



CLUB MEMBER, GARTH SHREADING, ELECTED TO NATIONAL BOARD OF MAFCA

Garth Shreading, long time member of our local club, was voted into the national board of MAFCA. The installation ceremony was held during the National Banquet at Mesa, Arizona on December 6th. Art & Jane Tibbetts, Debbie Launer and Rick & Sharon Davis traveled to watch Garth being installed as a National Director. His job title will be chapter coordinator which means, among his other duties, he gets to read the Model A newsletters from all the chapters.

If you've never been to a National Membership Meeting, you've really missed out. The welcome party was great and included a "Model A Bingo" game to break the ice. Debbie & Sharon won sombreros for getting bingos and yelling "Aaooogah". People were dressed in western attire to go along with the Sante Fe theme of the

night. Everyone was friendly and I have to say, the Model A people are the best!

There were fantastic tours offered during the four day event including tours to Old Scottsdale, the Frank Lloyd Wright complex called Taliesin West and a boat ride on the Dolly Steam Boat. Garth & Janet enjoyed the boat ride and said it was great. The rest of us didn't make it in time to do that but we did get to visit Taliesin West.



In 1927 Frank Lloyd Wright and his apprentices literally created Taliesin West out of the desert from rocks gathered from the desert floor and sand from the washes. This architectural masterpiece is still in use today by students and architects from around the world. It's filled with beautiful works of

art and sculpture.

Getting back to the banquet – the food was wonderful and hot. The raffle prizes were outstanding. One of the coveted prizes was a weekend trip to a bed and breakfast in Montana. Sadly, none of our group won a raffle prize. But we did get to take home a small cactus made out of rebar and a centerpiece of a Model A next to a cactus with

Christmas decorations. Every couple received a chocolate Model A.



Then came the ceremony to install the 2009 National Directors. We sure were proud to see our guy, Garth, standing up there! We wish him all the best in the year ahead! - Sharon Davis

This article is the first in our "Guest Writer" series, it was contributed by Sharon Davis. I think it is Fantastic!! - Ed