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Fall tour was another wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends, and to drive our A's through some absolutely beautiful country. Tim and I extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who worked and helped to make it such a wonderful experience. Thanks to Ken Brust for his generous donation. It helped to fatten those goody bags. I have labeled this the year of the flat tire, but for the most part, everyone did very well. The weather was perfect. I did not see a single cloud the entire time we were in Arkansas.

In the month of November, we have a full schedule of activities. We have the opportunity to visit with our friends from Holdenville by meeting them in Okemah for lunch. We will once again be participating in the Claremore Veterans Day Parade, and we are also looking forward to our chili dinner at the Hardesty Library as part of the November general meeting. You do not want to miss this meeting as we will be voting on the new board members. We will be voting on the nominations of Mrs. Jackie Dunn and Mr. John Rinkenbaugh.

November is when we as a club collect annual dues for next year. The dues are \$30.00 per year, per couple. This has not changed, and renewal forms are available with Jeanne, and on the web site and the Rumble Sheet. Our annual dues are used to pay for our web site, our monthly news letter, sunshine flowers, and to support our various club activities. Like everything else, prices are going up. Please pay your dues on time.

Our Christmas Party is on scheduled for December 14th at The Country Cottage Restaurant, 6570 State Highway 82, Locust Grove, Oklahoma. As soon as possible, I will be sending out information covering all the costs and start times. Have a blessed day.

Kent



THE FINER POINTS

by Chris DuVall

Model "A" Days at the Gilmore was definitely a success this year. I found lots of good stuff including a set of nice front fenders for a 1931 car and two sets of 1929 engine splash pans. Additionally, I found lots of sales literature including Dealer Albums. The freshly restored and newly donated late 1931 Model "A" Bus was incredible. As nice as the bus was, my favorite cars this year were original and unrestored: a 1931 400-A and a 1932 B-400. Cars like these are invaluable when you are trying to do an authentic restoration. I definitely took lots of photos of the 400-A for reference material for my restoration. Anyway, you should definitely make plans to attend Model "A" Days at the Gilmore next year!

Another item I was able to find at Gilmore was a complete set of original brake rods. This is an easy item to lose a lot of points on when in Fine Point. In fact, reproduction parts generally result in 50% of the points for a given item. Brake rods count for 2 points out of the total 500 available. So, using reproductions instead of originals would automatically give you a 1-point deduction.



Speaking of using reproduction parts rather than originals, a lot of fine point cars come through the show with shiny new zinc plated clevis pins. I can't think of any parts on a Model "A" that call for zinc chromate as the finish. So, this finish is a dead giveaway of reproduction parts. Below is a photo of an original and reproduction clevis pin.

Original clevis pins that are in good enough shape to use are very difficult to find. So, most cars lose points on this part. As you can see, the head on the reproduction (the one on the right) is too rounded compared to the original. Perhaps, the restorer can modify the head to look more like the original. Even so, the reproduction is made slightly longer, and the hole is drilled slightly farther away from the head. This allows the pins to move sideways after installation. Another dead giveaway that the restorer used reproduction clevis pins. Most likely, the pin on the right will receive half points even if the finish is corrected to cadmium. Half points on this part means you would lose a half of a point. So on the two parts sections, using reproduction parts would result in a loss of 1.5 points out of 500. Not too bad! However, if you're looking for a Henry award, you can only lose a total of 20 points.

So, what is a restorer supposed to do? I guess the only answer is to come to Model "A" Days at the Gilmore to look for NOS clevis pins! Hope to see you there next year!



Nuts & Bolts



by Ken Brust

Tim told a good story at coffee recently that I thought was worth sharing. It's about Henry Ford. We all know Henry was close friends with Thomas Edison. Ford once told Edison he wanted to buy his home some day. Edison told him he could buy it, but it must always remain on his beloved New Jersey soil. So Ford, being ever so clever, moved multiple truck loads of dirt from New Jersey to Michigan so that Edison's home could forever rest on New Jersey soil. From what we know of Henry Ford, this doesn't surprise us in the least, right?..... Our Saturday breakfast on November 2 has been changed to a lunch down in Okemah. We wanted to spend time with the Chesser's and Sullivan's, long time members in Holdenville, since they were unable to make the fall tour. So we will meet them halfway for lunch. Hope you can join us.....

Another delicious luncheon was prepared for us by the culinary students at OSU Okmulgee Tech recently. We had 28 folks in 11 Model As plus a few modern cars that drove the 70 mile roundtrip. At our table of 8, it dawned on me that Tory, who turns 80 in November, was the youngest person at our table. And Ralph and Marvin weren't even at our table!!! It just shows how our club membership is gradually aging. But it also emphasizes how fortunate we all are to reach this age and still be able to enjoy such fun with our hobby of Model A Fords.....We probably owe some of the unsung heroes in our club some recognition for all they do to keep us motoring along: guys like Steve Reiser with our website and directory, Harold Helton with our newsletter, Marvin with his garage and his mechanical knowledge, and Bob Stine for lugging the drinks around forever at our many events. They all help keep us informed, hydrated and on the road. Many thanks to them and to the many others who are also always there to pitch in when called!.....Which reminds me, we have one opening on the Board for next year. If you haven't served before, please step up and offer to help. Many of us have served multiple times.

Happy trails to all.

17 at Silver Skillet October Breakfast



On the road to OSU-Okmulgee



**Country Cottage Restaurant
6570 S. HWY 82
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Dinner and Dirty Santa:

Unlimited Buffet to include a salad bar, main course chicken or beef, sides of vegetables and soups, and dessert. Coffee, tea, pop and water all included. We will be seated together with a room for 50 to 55 people.

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Cost of Dirty Santa Gifts = max of \$15.00 to \$20.00

Drive your Model A or drive your modern car. Who knows what the weather will be. We just want to get as many of us together as possible to celebrate the season.





As some of you know, I'm trying to sell my 1930 Roadster. I placed an ad with MAFCA on their web page under "Cars For Sale" in July of 2024. I received several requests for pictures and additional information, most of which I never heard from again. One person seemed interested and asked for several sets of additional pictures. This individual said he wanted to buy the car and we began to negotiate how to close the deal. I requested his location and a telephone number to contact him. He replied with a number and also stated he had sent a check for the full amount and suggested I deposit the check and allow it to clear my bank before we discussed shipping. I received the check by USPS Priority Mail a couple of days later. The check appeared to be a normal business check, printed, embossed, made out to me at my address. The check was written on an account from a painting contractor in Huntington Beach, CA, on a City National Bank in Irvine, CA. It all looked perfectly normal and legal.

I looked up the painting contractor on line and it was a legitimate business with a good reputation. I called the telephone number the buyer had provided, but it was not a working number. I also noticed that the check was written for \$9,000 more than I was asking for the car. I received an e-mail from the buyer stating that he had made a mistake and had included the cost of shipping in the price of the car. He again stated that I should deposit the check and let it clear my bank. Then, I should send him a check for the \$9,000 shipping charges which he had mistakenly paid to me. He would then pay the shipping and the deal would complete.

I was suspicious of all this, so I took the check to my banker and told him the story. He spent about ten minutes on the telephone, then told me the entire episode was a scam. The check was fraudulent. He said the check would probably clear the bank and be deposited in my account, but I would be required to return the funds when the check was found to be a fraud. I attempted to contact the buyer again, but there

has been no response. If I had returned the \$9,000 to the buyer, I would be responsible to my bank, and the funds unrecoverable. I would be out \$9,000 for an expensive lesson.

In all future dealings, I will demand the potential buyer provide their location and a good telephone number that I will check before any further correspondence, pictures, etc. My banker told me that certified checks, bank checks, traveler's checks, etc., can all be forged. A bank to bank wire transfer is safer and an escrow company safer still, but nothing is totally safe. It is different world out there. No honesty, no trust, no honor. Be careful!

by Tim Bodine



Calendar of November Events

November 1 - 9

2/Saturday

Model A Lunch - Chesser's & Sullivan's, Okemah

5/Tuesday, 8:00 a.m.

Men's Coffee at Marvin's

5/Tuesday, ELECTION DAY

November 10 - 16

11/Monday

Veteran's Day Parade - Claremore

13/Wednesday, 1:00 p.m.

Board Meeting, Hardesty Library

14/Thursday, 11:30 a.m.

Ladies' Luncheon

McAlister's

12922 East 86 Street North, Owasso

November 17 - 23

19/Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

General Meeting, Hardesty

Chili Dinner, Board Member Voting

20/Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.

Men's Coffee at Bob Stine's

November 24 - 30



DECEMBER

3 - Men's Coffee at Marvin's, 8:00 a.m.

7 - Breakfast, Pending

11 - Model A Board Meeting, Hardesty Library,
7:00 p.m.

14- Christmas Party, Country Inn, Locust Grove

18 - Bob Stine Coffee, 8:30 a.m.

JANUARY

4 - Model A Breakfast

7 - Men's Coffee at Marvin's, 8:00 a.m.

7 - Board Meeting, Hardesty Library, 1:00 p.m.

15 - Bob Stine Coffee, 8:30 a.m.

28 - General Meeting, Hardesty Library, 7:00 p.m.

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SUNSHINE Report by Ken Brust

Bob Soper had surgery to remove a kidney stone and is now at home recovering. Mitchell is fighting a bout with shingles. Roy and Chuck continue their chemo treatments and Don Chesser undergoes weekly sessions of dialysis. Both Bob Stine and Linda Ochs are dealing with intermittent back pains. Rus and Phil Judkins continue in hospice care. And sadly, Bob's longtime dog, Switzer, recently died from drowning. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of our members dealing with life challenges. Also our thoughts are with all of those back east who have suffered deadly catastrophes due to the recent hurricanes. Thanks to the many, like Lonnie, who are there helping those in need.

Text/Call me at 918-728-1900.

Stay safe!

CAR SALE

MODEL A'S FOR SALE: 1930 Ford Model A Roadster Deluxe \$16,000 firm Tim Bodine 918-864-1804

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Debbie Johnson
- 4 Marvin Mellage
- 9 Scott & Cindy CASE
- 11 Dwayne Tucker
- 12 Don Chesser
- 12 Jessie Reed
- 13 Tim Neall
- 14 Samantha Ramsey
- 14 Dan & Terri ULBERG
- 21 Ricki Sullivan
- 25 Kenda Reiser
- 26 Andy & Jackie DUNN
- 27 Sam Slavens
- 28 Tory Brust



Coffee at Marvin's
November 5, 8:00

Coffee at Stines
November 20, 8:30



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 11:30
MCALISTER'S
12922 EAST 86TH STREET NORTH, OWASSO

LADIES LUNCH



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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 \$30 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 Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa
- Breakfast - 8:30 a.m., 1st Saturday of each month, location to be announced
- Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m., 1st Tuesday of each month, Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa

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