



150th Anniversary of the Pony Express Tour



MAFCA's exciting National Tour in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the famed Pony Express is well underway. Mark your calendar for June 19-27 and watch for more details at www.mafca.com. To subscribe to our free E-newsletter about the tour, send an e-mail to: ponyexpress150@mafca.com. Put "Subscribe" in the subject line and make sure to include your name and address. You'll receive

- Early information and details about the tour

- Historical tidbits about things to see and do along the way
- Be among the first to receive the registration packet

The 150th Anniversary Pony Express Tour is a MAFCA-sponsored event. Teams will leave St. Joseph, Missouri and Sacramento, California and will meet in Casper, Wyoming for a special celebration there. The tour will be structured so you can go all the way, part of the way, or just for the day! Yes, we'll actually be carrying very special mail during the event. Lead cars from both ends will be equipped with live GPS-sending units and the teams will be able to be tracked via a unique web site. Visitors will know where the lead cars are within five minutes.

Watch *The Restorer* magazine and mafca.com for more details. Better yet, subscribe to *PONY EXPRESS POST* for the earliest and latest information.

EDITORS/WEBMASTERS: Please list this event in your newsletters/web sites. If you'd like high resolution artwork of the above image or the event logo, email: Jspawn321@aol.com.

Thanks!

June Board Meeting Report

MAFCA's Board of Directors met in Breckenridge, Colorado as guests of the High Country Tour. The tour was simply an outstanding event, hosted by the Model A Ford Club of Colorado. One of the benefits offered to MAFCA members is the privilege of attending the many great events hosted by our chapters around the world. If you have never taken advantage of regional or national events, you are only experiencing part of what the Model A hobby has to offer.

Currently, the Board continues to address the Bylaws. The Board has requested that members from the Special Interest Group AFORD (A Fellowship Of

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Retired Directors) review the current Bylaws and offer suggested revisions and comments back to the Board. Because of the importance of the Bylaws, this is something we don't want to rush into. Our goal is to make only necessary changes to ensure the legal and smooth operation of MAFCA while maintaining the integrity of the existing Bylaws.

At the meeting it was decided MAFCA would benefit by joining SEMA Action Network. This organization is designed to help protect the antique car hobby by working with legislators from across the country. Because it is a national organization and not oriented toward any specific state, our universal needs will best be represented.

International Model A Day

Mark your calendars for September 26 (27th is scheduled as a rain delay day) as the International Model A Day. Each chapter is encouraged to participate by touring and displaying your great car.

2010 International Convention

Reports of the 2010 International Convention are coming in and they are exciting! If you have never been to a National Convention, 2010 is your time to start. Not only will it bring together hundreds of Model A's, 2010 is being held in a world-class vacation spot - Vancouver, B.C. Because this involves international travel, US citizens must take a couple of actions. A passport is required for entry back into the US, so don't put off until tomorrow. Also, if you are driving a car, check with your insurance company as a certificate of insurance may be required. For more information visit www.lionsgatemodelclub.com and sign up for the Early Bird Newsletter.

A Great Christmas

The Great Lakes A's will host the 2009 MAFCA Membership Meeting in Waukesha Wisconsin December 3-5. The host hotel is the Doubletree, Brookfield. Planned events include a tour of the Harley Davidson Museum, Christmas dinner theater, brewery tour and lots of seminars. For further information contact Gary Zehern at 414-764-0976.

Hershey

MAFCA will host some special events at the Hershey Swap Meet (October 7-10). Our own President, Les Andrews, will be presenting a couple of seminars and will be available to discuss technical questions. We are also working to have Volume 8 of the series "How To Restore Your Model" completed and ready for distribution at the meet. Stop by space #RCH-8-12.

Only 1,000,000 Miles To Go

Starting this fall MAFCA will begin the Million Mile Challenge. Chapters from around the world will join together with the goal of driving their combined Model A's a million miles in one year. Chapters will be on the honor system to record the total miles driven by the members each month. The numbers will be tallied and awards given to those MAFCA members participating in the challenge. Watch for more information in coming issues of *The Restorer* and on MAFCA's web site.

Welcome

MAFCA welcomes the Model A Restorers Club of Columbus, Indiana and AFORD, which stands for A Fellowship of Retired Directors (Special Interest Group) into our family.

Chapter Discounts

MAFCA offers some great gifts, products, and accessories. Why not use some for your chapter's raffle prizes? MAFCA offers a 10% discount to chapters with orders of \$100 or more. Visit mafca.com/cart/index.php?show_price=yes.

Book Review

Speaking of MAFCA products, we now offer TINY TIPS For Your Model A. For over 50 years *The Restorer* has run Tiny Tips. These are tried and proven tips for maintaining and repairing your Model A. Started by Tiny Snell and followed up by Red E. Power (aka Urb Stair) the book also contains many tips from other Model A experts around the land. Give it a try for only \$10.

DMV Services

We recently learned that some state motor vehicle departments provide information and services via the internet to help save time and effort. We are asking chapters to designate a member to research your state's services and provide us with web addresses that provide such services. Please email them to chapters@mafca.com.

The Information Highway

One of the marvels of the 21st Century is instantly passing information through the internet. Using email, the Board of Directors regularly communicates and discusses issues. I am preparing a database of chapter editors' emails to which I send information. If you are a chapter newsletter editor and have not received any emails from me it's because I don't have your email address. Please shoot me a quick email to chapters@mafca.com with the subject "Add Email".