club! I do remember the mud before the Giant Center and Hershey Park parking lots gave us asphalt surfaces. Unfortunately, I will not be going this year due to work commitments, but there is always next year.

Fall is a great time of year to tour with the cooler temps and changing of the seasons. Only a couple sponsored tours remain (with some changes), so hope you can make at least one of them. -Tim





## Tour Updates:

## October 5 Gathering at Howell's, Greenfield, IN (Howell)

Tim and Freida Howell will be hosting a pitch-in at their place on October 5th. Thanks Tim and Freida for hosting! Sat Oct 5th at noon at Tim & Frieda Howell's ph 317-767-1135. Drive your Model A for a carry-in meal & social at 1695 E 400 North Greenfield, IN 46140. Drinks and table service and chicken (Kroger) will be provided. 8:30 AM Phil Sutton to lead from Pete Ellis Dr. by McDonalds. 10:00 AM Larry Morlock will leave from East Brook Mall, NE corner of 31 & 25th. 11:00 AM grouping with others @ Culvers adjacent to and immediately N of Cracker Barrel on East side of St. Rd. 9 just N of interstate 74

## October 13-18 The Annual Fall Tour, Cave City, KY (Sutton, Goodman)

This fall we are trying a shorter tour, staying in one motel for all five days. It will be in central Kentucky led by Roger and Cherryl Goodman. Roger has planned several surprise stops over four days in Cave Country and beyond. This will be a short mileage tour and would be a bit more leisure than past tours. Phil will gather everyone at Rt 7 and 31 leaving at 9:00 on Sunday the 13th. Roger takes over once we reach Kentucky. Phil will lead us back on Friday the 18th.

The motel is the Holiday Inn Express Horsecave, Kentucky. The number is (270) 786-5000 **Do not dial 1 for reservations**, as you will be routed to a call center. Dial 0 to get the local hotel and the Model A Rate of \$99.00/night.

## October 26 Fall Foliage Tour, Versailles, IN (Sullivan)

Meet at Eastbrook Plaza at 8:45 and leave at 9:00. We will travel country roads to Versailles. Our first stop will be Versailles State Park, which was initially a federal park. A stop at the nature center will provide more information about the park's history. After lunch at Crossroads Family Restaurant, we will visit the Tyson United Methodist Church. James Tyson had the church built in 1937 in memory of his mother. The Versailles Pumpkin Show started in 1899 and takes



place on the Ripley County courthouse Square. We can check out the biggest pumpkin and visit other historic sites before heading home. To sum things up, this is a typical Sullivan tour, country roads, covered bridges, a cemetery, a little nature, and a lot of history. We hope you can join us. I would like to have a rough idea of how many are going for reservations at the restaurant. Call Linda's cell 812 569 0385.

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Used to support cracked radiator shells below the crank hole. You can make your own!

## **Membership Meeting Minutes**

El Nopal Mexican Restaurant, September 12, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Diehn

46 Members and one guest was present: Larry Morlock, Rob Kirkpatrick, Tim Diehn, Neil Wessler, Don Wesler, Ronnie Lawson & Katy Matthews, Larry & Carol Pumphrey, Phil & Marge Sutton, John Emmering, Jack & Linda Sullivan, Chris & Susan Easton, Rex Hinkle, Dianne & Larry Purcell, Jerry & Sharon Curbox, Jerry Glunt, Ed & Mary Dathe, Caryn & Jay Williamson, Mike & Stacy Wright, Tim & Frieda Howell, Paul & Tamara Arlin, Tim & Nancy Cherry, Maurice Ketchum, Mike & Cindy Baker, John Prohaska, Randy Hughey, Mike & Carolyn Kemp, John Badger, Doug Eckart, Bob Kinser, Dave Engle, Steve Buter, Bev & Mike Marsh, and guest Bob Henderson.

Minutes from the August meeting were approved.

8 Model A Fords waited patiently for us in the parking lot..

## **Treasurer's Report**

| Starting Balance August 2024           |   | \$<br>4,365.85 |
|--|---|----------------|
| Income                                 |   | -              |
| Dues                                   |   | 50.00          |
| Trading Cards                          |   | 30.00          |
| Bloomington Club Picnic Share          |   | 75.00          |
|  | + | \$<br>155.00   |
| Expenses                               |   |                |
| Newsletter                             |   | 26.50          |
| Picnic Chicken, Drinks, Supplies       |   | 208.98         |
| Shelter Rental                         |   | 46.00          |
| Deposit on 2025 Member Mtg Welcome Pty |   | 1,605.00       |
|  | - | \$<br>1,886.48 |
| Ending Balance                         |   | \$<br>2,634.37 |

### **Committee Reports**

Cares & concerns were shared by Phil Sutton

Jeff Franz is not doing well, but the club is wishing him the very best.

John Prohaska has another grandchild (#4) and all are well.

Tour plans:

- Linda provided an update on the tour to the Tyson Temple in Versailles on 9/28
- Larry Morlock invited folks to join him on a ride to Milhausen on Saturday (14<sup>th</sup>) for International Drive Your Model A Day, meeting at 10:00 a.m. in Eastbrook Plaza.

Tim handed out Event Cards. If you are missing one, additional cards are available from Tim for a \$10 donation to the club. John reported on the 2025 MARC Membership Meeting plans.

The host hotel is sold out and reservations are gathering at the other hotels. Members within a reasonable driving distance are encouraged to wait until early next year to book a room if interested.

The Bob Esary Auction will be 9/21, online and in-person.

#### **New Business**

- Tim summarized the meeting in French Lick to discuss possible plans for our club to host the 2026 National Meet. He gave an overview of the plans discussed and all attending believe this is a good idea.
  - After discussion and several questions and answers, Tim moved, and Chris Easton seconded, to proceed with plans to host the 2026 National Meet in French Lick. John cautioned that a Yes vote needs to include a personal commitment to volunteer and help with the event in some capacity. Rex Hinkle will chair the event.
  - The motion passed unanimously.
- Diane Purcel raised the idea of small group hands-on technical days to cover the basic knowledge needed to comfortably maintain our As. Tim offered to lead some, with a maximum of two member cars to make sure that hands get dirty and real learning happens. Other seasoned & knowledgeable members are encouraged to consider leading one or more of these. Great idea, Diane!

The November meeting is the election of board and officers for 2025. Who wants to get more actively involved?

#### Speaker

John Emmering gave a fascinating presentation on the use of Ford cars among the criminal set during the 30s. This has been a passion of John's since his teens, and he presented a fast moving, interesting fact filled story of the names, and the cars, that made headlines during pre-war mobster era. Thanks, John!

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. Respectfully submitted, Rob Kirkpatrick

## 2024 Sponsored Tour and Event Schedule

| March 9      | Fanimation Museum, Zionsville, IN (Howell)                                  |
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| March 14     | Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting          |
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| April 4-7    | MARC Membership Meet, Joliet, IL (Sutton)                                   |
| April 11     | Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting          |
| April 13     | Safety Check, 9am-12pm, Franklin, IN (Meyer, Williamson)                    |
| April 27     | Cobweb Tour/Pancake Breakfast, First United Church, Bloomington (Sutton)    |
| April 28     | Columbus MARC Swap Meet, 4-H Fairground, Columbus, IN (Prohaska)            |
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| May 9        | Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting          |
| May 10       | Christel DeHaan Estate and Restoration Hardware, Indianapolis (Howell)      |
| May 18       | Hoosier Swap Meet/Model A Display, Franklin (Emmering)                      |
|              |   |
| June 1       | Yamaha Marine Precision Propeller Company, Greenfield, IN (Howell)          |
| June 8-9     | Minor League Baseball (League of Their Own), Huntingburg, IN (Sullivan)     |
| June 15      | 60th Anniversary Picture, Bakalar, Columbus (Morlock/Kirkpatrick)           |
| June 22      | Cherry Furniture/Arrow/'40's-'60's Cars, Homer/Shelbyville Trip (Howell)    |
|              |   |
| July 13-20   | MARC National Meet, Asheville, NC (Sutton)                                  |
| July 27      | Medora Brickyard and old US Hwy 50 Tour, Medora, IN (Meyer)                 |
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| August 3     | Rushville Steam Engine Show, Rushville, IN (Morlock)                        |
| August 10    | Motor District, Hamburgers and Hupcaps, Westfield, IN (Howell)              |
| August 17    | Picnic at Brown County Park, Strahl Lake Shelter, Nashville (Sutton, Diehn) |
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| September 7  | Medora Café Car Show/Tour, Medora, IN (Meyer)                               |
| September 12 | Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting          |
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## Denotes a 60th Anniversary Event

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# Classifieds

## **For Sale**

## **1931 Model A Deluxe Phaeton** 1929 Model A Tudor

Penny and Carl Johnson are selling a couple cars:

- 1. 1931 Phaeton. Not many of the two door models were made, so when they come up for sale, good time to buy. Bill Sturm interior.
- 2. 1929 Tudor. Larry Purcell restored this car.

## Call Penny Johnson at 317-417-1889 for more description and discuss pricing.



