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The MAFFI LIGHT

Fellow Model A'er, Bill Cote of the McKinsey River Model A Club, recently announced that his club has a unique way of raising money for MAFFI. Bill took a Model A headlight and mounted it on an old jack stand and cut a slot in the top of the light. He puts it on the front table whenever they have a club meeting and it is called "The MAFFI Light." Each meeting, club members bring their change or dollars, whatever they want, and place it into the MAFFI Light. It is like a giant piggy bank and at the end of the year, they remove the money and send a check to MAFFI.



The lens is clear, so you can see the money adding up! This is a great idea to help maintain and grow our Model A museum.



A Word From Gene Egert...

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THE PREZ SAYS...

Hello again, everyone! Hopefully, everyone is driving their Model A(s) at this writing... or at least working on getting them on the road. We've had a busy Spring and early Summer with respect to Naper A's Club activities.

On May 15th the Starved Rock Tour left Home Depot at 8:00 AM with Lindy, Ron, Gene and Cheryl with Mike Hedl, her brother, also Allen and Diane, Noel and June, Jim and Robin, Steve, Fred and Kathy. We proceeded to drive 75 miles to Starved Rock had a great brunch. Then we did some walking around to see the sights, gathered everybody up, and headed the 75 miles back to home. Yes, at our 40-50 mph pace, it took more than an hour each direction.

Monday, May 29th was scheduled for the Naperville Memorial Day Parade, with Tom, Gene, Rick, Pete, Steve, Jim, Allen and Jeff offering veterans from World War II to the Vietnam War lifts in their cars. Always a pleasure to honor our Vets with rides.

Sunday, June 5th we went to Sharon, Wisconsin for Model A Days. Driving 180 miles for the round trip, our contingent left Naperville at 6:00 AM with Lindy and Ray, Rick and Mary, and Steve picking up Cheryl and me in Batavia, then we picked Ryan and Jim and Robin. We all enjoyed a great barbecue lunch up there. The weather was great, (60's to 70's), but a little windy. All of our cars drove well. Gar and Kay drove back with us.

Friday, June 10th we attended the Downers Grove Cruise Night Model T/Model A Night...Cheryl and me, Fred and Kathy, Ryan, Alan, Nick, Ted, Melanie, Bob, Rick and Mary. We all met at the Ballydoyle Irish Restaurant for dinner, enjoying good food good conversation. All left at different times, and it was a good evening. Old cars + nice friends = fun times.

Some additional upcoming events include the Union Railroad Museum Car Show on Sunday, August 7th and the Thursday, August 4th 2:30-to-5 Colonel McCormick birthday celebration at Cantigny. Full information has already been sent out by Nick on both. Also the Sycamore Steam Show on Friday, and on August 12th don't forget Fay's Barbeque for lunch!

Finally, we must give a big thanks to "Team Fred" for walking in the Pancreatic Cancer Walk, sponsored by the Lost Garden Foundation. The Naper A's team consisted of Lindy Williams, Ray McMahon, Alan and Diane Petrik, and Jim and Robin Weaver. All told, \$750.00 was raised by Team Fred. Lindy noted that over 600 people walked throughout the day, on a well-organized and shady walking route. The Team Fred group was invited to Fred and Kathy's house for lemonade after the walk.

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DON'T STICK
YOUR ELBOW
OUT SO FAR
IT MAY GO HOME
IN ANOTHER CAR!

The Best Electrical Answer

By Gene Egert

Tired of dim headlights at night and a horn not working very well when your headlights are on? How about overcharging, cut-out worries, the darn charge rate? Me, too.

That's why I recently switched over my 1930 Ford Model A roadster to a spiffy new Powermaster #82006, 6-volt alternator that looks just like a regular Model A generator but handles all your power issues at the same time.

Installing it is quite easy, just remove the old one and put in the new one, it's made just for the Model A. The unit comes with all hardware needed for mounting, but you do have to buy some #8 wire to use this alternator per their recommendations to help carry the load. It will put out 50 amps. So, your



headlamps and horn work great at night. You have no more worries about overcharging the battery. It shows about 2 amps on ammeter.

Best of all, their factory is close by at 1833 Downs Drive in West Chicago, which happens to be right by my house. So you can walk in and buy one at a 20% discount, comes out

to \$301.70 with sales tax and you avoid shipping costs. If you decide to purchase one of these, I would be glad to help with the install project, it's pretty easy.



GENE'S CAR, FOLLOWING NEW ALTERNATOR INSTALLATION

PANCREATIC CANCER WALK ☐ NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS ☐ JULY 24, 2016

TEAM FRED



Lindy Williams reports that good friend and long-time Naper A's member Fred Kauper has been undergoing chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer but is too weak to continue treatments for now. Prayers are being said by the entire club for Fred's recovery. Meanwhile, "Team Fred" members Lindy Williams,

Ray McMahon, Alan and Diane Petrik, and Jim and Robin Weaver joined the Pancreatic Cancer Walk, sponsored by the Lost Garten Foundation on July 24th in Naperville. The Naper A's team raised \$750.00 to benefit the fund and over 600 people walked during the fundraiser.

Engine Flushology

Ever wonder what is circulating around in your Model A cooling system? Of course not, what's out of sight is out of mind! You just start up the engine and drive away . . .

A few months ago, Ray McMahon gave me an article about a tool setup to flush not only the engine but also back-flush the radiator as well. I had wondered if my engine had ever been flushed out really well in all those years, so one of the last tools I made at Vector Mold & Tool (before retiring) included four special items inspired by Ray's article.

There are two plugs for the radiator hoses. One round 2" diameter plug for the top hose and one round 1-3/4" diameter plug for the bottom radiator hose, both with a 3/4" pipe thread tapped hole. There are two plates, one to close up the water pump opening and one to block the water inlet hole on the engine. I never used the last plate, leaving the lower hose intact and used the smaller plug in the end of the hose. There are also a number of water pipes purchased from the hardware store, two plastic ball valves and a brass fitting to attach a garden hose.

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By RON OLSEN

Model A-Model T Swap Meet Saturday, August 27, 2016



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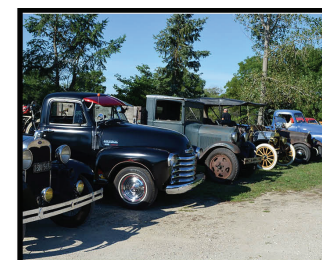
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Time: 8:00 AM to Mid-Afternoon

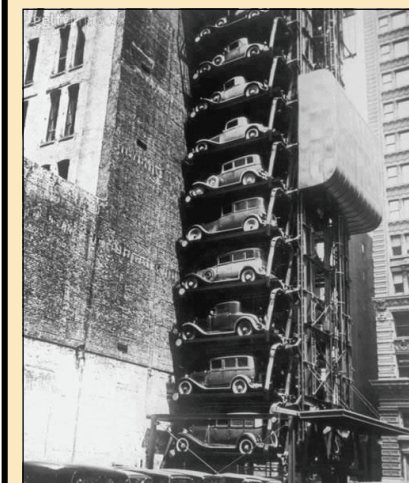
To Reserve Swap Meet Spaces & For More Information Contact:

☐ Ken Ehrenhofer at 630/697-3906 or

☐ Mark Maron at 847/302-7900



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JIM'S NEW CAR

Naper A's new member Jim Weaver joined the club in January and acquired this lovely 1930 Town Sedan in February from an owner in Georgia who only drove it 500 miles following restoration. Jim is a retired school teacher and he lives in Bartlett.

House Calls



Another success for the Naper A's House C Program for Ray McMahon, Lindy Williams, and Gar Williams. Great morning of work, with all very happy to see Ray's 68B Cabriolet backing into the sun under its own power! First run in *many* years!

Found on Paul's Travels

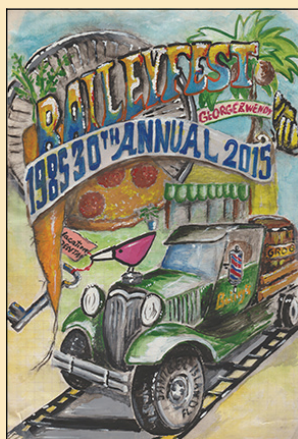
By Paul Herbert

Sometimes my business and personal travels present spontaneous opportunities to enjoy interesting old vehicles in unexpected places...so I like to keep a camera handy. For example, on a brief spring break trip to Sanibel Island in Florida, I spotted this AA in the parking



lot of Bailey's Market, which still uses it for some limited work, promotions, events, and parades. Just thought it was so cool, you can check them out at www.Baileys-Sanibel.com.

The Model T is displayed in the airport at Fort Myers, Florida, where I went over Easter. It's advertises the Ford-Edison Museum there, where Henry Ford and Thomas Edison used to vacation together.



The Pack's Tavern pickup truck was seen in Ashville, North Carolina...another great high-visibility promotional use of a Model A truck, which occupies a reserved parking spot out front.



Successful Starved Rock Lunch Tour

By GENE EGERT

On May 15th, we launched our 2016 Starved Rock lunch tour. The parties who attended included Lindy and Ron, Gene and Cheryl, along with Cheryl's brother Mike, Allen and Diane, Noel and June, Jim and Robin, Steve, Fred and Kathy. We departed Home Depot at 8:00 AM arrived at first stop, the I & M Canal, at 9:30. We started back up at 9:50 on the curvy road along the river, and arrived at Starved Rock just in time for our scheduled brunch reservation. Had a great meal, then walked off lunch before heading for home. All in all, it was a great trip, with no break-downs!



SPOTLIGHT ON 

Naper A's Annual Safety Check

Voegtler's Garage  Warrenville, Illinois  May 7, 2016

By Alan Petrik

I am happy to report that our 2016 Safety Check came off safely, no pinched fingers or bumped heads. Good news there! We had at least 15 members show up to help out, a good showing from the club on a wet then dry Saturday morning.

A special club thanks to Voegtler's Garage for being again so accommodating and allowing us to lift up our cars and hang out together. Some five cars were up on the rack for all to critique, comment, and most importantly learn something you might not have previously known.

Gene Egert, our President, acted as Chief Inspector, while others chimed in on cue to add expertise. While cars were on and off the lift, in another part of the garage, Noel DeLessio was holding court on electrical system support to many of the cars.

You have to be impressed by the knowledge of this group of Model A'er's.

Someone always knows the answer to any question. Combined knowledge benefits all of us in so many ways and makes us a better group of owner-operators.

All in all, a very nice morning indeed and it makes me proud to be a member of the Naper A's.

Members in attendance were (I apologize if I missed any one) Nick, Lindy, Stu, Tom, Jim, Ron, Fred, Paul, Noel, Ken, Gar, Bob, Dan, Steve and myself, Alan.



Engine Flushology

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In operation, the setup worked well and lots of junk came out of the engine, including rust chunks and some black sediment particles. I learned that by flushing the system and turning off the water, letting the system empty out, and then turning the water back on, you induced a kind of turbo swirl inside the water jackets and dead end corners for a good cleaning. The process takes a little time and more than a few flushes to do a nice job. I mentioned the water pump plate, but so as long as the radiator will be off your car you will have to remove the pump and use the plate to plug that hole for better water volume flow. Another tip is to park the car where the exiting water won't be a problem downstream... perhaps a graveled area, to avoid rust stains on the driveway.

These same parts can also be used to back-flush the radiator. I had flushed my engine numerous times before by using the drain in the metal return pipe, even removing the drain for better drainage but this setup is really the nuts. Thanks Ray, for setting me on the right track for a cooler-running motor!



Naperville Father's Day Car Show

By Alan Petrik

Saturday, June 18, 2016

The second annual Father's Day weekend Downtown Naperville Classic Car Show was a perfect day. Jackson Street was filled with great cars on this warm and sunny Saturday morning.

The Naper A's were well represented including cars from Tom Eklund, Lindy Williams, Ed Danley, Rick Burgermeister, Ray McMahon, Gene and James Egert, and Alan Petrik. Let me not forget...also Mayor George Pradel's WWII Jeep.

The three-hour show from 9 AM to NOON drew a constant flow of traffic young and old. A wide mix of some 80 cars, mostly classics, gave this event credibility in my mind over some shows that are "muscle" filled. Did anyone buy the VW Bus that was for sale?



Tom Eklund, Ray McMahon, Lindy Williams, and Alan Petrik joined the Naper A's delegation to the 2016 Naperville Father's Day Classic Car Show, held in Downtown Naperville.

