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Sycamore 'A' Region

Model A Ford Club

Terre Haute, In

Club Meetings

The club meets at 6:30pm on the Second Wednesday of each month at the Meadows Center MCL cafeteria in Terre Haute

Club Officers

President: Bob Murphy

Vice President: Mike Perigo

Secretary: Marge Fields

Treasurer: Sharon Henneman

Region Director: Bob Murphy

Region Correspondent: Don Miller

Newsletter Items

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Don Miller's Station Wagon ready to go canoeing..

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From the Region Director

Bob Murphy

I see in the current issue of "Model A News" that we will be having a national summer meet here in Indiana in 2009! That will give us all a chance to attend one close to home. It will be in Merrillville, which is in the northern part of Indiana at the intersection of I-65 and US 30. We will have to get psyched up for it, but lets wait until after the Texas meet to start!

Some of you ladies may want to check out the Members Section on the MARC website that has a link to the "Lady A's Section". It might give you some ideas when you are at a meet somewhere waiting while hubby is talking Model A talk with the guys.

There is also a section on the website where there are many Model A era car ads posted. They are grouped by year—some for each year of production.

Meeting Minutes for Last month

Marge Fields, Secretary

The March meeting of the Sycamore A Club was called to order by President Bob Murphy and 6:32pm.

Members present:

Ed Bean, Blankenships, Fields, Fishers, Fortenberys, Carroll Greiner, Roy Henneman, Jacobs, Doc Llewellyn, Dick Logsdon, Don Miller, J Moores and son, Bob Murphy, Jim Page and son, Mike Perigo, Dave Reberger, John Roan, Staggs, Staleys, Bill Stewart, Betty Holloway, Thompsons, Richard Wolfe and Connie Brace.

Visitors present:

Bud Russell

The first order of business was to receive and admire a superb signboard made by Stacey's Father, Don Lofton, that will be used to identify the club when we have our cars on display. The club then unanimously voted to make Don an honorary member of the Sycamore A Region in recognition of all of his efforts over the years in behalf of the club.

Secretary's Report:

Approved as printed in the newsletter.

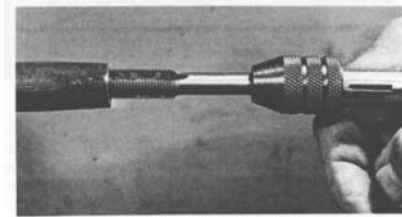
Treasurer's Report:

The club has a balance of \$1,537.60 in the treasury, of which \$75.00 is to be sent to MARC for member dues. Read and accepted.

Newsletter Committee:

Richard Wolfe reported that we

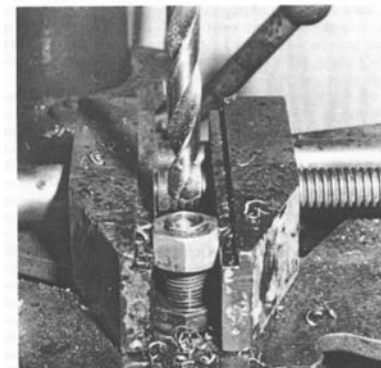
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Tapping the hole for 1/2" screw.

hollow of the steering shaft to trap particles while the shaft is drilled.

Use a 29/64" drill and tap for a 1/2" SAE cap screw. Remove rag and metal particles by pushing a wire up the shaft from the lower end. A 1/2" x 1" cap screw must be drilled through the center for a 25/64" hole. This is best done on a lathe to insure an exact center for the hole . . . but can be done on a drill press with care.

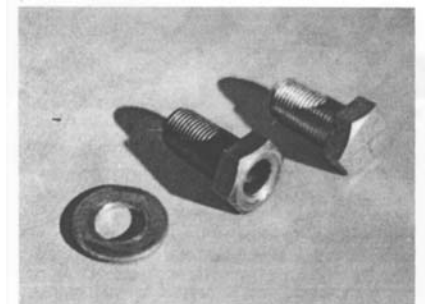


Drilling the hole in the cap screw. For safety, use a 3-line hardness cap screw.

Center punch both ends of the 1/2" cap screw and use a 3/8" center starting drill to start both ends. Drill a pilot hole with smaller drills first, then increasing to 25/64". The hole is necessary for the light switch tube to pass through. Install the steering wheel using the 1/2" x 1" cap screw and a flat washer, 7/16" diameter with a 1/2" hole.



Reassembly of the steering, washer, cap screw and light switch tube.



Comparing a drilled bolt, undrilled bolt and washer.

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Tech Tips

A BROKEN

STEERING SHAFT

By 'Doc' Carmichael,
Calumet Region
Photos: Courtesy Walter
Malchin



A steering shaft with a broken end.

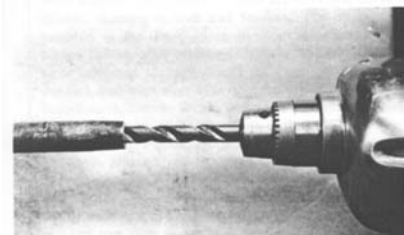
The threaded end of the steering shaft may be broken off while the steering wheel is being removed or when the nut is tightened after the steering wheel is installed on the steering shaft.

The first instance may take place while the steering wheel nut is hammered to loosen the steering wheel. To avoid this possibility, use a rear wheel "knock-off nut" in place of the nut

used to retain the steering wheel to the steering shaft.

The second instance may take place due to overtightening the nut while the steering wheel is being reinstalled on the steering shaft. In either case, try to replace it with another steering shaft. If a replacement is not available, the steering shaft can be repaired using the following steps: First file the broken threads flush with the steering wheel hub. This operation may be done in the car, without removing the entire steering assembly, if the light switch tube can be pulled up and out of the steering shaft without bending it.

After the light switch tube is removed, stuff a piece of rag down the



Drilling a larger hole (29/64") in the steering shaft.

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are having several newsletters left over each month and suggested we reduce the number printed to 55.

Carroll Greiner request that the address list be updated with his correct email address.

EDITOR'S NOTE: I received several more corrections and additions to the membership/phone/address list at the meeting. Please let me know of any errors or omissions and I will correct them within the next month or so.

Activities Committee Report:

Ed Bean reported that the committee has an agenda worked out for the coming year. The activities will be printed in the newsletter, with a short synopsis of the coming two months activities presented at the meetings. The coming two months include a Boot City "Blue Suede Shoes" show, the Columbus Swap Meet and dinner preceded by the Hoosier A's car show in Bloomington and the Mansfield Mushroom Festival. There will be two groups driving to Columbus; One starting early enough to get to the car show, and another later to go to the dinner. Motel reservations are at the Knight's Inn for Saturday April 19. The calling committee will call with the details of where and when to meet for the tour to Columbus.

On October 3,4 and 5 there is to be a WWII show at Columbus. They would like to have antique cars at

the show.

Don Miller reported that he had invited the Columbus Club to come to the annual bean dinner. He and Melissa will increase the amount of beans and Don requested the club members to increase their contributions as well so there will be enough to go around. The request was unanimously approved.

Meeting Activities:

Bob Murphy reported that there is still no chairman for this activity. There have been several comments from the ladies that they don't like to wait around while the tech session is in progress.

Stacy suggested doing a quilt to raffle and a cookbook to sell for the 2010 Meet. Stacey and Betty volunteered to be Co-Chairpersons for the ladies and Bill Stewart will be Chairman for the men's activities and to report for the group.

Publications Committee Report:

Don Miller reported that all is well.

Regional Director Report:

Bob Murphy reported that there is no new activity to report.

Old Business:

Bill Stewart reported that the audit of the Treasury was completed

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March 2008

Sycamore A Events

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Rene Lemmons Rita Decker						

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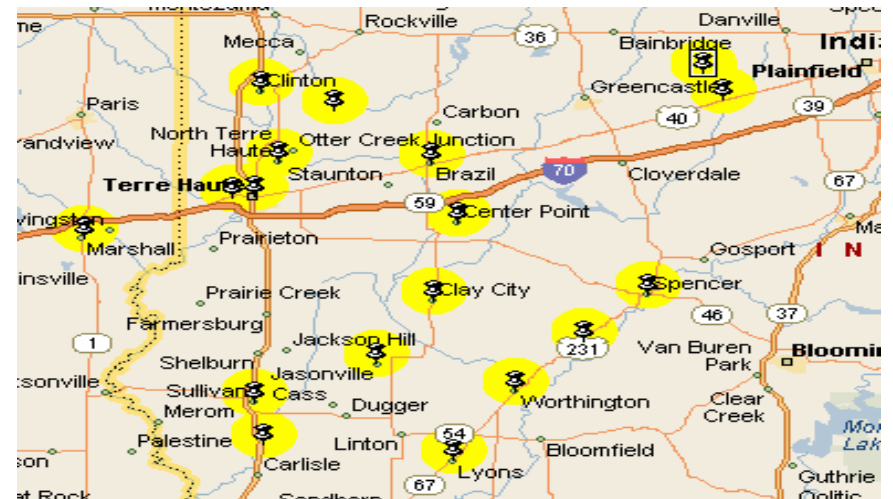
early! As I am leaving for Florida again on Friday after the club meeting, I want to get it done before I leave.

I still need pictures of your cars. I would like to add them to the website as well as use in the newsletter.

I have added links on the website to several Model A related sites. If you would like to see any more links, please let me know.

The newsletter is also posted on the website, along with an activities calendar. If any of you have not yet checked out the website, I encourage you to do so. You can find it at www.sycamorea.com.

Ed Bean plotted the member locations on a map shown below. Quite a spread of area!



Thank You From MAFFI

We received the following thank-you letter from MAFFI for our donation.

MODEL A FORD FOUNDATION, INC.
 P.O. BOX 95151
 NONANTUM, MA. 02495



February 7, 2008

Sycamore "a" Region MARC
 4207 N. 17th St.
 Terra Haute, IN. 47805-2721

TX Sharon Henneman, Treasurer,

This will acknowledge your \$ 125- donation to support the Model A Ford Foundation.

We continue in our goal for an opportunity to display donated items representing the Model A Ford era. By your club donation, your members have become more aware of the importance of MAFFI as our hobby's organization to PRESERVE, RESEARCH and EDUCATE present members and future generations.

The Trustees of the Foundation join me in thanking you for your generous donation.

ON, ME
 IL, MA
 DS, MD
 C, MA

Fordially yours,

 Art Callan
 Exec. Director

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2010 Membership Meet

Things are still pretty quiet regarding the Meet. It is still too early to begin any serious work with the Motel arrangements.

We do now have a Chairman for the Repair Tent facility. John Roan has agreed to handle that responsibility. Thanks John!

Stacy Thompson and Betty Holloway well Co-chair a committee to work on some fund-raisers with Harold Medsker for the meet. Their initial projects are cook books and a Model A Quilt for raffle.

Era Fashions

I hope to encourage some of you who are interested in Era Fashions to help with this column! Any articles you can provide and any pictures you can use for illustrations will be a big help.

STILL NEEDED

Pictures and a description for the Car-of-the-Month website feature and the Member Cars Link are needed.

Also need address and email updates/changes. I received a couple at the meeting Wednesday, but will wait until next month to do a new address list. Please send me any changes you want made.

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with no problems found.

New Business:

John Roan has agreed to be the Chairman of the Repair Tent facility for the 2010 meet. He will be calling on folks to help man the tent during the meet.

The half-and-half drawing was won by Rebecca Moore.

Mike Perigo will check with Harold Medsker when Harold returns regarding the order of hats and shirts with the new logo printed on. Embroidered items are not available as yet. The calling committee will be calling to take orders for the items. Be ready with size information for the shirts. The hats are "one size fits all". Jackets are not yet firmed up.

Bessie Moore is to have surgery soon so we should keep her in our prayers.

Classified Section

For Sale:

Wanted:

Services Needed:

Services Recommended:

From the newsletter Editor/

Webmaster

The newsletter is ready a little bit early this month. In fact, it is a lot

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SYCAMORE A MEMBERSHIP LIST

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LastName	FirstName	Address	City	State	PostalCode	HomePhone	MobilePhone	EmailAddress
	MAFCA	250 South Cypress	La Habra	CA	90631	562-697-2712		
	MARC	6721 Merriman	Garden City	MI	48135	734-427-9050		
Bacon	James and Nancy	113 Huntly Ct	Bluffton	SC	29909	843-705-5265		
Baker	John and Marilyn	4604 Old Paris Road	West Terre Haute	IN	47885	812-533-2589		
Barton	Harold and Rosella	RR1 Box 45C	Worthington	IN	47471	812-875-3040	812-699-1089	
Bean	Ed and Doris	3152 N 27th St	Terre Haute	IN	47804	812-466-1426	812-878-2206	ELBean3152@aol.com
Blankenship	Norval and Marcella	5901 McDaniel Rd	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-299-2353	317-354-7530	
Britton	Brian and Woolery Heather	11828 North Benwood Ln	Brazil	IN	47834	812-446-1618		
Brown	Jim and Nema	1704 McKeen Street	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-234-5153		
Corenflos	Susan	1826 South 27th St	Terre Haute	IN	47803			
Counterman	Russell and Cheryl	9290 Louisville Road	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-894-2595		
Decker	Bill and Rita	8672 State Road 46	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-894-3560		
Fields	Bill and Marge	4012 W Douglas Drive	West Terre Haute	IN	47885	812-533-2426		
Fisher	John and Mary	5123 W 800 S	Rosedale	IN	47874	765-548-2430	812-243-5073	
Fortenbery	Tom and Sharon	6600 W Parke Wood Rd	Rosedale	IN	47874	765-832-3960	765-918-4567	
Gilbert	Donald and Patricia	2227 N Euclid Place	West Terre Haute	IN	47885	812-533-2069		
Gofourth	George and Sara	PO Box 48	Paxton	IN	47865	812-268-0775		
Green	Paul and Debbie	7561 N 400 E	Brazil	IN	47834	812-986-2269	812-201-8260	
Greiner	Carroll	2904 Harrison Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47803	812-234-2298	812-236-4484	rcgreiner@webtv.net
Henneman	Roy and Sharon	4207 N 17th Street	Terre Haute	IN	47805	812-466-7860		
Holloway	Betty	1616 S 25th St, Apt 129	Terre Haute	IN	47803			
Jacob	Keith and Carolyn	7969 E CR 600 N	Jasonville	IN	47438	812-665-2655		
Jacob	Mike and Mary	7923 E CR 600 N	Jasonville	IN	47438	812-665-3506		
Kiefling	Charles and Paula	1009 West Knight St	Brazil	IN	47834	812-443-1385		
Lemmons	Rene and Pauline	8022 N Miami Garden St	Brazil	IN	47834	812-877-9125		
Little	James and Nancy	4650 Cook Road	West Terre Haute	IN	47885	812-533-6565		
Llewellyn	Ed and Peg	201 Hunt Street	Terre Haute	IN	47803	812-877-1995	812-243-9935	
Logsdon	Dick	5311 S Tucker	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-894-2449		
Mahurin	Mike	2815 East Morris Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47805	812-466-2090		
Medsker	Harold and Malinda	320 W Washington St	Sullivan	IN	47882	812-268-6519	812-564-0269	rhmedsker@verizon.net
Miller	Don and Melissa	723 W CR 800 S	Clay City	IN	47841	812-939-2779	812-236-7611	donmil3840@earthlink.net
Moore	Jimi and Rebecca	2716 Jackson Street	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-235-1242		
Moore	Stuart and Bessie	2448 N County Rd 200 E	Centerpoint	IN	47840	812-835-5021		
Mueller	Joe and Anna	3145 Loudermilk Rd	Freedom	IN	47431	812-859-3806	317-372-4796	
Murphy	Bob	335 N Meridian Street	Jasonville	IN	47438	812-665-9033	812-562-0013	bob@cybervue.com
Page	James	931 N Preston Place	West Terre Haute	IN	47885	812-533-1038	812-236-0110	
Perigo	Mike and Susan	RR3 Box 1363	Linton	IN	47441	812-847-9860	812-798-0304	mikeperigo@sbcglobal.net
Preston	Joe and Alice	6776 SR 46	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-894-2572	812-240-0564	
Reberger	Dave	614 E US 40	Brazil	IN	47834	812-446-1071		
Roan	John and Kim	2332 Orleans Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47805	812-466-4169	812-208-5461	
Romine	Lee and Elizabeth	8991 W US 36	Coatesville	IN	46121	317-539-6769		
Smith	Bernard and Carole	PO Box 83	Spencer	IN	47460	812-829-1000	812-821-0363	n9lfp@sbcglobal.net
Staggs	Bill and Mary Ellen	4218 S 9th Street	Terre Haute	IN	47802	812-299-9783	812-236-5463	
Staley	Jim and Marcia	18025 N 2420th	Marshall	IL	62411	217-826-8727		
Stewart	Bill	2822 E Morris Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47805	812-466-1864	812-236-6291	
Stueland	Dick and Freda	910 S 16th Street	Rogers	AR	72758	479-986-0408		
Thompson	Rick and Stacey	7756 E Mine Ave	Terre Haute	IN	47803	812-877-3597	812-208-2865	
Vaughn	Floyd and Janice	PO Box 18	Lyons	IN	47443	812-659-2539		
Wolfe	Charles and Margaret Whitney	204 Fairview S Dr	Greenwood	IN	46142	317-888-9160		
Wolfe	Richard and Connie Brace	3634 W US Hwy 40	Stilesville	IN	46180	317-539-5396	317-627-5865	
Wright	Buck and Janice	4434 S Old US 41	Sullivan	IN	47882	812-268-3883		