## **Chapter Chatter – January/February 2024**

2023 was certainly an experience for this new Chapter Coordinator. Peeling back the layers and getting to know all our chapters has been at times taxing but always a pleasure. I have enjoyed reading all of the chapter newsletters that have come my way this year. You can really get inside of the local chapters, wherever they are located, by reading of their local events and activities. So many things are the same but each Chapter has its own character. The opportunity to speak to Chapter officers and members, personally and participate in local meetings, via Zoom, has been welcome diversions.

I would like to thank my fellow Board of Directors members for their time and professional expertise in representing this great organization. I believe the MAFCA membership has been fortunate to have such a talented and professional group working in their interests. I would like to encourage any MAFCA member to take that step and run for an officer's position in 2024. MAFCA needs your talent.

2024 will bring us the National Convention in Ruidoso, NM. As a young man I traveled all of New Mexico and many will be pleasantly surprised by this remarkable area. The Southwest Model A's are working tirelessly to make sure everything will be perfect. With their planned local tours and the all of the natural history of the area you will certainly want to be a part of this event.

My heartfelt congratulations to all of the 2023 MAFCA award winners. It has truly been and honor to select those newsletter and website editors who through their tireless efforts kept their local chapters informed and connected. As I have been working with new chapters trying to get their local chapters off the ground I always stress the importance of a dedicated editor who will keep everyone in the loop. Special thanks also to those who were nominated by their local chapter for a Service Award. That feeling of knowing your hard work and dedication to the hobby was recognized by your fellow club members makes the honor even more special.

By now chapters have been receiving their chapter update forms. These are critical to helping us keep our records current. Please take the time to get them completed and back to the office.

Hope to see you on the road,

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