

# THE PLAIN DEALER

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March 2024

The Club meets  
the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 7:00 p.m.  
Shawnee Masonic Lodge  
11109 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, Kansas

Next Meeting  
Monday  
March 25, 2024

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## 2024 Calendar

March

- 17 Leavenworth St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 23 Tour of A&M Powder Coating
- 25 POA Meeting

April

- 22 POA Meeting
- 24-28 Salina Hub Tour

May

- 27 POA Meeting and Picnic

June

- 23-29th 2024 MAFCA National Convention
- 24 POA Meeting

July

- 4 Lenexa Parade
- 22 POA Meeting



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## 2024 Club Officers

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## Newsletter Articles

Information for the newsletter should be sent to Joyce Tweedy. Her email address is jtweedy@swansonbernard.com, or snail mail, 4600 Madison, Ste. 600, Kansas City, MO 64112 or phone Joyce at 816-410-4613.

The deadline for submission of articles is the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## Plain Ol' A's Keychain

Yours **FREE** with every \$5 donation to the Model A Youth Scholarship Fund. - Contact John Smeltzer at a meeting, event or by email.



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## Sunshine Report

Theresa Guenther shared at the February meeting that she had eye surgery and her recovery is going well. Ron shared that Bruce and Vicky Mills are continuing to do well.

Hope all is well with everyone. Keep safe and let me know if anything changes.

Ahooga On!

Deborah Smeltzer  
913-526-6977

## Welcome New Members

Kat & Jo Coyne  
7718 Aberdeen Rd.  
Prairie Village, KS 66208  
913-602-3175  
Email: katcoyne93@gmail.com  
1928 Tudor Sedan

## February 2024 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on February 26, 2024 at the Masonic Hall. President Andy Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Guests and New Members-Charles Wilkes and the Moores were at the meeting.

Minutes-The minutes were approved as published in The Plain Dealer.

Treasurer's Report-The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Sunshine Report-Theresa Guenther had eye surgery.

Seminars-No seminars are planned.

Tours-The following activities are being planned:

- March 17 Leavenworth Parade
- March 23 A and M Powder Coating tour
- April 24-27 Tour to Salina, Concordia, Abilene, and Manhattan
- May Youth month
- June 23-29 National Meet in New Mexico
- July 4 Lenexa Parade

Car Shows

- July 14 Great American car show
- September Cedar Lake Village car show

Webmaster-Joe is working on the vendor list.

Meeting Location-We will need to find a new meeting location. The lodge will be sold in the near future.

Picnic--The picnic will be held at Wyandotte County Park on May 27.

Other Business-The MAFCA newsletter plaque was delivered to Joyce Tweedy. The Omaha club is putting together a bus tour to the Gilmour Museum.

Raffle-A raffle was held.

Refreshments-Refreshments were provided by John and Deborah Smeltzer and Keith Nesbitt.

Nancy Hess  
Secretary

## 2024 Membership Roster

The 2024 Membership Roster has been mailed out. If you do not receive your copy, please let me know. Also, please take a moment to check your information in the roster and let Bob Hess or me know if there are any errors. It's important that we have your correct email information since that is the only way most of you are receiving the newsletter.

Finally, if you have any changes to your contact information during the year, please let us know.

Joyce Tweedy, Editor

## Treasurer's Report - February 2024

**Income**

Dues \$415.00

**TOTAL INCOME \$415.00**

**Expenses**

GoDaddy.com (Web Site Fee) \$275.88

**TOTAL EXPENSES \$275.88**

**Interest**

\$1.74

\$1.74

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

## Refreshments

The paper plates, plastic silverware, napkins, tablecloths and cups are available at the Lodge. Please remember to check supplies at the preceding meeting.

If you cannot serve, please contact Fran Coleman as soon as you can. (913-481-6658; fcole61@gmail.com). Thank you, everyone for helping!

Fran Coleman

<b>Plain Ol' A's Refreshments</b>	
<u>2024</u>	
Mar. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Bill & Deb Hills Ed & Millie Jankowski
Apr. 22	Bill & Bernice Lindley Ken & Fran Coleman
June 24	Dennis & Janet Cawley Cort Miller & Karen Garber-Miller
July 22	Darrell & Deb Enloe Bob & Nancy Hess
Aug. 26	Harvey & Vicky Roseberry Steve & Julie Woerdehoff
Sept. 23	Ron & Theresa Guenther Alan South & Georgia Bianchi



March 17 Justin & Theresa Read  
 March 31 Andy Dugan & Christine South

March 4 Fay Darlene Birkman  
 March 5 Nancy Clayton  
 March 16 Marilyn Griggs  
 March 17 George Hess  
 March 30 Walter Jones

### 2024 Ladies Night Out

Pick a month you would like to sponsor Ladies Night Out.

### LADIES NIGHT OUT

Date: Wednesday March 20, 2024  
 6:00PM, Order at 6:30  
 Sponsors: Ken & Fran Coleman  
 Phone: 913-631-2752  
 Place: Olive Garden  
 off of 95th and Metcalf Ave  
 6750 W 95th St., Overland Park

**Ladies Night Out**  
**2024 Sponsor Sign Up**

January	-----
February	Smeltzer, John & Deborah
March	Coleman
April	Hills
May	Picnic
June	<b>OPEN</b>
July	South
August	<b>OPEN</b>
September	<b>OPEN</b>
October	Guenther
November	<b>OPEN</b>
December	Christmas Party





## Tours 2024

March 17<sup>th</sup> Leavenworth St. Patrick's Day Parade. Line up is 11:00 at 4th and Choctaw.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> A&M Powder Coating Tour, 19046 Madison, Spring Hill, KS (191 Street & 169 Highway). We will meet at A&M at 10:00 for a tour of their new facility. They will show us their process of powder coating. After the tour we will go to lunch at K&M BBQ. I had a sign up sheet at the February meeting. If you did not get signed up and would like to go contact me so I can add you to the list.

April 24-29th Salina Hub Tour. We are finally going to do the tour that Theresa Guenther had planned before Covid hit. We will spend three nights at Salina. While in Salina we will tour the Rolling Hills Zoo, The Garage Auto Museum, and the National Orphan Train Museum in Concordia. Then we will travel to Abilene to tour the Eisenhower Presidential Library. From Abilene we will spend the night in Junction City or Manhattan. On the way home we will tour the Midwest Dream Car Collection. I will have a signup sheet at the March meeting. Here are the hotels I chose for this trip; Fairfield Inn Salina 785-515-5333 for the nights of April 24- 26th. Comfort Inn Junction City 785-762-4200 for the night of April 27th.

May Model A Youth Month. I am working on a plan for us to do something with kids.

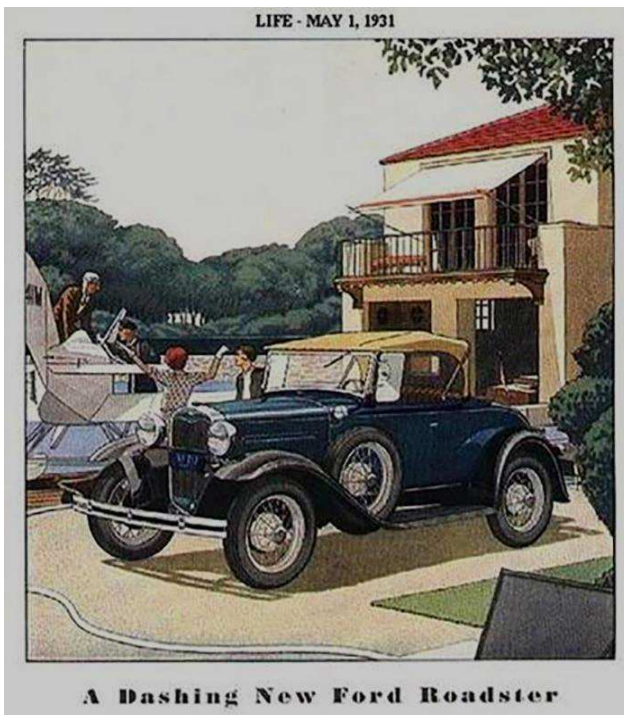
June National Convention in Ruidoso, NM. We have 6-7 Couples planning to go. If you would like to go, see me for information.

July Lenexa 4th of Jule Parade

If you have ideas for tours, please let me know.

Thanks.

Bill Hills  
bill.hills.sh@gmail.com  
913-406-2085



## Men's Hats

As a general rule, in the Model A era men wore hats. Always. Typically, a man might have any of a small number of hats from which he could choose to suit the occasion. A hat worn on the golf course would never be seen at the work place, for example. Hat types and appearance were very consistent throughout all four years of the Model A era.

The Homburg was more often seen in daytime formal dress and in the business office and were either black (or very dark blue), brown, or grey colored. It featured a stiff brim about 2 1/2 " wide (sometimes narrower in the front) with an upward curl molded around the edge of the brim. (Some catalogs call it a "rolled brim" hat.) The crown was somewhat tapered and around 5 1/2 inches tall featuring a lengthwise fold (the "center crease" style) running evenly from the front to the back of the hat. The Homburg had straight, "un-pinched," sides as befitting a serious hat and was set off with a 2 1/4 inch black (or complementary colored) hatband. Some authorities rank the Homburg just below the top hat and above the derby, or order of formality

Here are a couple of examples from 1930.

1930 MW Fall-Win p246 men hats, Homburg

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 539 G 367—Tan; brown band.  
 539 G 372—Black; black band.  
 SIZES: 6 3/4, 6 7/8, 7, 7 1/8, 7 1/4, 7 3/8, 7 1/2, 7 5/8, 7 3/4. State size. We Pay Postage.

The "Ambassador"—Pea black band. \$3.95  
 539 G 379—Steel colored band.  
 539 G 380—Tan  
 SIZES: 6 3/4, 6 7/8, 7, 7 1/8, 7 1/4, 7 3/8, 7 1/2, 7 5/8, 7 3/4. A highly popular model. Postage.

## Some Spring and Summer Hats for the Ladies

**F Y15V1262—Fits heads 21 1/4 to 22 1/4 inches.**  
 Y15V1428—Fits heads 21 1/2 to 22 inches.  
 COLORS: Lido sun tan (illustrated), woodbine rose, (soft medium rose), linen blue (light Copen), hyacinth (new orchid) or white.  
 Here's a beautiful, summery large Hat with an "air" that belies its very moderate price. It is made of Snake Hemp Straw Braided and has brim inserts of fancy transparent hair braid. The large flowers at the side with a grosgrain ribbon motif background, are characteristic of the season's trimming for large hats. Grosgrain ribbon \$1.98

**E Y15V1260—Fits heads 21 1/4 to 22 1/4 inches.**  
 COLORS: Bermuda green (illustrated), Lido sun tan, Japanese red (bright red), linen blue (light Copen) or white.  
 One of season's most popular Hats for sports and general wear is this smartly youthful little Beret Tam of Crocheted Vicia Straw Cloth. It is soft and crushable, molds itself close to the head and frames the face in a bewitching line, finished with good quality grosgrain ribbon \$1.98

**A 78V6843—Fits 21 1/4 to 21 3/4 inches.**  
 78V6844—Fits 22 to 22 1/2 inches.  
 Colors: Shell pink (as illustrated), peach beige, or Nile (light) green. Measure and state color.  
 There is a delightful, summery note to this attractive transparent hair braid model. Silk cord in matching color adapts itself splendidly to the allover design. Pleated grosgrain ribbon trim. Narrow pedaline braid edges the narrow brim. Postpaid \$2.98



## In Memory Of Karen Sue Gossett 1943 - 2024

Karen Sue Gossett, age 80, passed away peacefully February 26th, 2024, after a valiant battle with Dementia/Alzheimers.

Karen, known by Sue to most, was born in Independence, KS April 11th, 1943, to Olin and Josie Lakin. Sue always spoke fondly of her childhood in the country.

She met the love of her life, Donald Ira Gossett, in Independence and married in 1961. They were blessed to welcome two active boys Eric and Chad. Donald and Sue raised their boys in Shawnee and later in life moved to Baldwin City to return to the country living that they loved. Sue loved traveling with Donald and family later in life, whether it was Ireland, a quilting show, or Model A Club events. She loved spending time with her family, quilting, and in the garden.

Sue's passion for helping people led her to become a nurse. The last 35 years of her career focused on Cardiac Rehab as a result of Donald having heart issues at a young age. Donald had a heart transplant in 1999 and they were lifelong advocates for organ donation. She retired from Olathe Medical Center Cardiac Rehab after 40 years of nursing. The impact on her peers and patients is immense which we saw in her last days as they cared for her.

Sue was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years Donald Ira Gossett and her son Eric Alan Gossett.

Sue is survived by her son Chad and wife Mirian, daughter-in-law Shelly, granddaughters Cherie and husband Travis Geary, Chante, Calah and husband Bobby Courtney, Rayanna and husband Cody McMoran, great grandchildren, Calliope, Joe, Elodie, Dawn, Cooper, a baby girl on the way, and sisters-in-law Jean Lakin, Linda Hill.

In lieu of flowers, if you feel so led to contribute, Sue would have loved to see your support of Donate Life which we have attached a link.

The memorial will take place March 16th 10am at Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home followed by a reception with light refreshments.

Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home  
14275 S Black Bob Rd.  
Olathe, KS 66062



### Bulletin Board

Place notices and advertise items for sale. No charge for members and other individuals selling their own items. The Club has voted to include ads from other local Model A Clubs. \*\*\*Items will run in three issues, unless renewed or canceled. Date of first insertion is in parenthesis.\*\*\*

Commercial Business ads are: business card size - \$25.00 per year; quarter page size - \$35.00 per year; and half page size - \$50.00 per year. Fees for commercial ads includes a free subscription to the Club's monthly newsletter, The Plain Dealer.

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Ken and Fran Coleman

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- Provide Digital Copy of *The Restorer* (email required): Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
  - Email: \_\_\_\_\_
- I give MAFCA permission to publish my name and contact information: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

### **Benefits of Membership in MAFCA**

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**PLAIN OL' A'S MODEL A FORD CLUB  
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Has any of the above information changed since the last Roster? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal dues are \$25.00 per year (**DUE BY DECEMBER 31**) and include an email version of the newsletter.

\_\_\_\_\_ Include a hard copy of the newsletter in addition to the email version with my membership renewal for **an additional annual charge of \$10.00.**

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\_\_\_\_\_ New Members may include **an optional .85 cents per month** for a hard copy of the newsletter along with their free email copy.

\_\_\_\_\_ Would you be willing to serve refreshments at a membership meeting?

Birthdate(s) (MM/DD) \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary Date (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this application and your check payable to Plain Ol' A's to:

**Bob Hess, Treasurer**

**12731 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64145**

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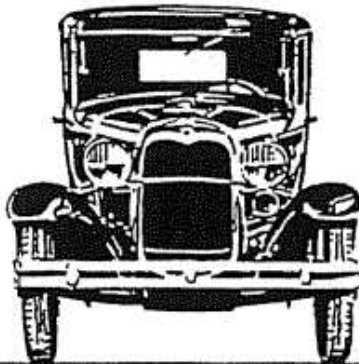


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