



# Valley News



May 2008

Monthly Newsletter of The Missouri Valley Region, Model "A" Restorers Club, Saint Louis Missouri  
Dedicated to the appreciation, enjoyment and preservation of the Model "A" Ford since 1959

## President's Corner

by **Bob Austin 636.933.0887**

April gave us the 'All Ford Show' at The Museum of Transport. Thanks to **Bert Schott** for being our sponsor and cook at this event. The building dedication on Automobile Row was led by **David Stukenbroeker**. Thanks to **Terry Oberer** for representing our club at the National Membership Meeting in Lionville PA. The Model "T" Swap Meet at their new location, Gateway International Raceway received a great review from everyone that attended. Hubley races were enjoyed by all who attended the May meeting. See the report in this issue.

May 17, 2008 is a breakfast and Touring Class Judging at ABC Kids parking lot near Hwy 141 and Manchester. May 18, 2008 is a fund raiser car display sponsored by **Terry Yount**. **Terry** also has something a little different planned for the tech session at the June meeting. This will be a very fun meeting.

June 8, 2008 is the annual Start Up Party at **Terry Oberer's** house. This year we are asking **A** thru **L** to bring salads or side dishes and **M** thru **Z** to bring desserts. We are still working on Channel 9 to cover this event. Read the article in this issue for details. Once again, our very own **Phil Ierardi** will design the cake again this year. **Phil** has a great record with past creative delights. I can hardly wait.

The MARC/MAFCA World Meet in Dallas TX is June 22-27. **Jeff Buckley** has arranged for a great stop over in Tulsa OK. If you are traveling alone and would like to

share a hotel room, contact **Jeff**. This meet looks to be the biggest and best yet. **David Stukenbroeker** has put together the Bonne Terre Mine Tour for July 20, 2008. This one will be a real good time. **Jeff Buckley** got an email from **Arlyn Bieber**. He said the Plain Ol' A's from Mission, Kansas are planning a Great River Road tour June 8-12. We are attempting to contact them for a possible meeting with our club one evening. We should know something from the Mission Kansas club by the June meeting.

We have at least 60 items donated so far for the Silent Auction. **Bob Taylor** is doing an excellent job organizing this event. Please contact **Bob** to donate a man's or ladies item for this fund raiser. Read the article on page 2 from Jack Handle (**Jim Preston**) for his thoughts and concerns.

**Larry Shepard** designed a 50th anniversary logo for the club. See the bottom of page six for this magnificent logo. **Larry** took orders for a blue shirt with the new logo on it. Call **Larry** at 636.947.4515 to place an order for a shirt. This is a very historic year as well as a solemn one with the loss of one of our founders, **Bob Bagby**.

June is the 13th annual start up party. We will once again have the blue grass band. **Sonny Ketchum** has donated the start up subject for the party. This year promises to be a great year. See

the article on page 3.

Remember to attend our events listed on page 3 and to attend our fun and lively June meeting. Thank you and think about being our editor.



Photo by Joyce Klifgemann

Undisputed champion of the  
2008 Hubley races,  
**Cole Buckley**

**Next meeting: Tuesday, June 3, 2008 - 7:30 pm**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church - 820 Lockett Road Kirkwood Missouri**

## May Minutes

by *Robie Haines 636.274.5023*

The meeting was called to order by President **Bob Austin** at 7:30 PM. Visitors included **Dan Gilbert & Dave Hitt**. **Terry Oberer** gave each a copy of the newsletter. **Dayna Cogorno** gave a Treasurer's Report, which was then approved by the membership. The minutes of the last meeting were also given an "okie-dokie". **Sonny Ketchum** and **Dave Smith** were both in attendance, and appeared to be recovering from their recent traumas in good shape. **Bert Schott** gave a report on the event at the Museum of Transportation. The Building Dedication was described by **David Stukenbroeker**, with a critique of the band, and elucidation of the purpose of the event, along with details of various participations by various clubs in the area. **Terry Oberer** then described his experiences at the recent National Membership Meet in Lionville, PA.

**Terry Yount** gave a report on the event he is hosting May 17<sup>th</sup>, with breakfast before, and judging afterward. **Jeff Buckley** plans to discuss judging standards and techniques, especially in conjunction with participation in the Touring Class at the National Meet coming up in June. **Jeff** also mentioned the Hubley races that will be held at the Dallas meet- coincidentally, our own Club Hubley track was set up down the middle aisle of our meeting room at the time, for any interested members to test their cars. **David Stukenbroeker** then regaled us with the attractions around the Scott Joplin Tour, followed by passing around a sign-up sheet. This has proven to be a very popular tour the past few years. [Be sure to check the events calendar and related newsletter articles for more details on these, and other, events.] **Terry Oberer** detailed the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Start-Up Party June 8<sup>th</sup>, with **Phil Ierardi's** traditional cake, barbeque, music, etc. **Patrick Murphy** of Channel 9 (KETC) may do a piece on the event. July 20<sup>th</sup> is the Bonne Terre Mine Tour, if **David Stukenbroeker** can remember the highway it's on (67). The Sept 6<sup>th</sup> silent auction was mentioned by **Bob Taylor**, including current status of donations (59 items thus far). **Jack Rehagen** brought up an upcoming parade and family event Oct 5<sup>th</sup>. **Larry Shepard** has a new shirt deal for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and proposed a special logo. Orders were taken at the meeting, with delivery promised by the next meeting if ordered this evening. **Bert Schott** then described the just-past Model "T" Club Swap Meet. He was also counseled not to use barbed-wire on his top, but try chicken-wire instead. President **Bob** then presented **Bert** with an award from the Museum of Transportation. **Terry Yount** then solicited humorous anecdotes related to Model A's for the next meeting. **Jeff Buckley** then presented **Gene & Dayna Cogorno**, **David Stukenbroeker**, **Bob Taylor**, and **himself** mileage awards from MARC. President **Bob** then told his monthly joke, followed by the 50/50, won by **Ken Michler** and **Jim Ruth**, and then the Hubley races.....

## Random Thoughts

by Jack Handle

It appears that warmer weather may finally have arrived, and perhaps we can take the Model A's out and drive them. Several club members are busy making plans for the Dallas International Meet. The Mrs. and I recently had the pleasure of visiting **Palmer Lawson's** workshop. While there, we saw Mr. **Lawson** and fellow club member **Dean Bittick** working diligently on a Speedster that they were preparing for judging. We were awed by the Speedster. It is a meticulously crafted machine, and we wish them well.



I regret to say that again this year, as in past years, I will be hard at work here in St. Louis, and not on the trip to the Dallas Meet. I was intrigued by **Jeff Buckley's** column in last month's newsletter. If the trip goes as well as I fear that it might, I hope that they bring sufficient funding for bail. The last thing Byrnes Mill needs is a scandal involving the **Oberer** administration.

We are pondering items that we could donate for the MVR MARC's auction this coming September. So far, we've got cans of Gibbs Penetrating Oil, and a Model "A" Ford Paint & Finish Guide from MAFCA. I hope that the Mrs. will take care of items that the ladies might be interest in bidding on. Left to deal with the matter myself, the items I select would probably be tawdry and risqué'.

### In Memoriam

Condolences to member **Jon Wasson** and his mother **Maxine** on the passing of **Richard Wasson**, father and Husband.

## Upcoming Events 2008

by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201

Comprehensive listing of "events of interest" is on our [www.modelclub.org](http://www.modelclub.org). MoValleyMarc@sbcglobal.net

- May 26** Mon, Scott Joplin—Ragtime Music Festival  
**David Stukenbroeker** 314.221.1444
- Jun 3** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-Movie  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO **Bob Austin** 636.933.0887
- Jun 8** Sun, 15th Annual Start Up Party  
**\*\* Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201
- Jun 22-27** MARC/MAFCA National Meet  
**Jeff Buckley** 314.846.7408
- Jul 1** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-Movie  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO **Bob Austin** 636.933.0887
- Jul 20** Sun, Bonne Terre Mine Tour  
**David Stukenbroeker** 314.221.1444
- Aug 3** Sun, Family Picnic
- Aug 5** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-Movie  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO **Bob Austin** 636.933.0887
- Aug 17** Sun, Kimmswick—Lunch at Blue Owl  
**Jim Ruth** 636.296.9734
- Sep 2** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting  
**Ladies Night/Silent Auction**  
**Bob & Kathy Taylor** 636.274.3022  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO **Bob Austin** 636.933.0887
- Sep 6** Sat, MOVAL 50th Anniversary Celebration  
**Bob Austin** 636.933.0887
- Oct 5** Sun, Saint Ann Parade, Display and Festival  
**\*\* Jack Rehagen** 314.423.1959
- Oct 25** Sat, Bowling and Bon-Fire  
**Terry Yount** 636.532.0005
- Dec 7** Sun, Annual Die Hard  
**Tom Holtgrave** 314.576.4795

**\*\* Article Herein**

## Parade and Car Display

by Jack Rehagen 314.423.1959

This year the annual Saint Ann parade and festival will be held on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>. A two mile parade will start at Tiemeyer Park. The parade will start at 12:00 and end at Saint Ann park where the festival will be held. There will be food and drink for sale, games for the kids and live music. The chairperson of the committee called and asked if the club would participate in the event as a result of a show of interest by the membership on Tuesday, I asked them to provide space in the parade and a roped off shaded area at the festival for our cars and families. This is a fun event that attracts a lot of people. More on this great event later.

## HCCM Building Dedication

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444



## Start-Up Party June 8

by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201

The 15th annual start-up party is scheduled for Sunday June 8 at my home at 3609 Traci Lane in Byrnes Mill, MO. The schedule will be similar to last year. Start at 11 am with a social hour. Noon to 2 pm time to eat. 12:30 till 2:30 live Bluegrass music by the same group as last year (Ozark Bluegrass Boys). At 2 pm we WILL start **Sonny Ketchum's** Model "A" Coupe. Be sure to drive your Model "A" or another antique car. Modern cars are discouraged and to conserve parking space for them, they will be flattened and stacked in the neighbor's yard. It is anticipated that Channel 9 may film portions of the event. Also I promise that the Mayor of Byrnes Mill will be in attendance. After we start **Sonny's** coupe, we will take a tour of Byrnes Mill in our antique Fords.

In order to prepare for a great time we MUST have an accurate count of attendees. If you have not signed the attendance sheet for the party at the May meeting it is imperative that you sign up at the June 3 meeting. Or call **Terry** at 636.677.7201 before the June meeting. Cut off for sign up is June 3. NO late sign ups after the cut off. Also members with last names A thru L please bring a covered dish and M thru Z please bring a dessert dish. The club is providing the barbecue and liquid refreshment with **Jeff Buckley** supplying the Anheuser Busch products.

Very casual dress for the weather and bring lawn chairs. Party will go on till dusk. Come on out to Byrnes Mill and enjoy a fun filled Sunday. If you have any questions call **Terry Oberer** at 636.677.7201.



**May Meeting Hubley Races**  
*by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444*

**Jeff Buckley** enhanced his grandson **Cole** edge of winning by putting every nut he had in the back of his roadster. Did not help enough. **Kathy Taylor** has a fast car. Her husband **Bob** dared not race against her. She has the keys to the car. We had some speedy ones and some that struggled to make it to the end of the track. Some even struggled to stay on the track. Overall, it was a great event and lots of cheering. We had them lined up on each side of the track cheering on their favorite cars. **Cole Buckley** raced **Robie Haines** and **Cole** won, both times! **Cole Buckley** won it all. (photos by Joyce Klingemann & Robie Haines)



## Motor Oil Concerns

by Bob Taylor 636.274.3022

How do you know that you are getting the right blend of additives in your motor oils? Many lubricant manufacturers are suspicious of the so-called "bathtub blenders" and "bottom-feeders" have moved from the unmonitored industrial market to the consumer and commercial engine oil market. These blenders are targeting the bulk users and off-spec suppliers. These two markets are difficult to control. It is also hard for the legitimate lubricant manufacturers to compete in this more price sensitive segment of the business.

Petroleum Trends International took a look at some low-cost and unlicensed engine oil in the market. This is what they found. They purchased 8 quarts of oil from various convenience and dollar stores. These eight oils ranged from SA to a quart of synthetic motor oil.

The quarts were labeled:

- A = Synthetic 10W-30, "Exceeds API SM" (no donut)
- B = API SM, donut, 10W-30
- C = API SM, donut, 10W-30
- D = API SM, donut, & starburst: 5W-30
- E = API SM, donut, 5W-30
- F = "Deluxe 10W-40 Motor Oil" "SF Quality"
- G = Non-Detergent SAE 30, API SA
- H = "Quality Motor Oil 10W-40

The results are as follows:

The "Good News" ~ Samples B, C, D, & E all had the levels of lubricant additives and TBN (total base numbers) indicative of API SM quality. Sample A, the synthetic did not bear the API's trademarked "donut" symbol it boasts it "exceeds" API SM. The additive package suggests that it meet the SM quality but has a higher than expected level of Phosphorus.

The "Not So Good News" ~ Samples D & H from the same manufacturer were as different as night & day. Sample D is labeled as Premium 5W-30 Motor Oil API SM ILSAC GF-4 & carries the Donut and according to the online API EOLCS Licensees Directory, it is licensed. This indicates SM Quality. The bottle sitting next to Sample D, Sample H is identified as a "Quality Motor Oil 10W-40 API USA, and claims to provide "efficient lubrication in many types of service where low cost is the primary concern." It also says, "Does not meet new car warranty requirements." The API USA doesn't mean anymore than the six letters spelled backwards. The analysis of bottle H shows that it contains 1/10 the additives that were found in the 4 good news samples, B, C, D, & E. Total Base Numbers, (TBN) normally are 6.0 or better, sample H was 0.59. According to oil analysts when TBN dips below 2.0 it is time to change oil. It gets worst, very high levels of silicon suggest an abundant of abrasives. Low levels

of iron, alum, potassium, boron, and a burnt odor, suggest that this is a blend of used oil with a base stock, or a bad attempt on re-refining.

Next is sample, F: It says "SF Quality". There is no proof of the quality or additive package. However, it has a one inch square that states API, Service, SF, SAE 10W-40. The contents of Sample F shows the same low level of detergent, anti wear additives, and a TBN of 1.88, which suggests an immediate oil change the moment you put sample F in your motor.

Last is the Sample G: Surprising results show a low level of calcium (229 ppm) a detergent and low levels of Phosphorus and Zinc, which are anti-wear agents. The results were higher then expected. The TBN of 1.35 and with no silicone present sample G, the non-detergent oil would do less damage to your engine than sample H, the "Quality Motor Oil 10W-40.

**Tom Glenn** is President of Petroleum Trends International. The facts and findings above are taken from his article. The above is the short version.

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#### Free For MoVal Members

**For Sale:** Ford Model "A" Phaeton Hubley Classic metal Kit, New, Never opened \$45 **Bob Taylor** 314.662.3022

**For Sale:** Rebuilt Model "A" engine from Palmer Lawson, \$1500/exchange. Many wonderful misc. parts for the Model "A". 1929 Tudor. Runs good, fair interior \$8500 **Junior Linenfelser** 618.644.9292

**For Sale:** 1930 Model "A" 2 Door Sedan disassembled. Evenings 816.640.2984 or prichardson@angus.org

**For Sale:** MIG welder, Century Brand, USA made. Good working condition \$200  
**Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201

**For Sale:** 1931 Model "A" Fordor. Excellent condition. Looks brand new. **Gene Keeven** 636.675.2624

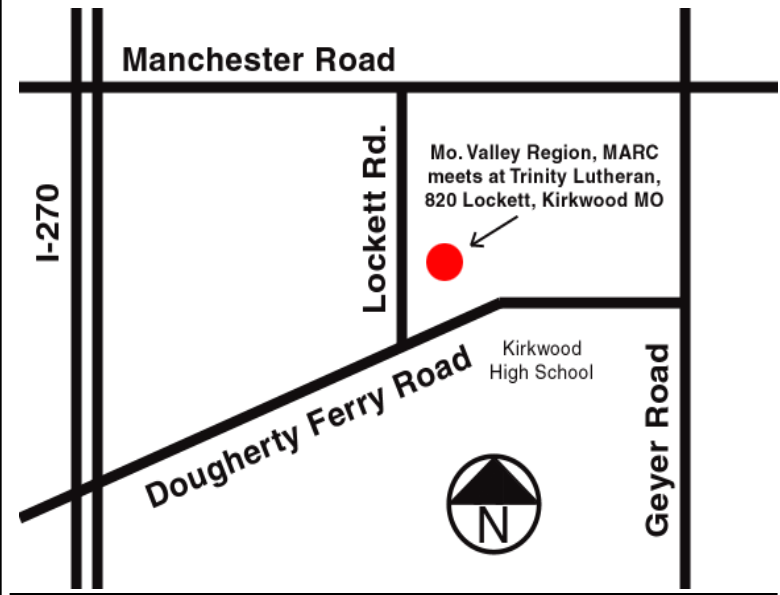
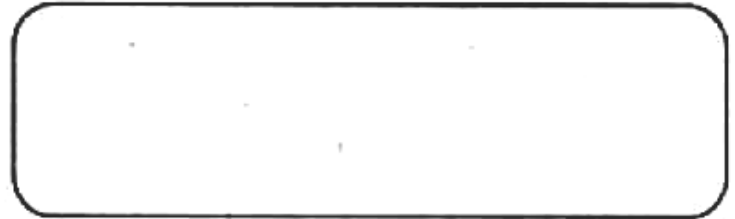
**Wanted:** Left rear 1930-31 Sedan fender in decent to excellent condition. Need it so I can keep my 30 Tudor project on track. **Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201



**50th Anniversary Logo. Created by Larry Shepard. This will appear on our shirts and web site.**

Terry Oberer  
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## First Class Mail



## Mo Member says:

### Things I gotta do:

- 1) Donate an item for our Silent Auction
- 2) **Become our Newsletter Editor !**
- 3) Sit with someone you do not know at our meetings. Make new friends
- 4) Volunteer to help with one of our great tours and events. Get involved with your club!!!

