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<u>Upcoming Events</u>

July 30-Aug 5—MARC National Meet, Hamilton, OH

August 19—Beck's Mill, Salem, IN (Pendegraft/Sullivan)

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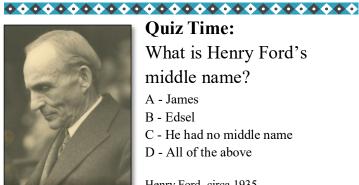
Sept 14- Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting

Sept 23– Pixy Theatre Matinee, Edinburgh, IN (Morlock)

Sept 30– "The Fords meet the Hudsons" (Dathe)

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August 2023 Edition



Quiz Time:

What is Henry Ford's middle name?

- A James
- B Edsel
- C He had no middle name
- D All of the above

Henry Ford, circa 1935 From The Henry Ford collection

President's Report By Tim Diehn





Hello Membership!

We love eating! Picnics were a theme for the first two week of July. Plenty of great home cooking which I really enjoy. Thanks to Tim and Freida Howell for opening up their home to hold a multi-club picnic between the Hoosier Hills, Columbus, and Indiana Clubs on July 2. We certainly enjoyed meeting new friends while tasting homemade ice cream! What more could you ask for? Well, Tim had a some very nice Model A collectables for sale, so maybe that was 'the more'?

Next was the Brown County Picnic. Again, great home cooked sides and desserts with IGA fried chicken as the main dish. Unfortunately, the much needed rain kept us from doing any outside activities, but great conversations were had under the shelter. Thanks to everyone that came to one or both of the picnics and brought something to share!



Don't forget about the MARC National Meet end of July at Hamilton, OH. You still can register, but with some limitations. This is will most likely be the closest National Meet for some time.

Hope to see everyone Going Places!

-Tim







July 30—August 4 MARC National Meet (Sutton/Morlock)

For those going to the National Meet, we plan to leave Eastbrook Plaza in Columbus at 10:00am, Sunday, July 30. We will head out on IN-46 toward Greensburg, so anyone who wants to join us along the way should contact Larry Morlock or Phil Sutton and let us know. We will have lunch in Oldenburg at 11:30am. Due to the size of the group, we are splitting up between two restaurants in Oldenburg. Here's the list of people for each restaurant according to the sign-up sheet at the club picnic:



Wagner's Village Inn

- John Emmering
- Ed & Mary Dathe
- Tim Ellis & Tim Jr
- Jerry & Sharon Curbox
- Ron & Carmen Huddleston
- Jack & Linda Sullivan

Brau Haus Restaurant

- Phil Sutton
- Larry Morlock
- Tim Diehn
- John Prohaska
- Dennis & Kathy Meyer
- Ron Lawson & Katie

After lunch, we will take IN-229 to Metamora, then US-52 to Brookville, and IN-252/OH-129 to Hamilton. We should arrive mid-afternoon in time to check in at our hotel and register for the convention.

August 19 Beck's Mill, Salem, IN (Pendegraft/Sullivan)

Meet at Eastbrook Plaza at 8:45am and leave at 9am. Members who wish may join us at the Premier gas station at the corner of US 50 and Highway 135 in Brownstown. We will also pick up friends around Salem Square on our way to Beck's Mill. The mill as it is today was constructed in 1863. It was in operation till 1950 and then sat idle for over 50 years. With the help of the Cook Family, the



mill has been restored to operational condition. Admission to the mill is \$5.00. For more information go to becksmill.org. Just down the road is Neff Farms Pollinator Habitat which we hope is in full bloom.

We will head back to Salem for lunch at Tumbleweed Tex-Mex Restaurant. The next stop is The John Hay Center which includes the following: The Steven's Museum, The Pioneer Village, The Birthplace of John Hay, and The Depot Railroad Museum. We can enjoy self-guided tours for a donation. You can learn more about it at johnhaycenter.org. As we head for home we will share some beautiful country roads with you.

September 9 Cherry Hill Farm Cookout (Cherry)

Tom and Nancy Cherry would be honored to have any and all the club members attend a gathering at their farm for an afternoon of fun. Meeting at the Pop's Diner at Rt 3 and Rt 46 at 3pm near Greensburg, Tom will take the lead on east through Greensburg to Cherry Hill Farm. After arrival we will continue to the back 40, their recreation site, where everyone will be free to fish (bring your pole), visit/mingle, or swim if you want....NO skinny dipping so



bring proper attire! Tom will provide burgers, dogs, and drinks, and maybe an adult beverage or two. Please bring a side or dessert to share. And a chair for your comfort. Hope everyone can make it for an afternoon of fun and friendship. Questions, please call Tom at 812-593-8977.



Sept 13 - 17 Model A Days at the Gilmore Museum, Hickory Corners, MI (Sutton)

We will take 2 days getting to the headquarters hotel in Kalamazoo. We then spend 2 days at the meet with all the hoopla and a Friday Night Dinner and Tour of the Kellogg Manor House. Details about the activities at the meet will follow when the event info comes out. At this time if you plan on going get a reservation at the Delta Hotel 269-375-6000. Tell them you are part of the Model A Group. The Hotel we will use on Wed night will be announced at a later date. We will drive home from Kalamazoo on Sunday. Details will follow later.



Treasurer's Report as of July 18th:

Starting Balance = \$5,750.06

Income:

Dues = \$10

Bloomington contribution to picnic = \$60

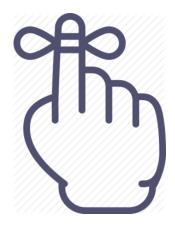
Expenses:

Donation Lawrence Co Historical Society = \$50 Donation Greenhill Cemetery Association = \$50 Donation Jennings Co Historical Society = \$100

Picnic supplies = \$50

Newsletter = \$22.82

Ending Balance = \$5,547.24



Rules of the Road

- You are responsible for the car behind you. If they slow down, stop or flash their lights, then you slow down or stop. This is the only way we can stay together and give help to the other driver.
- Do not lose sight of cars especially when traveling through towns with lights and turns.
- Allow 3x your speed in feet between cars for braking and other unexpected events.
- Use your 2-way (CB) radio or cell phone if needed.
- Stop for ice cream, coffee, or stretch break about every 50-100 miles.

No "A" will be left behind!!



Limestone Tour, Bedford, IN - June 28

Submitted by Mike Brown

Early on the morning of Wednesday, June 28, fourteen Model A Fords and one Studebaker (driven by Tim Ellis) gathered on the east side of Bloomington for a day trip to visit the Green Hill Cemetery and Lawrence County Museum of History in Bedford, Indiana. This "Bedford Limestone Tour" was organized by Phil Sutton, working with the Lawrence County Tourism office in Mitchell, and replaced the Bloomington club's regular June meeting. The tour was joined by the Columbus club and included 25 members and guests in all.

At the Green Hill Cemetery located just south of downtown Bedford, we were shown some remarkable hand-carved limestone monuments and entertained with

stories of the famous people buried there. Our host even demonstrated how burial places, whether marked or unmarked, can be located using copper divining rods.





A few of the monuments are shown below:









Our next stop was the Lawrence County Museum of History, which is housed in the 100 year old Hamer-Smith building at 929 15th Street in downtown Bedford. The 2400 sq. ft. gallery features display cases showcasing military history, antique clothing, domestic and business related artifacts, school history, and many more topics. Our tour concluded with a buffet lunch at the Golden Corral on the west side of Bedford.







Historic Vernon, Vernon, IN

Submitted by Tim Diehn

Surrounded by the Muscatatuck River on three sides rests Vernon, the Jennings County seat. Probably not as well known today as its neighbor to the north, Vernon is a beautiful little town rich with history and firsts. We have a few club members that know about this history including Dennis and Kathy Meyer who hosted a trip to educate the rest of us. Under the threat of heavy rain, nineteen members ventured out in modern iron (except the Meyers staying true to the hobby!) to see and hear first hand the history this town holds.



Following breakfast at Linda's Log Cabin, we met Lou Malcomb at the Jennings County Historical Society to start our education. The society is housed in the North American House built in 1838 as a stagecoach stop and inn for people to then board the railroad which reached Vernon in 1839. Platted in 1815 by John Vawter, Vernon was the first town to have an elevated railroad and underpass west of the Alleghenies. Other firsts include first town in the USA which a portion of plot proceeds funded the county library, first Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), first all women jury trial, first public playground. During the Civil War, Vernon played a role in the Underground Railroad. And the local militia and Vernonites even repelled General John Hunt Morgan from the Confederacy. Several artists and authors have ties



to Vernon such at T.C. Steele, Jessamyn West, and James Whitcomb Riley to name a few.

But what was really special was seeing Katy Matthew's and Ronnie Lawson's high school pictures in the Vernon High School year book that was on display!

Our next stop was the Tunnel Mill ruins. Built in 1817 by Ebenezer Baldwin and engineered by John Vawter, its name comes from the tunnel that was dug to divert a portion of the Muscatatuck River to feed the turbine. Much of the mill is now gone, but the tunnel is still there and quite the sight to see. Nearby, we also learned about a time capsule that Dennis' brother and friends buried in the Baldwin Cemetery in

1964. We started to look for it, but the weather forced us back to our cars!

Next, we headed back to the much larger Vernon Cemetery. Buried there are Pat O'Connor and Wilbur Shaw of Indy 500 fame. But more famous to us was seeing Ronnie Lawson's headstone complete with a couple of his Model A's captured in stone.

We then toured around the surrounding countryside seeing Katy Matthew's Vernon home and crossing a covered bridge. We ended up back at Linda's Log Cabin for a classic Hoosier lunch. Fill with food and knowledge, back home we went.



Thanks Dennis and Kathy for hosting a nice, informative day!





2023 Sponsored Tour and Event Schedule

March 4 March 9	Maple Creations Tour, Coatesville, IN (Howell/Sutton) Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
April 13 April 14-16 April 23 April 29	Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting MARC Membership Meet, Bay City, MI (Sutton) Columbus MARC Swap Meet 4-H Fairground (Prohaska) Cobweb Tour/Pancake Breakfast, First United Church, Bloomington (Sutton)
May 6 May 11 May 12 May 20	Cedar Creek Winery, Martinsville, IN (Sullivan/Rosenbaum) Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting Model A Youth Day at Clifty Elementary School, Columbus, 9am (Diehn) Gasthof Amish Village/Tulip Trestle Viaduct, Montgomery, IN (Easton)
June 2-4 June 10 June 28	Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, Harrodsburg, KY (Meyer) Crawfordsville Tour & Strawberry Festival, Crawfordsville, IN (Howell) Limestone Tour, Bedford, IN (Sutton)
July 2 July 8 July 15 July 30-Aug 5	Lunch Pitch-in/Ice Cream, Greenfield, IN (Howell) Picnic at Brown County Park, Stahl Lake Shelter, (Sutton, Diehn, Howell) Historic Vernon, Vernon, IN (Meyer) MARC National Meet, Hamilton, OH (Sutton/Curbox)
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October 7 October 12 October 13-20	The Chicken House, Sellersburg, IN (Prohaska) Membership Meeting—El Nopal National Rd, 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting Fall Tour, Illinois (Sutton)
November 9	Membership Meeting & Election of Officers - El Nopal 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 mtg

December 10 Christmas Party, The Seasons Lodge, Nashville, IN, 5pm, (Diehn)

2023 On-Your-Own Tours

Oct 2-6

April 1	Franklin County Antique Machinery Swap Meet, Brookville, IN				
May 19-20	Hoosier Vintage Wheels Swap Meet & Car Show, Johnson County Fairgrounds				
June 2-3	Jackson County Antique Engine Show, Fairgrounds, Brownstown, IN				
June 11-12	MAFCA Midwest Regional Meet, Breckenridge, CO				
June xx	Columbus Municipal Airport Aviation Day and Car Show				
July 16-21	MAFCA National Tour - Back Roads to the Classics, IN/MI				
July 17-20	Grand Indiana Auto Tour—Richmond, IN				
July 29	Franklin County Antique Machinery Swap Meet, Brookville, IN				
August 3-6	75th Pioneer Engineers Club Reunion, Steam Engines, Rushville, IN				
_	Tri-state Gas Engine and Tractor Show, Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN				
August xx	Bartholomew County Historical Society, Reeves Festival @ Breeding Farm				
Sept 7-10	White River Valley Antique Association Antique Show, Elnora, IN				
Sept xx	Scottish Festival, Columbus, IN				
Sept 9-10	Old Car Festival, Greenfield Village, Dearborn, MI				
Sept 15-16	Hoosier Vintage Wheels Swap Meet & Car Show, Johnson County Fairgrounds				
Sept 15-16	Model A Day, Hickory Corners, MI				
Sept 18-21	GAMARAI XXVII (Great Annual Model A Ride Around Iowa), Des Moines, IA				
Sept xx	Hot Rods and Rock & Roll, Columbus IN				
Sept 28-Oct 1 Franklin County Antique Machinery Show, Brookville, IN					
Sept 29-30	Brown County Antique Machinery Show and Flea Market				
Sept 29-Oct 1 Newport Antique Hill Climb, Newport, IN					
Sep 30-Oct 15 MAFCA Fall Tour in New England					

Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey, PA

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1928 Model A Tudor Sedan Rebuilt engine, painted, LeBaron Bonney interior, but needs to be installed. Plus various Model A parts for a 1928/1929 such as aprons, fenders, engines, bumpers. Call Jo Ann Colvin of Anderson, IN 765-639-8907 Going Places is the official publication of the Columbus Model A Restorers Club Region and the Columbus Model A Ford Club of America Chapter. The general purpose shall be to encourage the members to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit and make use of the Model "A" Ford vehicle, model years 1928 through 1931 and all things pertaining to the Model "A" Ford, including literature, technical and historical information and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship for the enjoyment of its members.

This publication is mailed or emailed to members and editors of similar publications monthly. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month. We invite members to submit articles containing technical Model A information and other interesting tidbits for publication in this newsletter.

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Classifieds

For Sale

1931 Model A Coupe
Asking \$20,000
Call Mike Davidson of
Moorseville, IN
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Mikvic@sbcglobal.net









1930 Model A Fordor Deluxe Town Sedan
For Restoration, Asking \$5,000 OBO
Call Jim McMillan of Sycamore, IL
815-981-2381
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