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LVVMAFC NEWSLETTER



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“Model A Sally! All you want to do is ride around Sally! Ride, Sally, Ride!”



February breakfast was held at Mustang Sally's at the Ford dealership in Henderson. Even gave us VIP parking

SIX generations with the Grundstrom's 1929 Model A

One of our club members, Bill Grundstrom, shared a story with me about his family's 1929 Model A and the six generations that have shared in the joy of riding in their Model A.

Bill's Grandfather purchased the Model A new in May of 1929. It was the only car his grandfather owned in his life. He put 96,000 miles on it and Bill remembers sitting in the backseat to go on fishing trips.

After his grandfather passed in 1954, the car was given to Bill at the age of 12. Bill enjoyed taking it bird hunting, driving to high school, and racing his friends.

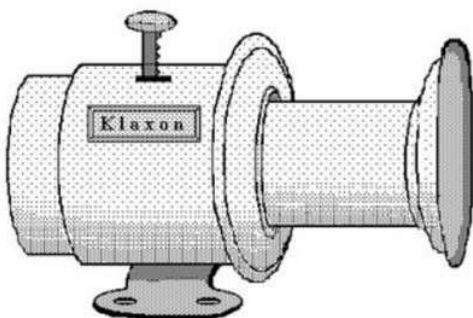
In 1987, Bill restored the car to original condition and participated in many Independence Day Parades.



In 2012 their Model A won an award at the Model A Ford Club of America Conference in Marquette, Michigan

The Sixth Generation!

Pictured having a ball blowing the Ah-oo-gah horn after his Great Grandpa Bill showed them how is Brindley and Easton. They represent the 6th generation of Grundstrom to blow the horn.

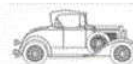


UP COMING EVENTS

<p>MONTHLY MEETINGS: MARCH 18, 2025, TUESDAY LOCATION: THE TAP HOUSE 5589 W Charleston Blvd Las Vegas, NV 89146 TIME: Eat: 6:00 PM Meeting 7:30 PM</p>	<p>TOUR If you have an idea or would like to lead a tour, please contact us. We will be happy to help you plan a tour for our Club. The Tours don't have to be out of town, if you have an idea for an Ice Cream Social, a breakfast, a museum, you get the idea, let us know.</p>
<p>FEBRUARY BREAKFAST DATE: Sunday, March 2nd LOCATION: Sunshine & Tailwinds Cafe 2730 Airport Dr., North Las Vegas, NV 89032 TIME: Meet: 8:30 AM Eat: 9:00AM</p>	<p>IPOF CLASSIC & EMERGENCY CAR SHOW DATE: Saturday, March 29, 2025 LOCATION: Veteran's Memorial Park Registration Open at ipof.vegas/car-show Cost: \$40 pre-register \$50 day of show</p>

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DUES: \$25 annual club dues are payable before the first day of January. Members not paid by January 31st shall be considered inactive and dropped from all chapter mailings. Members are encouraged to join the MAFCA National Organization for \$50. Visit www.mafca.com to join.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Del Hering	February 2
Elaine Warren	February 2
Dave Ringenbach	February 10
Ray White	February 13
Steve Kushner	February 17
Jackie Rutkoskie	February 21
Joanna Elliot	February 21
Doreen Andrini	February 22

SAVE THE DATE:
 SPRING MT
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 PICNIC
 OCTOBER 18,
 2025

THE SHOP

Call Del before you head to the shop!

If your Model A isn't running correctly and you need some advice, call a member or better yet come to the shop!

Is there something Model A related you need more information on! Suggest it as a meeting program topic!
 Mark: cell: 763-242-4356
 Email: mfrigaard@gmail.com
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MR. PRESIDENT

By: Steve Hodgson

OFFICER'S REPORTS 2025

Do you enjoy researching Henry Ford and Ford Motor Company history like me? With over 34 years in the payroll profession – how is that possible with my poor math skills?

– These significant historical events intrigue me:

- On January 5, 1914, Ford surprised the world by offering a \$5 daily wage, more than doubling the rate for most Ford Motor Company workers.

On May 1, 1926, Ford introduced a new, reduced workweek. Factory workers transitioned to a five-day, 40-hour workweek; office workers followed in August. This is noteworthy considering that the Fair Labor Standards Act established the 40-hour workweek nationwide on October 24, 1940, fourteen years later.

Club Updates:

- Please contact any board member if you have suggestions for the good of the club. You can reach me directly at shodgson1@yahoo.com or 210-268-2858.
- February 1, 2025: We had an excellent breakfast at Mustang Sally's at the Ford Country dealership in Henderson with 34 members and 8 cars present!
- July 4, 2025: Celebrate Independence Day with us at the Summerlin Council Patriotic Parade
- Join our new Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/lvvmafc>.
 - Recent posts include:
 - February 10: David Ringenbach took his Phaeton to Celebrity Cars and Coffee, celebritycars.com/weekly-car-show-.aspx, and met several club members: Bill Salviano, Bob Guerin, Jack Camburn, Mike Fecchino, and Jim Tenney. This Henderson car show is held every Saturday from 7-10 am, in the parking lot at Eastern near Richmar. Open to all cars.
 - February 2: Ray White posted the Wiring Diagram and recommended printing and laminating it to keep with our Model A parts box.

MAFCA Updates:

- June 15-22, 2025: 2025 National Tour begins and ends in Waynesboro, VA, hosted by the Dallas Model A Ford Club. The tour includes many Civil War battlefields and museums, Pennsylvania's Amish communities and covered bridges, and a drive along the entire Skyline Drive inside Shenandoah National Park.
- September 13, 2025: International Model A Ford Day
- December 3-6, 2025: 2025 National Awards Banquet in Mobile, AL, hosted by the Gulf Coast Model A Ford Club (in the 1980s, I lived an hour away in Pensacola, FL).
- May 31 – June 7, 2026: 2026 MAFCA National Convention at the Pendelton Convention Center, hosted by the Blue Mountain As of Pendleton, OR, assisted by several neighboring chapters.



VP REPORT

By: Charlotte Kessler

Happy February!

SUNSHINE REPORT
By: Pat White

Brenda Frigaard's mother is in the hospital. Wishing her a fast recovery. Angelia Kenney lost a nephew & a week later she lost her brother. Sent sympathy card. Carol Miller has a torn tendon in her left leg & has to have surgery, but 1st has to have a couple of test done. Jim Miller had test done, unfortunately the doctor didn't find anything. Jim is going to have a couple of more test done. We pray they find the problem & make him better. Doug Smith had carpal tunnel in his right wrist. he had surgery. wish him a quick recovery.

TREASURER
By: Dan Gouker

**February 2025
Financial Report**

Opening Balance	\$9,597.57
Income	
Dues	50.00
Dark Horse	60.00
Auction Items	100.00
Total Income	\$210.00
Expenses	
Tap House Room Rental	75.00
Office Supplies	75.00
New Member Badges	39.00
Total Expenses	\$138.32
Ending Balance	\$9,669.25

**See last page
for the
2025 Proposed Budget**



Reminder - In order to receive reimbursement for expenses made on behalf of the LVVMAFC, please provide a detailed receipt. Requests for reimbursement can either be brought to the next club meeting, or be sent to Dan Gouker at 5375 West Eugene Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89108



SHOP TALK

By: Mark Frigaard

Shop stories and photos by: Mark Frigaard

WHAT'S HAPPENING at the SHOP?



SHOP HOURS:
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
MONDAY * WEDNESDAY * FRIDAY
5204 SEQUIN DR. LV 89130
Call: Del 702-553-8664



Need a tow?

At our January meeting the shop went over our annual spring tune up, hopefully most members have been taking this information and going through their own cars since we haven't had any member requests for assistance from the shop guys. Small rebuilding parts projects are all that's going on at the shop, keeps us busy and updating our knowledge of things we normally don't work on like speedometers, (Del's the subject matter expert on these) we also dismantled and restored a couple vacuum windshield wiper motors.

Bob Taylor called about developing a loud screeching noise in what he thinks was the water pump, so Hal and Jerry went over to Bob's to check it out. Well low and behold when they got there of course no matter what they did they couldn't get the noise to appear..... the collar on the water pump shaft had some play, but probably not what was causing the original issue. In the meantime, Del Myself and Dan went to our new member "Chachi's" house near the workshop to check out his 29 Phaeton RIGHT HAND DRIVE which had an electrical issue and won't run. What we found was the battery charger needle was jumping from full charge to dead every few seconds with the battery having no car battery cables attached to it, so we were not sure if the charger was originally hooked up wrong then the cables disconnected later but damaged the charger and most likely the battery also. Just to clarify the proper process when putting a battery charger on a 6-volt POSITIVE ground battery that is still connected to the car, YOU STILL PUT THE CHARGER CABLES POSITIVE TO POSITIVE AND NEGITIVE TO NEGITIVE ON THE POSTS. There was enough charge to run a test light but not start the car, so we were going to check some other electrical systems, but when connecting the battery cables, one cable wouldn't tighten. After getting a better light in there we seen the post connector on the cable was broken on one side. We just let Chachi know to get a replacement cable end at an auto store, and it would be a good idea to bring the current battery along and have them test it in case he needs a replacement, and give us a call before hooking everything back up so we can make sure it done correctly before we go any further in assisting getting his car running.



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We also had a small shop celebration for Del's birthday this month, Thanks Angelia for making the delicious cake!



Bill Salviano stopped in one morning with his 30-town car having brake issues, Hal and Jerry jacked up the front to spin the wheels and they showed no resistance, so adjustments were made for the wheel to spin only one revolution before stopping, same adjustment was made on the rear tires. The brake pedal was still going almost to the floor when applying pressure, so Hal checked out the brake rod adjusters and found they were very rusty and difficult to adjust, go figure on a 95-year-old car that's original. Also found was there was no support brackets on the brake rods allowing them to flex a lot creating adjustment issues also. With the 3-hour time frame the shop has each day its open, adjustments were made to get Bill at least as much brakes as he had when he showed up with maybe some improvement and a list of what parts need to be found, restored or purchased to correct the problem.



At Hal's garage, he had one block back that he's assembling for a replacement engine in his 29 special coupe, and 2 other blocks just got back from being tested. The block that had the issue from his 29 sports coupe back when the club was on its way to Beatty days tested ok, so that was great news for Hal!! They did resurface the top of the block so now that Hal has it back he put that motor together first to get the 29 sports coupe back on the road, just needs to get it on a running engine stand to test out before installing it in the car. Then start working on the replacement motor for the 29 special coupe. Lots of work getting two motors rebuilt and installed, and he has multiple other engines and or blocks that can be assembled also.....should see Hal and Pats cars back on the road very soon.



At my garage, the 31 pickup is starting to come together nicely, doors and fenders are primed and installed, splash pan and radiator shield after some cutting and fitting because of the flathead V-8 radiator, are finally installed and the hood webbing installed, tailgate is de-rusted, primed and installed, and the last big exterior piece was the hood to fit, than it was stripped, primed installed and now to decide about exterior paint. I've started short drives around the neighborhood to get a confidence level that mechanically its road worthy. I also drove it to the workshop about a 6-mile round trip, the last Friday before January ended and multiple time since, all went good on them test runs yahoo!! So after 4 months of work, it's on the road! I also aquired a 12-volt horn and signal

lights from Larry Caller that he wasn't using after his rebuild was completed on his 29 4 door sedan, Thanks Larry!! They will be well used on the pickup. I was looking for some mirrors and Hal had a driver side mirror that after a small amount of restoration will work great, Thanks Hal!! I also received a 16" bent spoke rim from Bob Guerin that will match the rest of my rims, so I'll be able to have a spare tire now, always good to have that right! Thanks Bob!! Also Doug Smith had a front bumper that was in better condition than the one I currently had on the truck, so I'll upgrade to that one, Thanks Doug!! Nice to have so many great friends when you're looking for parts.

If anyone in the club is looking for a specific part, bring it up at one of the meetings, I'm sure someone has what you are looking for. Until next month keep getting these wonderful cars out and about! They love to be driven.



TOUR GIRLS

By: Dale & Chris

*** Breakfasts * Tours * Picnics * Parades***

Dale Rausch: 1-831-901-7250

Chris Ringenbach: 725-221-9116

This month's breakfast will be on Sunday, March 2, 2025 at the Sunshine & Tailwinds Cafe, located at the North Las Vegas Airport, 2730 Airport Dr., North Las Vegas, NV 89032. Meet at 8:30 and Eat about 9:00 AM.

If you have an idea or would like to lead a tour, please contact us. We will be happy to help you plan a tour for our Club. The Tours don't have to be out of town, if you have an idea for an Ice Cream Social, a breakfast, a museum, you get the idea, let us know.

Thanks, Dale Rausch & Chris Ringenbach



SECRETARY

By: Richard Corson

Meeting Minutes

At 7:30 PM, President Steve Hodgson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance (since VP Charlotte Kessler was absent due to illness). There were 38 members present, Bill Salviano drove his Model A, and we welcomed one guest, Max Keetch's son, Kelly.

The January meeting minutes were accepted by Griff Rausch and seconded by Dan Prehm, with unanimous consent.

We celebrated February birthdays by recognizing eight members. Happy amethyst birthdays to all!

Officer Reports:

- **President:** Steve Hodgson discussed Henry Ford's innovative workforce initiatives (refer to the February President's letter), and members shared additional anecdotes, like parking in the back if you didn't drive a Ford to work.
- **Treasurer:** Regarding the proposed budget, Dan Gouker highlighted the potential \$2,000 deficit. Several members offered suggestions to help mitigate this shortfall. Some members reported that they didn't receive the January newsletter email (including the proposed budget), so Mike McComb and Liz Prehm will reconcile the distribution list. Consequently, budget voting is deferred until the March meeting.
- **Workshop Director:** Mark Frigaard was absent due to family illness, so Hal White provided an update on recent workshop activities.
- **Tour Directors:** Dale Rausch announced the next club breakfast is Sunday, March 2, at the Sunshine & Tailwinds Café, 2730 Airport Dr, North Las Vegas, NV 89032. We will now alternate Saturday and Sunday breakfast dates. Dale will send a thank you card to Mustang Sally's for their excellent service.
- **Sunshine Director:** Pat White provided several health updates, including the Frigaards and Millers.

Meeting minutes continued from page 9

- **Membership & Publicity:** Liz Prehm proposed ordering more club business cards with QR codes for our use. This motion was accepted by Kat McMahon, seconded by Dan Prehm, and unanimously approved. She could always use your club event photos for MAFCA's Chapter News. Send to lizdan1978@gmail.com.
- **Newsletter:** Be sure to send Mike McComb photos of you with your cars around town. Send to lvmodelanewsletter@gmail.com.

Old Business:

- Our wonderful breakfast was held on Saturday, February 1, at Mustang Sally's, with 34 members attending with 8 cars.
- The new Facebook group now has 21 members (some joined after the meeting). The group remains private, and we were asked to consider making it public in the future, which would require additional work for the administrators. Members are encouraged to join our Facebook group here.

New Business:

- Hal White registered the club for the Summerlin Council Patriotic Parade on July 4. Upon acceptance, the \$100 fee will be paid per the budget.
- Steve Hodgson's mother discovered a 1973 Maverick owner's manual that belonged to his father. Contact Steve if you would like it, shodgson1@yahoo.com.
- Various activities were suggested to increase exposure and membership. These ideas (advertisements, community flyers, other promotions) will be thoroughly reviewed.
- Please contact any board member if you have suggestions for the good of the club.
- Dan Prehm recommended the Road Kill Grill at 3730 Thom Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89130, as a great location to enjoy lunch or early dinner with your Model A.
- **Meeting Program:** Hal White presented an informative clutch demonstration with visual aids, which enhanced our understanding. He provided additional explanations with members after the meeting.

We auctioned Jim Miller's woodcrafts: Kat McMahon won the bumper seat for \$20, and Rita Gouker won the toolbox tote for \$80. Steve Kerchner won the \$60 Dark Horse drawing. Jim Miller also donated various electrical Model A components. Will some of these items end up at the club shop? Congratulations to all the winners!

The next club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 7:30 PM, with doors opening at 5:45 PM for dinner.

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM, following a motion by Hal White and a second by Griff Rausch, with unanimous approval. We look forward to seeing everyone in March!



WEBMASTER
By Dale Rausch

Contact me: dale.rausch@yahoo.com

Website:

www.vegasmodela.com

If you would like your Model A photo on the website or if you have items for sale, Please send info to me for posting.



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MORE PICTURES FROM BREAKFAST





Coach Andy Reid treasures family, football, and his dad's 1928 Ford Model A

Reid says the best part of owning heirlooms like his dad's Model A is that they can be shared. "It's something you can pass down. I think that is kind of neat," he said. His father purchased the coupe for \$25 after WW2 ended in 1945.

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PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET

	PROPOSED REVENUE	PROPOSED EXPENSES
VARIABLE REVENUE		
Annual Dues	1,600.00	
50-50 Monthly Meeting Drawing	375.00	
Donations by Members for Auction @ Meetings	200.00	
Auction Proceeds @ Spring Mtn Picnic	300.00	
Newsletter Ad Revenue	<u>125.00</u>	
FIXED EXPENSES		
Annual MAFCA fee for Officer & Director Insurance		75.00
Rent		825.00
VARIABLE EXPENSES		
Food & Park Fee for Spring Mtn Picnic		500.00
Donations for Passing Members		500.00
Cost of Sunshine Cards & Postage		100.00
Engraving for Annual Awards & Trophies		100.00
Website Maintenance		250.00
Parade Entry Fees		100.00
Workshop Supplies		300.00
Christmas Party		1,200.00
Appreciation gift to Donna		100.00
Birthday Celebration Night		100.00
Miscellaneous		<u>200.00</u>
	Total Revenue	Total Expenses
	\$2,600.00	\$4,350.00



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3/29/2025

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Registration:

Opens on January 10th at ipof.vegas/car-show

Cost: \$40 pre-register \$50 day of the event.