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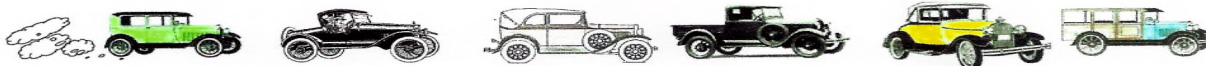
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“A” Note from the President

It's official! Touring season is here. The days are long again, and our A's are popping up out of their winter slumber like tulips in a garden. This month has seen our annual spring tune-ups. A total of 16 Model A's received varying degrees of attention at the two tune-ups. We worked on everything from brake adjustments to front end alignments. Something new this year was a short 'shake-down' tour after our south end tune-up. We were able to see our efforts paid off, as none of the cars in attendance experienced any issues.

We continue our momentum in May. First with our tech meet on the 4th, and our Mansfield reformatory tour on the 21st. It would be great to see a huge turn-out. I know of at least 16 model A's, in tip top shape. See you soon.

John



Tech Meeting



Date: May 4, 2016

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Dan and Kathy Bickley's.....12805 Gorsuch Road, Galena

Topic: Tim Weilbacher from Coughlin Ford of Johnstown, will bring the Club up to date on the latest technological advances from the Ford Motor Company. Following Tim, Rick Lindner will lead the tech portion of the meeting covering proper timing of the Model A.

Parking will be on the front lawn, with the front row reserved for Model A's only.....all other vehicles park behind the Model A row.

Food will be served, so bring your appetite! Be sure to bring a chair for the meeting.

TOUR

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2016.

Meet at: Tim Hortons Restaurant located at 125 Ohio State Route 3, Sunbury, Ohio. (Corner of State Route 3 and South Miller Drive)

Time: Depart Sunbury at 8:30 AM sharp.

Activity : Old Mansfield Reformatory as featured in the movie "The Shawshank Redemption".

The event will be a general guided tour lasting 90 minutes to two hours. (Wear comfortable shoes.) Cost is \$9.00 per person. We need a minimum of 20 folks to guarantee the \$9.00 price point.

After the tour we will have lunch at the Coney Island Inn in downtown Mansfield. Please call Dan Bickley at 740-965-6746 (Home) or 614-460-0419 (Cell) no later than Monday, May 16, to reserve a spot in the tour.

NOTE: Only back roads will be used.....no interstate highways.

Happy May Birthdays to:



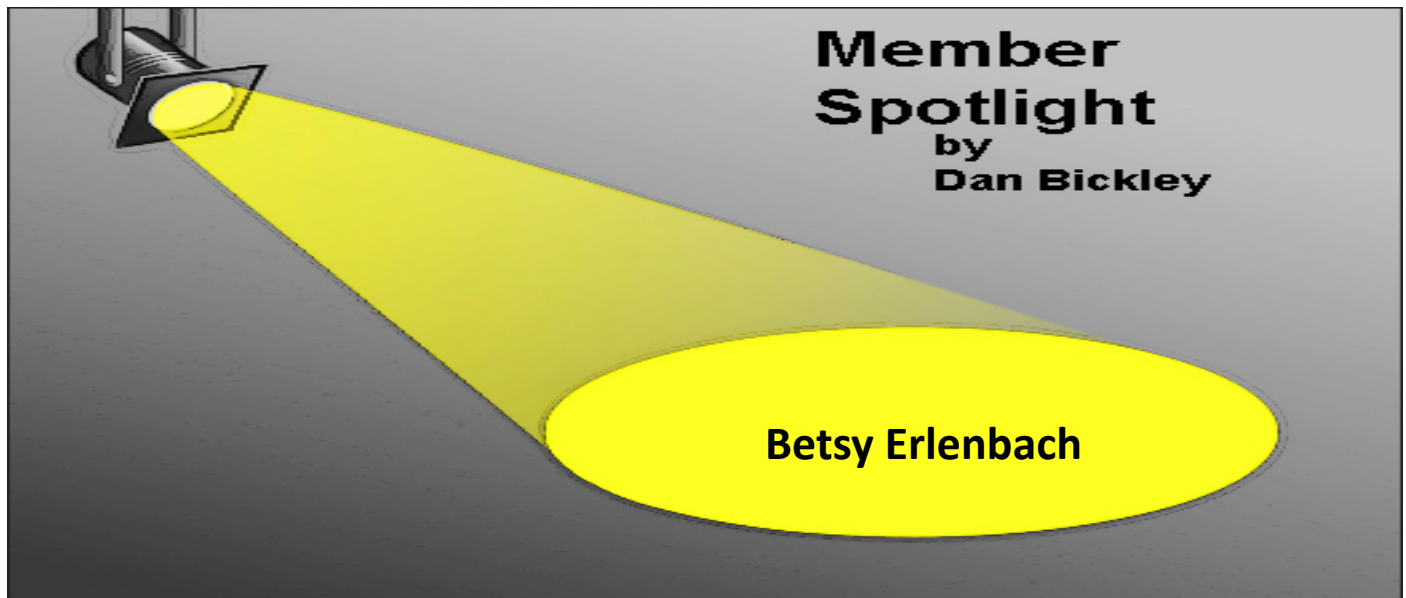
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Scioto Model A Club 2016 Calendar (subject to change)

June 1	Tech Meeting at Don Minks
June 17	Friday Tour Ronald McDonald House and Dinner (TBA) (Steve and Jacki Rohner)
June 27-July 1	MARC National Meet, Perrysburg OH
July 7-9....	Arthritis Show, Dublin OH
July 8	Collector Car appreciation Day. Celebrate the hobby by driving to the show.
July 13	Tech Meeting TBA
July 14,15	Night at the Movies, Ohio Theatre
July 30	Tour Air Force Museum Dayton OH (John Baker)
August 3..	Annual Club Auction, Columbus Fire Museum
August 6..	Go-Kart Races, Commercial Point OH
August 13	Marysville Charity Car Show
August ?.	Malabar Farms (Kathy and Dan Bickley)
Sept 8-11	Old Car Festival Dearborn, Michigan
Sept 14	Tech Meeting TBA
Sept 17	International Model A Day Picnic
Sept 18	Driving Tour to Don Minks Farm Bean Dinner
October 5-8	Hershey Meet and flea market
October 12	Tech Meeting TBA
October 15	Hayride and Cookout at the Harbages
November 2....	Club Dinner on South Side with Election of officers
November 4	Veterans Parade
November 19	Tour with modern cars to Cincinnati Underground Railroad Museum (Shirley and Mike Doherty)



Ronald Deandrade and Kim Jordan of Powell, who have a 1930 coupe.



The spotlight for May is shining on Betsy Erlenbach who joined the Scioto Model A Ford Club two years ago. Previous to our Club, Betsy spent several years as a member of the Flying Quails chapter. Betsy is the proud mother of two: son Colin and daughter Laurie, and grandmother to Jacob, Andrew and Emily.

Born in Vermont, Betsy and family moved to Delaware, Ohio, where she graduated from Delaware Hayes High School. Her career includes working 8+ years at Thorsen's Wholesale Greenhouse, retiring as a beautician and currently going back to work for Source Point in Delaware County.

Betsy's Dad owned a 1931 Tudor when she was a child, and that's when her love of Model A's began. By the time she was a Senior in High School, she was the proud owner of a 1929 Model A pickup which she babied for 45 years before she sold it. Currently, she owns a beautiful 1928 Sport Coupe that originally belonged to her Dad. Over the years, Betsy has owned several collectible cars including a 1955 Chevy, 1956 Chevy and a 1972 Lotus Europa.

Hobbies for Betsy above and beyond Model A-ing include time with her family, gardening and an avid interest in antiquing. Add to this two weeks a year relaxing in her cabin on 12 acres in Vermont, and it's easy to see why she's always on the go.



Spring Tune-Ups and Dust off run to Rock Mill

Between the tune ups at the homes of John Moore and John Baker. Of interest, the Tune-up at Moore's saw a stranger show up. He left with his timing and carburetor adjusted and a membership to the Scioto A's.

A short tour to Rock Mill followed the Eastside Tune-up, and we were treated to a great explanation of the mill as well as learning the origin of some of our sayings, such as; "with bells on," "Stumped" and "Waiting your turn." By the way, our guide has a AA fire truck.

Lunch at the Marcy Diner followed.



Announcements

On Friday June 17, 2016 our club will participate in a tour of the Ronald McDonald House. As many of you know our club collects funds for RMH at our annual Christmas party. The club then matches the amount collected and makes a monetary donation each December. The staff are very excited to have our club come by to visit the wonderful facility serving Nationwide Children's Hospital.

We will assemble at the Turkey Hill located at the NW corner of East Broad St and Nelson Rd at 10:00 AM. Departure at 10:30 AM. Drive to Ronald McDonald House at 711 E. Livingston Ave.

Be sure to bring your pop can pull tabs with you to turn into the RMH. Also, if you wish you may bring a stuffed animal of your choosing to leave with the kids. We will then have lunch at the [Columbus Brewing Co.](#) located at 525 Short St. Any questions feel free to call Steve Rohner at 614-579-3803.

Parading in a Model "A" Ford

By Rick Lindner

The Model "A" Ford has seen a lot of parades, and I hope to give some insight on new time "paraders". I am also assuming that your Model "A" is in proper running order, engine timed, and brakes operational. Check and top off the water, oil, and gasoline first.

The Clutch – if there is ever a part that gets abused during a parade, this is it. The Ford Model "A" has a very heavy flywheel which is quite capable of helping move the car forward from a stop – without a heavy throttle and high rpms. The latter will surely cause a burnt out clutch plate after this kind of abuse. Just a slight increase in rpms and a somewhat quick release of the clutch gets you on your way. Try it sometime – just have the Ford idle and let the clutch out (example for time - from completely on the floor to all the way up, say "one thousand and one", at which time you should not even have your foot on the clutch pedal). If the Ford dies, you may want to just pull the gas lever down one notch – but I really doubt you need to do that.

AND keep that foot **off** of the clutch!!!! The fewer times you push the pedal in, or out, the easier it is on the clutch – and your left knee. Judge your distance by using the gas lever or pedal. Another tip, when the parade is going downhill – put the Ford in neutral and coast, only using the foot brake to slow the momentum. If your Ford won't coast, you have brake issues.

Also, be sure you have enough **gas** in the tank and a spare jug of **water**. Parades can be tough for cooling and if you boil over – just pull off and let her steam. It won't hurt anything as long as there is water in the radiator enough to cover the cylinder head. Once she is cooled off, start her up, let her idle, and slowly – **repeat** – slowly fill the radiator. Then finish the parade, the crowd will cheer you on.

Another tip – don't just run the engine waiting to start. Parades are slow moving and you will have plenty of time to hit the starter and move out. REMEMBER – keep that spark lever **up** when starting!! The longer you run the engine, the greater the chance of other problems such as overheating. See how often you do **NOT** use the clutch pedal!!

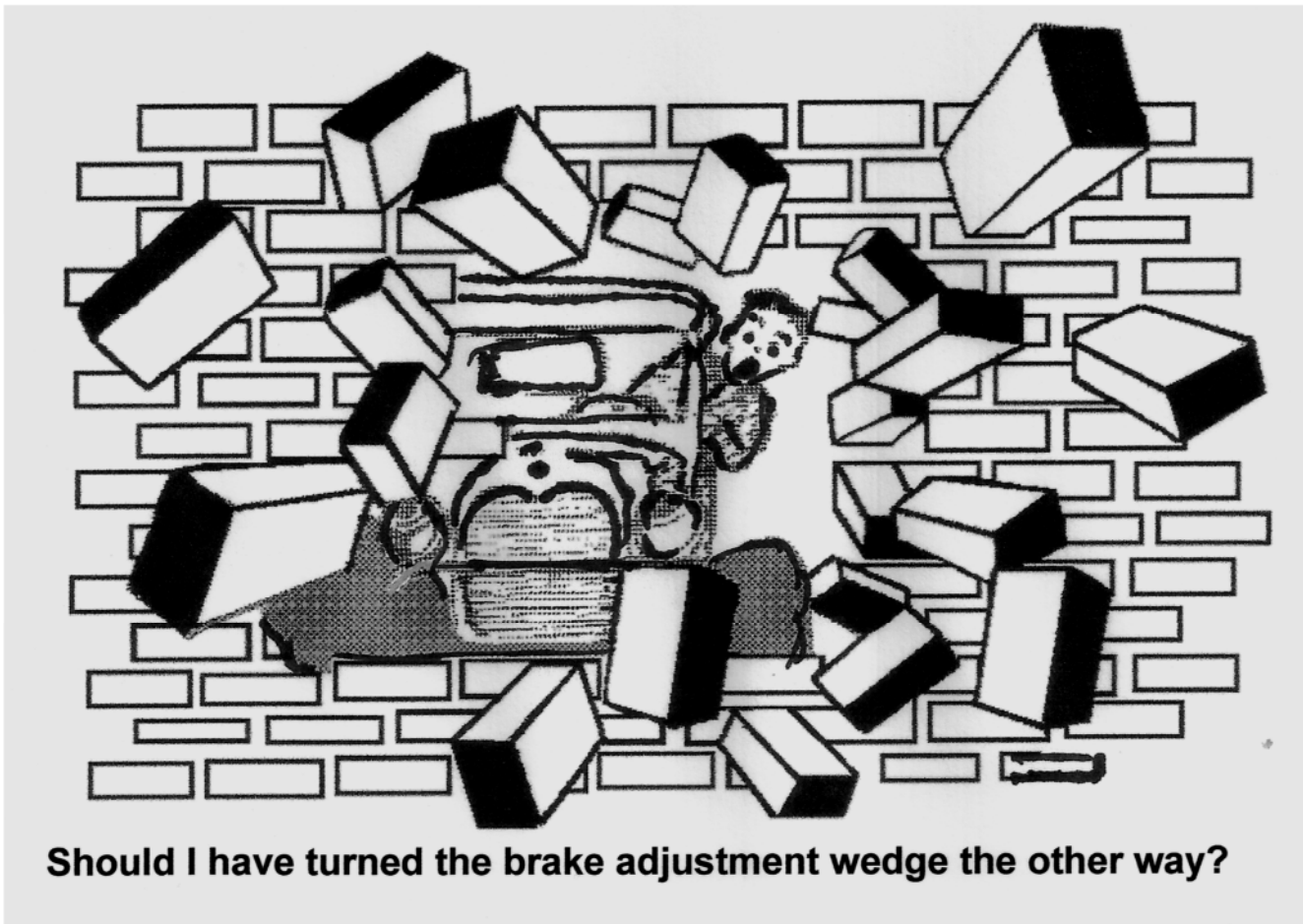
Use common sense and enjoy the parade.



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Not just a suggestion.

You may know that Ken Szakelyhidi has been ill. He is out of the hospital and on the mend.

Monroe Harbage has been hard at work finding a source for new club apparel. There will be visors for the ladies which say **Scioto Model A**. The ball caps will also have a car on them. Cost and order information was not ready at time of publication, but will be soon.



July 7-9, 2016

Dublin, OH

The Show within a show!

Please plan to bring your 'A' to the event.


This year on Thursday the "rolling leg-ends tour" will be going a short distance to see a private collection of over 100 restored cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats, buses and vintage campers which is a must see collection.



Judging will be on Saturday, but don't feel that you are unable to bring your car because it isn't worthy of being judged.

Please go on ArthritisAutoShow.com and register. *John Moore*



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