

Model A Ford Club

P.O. Box 245 o Naperville, IL 60566

January 4, 2022 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rick Burgermeister	Ron Olsen
Gene Egert— <i>President</i>	Steve Paul
<i>Ed Danley</i>	Alan Petrik
Bob Fields	Pete Pope
Ken Jagodzinski	Rich Volkmer
Bill Johnson	Jim Weaver
Nick Mazzarella— <i>Secretary</i>	Lindy Williams – <i>Treasurer</i>



President Gene Egert gav-
eled the **ZOOM based**
meeting on Tuesday, Janu-
ary 4, 2022 at 7:00 pm, and
adjourned at 8:15 pm CST. There were 14
people in attendance on line. A *ZOOM* call
was decided upon because of a resurgence of
the COVID pandemic

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Lindy Williams reported the cur-
rent treasury balance was \$3102.79. .

Transactions last month include:

- \$8.00 monthly bank fee.
- \$425 for 33 paying attendees at the Christmas brunch.
- \$172 toward Courtyard brunch bill to cover the total of \$667.
- \$595 collected for annual DONKA donation. Club added \$5 to round up total to \$600.
- Thirty two members paid 2022 dues—\$800
- \$100 to DONKA in memory of Noel Delessio
- \$29 reimbursement to Gene Egert for pastries at engine work session.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Secretary Nick Mazzarella informed every-
one that he will no longer be forwarding
Hagerty Ins newsletters.

Alan Petrik submitted the first iteration of

the Naper As' events calendar. It will be
updated as events are firmed up. Some
suggestions for dates include the Model
Airplane Fly-In in August, and the Sand-
wich Car Show and Swap Meet in May

***Our next meeting is February 7, 2022 at
7:00 pm. To be determined if it will
be a ZOOM call or in Warrenville.***



Meeting Snacks in 2021

Thanks to Ray McMahon for providing
the November 2021 snacks.

January—NA
February—
March—
April—
May—
June—
July—
August—
September—
October—
November—



**The December 2022 Holiday Celebration will be
at the Courtyard Restaurant. The day is to be de-
termined.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Gene Egert asked the group if they were happy with the brunch and the arrangements, and whether we should schedule the next Christmas brunch at the Courtyard Restaurant. Everyone in attendance voted yes. Gene will look into available dates.

The engine tech session on **Ed Danley's** engine at **Gene Egert's** garage went well.

NEW BUSINESS:

Gene Egert suggested that we look into hosting a show and tell for a young audience to promote interest in classic cars in general. Suggestions included local high or elementary schools. **Lindy Williams** stated that kids in 6th grade or younger are easier to reach because they have not yet been immersed in virtual reality devices.

A possible winter session can be at the **Ehrenhofer's** shop. They are working on a restoration of a 1930 Ford bus and are always looking for help. We could spend a day there as an outing. One other outing is a drive and tour to the *Algonquin Radiator Factory*.

Lindy announced that the club now has a custom made flange adapter to shape exhaust pipe ends to repair them.

Gene Egert will organize and record the engine swap on **Ed Danley's** car. The video will be uploaded on the club's *YouTube* site.

Noel Delessio was a long-standing member of MAFCA Naper As' and the MARC Joliet Regional clubs. Noel passed away in December 2021 after a long illness. He will be remembered for his knowledge of electrical circuitry especially in cars and was mentor to many of us over the years helping with seemingly elusive electrical problems in Model As. Noel was an electrical engineer at Bell Labs and prolific inventor. His avocation included aviation and classic cars. Over the years Noel gave numerous technical talks on electrical systems for Model T and Model A Fords to the Joliet and Naper As' clubs. He will be missed.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- To be determined



TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS:

Currently **Ed Danley, Bob Fields, and Gene Egert** are rebuilding engines.

Nick Mazarella's radiator search for his '31 Slant 4-Door was a education on where not to go to get your radiator repaired. He recommended not going to REX Radiator Repair in Bensenville. They were not interested in serving a individual, but rather they are focused on corporate businesses. Consequently prices and service are influenced in that direction. On the other hand a shop like *Elburn Radiator Repair* appears to be interested to serving individual cars owners. *Al's Radiator Shop* in Brookfield is currently on our recommended list.

Lindy recommended adding *Independent Antique Radiator Manufacturing* in Algonquin as a local source for new radiators.

Bob Fields has 2 crank jacks that can raise a car 3 feet high. **Nick Mazarella** is planning on lifting the body of his car an inch or two to insert new welting along the fame. The jacks will help holding the body up. **Gar Williams** recommended replacing the rubber pads at the blocks as well.



Noel Delessio 2nd from right with (L-R) Lindy, Nick, and Alan at a Vogtle's Safety check in 2017



Dealers, Vendors & Web Sites to Note:

Al's Radiator Repair, 9521 Ogden Ave, Brookfield, IL 708-485-0362.

American Science and Surplus, <https://www.sciplus.com/> sells lots of interesting stuff for science experiments and projects. They are located at 33W361 Roosevelt Rd (Route 38), 1/4 mile east of Kirk Road.

Antique Engine Rebuilding, 4835 Louise, Skokie, IL 60077. **Under new ownership.** Will reopen soon. Web site is... <http://www.antiqueenginerebuilding.com/>

Bert's Model A Center is a good source for hard to get Model A parts. [Http://modelastore.com](http://modelastore.com)

DLT Upholstery, <https://www.dltcorporation.com/> sells automotive interior materials and tools at reasonable prices. 27735 Diehl Road, Warrenville, IL 60555. 1(800) 458-3500.

Elburn Radiator and Repair. Bert Velhuiszen, 1 S. 1st St, Elburn, IL 60119, 630-365.5800.

Randy Gross, 16411 Shoemaker Ave, Cerritos, CA 90703 714-292-8660, melmod-ela@aol.com
Starters, generators, alternators, brake drums,

modern steering unit.

Herb's Glass, and Mirror, Phred Hollister. Replacement safety glass for Model As. 737 W. Chicago, St, Elgin, IL 60123 847-888-4527, www.herbsglass.com

Independent Antique Radiator Manufacturing, 200 Berg St, Algonquin, IL 60102, 847-458-7400, no website available.

Mail Truck in Oak Creek, WI has Model A parts at good prices. They operate on check only basis. You have to call to make an order and when you get the invoice you send a check for the amount. Then the parts get shipped. The prices make the effort worthwhile. Web link: **GOING OUT OF BUSINESS** <https://start.cortera.com/company/research/k7k6nqo5l/mail-truck-model-a-parts>.

Naylor Automotive Engineering for bonded relining. 4685 Knox Ave, Chicago. 773-582-6900, <http://www.natlorautomotive.net>

Rockauto at <https://www.rockauto.com> is a good online source for modern auto parts.

Rock Quiet Brakes in Wisconsin do brakes at reasonable costs. Reports say the work has been excellent.

SPEED POWDER Coatings is a reasonable source for powder coatings. See www.speedpowder.com . Located at 870 Hawthorne Lane, Unit C, West Chicago, IL 60185. Ph. 630-549-0657, cell 309-369-6254

Winning Colors do powder coating of wheels/rims at reasonable prices. 14409 Edison, New Lenox, IL 60451, Phone 815-462-4810

Spare Tire Hub Brake Light

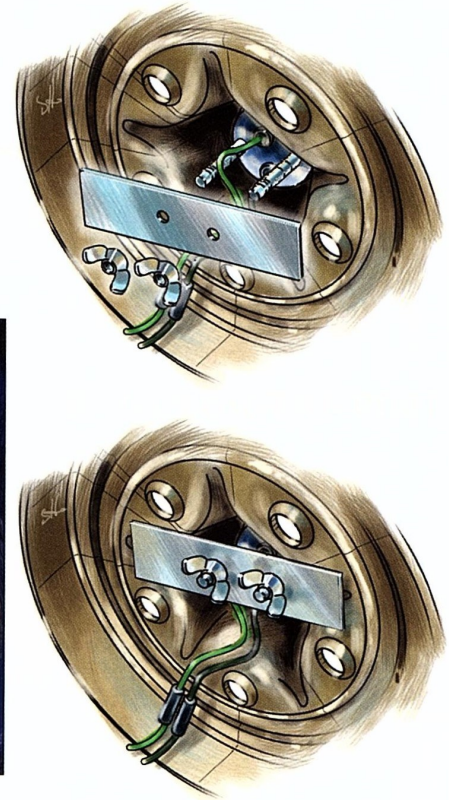
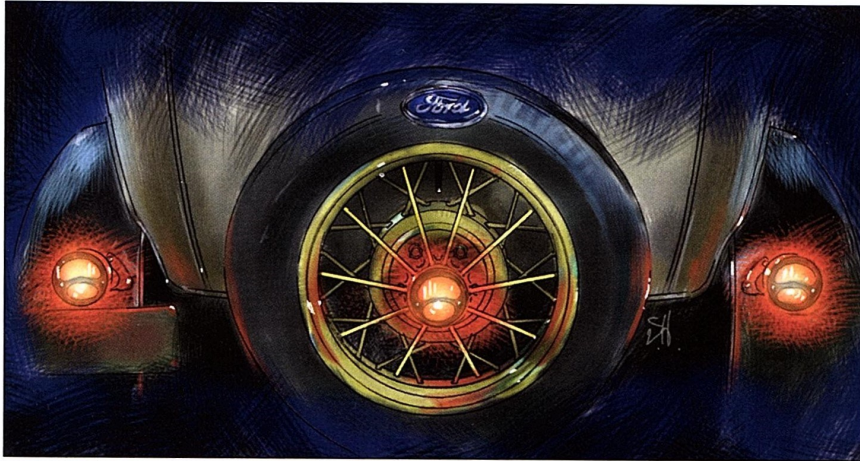
Idea by Mike Gipson, Coos Bay, Oregon
Illustration by Stephen Holt, Urbana, Illinois

Tiny Tips
From MAFCA Members

I LOST ANOTHER HUBCAP ... BUT I REALIZED that some stuff I had lying around could give me a third stop light where I swiped the hubcap from the spare.

A duo light is tapered and exactly fits the hole in the spare. I took the light apart, bought two long screws, and reversed them. Then I took an old piece of scrap iron and a couple of wing nuts ...

Adding some bullet connectors provides for an easy disconnect if I ever need to take off the spare tire. For greater weather protection, consider using a single waterproof boat disconnect. ☹



IF YOU HAVE A HELPFUL TIP about Model A restoration or maintenance, please send it, with a photo or sketch, to the MAFCA office: 250 S. Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631 or email to: Restorer@mafca.com