

CHAPTER COORDINATOR NEWSLETTER

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by Stephanie Grundman: Chapter Coordinator

Hello from Wisconsin.

This is my first column as your 2004 Chapter Coordinator. I would like to first introduce myself. I am Stephanie Grundman from Waukesha, Wisconsin. I am serving my first year, first term on the MAFCA board. I am enjoying everyone and everything associated with this honorable position.

Newest Chapters

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the three newest chapters to MAFCA. At the December Board Meeting, three new chapter charter petitions were approved by the Board of Directors. Welcome to the newest MAFCA chapters, the Lion's Gate Model A Club from British Columbia, Canada, Red Rock A's from Sedona, Arizona and Great Lake A's from Waukesha, Wisconsin, which is also my home town. This is also a good time to remind all chapter secretaries that if your chapter hasn't filled out and returned the "Chapter Registration Form", please get that sent in as soon as possible. This is a very important task required each year. To maintain a chapter you must list your officers. The office staff then checks that all listed officers are also members of MAFCA. If you can't find the form, contact MAFCA headquarters and ask them to send you a duplicate.

Restorer articles

Please remember to send Restorer articles and News directly to The Restorer and not to MAFCA headquarters, which will delay the arrival of your mail significantly as MAFCA headquarters has to forward it for you.

Outstanding Newsletters

At the Annual Meeting and Banquet in Dallas last December, outstanding newsletters for 2003 were announced. The following were recognized:

Newsletter of the Year	The Aaaaooogha Ohio Valley Region	Dick Lewis, editor
Newsletter of Excellence	Evergreen Echoes Evergreen Chapter	Norm Brocard, editor
Newsletter of Distinction	The Running Board River Cities Model A Club	Al Lugo, editor
Best Special Interest Group Newsletter	F.A.S.T newsletter	edited by Pat Tobin
Best Regional Group Newsletter	NCRG News	edited by Les Andrews

Certificates of Merit

Numerous Certificates of Merit were also awarded to chapters for outstanding newsletters.

Newsletter Editors

I would like to remind all newsletter editors to send a complimentary copy of your newsletter to MAFCA for consideration for the Newsletter Award, please check the mailing address to make sure you're sending it to MAFCA headquarters. The address should be: MAFCA Chapter Coordinator, 250 S. Cypress Street, La Habra, CA 90631-5515

2003 Service Award

2003 Service Award winners were also announced at the National Banquet in Dallas. The following members were honored by their chapters for outstanding service:

Woodrow Bayless	Show-Me Model A Club
Richard Brown	Model A's of Greater Orlando
Stu Carstens	Napier A's Chapter
Don Christensen	MAFC of Humboldt
Ray Cousins	Mohican Chapter
Tom Endy	Victoria Association
Ken Goronson	Chain O'Lakes Chapter
Bob & Shirley Hazleton	Santa Clara Valley
Ruby Kerr	Dallas Chapter
Stan & Pat Larson	Wisconsin Chapter
Terry Longest	Central Alabama Chapter
Al Lugo	River Cities Chapter
Ed Lynn	Charter Oak A's
George Mahler	MAFC of Long Island
Jake Norsigian	Sierra Chapter
Bob Swartz	Gallop'n' Gertie Chapter
Al Stoll	NCRG

Awards

The International Automotive Media newsletter editors announced winners at an event hosted by the Madison Avenue Sports Car Society held at Sardies Restaurant in Times Square. **The Restorer magazine and Jim Spawn** were honored and were presented with two medals "one for writing excellence for" The Blizzard of 1949 "and one for design and layout of a magazine" for the May/June issue of The Restorer. Jim was also presented the Golden Quill Award by Old Cars Weekly.

MAFCA Model Car Bank

If you are a Model A enthusiast, you probably also have collectibles from the Model A era. Another item to add to that collection could be the new MAFCA Model Car Bank. This newest model is a Town Sedan in Elkpoint Green and Kewanee Green with an Apple Green stripe. I was able to see a proof sample at the National Banquet and can't wait to add one to our collection. They are a bargain at \$25.00.

Newsletter A-World

Please encourage younger Model A enthusiasts to sign up for the wonderful newsletter A-World. It is written for the youth of our club, our kids and grandkids from beginning readers to teen-agers. There are articles on the Model A history, fashions, technical information, X-cup and Great Race news, cartoons, quizzes and other interesting articles. Editors Archie Cress and Frank Rosin do a marvelous and creative job with this newsletter and they were honored with Life Membership status in MAFCA for their outstanding work. A-World is sent FREE, courtesy of MAFCA, to youths in grades 1-12. Bigger people can subscribe for \$10 per year. If you haven't already asked for a subscription for your little ones, just contact MAFCA headquarters and give them the youngster's name, age, school year (if you know it) and address. And ask them to save the old copies for you - you'll probably enjoy them as much as I do!

January / February

When your January / February issue of the Restorer arrives in the mail you will notice that it is in a poly bag. The bag is being used as a test. Please mention to your chapter members, with in your local newsletters or at your chapter events, the importance of filling out the response card asking about the condition of The Restorer. This is our only way of knowing how effective poly bagging is.

Membership Number

Where do you find your membership number and when do you get you membership cards? I am amazed that many members are not aware that they have an MAFCA membership number and how they acquire their new membership cards each year.

Your membership number can be found on the first line of the address label of your Restorer magazine, as well as the issue your membership expires. These labels are special in that you can easily remove the label should you want to place it on an order of MAFCA merchandise from Headquarters.

Membership cards are sent out inside the January/February issue of The Restorer. You'll find them inside the binding near the front of the magazine. There are two supplied: one for you and one for your significant other. You'll notice that the cards don't have your name on them. Remove a label from your Restorer magazines and affix it to the back of your membership card, then place it into your wallet, and you'll personalize the card and always have your membership number with you. The membership number remains the same from year to year in most cases, so once you have it memorized; you can use it whenever necessary for MAFCA inquiries or to place free classified ads on the MAFCA web site.

Keep in Touch

It is a privilege and an honor for me to serve MAFCA and I hope that the information I pass along helps your chapter. I look forward to meeting some of you at upcoming MAFCA meet. The National Convention in Portland is only a few short months away. Please feel free to keep in touch with me either by [e-mail](#) or telephone at 262-513-0447 CST evenings or weekends.

Enjoy that Model A!

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