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June 2023

The Club meets

the 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Shawnee Masonic Lodge

11109 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, Kansas

Next Meeting Monday June 26, 2023

President's Message

It is June.

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We had a great Memorial Day picnic event. The weather beat all expectations. By that, I mean it was absolutely perfect... sunny with beautiful puffy clouds, low humidity, gentle breezes. Lots of club members showed up in their old cars. They were perfect too.

Then we arrived home and pulled into the garage. After a celebratory beer, we went out to unload the picnic supplies. Things were no longer perfect. The rumble-seat handle had fallen off and a tire was flat.

I expected the rumble-seat handle for a late '31 Cabriolet would be hard to replace but every major supplier carried them.

The flat was caused by an old tube. It had 3 previous patches. I would not expect a 10+ year old patch to fail. One of them did. I would have expected 19" inner tubes would be easy to locate. Wrong! No suppliers had them in stock.

A few months ago in this column, I ridiculed having 2 side mounted spares. I never expected to be relying upon a second spare. That is exactly where I am.

I sure don't know what to expect anymore.

The message from all of this could be that John is lousy at seeing the future. Maybe you are too. If so, be prepared to roll with punches. Expect the unexpected. Un-expect the expected. Carry 2 spares.

Ahooooga On!

- John Smeltzer, President

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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^{th} of the month.





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Sunshine Report

A sympathy card was sent to Leland Daise to share our condolences in the death of Sue Long, who passed away on May 26th after a long battle with cancer. We will miss seeing Sue and her sweet pup, Bella, at POA events. Please keep Leland in your thoughts during this difficult time.

It was wonderful seeing so many members at the picnic on Memorial Day. Everyone was especially happy to see Georgia Bianche, who is recovering from back surgery.

Several members will be attending the Regional Meet in Breckenridge and then many of these same members will be heading on to the National Meet in Indiana and Michigan later in July. Wishing everyone safe travels this summer!

Deborah Smeltzer, Sunshine Chair

May 2023 Minutes

A short meeting was held at the picnic on May 29, 2023. President John Smeltzer called the meeting to order.

<u>Guests and New Members</u>-No guests or new members were at the meeting.

<u>Minutes</u>-The minutes were approved as published in The Plain Dealer.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>-No treasurer's report was read.

Sunshine Report-No report was given.

<u>Ladies' Night Out</u>-There will be no ladies' night out in June. We will eat at Olive Garden on July 12.

<u>Tours</u>-The following activities are being planned:

June 11-16--Regional meet in Breckenridge, CO

June 24-Tour to Ensor Park and museum

July 4-Lenexa parade

July 16-21-National tour

August 5-Tour to Truman Library

<u>Car Shows</u>-The following shows are being considered:

June 17-Olathe Ford

July 16-Great American Car Show at Liberty Memorial.

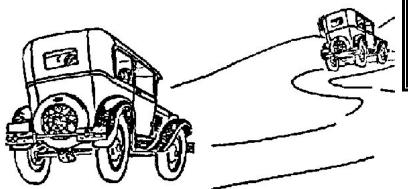
Gateway Classics car museum wants car clubs to hold meetings there

Other Business-Theresa wants pictures to send to The Restorer.

Nancy Hess, Secretary

Ladies' Night Out

The July Ladies's Night Out will be held Wednesday, July 12 at 6:30pm, at Olive Garden, 6750 W 95th Street, Overland Park, Kansas, 66212 (Metcalf and 95th Street) and will be hosted by Bob and Nancy Hess.



Treasurer's Report - May 2023

Income

TOTAL INCOME \$0.00

Expenses

Youth Meet Lunch \$41.6

TOTAL EXPENSES -\$41.62

Interest \$2.02

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

Plain Ol' A's Refreshments

June 26 th	Bill & Bernice Lindley
	Joe & Joanie Nicholas
July 24th	Bob & Nancy Hess
	Cort Miller & Karen
	Garber-Miller
Aug 28th	Darrell & Deb Enloe
_	Janet & Dennis Crowley
Sept 25th	Steve & Julie Woerdehoff
_	Robert Montgomery
Oct. 23 rd	Dave & Sue Ryan
	Harvey & Vicky Rosenberry
Nov. 27 th	Ron & Theresa Guenther
	Alan South & Georgia Bianch

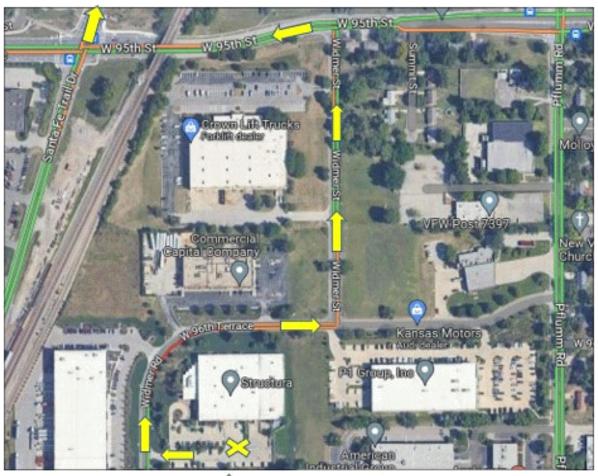
July 4th Parade - Changes to Set up Location

We will be going to the Structura parking lot at 9365 Widmer St. for our group's staging. We will line up between 9:00 and 9:45 at the Structura parking lot. The parade starts at 10:00. Bill Hills will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. As always we will be going to Zarda BBQ for lunch.

To get to the staging area, we are suggesting Pflumm to 96th Terr and go west. The picture shows an aerial photo of the area. The easiest access is from the East and South. 95th Street will be closed.

The arrows show the route to enter the parade staging area from Structura. (take Pflumm south to W. 96th Ter). Parade staff will be at 96th Ter and Widmer and will direct your vehicles to continue on 96th Ter., following the curve to the Structura parking lot. After we get into formation at Structura, we will then return to 96th Ter and Widmer. Parade staff will stop traffic at that entry point to allow our group to proceed north on Widmer to 95th Street. Our group will turn west onto 95th Street and proceed until you get to your lineup spot. The yellow highlights on the attached aerial shows the staging area for the parade as well as the location of Structura.

Reminder: Pflumm north of 95th Street will be closed for the Freedom Run and Parade, so vehicles entering the staging area will have to enter from the east or south.



We will stage in this Parking Lot.

9365 Widmer St.



Tours 2023

I am working on the second half of the 2023 calendar. I am working with Chuck Lewis from the HOA Club on several tours for the rest of the year.

Model A Youth Month went well. We had 13 scouts show up and 11 parents. We had about 14 HOA and POA members there to help out.

We have 7-8 members going to the Regional in Breckenridge, Colorado June 11-16th.

<u>June 24th</u>. Ensor Park and Museum Tour, 18995 W. 183rd Street Olathe, Kansas. We will met at 11:30 for lunch at Austins Bar and Grill, South Olathe, 2103 E. 151st Street #2962, Olathe, Kansas. If you have not signed up for this and would like to go contact me-<u>bill.hills.sh@gmail.com</u> or 913-406-2085

<u>June 29th</u>. The 2023 Great Race will stop in Emporia for lunch. I was thinking we could drive down to see the cars come in and have lunch. It is interesting to see all the different cars that compete in the cross country race. I will have a sign-up sheet at the June meeting for anyone that would like to go.

I have everything setup for the Lenexa 4th of July Parade. We will be lining up in a different location this year. We will lineup in the Structura parking lot, 9365 Widmer Street, between 9:00 and 9:45. Parade starts at 10:00. I will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. As always we will be going to Zarda BBQ for lunch.

We have 4-5 members planning to attend the National Tour July 16-21 in Ind/Mich. There is still time to get registered if you would like to go.

On August 5th we will go to the Truman Library and Museum and have lunch. I am working the HOA club on this tour. More information to come.

August 12th we have been asked to come back to Ensor Park and Museum for their 100 anniversary. I will have more info later.

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

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



Jim Bernard	June 8
Lynn Lackey	June 8
Bob Pettit	June 8
Fran Coleman	June 11
Ed Jankowski	June 16



Bob & Delores Goodrich	June 1
Walter & Mary Ann Jones	June 3
Ed & Millie Jankowski	June 10
Bruce & Vicky Mills	June 12
Keith & Kathy Nesbitt	June 26
Mike & Nancy Clayton	June 27

2023 Calendar

June- 11-16	Regional Meeting in Breckenridge, CO. You can find the registra	ation info at MAFCC.org
June 24	Ensor Park and Museum	
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 12	Ladies' Night Out - Olive Garden	
July 16-21	National Tour- Ind/Mich	
July 24	POA Meeting @ 7:00	Mark your
August- 5	Truman Library. More info to come	gong
August 12	Ensor Park and Museum 100th Anniversary	calendar
August 28	POA Meeting @ 7:00	, - 100 :

September- 2 Dean Weller Memorial Classic Car Show 11:00 - 4:00 September 25 POA Meeting @ 7:00

October- 23 POA Meeting @ 7:00

Nov.- 27 POA Meeting @ 7:00



Susan Irene Long May 26, 1951 - May 27, 2023

On the afternoon of May 26, 2023, Susan "Sue" Irene Long, 71, passed away peacefully at her home after a long battle with cancer. Susan was born June 22, 1951, in St. Joseph, Missouri to James and Hazel West. She attended Benton High School.

In July 1971, she married Roger Long of Mound City, and together they raised two sons Ezekial "Zeke" and Bryan. Several years after Roger's death in 2006, Sue found love again with Leland Daise. For the last twelve years, they have had many adventures together.

Sue worked most of her life in home health care. She was a member of the Wyatt Park Christian Church, the Northwest Model A Club, and the Plain Ol' A's car club. She loved country dancing, her sweet dog, Bella, camping, and was ready to travel anywhere.

Along with her husband Roger, Sue was also preceded in death by her parents, James and Hazel West; brothers, Jim and Marvin West, sister, Mary Rose Gray. She is survived by her children Ezekial "Zeke" (Alisha) Long; Bryan Long; grandchildren, Jillian, Bailey and Campbell Long; partner, Leland Daise and sisters, Norma (John) Brown, Alice (Joe) Coats, Joann Hall, Carol Clark and Margie Cowley.

The funeral service was May 31, 2023.

Model A Youth Day In Kansas City

By Bill Hills

When MAFCA announced May as Model A Youth month I thought the Plain Ol' A's should do something. The first thing I needed to do was get the club on board- which they were. Now I needed to come up with a plan. The next thing I did was contact Chuck Lewis with the Heart of America Club to see if they would like to join us and they did.

So Chuck and I got together to discuss what youth group we wanted to invite. We discussed high school auto programs, Boy Scout troops, and Touch-a-Truck events. We decided to check with the Boy Scouts so I contacted Andy Dugan, who is a POA member and is involved with his son's Scout troop. Andy thought we could do some training with the Scouts on their Automotive Merit Badge and sent me the Merit Badge requirements. Andy thought he could come up with around 10 Scouts that needed to work on this merit badge. I also contacted my grandson's troop leader. I met with Derek Smith, Troop 387 Scout Leader. After discussing what we had in mind Mr. Smith said he thought he could come up with 20- 25 Scouts to work on their merit badge. Mr. Smith also asked me to come and talk at one of their Scout meetings which I was glad to do.

Now we have a group for the youth day. The next thing to do is find a place to hold it. Chuck suggested we contact Lance Burton, an HOA and POA member, to see if he would let us hold the event at his house. Lance thought it was a great idea and agree to host the event. The only Saturday Lance had open was May 13th. So we decide to hold the event from 10:- 3:00 on that day.

Next came figuring out what we would do for the day. We decided I would bring my roadster chassis to use as a training aid, we would give car rides in the Model A's, have a Hubley Derby, and provide lunch. We decided we would have hotdogs, chips and cookies for lunch. Andy said he would check with QuikTrip to see if they would donate the hotdogs and buns and they did.

I went to speak with the Scout troop on May 1st. I thought I would be going on items on the merit badge requirements but Mr. Smith wanted me to tell to Scouts about my 42-year career in Fleet Maintenance. The Scouts had a lot of questions. Mr. Smith said he had 23 Scouts interested in coming out on May 13th but he had to check with their parents to see if the parents wanted to take them out to Lance's house in Raymore, MO. We ended up with 13 Scouts and 11 parents.

On May 13th we used my roadster chassis to go over the Automotive Merit Badge requirements. The Scouts got a lot out of seeing all the items under a car that they don't see every day. Again they had a lot of questions. After going over the merit badge requirements we loaded up the cars and took the Scouts for a ride around the neighborhood. When we got back we had lunch. Now it was time for the Hubley Derby. We had a few cars to run down the track- not all Hubley's. The Scouts really got into it.

I want to thank Lance and all who helped make this first Kansas City Youth Day go so well.

Model A Youth Day







Reprint of story from Ken and Marie Britt, from March 1992.

BRITTOY

Owners: Marie and Ken Britt

WOW!! What a beauty. That is one of the expressions we hear about our pride and joy, a beautiful Riviera Blue 1928 Roadster with Cream wheels.

We acquired her by being in the right place at the right time. While on a business trip to Nevada, Mo. in August of 1982 I saw a snazzy red Model A Pickup drive by. I asked about it and was told it belonged to the owner of the Country Kitchen Restaurant. I went there for lunch and while talking told him I was looking for a Roadster. He told me of a friend, Ray Tracy, near Des Moines who rebuilt A' engines and did other work on A's. I called Ray from the restaurant. He told me of a Roadster in a nearby town that he had worked on for 30 years that was for sale. He described the car. I told him if it was as he said I would take it. It was and I did.

We drove the car on nice days until April when I started disassembling it. My Father had been a Ford mechanic in his parly years and went to work for a Lincoln — Ford dealership in Denver in early 1928. He knew everything about Model A's even after all those years and was much help when I ran into trouble. I now have the Snap-On Tool Box he bought new in May 1928 along with many of his tools. Our family owned a 29 Tudor for some time and a friend and I bought a 1930 Tudor in 1944 while seniors in High School and drove it until we received our orders to report to the service later that year.

While looking for someone to answer my questions, I was told to call John Hargrave. He was very generous with his time and we had many long conversations over several months. I have always appreciated the help and encouragement he gave me even though we had not met.

The restoration of the chassis from frame up went along nicely. The engine was rebuilt in Holiday, MO and on January 7, 1984 the engine was started for the first time. That was a thrill. Ralph Haggard of the Heart of America club did the body work and painting. On Thanksgiving day of 1984 the car was complete with the exception of the top. By early spring the top was installed and we were ready to go.

Dur first "show" was the Shrine Car Meeting at Blue Ridge Mall. It was also the first "long" trip on the Interstate. That wasn't a thrill. Since that time we have been in lots of parades and on lots of tours, including a trip to Breckenridge, Co. in 1989. We made it up Pikes Peak in 1991. Another thrill. We are heading for Texas in June for the MAFCA National Convention and are looking forward to seeing 800 or so Model A's in one place. It will also be a pleasure to attend the National to support John Hargrave as President of MAFCA.

Brittoy was restored mostly original but since that time some changes have been made, such as a 'Don Lobner' balanced engine and super water pump and an overdrive. All of these changes have added to the pleasure of driving her.

March 1992

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 Sale: 1930 Model A Boat tail Speedster. Souped up Model A engine, down draft carburetor, straight exhaust, no muffler, electric fuel pump, 12 volt battery, van folding seats with seat belts, a really fun car to drive, clear 1930 title, \$7900. Northwest Arkansas. This is the Speedster that was at our Regional Meet. We are moving to assisted living and I have lots of Model A parts for sale. Dick Knapp. 479-586-0070 (5.23)





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June MAFFI Minute

Planning for MAFFI Model A Days 2023 is nearing completion. Of course, there will be a swap meet, seminars, memorabilia sales, rides, Model A driving classes, and a dinner tour. Hotel rooms have been blocked for our guests. It will be a mix of the old and proven with a few new twists. September 15 & 16 are the days. Visit the MAFFI or Gilmore web pages, register and make your reservations.

For those who have attended before, Model A Days at Hickory Corners is a wonderful ending to the summer season and beginning of the fall season. It is a chance to see and touch some wonderful old cars, to see what has been changed or added to the museum. There are few places like the Gilmore complex. You can sit in the shade of a maple tree and eat a sandwich and ice cream purchased from a diner converted from an old-time streetcar. While doing this you can talk with friends and look at the vintage cars.

"Huff & Puff", the Model AA school bus, will be giving rides. The theme this year will be open cars, so look for a phaeton or roadster to be giving rides around the campus. Finally, the AA stake bed truck should be moving the remainder of the passengers around the streets.

This is a great chance to visit with a large group of fellow Model A'ers, one last time before the seasons force us to choose to move most of our activities indoors.

If you are one of the many Model A Club members who will not be able to attend our event, remember September 16, is a Saturday. Use the day to have your own local Model A Day celebration with a tour, or picnic, or both, with your club. A joint tour with a neighboring club might be exciting.

Happy motoring,

Mike DuBreuil MAFFI Board of Trustees Secretary



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