



Sparton News

The Model A Ford Club of America - Bakersfield Chapter

The Model A Ford Club of America, Bakersfield Chapter, the first chapter, is dedicated to the preservation of the Model A Ford and its era. All are welcome.

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Rasmussen Center, 115 E. Roberts Lane.



Eddie and Sudy on the set of the "CHEERS" TV show in Boston

Upcoming Events:

- Nov 2 - General meeting at the Rasmussen Center - 7:00 P.M
- Nov 6-7 Cayucos Car Show
- Nov 11 - Veterans Parade.(More Details at Meeting).
- Nov 14 - Tour to the Borax mine in Boron, eat lunch at Domingo's afterward.(See Dine & Drive Page 3)
- Dec 3 Christmas Parade
- Dec 15 Christmas Dinner at the Petroleum Club.
- Aug 2-6 2010 - MAFCA National Meeting in Vancouver, BC. (Passports will be Needed!).

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President's Message

It has been almost eight weeks since we left Bakersfield, and I have seen more of our country than ever before. I think there was a song that went something like: From the shores of California to the coast of Maine. Well, we did that and more. As we were driving to the Fundy National Park, I was amazed to see the boats laying on their sides. The tide goes out almost a mile and as it does, the ships just lay down. We have all heard the stories of how far the tide goes out, but until you see it, you just can't believe it.

As we left the coast of Nova Scotia on a ferry headed for Prince Edward Island and the land faded out of view, a very eerie feeling came over me. I almost felt like I was on the Black Pearl. The ocean was dead still; no waves, no wake. It was a strange feeling. I almost felt like I was going to sail off the end of the world. Alas, we landed on the Island and everything went back to normal. We came off the Island on the longest bridge I had ever seen. (Confederation Bridge). It was eight miles long and even in our Jeep, it seemed very narrow. We crossed many bodies of water such as the Hudson River and the Mississippi River just to name a few, and we saw many really amazing bridges.

This has truly been a trip to remember, far too many things to describe, far too many experiences to talk about. The one thing that I will always remember is the friends that we traveled with. The trip would not have been the same without Stan, Mary, Dan and Shelby. I am now, more than ever, looking forward to British Columbia.

Dear Club,

This is a very abbreviated version of the Newsletter for November. As most of you know, my computer crashed while I was on our trip, making it almost impossible to create a newsletter of the quality that I have in the past. I am pursuing the purchase of a new laptop, but until then, this will have to do. Also, for this month, at least for now, there will be no emailed version of the newsletter.

Dan

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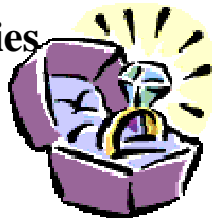
Sunshine

Arlie Lynch, our Sunshine Representative, needs to know when members are ill, have surgery, or are in the hospital. Also let her know about new Model A's (babies), marriages, and other important events.



November Anniversaries

- 9 - Jim & Cristy Solari
- 25 - Edward & Debi Besenfelder



November Birthdays

- 2 - Debi Besenfelder
- 10 - Janet Shreading
- Sherman Havens
- 15 - Cleve Henderson
- 17 - Mike Martin
- 21 - Jim Berry
- 28 - John Reed
- 30 - Anna Brancato



Editors Corner

As I prepare this newsletter, we are parked in the "Greene Acres" RV Park in Mountain View, Arkansas. It is pouring rain outside. Eddie, Stan and I had planned on going fishing in the White River with Shelby's cousin. The weather forecast is 100% chance of rain this morning, and 70% chance this afternoon. Doesn't look to me like we are going to make it fishing. This has been the trip of a lifetime for all of us. The country that we have seen is unbelievable. In Tennessee at Loretta Lynn's ranch we walked across a bridge built in 1911, I couldn't help but wonder how many Model A's had crossed that bridge in it's lifetime. I only wish I had been able to have mine there to cross it as well. We have so much to share with you, I can't wait to show you all. We are planning on being home in time for the November meeting.

We miss all of you,

Dan

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Information Page

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December	-	Dan Foulk
January 2010	-	TBD

Refreshments

Nov - Creel/Henderson
 Dec - Christmas Party

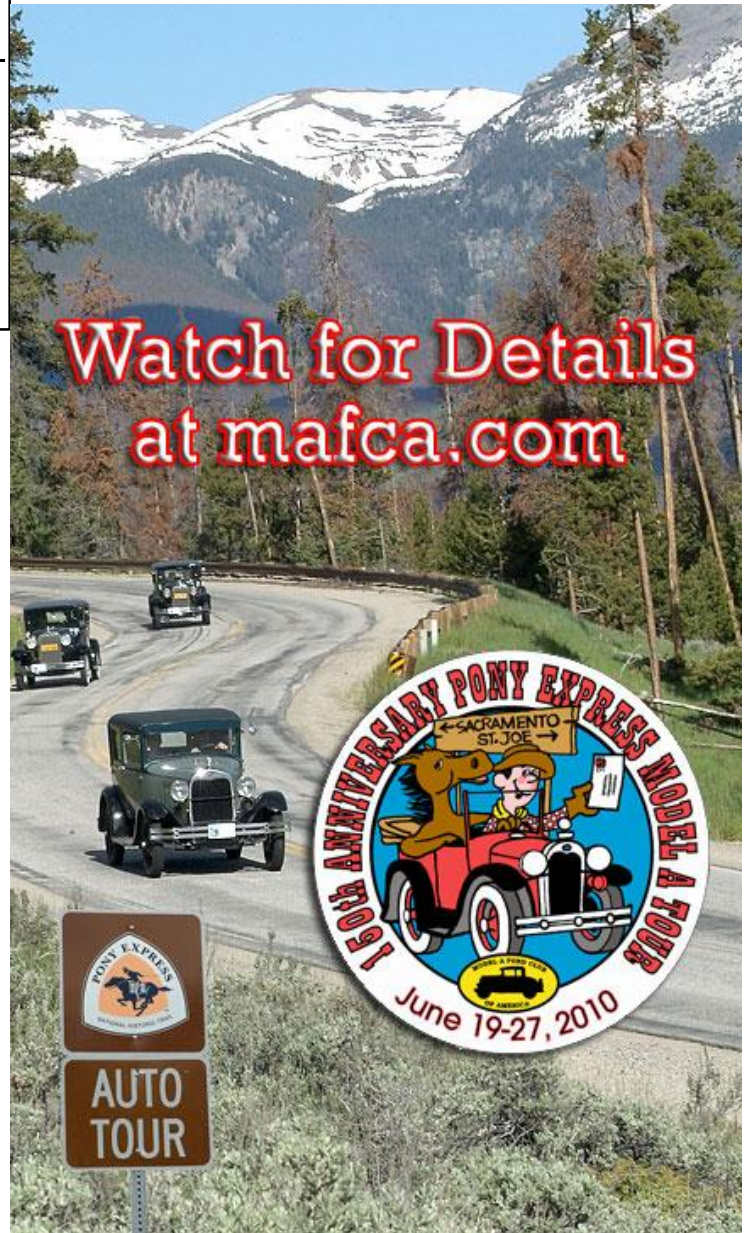


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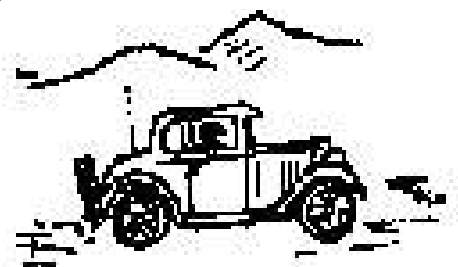


Watch for Details
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Dine & Drive



Nov. 14—Tour to the Borax mine and eat at Domingo's afterward. Meet at Taco Bell at Weed-patch Hwy and Hwy 58 at 8:30 AM



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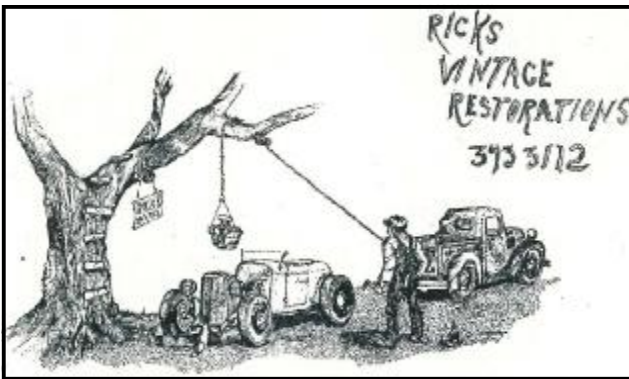
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MODEL "A" FORD CLUB OF AMERICA

Bakersfield Chapter
General Membership Meeting
October 05, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Candy Martin.

The minutes of 09-14-09 were approved. The Treasurer's report was given.

No Board meeting in October. No Drive your A to Dinner in November.

Thanks to John Reed for newsletter article this month. The Model A picture riddle in this month's newsletter is Edwina Barnes and Spouse. Sharon Davis guessed correctly.

Dues are due in November for 2010. Christmas Dinner payment due at November meeting.

ACTIVITIES:

CCRG Grand Tour 10-8 Kernville Car Show. 10-9 Hwy 99 Car Show.

10-11 Frazier Park meet. Sign up passed around. 10-17 Dust Bowl Days, sign up passed around. 10-17 Car Show and Craft Show – "Love Inc" 10-24 BHS 2nd Annual car show. 10-27 Drive A to dinner, Rocket Diner. 11-11 Veterans Day Parade, sign up passed around. 11-14 Borax Mine Tour-more to follow. 12-3- Christmas Parade, more to follow. 12-15 Christmas Dinner at Petroleum Club. 1-30,31 Turlock Swap Meet.

Jean Gleim will now be in charge of vest making.

Bob Gleim and Melody Creel reported on Vintage Car Show of 9-20. He Also presented Elaine Bierlein with Magazine which featured the completed truck that Bob Bierlein had started. Al Baumgarten gave report on the Tehachapi Tour on 9-19. Rick Davis gave report on our Model A Travelers. Having fun will start home on 10-06. International Model A Day tour on 9-26 was great. 17 attended breakfast, 14 to MARE.

Get your Christmas Cards to Debbie Launer for Project DEFT before Thanksgiving.

50 year pin was presented to Edwina Barnes. Congrats.

Rick Davis is taking nominations for next year's officers. Election in Nov.

DRAWINGS: Vest: Tyler Weeks. **MEMBERSHIP:** Bill Phillips. **DRIVE A:** Rick Davis.

Our Speaker tonight is Frank Tricippio representing the Sister Cities Project of Bakersfield. He gave a very informative program about his organization.

RAFFLE: J. Reed x2, Quarnberg, L. Rose, Austin Weeks x2, Paula Poole x2, J Berry x4, C Henderson, R. Davis, L Marraccino, E. Barnes.

Thanks to Art and Jane Tibbetts and Ed and Debi Besenfelder for the refreshments tonight.

Susan Quarnberg, Recording Secretary

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Snippets From The Past

It seems that quite a few people knew that the pretty young woman in the picture was Edwina McCoy Barns with her late husband Luke McCoy. Sharon Davis was the first one, so she gets the recognition
So, this month, you get a different one. Who is this young boy watching his Grandfather shoot?
Answer at the Christmas Party.



Frazier Park, 2009





PONY EXPRESS POST

All The News Fit To Print

Issue #2 – October 2009

Meet the Pony Express 150 Team:



- MAFCA Technical Director **Dick Przywitowski** chairs this amazing tour. Along with his wife, **Lois**, they have a zillion details, emails, visits and phone calls to put in place for the 1,900 mile adventure.
- Restorer Editor **Jim Spawn** is the East team captain. Jim has been involved with the many details for the east departure on through to the big event June 23 in Casper, Wyoming. Jim also does the Pony Express Post e-newsletter, event promotion, and other stuff.
- The West team captains are **Dave and Trudy Vestal** and **Mary and Ron Tribbett**. All veteran Californian Model A tour folks and well-known to MAFCA members. They are in the midst of details for the Sacramento departure and the route eastward to Casper.
- We're thrilled to have Web MASTER **Rick Black** on the team! Rick is organizing a terrific event Web site. One lead car from both east and west will be equipped with GPS sending units. Every five minutes they'll beam up to Ricks site and Web site visitors will be able to watch the tour progress on a map, linked to www.mafca.com. There'll also be daily blogs and photos uploaded from participants showing the attractions along the Pony Express Auto Tour.
- Nothing is done without paper work and **Paul and Donna Lewis** have agreed to serve as Registrars for us. Paul currently serves on the MAFFI Board of Directors and Donna was President of MAFCA in 2006. There is another huge challenge sorting out departures from both ends.
- **Donna Grabianowski** has a wealth of banking experience and is always helpful. She heads up the Pony Express 150 financial affairs.

Trailer Parking:

We know that some members may wish to trailer their Model A to either the East or West starting points. Efforts are underway to obtain secure, free trailer storage. More details as they develop.



Casper, Wyoming – June 23, 2010

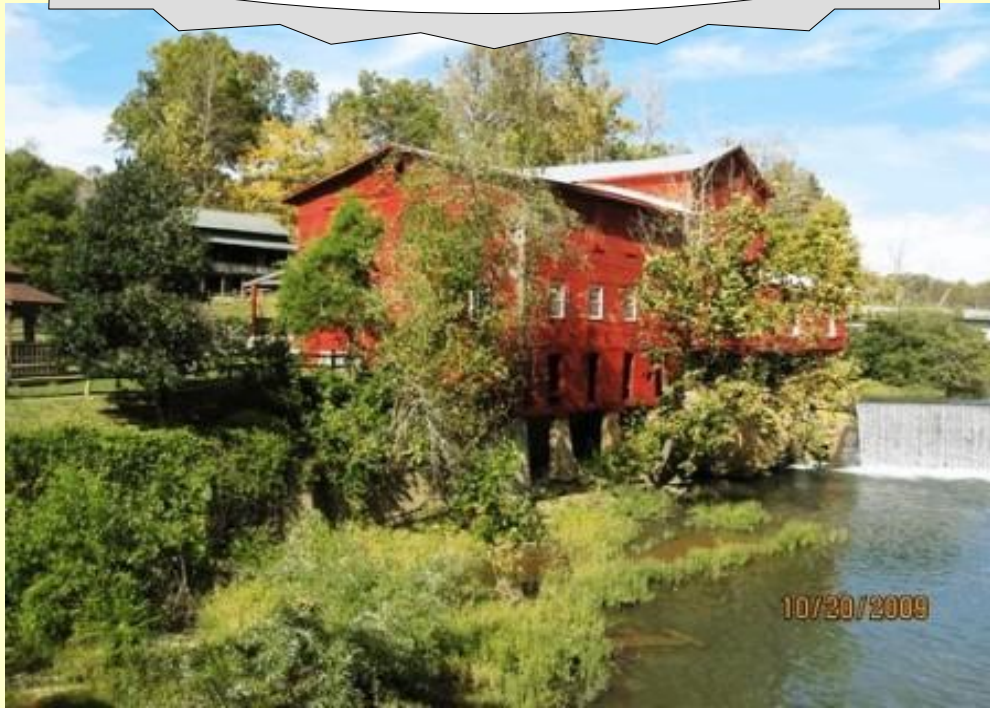
Model A Fords will arrive from both East and West departures on June 22. June 23 will be a day-long celebration in Casper. Two major highlights of Casper are:
 Fort Caspar: Yes, it is spelled Caspar - you'll learn why when you get there. Built in 1936, Fort Caspar is an exact replica built from the original blue-prints of the Fort. Our cars will be parked on the grounds and later assembled for a parade through Casper.
 A Do-Not-Miss attraction is the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center. Casper was the funnel for the Oregon Trail, the California Trail, the Mormon Trail, and of course, the Pony Express Route. More than 500,000 people, mostly walked through Casper to seek a better life out West. Visit: www.casperwyoming.info.

Departure Details:

Casper isn't exactly the half-way point of our tour. As such the West coast travelers have a bit farther to go. So, those leaving from the west side will meet for a departure dinner in Sacramento on June 16 and leave June 17th for Casper. On the east side, cars will gather in Riverside, Missouri for a big kick-off party and then go into St. Joseph as a group on June 19.



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