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Fourth Sunday of the month
or as voted by the
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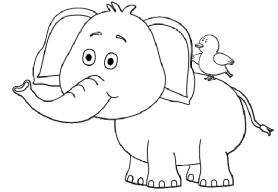
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Annual White Elephant Auction

Sunday February 26

On February 28th, fifty-seven members enjoyed a wonderful day, ending with the club's White Elephant Auction. Sixteen Model A's, One 32 Chevy and a few somewhat modern cars were driven to the event.



The auction was preceded by a Brauts & chicken entrée rounded-up by Fritz & Co. with an assist to Joe & Kelly Findysz. Thanks to all club members for bringing a variety of salads, vegetables and desserts to complement the meal.

Thanks to Shorty Allison, auctioneer, and to Ray Feierstein and Rey Brown for conducting a profitable auction. Thanks also to Delena Conn, Margaret Horton and Corky Rose for collecting the auction's proceeds. Thanks to all for their donations and spirited bidding, which resulted in a fun and successful auction.

Respectfully submitted by Ray Feierstein, Joe Findysz, Shorty Allison, Allen Elvick, Ron Uhle and Rey Brown.



WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION PHOTOS



Progressive Dinner Home Stop Volunteer Needed

We still need one more volunteer to host a home stop on our Progressive Dinner outing next month (Sunday April 23). Contact David Ramsower at 661-4493 for details.

MAFCA NEWS

MAFCA Membership Cards — Normally, new MAFCA membership cards are included in the January/February issue of *The Restorer* magazine. Unfortunately, that didn't happen this year - but the cards WILL be included in the March/April issue. MAFCA apologizes for any inconvenience this has caused.

Special Free MAFCA Membership

For a brief time MAFCA is offering, at no charge, 2017 memberships. This 2017 free membership is being offered to chapter members in good standing who would be first-time MAFCA members. For more information and to request the special application form contact:

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2017 MAFCA National Tour Pacific Coast Highway September 24 — 29



This is heads up notice number 2 about the 2017 National Tour scheduled to take place September 24th thru 29th. This coastal California tour will start in Paso Robles and end in the Marin County town of San Rafael. Paso Robles is about 700 miles from Tucson. We can get to Paso Robles via Needles, Barstow, Tehachapi and Bakersfield, thus completely bypassing the entire Los Angeles area. Once on the National Tour we will spend two nights in the Paso Robles/Cambria area, followed by two nights in the Monterey Bay area and ending with two nights in San Rafael. San Rafael is about 15 miles north of the Golden Gate Bridge. To sign up for the 2017 National Tour, one needs to be a MAFCA member. If you have never been a MACFA member and would like to join now, see the MAFCA membership offer on this page for a ganga deal. Registration materials for the tour are in the March/April issue of *The Restorer* magazine.

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MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2017



- Meeting brought to order by President Findysz 7:30 PM sharp.
- Minutes from 2/7/17 meeting were approved.
- Treasurer's Report was accepted and approved (M. Liebert).

New Members and Guests: Dan Carlson from Colorado has a '30 sport coupe and a '30 speedster.

Correspondence: The A Preserver has arrived and can be read.

Refreshments: Provided by Frank Pyrdeck, Ernie & Ann Williams; volunteers needed for June, July & November — see Rey Brown (R. Brown)

Old Business:

- Membership: 98 households with ~175 members have paid (M. Liebert)
- White Elephant: good weather & food, 54/67 signed in/counted, 15-16 A's attended (R. Brown)
- Hats: 26 hats were sold at White Elephant, about 15 are left at \$15 each (R. Feierstein)

New Business:

- Moved and approved to move July meeting — will be held on July 11 to avoid July 4 conflict.
- Asked to host National Awards Banquet in December 2018, Board is considering (D. Ramsower)
- Holiday Banquet at Tanque Verde Ranch has been negotiated for 12/10/2017 (S. Allison)
- National tour is September 24-29 along the Pacific Coast in California (M. Liebert)
- Moved and approved to purchase tickets for Wayne's Toys.
- Moved and approved budget for All Ford Breakfast in the Park.

Miscellaneous Business:

- Tom Carr thanked club for sending condolence cards for death of daughter, and for support during difficult time with Connie's heart attack and stroke.
- J. Beebe showcased Sam Doty commemorative award for member who goes above and beyond.
- Ron Edwards counseled that Star Brite Star Tron Enzyme Treatment can reduce water from condensing in Model A Ford gas tank, thus reducing rusty tanks; available at ACE Hardware.

Car Shows:

- Fords on Fourth, March 12, 2017 (J. Findysz)
- Blue Grass Car Show, April 1, 2017, 1:30-4 PM, Desert Gardens Church; music @ 2 PM, ice cream @ 3 PM (T. McWilliams)

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MEETING MINUTES (continued)

March 7, 2017



Car Shows (continued):

- Pima County Fair, April 29, 2017, 9 AM to 3 PM, meet on Brekke Rd. at 8:45 AM (R. Feierstein)
- Silver Spike Festival, March 18, 2017, 8:30 -12 at Transportation Museum by Hotel Congress (J. Findysz)

Outings:

- March 26, 2017: Joint outing with Model T club to Crown Concepts, Old Pueblo Trolley Company & Wayne's Toys. Free lunch. (D. Ramsower)
- April 23, 2017: Progressive Dinner. Ann & Ernie Williams and Dan & Sindy Osterman volunteered to host stops. Need one more volunteer. (D. Ramsower)
- May 28, 2017: All Ford Breakfast in the Park (J. Beebe)

Next Board Meeting March 27, 2017

Next General Meeting April 4, 2017

Adjourn at 8:10 PM

EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday March 7 — Regular meeting.

See minutes on pages 6 & 7.

Sunday March 26 — Joint outing with Model T club to Crown Concepts, Old Pueblo Trolley Company & Wayne's Toys.

Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493.

See pages 8 and 9.

Tuesday April 4 — Regular meeting.

Sunday April 23 — Progressive Dinner. **Need one more home stop volunteer.** Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493.

Saturday April 29 — Car Show, Pima County Fair, 9 AM to 3 PM. Contact: Ray Feierstein 531-9734. See page 8.

Tuesday May 2 — Regular meeting.

Sunday June 18 — Car Show, Villa Hermosa, Speedway and Wilmot, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

Contact: Ray Feierstein 531-9734. See page 10.

Tour of Tucson Car and Bus Museums

Sunday March 26

The March outing with the Model T Club is scheduled for the 26th, and the details have been finalized. We will start the tour at Crown Concepts, a car storage and restoration shop. The second stop will be The Old Pueblo Trolley Museum where retired Tucson and Southern Arizona buses and trolleys are being restored. The final stop will be Wayne's Toys, a private collection where cars from all eras are on display.

We will meet at Crown Concepts, 3930 W. Costco Drive (across from Home Depot) at 10 AM, with a lunch provided by Crown Concepts around 11 AM. We will leave as a group at 11:45 and take River to 1st Ave then south on 1st Ave which becomes Euclid Avenue and then Park Avenue all the way to 36th St.

Turn right (heading west) on 36th to The Old Pueblo Trolley Museum at the intersection of 36th and S. 4th. We will visit the Trolley Museum from 12:30 to 1:30 PM. From there we will go back down 36th to Park and turn left (north) on Park to 18th Street. Turn right on 18th and it as it becomes Warehouse Avenue and then Cherry Ave. Wayne's Toys is at 990 S. Cherry on the left, just past the Kino Parkway overpass. Driving instructions and a map will be given out at the start of the tour. Hope to see you there in your Model A or T!

Contact: David Ramsower 661-4493. **See map on page 9.**

Pima County Fair Car Show

Saturday April 29

Hello A'ers and T'ers,

We have been invited to spend the day at The Pima County Fair Saturday, April 29, 2017. It would be from 9 AM to 3 pm. I just need a head count so if you might be interested in displaying our vehicles at the fair, please let me know so we get that location in the middle.

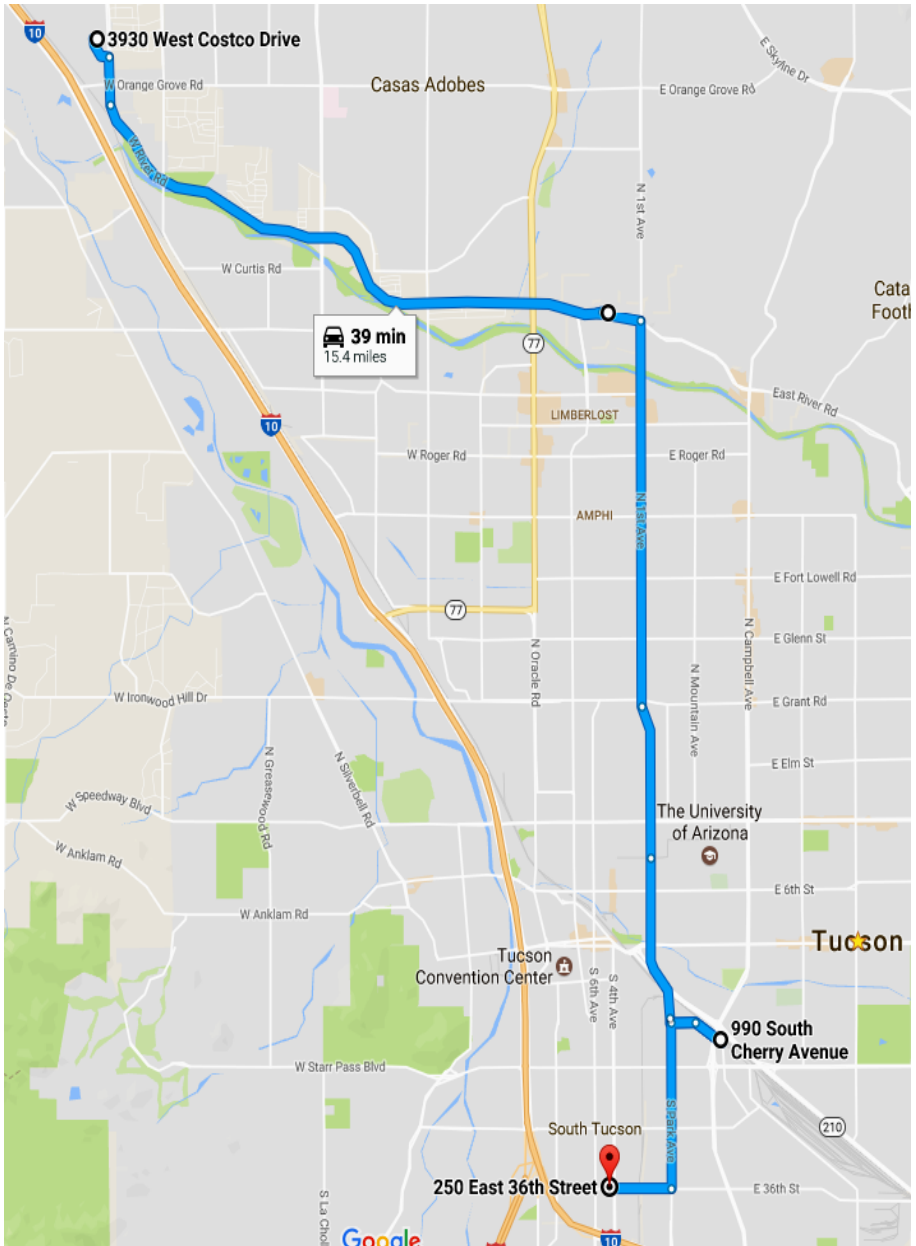
Thank you,

Ray Feierstein
531-9734



Tour of Tucson Car and Bus Museums

Route Map



Villa Hermosa Car Show

Sunday June 18

Hello Model A'ers and T'ers,

We have been invited to spend Father's Day at Villa Hermosa on Speedway and Wilmot (S/E corner) on Sunday June 18, 2017. This is a great fundraiser and they will have breakfast for us. We will be there from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. In this event, all vintage vehicles are welcome. They want 15-plus vehicles, same as last year. Please let me know if you can attend.

Thank you,

Ray Feierstein
531-9734



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MARCH



- Mar 3 – Susie Beebe
- Mar 3 – Brandy McLain
- Mar 4 – Candi Eppley
- Mar 12 – Bob Karn
- Mar 13 – Emmet Zimberoff
- Mar 13 – Nancy Riechers
- Mar 15 – Joe Findysz
- Mar 17 – Steve Morrison
- Mar 19 – Jeanne Mietzner
- Mar 21 – Kathie McWilliams
- Mar 23 – David Rivard
- Mar 25 – Bill Ellis
- Mar 25 – Mike Blaney

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday April 4, 2017

*Meeting Refreshments
will be provided by:*

Ron & Bernice Edwards
David & Molly Ramsower



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1931 Tudor



- Mar 6 – Rey & Bev Brown
- Mar 15 – Chuck & Lynn Thim
- Mar 16 – Mike & Ann Liebert
- Mar 21 – David & Molly Ramsower
- Mar 22 – Tom & Kathie McWilliams

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Seat Belts



Seat belts are becoming a must in a Model A Ford if you drive your car a lot. At today's highway speeds and congestion, passengers traveling in a Model A Ford are vulnerable to serious injury if they are not properly restrained by seat belts. Passengers in the front seat can be thrown from the car due to the door latches coming open during an accident.

Most any seat belt sold on the market today has the required strength to properly restrain a person. Seat belts can be acquired from any number of suppliers.

For a seat belt to provide adequate restraint it should be attached to the frame of the car. In many cases a convenient body bolt that attaches the body to the frame may be utilized. It is a good idea to replace the original bolt with a high strength hardened bolt. It may also be necessary to obtain a slightly longer bolt to better accommodate the seat belt anchor. It is not be a good idea to anchor seat belts to the seat frame alone. The weight of two people may be sufficient during a high impact crash to cause the seat frame to be torn loose from the car.

If it is not possible to anchor a seat belt directly to the frame of the car, an alternative is to anchor them to the car body. Since the body is made only of sheet metal, it is possible the anchors could be torn loose in a high impact crash. It is advisable to position some angle iron support brackets under the car body so that the anchor bolts pass through the body and through the angle iron. Even if the angle iron support cannot be directly attached to the frame of the car it will provide additional strength by spreading the attachment characteristics across a wider area of the car body.

Keep in mind that the objective of seat belts is to restrain several hundred pounds of people in their seats without tearing loose should a crash occur.

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Seat Belts (continued from previous page)

The following pictures are from the MAFCA web site, www.mafca.com. This happened in Medford, Oregon to Dick Mace, who was on a club tour out on the rural roads. A pickup swerved into his lane and plowed head-on into his 1928 Phaeton. All four people in the car were wearing seat belts, and while they were injured, they SURVIVED the crash.

Installation information can be found on the MAFCA website at http://www.mafca.com/seat_belts.html



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