

THE PLAIN DEALER

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October 2024

The Club meets
the 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m
Tomahawk Ridge Community Center
11902 Lowell Ave., Overland Park, KS 66213

Next Meeting
Monday
October 28, 2024

www.plainolas.com

Meeting Location

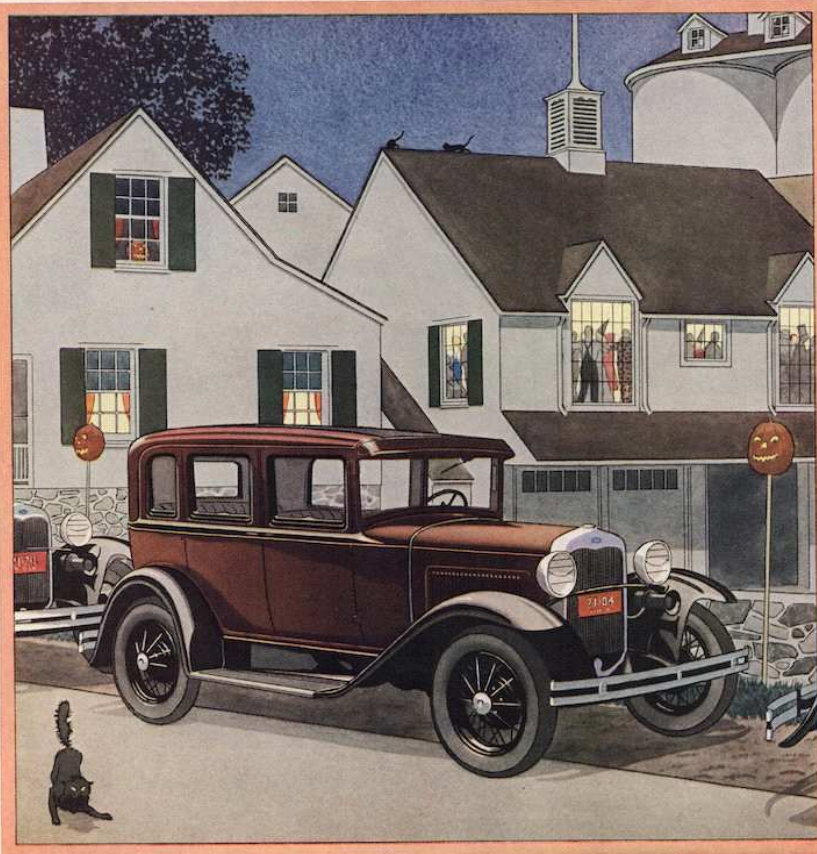
Our meeting location for the balance of the year (October and November) is the Tomahawk Ridge Community Center at 11902 Lowell Ave OP KS 66213. It is 3 blocks East of Antioch on 119th, the south side of 119th.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 2024						
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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 8th of the month.

Address Changes

Bob and Delores Goodridge #209
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Overland Park, KS 66210

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Mission, KS 66202

Delete: Phone
913-299-8384

Cell phones remain the same:
Vicky 913-908-5224
Bruce 913-626-0376

Sunshine Report

Hi Everyone,

It's starting to feel like fall at night - love these cool evenings!

I haven't heard from anyone, so hope everyone is doing well.

The Smeltzers don't normally have much to share, but we have had quite a September. John started the month off with an infection in his inner ear that took several weeks to heal. Then our youngest daughter, Claire, flipped over her bicycle handlebars when trying to signal, brake and turn all at the same time. Both elbows were fractured, however, she was wearing a helmet and suffered no head or other injuries. Neither arm required a cast and she ended up moving in with us for a few weeks until she was on the mend. Our final big thing was that my sister and niece, who both live in Australia, were state-side for most of September and spent a few days with us. We had a great time visiting and took the Model "A" out for a few spins!

If you know of anyone needing a card, please call or email me and I'll get one sent out from the group!

Ahooga On!

Deborah Smeltzer
913-526-6977

September 23, 2024 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on September 23, 2024, at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center. President Andy Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Guests and New Members-No guests or new members 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-Fran Coleman is recovering from back surgery. Alan South was not feeling well.

Seminars-No seminars are planned.

Tours-The following activities are being planned:

- October 3-Cedar Lake Village car show
- October 5-Turner Barn car show
- October 18-20-Tour to Manhattan
- June 15-22-National tour

Car Shows-

- September 28-Blue Springs car show
- October 3-Cedar Lake Village car show
- October 5-Eudora car show
- October 6-Lawrence car show

Ladies' Night Out-We will eat at Metropolitan Steak House no October 23.

Webmaster-Joe was not at the meeting. He is working on sign-up forms.

Meeting Location-We will meet at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center through November. Andy is exploring other options, such as the Monticello Historical Society.

Christmas Party-The Christmas party will be held on December 8 at Embassy Suites.

Refreshments-Refreshments were provided by Dennis and Jennifer Moore and Darrell and Debbie Burks. We will need a new refreshments coordinator.

Nancy Hess, Secretary

Refreshments

The paper plates, plastic silverware, napkins, tablecloths, and cups are provided.

If you are not able to serve, please contact Andy Dugan at 816-548-7436 or andug125@gmail.com as soon as you can.

Thank you, everyone for helping!

Andy Dugan

Treasurer's Report - September 2024

Income		
New Member Dues	\$20.00	
Total Income		<u>\$20.00</u>
Expenses		
July, Aug. & Sept.		
Newsletter	109.68	
Matt Ross Community		
Center Rent	\$60.00	
Total Expenses		<u>-169.68</u>
Interest		\$1.81

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

Refreshment Coordinator

Plain Ol' A's is looking for a Refreshment Coordinator.

Duties: Organizing volunteers to provide refreshments from a list provided by the Treasurer.

By the 8th of each month, email an article to Joyce Tweedy for the newsletter.

Email the families providing the refreshments for the month. Later in the month, follow up with the families. Individual families are to let you know, as soon as they can, if they are unable to provide the refreshments. If needed, rearrange the schedule.

Providers have been scheduled through March 2025.

Bring to the monthly meeting a small box of necessary supplies.

Plain Ol' A's Refreshments

2024

Oct. 28 Alan South & Georgia Bianchi
 Ross & Toni Warnell

Nov. 25 Dennis & Debbie Burks
 Keith & Kathy Nesbitt

2025

Jan. 27 John & Deborah Smeltzer
 Bill and Deb Hills

Feb. 24 Ed & Millie Jankowski
 Ron & Theresa Guenther

Mar. 24 Bill & Bernice Lindley
 Dennis & Janet Cawley

October Ladies Night Out

October Ladies Night Out will be October 23

Sponsored by: Ron & Theresa Guenther

Place: Metropolitan SteakHouse
1501 Metropolitan
Kansas Leavenworth KS
66048

If you plan to attend and have not signed up, call or email Ron and Theresa at 913-682-2545 Home
Email ronsaresto@yahoo.com.

2024 Ladies Night Out

Ladies Night Out 2024 Sponsor Sign Up

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



Christine South	October 7
Georgia Bianchi	October 15
JB Hodgdon	October 16
Al Prothe	October 19
Bob Goodrich	October 22
Bob Hess	October 30
Carletta Beeson-Allen	October 31

Ross & Toni Warnell	October 2
Joe & Joanie Nicholas	October 10
Steve & Julie Woerdehoff	October 15
JB & Anne Hodgdon	October 26

Tours 2024

October 3rd- Cedar Lake Village Car Show, We had several club members turn out for this car show.

October 5th- Turner Barn Car Show. We had a great breakfast at the airport. The club had seven Model As at the show and several other cars

October 18th & 19th we are finishing our Salina trip with a tour back to Manhattan to do the car museum and other museums. We will meet in Olathe at McDonalds (I-35 & 151st Street) on Friday October 18th at 8:30 and leave at 9:00. We will come home on Saturday October 19th. If you have not signed up to go and would like to join us Please contact me.

November 2nd- Fall Color Tour to Garnett, KS. We will meet at McDonalds in Olathe (i35 & 151 Street) at 9:00 and leave at 9:30. When we get to Garnett we will have lunch at the Dutch Country Cafe. I will have a signup sheet at the next meting or you can contact me if you would like to go.

I am looking for somewhere to go later in November for a Cold Weather Tour. If you have suggestions Please let me know.

We have already started making plans for the National Tour next June. We have several club members signed up to go. If you would like to join us Please let me know and I will get you the information on what we have planned.

If you have ideas for tours Please let me know.

Thanks,



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

2024 Calendar

- October 3 Cedar Lake Village Car Show
- October 5 Turner Barn Car Show
- October 19-20 Finish Salina Tour to Manhattan
- October 23 Ladies' Night Out
- October 28 POA Meeting

- November 2 Fall Color Tour to Garnett, KS
- TBD Cold Weather Tour
- November 25 POA Meeting

- December 8 Christmas Party



Henry Ford's First and Last Race

In the early days of the automobile, it was not the practical uses of the new invention that attracted the most widespread attention, but rather the thrill of motor sports. The always entrepreneurial Henry Ford, who had been constructing automobiles since 1896, recognized the public's enthusiasm for the new sport, and so sought to establish his name as a racing manufacturer and driver.

On October 10, 1901, Henry Ford drove one of his automobiles for the first and last time in an automobile race. Sponsored by the Detroit Racing Club and held at the Grosse Point Race Track in Michigan, Ford pattered up to the starting line of the main ten-lap race in an automobile he had constructed earlier in the summer with engineer Oliver Barthel. Ford's competitors were the famed Alexander Winston and another driver who withdrew just before the start of the race because of a mechanical problem. The experienced Winston was clearly the superior driver, but fortune proved to be in Ford's favor as Winston's machine began leaving a trail of smoke after three laps, and he had to withdraw. Although Ford won the race and the kind of public acclaim he had hoped for, he found the experience so terrifying that he retired as a competitive driver, reportedly explaining that "once is enough."

Nevertheless, Ford continued to construct automobiles for motor racing, and a year later Barney Oldfield drove into motor racing history in Ford's 999 racer, kicking off a legendary driving career and winning Ford his first major racing victory. With the prestige of racing under his belt, Ford went on to establish the Ford Motor Company in the following year, making a fortune as he pioneered the modern assembly-line manufacturing that put the automobile within the average American's reach. But motor racing still remained important to the Ford Motor Company, and today Ford is the only automaker that can lay claim to victory in the Indy 500, Daytona 500, twenty-four hours of LeMans and Daytona, twelve hours of Sebring, the Monte Carlo Rallye, and the Baja 1000.

(from History.com)



Henry Ford's first racing car called "Sweepstakes." The photo is from the Henry Ford Museum at www.henryford.org.

Maffi Minute

Model A Friends,

I usually write this message from my kitchen table in Wisconsin, but this message is about as close to live as you can get: I'm at Hickory Corners at the Model A Museum on the eve of Model A Days 2024!

The Trustees, friends and family ---and the Grape A's Model A Club-- have been working out at the museum all day to get everything ready for tomorrow (setting up tables, tents, moving cars, cleaning and polishing). It's a bittersweet excitement because we usually work next to Trustee and Grape A member, Jerry Morrissey, who lost his battle with cancer a few short weeks ago and we miss him so much! He always headed up this day, so to not see his cheerful face is difficult.

But, on a brighter note, the attached photo is the expansion in progress. It's great to see what's happening after a year of fundraising! (Many thanks to all of you!) And, because it's the eve of Model A Days and the bus won't be unveiled for 24 hours, I'll have to wait with that picture until next month, but if you've been following the progress on Facebook, you know she's a beauty now.

Drive those A's and mark your calendar for next year's Model A Days (third weekend in September, the 19th and 20th of 2025), so you can see the museum expansion for yourself!

Cindy Ellenbecker, MAFFI Trustee, Secretary

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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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Model A Ford Club of America
250 S. Cypress St.
La Habra, CA 90631-5515





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Model & Year of Model A's: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy # _____

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Are you a member of MAFCA? _____ MARC? _____ How long have you owned a Model A? _____

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

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_____ New Member (dues are \$13.00 plus \$1.00 for each month remaining in the year).

_____ 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

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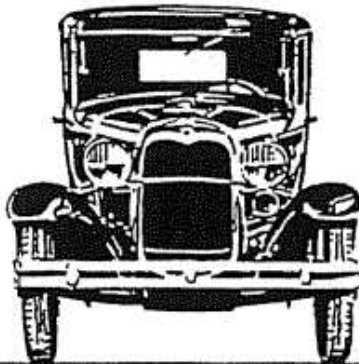
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