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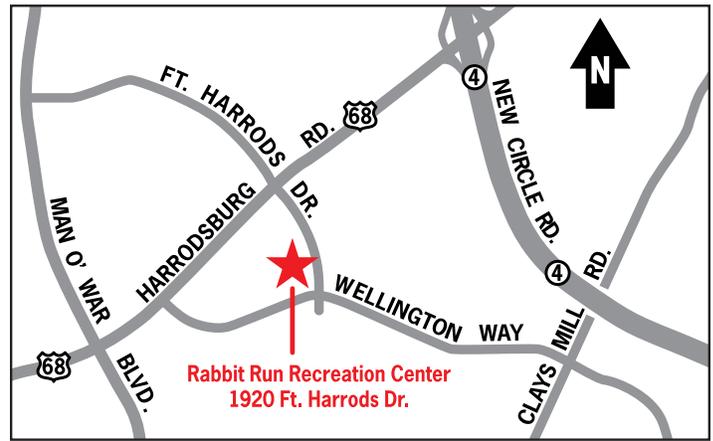
CKMARC winter potluck meeting is Jan. 23

Cure your cabin fever with a dose of Model A fellowship on Jan. 23, with CKMARC's annual winter potluck luncheon at the Rabbit Run Recreation Center, 1920 Ft. Harrods Drive in Lexington.

We'll eat at 12:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share. The club will provide meat, drinks and paper products.

It's a time for sharing your photos and videos from past club events and getting the scoop on upcoming activities for the year ahead.

For more information, contact **Delmer and Linda Dalton** at (859) 223-5078.



Officers and board members for 2016 — Back row: Jack Kubik, vice president; John Baker, director (2015-16); Jeff Rhoads, Checkmark editor; Bruce Bailey, past president; Darrell Webb, director (2016-17); Delmer Dalton, president. Front row: Arthur Hollis, director (2016-17); Kristin Brake (2015-16); Judy Akers, secretary; Jerry Baker, director (2016-17); Mike Tearney, treasurer. Not pictured: Todd Brown, director (2015-16); John Yates, national director.

MARC mileage awards

If you participate in the MARC mileage awards program, it's time to send in your year-end odometer readings. **Jack Kubik** has volunteered to collect the data for now, and has sent a letter to known participants. If you're enrolled in the program and didn't receive your letter, please contact Jack at (859) 224-8050.

If you're not yet enrolled, it's a one-time cost of just a buck. Get credit (and bragging rights) for those miles you put on your Model A.

Dues are due

It's that time of year again. If you haven't already paid your club dues for 2016, send your \$20 — today — to **Mike Tearney**, Treasurer, at 4890 McCowan's Ferry Road, Versailles, KY 40383.

And don't forget, your national MARC dues must also be kept current. **You must be a member of the national MARC to remain in good standing with our local club.** Send your \$45 dues directly to MARC national headquarters in Michigan.

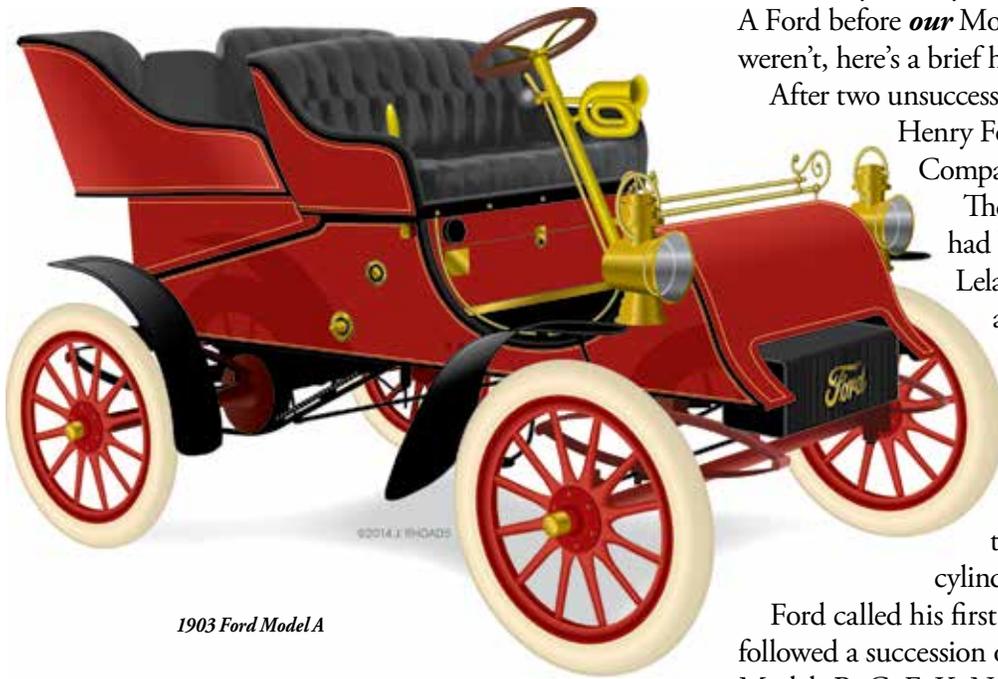
John Yates fills vacant national director position

John Yates is CKMARK's new national director, filling the vacancy resulting from the death of **Burt Nation**.

The job of CKMARC's national director is to serve as the point of contact between our local region and the national organization, the Model A Restorers Club.

John can be reached at (859) 548-4016.

The 'other' Model A Ford



1903 Ford Model A

You may already be aware that there was a Model A Ford before *our* Model A Ford. But just in case you weren't, here's a brief history lesson.

After two unsuccessful attempts to start a car company, Henry Ford founded the Ford Motor Company in 1903.

The second of Ford's previous failures had been a collaboration with Henry Leland, who subsequently launched another car manufacturing venture — Cadillac. So, perhaps it was no accident that the first offerings from the two companies — Ford and Cadillac — were nearly identical. The most notable difference was that the Cadillac's engine had but one cylinder; the Ford had two!

Ford called his first production car the Model A. There followed a succession of alphabetical monikers including Models B, C, F, K, N, R and S.

Then came the famous Model T, of which 15 million were made, undergoing only evolutionary changes during a run that lasted nearly 20 years.

Although quite innovative at its introduction, the Model T was an anachronism by the time production ceased in 1927. It was time for a change.

That change would be unveiled to the public on Dec. 2, 1927. The new model was different in so many ways, a name like "Model U" — suggesting a mere incremental change — wouldn't have captured the magnitude of the redesign. It was a new beginning for the Ford Motor Company, and it called for a fresh start, back at the beginning of the alphabet.

And so, the Model A — the one we all know and love — was born.

Thanks

I would like to express thanks for the card received from CKMARC for the passing of Mom. — **Sam Humphries**

We wish to express our sincere thanks for your friendship, kindness and prayers during this time of great sorrow. You will never know how much your love and support meant to us during our loss. So many wonderful memories. You all are such sweet friends. — **The family of Burton Lee Nation — Rita, Sylvia and Lori**

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CKMARC gets an education in pottery

by Kim Hollis

Thanks to **Kenny and Kris Brake** for ordering perfect weather for our Nov. 14 tour to Tater Knob Pottery near Berea. Model A's traveled from various starting points to roll into the Food Court in Irvine on Saturday morning, ready to tour.

Tater Knob's parking area is small, but David, the owner's son, took it upon himself to help more than two dozen cars squeeze in. Sarah Culbreth, the owner, welcomed the club into the working studio. We were directed to huddle around a pottery wheel, where she sat creating clay wares. She never stopped spinning while

explaining techniques and her history with clay.

After an informative demonstration and questions answered, snacks were served. Those wanting to find the perfect handcrafted gift — or something for themselves — had plenty of time to admire Tater Knob's pottery.

From atop a small hill, David again directed the cars, line by line, out of the small parking area. Once all were back on the road, the club drove a short distance to Berea for lunch, where we discovered that Berea College was hosting homecoming, and the historical downtown area was bustling with crowds. Fortunately, the Dinner Bell Restaurant, on the outskirts of Berea, was able to accommodate the club for lunch.

ckmarc.com: Club's website is a handy resource

If you haven't checked out CKMARC's website, ckmarc.com, you're missing out on some valuable benefits of your membership in our club. The following are just a few examples.

Each issue of *Checkmark* is sent to our webmaster at the same time as it's sent to the printing/ mailing house. If you need details of an upcoming club activity and you haven't yet received your printed copy in the mail, check the website a few days before the event. Click the thumbnail image of the newsletter on the left of the screen. A PDF version of the newsletter will automatically open. (*Note:* You must have Adobe Reader — available for free at adobe.com — installed on your computer.) Back issues also are available. Click "Archives" to browse through them.

At the bottom of the home page, there's a link to a printable version of the club's membership brochure/ application. Another link takes you to the bylaws.



Thanks to our webmaster, Eric Akers (son of **Mike and Judy Akers**), for his fine handiwork. The website is always being enhanced, so check it out often.

'MARC' your calendar

- ✓ **Jan. 23** — Winter potluck gathering at the Rabbit Run Recreation Center in Lexington (**Delmer and Linda Dalton**).
- ✓ **Feb. 20** — Lunch at Michael's Restaurant in Irvine (**Kristin and Kenny Brake**).
- ✓ **Mar. 19** — Tour the Lancaster area — details coming (**Bruce and Linda Bailey**).
- ✓ **Apr. 30 – May 1** — Overnight tour to Buckhorn State Park (**David and Vickie Caudill**).
- ✓ **May 14** — Mystery Tour (**Jeff and Mary Rhoads**).
- ✓ **June 3 (Friday)** — Hot Air Balloon Festival in Danville. While not an official CKMARC activity, this event may be of interest to members. For more information, contact **Bruce and Linda Bailey**.
- ✓ **June 11** — Picnic at Logan Hubble Park in Lancaster (**Bruce and Linda Bailey**).
- ✓ **July 16** — Keeneland Concours d' Elegance (**John and Becky Yates**).
- ✓ **July 30** — Tour the Georgetown area (**Mike and Judy Akers**).
- ✓ **Aug. 20** — Tour Jessamine County with visits to the Thomson-Hood Veterans Center and the High Bridge Festival (**Darrell and Joan Webb**).
- ✓ **Sept. 9 – 11** — It's CKMARC's turn to host nearby regional Model A Clubs for Drive Your Model A Day. Activities will be centered in the Paris area. **Jerry and Martha Baker** and **Bruce and Linda Bailey** are the organizers.
- ✓ **Oct. 15 – 16** — Overnight tour to Big Bone Lick State Park (**Delmer and Linda Dalton**).
- ✓ **Nov. 12** — Lunch at Biancke's Restaurant in Cynthiana (**Mary and Jeff Rhoads**).
- ✓ **Dec. 10** — Holiday potluck lunch, silent auction and election of officers at Southern Heights Baptist Church in Lexington (**John and Karen Blair** and **Jeff and Mary Rhoads**).
- ✓ **Jan. 21, 2017** — Winter potluck gathering at the Rabbit Run Recreation Center in Lexington (**Delmer and Linda Dalton**).

For Sale

1931 Model A Fordor Slant Window. Green with yellow wheels. \$18,000. **Contact Walter Brumfield at (859) 885-4415** (Nicholasville).



1930 Model A Deluxe Roadster. Complete off-frame rebuild, end to end. The only thing that is not original is fan blade and a small wiring harness. I have the original fan and harness. The original fan blade has 2 blades and the one on the car has 5 blades. I left the 5 blade on the car because it runs cooler. The original fan and harness are included with the car, or I can install them. You will be hard pressed to find a nicer 1930 Model A. I have owned this car for 10 years. Due to a back problem it has had very little use. That is why I am selling it. The underside is still clean and shiny. This car has never been in the rain. Mileage since rebuild is 288. I am asking \$25,000. (I gave more than that for it.) **Contact Bert at (502) 448-7527** (Louisville area).

1930 Model A Coupe with rumble seat. Maroon with black fenders. Rear mounted spare. In 2008, all wheels were powder coated and new tires installed. Also replaced water pump in 2008. Asking \$17,000 O.B.O. **Contact Jan Cody at (502) 964-0072** (Louisville area)