

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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Director's Column: Tom Blomer



Thank you to everyone who attended the June meeting that Margie and I hosted at the Evendale Shelter house. It was nice to see everyone and their cars, and we all welcomed two new members to the club! Amy Schroeder has been working some behind the scenes magic at the Ford Transmission plant. Mentioned below is the personal invite from Ford for the OVRMAFC to show case their cars at Ford Family Day. Thank you Amy for all your hard work! The weather sure has turned the corner, we now have sunny 80 degree days which are perfect for Model A driving. The club could still use a tour or event for August, so if you are interested please let one of the officers know.

July 26, 2023 OVRMAFC Meeting



Join us as Debbie and Larry Arnold host the meeting. They will be serving Larry's famous pulled pork. Attendees should bring a dish to share, drinks and a chair.

Location:

[11653 Carolina Trace Rd](#)
[Harrison, OH 45030](#)

Dinner will be served at 6:30pm
OVRMAFC Club Meeting starts at 7:30pm

July 29, 2023 Ford Family Day

Ford will be hosting a family day at the Sharonville Transmission Plant on Saturday, July 29 from 1:00 to 5:00pm. This will be different than the large JDRF Fun Fest and car and bike show prior to COVID. This event will not be a fundraiser and will not be open to the public. It will only be for Ford employees and their families and retirees.

And here's the great part; I was able to get an exemption to allow our club to participate, since our cars will be an attraction, and we (Ford Sharonville) are allowed to offer plant tours to our Model A club members! The catch is that our club members MUST bring their Model A to participate. We will be able to park together in a designated area, so that the employees and family members can see the cars. We can bring a pop-up tent and table, and we can distribute information about our club.

Let Amy Schroeder know if you can make it.

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National Club News

Model A Restorer's Club (MARC)

- "The Model A News" magazine (6 issues per year)
- Technical Support (free via mail or email)
- National Banquets - National Tours - Membership Meets (All of which include insurance if you are a member)
- MARC also produces publications including:
Restoration Guidelines & Judging Standards; Technically Speaking Series of Books, Fashion Standards, and Touring Class Judging Standards

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

Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA)

- The *Restorer* magazine (6 issues per year)
- Technical Support (free via mail or email)
- National Banquets - National Tours - Membership Meets
- MAFCA also produces publications including:
Restoration Guidelines & Judging Standards; Paint and Finish Guide; Hardware Standards, How to Restore Your Model A

MAFCA: <https://www.mafca.com/>

Editor's Column: Jarrod Williams

A friendly reminder that any submissions for the monthly newsletter should be received by the 3rd of the month.

We send the newsletter to the printer on the 5th of each month to be printed, mailed, and in your hands by the 10th of each month.

My email address is jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com

OVRMAFC Social Media

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ovrmafca>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/ovrmafca/>

Model A Youth Report



MARC and MAFCA both offer a youth scholarship program to help youth get started in the hobby and to support them as they may make repairs on the car. If you know someone that is 12-22 years old they may qualify for the program.

For more information please visit the below website links:

[MARC Youth Scholarship Program](#)

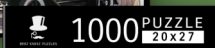
[MAFCA Youth Scholarship Program](#)

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2023 June Oeder's Lake Picnic

By: Jarrod and Melissa Williams

We had a near record attendance for our annual picnic, 70+ people and 18 Model A's! The day started off interestingly, Eddie lost a wheel on his way around the lake causing a traffic jam. But as with all club break downs, help was right there and he was fixed up in no time. We enjoyed fishing, hamburgers and hot dogs from the grill, along with side dishes and desserts galore. The weather was absolutely perfect! Thank you to Richard and Kathy Oeder for allowing us into your little piece of heaven for the day.



Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 28 2023 Evendale Shelter House

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director, who also led the group in a moment of silent remembrance followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

The Roll Call was led by Debbie Arnold.

ATTENDANCE:

There were 31 members present and 10 Model A's were driven.

New members present were Mike and Tina Larkin (1931 Deluxe Roadster) and Clinton Knachstedt (1931 Roadster).

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS:

Both reports were approved as printed in the May 2023 Newsletter.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

June birthdays celebrated were Bob Green, Jim Thomas and Anita Blankenship. June anniversaries recognized were Mike and Sherry Wilcher (24 years), Bob and Angel Noe (12 years) and Steve and Sharian Gillie (8 years).

CAR CARE GANG:

Dennis Schut repaired the brakes on his Coupe.

FASHION COMMITTEE:

Phyllis Pease reported that the subject of the Fashion Seminar at the upcoming MARC Meet in West Chester, Ohio will be Fashions for the Real Model A Woman.

MILEAGE PROGRAM:

Mike Wilcher reviewed the MARC Mileage Program for the new members. The first car membership fee is \$1 covered by OVR.

MEMBERSHIP:

Jarrold Williams reported that the current OVR membership is above 90 members.

NEWSLETTER:

Submissions for the Newsletter should be sent to Jarrold Williams by the 3rd of each month. Jarrold asked members to consider submitting original articles for publication in the newsletter.

RECENT EVENTS:

The annual Club Picnic, hosted by Jarrold and Melissa Williams, was held on Sunday, June 4, 2023 at Oeders Lake near Morrow, OH. More than 70 members and guests attended and 18 Model A's were driven. The Toilet Seat Award for this event went to Eddie Bomer who lost a wheel on the road entering the lake area, delaying several members entering behind him.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

On Saturday, July 29, 2023, Amy Schroeder will host an event as part of Family and Friends Day at the Evendale Ford Plant. OVR members are encouraged to drive their Model A's for a car show in front of the plant. There will be tours of the plant available along with food provided by the Ford Corporation. More details will be provided at the July 26 meeting.

Debbie and Larry Arnold will host the annual Poker Run in August. More information to be announced.

An event is still needed for August 2023.

MARC NATIONAL MEET:

Amy Schroeder and Jarrold Williams noted that a drive by the Evendale Ford plant will be included in the Grand Tour on Thursday, August 3, 2023 at the upcoming MARC National Meet in West Chester, OH.

Jarrold Williams asked OVR members willing to volunteer at the meet to please contact him personally and he will pass the information along to the Meet planners.

John Grossheim and Larry Arnold will be in charge of the Repair Tent.

Jim Thomas and John Grossheim will conduct a seminar on Model A advertising on Monday, July 30, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. The seminar will be followed by a Model A advertising swap meet.

MODEL A DAY:

The 2023 Model A Day will be held on September 15-16 at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI. This event includes seminars, a banquet, and a large swap meet.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The July 26, 2023 meeting will be held at the home of Debbie and Larry Arnold, 11653 Carolina Trace, Harrison, Ohio. Pulled pork will be served. Attendees should bring a dish to share, drinks and a chair. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7:30 p.m.

The August 23, 2023 meeting will be hosted by Marieke and Dennis Schut and will be held at the shelter house at Fernbank Park, 50 Thornton Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. Attendees should bring a dish to share, drinks and a chair. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7:30 p.m.

SPLIT THE POT:

Split the Pot was won by Tom Blomer.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director.

SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary.



Milk Jug Handle Funnel - MAFCA Tiny Tip

Idea by Pepe Walstrom

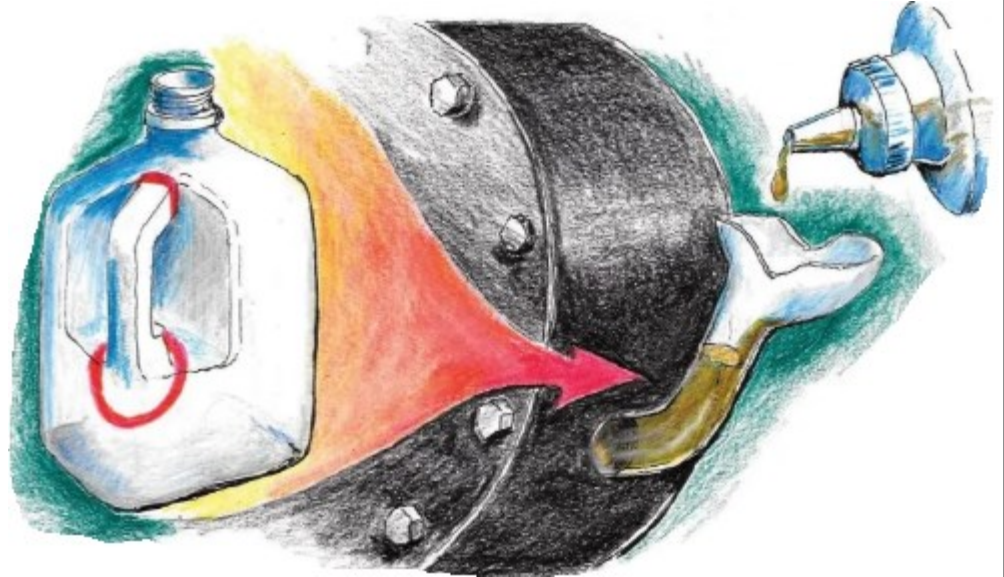
Illustration by John Pratt

I've just discovered something that convinces me the designer of gallon plastic jugs started out as a Model A tool designer who now makes plastic jugs as a sideline. Once the mil or O.J.'s gone, here's where a plastic jug's handle comes in handy. We all know what a pain it is to fill the differential with 600-weight oil. It drips on the floor, down your arm... and causes a pain in your neck.

One day in the shower, I got the idea to cut the handle out of a clear plastic milk jug: the top end of a funnel. The lower end is angled perfectly to make the awkward bend into the fill hole.

I made the lower end as long as possible then cut a V, or relief in the top so that it can be slightly compressed to fit in the fill hole.

Thread it in for a leak-free seal. With the plastic being clear, you can see the rate at which you're putting in oil. And when it's full, it stops flowing.



MAFFI (Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.) Minute

Not everything at the Hickory Corners Model A Museum is about preparing for Model A Days. During the second week of May, a crew consisting of MAFFI Trustees and volunteers worked hard for four days moving and parking Model A's around the Gilmore complex and the local area for multiple photos. During that time, Model A's were carefully removed from the museum building and the "C Barn" to be positioned around the Gilmore campus. Additionally, some of the cars were taken off-site and parked at other country setting locations that included a hops farm, an old church, and a lake. At the end of each day the cars were returned to their homes only to be taken out the following morning to repeat the process.

While the MAFFI Trustees and volunteers were doing this, a photographer, John Lacko, from Hemmings Motor News, was taking pictures. By all accounts there were probably more than 2500 pictures taken.

This flurry of activity was for the purpose of helping Hemmings Motor News create their Model A calendars for 2024 and 2025. These calendars will be on sale in October of this year and next year. They will be available through Hemmings Motor News. This calendar, dedicated to Model A's, is one of 8 different calendars that Hemmings Motor News sells each year.

Check out the MAFFI website (<https://www.maffi.org/index.htm>) for new information about the museum and Model A days on September 15 and 16th.

The OVRMAFC "Car Care Gang"

Club members Tom Blomer, Terry Owens, and Dennis Schut 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.



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2023 OVRMAFC Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **July 26, 2023**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
Join us as Larry and Deb Arnold host the outdoor picnic/club meeting. Please bring your own drink and side dish to share, and lawn chair. The club will provide the main entrée.

Location:
[11653 Carolina Trace Rd](#)
[Harrison, OH 45030](#)

Dinner will be served at 6:30pm
OVRMAFC Club Meeting starts at 7:30pm
- **July 29, 2023**
Family and Friends Day at the Evendale Ford Plant
OVRMAFC members are encouraged to drive their Model A's for a car show in front of the plant. There will be tours of the plant available along with food provided by the Ford Corporation. More details will be provided at the July 26 meeting.
- **July 30—August 4, 2023**
MARC National Meet
[Holiday Inn](#)
[5800 Muhlhauser Rd](#)
[West Chester Township, OH 45069](#)
Registration Forms can be downloaded here or found in the "Model A News" magazine:
<https://model-a-ford.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Hamilton-National-Meet-Registration.pdf>
- **August 23, 2023**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
Join us as Marieke and Dennis Schut host the outdoor picnic/club meeting. Please bring your own drink and side dish to share, and lawn chair. The club will provide the main entrée.

Location:
[Picnic Shelter in Fernbank Park](#)
[50 Thornton Ave](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45233](#)

Dinner will be served at 6:30pm
OVRMAFC Club Meeting starts at 7:30pm
- **September 10, 2023**
The Aubrey Rose Foundation British Car Day
1923-2023 100 Years of MG and Triumph
70+ Awards by Popular Choice. Live Music-Food and Beer Trucks. Split the Pot Proceeds Benefit Aubrey Rose Foundation
Early Registration \$20.00 ends 8/31
Registration \$25.00 Day of Show.
Visit: <https://www.bccgc.org/british-car-day>
[Village Green Park](#)
[301 Wessel Dr.](#)
[Fairfield, OH 45014](#)
- **September 15-16, 2023**
MAFFI Model A Days
Join the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc in Hickory Corners Michigan as they celebrate Model A days for 2 days! You can [pre-register](#) on their website or pay when you arrive. Consider joining MAFFI and supporting our Model A hobby. MAFFI is located on the grounds of the [Gilmore Car Museum](#) located at 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 for more information call (269) 671-5089.
- **September 27, 2023**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)
[11637 Chester Rd](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)
- **October 25, 2023**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)
[11637 Chester Rd](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)
- **November 15, 2023**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
(Held a week early due to Thanksgiving)
[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)
[11637 Chester Rd](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)

Novelty Era Jewelry

By: Sherry Winkinhofer

Taken from: https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Novelty_Jewelry_2023_07.pdf

Most of the time, when we are talking about jewelry from the Model A years, we talk about the beautiful or elegant pieces. Diamonds or rhinestones, gems or colored glass, silver or gold, things with what in our modern world is often referred to as "bling." And the pictures and catalogs of the era are filled with these types of ornaments, to be sure.

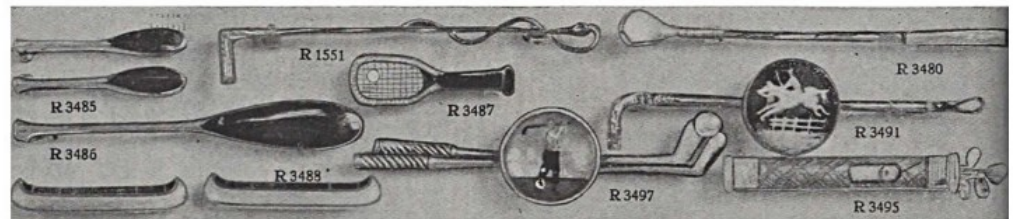
But an interesting sub-set of jewelry that has always fascinated me is what was often referred to as novelty items. Some catalogs have items titled novelty that are just unusual styles but are still considered elegant. This article is not about those, but about the other pieces, those that wouldn't normally pop into our minds when asked about era jewelry. Things with subjects of animals or sports themes, fantasy items such as dragons and griffins, or even popular cultural themes such as airplanes. These unique items could be found as any type of jewelry, including brooches, hat pins, bracelets, and cuff links.

Finding real life photos of these small pieces of history being worn is difficult, but catalogs help fill in the gaps.



Animals were a popular subject. Dogs, horses, turtles, and elephants were quite easy to find. Less common, but still out there, were parrots, owls, monkeys and even dragons and snakes!

Sports themed items were easy to find. These include golf, tennis, riding and racing, and hunting, as can be seen in the items below:



Dogs were a popular motif:



Montgomery Ward Fall and Winter 1928-29 - dog novelty pin



Daniel Low 1930 - dog pins



Illustrated Ford Dearborn Gift Book—Sport Tie Holder.



Chas. L. Trout Co 1931 catalog - dog pin

OVRMAFC Classifieds / Services

- **1929 Model "A" Tudor - \$15,500**
This is an exceptional "A". Restored to MARC of Excellence standards from a 38,000 mile original car. I have owned this car 53 years, never any rust or damage. Colors: Rose Beige & Seal Brown. Great looking & driving car.
Price: \$15,500 - LOWERED PRICE
Contact: George Elbel 513-753-0060
- **1930 Model A Coupe - \$14,500**
New interior. Good paint, engine, and tires. Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- **1930 Model A Coupe - \$9,750**
New engine and rumble seat
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- **1924 Model T 4 Door - \$5,000**
Runs good. Good top and interior
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639



- 1929 Model A Cabriolet
It is in pretty decent shape, starts right up, sounds good, has a new top and interior. Contact Paul Hess (H) 812-934-5203 (C) 812-209-8335
- **Wanted:** 2-tooth steering box in good reconditioned service.
Contact: Terry Yaeger (859) 816-2437

- **Model T Huckster project**
Not complete, make offer
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- **1930 Model A Chassis - \$2,500**
Includes engine, transmission, radiator, and 5 wheels/tires. Contact: Debbie Humphry (740) 307-1637

**Model A Upholstery
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Ohio Valley Region Model "A" Ford Club
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New Member:

First Name: _____ Spouse First Name: _____

Last Name: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

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