

CRANKIN A'S MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB, INC.

MEETING MINUTES – APRIL, 2024

The April Meeting of the Crankin A's Model A Restorers Club, Inc. was opened by President, Paul Howes, at 10:04 AM on April 27, 2024, at the Pioneer Art Settlement, 176 Lightfoot Ln., Barberville, FL., 32105.

There were 36 members present and two guests: Christina, Jim & Marina's Daughter; and Judy, Jim Gibson's Sister. It was requested that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as reported on our Website: crankinasfl.com. A motion was made and approved. Paul announced that our Treasurers Report had not been received and would be available upon request shortly.

Sunshine Report: Karen Widajewski was kept busy sending Get Well Cards to: John Shepler; Bert Seymour, Frank Banfi, Judy (Mopar) Antonacci, James Foresman, Jeff & Lisa Moore, Herman Wedemire and Darrell Dregne; and a Thinking of You card to Connie Kwiecien.

Cleo Banfi's Question of the Day – How much did a Model A cost in 1930? Price ranged from \$350 to \$570. Cleo reported on the transition from Model T to Model A. In late 1926 Henry started to work on it – wanted a lower vehicle, using no parts from the Model T, 4 cylinder engine that would run between 55 and 65mph – was the first Ford to introduce the Blue Oval Logo. Introduced in 1927 to a reported 10 million viewers. Cleo has made a book on Model A history for our Museum very nicely done and displayed near Statues. Thank You, Cleo, very much appreciated. Glenn Jewell reported on the Project Car at the Garage. Good progress being made – mentioned nearing woodworking needed to prepare Paul for his future needed expertise. Regarding Chevy truck project; Dave Cline reported before leaving for the North, that it was finished and he stressed that there would be no more Chevy's in our Ford Garage. Bruce reported on PAS Board of Directors Meeting. Bruce, Fred Ziffra and Paul are now BOD Members and that for \$40 each of us can join the PAS as members of their family each year. They

were thrilled and very very pleased with our donations for our April 6th Car Show of baked goods. Their need for volunteers is great and really appreciated. Paul asked that we man the gate for entrance to The Car Show. The Gate will show a new sign in Blue naming it the Crankin A's Gate. Suggested that we take turns and sign up for a couple hour shifts so that no one member has to stay near the gate all day. Had 35 cars participating in last show. Next Spring Show will be April 5th, 2025. Thanked Jim Coidakis for dash plaques and Kim Ziffra and Eric Nielson for producing flyers. A couple of visiting clubs provided items for auction to help our Show. Paul reported that we have ordered two new tents to be used for Shows – they will be blue with our name across the front. An anonymous donner paid for all. He also called attention to the loft at the Garage and the work J.B. has done to improve. May 7th will be Angie's Ladies Day meeting at her home at 9AM. All are welcome. Kim reported that she has received \$500 toward the Garage Fund to honor the professional work done by Richard Fallucca on engines, etc. that needed more than general knowledge to perfect. She also told us of the 5 very nice information boxes that Paul Howes and Glen Jewell made to help PAS.

Bruce reported that for our May 2nd Sheriff Museum Tour that we will leave from the Garage at 9 AM taking country roads to new Sheriff's Office with lunch to follow over on AIA at Bings Landing, Palm Coast, at Captain's BBQ on the intercoastal. STILL need volunteer to find entertainment for one hour on Friday, December 13, 2024, starting at 7PM to make our Christmas Dinner a Party too. Paul requested that when coming to the Garage using the parking in the rear, that only Model A's park up close to the fence helping the appearance that we really are a Model A Club. Jim Coidakis passed around a list of donners for the Garage that want their name on our special plaque for the Museum. He stressed the importance of checking the spelling and the name you want on it – once sent in it is finalized and CAN NOT be changed or added to. Fred Clark has a proposal for a new Club Project

to help PAS show the transition from horse & buggy to Model T to Model A. Stated that he has in his garage a partial chassis to start the project of building a Model T to display. May 9th Dinner is at Bonfish, 1702 West International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL. Our May Meeting will be on the 25th – Memorial Day Weekend at 10AM followed by a Picnic. Bring side dishes and desserts. A motion was made and approved that our 50/50 drawings be for the sum of \$1.00 per ticket in the future. On June 4th we will be hosting a Luncheon for the Queen City, NC Model A Club that is on a tour to Key West and want to visit our Club. We will provide the catered meats but will need our side dishes and desserts; and can let Bruce know at our May Meeting how many of us can attend to get better count on how much to order.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:10AM. 50/50 was won by Jim Gibson who will pick June's Monthly Dinner restaurant. He will be leaving for the North and someone volunteered to handle (?).

Respectfully Submitted:

Elaine B. Lowe, Secretary