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CKMARC — Central Kentucky Region, Model A Restorers Club

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CKMARC members' cars lined up in front of the broodmare barn at Taylor Made Farm.

It turns out there *is* such a thing as a free lunch, after all



Bryan and Melissa Tipton, left, proved the old saying wrong when they provided lunch to MARC members at their Arby's restaurant in Nicholasville Oct. 16. The restaurant got lots of attention from local residents as members' cars joined the Tiptons' own Model A parked in front.

On the way to lunch, **Walter and Judy Brumfield** arranged a beautiful drive through scenic country and an interesting tour of Taylor Made Farm, a large Thoroughbred operation.

Destination: Berea

CKMARC members will end the touring season on Saturday, Nov. 13, with a visit to Berea, the folk arts and crafts capital of Kentucky.

One group will leave from Landsdowne Shopping Center in Lexington promptly at 9 a.m. At the same time, another group will meet at the Lancaster McDonald's.

Our first stop in Berea will be the Kentucky Artisan Center at 10:30 a.m. The center is located at 975 Walnut Meadow Rd. just off Rt. 595 or exit 77 from I-75.

If you want to be included in the group reservation for lunch at Boone Tavern, contact **Tammy Godbey**, (606) 669-0297, by Wednesday, Nov. 10. The traditional roasted turkey meal with dessert is \$28 per person including tax and tip. (If you're not in the mood for turkey, there are many other excellent places to eat in Berea.)

After lunch, there will be opportunities for shopping at the annual Berea College craft sale, the Home and Hearth Christmas Bazaar, and many antique shops.

President's message

Thanks again to all who participated in our October activities. CKMARC members **Bryan and Melissa Tipton** and **John and Loretta Baker** showed their hospitality in very impressive ways. It was a great month of touring.

We still have plenty of Model A activity planned for the next couple of months. Get into the Thanksgiving holiday spirit at the Nov. 13 tour to Berea, and then do some Christmas shopping at the holiday potluck on Dec. 11. We'll have a live auction this year, so gather up your items to contribute and benefit the club by coming prepared to bid high and buy lots of treasures.

—Jerry Baker

Fall tour in Lake Cumberland area was packed with activities, attractions

More than 80 people from the central Kentucky, Louisville, and Western Kentucky regions enjoyed a long weekend of touring and fellowship in Monticello Oct. 20-23. Many thanks to **John and Loretta Baker** and their daughter and son-in-law, **Suzanna and Jay Powell**, for planning and hosting the tour.



Above: Monticello's refurbished downtown, including the beautifully restored Wayne Theater, provided an authentic backdrop for the cars, several of which participated in a "bank robbery" staged for a photo shoot. Below: The brilliant hues of autumn are best viewed through the windshield of a Model A Ford.



Left: The old mill at Mill Springs. Above: Conley Bottom Marina on Lake Cumberland.



Above, left: The 4-H Mountain Craft Center. Above, center and right: If you're an old car buff, your visit to the Cumberland Falls area would be incomplete if you didn't stop in and see the fabulous car collection of Harold and Loretha Worley. Below: The beautiful home of John and Loretta Baker was the site of several evening activities. The setting was made even more picturesque by the 30-plus Model A Fords and other antique vehicles parked in the front yard.



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Tech tip:

If your car displays ‘year of manufacture’ license plates, carry ‘historic’ tags with you

By Jeff Rhoads

Many of us display “year of manufacture” license plates on our old cars, thanks to a state statute that reads as follows.

186.0435 Display of vintage Kentucky license plates on historic vehicle.

Any motor vehicle that meets the age requirements of a “historic vehicle” as used in KRS 186.043(2) and is registered in accordance with KRS 186.050 may display an authentic Kentucky license plate, twenty-five (25) years or older, or a reproduction of such a plate, if the current motor vehicle plate and the registration receipt are kept in the vehicle at all times. **Effective: June 26, 2007**

That means if you ever get pulled over by a law enforcement officer, you need to have your historic license plate and registration in the car with you. But that’s not likely to happen, right?

I was in my beloved 1930 Town Sedan on a beautiful fall Saturday afternoon when my leisurely drive was interrupted by a shrill *whoop-whoop* and flashing lights from behind.

It turned out that the officer had never seen a license plate like the 1930 tag on my car. When he ran the

number as if it were a current tag, it came back registered to a 1988 Peterbilt truck.

I told him about the law, and expressed doubt that the plate on the Peterbilt — despite having the same number — was manufactured in 1930. He wasn’t completely satisfied until I explained that, yes, my car was made in 1930, and I produced the Historic Motor Vehicle plate from my trunk. Next, he called-in that plate number and verified that it matched up with a 1930 Ford four-door sedan registered in my name.

It was then that he confessed that he really just wanted a better look at my car, and that his father-in-law in eastern Kentucky has a Model A (or a Model T; he wasn’t sure).

After a handshake, I was on my way. I didn’t end up with a citation, but the officer left with a CKMARC application for his father-in-law.

Upcoming events

- ✓ **Nov. 13** — Tour to Berea (**Danny and Tammy Godbey**). See details elsewhere in this issue.
- ✓ **Dec. 11** — Christmas potluck and auction, Southern Heights Baptist Church, Lexington (**John and Karen Blair**).