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JANUARY 2008



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

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Region Correspondent: Don Miller

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Ford Dealer in Linton, IN in 1931

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Meeting Minutes for Last month

The December meeting of the Sycamore Model 'A' Club was held at the beginning of the Christmas party. No minutes were recorded.

MAFFI

One of the items that was tabled at the November meeting was donations to charity for the year.

Historically, we have donated a part of our club income to various charitable organizations locally.

Last year we donated to an organization whose mission is: seek to preserve Model A Fords and related memorabilia, encourage research, and educate present and future generations. That organization is the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. or MAFFI.

In order for the club to make an informed decision regarding a donation this year, some information about the organization is presented here.

Their board of directors consists of 15 people, including a Newsletter Editor and Executive Director. These two Directors are the only ones who actually receive any funds. The Newsletter Editor is reimbursed for his newsletter expenses and the Executive Director is reimbursed for one trip to a national club meeting

(MARC or MAFCA) each year. Other than that, there are no "paid employees." It is the job of the Executive Director to answer the telephone and emails for the organization. Thus all donations go toward achieving the MAFFI mission.

Donations may be "earmarked" for a specific project or simply made for them to use as they see fit for the current project that needs funding the most. They also accept material things as well as cash. For example, the Hangtown A's donated a Model A school bus!

One of the major goals of the organization is to establish a MAFFI museum.

MAFFI projects in the works that are being completed by volunteers include:

- A parts project that includes indexing and scanning of the Model A engineering drawings. This includes over 100,000 drawings -a monumental task!
- Original upholstery and trimmings have been donated and are being cataloged and displayed as part of the Upholstery/Trimming project

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Martha Murphy

It is with much sadness that I report the death of my good wife Martha. She passed on the 17th of December at the Good Samaritan Center in Jasonville.

A memorial service will be held at the Lawton Street Christian Church in Jasonville on Saturday, January 5th, at 2:00pm.

Bob Murphy

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Please check the calendar in the centerfold of the newsletter for birthdays and anniversaries.

I need the birthday and anniversary dates for the following members:

James and Nancy Bacon

John and Marilyn Baker

Harold and Rosella Barton

Ed and Doris Bean

Brian and Woolery Heather Britton

Jim and Nema Brown

Susan Corenfloous

Russell and Cheryl Counterman

Tom and Sheron Fortenbery

Betty Holloway

Charles and Paula Diefling

James and Nancy Little

Mike Mahurin

Jimi and Rebecca Moore

Joe and Anna Mueller

James Page

John and Kim Roan

Lee and Elizabeth Romine

Bernard and Carole Smith

Charles Wolfe and Margaret Whitney

Richard Wolfe and Connie Brace

Please write down the information and give it to me or send me an email so I can add you to the calendar.

WANTED

News and articles for both the website and the newsletter. Anything of interest to the club members is appropriate. Such things as you attended, for example, auctions, car shows, museums, etc. Picture are both welcome and desirable.

WANTED

Pictures for the front page of the newsletter. (The spot where the 20 Millionth Ford picture is in this issue.) Any picture that is of interest to the club members is appropriate.

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Sycamore "A" Club Christmas Party

By Melissa Miller

On December 8th, club members gathered at the First National Bank conference room in Terre Haute for our annual Christmas Party.

There was time for greetings and visiting before enjoying the delicious catered buffet.

After dinner, with numbers drawn, the fun of the gift exchange began. As usual, as the gifts were picked, some were "stolen" several times before the final draw. What fun !!!

The beautiful wooden table decorations, made by Stacy's dad, Don Lofton, were given out to club members. A big thank you to Mr. Lofton for the work and time spent getting these made for us to enjoy.

As the party came to a close, there was a gift for each person present to take home. Tins of popcorn, cookies and mixed nuts and cocoa and spiced cider mixes were among them.

We owe Stacy and Rick and their crew a very BIG thank you for all the time spent planning and preparing this year's festivities.

WELL DONE FOLKS !!!!!!!

2008 Membership Meet

The 2008 Membership Meet is in Lionville, Pennsylvania this year. The dates are April 24-27th. Since the dates are fairly late in April, there is a good chance for reasonable weather, and this would be a good opportunity for an early Model A tour!

Many of the Sycamore As have not been to a Membership Meet and since we are having one in 2010 it would be a good experience for as many of us as possible to have attended at least one before we host one ourselves!

Please check the dates against your calendar and see if you can possibly make the trip. It could be a fun tour for the club as well as an educational trip to a national membership meet.

Dallas World Meet

The Dallas World Meet is coming right up soon! There have been several folks that have expressed an interest in attending. Since it will be a relatively long trip, it will require some advance planning. If you are interested in going on the tour, please attend a short meeting after the regular Sycamore A meeting in January.

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- A large collection of advertising literature is being displayed in the Al Coffield Collection

Membership dues for an individual are \$25 per year, \$70 for three years, or \$350 for a lifetime membership.

7 Reasons To Join MAFFI

1. You love the Model A and the fellowship of the hobby
2. You want future generations to experience the thrill of the ride—the Model A sound—meeting new friends
3. You value MAFFI's mission to preserve the car and its era
4. You have access to donated collections of original model a advertising and factory photos
5. You can remember the loss of a friend or loved one in MAFFI's Memorial Book
6. You will receive a quarterly newsletter with new knowledge of the Model A and all project updates
7. You will be eligible for a tax deduction for every donation to MAFI (money, gifts, collections, cars, parts).

Editorial Comment: It seems to me that this organization is one which deserves our support! Until I re-

searched the organization to write this article, I had not joined the organization. I have now sent in my membership dues for a 3-year membership. (I may not live long enough to buy a lifetime membership!)

Columbus Region Invitation

The Columbus Region Model A Club has invited the Sycamore As to be their guest for dinner on the evening of April 19, 2008, the day before their annual Swap Meet in Columbus.

They commented that they appreciated the times our club has entertained them in the past and thought it was about time they returned the favor!

They plan to have the meal in Brown County, near Nashville, IN around 6:00pm on Saturday, April 19th.

We will discuss this generous invitation at our January meeting.

WANTED

Pictures and a description for the Car-of-the-Month website feature are needed. If no other cars are offered, I will continue to run my Cabriolet! And that should get old pretty soon!

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