

## Chapter Coordinator Newsletter

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Make sure your chapter checks the MAFCA calendar in *The Restorer* and on the calendar page of the MAFCA web site for activities near your hometown. There are events such as the *9th Annual Model A Day in Historic Sharon Wisconsin* and the *Pikes Peak or Bust "Relive The Journey" Regional Meet* in Colorado Springs, Colorado and the *Quad Meet*, this year held in Volvo, Illinois plus many others, hopefully one close to your location. Attending events, other than your own chapter events, allows you to meet other A'ers and begin new friendships and adventures.

MAFCA is always looking for new products that are both useful for members while showing their support of MAFCA. Two new products were approved at the April Board of Directors Meeting - a women's tote bag and a MAFCA license plate frame. Proudly show that you are a MAFCA member by having a license plate frame on your Model A. What could be more useful than a tote bag to carry all those essentials needed when attending MAFCA functions while also showing you are a MAFCA member? Watch for these items in the near future from MAFCA and at various regional meets.

How many remember the *MAFCA Theme Song* from 1976? The record, yes an old 45, surfaced and was played at the recent board meeting. I found a copy lying around the house that I purchased years ago at a rummage sale. Now that it's a collectable, I actually had it framed and displayed in our home. You might want to mention it to your chapter members. A search through attics or garages might generate this thirty-year-old collectors item.

Keep in mind that chapters can now order an updated Clip Art CD with index for \$6.95, which includes postage and handling. The CD has a great index making it much easier to locate the image desired. It is a wonderful tool for newsletter editors looking to dress up their publication. Call MAFCA headquarters or check out the products link at [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com). Chapters that have already received the older version of the Clip Art CD would need to purchase the updated copy. New chapters will receive their copy free.

Please remind your members that there are a limited number still available of the 2005 Calendar that was featured in the January/February issue of *The Restorer*. This great calendar features Kansas City's General Cab Company fleet. The photo was taken on February 10, 1930. The calendar is approximately 48" by 10-3/4" and sells for \$4.95 plus \$1.95 shipping and handling.

I read many newsletters each month and many have technical information written by a local chapter member. Ask those members to think about sending in technical articles to **The Restorer** for consideration. MAFCA is hoping to publish a Volume 7 of the *How To Books*, but more technical articles are needed. Share technical expertise with all of MAFCA. Why not send in your *original* technical information?

Insurance questions keep coming up. Many MAFCA chapters are hesitant to enjoy Gymkhana events or participate in parades due to insurance limitations. For that reason, MAFCA board members met recently with an insurance broker to discuss with him the possibility of acquiring coverage offering fewer restrictions for just such events. There was also discussion on providing coverage, for a reasonable amount, to chapters for the day of an event. An example would be a

Hill Climb or car games that are timed events. Watch for information as it becomes available in future issues regarding this important subject.

Youth are important to our hobby. That is why MAFCA is proud to announce that a grant has been approved for the *Ponca City Great Race X-Team 2005*. The race will start in Washington, D. C. on June 25<sup>th</sup> and finish in Tacoma, WA on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Encourage your members to check out the race at [www.greatrace.com](http://www.greatrace.com). They can meet the teams and watch the progress. The site is updated throughout the event. Perhaps, if the team stops at a location near your chapter, you can drive over and give these younger MAFCA members your support.

One of MAFCA's special interest groups, the *Model A Ford Town Sedan Club* has sponsored a young MAFCA member who is currently working on the restoration of a Town Sedan. This person receives free membership in the *Town Sedan Club* plus back issues of their newsletter. He also will receive technical help from their membership. As a MAFCA director, I can't praise the *Town Sedan Club* enough for advancing youth in our hobby.

When reading newsletters from various chapters around the country, it is always a pleasure to read about members of local chapters who are in the spotlight. There are many members who go above and beyond in providing service to their chapters. It is especially rewarding when the person in the spotlight is a younger member of MAFCA. Parents and grandparents who demonstrate participation, service and loyalty to their local chapter and MAFCA in turn instill those same values in their children and grandchildren. Keep up the good work. ***Encourage the youth of your chapter.***

Don't forget to sign up your children and grandchildren for the *A World*. This great newsletter offers stories and Ford facts along with a trading card with each issue. As a chapter, you have the opportunity to sponsor trading cards. The cost for three (enough for three issues – a half year of *A World*) trading cards is \$250.00. Talk it over with your chapter members and consider sponsoring trading cards. Contact Frank Rosin or Archie Cress for information.

Is there a member in your chapter who is looking for a way to serve MAFCA? I have a way they can do just that while also promoting the youth of our hobby? **A World** editors, Frank Rosin and Archie Cress are looking for someone to carry on the publication. They are anxious for someone to work with them and take over the publication the new editor(s) feel comfortable. The ideal editor understands and/or works with children. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the **A World** editors directly. You can e-mail Archie at [joanarchie@comcast.net](mailto:joanarchie@comcast.net) or Frank at [frankr@eskimo.com](mailto:frankr@eskimo.com).

Happy Model A'ing

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