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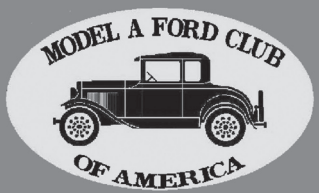
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President's Message



Hello again, well we have just completed a record long hot summer. We just proved we are as resilient as our Model A's. We have had a very good month. The fly-in at Oologah on the Will Rogers Ranch was a lot of fun.

The annual picnic at Mrs Cooper's was, as always, a great day. We always enjoy looking at her fine cars. Thank you again Mrs. Cooper for your gracious hospitality. Thanks also to Connie Hudson and Linda Mellage and all the others who helped with the food and arrangements.

It is time to select new officers and Board members for 2012. Please consider serving your Club in one of these offices next year.

Playday is coming up September 10 at Lewis & Clark School starting at 9:30am with BBQ for lunch at 11:30.

I was very surprised at the generosity of the Club when I presented the Trucks To Troops story and asked for donations. You gave \$358.00 that day. We need \$150.00 more to buy one. I feel sure we can get that at the next meeting "Playday." I have contacted the 45 Infantry Headquarters at Oklahoma City and have a specific address to send it directly to our Oklahoma soldiers. Check Google "truckstotroops." There is more information and a good story about these trucks.

Tulsa Technology Center at 111st and 129th in Broken Arrow is having a car show September 16th from 9am to 2pm. We have been asked to participate. We need 7 to 8 cars there. Several other Car Clubs from Tulsa will be there also. This is to celebrate the opening of their new automobile classroom and shop facility.

Don't forget to make your reservations for the fall tour.

May the Ford be with you,

Don Reed

Play Day is Saturday
September 10
Lewis and Clark Middle School



Just a reminder that Members are asked to bring the following dishes to share at Play Day luncheon: (last name begins with):

A – D Cookies or dessert

E – J Large bag of chips

K – P Larger size jar of pickles

Q – Z Dozen donuts, rolls, bagels or muffins for morning snacks

Club will provide BBQ Brisket, Rolls, Beverages & Baked Beans.

September/October Event Updates

- September 10 - Play Day/International Model A Day will be held at the Lewis and Clark School beginning at 9:30 a.m. Games will begin at 10 a.m. with BBQ lunch served afterwards. See separate article for more information and what food item to bring.
- September 17 - Bartlesville Fly-In/Car Show in Bartlesville. See separate article for details.
- October 1 - Breakfast/ "Fill an A" Food Drive. Breakfast will be at the IHop, 220 S. Hwy 97, Sand Springs, at 8 a.m. Food Drive will be held at WalMart, Sand Springs, following breakfast. Last year we filled four Model A pickups with food donated by club members and customers. If you have a Model A pickup, please plan to participate. Boxes or containers will be provided for the food products. If you do not plan to attend but wish to make a donation, you may either bring your donation to play day or give a cash donation designated for the food drive. A member will "shop" on your behalf.
- October 18 - Monthly Meeting will be followed by a bingo night. Come join the fun and an opportunity to visit with other club members and guests. Who knows, you might Bingo and win a prize! The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Bingo will follow. This will also be an opportunity to gather final details prior to our fall tour later in the week.
- October 21-23 - Our annual Fall Tour, in conjunction with the Sooner Club, will be held in the Grove/Miami area with Grove being our hotel location. This year we are the host club. Anyone not already registered should act quickly to assure rooms are still available and to assure the committee reserves enough space at restaurants, etc. See separate article in this issue or previous issues of the Rumble Sheet for further details
- November 5 - Breakfast & tour of car collection at a midtown location are planned. The car collection includes a very rare 1903 Model A Ford. Yes, there really were Model A's prior to the four years we are familiar. Location for breakfast will be announced later. Our thanks to Ken Brust for making arrangements for this tour.

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Nuts and Bolts (or Miscellaneous Tidbits)

by Ken Brust



First, I need to make a correction on a name from last month's article. I mentioned I met two of our new members, Kent and Jeanne, at our ice cream social. I had their last name wrong and wanted to correct it. They are Kent and Jeanne Washburn. My sincere apologies for the confusion.

We had a very nice crowd for breakfast on Saturday, August 6, even with the triple digit temperatures. And most of them braved the heat to follow me over to see Glenn Pray's old car factory even though many drove their modern, air conditioned cars. We did have six or more Model A's that made it in fine shape, however, including Marvin and Linda showing off in their A with all of the windows rolled up. They don't even like to roll down a window to talk to a car next to them for fear all of the frigid air will escape!! But I think everyone enjoyed hearing about the history of Glenn Pray's interest in vintage automobiles and airplanes. Several Club members had parents who knew Glenn. Ralph even had him as a teacher in school before Glenn began his automobile business. The old factory facility had quite an assortment of old cars and other antiques which were very interesting to see even if they weren't products of Henry Ford. Afterward, we went by caravan over to Harvey Young Airport to view three vintage open-cockpit airplanes. It was sad to see such valuable equipment sitting in an old dusty hangar collecting bird droppings when someone could be out chasing puffy clouds in them. Glenn's son, Ryan, who hosted our visit along with Felix, their operation manager since the '60's, did say they planned to get the planes cleaned up and flown soon. They plan to keep the Stearman and probably sell the other two. They also have plans in the works to make a limited edition of a new model Cord, all hand built like the ones before. With Glenn's death earlier this year, things are moving somewhat slower now which is understandable. Anyway, thanks to everyone who ventured out to see these vintage collections when we really didn't know exactly what we were going to see. We have another similar tour planned after breakfast in September during the Labor Day weekend to see some Model T Fords. Maybe the weather will be a tad bit cooler for that visit. But these old cars don't seem to mind how hot it is nearly as much as we old drivers and riders!

We had a super turnout for our Will Rogers and Wiley Post Fly In at Oologah on Sunday morning, August 14. The weather was fantastic. We had 15 Model A's plus a very nicely restored 1940 Oldsmobile driven by the DuValls. The Tulsa Model A Ford Club made up the entire car show except for one lonely Model T Ford and some cute littler Cushman Eagle motor scooters. Congratulations to Charlie and Samantha Ramsey for winning People's Choice with their beautiful Model A Police Car, "Justice". Jerry Conrad won 2nd place with his Sport Coupe transporting Linda's grandkids in the rumble seat and Harold and Virginia won 3rd place with their fancy roadster.

Marvin had an interesting "technical" article in last month's newsletter but I wonder how many of the gals read it. If you gals passed it up thinking it might be too technical, go back and read it. I think you will get a kick out of it.

We have another Fly In scheduled for September 17. If you enjoyed the one in Oologah, you will really enjoy this one. It is the annual Tulsa Fly In which has been going on now for 55 years. It is one of the biggest and oldest in the US. It used to be held in Tulsa but moved to Bartlesville several years ago due to the amount of traffic in the Tulsa metro area. The highlight this year is the attendance of one of Henry Ford's 1929 Ford Tri-Motor airplanes. Our Club has been invited to display our Model A Fords to help compliment the featured Ford Tri-Motor visitor. Come have lunch, check out all of the planes, show off your Model A and try for a chance for a ride in the Tri-Motor. Someone in our Club will be able to go for a ride where every seat is a window seat! Anywhere from 200 to 350 airplanes are expected so it should be an exciting event. Check elsewhere in this newsletter for more details, plus where and when to meet for the caravan to Bartlesville. I look forward to seeing you there on Saturday, September 17.

We enjoyed a very nice crowd at our annual picnic where we celebrated the 80th birthday of all of the 1931 Model A Fords. A huge crowd from the Oklahoma City area joined us which was exceptionally nice. Joanna Cooper, once again, hosted another successful and "cool" summer picnic! Many thanks to her for opening up her amazing collection of classic cars again for us to enjoy.

Happy Trails to All

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Ford Tri-Motor Attends Tulsa Fly In by Ken Brust

The Tulsa Model A Ford Club has been invited to attend this year's Fly In to help compliment the featured guest, a 1929 Ford Tri-Motor Airplane. Very few of these rare, vintage airplanes, built by Henry Ford, are still in existence, let alone still flying. This is the 55th year for the annual Tulsa Fly In which is held in Bartlesville where it has been conducted now for several years. This is one of the oldest and biggest Fly Ins in the US. Normally, there are 200-350 aircraft of all types and vintages. Members driving their Model A Ford will have free admission and be provided tickets for free drinks. One of our Club members will also WIN A RIDE in the Ford Tri-Motor so it should be an exciting day.



The event is Saturday, September 17. Mark your calendar now! We will meet in Skiatook at the gas station on the northwest corner of Highway 75 and Highway 20 at 8:30am. Just drive north of Tulsa on Highway 75 about 13 miles and take the Highway 20 exit. We will then caravan about 30 miles to the Bartlesville Airport up Highway 75.

We plan to depart the gas station at 8:45am with an arrival at the airport at 10:00am. We will have a special display area for our vintage Fords. There will be various food vendors available for us to have a nice lunch while we show off our cars and check out all of the airplanes. The Ford Tri-Motor will be selling rides all day for \$70. One of our Club members will win a ride in this rare aircraft where every seat is a window seat.

This is a ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME-OPPORTUNITY. We will plan to depart the airport around 2:00pm and caravan back south on Highway 75 to Tulsa. Please plan to attend this entertaining event. Bring your walkie talkies, camera and lawn chairs.

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Fall Tour Plans

Plans for the 2011 Fall Tour have come together nicely. We will stay in Grove, Oklahoma, and travel to sites in Miami and the Grand Lake area the weekend of October 21-23. The tour committee has reserved space at the Best Western TimberRidge Inn in Grove, Oklahoma. You may call 988.786.6900 or toll-free 877.785.6725 to make your reservations for Friday, 10/21, and Saturday, 10/22. Reservations are to be in by September 30. Rooms may be canceled as late as 4:00 p.m. on 10/21. If climbing stairs is a problem, you may request a downstairs room as there is no elevator at the hotel. The hotel offers a full breakfast. Rooms have either a king bed or two queens. Wi-fi is available for you techies. If you don't have a Walkie Talkie, now might be a good time to get one. We don't want to lose touch with anyone on the trip. Also, you will need your driver's license for the tour of the Pensacola Dam.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, your committee members - Don & Pat Wise, Marvin & Linda Mellage, Ken and Tory Brust - have each gained five pounds trying out all the different restaurants in the area. We thought we had the best ones selected, but then we remembered we had forgotten to sample a couple of the desserts. We made a second trip to pin down the menus and finalize all details. We're all ready for an UNFORGETTABLE fall tour! We will have a sign-up sheet at all upcoming Model A events.

TECHNICAL TIPS AND DISCUSSION

Model A Backfiring -- are you kidding??

by Roy Cail

Question:

My Model A is running a little rough with a lot of backfiring when you step on the accelerator. Can you give me some idea where to start looking? Ever ask yourself this question -- I have!! Les Andrews provides some tips you may want to consider to eliminate this problem.

Answer:

Back firing is usually caused by the condenser failing or... the points may not have sufficient gap. Make sure they are set at .018 to .020". Make sure they are not burnt. Backfiring can be caused by intermittent firing of the ignition system or very lean fuel mixture. If the car has been setting for a while, the carburetor float valve may be sticking. Clean the float valve good and set the float level. Backfiring due to intermittent ignition can be caused by a frayed wire on the bottom side of the distributor plate . . or .. by intermittent connection of the ignition switch.

1. Check point setting first.
2. Replace condenser next (unless you are using modern points). Make sure the condenser you buy is the right length, some are too short, and that it is good quality.
3. Check that the carburetor float valve is operating correctly.
4. Sometimes the pop out type ignition switches get intermittent. As a last resort, replace the ignition switch/cable.
5. Check the GAV to make sure it is not set too lean.



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- 10 Audrey DeCamp
- 11 Dave Pilmaier
- 14 Sandy Sewell
- 15 Jeanne Washburn
- 15 Michael Lervig
- 16 Charlene Sloan
- 18 Don Wise
- 22 Robert "Bob" Ramey
- 24 Robert "Bob" Soper
- 24 Linda Mellage
- 26 Patrick McCartney
- 28 Walter Dean
- 28 Oleata Bohall
- 28 Rhonda Cavnar
- 29 Ralph Hudson

October

- 01 Dennis Gougler
- 01 Dan Morris
- 03 Joanne Cooper
- 05 Linda Ochs
- 07 Helen Gentry
- 08 Malcolm "Gene" Mcdonald
- 13 Marlene Duke
- 15 Ida Jones
- 19 Mervin Snowden
- 20 Don Reed
- 21 Carol Sue Curry
- 22 Roy Call
- 22 Louise Butler
- 23 Ronnie Franklin
- 24 Lesa Jensen
- 25 Deobrah Pilmaier
- 26 Stephanie McCartney
- 27 Joyce Weber

Members' Anniversaries

Kent & Jeanne Washburn

September 2

Robert "Bob" & Vondel Ramey

September 4

Robert and Margaret Soper

September 8

Bill & Carol Curry

September 15

Ralph &

Connie Hudson

September 21

Dave & Deborah Pilmaier

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October 8

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October 23

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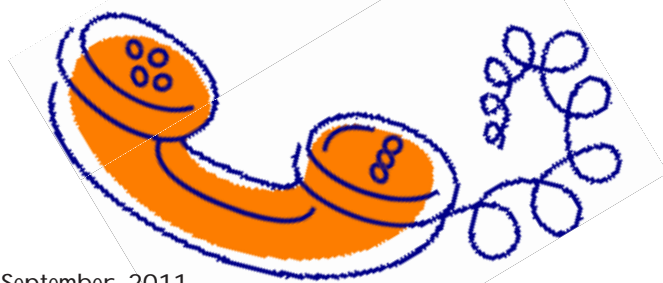
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khaki cotton twill w/embroidered club logo only
 - Ivy Cap \$17
black, embroidered club logo on back
 - Sweatshirt \$17
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- For ordering or more information please call Benny Benson at 918.296.5000 or see him at the next business meeting or club function.



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Need Model in Bartlesville for Photo Shoot by Ken Brust

The Tulsa Fly-In wants one Model A Ford to be in Bartlesville at noon on Thursday, September 15, for a photo shoot with the 1929 Ford Tri-Motor Airplane and a new Ford vehicle. The Bartlesville Ford dealer is one of the sponsors of this year's fly-in and will provide a new car for the photo shoot. If anyone knows of a Model A Ford in the Bartlesville area who might wish to have their car appear in this photo shoot, please contact me ASAP. Or, if any Club member is interested in driving up to the Bartlesville airport on that Thursday for the photo op, please let me know. Our Club will be attending the Fly-In on Saturday, September 17, but the Fly-In officials have requested a Model A Ford to be on hand at the arrival of the 1929 Ford Tri-Motor on Thursday at noon for the photo. Whoever can provide the Model A will be offered a free ride in the Ford Tri-Motor on Thursday afternoon during the VIP and media flights. You will also receive a copy of the photo. We will also try to have the picture published in the national MAFCA magazine.

The specific request is for a 1929 Model A Ford, hopefully a Roadster with a rumble seat. However, any year Model A will satisfy the request. If you are interested or know of someone who might be interested, please contact me at kvbrust@cox.net or 918 728-2015.



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A MEETING OF THE MINDS

By Tinkerbell & J.S

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The other day my owner said Tinkerbell, I would like to get you an air conditioner. I said it sure would make me feel a lot better with some nice cool air blowing over my engine! He replied "Well really it will only make me feel better. You probably won't even feel any difference." I said, "I am 81 years old, any and everything makes a difference to me. I can tell when you carry extra passengers, extra baggage and climb steep hills! Now you want to add more weight for me to carry? Have you thought about me?" He said, "Tinkerbell, if you are going to get upset about it, I will just push your windshield out far as it will go, roll all your windows down, turn your window wings in as far as they will go and just tough it out. I sure am glad we talked this out before any action was taken." My owner is a nice reasonable person. (But they don't make them like they used to!)

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"Fill an A Pickup" Food Drive

Our 2nd annual project to collect food items for a local food bank will take place Saturday morning, October 1, in conjunction with our monthly breakfast. The "Fill an A Pickup" project will be held at the Sand Springs WalMart, 220 S. Hwy 97, from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. Breakfast will be at the IHop in Sand Springs, located by WalMart, at 8 a.m. but those with pickups might want to come earlier to eat and get pickups to the WalMart by 8 a.m. Volunteers are also needed to work during the drive.

Last year we collected four Model A pickup loads of food. This year we hope to meet or exceed



that number. Members with Model A pickups are encouraged to drive and volunteer them for this drive. These will park in front of the WalMart. Bags and boxes will be available for collecting. Jerry Sloan is coordinating this effort. This is a great way for us to get our A's involved in community service and make our club known to others. If you do not plan to be at the October breakfast, donations of items can be given to board members or to Jerry prior to the date. (Bringing them to play day would work!) If making a cash donation, a member will shop for you the day of the event and deliver items to the pickups. Dried beans, rice, cereals and canned fruits and vegetables are especially needed.



Board Members Wanted For 2012 - 2013!!!!!!

Looking for ways to have more fun in your Tulsa Model-A Ford Club? Want an opportunity to help the club continue growing membership, staying financially healthy, and establishing direction? Plus work with other energetic board members while getting to know the general membership even better. You are in luck. It's a once in a year chance to get involved and make a difference.

It's that time of the year again to begin thinking about volunteering to become a member of our club's Board of Directors. At the end of this year four board members Connie Hudson, Barbara Cail, and Roy Cail will be completing their two year commitment. Don Wise has submitted his recognition effective December 31. Those remaining on the board for next year are Don Reed, Benny Benson (filling the balance of Don Wise's term), and Virginia Harris.

In accordance with our club's bylaws all board member positions are for two years. And the member's actual position on the board for the next year is discussed and determined by the new board at their first meeting in December.

Your 2011 board has ask the previous three club presidents Roy Cail, Lindell Duncan, and Marvin Mellage to be this years nominating committee.

Please give some serious consideration in volunteering to be one of your clubs 2012-2013 board members. Let anyone on the nominating committee know of your interest or if you have any questions. Likewise, one of nominating committee may be contacting you.

Thanks for your consideration.

Your nominating committee:

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Lindell Duncan	918 697-5502
Marvin Mellage	918 633-4875



2011 Calendar of Events

Month/Date	Event or Activity	Location	Time
September 10	Play Day/International Model A Ford Day	Lewis & Clark	9:30 a
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Food Drive will be held at WalMart, Sand Springs following breakfast			
October 18	Monthly Meeting	Lewis and Clark	7 p
October 21-23	Fall Tour	Grove/Miami area	
November 5	Breakfast & tour of car collection including rare 1903 model - TBA		8 a.
November 6	Daylight Savings Time ends		2 a
November 11 (Friday)	Veteran's Parade on 11/11/11	Claremore	TBA
November 11	Chili Supper and Auction	TBA	TBA
November 17	Thanksgiving Buffet at OSU	Okmulgee	
December 3	Pancake Breakfast	Broken Arrow	TBA
December 3	Broken Arrow Christmas Parade	Broken Arrow	
December 10	Owasso and Catoosa Parades		
December 17	Christmas Party	Tentative	TBA
June 11-15, 2012	Midwest Regional/Central Iowa	Altoona, IA	
June 18-22, 2012	National MAFCFA Convention	Marquette/Ishpeming, MI	
June 16-22, 2013	Midwest Regional	Wichita, KS	
2014	Midwest Regional Meeting	Tulsa, OK	

2014 Regional Meet by Roy Cail

The final 2014 Regional Meet brainstorming/pre-planning meeting was held June 28 in Catoosa. The discussions centered primarily around what the organizational structure should be with specific areas of responsibilities for the various committees created. We are looking for volunteers for all of these leadership positions as well as volunteers to serve on the committees. Our goal is to have the Regional Meet Chair selected by the October 4th Board Meeting with Committee Team Leaders to follow. However, if you have an interest in any of the leadership positions please notify a Board member.

Organization Structure

Regional Meet Chair

How and When to select? The group recommended that the 2011 Board will select one Head Chair by October 4, 2011 from a list of volunteers.

Committee Team Leaders and Responsibilities

1. Registration committee with the following proposed duties: Marketing/Website design/maintenance/Printing of all materials needed

Money management by one treasurer/money manager

2. Accommodations committee with the following proposed duties:

Sleeping accommodations; Seminar/Banquet /Hospitality Rooms/Registration area; Car & trailer parking/Car Game Area/Repair Station Space/Security

3. Food Service/Catering - Opening reception/Banquet - era clothing "parade" /Ladies' luncheon

All food service/Ongoing water supplies; Map of local restaurants

4. Programs - Tour selections/Alternate tour options/Lead drivers/chase vehicles; Maps & tour information

Entertainment; Swap meet/Technical seminars

5. Fund Raising; Marketing/Selling/promoting

Solicitation of items; Clothing for Regional Meet

6. Repair Station Parts' vendor(s)

7. Youth Program

8. Car Games

Games to play/Awards

9. Hubley Races Track (build our own or borrow from Heartland Club in Kansas)/Awards

About the Tulsa Model A Ford Club

Chapter #8231 of the Model A Club of America (MAFCA)

This is the official publication of the Tulsa Chapter of Model A Ford Club of America. This monthly newsletter is mailed to members, prospective members, advertisers and editors of similar publications. It's purpose is to keep you informed of what has taken place, scheduled activities and to promote fellowship among club members.

Members are encouraged to submit articles containing technical or any club related information. Articles must reach the editor by the 5th of the month to insure publication in that month's newsletter. Articles received after that will appear in a following newsletter.

Membership dues for the Tulsa Model A Ford Club are \$20 per family annually payable at the end of the year. Contact the New Member chairperson for new memberships and the Treasurer for renewals. The Tulsa Model A Ford Club recommends membership in the national MAFCA organization.

Members may advertise at no cost, non-business ads in the newsletter For Sale, Wanted or Trade section. Businesses may advertise with cost by the ad size, (business card size or 1/4 page) in the advertising section. The number of ads are restricted to space available in the Rumble Sheet. Contact the Advertising chairperson for details.

Meeting Schedule

- Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of each month at Lewis & Clark Middle School, 737 South Garnett, Tulsa
- Breakfast - 8:00 a.m., 1st Saturday of each month, location to be announced
- Board Meeting - 6:30 p.m., 1st Tuesday of each month, Martin Library, 2601 South Garnett Road, Tulsa

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