

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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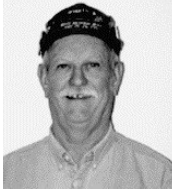


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September, 2019

## Director's Column: Tony Topicz



I want to thank everyone for coming out to a great August meeting hosted at Jarrod and Melissa Williams' home. After our financial discussion regarding the Christmas Party at the meeting, I think it would be nice to go over the club's finances and income at the next meeting. Also, this year we will be electing new board members, so think about who should be nominated for Director, Vice Director, Secretary, and Treasurer. We'll see you back at the VFW in Sharonville for the September meeting!

## Driving to the 2019 MARC National Meet in Dearborn, Michigan.

By: Jarrod Williams



My wife, Melissa, and I drove 1,009 miles to attend the 2019 MARC Nationals in Dearborn, Michigan. We did not have any problems due to routine maintenance on the car done regularly. We took our time driving the gorgeous back roads to get there and back. Once at the meet, we were able to socialize and meet "Facebook friends" that we had never met in person. There is plenty to do including technical seminars, fashion seminars, a fashion show, ice-cream social, Fine Point car judging, a Grand Tour, and lastly an awards dinner. We had a great time, met some great people, and bonded with our Model A. Melissa even won a national award!, "The youngest female to drive her Model A to the meet"!

Next year the [2020 MARC National Meet](#) will be in Oshkosh Wisconsin.

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## National Club News

### Model A Restorer's Club (MARC)

- Each member receives an award winning magazine "The Model A News" published bi-monthly. It features fantastic articles and information about the Model A Ford.
- If you are looking for a Model A you may find one in the "Cars for Sale" section in the Model A News which is free to all members of MARC. The same is true if you are looking to sell a car or parts. The "Wanted" section will give you an opportunity to find a part you may be looking for.
- You and your family will be able to attend national conventions designed for "Fun for the Whole Family".

MARC: <https://model-a-ford.org/>

### DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE MARC NATIONAL EVENTS?

**2020 MARC Membership Meet**  
**Plymouth, Indiana**  
**April 2—4, 2020**

Visit the beautiful countryside of Indiana's heartland at Swan Lake Resort and U.S. Golf Academy. Located 70 miles from Chicago and Fort Wayne, it is centrally located for Model A Regions throughout the USA. It is near many attractions: the Amish shops of Rentown, Goshen and Shipshewana, the Studebaker Museum, Notre Dame University, and the South Bend Chocolate Factory and Museum.

Early reservations are recommended. Accommodations include deluxe rooms, suites, log cabins, cottages, fairway villas, fairway houses and RV hookups. Prices start at \$99 per day and include a breakfast buffet. Tee times are available at a reduced rate. To make reservations, phone (800) 935-5616 and mention "Model A Group." The overflow hotel is the Holiday Inn Express & Suites in Plymouth, IN, phone (844) 818-1749. Again, mention "Model A Group" to get the \$99 rate. For more information about Swan Lake, visit [swanlakeresort.com](http://swanlakeresort.com) and take the virtual tour.

Speakers and activities are already being planned and include an expert on Henry Ford's aviation enterprises. You will be surprised at Henry's innovations and patents in aviation.

**2020 MARC National Meet**  
**June 1-5, 2020**

You do not want to miss the sights and sounds of Model A's taking over the town of Oshkosh Wisconsin! You must be a member of the Model A Restorers Club to participate. More details to come as they become available.

### Editor's Column: By Jarrod Williams

- If you have any suggestions on how to improve our newsletter, or even sections that you would like to add to the newsletter please let me know. Deadline for submissions is the 3rd of each month.
- It's never too early to start thinking about next year. Start thinking about tour routes you would like, places we would like to visit, or even winter activities we can do as a club. It's always the little things that make a big difference.
- If you have misplaced any of your past newsletters, you can always find PDF copies of them on our website: <http://clubs.hemmings.com/ovr/newsletters.html>

### OVRMAC Member Garage for Use!

Steve Gillie has offered the use of his garage, tools, and manuals for club members. His garage is located in Springboro, Ohio. Steve has generously offered his guidance if members would like to work on their cars, but because of his arthritis he is unable to do any physical work.

Again, club members are welcome to use any and all items. Call Steve Gillie at: (513) 571-5276 to set up a time.

If Steve is not available, call his friend Melvin Larson at: (513) 593-5489.

#### Tools available for use include:

- 2 post lift
- 4 post ramp lift
- Welders and torches
- Sandblaster
- Engine stand
- Engine hoist
- Rivet machine for brakes
- Miscellaneous other tools
- Any kind of hand tool you would need
- Repair manuals

## Tech Tips - Ignition issues

Taken from: <http://modelabasics.com/Roadside%20Troubleshooting.htm#backfiringNoLoad>

### Quick Check: Ignition (Primary)

With ignition on, turn the engine over and observe the ammeter. If the needle jiggles the primary side of the electrical system is working. This includes: ignition switch, pop-out cable, points, condenser, primary side of coil, and the hidden wire in the distributor connecting the upper plate to the lower plate. (Paraphrased from Tom Endy's article "Model A Ford Ignition Diagnostics")

*Note:* For early Model A's up until November 1929 the ammeter was not wired into the primary ignition circuit.

To convert:

Disconnect the battery. Open the terminal box on the firewall. Locate the black wire leading from the coil to the terminal on the passenger side, move this wire to the terminal on the driver side. The Ammeter Needle will now jiggle to help with diagnostics.

(Paraphrased from Tom Endy's article Model A Ford Ignition Diagnostics)

(See [Ignition](#) opens a new page)

### Quick Check: Ignition (Secondary)

To check the secondary side of the electrical system, remove one brass spark plug connector from the distributor and position it approximately a ¼ of an inch above its terminal on the distributor. Using the key turn the engine over and observe the gap to see if a bright yellowish-blue spark, with a loud snapping sound is being created.

No spark/poor spark; Culprits include:

- Failed condenser
- Lower plate wire broke or shorted
- Point gap closing up
- Pop-out cable to tight and grounding out in distributor

(See [Ignition](#) opens a new page)

For a much more in-depth review, please visit Tom Endy's article:

<http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2OC-Ignition-Diagnostics.pdf>

## Looking One's Loveliest in 1931

Taken from: [https://mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Looking%20Ones%20Loveliest%20in%201931\\_2019-05.pdf](https://mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Looking%20Ones%20Loveliest%20in%201931_2019-05.pdf)



When historians refer to the 1930's, we read about "the great depression".

Songwriters were asking, "Brother can you spare a dime?" But fashion dictators were trending feminine hairstyles, wider shoulders, narrow hips and evening

wear with a new emphasis on the back. In 1931, dresses were charming, graceful, slenderizing and exuded femininity. The dropped waist was gone. The waistline was worn higher at the natural line and belts were worn tighter. Hemlines were one to two inches longer than the previous year falling at the mid-calf and for the most part were straight although uneven hems were seen on "Sunday Supper", semi-formal and other formal afternoon fashions. Sleeveless dresses had matching jackets or boleros. Dresses with short sleeves were here to stay. Semi-formal dresses had capped sleeves, short elbow length sleeves or a shallow cape attached.

Dresses were seen in black, shades of dark brown, wine, maroon, rose and a variety of dark greens. Black or navy blue were combined with white, pastels or bright colors and were important spring and summer colors. Shades of tan and brown were mixed with colors in a print or as an accent. Ornamental bows and flowers of earlier years weren't as common but were seen on semi-formal and formal dresses.



### OVRMAC Personalized Club Name Tag

Personalized name tags in the shape of a Model A Ford can be ordered from:

Brenda Owens

5937 McMicken Drive

Milford, OH 45150

(513) 254-1035

Cost: \$10.00 (tag with pin)

\$12.50 (tag with magnet)



### OVRMAC Personalized Apparel

There is no need to wait for multiple orders to be placed for club apparel. You may order at any time. OVRMAC club shirts, jackets, etc. can be purchased at Black-Out Tee's located in the Eastgate Mall. The company has our logo in digital format and can help you place an order.

**Please Contact:**

[Black Out Tee's](#)

[4601 Eastgate Blvd](#)

[Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)

[\(513\) 604-8337](#)

# OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB MEETING MINTUES

Wednesday, August, 28 2019

Home of Jarrod and Melissa Williams, Madeira OH

## CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Tony Topicz, Director, who led the group in a moment of silence and Kaleb Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL:

The roll call was led by Art Foreman, Vice Director. There were 45 members and 1 new member, Ken Lynch.

## SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS:

Bob Noe motioned to accept the Minutes, Don Perkins 2nd the motion. Tom Blomer motioned to accept the Treasurers Report, Brenda Owens 2nd the motion. Both reports were accepted as recorded in the July 2019 AAAOOOGAH.

## SUNSHINE REPORT:

Margie Blomer and club members recognized August Birthdays and Anniversaries. Emma Arnold won the Model A Youth Scholarship!

## CAR GUYS:

Tom Blomer and Terry Owens had nothing to report.

## CAR SHOW:

We will have our annual car show September 8, 2019. Everything is ready for the show, pray for nice weather! Please come, ready to help at 8:00am! Keep passing out the flyers. All members are welcome to help out! If you have any questions please contact Elmer Stanukinos at (513) 720-6178.

## MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER:

If you have any issues receiving the newsletter contact Jarrod Williams. Tim Schmidt has radiator plaques for new members.

## MILEAGE PROGRAM:

Anna Williams absent, nothing to report.

## MARC NATIONALS:

Margie Blomer talked about the Fashion Show and how much fun it was. Melissa Williams spoke about going to the MARC Nationals, 8 people went from our club, it was a really nice time. Congratulations to Melissa for winning the award for being the youngest female to drive to the Nationals!

## CLIFTON MILLS TOUR:

Don and Ramona Perkins tour to Clifton Mills and Young's Dairy will be September 14.

Meet at:

[Lebanon Peddlers Mall](#)  
[920 Columbus Ave](#)  
[Lebanon, OH 45036](#)

Meet time: 10am  
Leave time: 10:30am

Text or email Don and Ramona if you'd like to go:  
(513)292-4392

[ramonaperkins64@gmail.com](mailto:ramonaperkins64@gmail.com)

It's "International Model A Ford Day" so let's drive those Model A's!

## POKER RUN TOUR:

Larry and Debbie Arnold presented the toilet seat award to Terry Owens since he had some breakdowns during the Poker Run Tour on Sunday, July 28.

## MYSTERY TOUR:

Art Foreman is helping to plan this tour on Sunday, October 20, meet at same place in Milford. The "mystery" details will arrive at September meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Tony Topicz doesn't have a landline phone right now due to building a new house. His cell phone is (513) 858-9592 which is printed incorrectly in the 2019 Roster.

## COVERED BRIDGE TOUR:

The Dayton Buckeye Model A Club invites anyone to their 53rd Covered Bridge Tour on Sunday, October 13. Tim Schmitt said it's a lot of fun and sort of like a mystery tour. Also, there are monetary door prizes. This tour is in memory of Joe Schimil from Eaton OH, a long time member.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Art brought up a discussion about the projected budget amount for the Christmas Party and is asking for a motion for it to be up to \$3,500. 2018 we spent a little less than that. Art Foreman made a motion to spend the money for the Christmas Party, Bob Green 2nd the motion. Conrad Gerdes motioned to allow the Christmas Committee up to \$3,500 for the budget, Carl Eby 2nd the motion.

## CLUB EVENTS:

9/8/2019 - Car Show 10th Annual @ 10am, Reading, Ohio

9/21/2019 - Model A Day at the Model A Ford Museum, Hickory Corners, Michigan

10/20/2019 - Mystery tour, details coming soon

November- No events

12/8/2019 - Holiday Party

## MARCC/MAFFI:

No news

## SPLIT THE POT:

Tom and Jackie Hull absent. No split the pot.

## NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at the VFW Hall, 3318 Sharon Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Tom Blomer motion to adjourn the meeting, Jim Green 2nd the motion.

## SUBMITTED BY:

Sherri Green, Secretary.

# OVR Model A Club 2019 Christmas Party & Holiday Banquet



Jim and Pam Thomas Antique Christmas Display

**JOIN US** for tasty food, exciting games, fabulous prizes, deserving awards, stimulating conversations, and **MORE!**

**DATE & TIME** – Sunday, December 8, 2019. 2PM to 6PM

**PLACE** – RSVP Event Center, 453 Wards Corner Road, Loveland, OH 45140

**ATTIRE** – Model A era clothing and ugly sweaters are encouraged

**COST** - \$20 for each member, \$25 for each nonmember. kids 3 and under are free

**RESERVATIONS FORM AND PAYMENT DETAILS**

- Bob Green must receive your reservations form and payment by **11/15/2019**.
- Pay Bob at our monthly meetings or mail your reservations form and check to: Bob Green at 9735 Baughman Road, Harrison, OH 45030.
- Checks payable to OVR Model A Club.
- Check the “Member box” if the person is a member.  
(Per OVR constitution, members are spouses and children 21 years or younger.)
- Check the “3yrs or under box” for kids 3 years of age or younger.
- Check the “Vegetarian meal” if the person wants a vegetarian meal.
- Prices are \$20 per member, \$25 per nonmember, and free for a child 3 years or younger.
- Please print legibly. Only one name per line.

**RESERVATIONS FORM -----**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member:  3yrs or under:  Vegetarian meal:

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Check number \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS** – Please contact Sherri Green if you have any questions.  
[greensa@zoomtown.com](mailto:greensa@zoomtown.com) or call 513-476-7537.

## Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **September 8, 2019**  
**10th Annual Reading**  
**Show 'N' Tell Car Show**  
 Registration 10am-12pm. Awards at 2:30pm.  
 Show will be held at:  
[VYO Haffey Fieldhouse](#)  
[1559 West Street](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)
- **September 14, 2019**  
**Clifton Mills / Young's Dairy Tour**  
 Don and Ramona Perkins tour to Clifton Mills and Young's Dairy will be September 14. Meeting at Lebanon Peddlers Mall in Lebanon Ohio at 10am, leaving at 10:30am.  
[Lebanon Peddlers Mall](#)  
[920 Columbus Ave](#)  
[Lebanon, OH 45036](#)
- **September 21, 2019**  
**9th Annual Model A Day**  
[Model A Ford Foundation, Inc](#)  
 - Swap Meet- Special Display Vehicles  
 - Model A Seminars - Food and Fun  
 The host hotel for Model A Day is the Four Points Sheraton at: 3600 E. Cork St., Kalamazoo, Michigan Phone (269) 385-3922  
 The room rate is \$108 and includes a buffet breakfast. (The reserved room block will expire on August 18, 2019.)  
 The direct link to make reservations is: [Direct Booking Link](#)
- **September 25, 2019**  
**OVRMAC September Club Meeting**  
 Our September meeting will be back at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
 Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **October 20, 2019**  
**Mystery Tour—Date TBD**  
 Art Foreman is hard at work putting together another Mystery Tour. Stay tuned for details.
- **October 23, 2019**  
**OVRMAC October Club Meeting**  
 Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
 Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **November 3, 2019**  
**Brookville, OH Swap Meet**  
 Event will be held at Reichard Chevrolet. The address is: 575 Arlington Road, Brookville, OH.  
 The Swap Meet features antique and classic cars, parts and related items, petroliia, advertising, emblems, manuals, etc. Antique cars are displayed on the showroom floor.  
 Doors open at 7AM and close at 1PM. Hot breakfast and lunch stand available. Spectator fee \$3. Heated indoor 10 X 10 vendor spaces, \$15 each. Outdoor vendor spaces, \$20 each. Saturday set-up for indoor vendors is from 3-6 PM. Vendor spaces not held unless payment is received with reservation.  
 Vendor space requests or information:  
 Mike Bogart  
 175 Marybill Drive South  
 Troy, OH 45373  
 (937) 335-9353.  
 Please call from 7:30-3:30pm

## OVRMAC Classifieds / Services

- 1930 Model A 4-door, Murray Body with Overdrive. Hydraulic brakes, steel trunk and rack. Runs and drives Great!  
 \$14,500 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- 1930 Tudor. Overdrive. Belonged to Willy Smith. Good condition. \$11,500 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- 3.27 ratio gear set for sale.  
 \$700 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- 5 very nice wheels painted Apple Green  
 \$875 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- Model A horns. Several to choose from.  
 One 1932 B model horn.  
 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- 2004 Chevy SSR  
 \$19,000 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- 1931 Tudor Coupe. New engine, new cast iron drums, new brake liners, 5 speed transmission, original engine in box. A great driver. \$17,500 Terry Owens (513) 254-1035

## 2019 August Meeting—Williams' Home



After navigating the traffic from numerous accidents on different highways, we all were able to sit down and enjoy the great weather for our August club meeting.

Some 46 people were in attendance!

A special thanks to everyone that brought side dishes, especially Marijke for those yummy desserts!

## The OVRMAC "Car Care Gang"

Tom Blomer and Terry Owens are club members that help run and maintain the "Car Care Gang". These two gentleman will graciously volunteer their time and knowledge about Model A's to help you get through an issue with your car. Just remember they will help you, they will not repair the car for you. After all, knowing how the Model A works is just as much fun as driving one! Give them a call if you need any help or advice.



Tom Blomer  
H: 513-769-3029  
C: 513-477-8257



Terry Owens  
H: 513-831-8580  
C: 513-254-1035

## OVR's 2019 MARC Youth Scholarship Winner!

Emma Arnold



Our club's very own Emma Arnold received a 2019 Model A Ford Youth Scholarship. Each Scholarship winner will get a maximum of \$4,000 payable in up to four \$1,000 installments depending on the length of time of undergraduate studies undertaken.

Congratulations Emma from

OVR, we are proud of you and can't wait to see you driving the Model A in club tours.

For more information on how to apply for the scholarship please visit the MARC website: <http://model-a-ford.org/programs-awards/youth-and-scholarship/youth>

## New Club Member Information



**Name:** Ken Lynch

**Age:** 38

**Model A Owned:** 1930 Cabriolet

**How old were you when you first sat in the car or drove the car?**

I was 14 years old when I sat in my dad's first Model A. This most recent Model A is his third. I was 36 when I sat in the car of my dad's that is now mine.

**What are you looking forward to with the car or club?**

I am looking forward to meeting everyone and learning more about the model A's. Also going on club drives and volunteering with the club.



**Ohio Valley Region Model "A" Ford Club  
Membership Application and Roster Information**

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (optional): \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Work (optional): \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Email : \_\_\_\_\_

Model A's Owned: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to : Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club (\$25.00 per year)

Mail dues to : Jarrod Williams 7973 Miami Ave Cincinnati, OH 45243



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