

THE PLAIN DEALER

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April 2023

The Club meets
the 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m.
Shawnee Masonic Lodge

Next Meeting
Monday
April 24, 2023

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President's Message

It is April. Spring has arrived and it is beautiful outside, so I'll be brief.

In lieu of spending time reading another of my rambling messages, this month

- Go fix your Model A
- Go wash your Model A
- Go drive your Model A ...and take someone with you that has never been in a Model A. They can wave back to all the admirers while you watch the road. It will be a thrill for them. It will be a thrill for you too.

There are lots of club activities coming up for you and your car this season. Get ready.

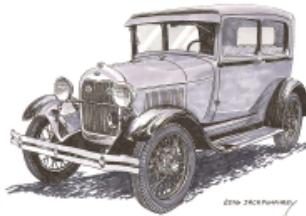
Ahoooga On!

- John Smeltzer, President

Note Monthly Meeting Time Change

The April 2023 Plain Ol' A's monthly membership meeting will start at 7:00 pm.

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Roster

The Club Roster will be printed and mailed to the membership by the end of April. If you have not renewed your dues, this is your last chance to renew and be included in the roster and receive a copy of the Club's newsletter.

If you have changed your contact information in the last year, and did not fill out a registration form when you renewed your membership, please contact Bob Hess or me with your current information.

Thanks.

- Joyce Tweedy

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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.

Sunshine Report

Happy April!

Spring is finally here and I hope that everyone is able to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather. John and I missed seeing everyone at the meeting in March and hope everyone is doing well.

No cards were sent in March. Please let me know if there are any cards that should be sent in April to let members know we are thinking of them.

Deborah Smeltzer, Sunshine Chair

April Lady's Night Out

will be hosted by
Bill and Deb Hills

on April 19th at 6:00

at

K&M BBQ
603 N Webster
Spring Hill, KS



March 2023 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on March 27, 2022, at the Masonic Hall. Vice-President Andy Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:30 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.

Certificate-The club received a certificate from MAFCA for 40 years of MAFCA membership.

Sunshine Report-The sunshine chairman was not present.

Ladies' Night Out-We will eat at K and M Barbeque on April 19.

Seminars-A seminar on rebuilding water pumps is being planned for April 1.

Tours-The following activities are being planned:

- April 15 Breakfast and board meeting at Golden Corral
- April 23 Heart of America dinner at V's Restaurant
- April 22 Tour to Louisburg
- April 29 CraneWorks factory tour
- May 13 Youth event
- June 11-16 Regional meet in Breckenridge CO
- July 16-21 National tour

Car Shows-The following shows are being considered:

- April 15 Eudora technical school car show
- June 17 Olathe Ford
- July 16 Great American Car Show at Liberty Memorial

Website-The calendar has been synchronized between Facebook and the website.

Meeting Time-Beginning with the April meeting, meetings will begin at **7:00 PM**.

Refreshments-Refreshments were provided by Ross Warnell and Keith Nesbitt.

Nancy Hess, Secretary

Treasurer's Report - March 2023

Income	
Dues	\$150.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$150.00

Expenses	
DeSoto Park Rental	\$25.00
Chinet Cups	10.99
TOTAL EXPENSES	-\$35.99

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 (913-481-6658; fc Coleman@gmail.com). Thank you, everyone for helping!

Fran Coleman

<u>Plain Ol' A's Refreshments</u>	
<u>2023</u>	
Apr 24th	Bob & Donna Pettit Bill & Deb Hills
June 26 th	Steve & Julie Woerdehoff Joe & Joanie Nicholas
July 24th	Bill & Bernice Lindley Cort Miller & Karen Garber-Miller
Aug 28th	Darrell & Deb Enloe Janet & Dennis Crowley
Sept 25th	Bob & Nancy Hess Robert Montgomery
Oct. 23 rd	Dave & Sue Ryan Harvey & Vicky Rosenberry

Tours 2023

Look at the 2023 calendar that I have started to see what is planned so far. I hope you will be able to join us.

I hope everyone had a Happy Easter. Well spring is here and April is a busy month.

April 15th we have a Club Board Meeting.

Also on the 15th the Eudora High School is having their Fundraiser Car Show from 9:00- 3:00. The show is at 2203 Church Street.

April 22nd we will have a "Blow the Dust Off Tour" to Louisburg. We can have lunch at Miss Bees and stop by the Cider Mill. We will meet at the McDonald's (S Harrison (K7) and Hamilton Circle) at 9:30 and leave at 10:00. If you did not sign up at the last meeting and would like to go, please let me know.

April 29th Saturday: We will be the guests of Dave Collis and tour CraneWorks Inc at 100 Paniplus Roadway, Olathe, to tour his factory and private museum of Vatican art. Then we're off to his house nearby at 1107 S Cedar Hills Drive, Olathe, to view his farm buildings of old cars, trucks, motorcycles, farm machinery and "stuff". Finally we'll add some calories at Johnny's BBQ for lunch at 1375 W Old 56 Hwy, Olathe. We will meet at the factory at 9:30. If you didn't signup at the last meeting and would like to go, please let me know.

May is Model A Youth Month. On May 13th we will join the Heart of America Club at Lance Burton's house to help the Boy Scouts with their Automotive Merit Badge. See separate article for more information. I will have a sign up sheet for help at the April POA meeting.

I have been working with Chuck Lewis from the Heart of America Club on tours and events. We are coming up with some interesting ideas for places to see. I will keep you informed of what we are doing.

If you have ideas for tours or places to see Please let me know.

Thanks,

Bill Hills
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913-406-2085

Burma Shave Signs - from 1930

HINKY DINKY
PARLEY VOO
CHEER UP FACE
THE WAR
IS THRU
BURMA-SHAVE

ARE YOUR WHISKERS
WHEN YOU WAKE
TOUGHER THAN
A TWO-BIT STEAK?
TRY
BURMA-SHAVE

THO STIFF
THE BEARD
THAT NATURE GAVE
IT SHAVES LIKE DOWN
WITH
BURMA-SHAVE

SHAVING BRUSHES
YOU'LL SOON SEE 'EM
ON THE SHELF
IN SOME
MUSEUM
BURMA-SHAVE

1880 A.D.
STRAIGHT RAZOR AND
SHAVING SOAP
1930 A.D.
SAFETY RAZOR AND
BURMA-SHAVE

DOES YOUR HUSBAND
MISBEHAVE
GRUNT AND GRUMBLE
RANT AND RAVE
SHOOT THE BRUTE SOME
BURMA-SHAVE

2023 Calendar

- April 15 POA Board Meeting
- April 19 Ladies' Night Out
- April 22 Blow the Dust-Off Tour
- April 23 Heart of America Club's 60th Anniversary celebration at V's Restaurant
- April 24 POA Meeting @ 7:00
- April 29 CraneWorks Inc. Tour

- May 13 Youth Month at Lance Burton's
- May 22 POA Meeting
- May 29 POA Picnic

- June 11-16 Regional Meeting in Breckenridge, CO. You can find the registration info at MAFCC.org.
- June 26 POA Meeting @ 7:00
- June 29 The 2023 Great Race will stop in Emporia for lunch.

- July 4 Fourth of July Parade - Lenexa
- July 16-21 National Tour- Indiana/Michigan
- July 24 POA Meeting @ 7:00





- Theresa Guenther April 3
- Doug Belt April 8
- Steve Woerdehoff April 15
- Harvey Rosenberry April 16
- Deb Enloe April 17
- Bruce Mills April 19
- Millie Jankowski April 26
- Billie Aye April 28
- Dick Knapp April 29
- Daniel Montero April 29

- Daniel & Mary Montero April 14
- Dave & Sue Ryan April 15



Memorial Day Picnic

The Memorial Day picnic will be held on May 29 at DeSoto Park. Try and be there by 11:00 and it is bring your own lunch. During the lunch we will have a short meeting.

After the lunch and meeting we will do an ice cream tour and grab a little dessert.

- Andy Dugan

The Heart of America Model A Ford Club



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celebrate Sixty years
of Model A'ing!*

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Independence, MO 64055

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Dinner at 5:00pm

RSVP by April 15th

Jody Layne

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MAFCA Congratulates the Plain Ol' A's on 40 Years!


 Model A Ford Club of America
 250 South Cypress La Habra, California 90631-5586
 562-697-2712

January 15, 2023

PLAIN OL'A'S
 Bob Hess
 PO BOX 860782
 SHAWNEE, KS 66286

Dear Bob,

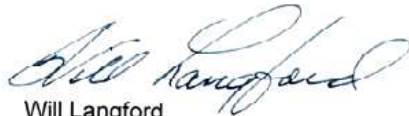
Enclosed is the MAFCA 40 Year Longevity Award. This award represents our appreciation for your Chapter's long-term efforts in support of our great hobby.

The members of your chapter have continued the very important tradition of maintaining the history and heritage of the Model "A" Ford.

We look forward to many more years of your Chapters continued participation and contribution to perpetuating this noble pastime.

The MAFCA Board of Directors congratulates you and your entire chapter on achieving this milestone.

Very truly yours,



Will Langford
 MAFCA 2023 Chapter Coordinator
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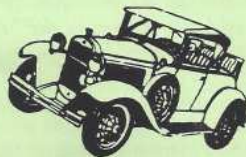


Another Blast from the Past from the April, 1993 Plain Dealer.

IT STARTED WITH A 1930 CHEVY AND A MODEL A PICNIC



by Ralph Haggard



In 1962 I worked in an office in downtown K.C. A co-worker saw an advertisement in the paper ... a 1930 Chevrolet Coupe for sale for \$150. He couldn't get out of the office that day, so he asked me to look at the car for him. The car started and sounded good. The owner said that it had sat in a field near Girard, Kansas. They had pulled it in, got it running, and painted it black all over. They left very cracked fenders and two bullet holes. My friend at work said he would pass as he had just bought a Model A truck.

The more I thought about this car the more I wanted it. So I said in passing if I had the extra money I'd buy it. My co-worker said that he needed body work on the truck so he would pay for the car and I could work on his truck in exchange. I bought it and drove it home. My wife at that time wasn't happy about this at all. The old car was the start of the divorce.

I worked on it for a year. A guy that lived on the block behind me watched the restoration and when I finished he asked me to go to a Model A picnic at Swope Park. I went and they talked me into joining the Heart of America Model A Club. Before my money got cool they

wanted to know when I would be getting a Model A.

I was going to Atherton, Missouri, one day and saw a Model A setting at a house trailer on the way. So on the way back I stopped and as I pulled into the driveway, I saw another Model A. He had a '28 Sport Coupe and a '31 Tudor. So I made a deal that I would do the body work and paint the sport coupe in trade for the '31.

After about two months I took the Sport Coupe back to the man and picked up the '31. Tony Pace pulled my Model A to his place and we pulled and rebuilt the engine. We put hydraulic brakes on it over the winter. By now it was the spring of 1964 and everyone was driving their Model A's. I still had a long way to go.

When I took the old top off there was another one beneath it. I took it off and found that I needed wood. I couldn't wait so I put the top on as best as I could.

I didn't strip the paint either. I painted lacquer over enamel. I had to stand back a long way so the finish wouldn't raise.

Later, I found a '30-'31 sport

coupe body in Independence, Missouri. I bought it for \$65, so you know that for that money it was terrible condition. I had to buy a coupe body to cut panels out of to weld into this thing. It had been turned over. The right door had to be replaced. It had been dragged along the ground by a hook in the firewall bulging it out and bending the only cross brace holding the sides together. Tony Pace and I worked all of the winter of 1967 on the body. So in the spring of '68 I replaced the Tudor body had a '31 Sport Coupe.

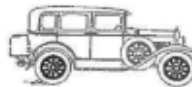
By 1980, I hadn't driven the "A" for about a year. So I drove it to the office. I parked in an underground parking garage which was rather dark. I locked the "A." This was the only time it was ever locked because you don't lock a rag top, but I did. I was in the office for an hour and a half. I came back to find my "A" stolen. After three months of fighting the insurance company paid for the car.

I bought the 1930 Delux Coupe that I have now at Bosworth, Missouri. Dorothy and I restored it and it's been happy motoring ever since.

Ralph Haggard

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**PLAIN OL' A'S MODEL A FORD CLUB
NEW AND RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Last Name: _____ Home Phone: _____
 First: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Spouse: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Has any of the above information changed since the last Roster? _____

Model & Year of Model A's: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy # _____

Are you interested in Touring? _____ Seminars? _____ Need Help with your Model A? _____

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.

_____ 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.**

_____ 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) _____

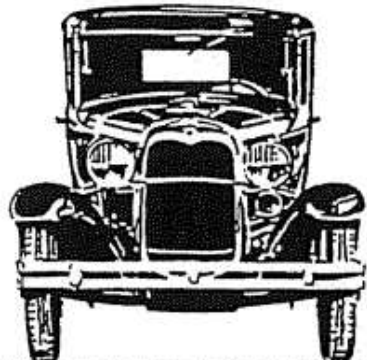
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