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the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 7:30 p.m.  
Shawnee Masonic Lodge

Next Meeting  
Monday  
August 23, 2021

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## President's Message

While preparing for the POA Board Meeting earlier this month, I took the opportunity to surf around and review the websites and newsletters of the surrounding Model A clubs. I thought I might find some different ideas. I didn't. What I learned was that maybe they should be taking a look at what we're doing.

We have 74 paid memberships and 11 honorary memberships. In the past year, we did lots of tours and a ton of car shows. We get pretty good participation. Meeting attendance wavered during Covid but it is coming back. We're planning a regional meet for next year. We are doing OK!

Something that they are doing, which we are not, is sharing memories in the newsletter. I believe it would be entertaining and valuable to read member-submitted stories. It would help build a better understanding of the quirky individuals with whom we share this sub-culture. Some ideas are:

- How did you get interested in Model As?
- My first/favorite Model A
- Funny/exciting Model mishap
- Passing along love of Model As

Make us laugh. Make us cry ...but don't make us yawn! If you have trouble with the written word, enlist help. Don't let facts stand in the way. With "invented truths," a good story can be improved, and a poor story is redeemed. If the story causes minor embarrassment, even better...but steer away from outright libel...and patent plagiarism. We don't want a lawsuit to be the "funny" anecdote that gets retold in "The Plain Dealer."

Ahoouoga On!

- John Smeltzer, President

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## Newsletter Articles

Information for the newsletter should be sent to Joyce Tweedy. Her email address is [jtweedy@swansonbernard.com](mailto: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.

## Facebook

Plain Ol' A's is now on Facebook: Search For "Plain Ol' A's" and request to join the Private Group.

## MAFCA Membership

There is a membership form to MAFCA in the back of the newsletter for anyone who is interested.

## Refreshments

It was decided at the July meeting, that at this time, the club will not restart refreshments at the monthly meetings. This will be readdressed at the November meeting.

- Fran Coleman

## Sunshine Report

No new injuries, falls, etc. were shared this month and those undergoing treatment all appear to be doing well and have been able to participate in the monthly meetings and other club activities. Everyone give yourselves a pat on the back!

Please send your news, happy or sad, to Deborah Smeltzer at [Deborah.smeltzer@gmail.com](mailto:Deborah.smeltzer@gmail.com) or call Deborah at [913-526-6977](tel:913-526-6977).

Deborah Smeltzer

## I'm Honored

Thanks so much to the Board and members of the Plain Ol' A's for awarding me the Bob Swigert Award. I'm honored to have been selected!!

I started preparing the newsletter at the request of Ken Britt many years ago. I've lost track of how many years Joyce Tweedy and I have been preparing the newsletter, but we're pleased to be able to support the Club.

Thanks again!

- Jim Bernard

## July 2021 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on July 26, 2021, at the Shawnee Masonic Lodge. President John Smeltzer called the meeting to order.

Guests and New Members-There was one guest present at the meeting, Drew Helgelsen. Drew knew about the club through his friendship with Dean Weller. Drew owns a 1930 American Austin.

Minutes-The June 2021 minutes were approved as published in The Plain Dealer.

Treasurer's Report-The report from Bob Hess was postponed until the August meeting.

Sunshine Report-A sympathy cards was sent to Deana Weller and get well cards were sent to both JB Hodgdon and George & Marceil Lauppe. Ed Jankowski shared that the George and Marceil have moved to Presbyterian Manor in Lawrence, Kansas.

Ladies' Night Out-Ladies' Night Out resumed in July with almost 30 club members meeting at Jumpin' Catfish on July 21st for dinner. The Reads will host Ladies' Night Out in August on Wednesday, August 18th at Olive Garden at 6:00 p.m. Olive Gardens is located at 95th and Glenwood. All slots for the remainder of 2021 Ladies' Night Out events are filled.

Newsletter-Bill Hills was asked to contact Jim Bernard to see if he would prefer to receive the Bob Swigert plaque in person the next time he is in town or have it mailed to him. The picture taken at the 4th of July Parade has been sent to The Restorer for publication.

Tours-The following activities are tentatively being planned:

- August 2021 - day trip to Spring Creek Classic Car and Truck Museum in Wetmore, Kansas with a picnic lunch. Meet at McDonald's in Bonner Springs at 8:30; depart at 9:00.
- Sept 10-Sept 12th - the Northwest Club in St. Joseph, MO is planning a trip to Nebraska. The tour will start in Platte City.
- November-Veteran's Day parade in Leavenworth.

### Car Shows:

- Shawnee Town- September 12, October 13
- Connect55+ Car Show-September 18 (Connect55+ is a senior living community in Olathe, KS at 135th and Greenwood.
- HyVee - August 21, October 30

Christmas Party-The Christmas party will be held at the Embassy Suites on December 5; plated lunch and gift exchange. Ed is working on finalizing the registration form for the newsletter.

Refreshments - The group decided to put meeting refreshments on hold for the rest of the year. The group will revisit having refreshments at the January 2022 meeting.

Website - Joe asked that members send him pictures of recent and upcoming tours to post on the website. The newsletters have been organized on the website so that the most recent newsletters are at top.

Business Cards-Lynn Lackey shared prototype cards at both the 4th of July Parade and the July meeting. Lynn will be printing up more cards that will include the monthly meeting time and location.

Bottle Jack Stabilizer - These small devices are designed to stabilize and dramatically increase safety. At the June meeting, Ken Coleman discussed making these small devices for personal use and as a possible money maker at the regional meet. Since the June meeting, Ken learned that we need to know the size of the jack head as they vary. Ken asked for a motion to include an article in the newsletter to share more about the stabilizers and to gauge interest in making the stabilizers. The motion was seconded and passed.

Memorials - it was discussed whether the club should purchase a brick in honor of Dean Weller for the Gilmore Museum. This topic needs further discussion and will be addressed at future meetings.

- Deborah Smeltzer

## Treasurer's Report - July 2021

### Income

July Interest	\$1.06	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$1.06</b>

### Expenses

No Activity		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

Ending Balance \$1.06

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

## Ladies' Night Out

Date: August 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.  
 Where: Olive Garden, 6750 W. 95<sup>th</sup> Street, Overland Park, KS 66212  
 Hosts: Justin and Theresa Read  
 8160721-8608 (Theresa)

### Bottle Jacks - Safety First

Bottle jacks are very reliable, but not always safe around the Model A Ford. We wish to manufacture a fixture to help insure your bottle jack stays put. As a chapter project, we will be making the top that fits atop the jack as shown. This fixture will fit down over the adjustable stem on your bottle jack. It would help keep a front axle in the structure and would center on the curvature of the rear axle. Since jacks come in different size necks, we need to know what sizes will be required for these adjustable neck extensions on your jack. Metal pipe comes in three sizes that we might be considering. Steel pipe comes with inside diameters of 3/4, 1, and 1 1/2 inch sizes. We might be able to manufacture these in a \$10 to \$15 price range.



We need to know if anyone is interested and what size the top of your jack is. Measure yours and bring the measurement to the August 23rd meeting or email to ken Coleman at kcoleman555@gmail.com.

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## Plain Ol' A's Calendar 2021

- August 21            HyVee Car Show 18101 W 119th street, Olathe, KS 66062 - 10 AM - 2 PM
- August 23            POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
- August 28            Spring Creek Classic Car & truck Museum Tour, Wetmore, KS
  
- Sept. 10, 11, 12      Nebraska Tour with Northwest Club
- September 12        Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck & Bike Show- 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
- September 18        Car Show at Connect 55+ Olathe 13350 S Greenwood St, Olathe, KS 66062  
(135th and Greenwood across from Menard's) Saturday 10AM-1PM
- September 27**      POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
  
- October 2            Turner Barn Car Show- 10:00- 2:00. Lunch will be provided
- October 13            History on Tap- Immigration: Through a Modern Lens- 7 PM Old Shawnee Town
- October 25            POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
- October 30            HyVee Car Show - 10:00 am
  
- November 22        POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
  
- December 5          POA Christmas Party (Registration Form on page 13)

### Car Shows

- August 21 HyVee Car Show 18101 W. 119<sup>th</sup> Street, Olathe, KS 66061- 10 AM - 2 PM (Contact: Bill Hills)
- September 12 Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck & Bike Show at Shawnee Town 1 - 4 PM
- September 18 Car Show at Connect 55+ Olathe, 13350 S. Greenwood St., Olathe, KS 66062 (135th and Greenwood across from Menard's) Saturday 10AM-1PM (Contact: Bill Hills)



- October 2 Turner Barn Car Show, 19805 Moonlight Rd., Gardner, KS 66030, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Contact: Bill Hills)
- October 13 History on Tap - Immigration: Through a Modern Lens 7 PM at Old Shawnee Town; Car Show 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
- October 30 HyVee Car Show 18101 W. 119<sup>th</sup> St., Olathe, KS 66061 - 10 AM - 2 PM



Mike Sleep sent me this photo of the Turner Barn car event last year. -  
Justin Read

# Tours

**August-** There is a car show at HyVee on August 21st from 10:00 - 2:00. This is the HyVee at 18101 W 119th street in Olathe.

I have set up a tour to Spring Creek Classic Car and Truck Museum in Wetmore, Kansas, on August 28th. We will meet at the McDonald's in Bonner Springs at 8:30 and leave at 9:00.

Spring Creek Classic Car and Truck Museum is in an old Chrysler/Plymouth dealership and has several different classic cars and trucks. They also have a restored gas station next door. It looks like an interesting museum. We will do a picnic lunch in Wetmore. I'm hoping we can do the picnic at the museum. I will check with them to see if that is OK. On the way home we will try to find some place for dessert or ice cream. If you haven't signed up and would like to go Please email or call me.

**September-** The Northwest Club has invited us to join them on a tour to Brownville, Nebraska, September 10-12. Ken Coleman sent out the invitation to the club. I hope everyone has seen Ken's email.

Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck, & Bike Show is September 12th from 1:00- 4:00.

Car Show at Connect 55+ is September 18th from 10:00- 1:00. Connect 55+ is at 13350 S Greenwood Street, Olathe (across from Menard's on 135th).

**October-** The Turner Barn Car Show is October 2nd from 10:00- 2:00. Turner Barn is at the corner of 199th street and Moonlight road, south of Gardner. Lunch will be provided. Turner Barn would like a head count for lunch so I will have a sign-up sheet at the August meeting and a final sign-up sheet at the September meeting.

I am working with Terry Richardson on a fall color tour up toward St. Joe. More to come after I meet with Terry in a couple of weeks.

I hope you are getting you cars out on nice day and driving them.

Bill Hills

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## 2021 Plain Ol' A's Annual Christmas Banquet

As we return to normalcy the club directors felt it appropriate to schedule the club's annual Christmas banquet and gift exchange. December is a ways off and a majority of people have been vaccinated for the virus. The proper protocol will be taken at the banquet based on directions at that time. The banquet will be at a new venue, The Embassy Suites in Olathe located at 10401 South Ridgeview Road (just south of the intersection of HWY-10 and Ridgeview Road interchange) on December 5, 2021. A banquet room has been reserved from noon to 3:00 P.M. The plated lunch buffet will be promptly served at 12:30 P.M. Entrees will be citrus crusted chicken breast, seasonal risotto and smoked maple mustard jus for \$29.00 and Scottish salmon, local grain risotto, and caper-raisin emulsion for \$33.00. They will include a 3 bar house salad consisting of spring greens, tomatoes, carrot, cucumbers, ranch and balsamic dressing and a New York cheesecake dessert with fresh whipped seasonal garish.

Please use the form on page 13 to select your plated entree for the Christmas Banquet and send the form along with your check to Bob Hess **no later than November 22, 2021.**

A detailed notice regarding the gift exchange will follow prior to the banquet date.

- Ed Jankowski

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## Nebraska Tour

The Plain Ol' A's have been invited to join the NWMO club on a weekend tour in eastern Nebraska.

The NWMO club is going on a 3-day tour to Nebraska as described in the attached brochure. Please share the info with your club and let them know all are welcome! It's shaping up to be a great tour, with our hotel being a B&B on a docked river boat! Let me know if there are any questions I can answer about the tour.

Sherry Winkinhofer  
Northwest Missouri Model A Ford Club

## Nebraska Tour September 10-12th 2021!

### Travel Guide along our way!

#### Friday 9/10

Meeting at the McDonalds in Platte City, we head out to connect with the Glacial Hills Scenic Byway that starts in Leavenworth and continues thru Atchison. The Glacial Hills Scenic Byway gets its name from the gently rolling hills and rock-strewn valleys carved by glaciers that once covered the land. The scenic drive continues north to the Nebraska through fields and prairies that arc over rolling hills sculpted by glaciers some 10,000 years ago. Our first stop is planned for Troy Kansas where there will be a restroom stop, and an opportunity to check out a few attractions at the courthouse square.



**The Peter Toth Indian Monument** "Tall Oak" monument sits in the courtyard of the Doniphan County Courthouse. This Monument was sculpted from a Burr Oak log 67 inches in diameter, and at the time it fell, stood 100 feet tall. It is now sculpted to a height of 27 feet. Sculptor Peter Toth was born in 1947, behind the Iron Curtain in Hungary, and was one of 11 children. He was taught wood carving by his father before they fled with 200,000 other Hungarians after a violent anti-communist uprising. Traveling by train and foot, they crossed the icy swamps into Yugoslavia, and stayed in refugee camps. Peter was just 11 years old. Eventually they relocated to Akron, OH. Inspired by John F. Kennedy's famous quote "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country," he set out to do an homage to the plight of the American Indian in every state,

beginning his work in 1972. Toth took no money for his art, but sometimes accepted help with living expenses as he carved his way across the country. He works with cities, park departments, chambers of commerce, etc., to erect the giant sculptures. He has now finished at least one monument to the Native Americans in each state.

**The Statue of Liberty Replica** placed on the courthouse lawn is one of more than 200 replica Statue of Liberty's which were placed in 39 states plus Guam, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, and the Philippines between 1949 and 1951. The statues were placed in celebration of the Boy Scouts 40th Anniversary with the theme "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty." Each of the statues made of stamped copper, weigh about 290 pounds and stand about 8 1/2 feet tall without the base. The campaign to place the statues was the idea of Kansas City Scout volunteer, Jack Whitaker and were manufactured by Friedley-Voshardt in Chicago. They sold for \$300 to \$350. This particular statue was dedicated September 15, 1950, and restored and rededicated in 2005.



Continuing on, the byway winds along bluffs of sandstone and loess (German for "loose soil," brought here by wind and the river), **passing by White Cloud**, a riverboat port which once had a population of 2000. When the railroads came to Kansas following the Civil War, the river traffic declined, and so did the town. Prior to the town being founded in 1957, the location was one of the stops for Lewis and Clark. White Cloud is the home of the original piggybank. A local boy, Wilbur Chapman, was 10 years old in 1910 when he heard about a youngster with leprosy. To help, Chapman sold a pig for \$25 and sent the money to the Leprosy Foundation. From this came the idea of distributing piggybanks to school children to raise money for fighting the illness, Breeze said. By 1938, when a monument to Chapman was dedicated, 100,000 cast iron piggybanks collected more than \$1 million.





The byway continues north to the Kansas/Nebraska state line, where a large sign explains the boundary between the two. The Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854 created territories that had to be surveyed before they could be settled. The sign tells the story of how in 1855, a 6-foot-tall, 600-pound cast iron obelisk was hefted up the 100-foot bluff just west of the road to mark this boundary/base line. You can't see the obelisk from the road, but there's a leaf-strewn dirt path and periodic handrail if you feel brave on a return trip. The marker was placed on May 8, 1855 and was used for the initial point of survey for Nebraska, Kansas and parts of Colorado, Wyoming, and South Dakota.



Dempsey

We travel through Rulo, Nebraska. Rulo is located on the Missouri River in Richardson County, Nebraska. The land was originally part of the land granted to the Native American wife of Charles Rouleau and the town of Rulo was named after her and her husband. Rulo was a riverboat port, and also a ferry crossing, with ferries in operation from the mid 1800s until a bridge opened in 1939. In 1933, the foundation for the Rulo Bridge, a toll bridge across the Missouri River, was laid. Construction of the bridge began in 1938, after the WPA decided to finance half the cost. The bridge was finished in 1939. Following the access the bridge allowed, Rulo became a favorite place for buying fish taken fresh from the Missouri River, with fishing shacks up and down the riverbank. At least 13 families made their living by taking fish from the river. 1939 bridge, deemed too narrow for semi-trailers and farm machinery was replaced 2013, and the old bridge demolished in 2014.



Continuing on through Falls City Nebraska, we will make a gas stop as needed. Falls City was founded in 1857. The town is located on the north side of the Big Nemaha River, in the southeast corner of the state. The river in 1857 had banks and bed of rock and stone. The town was located near where the river flowed over a four-foot rock ledge called the "Falls of Nemaha", for which the town was named. Over time the river has changed to the extent that the falls no longer exist. The town was a stop on the Underground Railroad for escaping slaves during the struggles resulting from the Kansas-Nebraska Act. Falls City grew in the late 19th century due to the arrival of the Atchison & Nebraska Railroad in 1871 and the Missouri Pacific in 1882

Our route continues north to Indian Cave State Park, our second stop. Here, we will be met with a box lunch from Subway, and cold drinks for a picnic lunch before completing a wonderful scenic drive around the park. The park is named for a large sandstone cave with prehistoric petroglyphs within the park, and was established in 1962. (Note, at this time the boardwalk to the cave is closed due to flood damage. Repairs are scheduled to begin Fall of 2021, probably not in time for our tour.) The park also includes the partially reconstructed village of St. Deroin, established in 1853 as part of the former Nemaha Half-Breed Reservation. Indian Cave State Park encompasses 3,052 acres bordering the Missouri River. There are many other wonderful things to see in the park, but time constraints will limit our activity to a scenic drive for this tour.





Following our afternoon at the park, it's time to head for the **historic town of Brownville Nebraska**. Brownville was established in 1854 and incorporated in 1856, bordering slave-holding Missouri, the town became an important port on the Missouri River. The rise of the railroad siphoned traffic away from the Missouri River's steamboats, and failing to be included on a rail route, the town lost the county seat to Auburn, to the south. Ferry boats continued to allow access across the river, until the bridge was built in 1939. The last ferry to run was the "Spirit of Brownville", built by Sam Roberts and Fritz



Leseberg in 1930. Sam Roberts was Sherry Winkinhofer's Grandpa! When he got sick, her Grandma, Ines Roberts qualified to become the first woman pilot on the Missouri River and took over the night shift as captain of the ferry.



Our Hotel: **River Inn Resort** is a permanently moored riverboat sitting in the shallows of the Missouri river on the edge of Brownville. Hosts Randel and Jane Smith offer warm hospitality onboard the 18-room floating inn.



Your day will start properly with deluxe breakfast service, included in the price of the room. The spacious, sunny second deck common area is the perfect place for guests to relax and get to know each other. Games, books, magazines and binoculars are all available for those who seek the quiet, simple pleasures of life.



An optional stop in Brownville following checking in to our rooms is the **Chitwood Wheel Museum** which has recently been renovated and reopened to the public. It features a steam engine, Nebraska river exhibit, press room and carriages. The exterior of the building has recently been restored to its look from the 1920s. This building provides an excellent backdrop for a unique photo op too!



For supper Friday evening, we will travel 10 miles to the Re-bucks Burger and BBQ restaurant in Auburn Nebraska. More than just a BBQ joint, there should be something for everyone!

If time allows, there is a unique little general store and gas station owned by a local body shop in Auburn that we can visit for a photo op.



**Saturday 9/11**

Start your morning off with breakfast on the boat! Then we head toward Nebraska City, with a special stop along the way.

**Julian Nebraska**, population 58, is our first stop of the day, to visit the recently restored 1928 Julian Filling Station. The filling station was first opened in 1928, and it closed in the 1960s. The town recently raised around \$30,000 to restore this tiny station, and the grand reopening of it as a museum took place in October 2019. The



filling station was a 'Deep Rock' station when it opened in 1928 and also operated as a farmers co-op. On the new pumps out front, they put the 'Deep Rock' logo on one globe, and the price of gas shows what it would have been when the station opened. On the other pump, there is a 'Co-op' logo on the globe, and the price of gas shows what it would have been when the station closed. The filling station also has a garage which was part of the original complex.

Next stop is **Nebraska City**, and **the Kregel Windmill**

**Museum**. The museum has been described as a time capsule of early 20th Century shop-type manufacturing.

Everyday things such as ledger books on shelves, telephone, pencils and pens on the desk, even an overcoat on a hook remain where they were last used. The building appears much as it did in the 1930's when invoices were written by hand, correspondence was typed on a manual typewriter machine and even local

phone calls were be placed through an operator. The company produced "Eli" branded windmills, moving to this building in 1903. The actual factory was shut down after WWII, and has been preserved with all of its original manufacturing equipment. The machinery in the factory is powered by a central transverse line shaft and leather belts coming down to pulleys on each machine. The line shaft itself was originally powered by a single cylinder engine, but was converted to electricity in the 1920s.



Our second stop in Nebraska City is the **Nebraska City Museum of Fire Fighting**, explores the history of the oldest fire department in Nebraska. Many antique pieces of equipment are on display, all once in use by Nebraska City firefighters. The 1884 Button coal fire steam engine is the showcase of the museum. Historic photographs and authentic streetscapes reflect many different eras, from the early 1800's to present day. A 9/11 exhibit and interactive exhibits for all ages are also featured. I think we will all enjoy the final exhibit, the Model A Fire Chiefs Fordor! And yes, the underneath is red too!



**Saturday Lunch is on your own!**

**A few recommendations:**

The Keeping Room, 717 Central Ave—*Jody and Sherry Tested and Approved!*  
[thekeepingroomnc.com/café](http://thekeepingroomnc.com/café)

LITTLE TED'S PUB & GRILL , 416 CENTRAL AVE  
[zmenu.com/little-teds-pub-and-grill-nebraska-city-online-menu/](http://zmenu.com/little-teds-pub-and-grill-nebraska-city-online-menu/)

El Portal Mexican, 1640 S 11th  
[elportalnebraska.com/#portal-foodmenu](http://elportalnebraska.com/#portal-foodmenu)

Calabria Italian, 725 S 6th Street  
<https://calabriaitalianrestaurant.business.site/>

Valentino's Grand Italian Buffett  
<https://valentinos.com/>

**There are many fast food restaurants available as well:**

- McDonalds 1500 S 11th St
- Taco Bell 2110 S 11th St
- Taco John's 2410 S. 11th St
- Arby's 1649 S. 11th Street
- Dairy Queen 2410 S 11th St
- KFC 1120 6th Corso
- Runza 702 S 11th St

**Early afternoon following lunch is for exploring on your own:**

**A few of the Museums and Attractions:**

<https://www.nebraskacitymuseums.org/museums>

Civil War Veterans Museum & G.A.R. Memorial Hall  
 910 1st Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
 (402) 873-4018

Mayhew Cabin & John Brown's Cave  
 2012 4th Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
 (402) 873-3115

Missouri River Basin Lewis & Clark Visitor Center  
 100 Valmont Drive, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
 (402) 874-9900

Old Freighters Museum  
 407 N 14th Street, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
 (402) 873-6188

Wildwood Historic Center  
 420 Steinhart Park Road, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
 (402) 873-6340

Arbor Lodge State Historical Park, 2600 Arbor Avenue  
 (402) 873-7222

**Antique stores, Boutiques, and other interesting shopping experiences can be found between 4th and 9th on Central Avenue!**

Returning to Brownville, we will embark on a 5:30 dinner cruise on the "Spirit of Brownville," named in memory of the last ferry to operate in Brownville before the bridge was built. Enjoy the "Mighty Missouri" on a real riverboat and see the river as Lewis and Clark viewed it. The Spirit's decks have refreshment bars, restrooms and facilities for dining and dancing. A delicious hearty meal served buffet-style accompanied by a cash bar offering wine from the Whiskey Run Winery of Brownville and other choices.

When the sternwheel riverboat returns to dock, it's just a hop across to our riverboat hotel for a restful evening's sleep.



**Registration Form**

**Nebraska Tour September 10-12, 2021**

**The block of rooms at River Inn Resort is only being held until August 8th!! Following that date, you are still welcome to join us, but reservations are at your own risk  
Modern Cars are Welcome!**

<b>Name(s):</b>		<b>Cell Phone:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>		<b>2nd Cell Phone (optional):</b>	
Please send registration form and check for sandwiches to : Jody Layne, 15130 LAKEPORT LN, SMITHVILLE, Mo. 64089		For more info or questions: (816) 225-7680 Email: jolayne60@yahoo.com	
<b>Hotel and Dinner Cruise Info:</b>			
<b>River Inn Resort :</b> The Hotel is non-refundable after 8/8/2021. The Dinner Cruise is non-refundable once purchased. Jody has a block of ALL rooms on the ship. Once you have signed up, she will provide your name to the resort, and you will then be able to			
Standard Room \$120 plus taxes and fees		Executive Room \$140 plus taxes and fees 156.10	
<b>Spirit of Brownville Dinner Cruise (Non-Refundable)</b>		<b>\$35.00 per person</b>	
<b>All other fees paid individually at each museum or park.</b>			
<b>Pre-order Lunch for Friday:</b>			
<b>Subway Box Lunch - 6 inch sandwich</b>		<b>Subway Box Lunch - 6 inch sandwich</b>	
<b>Subway Box Lunch -12 inch sandwich or wrap</b>		<b>Subway Box Lunch -12 inch sandwich or wrap</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Cash		<input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Cash	
<b>Size Sandwich #1:</b>		<b>Size Sandwich #2:</b>	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 12-inch wrap - \$12		<input type="checkbox"/> 12-inch wrap - \$12	
<b>Type (circle 1):</b>	<b>Cheese (circle 1):</b>	<b>Chips (circle 1):</b>	<b>Type (circle 1):</b>
Turkey Breast	No Cheese	Baked Lays Potato	Turkey Breast
Black Forest Ham	Provolone	Crisps	Black Forest Ham
Italian BMT	Pepper Jack	Lays Classic Potato	Italian BMT
Cold Cut Combo	Shredded Monterrey	Chips	Cold Cut Combo
Tuna		Sun Chips	Tuna
Veggie Delite	White American	Doritos Nacho	Veggie Delite
Spicy Italian		Cheese Chips	Spicy Italian
	<b>Toppings:</b>	Miss Vickie's	
<b>Sauces:</b>	No Toppings	Jalapeno Chips	<b>Sauces:</b>
No Sauces	Lettuce	<b>Cookie (circle 1):</b>	No Sauces
Yellow Mustard	Tomatoes	Chocolate Chip	Yellow Mustard
Oil Blend	Pickles	Cookie	Oil Blend
Sweet Onion Sauce	Black Olives	Oatmeal Raisin	Sweet Onion Sauce
Honey Mustard	Jalapenos	White Chip	Honey Mustard
Ranch	Spinach	Macadamia Nut	Ranch
Chipotle Southwest	Cucumbers	Raspberry	Chipotle Southwest
Sauce	Green Peppers	Cheesecake Cookie	Sauce
Subway Vinaigrette	Red Onions		Subway Vinaigrette
Red Wine Vinegar	Banana Peppers		Red Wine Vinegar
Caesar Sauce			Caesar Sauce

**The Plain Ol' A's Model A Ford Club Annual  
Holiday Banquet**

Sunday, December 5, 2021

The Embassy Suites - Olathe  
10401 South Ridgeview Road  
Olathe, Kansas  
Lunch will be served at 12:30 P.M.

**Entrees**

Citrus Crusted Chicken Breast  
Seasonal Risotto and Smoked Maple Mustard Jus:

Scottish Salmon  
Local Grain Risotto and Caper-Raisin emulsion

All plated lunches are served with water, iced tea, coffee, artisan roll and  
butter, chef's selection of vegetable and salad

**Dessert**

NEW York Cheesecake

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**Form and money must be received by Bob Hess by Monday, Nov.22nd**

**Entree Selection:** Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ \$29.00  
Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ \$33.00  
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Member and spouse** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Your Check payable to Plain Ol' A's Model A Ford Club**

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Bob Hess  
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## Videos Available to Our Members

Most available on VCR  
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Roadside Troubleshooting  
Jewelry of the Model A Era  
How To Stop On a Dime  
Gennin Along  
Carbs & Carbos  
Flasher (turn signals)  
Timing the Ignition  
Tillotson Carburetors  
Dial D for Distributor  
Electrical Seminar '87 Hargrave  
Rebuilding Model A Differential  
(new)

### Other Model A Titles

Kansas City (Movie)  
2000 Hillclimb Weston  
Yokahama Model A  
Picacho Peak Hill Climb 2000  
The New Ford Model A  
Ford Motor Co. 1928  
1995 Great North American Race  
Mid American Regional  
Mafca Regional meet 89  
Mafca Regional Meet 87  
OLD Cars, Creston 35 ford,  
87 reg, Atch Flyin

### Other Cars

1935-36 Fords  
1932 V8  
Ford at the Races  
  
See Ken Coleman 913-631-2752

There's a new video in the library: "Rebuilding Model A Differential"



### Jim's Tech Tip by Jim Cannon

#### Working Around Your Car's Battery

Whenever working on the electrical parts of your car, it is a good idea to de-energize everything to prevent an accidental short circuit. For example, one of the horn wires in "hot" all the time, so any time you do anything with the horn cover, it's a good idea to disconnect the battery. The same is true of the brake light switch and the wires inside the instrument panel in the car.

If you have a fuse on the yellow wire that comes off of the starter switch, just removing the fuse will do the trick. Or if you have a battery cut-off switch on the car, that will kill the power to everything.

But in many cases you need to disconnect the ground strap from the battery in order to make sure everything is without power. Perhaps you need to remove the starter cable, or the battery itself. Whenever you remove cables from the battery posts, it is a really good idea to cover the battery post with something to prevent accidental contact between it and the other battery post.

For example, if you dropped a wrench or other tool while working around or above the battery, it could land on top of the battery touching both posts. This will short out the battery, which can be a really big problem, resulting in a fire or perhaps the battery exploding acid all over.

When you buy a new battery for most cars today, they are sold with one or two small plastic caps over the battery posts. I see them in red and black plastic. If you go to your local auto parts store, the people there may even give you a few of these caps, if you ask.



I keep several of them in my box of battery-related tools and things, to put over the posts of any battery I am working around. It is easy to do and only takes a minute.

Take a minute to be safe. Enjoy! And Have a Model A Day! Jim

### 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. For information, contact Jim Bernard, Jr. at 816-410-4610.

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### Wanted:

From Deborah Smeltzer:

Looking for an original 1930 Model A title for my father, Dick Knapp. He spent time during the COVID lockdown building a Model A Speedster and the car is almost ready for the road. He would like to title the car as a Model A and is looking for an original 1930 Model A title. Any model will do and will pay a reasonable price. You too can say you had a hand in this project! Please contact him directly if you have any ideas on where to find an original title: Dick Knapp, 479.586.0070 (cell) or LTCKnapp@gmail.com (7/21)



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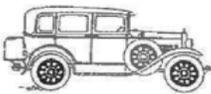


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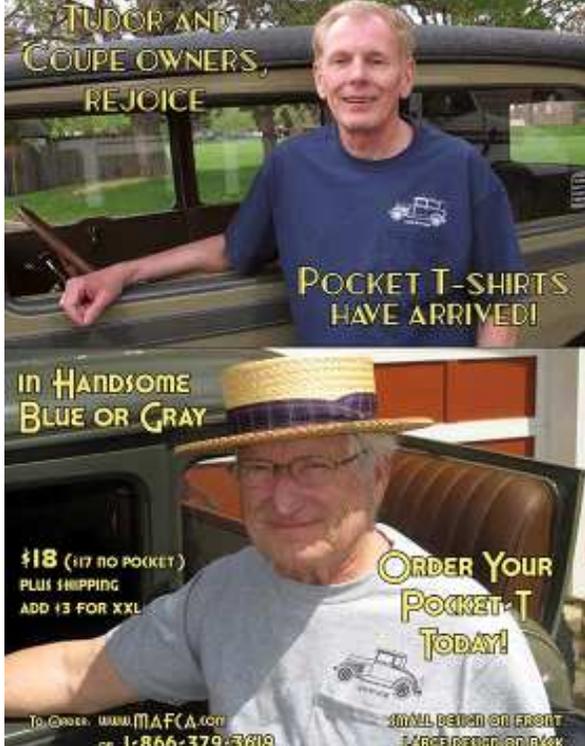
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Has any of the above information changed since the last Roster? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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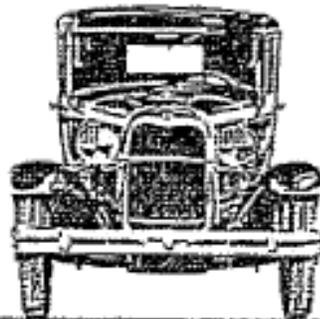
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