

# *The Scuttlebutt*

The Official Publication of the Scioto Model "A" Ford Club



MARC Central Ohio Region  
Columbus, Ohio

## November 2024

## Cover Photo

This month's cover photo takes a look at a couple of our member's Model "A" Fords that they drove to last month's Tech Meeting in Bloomingburg, Ohio.



## The Newsletter Editor's Corner

Our Chief, President Jones, didn't have anything for us this month, so I thought that I would take this opportunity to fill up his space in the newsletter.

It's once again that time of year where everyone is preparing for those chilly days ahead. When we get a beautiful fall day, we feel the need to be outside doing something. If we are lucky, we are doing something with our Model "A"s. For those of us with unheated garages, we especially need to take advantage of these days to get our Model "A"s ready for the upcoming winter. This is where our club splits into two groups. The one group drains the fluids, puts her up on jacks, and covers her up for a long winters nap. The other group adds antifreeze, does the final oil change of the year, and makes sure the battery is fully charged for those cold winter start-ups. If you are in the second group, you have to be prepared for those occasional sunny winter days when the streets are dry and salt free. No matter which group you are in, it's all about being part of the Model "A" hobby.

This Sunday is our last organized tour for the year. We will be up in Delaware, Ohio for the Veterans Day Parade. For everyone that is signed up to participate, you are to report to Lot "D". The parade steps off at 3:00 p.m. And remember to set your clocks, time changes this weekend!

*See you on the road!*

Allan

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## Our Next Meeting

**DATE:** November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Milano's Italian Restaurant  
**LOCATION:** 6916 East Broad Street  
Columbus, Ohio  
**TOPIC:** Election of Officers  
**DIRECTIONS:**

1. Take I-270 to the east side to Exit 39 (Broad Street)
2. Go east on Broad Street for 1.7 miles.
3. Milano's is located on the north side of the street in the East Pointe Shopping Mall behind Wendy's, Taco Bell, and Krispy Kreme.



## November Birthdays

Pat Liston



### Your Dues Are Due!

It's time to pay your 2025 club dues. The dues are \$25 for the entire year. You may pay your dues at the November dinner meeting, at the Christmas Party, or you can mail them directly to the Club Secretary.

Please submit your check payable to:

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If you have any questions or concerns about your dues, please email Pat Liston at:

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## Christmas Party



This year's Christmas Party will be held on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Red Brick Tavern beginning at 12:00 noon. The Red Brick Tavern is located at 1700 Cumberland Street in London, Ohio. The cost of the meal is \$29.00 per person. All meals must be paid for in advance.

Submit your Payment by November 29<sup>th</sup> to:

Scioto Model "A" Ford Club  
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751 South State Route 605  
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This year's dinner will be a buffet featuring Kentucky Bourbon Glazed Salmon, Chicken Marcela, homemade mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, salad, dinner rolls, and homemade cinnamon rolls.



FROM THE DESK OF

**Pat Liston**

SECRETARY

## October Secretary's Report

Ron & Debbie Thomas were thanked for the use of their garage for our October Meeting by President Jones. Then he asked if we had any new members attending and we did not.

Jim thanked Steve and Jaci Rohner for the Pop-Up Session we had on September 21<sup>st</sup>. It went quite well. Bill Minor did an outstanding job of explaining to us the ins and outs of the Model "A" Ford front axle assembly geometry. I am sure we learned things that we forgot, or never knew at all.

Treasurer Cheek was not present, so President Jones gave a report of our finances. He then read a note from Pat Liston covering an update on Dick Liston's condition. She thanked everyone for their concerns, cards, and phone calls. They are very much appreciated.

President Jones explained the upcoming Tour on October 13<sup>th</sup> where we will be going to Cardington, Ohio for their "My Place Fly-In". We will meet at the Kroger parking lot in Sunbury, Ohio at 9:00 a.m. It is located at 211 West Cherry Street in Sunbury. Everyone was reminded to bring a chair.

Our next Tech Meeting will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup>. It will be a dinner meeting at Milano's Italian Restaurant located at 6916 E. Broad Street in Columbus. We will be eating at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting immediately following.

President Jones then held the nominations of officers. He explained that Vice President Ruede will automatically become our President for 2025. Dave Graney was nominated for Vice President. Once he accepted the nomination, a motion was made to close nominations for Vice President. The motion passed. Treasurer Cheek was nominated for Treasurer. He had previously agreed to stay on as Treasurer if needed. A motion was made to close nominations for Treasurer. The motion passed. Secretary Liston was nominated for Secretary. She had previously agreed to stay on as Secretary if needed. A motion was made to close nominations for Secretary. The motion passed. We will vote on the nominees at our November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

At this point Bill Minor took over the meeting with a presentation about carburetors. As usual Bill did an outstanding job! We always learn something new with Bill. Thanks Bill, hope to see you soon.

*(continued)*

This was not covered in the meeting but here is the information I have on our Christmas Party. As you know, we will be having Our Christmas Party at the Red Brick Tavern located at 1700 Cumberland Street in Lafayette, Ohio. You can check them out on their website at: [HistoricRedBrickTavern.com](http://HistoricRedBrickTavern.com).

They will prepare a buffet with the choices of meals as follows:

- Kentucky Bourbon Glazed Salmon
- Chicken Marsala
- House-Made Mashed Potatoes
- Vegetable Medley
- House Salad with Ranch or Balsamic dressing
- Dinner Rolls with butter
- Homemade Cinnamon Rolls
- Tea or Coffee
- Carbonated Drinks at the Bar are extra.

The cost of the meal is \$29.00 per person. I will need you to send me the payment by November 29<sup>th</sup>. As usual, the club will pay for the gratuity.

(Send payment to 751 South State Route 605, Sunbury, Ohio 43074)

*Have a Great Day!*

## 2024 SCIOTO MODEL "A" FORD CLUB SCHEDULE

November		November	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<u>Veterans Day Parade</u> ★ Delaware, Ohio	7 <sup>th</sup>	<u>Christmas Party</u> ★ Red Brick Tavern 1700 Cumberland Street London, Ohio
6 <sup>th</sup>	<u>Dinner Meeting – 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Milano's Restaurant 6916 E. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio		

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### Save the Dates!

April 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

2025 MARC Membership Meet in Nashville, Indiana

June 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>

2025 MARC National Meet in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

# October Tech Meet

Newsletter Editor  
Scioto Model "A" Ford Club

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> the Scioto Model "A" Ford Club held their monthly membership meeting in Bloomingburg, Ohio. We got together at Ron & Debbie Thomas's garage. They provided plenty of good food, drinks, and cake for everyone. At that meeting, President Jones took nominations from the floor for the offices of Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. After all of the nominations were taken and the rest of the business items were completed, Bill Minor did a presentation on Zenith carburetors. He explained the nuances of rebuilding a carburetor. This was a very informative and educational seminar. Many thanks go out to Bill, Ron, and Debbie for a great meeting. Our next meeting will be a dinner meeting. It will be held at Milano's Italian Restaurant located at 6916 E. Broad Street in Columbus. We are to arrive at 6:00 p.m. for dinner. After dinner, we will hold our membership meeting where we will vote on the nominations for the 2025 Club Officers.



## The Scioto Model "A" Ford Club Mileage Program



The Scioto Model "A" Ford Club likes to keep track of how many miles our members put on their cars every year. Could everyone please submit their ending mileage for 2024 no later than November 10<sup>th</sup> to Pat Liston at:

[patliston@outlook.com](mailto:patliston@outlook.com)

If you are a member of the MARC's Mileage Award Program, let her know that as well and also submit your vehicle's serial number. She will report the information to MARC for you.

### *It's Time to Vote!*

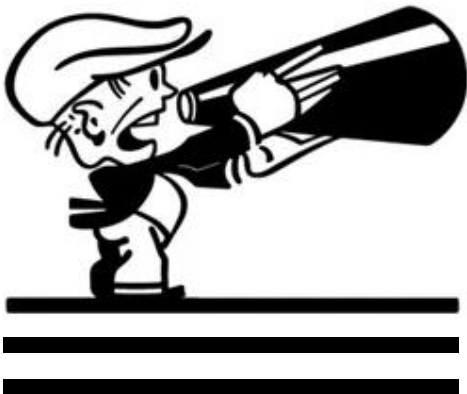
Per our club bylaws, nominations are taken every year at the regular October club meeting for the offices of Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Then, at the regular November club meeting, those nominations are voted on. This year, we have only one nomination for each position. The nominations are as follows:

Vice President – David Graney  
Secretary – Pat Liston  
Treasurer – Spencer Cheek



The "official vote" will take place at our next regular club meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. That meeting will be held at Milano's Italian Restaurant, located at 6916 East Broad Street in Columbus, Ohio.

### *We Have New Members!*



The newest members of the Scioto Model "A" Ford Club are Brian and April Baker. They live in Marysville, Ohio. Brian and April have a 1928 Model "A" Tudor. All of us look forward to meeting both of you at one of our upcoming meetings or club events. We also can't wait to check out your ride.

*Welcome to the Club!*

The month of May has been declared "Model "A" Youth Month". Below is an article from the Harbor Area Model "A" Ford Club telling what they did to celebrate Model "A" Youth Month last year. Maybe a few of us can come up with something similar in 2025 for our club.

## Harbor Area Model "A" Club

About a year ago, Weeg Thompson suggested we reach out to the Southern California Regional Occupational Center to see if we could bring our cars and do a presentation for Model "A" Youth month (a first for our club). Here is what developed as a result of her wonderful suggestion and the efforts of Pat Harrison, who was able to make a connection through two of their Board Members.

Several of our club members hopped in their cars on May 4<sup>th</sup> for the short trip to the Southern California Regional Occupational Center in Torrance in recognition of Model "A" Youth month where we were greeted by 24 students, the automotive class instructor Alan Lee, and the superintendent of SoCal ROC, Dr. Atlas Helaire.

Our program started with an introduction of who we are, why we were there, information about the Model "A" Youth Restoration Award and our club, and an invitation to come to our meetings.

President Rob Hernandez shared a brief history about the Model "A". Tool Coordinator, Bobby DeCrescenzo, talked about Henry Ford, how he got started and some of his inventions. He brought several Model "A" tools, asked students if they knew their purpose, and then explained how they were used.

We had ten Model "A"s, from the working man's models to the luxury models. Students moved from car to car with our members sharing information about their cars such as type and year, when and how they were acquired, what they had done mechanically and cosmetically, an interesting story, etc.

We then reconvened for questions and to raffle off three of our club hats. Each student received a laser engraved wooden business card with the club logo, website address, and QR code that would take students directly to our website (they were a huge hit—everyone wanted one!). Torrance CitiCable was there to film the event. All members should be able to view it on YouTube.

What a wonderful experience for both the students and members. The students were very attentive and interested, and we were even invited to stay and address the evening class. Hopefully, we created an interest in the Model "A" and will be seeing some of the students at an upcoming meeting.

We concluded our Model "A" Youth event by attending the May 8<sup>th</sup> SoCal Roc Board meeting sharing with the Board Members what an enthusiastic response we received from the school and students to our Model "A"s and all we shared about the "A".



# "A" LOOK BACK

*Over 65 Years of Fun!*



The pictures this month were taken in 1961. It appears that quite a few of the club members were getting their pictures taken while they sat on the running boards of their Model "A"s.

The picture to the right shows club members enjoying a potluck at the home of Clayton McKitrick. Clayton must have been a bit of a politician back in the day. He had decided to run for Club President the next year. This picture is from just one of the two potlucks that he held at his home that year. Two potlucks seemed to be all he needed to secure enough votes for a presidential victory. The last picture shows Clayton being given the "Chief" award from the 1961 President, Ray Van Atta.



The "Chief" award that Clayton is receiving is the same emblem that adorns the top of the Presidents Trophy today. This emblem was originally a give-away from the Scioto Savings and Loan Bank.



## BACKYARD TECH TIP



### MODEL "A" BRAKES

Bruce Haynes  
Old Dominion Model "A" Ford Club

Once you get your Model "A" running, your next project is likely to be getting it to stop. Don't be deceived by the ease of brake adjusting wedges or believing that all of your problems will go away by relining the brakes. Or, worse yet, believing the old myth that "The brakes never worked in Model A's". Simply put, the reason for most Model "A" brake problems is the number of unlubricated wear points throughout the entire system. The slightest wear or out of adjustment fitting in all of those wear points quickly adds up. If you have 1/32" of wear at 8 places, that adds up to 1/4". At some point, your wedges and rods can no longer be adjusted to account for wear. When you have brake problems, start at the pedal and check every single component all the way to the drum.



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### "A" Word on Fashion

#### *Menswear*

Like womenswear, menswear saw a shift of focus to the movies for fashion inspiration in the 1930s. Just as women's fashion had begun to democratize in the twenties, men's fashion followed suit. Fashion writer Colin McDowell writes of the power movies had over men's fashion in the thirties, recalling that sales of undershirts slumped when Clark Gable revealed that he wasn't wearing one in 1934's *It Happened One Night*. Here, we see the shift of influence from the elite, such as the Duke of Windsor, to working-class heroes of the movies. McDowell continues, "The images of the cinema broke a pattern of fashion which had prevailed for centuries, giving birth to the blue-collar style leader. With rare exceptions, all previous fashion had been created by a social elite whose greatest claims were exclusivity and wealth. Now, fashion was to percolate up through the classes, instead of down."

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# NATIONAL NEWS & EVENTS

The Model A Restorers Club, Inc.

## THE *running* BOARD REPORT

From Joe Valentine, President and Jim Zimmer, Director of Regions

October 2024

**M**erchandise in our inventory is being reviewed. We're planning to add several new items to our list of MARC goodies and will be reducing prices on certain items to make room. Keep checking the latest issue of the Model A News for future merchandise clearance announcements.

**A** Region or Regions are needed to host future National Tours! The National Tours are popular and we know that members enjoy driving their cars. There surely are interesting things to see and enjoy around your area of our great country; why not share in your good fortune? Help is available to assist your Region in hosting these events. Contact Paul Ganning at 314-852-5591 for more information and details.

**R**umors are still circulating about the Garden City office. It has NOT been sold. Any decisions about the status of the office have been tabled until your Board has time to develop a plan that makes sense to all our members. Serving our membership is always our highest priority. We will not relocate the office without a thorough investigation of a new site and will consider all aspects of such an impactful move.

**C**hanges are afoot! Michael Wilcher from the Ohio Valley Region has agreed to assume Betty Fisher's role as MARC Mileage Program Chair at the end of 2024. We thank Michael for stepping up and we extend a very big thanks to Betty for all the hard work she and Dick dedicated to this program!



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## MAFFI Minute

Model "A" Friends,

Those of us in the snow belt are squeezing in all the driving time we can get before the "white stuff" shows up. Those of you in the southern states are gliding into some cooler driving weather about now.

The commercial bus made its debut at the Model "A" Days. The bus is a work of art and a historically correct piece of Model "A" history. A big thank you goes out to many Model "A"ers, especially Ron and Ken Ehrenhofer. After the September Model "A" Days in Hickory Corners, Michigan, the bus made its way to Hershey, Pennsylvania in October. The headlines read, "The Bus wins First Place Junior at Hershey Fall Car Show!"

Back at the Model "A" Museum grounds in Michigan, Red Grow's Model "A", Betsy, which was the 2024 Sweepstakes car to help raise money for the museum expansion, was won by Neil Wingate of Lowell, Indiana. Thanks to all who participated in the sweepstakes and congratulations Neil!

Lastly, the expansion is moving along with the foundation in place. So much is happening in the Model "A" world! Don't you just love it!!

Happy Motoring!

Cindy Ellenbecker, Secretary/Trustee  
Model "A" Ford Foundation Inc.



## *Passenger Bus Project*

I have been bringing you articles from the Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc. (MAFFI) about the restoration of their Passenger Bus project that they started in May of 2019. This is the fifth and final installment of the series. If you have been following along, you know their goal was to have the bus completed and unveil it at this year's Model "A" Days in Hickory Corners, Michigan in September. I am pleased to report that they achieved their goal!

Over the past couple years, many of the small parts were scattered across the country with volunteers donating their time and talents restoring them back to their original condition. Once all of those parts were gathered back up, it was time to start the tedious task of assembly. Many of the parts, large and small, were painted prior to assembly. Once assembled, touch-ups were required to make the bus pristine. This was a huge project that everyone who helped with can be very proud of. Ken Ehrenhofer donated the bus to the Model "A" Ford Foundation. They will loan it to the Gilmore Museum, not to be displayed, but to serve as a working bus to give rides to the museum visitors. Once unveiled, the bus was put into service and the bus rides began. If you ever visit the Gilmore Museum, be sure to take a ride on the Ford bus!





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This month we feature May McAvoy. May was born in New York City in 1899. Her well-to-do family owned and operated a large livery stable situated where the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel now stands. May was a model whose first job was a commercial for Domino Sugar. She appeared in her first film as an extra in 1917. May was the queen of the Rose Bowl Parade in 1923. After appearing in more than three dozen films, she co-starred in the 1925 production of Ben-Hur. In 1927, May appeared in Hollywood's first talkie, The Jazz Singer, with Al Jolson. May coached Jolson as he made his film debut. May also starred in England's first all-talking picture in 1928. In 1929, she married the treasurer of United Artist, Maurice Cleary. For years, a rumor circulated that May retired from the screen at the transition to sound films because of a speech impediment. In truth, Cleary asked her not to work. They divorced in 1940 and May returned to film, playing small, uncredited roles throughout the 1940s and 1950s. Her final film appearance was a small part in the 1959 version of Ben-Hur. She remarried Cleary in 1971. In 1984, May died from the after effects of a heart attack from the previous year. She was 84 years old.

THE END

