

## MAFCA announces 50 Year Chapter Award Program

Each year one of the privileges for the Chapter Coordinator for MAFCA is to recognize those chapters who have achieved certain milestones in their history for their years of continuous operation. This is done by awarding a certificate of achievement designating that milestone. These are then delivered to each chapter to display. We are proud to announce a new program to enhance this.

This year, by unanimous vote, the MAFCA Board of Directors and in an agreement with MAFFI and the Model " $A$ " Ford Museum, we approved to begin recognizing those chapters who have achieved the high honor of 50 years of continuous membership in the Model " $A$ " Ford Club of America in a special way. For those chapters, an inscribed brick will be placed on behalf of MAFCA at the Model "A" Museum by the Model " $A$ " Ford Foundation or MAFFI. This permanent enshrinement of this accomplishment will be on display 365 days a year to celebrate this high honor.

We cannot however just begin this recognition in 2023. We must also look back to past award recipients as well as look at our current winners. To do so 94 bricks will be ordered this year that will include all prior 50 year Chapter Longevity Award winners. This begins with our first chapter, the Bakersfield, California Club, as well as including the 2023 and 2024 winners which will be placed in time for the 2024 Model "A" Days celebration. Each year after a brick will be placed
 in honor of those 50 year chapters reaching this milestone. Those recognized in this sidewalk of 50 year Chapter Longevity Winners is meant to demonstrate their special place in MAFCA's history and their significance in the success of MAFCA.

It is our hope that with this permanent recognition and placement of these bricks, those MAFCA members and others who visit the museum, will feel the same sense of pride and accomplishment in these recipient's as the Model A Ford Club of America does.

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