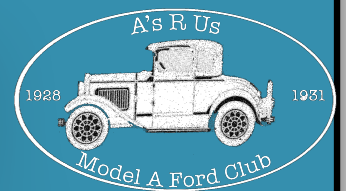




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Two Thousand and Eleven!

Welcome to another new year. I hope that this year will be fun to all and filled with many good memories of friends and family. We have the spring trip information ready in this issue, as it is not far off. I welcome the new officers and look forward to their service to this club.

Phil

*The Carp
Editor in Chief*

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Important must
read!

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Header Picture:

1938 Kodacrome picture during the great depression.

DIXIE HIGHWAY HERITAGE

By Jim Wright



The Danville Soldiers' Home was opened in October 1898 as a residential facility for disabled soldiers and sailors. The home was located on Main Street, about 2 miles east of downtown Danville. A total of 31 "members" were living at the home at the end of 1898 and, at the height of the facilities' operations over 20 years later, "membership" had increased to about 4,000 residents. The sprawling complex included beautifully landscaped grounds and amenities such as a band shell, auditorium and theatre building, chapel and fountain. Today the Veteran's Administration Medical Center and the Danville Area Community College occupy the grounds and remaining buildings. The facility was a stop on our 2010 Fall Tour.

Man drops off 1,580 rolls of Kodachrome film as developing comes to an end

December 30th, 2010



Thursday, the last developer of Kodachrome film in the world will discontinue developing the film; people around the world used Kodachrome film for 75 years and it was the first colored film that became a success. And in true procrastinator fashion, one man waited his whole life to develop all of his film...1,580 rolls of it at the same time during

the last week that the film will ever be developed. Dwayne's photo in Parsons, Kansas has received orders from all over the world over the last few weeks after announced in 2009 that they would stop developing Kodachrome film on December 30, 2010. Dwayne's photo still develops approximately 700 rolls of film per day, but Kodak is discontinuing the chemicals needed to develop the film. A famous song from 1973 was written about Kodachrome film, and there is a national park in Utah called Kodachrome that was named after the film as well, according to CBS News. The increase in the use of digital photos has lessened the use of Kodachrome film, even though photographers say that Kodachrome film still has the best color. Dwayne's photo has numerous incredible stories of people who want to have their film developed before they can no longer do so. A railroad worker from Arkansas dropped off his 1,580 rolls of Kodachrome film in the last week and paid \$15,798 to have it developed. A woman from London flew to Kansas to drop off three rolls of film and said she will shoot five more rolls and bring them in before the December 30 deadline, reported the New York Times. Dwayne's photo plans to shut down the Kodachrome processing machine and sell it for scrap.



**A's R Us Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2010**

Meeting Location: Beggars Pizza, New Lenox
Call to Order: 6:30 pm

President Chuck Fritz called meeting to order. Chuck thanked everyone for coming, and in light of our holiday party this evening, an affirmation was made to table the December meeting until January. This includes reading of the minutes, treasurers' report and no badge fines. As outgoing president, Chuck thanked everyone for their support over the past two years, and gave well wishes to the incoming board. Chuck then turned the meeting to the nominating committee for the 2011 board elections.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bob Steinmetz announced the receipt of an "anonymous letter" with a completely different slate of nominees for the 2011 board. As of the November meeting, the nominations were approved and closed; therefore the "anonymous letter" would not be considered and would remain anonymous. Nominees for the 2011 board are:

PRESIDENT:	Tim Bots	TREASURER:	Jim Wright
VICE PRESIDENT:	Tim Borchert	SECRETARY:	Sandy Kaleta

Chuck Fritz called for a vote. A unanimous vote accepted the 2011 board.

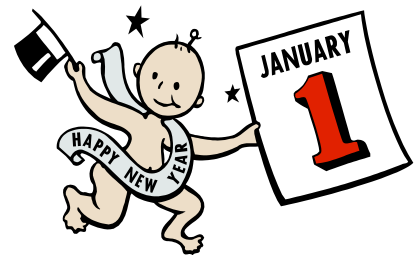
Incoming President Tim Bots thanked everyone for their support and thanked Chuck Fritz for his time and efforts over the past two years.

Meeting was adjourned, and a fine Italian feast was served.

After dinner, our annual "Grab Bag" game commenced and proved once again to be entertaining with lots of "oooooooo's, ahhhhhhh's, and of course stealing with the gifts! For the ladies, Frosty was the sure front-runner favorite and for the men, well it was a toss-up between Crown Royal, Jim Beam and spark plugs. Ken Chamis donned a shield of silver armor as peppermints were flying.

In closing, as outgoing secretary, I would like to say thank you for the opportunity to have served on the board these past two years, and to wish each of you.

**A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
And
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**



'SPRING TRIP' HOLLAND MICHIGAN MAY 13, 14, 15

The name of the motel is the “Sunset Motel” in Allegan, Michigan. I am holding a block of twenty non-smoking rooms under our club name; 8 kings and 8 double bed rooms for May 13 and 14th.

All are second floor rooms as they are the ones that have been remodeled.

The rate is \$105 + tax for any room.

The phone number is 269-673-6622.

The block will be released on March 15th.



Christmas with A'sRUS



**Tim and Connie's
home for a Christmas
get together**





Homewood "Parade of Lights"

Up and coming meeting locations:

Up Coming Calendar of 2011 Events

Wednesday, January 19th: Meeting at the Home of Tim & Pat Bots. Check your directory for the address.

Call Phil:

3 Motorola Radios w/new batteries and chargers 50\$

5 lb commercial ABC fire extinguishers w/hanger for car or home \$10 all moneys go to the club

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President – Chuck Fritz Vice President – Tim Botts Treasure – Jim Wright Secretary – Dale Chamis

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Nat'l Rep. – Marlene Krygowski

Historian – Tim Botts

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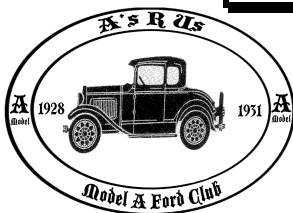
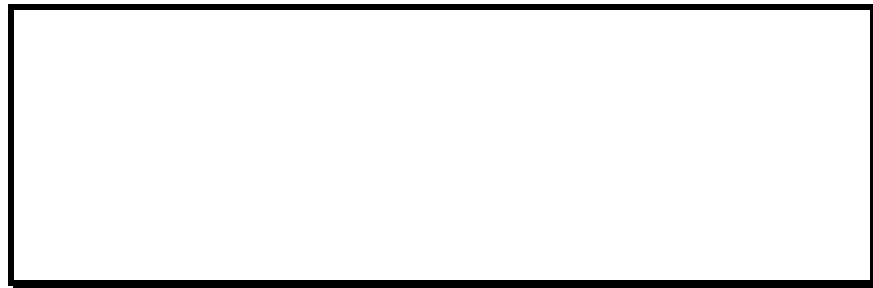
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