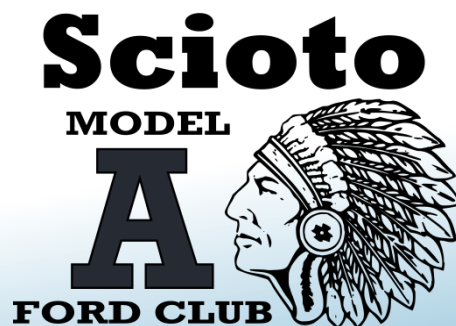


The Scuttlebutt

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



MARC Central Ohio Region
Columbus, Ohio

April 2025

Cover Photo

This month's cover photo features the 1928 Ford Phaeton that will be given away this year by MAFFI. It was donated by Gary & Laurie Mills to help fund the MAFFI expansion project. Go to the MAFFI website for details on how to enter the Sweepstakes.



The Chief's Corner

Hello Everyone,

We had a great Tech meeting at Rick Linder's garage. It's always an interesting place to go. The meeting was well attended and Rick had a very informative talk about the difference between the Model "A" and "That Other Car." As an added bonus, we got to hear his 1904 Model "T" start up.

For our March tour, we did a walking tour through the Neil Armstrong Museum in Wapakoneta, Ohio. After the tour, we had a nice lunch at the Siderail Restaurant. Thanks to Clark Garn for organizing the trip.

Your President,

Mike

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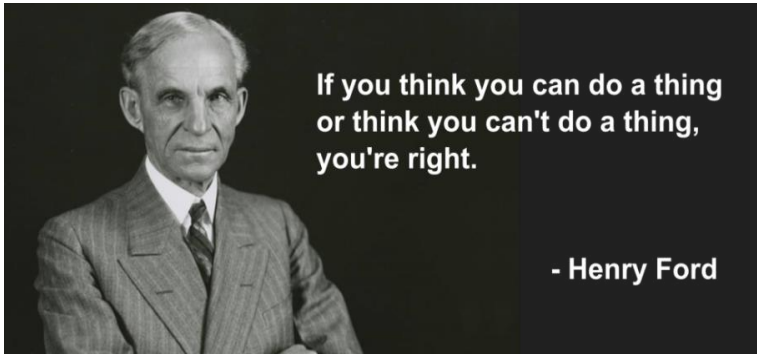
We Have New Members!

The Scioto Model "A" Ford Club has new members! Joining us is Jack & Colleen Summanen. Jack & Colleen live on Fallis Road in Columbus. Jack came to our March Tech Meeting and decided to join the club. Jack & Colleen have a 1931 Deluxe Roadster. Jack is club member Shirley Doherty's son-in-law.

Welcome to the Club!

April Birthdays

Joyce Brown
Jill Davis
Jim Hare
Bill Liberto
Jason Rowland
Jan Wilkes



Our Next Meeting

DATE: April 2nd, 2025

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Mike Ruede's Garage

LOCATION: 355 Sunset Drive
Circleville, Ohio

DIRECTIONS:

1. Take I-270 to Exit 52. (*US-23 South, Circleville Exit*).
2. Go south on US-23 for 19 miles to the US-22/OH-56 ramp to Circleville.
3. Turn left onto US-22/Oh-56. (*Main St.*)
4. Continue 0.4 mile to North Court Street and turn left.
5. Continue 0.6 mile to Northridge St. and turn right. (*4th traffic light*)
6. Continue 0.3 mile to Georgia Road and turn left.
7. Continue 0.1 mile to Sunset Drive and turn right. Mike's home is on the right at the end of the street.



Model "A" Tune-Up Days

April is here and that means it is finally time to get our Fords tuned up and ready to hit the road. There will be two Tune-Up days this year. One will be held north of Columbus and a second one will be held south of Columbus. This is the perfect time to get some "hands on" experience and share some Model "A" knowledge between members. If you need a hand in setting your timing, adjusting your brakes, checking your toe-in or greasing your car, this is the time to get that help. It is also the time to help out a fellow club member. All members are encouraged to come to one or both tune-up days. Don't forget to bring a chair to sit on! Dan Bickley said he will be providing some donuts, muffins, and coffee at the north side Tune-Up. I am sure that Mike Ruede will have some treats for us at the south side Tune-Up as well. Even if your "A" is all set and ready for the season, come on out and enjoy the fun!

North Side Tune-Up Day

Saturday, April 19 - 9:30 a.m.
Dan Bickley's Garage
12805 Gorsuch Road
Galena, Ohio

South Side Tune-up Day

Saturday, April 26 - 9:30 a.m.
Mike Ruede's Garage
355 Sunset Drive
Circleville, Ohio



FROM THE DESK OF

Pat Liston

SECRETARY

March Secretary's Report

Our March Tech Meeting was held at Rick Lindner's Garage. A big thank you to Rick for once again hosting us and generously providing pizza, which we enjoyed before and during the meeting. Rick's informative presentation comparing early Ford Model A's and Chevrolets was a highlight. We are fortunate to have a member with such knowledge!

We were thrilled to welcome a new member, Jack Summanen, the son-in-law of Shirley Doherty. Welcome aboard, Jack!

The Officers continue to work hard on finalizing this year's calendar. A few topics for tech meetings and tour leaders still need to be confirmed. If you would like to lead a tour or do a presentation at a meeting, please let us know. Remember, you can earn points for your contributions!

Treasurer, Spencer Cheek, shared an update on our funds. He is also exploring the possibility of a donation or scholarship to a local school that trains students to work on vintage automobiles, particularly from 1928 to 1935. We look forward to hearing more about his findings. Thank you, Spencer!

Secretary Pat Liston reminded Steve Aspery and Clark Garn to provide details about their upcoming tours, such as meet-up locations and information on lunch & ice cream stops.

Unfortunately, our Sunshine Reporter, Mary Lou, was unable to attend so there was no Sunshine Report at this time. If you know anyone in the hospital, getting ready for a hospital stay, or in need of some cheer, please let Mary Lou know. She would be more than happy to send a get-well greeting.

On March 15th, we embarked on our tour to the Neil Armstrong Museum, traveling in a caravan of five modern cars. Despite the rainy morning, we had a fantastic turnout with 13 participants. The museum tour was both enjoyable and insightful, and everyone appreciated the camaraderie during our lunch break at the Side Rail Restaurant. Unfortunately, I got a bit sidetracked and forgot to take pictures. My apologies for missing the opportunity to capture the memories.

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Our next Tech Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on April 2nd at Mike Ruede's Garage. His garage is located at 355 Sunset Drive in Circleville, Ohio. Mike will be doing a presentation on adjusting the "old style" and "new style" headlights.

In April, we will not have any tours as we will be hosting two Tune-Up events. The first one will be held at 9:30 a.m. on April 19th, at Dan Bickley's Garage. His garage is located at 2805 Gorsuch Road in Galena, Ohio. The second one will be held at 9:30 a.m. on April 26th at Mike Ruede's Garage. His garage is located at 355 Sunset Drive in Circleville, Ohio.

If there is something special you would like done at the Tune-Up, such as an oil change, please remember to bring your own oil. For timing adjustments, please bring a set of points. You get the idea. Feel free to bring any specific tools or parts you may need for other maintenance tasks as well. We want to make sure everyone gets the attention their Model "A" requires!

Let me know if there is anything else you need help with. We will try to make it happen, even if it must be on a different day. I am looking forward to seeing everyone!

Have a Great Day!

Save the Dates!

June 15th – 20th

2025 MARC National Meet in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

October 7th – 10th

2025 Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey, Pennsylvania

"A" WORD FROM THE EDITOR

April is finally here, and that means it's time for our Model "A" Tune-Up Days! This is where we all have a chance to check our timing, set our points, check our toe-in, and get them all greased up and ready to take on the touring season. Maybe it's because it's the first club event of the year, but I always look forward to the Tune-Up Days. Once they are here, it means the touring season is just around the corner. If you are new to the club and haven't ever been to one, I encourage you to try and make it to at least one of them this year. It is a great way to get to know everyone and maybe even learn a little bit about your own Model "A". Last year we had very good turnouts at both of the Tune-Up Days with over twenty members attending each one. If your Model "A" is ready for the touring season and doesn't need any attention, just show up and enjoy the fellowship, a few laughs, and a couple donuts! The north side Tune-Up Day will be held at Dan Bickley's garage. The south side Tune-Up Day will be at Mike Ruede's garage. Details and locations are in this newsletter. Both garages are very nice and a great place for all of us to get together. I hope to see all of you there!

Allan D. Goldhardt
Newsletter Editor

2025 SCIOTO MODEL "A" FORD CLUB SCHEDULE

April	May
<p>2nd <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Mike Ruede's Garage 355 Sunset Drive Circleville, Ohio</p> <p>11th – 13th <u>MARC Membership Meet</u> Nashville, Indiana</p> <p>19th <u>North Side Tune-Up Day – 9:30 a.m.</u> ★ Dan Bickley's Garage 12805 Gorsuch Road Galena, Ohio (See details in newsletter)</p> <p>26th <u>South Side Tune-Up Day – 9:30 a.m.</u> ★ Mike Ruede's Garage 355 Sunset Drive Circleville, Ohio (See details in newsletter)</p>	<p>7th <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Dave Graney's Garage 3566 Schirtzinger Road Hilliard, Ohio</p> <p>17th <u>Ohio State Reformatory Tour</u> ★ Mansfield, Ohio</p>
June	July
<p>4th <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Mike Purcell's Garage 58 Arnold Alley Westerville, Ohio</p> <p>7th - 8th <u>Lancaster Spring Festival Car Show</u> Lancaster, Ohio</p> <p>15th – 20th <u>MARC National Meet</u> Gettysburg, Pennsylvania</p> <p>14th <u>National Museum of the USAF Tour</u> ★ Dayton, Ohio</p> <p>27th <u>National Waco Club Reunion</u> Mount Vernon, Ohio</p>	<p>2nd <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Davis's Garage 117 Balbriggan Lane Granville, Ohio</p> <p>17th – 19th <u>Arthritis Foundation Car Show</u> Dublin, Ohio</p> <p>19th <u>Shawshank Woodshop Tour</u> ★ Upper Sandusky, Ohio</p>
August	September
<p>6th <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Howard Turner's Garage 4191 Fredericksburg Avenue Columbus, Ohio</p> <p>16th <u>Poker Run Tour</u> ★ TBD</p>	<p>3rd <u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ TBD</p> <p>6th – 7th <u>Old Car Festival</u> Greenfield Village, Michigan</p> <p>13th <u>Cookout & Tour</u> ★ West Jefferson, Ohio</p> <p>19th – 20th <u>Ford Model "A" Days</u> Hickory Corners, Michigan</p>

2025 SCIOTO MODEL "A" FORD CLUB SCHEDULE

October		November	
1 st	<u>Tech Meet - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ Spencer Cheek's Garage 6227 State Route 752 Ashville, Ohio	5 th	<u>Dinner Meeting - 7:00 p.m.</u> ★ TBD
7 th – 10 th	<u>Eastern Fall Meet</u> Hershey, Pennsylvania	15 th	<u>Central Ohio Fire Museum Tour</u> ★ Columbus, Ohio
18 th	<u>Fall Foliage Tour</u> ★ TBD		
December			
13 th	<u>Christmas Party</u> Der Dutchmen Restaurant 445 Jefferson Avenue Plain City, Ohio		

★ *Points Event*

Model "A" Youth News!

Model "A" Youth Restoration Award

The Model "A" Youth Restoration Award provides financial support to youth whose interest in the hobby is demonstrated by their efforts in restoring a Model "A". Our reason for doing so is to solidly cement the idea of the Model "A" hobby in the minds of our youth at an impressionable age with the intent and hope that this will be a lasting association that will help support Model "A" restoration and the hobby in general into future generations.

In 1994, Charles Viosca, Board Member of the Model "A" Ford Club of America (MAFCA) felt something needed to be done to help youth who were interested in restoring a Model "A". Charles determined that the best way to do this was to provide financial support. He brought the idea to the MAFCA's Board and they supported the idea. MARYA was born.

In 1994, MAYRA made its first award of \$500 to a young member of the Dallas Model "A" Ford Club. Since then, awards have totaled over \$205,000. In 2024, thirteen recipients received \$2,000 in gift certificates.

The awards are in the form of gift certificates purchased from Model "A" Ford parts and services vendors and are made annually. They are announced at the summer conventions of the Model "A" Restorers Club and the Model "A" Ford Club of America. 2025 Applications must be received by May 31, 2025. For more information or to apply for an award, go to:

www.ModelAYouthRestorationAward.org

March Tech Meet

Newsletter Editor
Scioto Model "A" Ford Club

Last month, the Scioto Model "A" Ford Club held their monthly meeting on September 5th at Rick Lindner's Ford Garage in Columbus. There were about 25 members present. President Ruede called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. After going through all of the club's business items and reports, we drew for the 50/50 raffle. Jim Hare was the big winner! After that, Rick Lindner gave an interesting and enjoyable presentation comparing the Ford Model "A" to "that other car" (early model Chevrolet). Before we left, we got to see Rick fire up one of his earlier Fords in the garage that he has been working on. What a treat!

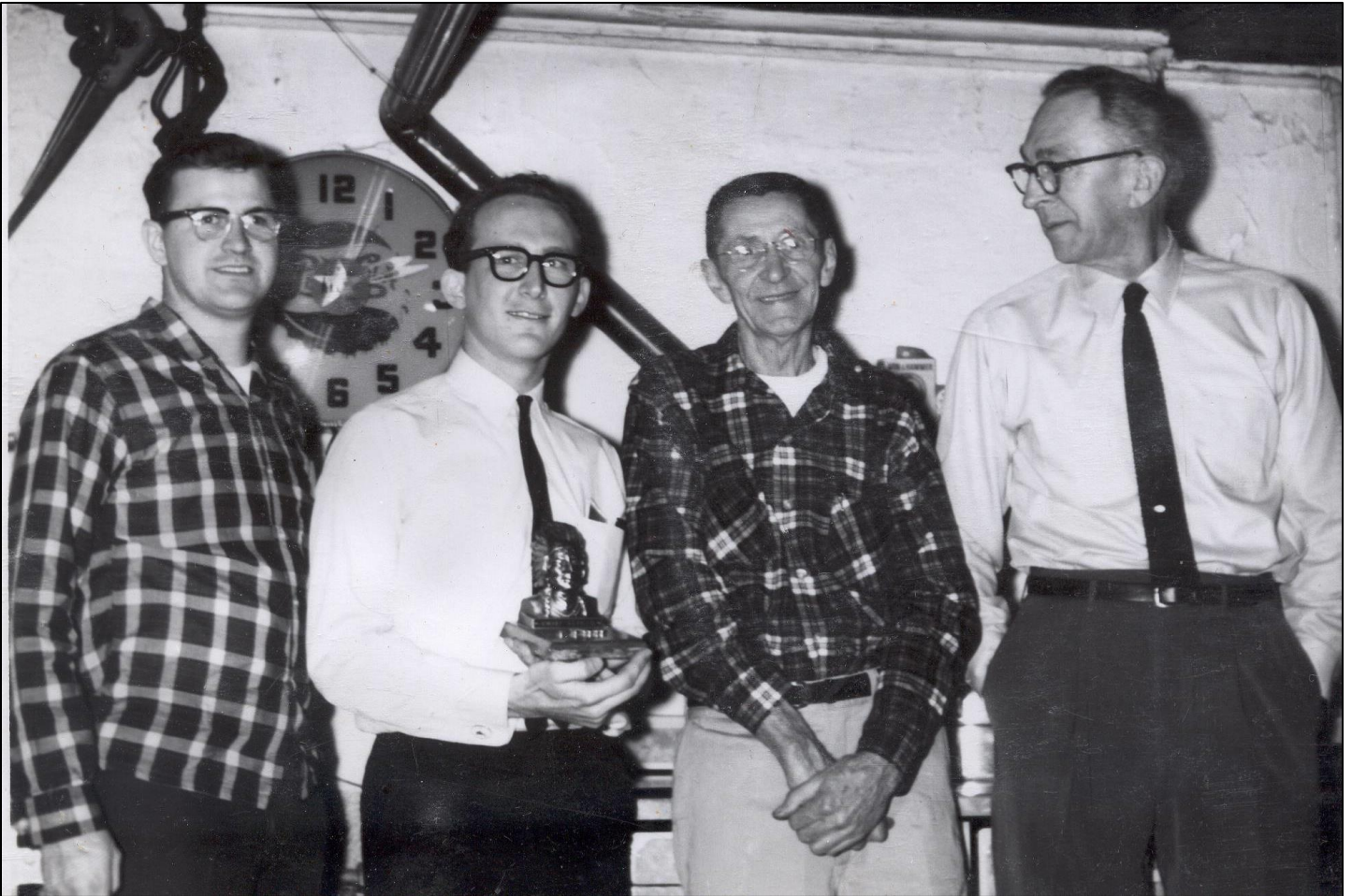
Thank you Rick, for hosting the March meeting, providing pizza and beverages for everyone, and giving a wonderful seminar. Our next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on April 2nd at Mike Ruede's Garage located at 355 Sunset Drive in Circleville, Ohio. Mike will be giving a presentation on how to adjust all of the different types of Model "A" headlights. Be sure to make plans to attend!





"A" LOOK BACK

Over 65 Years of Fun!



Here are the 1965 Scioto Model "A" Ford Club Officers. Starting at the left is Secretary/Treasurer Gary Potter, President Fred Kerns, Vice President Bill Brex, and Correspondent Walt Holloway.



Here are a couple of pictures from the February 28, 1965 Tech meet. It was held at Bill Brex's home in Springfield, Ohio. In the first picture, Marilyn Potter is drawing for the door prize. In the second, a few club members are checking out a rear axle.

Pictures Submitted by: Rick Lindner
Scioto Model "A" Ford Club



BACKYARD TECH TIP



INSTALLING THE STARTER BENDIX DRIVE

The small Bendix Drive gear that's bolted to the starter motor puts up with a lot of use (and abuse when you forget to retard the spark before starting). The Bendix is bolted to the shaft with two special bolts and lock washers. One bolt has a specially-shaped end that goes down into a hole in the starter shaft. This is critical, to lock the Bendix to the shaft; do not substitute a plain bolt for this.



The other bolt is "special" only because it is only 11/16" long. This allows the bolt to lock the spring in place, without having the bolt actually touch the starter shaft. Don't be tempted to use a 3/4" long bolt instead of the correct shorter one. When a longer bolt is used, it presses against the starter shaft when tight and it messes up the Bendix operation. Don't forget to install the half-moon-shaped Woodruff key in the shaft before slipping the drive on the shaft. You may also use two spring clips (optional). Be sure to lock the bolts down tight by bending the ear of the special lock washer up against the bolt head. If you don't, these bolts will work loose and fly out of the starter drive.

John Moorehead
Western Model "A" News

"A" Word on Fashion

Menswear

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While no longer as wide as the twenties Oxford bags, trouser legs continued to be wide at the bottom and worn creased and cuffed during the thirties. Plus-fours continued to be worn by many and tweed continued to be a popular material. When suits were worn, jackets had wide, padded shoulders and tapering sleeves. Perhaps foreshadowing what was to come, military-inspired trends such as the trench coat and the leather "Bomber" jacket also saw popularity in the 1930s as casual outerwear. An enduring image of the Great Depression is men in worn boots, large overcoats, and a flat cap. For some, this was all the fashion they could afford during the thirties.



NATIONAL NEWS & EVENTS

The Model A Restorers Club, Inc.

THE *running* **BOARD REPORT**

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

March 2025

Membership continues to hold relatively stable with January renewals. We are in the process of invoicing 2023 and 2024 members who have not renewed hoping to reach people who have missed renewal notices. We would again ask all of our Regions to encourage new and existing members to join MARC. Don't forget about our expanded youth membership

As a reminder, your MARC Board has extended our free one year membership offer to Region members who have never become MARC members. This membership includes the digital version of the Model "A" News, but you can experience all the other benefits of MARC membership. Give it a try!

Regarding MARC's Technical Chairman, you are probably aware that after serving more than 10 years, Ron Ehrenhofer has retired and Larry Shepard has volunteered to step up to fill his shoes. Larry is more than qualified for this role. A big thank you to both for your dedication to our organization.

Committee announcement! The Driver Class Judging Standards Committee is pleased to announce that the judging standards are available on the MARC website. Just select Menu, Programs and Awards, then click on MARC Driver Class to view and download the standards! Participants having vehicles judged will be required to provide the scoring sheets at Gettysburg this summer.



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Don't miss another issue of the Model "A" Restorers Club's bi-monthly publication, the "Model "A" News". Use the application above and join today!



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MAFFI Minute

March 2025

Through the generous donation of Gary and Laurie Mills, their 1928 Ford Model "A" 4-Door Phaeton will be used in this year's sweepstakes. Their request was that the proceeds be used to fund the expansion of the Ford Model "A" Museum on the grounds of the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan.

The 1928 Ford Model "A" 4-Door Phaeton highlights:

- Like a traditional phaeton this open car has no side windows, providing an open-air driving experience.
- Unlike a Ford Model "A" roadster, the Phaeton has four doors, allowing passengers access to the back seat.
- With an open design, the Phaeton was not as commonly purchased as other Model "A" body styles.

Entering in the sweepstakes not only benefits the Model "A" Ford Museum, you are entered to win this amazing car! To enter, go to the Model "A" Ford Foundation Inc. website, click on "Expansion", and then click on "Sweepstakes".

The Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc. (MAFFI) seeks to preserve Model "A" Fords and related artifacts and memorabilia, encourage research, and educate present and future generations about the Model "A" Ford and its era.

Every year a special Model "A" Day celebration is held on the third weekend of September. You are encouraged to attend the two-day Model "A" only event, because all funds collected at the Gilmore Museum's gate that day are given to MAFFI to support the foundation and the Model "A" Ford Museum.

By entering this Sweepstakes, you are becoming a part of a broader plan to help the Model "A" Museum expand.

You may also support the Model "A" Museum through Membership in MAFFI, and all donations and bequests are welcome and much appreciated.

Cindy Ellenbecker, Secretary/Trustee
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This month we feature Gwen Lee. Gwen was born 'Gwendolyn LePinski' in 1904 in Nebraska. She began her career as a department store model. An early foray to the stage as a dancer led to her discovery and a contract with MGM in 1925. Gwen was named a WAMPAS baby star in 1928 and was duly rewarded with starring or co-starring roles. Gwen played well coiffured, but dizzy blonde roles. Her time in the limelight turned out to be rather brief. Her dizzy screen personae apparently carried over into real life, as she was twice sued by department stores for non-payment of goods. In 1932, she was taken to court by her mother who claimed guardianship, charging that her daughter was incompetent to handle her affairs. Her mother claimed that she was incapable of managing her jewelry and personal property, valued in excess of \$1,000. Inevitably, Gwen's movie roles declined both in quality and quantity. Reduced to bit parts, her career came to a swift end in 1938 after appearing in a bottom-of-the-bill movie by one of the Poverty Row outfits. After that, she faded from the scene. Gwen died in Reno, Nevada, in 1961 of undisclosed causes, almost forgotten, at the age of 56.

THE END

