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

Next Meeting
Memorial Day Picnic
May 31, 2021

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President's Message

Yay for May!

Johnson County Health Department officials continue to recommend social distancing and mask-wearing, but infection rates are looking down ...so that may change soon.

I have been working on some business/calling cards for POA members to hand out to folks we encounter who express interest in our Model A's. How to describe the POAs on the back of a small card? "Knowledgeable", sure. "Experienced", of course. "Quirky", well no...that is a small minority. "Amusing", yes. "Welcoming" and "Supportive", check and check. There are more admirable adjectives which apply, but these already strain the available space.

My wife read this list and mentioned that it was unfortunate that not everyone has these positive traits in equal measure, but she continues to hold out hope for my improvement. In recognition of her long wait, I considered adding "Optimistic" or "Patient" to the list, but I am "Obstinate".

Wait. Something is missing. "Fun", yes by the carload! There was a tune-up day and a trip to a cat house within the past few weeks. This month we look forward to a picnic and, afterward, an ice cream tour. New events are filling in. If you have ideas for club fun, bring them up and help us make them a reality. Most of all stay on top of our club calendar and plan to participate...or else you'll be "Sorry".

Ahooooga 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, 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.

Facebook

Plain Ol' A's is now on Facebook: Search For "Plain Ol' A's" and request to join the Private Group. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2581927338560371> There are pictures posted from the Fall Foliage Tour and the HyVee Car Show, along with some previous events.

MAFCA Membership

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

Sunshine ReportUpdate on Bruce Mills

Bruce continues to do well and both he and Vicky were able to join us for the April monthly meeting, which gave your Sunshine Chair the opportunity to apologize for getting Bruce's name wrong in the April newsletter. Thanks to all who let me know that I had goofed and please keep monitoring me! Please also continue to keep both Bruce and Vicky in your thoughts and prayers as Bruce continues his treatments.

Please send your news, happy or sad, to Deborah Smeltzer at Deborah.smeltzer@gmail.com or call Deborah at 913-526-6977.

Deborah Smeltzer

Roster Correction

Steve Woerdehoff's email is incorrect in the Roster. It should be: steves_skiing@yahoo.com. Please note that is an underline between steves and skiing and not a dash.

April 2021 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on April 26, 2021, at the Masonic Hall. President John Smeltzer called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Guests and New Members-No guests or new members were present.

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

Treasurer's Report-Bob Hess gave the treasurer's report. The membership voted to keep the account balance out of the newsletter and the minutes.

Sunshine Report-Georgia Bianchi and Bruce Mills have been ill. Today is Millie Jankowski's birthday.

Ladies' Night Out-There will be no ladies' night out until further notice.

Newsletter-- Jim Bernard is moving to Colorado. Joyce Tweedy will be the contact for the newsletter. The board voted to award the Bob Swigert award to Jim for his services. Bill will have the plaque made, and we will offer Jim the option of coming to a meeting to receive the award or have it sent to him.

Tours-The following activities are being planned:

April 24 Tour to Cedar Cove Feline Conservation and picnic in Spring Hill

May 31 Memorial Day picnic, Miller Memorial Park in DeSoto, and tour for ice cream

July 3 Possible tour and picnic

A possible tour in June is being considered. Details will be put in the newsletter.

Car Shows: Olathe West High School - May 1

Cedar Lake Village - June 4, 2:00 PM-5:00 PM

Shawnee Town: - June 16, July 31, September 12, October 13

Turner Bard - September or October

HyVee - October 30

Christmas Party- The Embassy Suites offers a reasonably-priced option. We will probably hold the Christmas party at the Embassy Suites on December 5.

Regional Meet-The hotel is working on the contract. We will need to rename the regional meet.

Business Cards-John will work out a format for a card and present it at the next meeting.

Membership Survey-We may wish to post a survey on the website for interested members.

Driving Sessions-Theresa Guenther has the materials for this. She has tentatively planned a tutorial at the Masonic Hall on July 27 and a driving event at the Great Mall site on August 1.

Refreshments-There were no refreshments. We will

not have refreshments until further notice.

Technical Session-Ed Jankowski gave a presentation on leaky shutoff valves.

Nancy Hess, Secretary

Treasurer's Report - April 2021

Income

April Interest	\$1.02	
TOTAL INCOME		\$1.02

Expenses

2021 Roster-Printing & Postage	\$74.80	
April Newsletter - Printing & Postage	\$4.92	
Model A Day Donuts	<u>\$32.77</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$112.49

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

Christmas Banquet

The Plain Ol' A's plan on holding their annual Christmas Banquet and gift exchange at the Embassy Suites By Hilton located at 10401 Ridgeview Road on December 5, 2021, from 11:30 to 3:00 PM. The Embassy Suites are located in Olathe Kansas just south for the Ridgeview Rd exit from Hwy 10.

The meal will be a plated luncheon buffet that includes a 3 bar house salad, two entrees with your choice of Citrus Crusted Chicken Breast or Scottish Salmon and a New York Cheesecake dessert. All lunches will be served with water, tea, coffee, artisan roll and butter.

The price of the meals will be determined by the Board of directors in the near future,

If you plan on attending the Christmas banquet and gift exchange, please sign up at a club meeting prior to November 22, 2021, or contact Ed Jankowski at 785-690-7170.



2021 Tune-Up Day

Membership Dues and Newsletter Distribution

There has been a lot of discussion about the recent changes in the newsletter being email only and the increase in dues. To help members understand what transpired last year, I have been asked to write about the two items in question.

During the August and September 2020 membership meetings it was discussed that the Club has been moving money out of the Money Market account into the checking account to keep things afloat. There was a lot of discussion on how we could overcome the short fall. The consensus was by raising dues and/or cutting newsletter cost. During this discussion it was revealed that 61 members were requesting a paper copy despite the fact the newsletter was available via email. The newsletter has run the club \$80/month on average over the last couple of years. A member made the motion to raise dues to \$25/year and change the newsletter to be delivered via an email format only. These two changes will make up for the yearly shortfall and keep the Club in the black.

Since that decision was made by the Club members, the board has been tasked to follow the approved motion. This issue has come up several times since it was passed by the membership due to confusion or frustration with the change. The Board of Directors have decided to table all discussion related to this until later in the year. If you want to weigh in on any of these changes made at the September 2020 membership meeting, the Board of Directors ask that you attend the September 2021 membership meeting or contact a board member before that meeting.

Justin Read

Tours - 2021

With the COVID virus still going on my first responsibility is to keep our members healthy and safe so we will be following the state, county, and local mandates of wearing masks and social distancing by holding outdoor events and picnics as we did in 2020. We will not be holding our monthly breakfast or doing indoor gatherings such as going to Union Station. All of our events will be subject to change if the mandated restrictions do not allow them.

Here is what I'm planning for 2021 until it is safe for us to make changes that will allow us to do indoor events and have lunch in a restaurant. We will try to have a Saturday tour and picnic each month starting in April.

- May- 31 POAs Picnic at Miller Memorial Park in DeSoto at noon with a tour for ice cream after. This is a bring your own picnic.
- June- 4 Car Show at Cedar Lake Village from 2-5. We will have a tour and picnic before. See separate article.
- June 19 I have not come up with a tour yet but am thinking we will go somewhere for a picnic. If anyone has a suggestion of where to go, please let me know.
- July 3 Being the 4th of July parade has been cancelled. I am planning a tour and picnic for July 3rd.

If you have ideas for tours or places for us you can contact me by phone or text at 913-406-2085 or email at bill.hills.sh@gmail.com.

Happy Model A motoring,

Bill Hills

Tour on June 4th Picnic and Car Show

We will meet at the Walmart on the west side of Olathe (Parker/ K7 and Santa Fe) at 11:00. We will leave at 11:30 for Kill Creek Park for our picnic. I'm assuming Cedar Lake Village will want us there before 2:00 to line up for the car show so we will need to leave the park by 1:00.

I will have a sign-up sheet at the POA picnic or you can call me (913-406-2085) or e-mail (bill.hills.sh@gmail.com) if you want to attend.

Bill Hills

Plain Ol' A's Calendar
2021

- May 12 History on Tap- Before the Roar: America in the Wake of World War I, 7:00 p.m., Old Shawnee Town
May 31 POA Picnic/ Ice Cream Tour - Picnic will be at noon in DeSoto at Miller Memorial Park. This is a bring your own picnic.
June 4 Cedar Lake Village Car Show 2-5 pm, Olathe Tour and picnic before
June 16 Fried Chicken Dinner, Ice Cream & Model A's- 5:30 pm-7:00 pm, Old Shawnee Town
June 19 Tour - TBD
June 20-25 MAFCA National Tour
June 28 POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
July 4 Lenexa 4th of July Parade- Cancelled. I will be working on a short tour for July 3rd to take the place of the parade.
July 10 Board Meeting
July 26- POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
July 31 Car Demo: Old Shawnee Town 1929's Automobiles- 10:00 am-12:00 pm
August 23 POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
September 12 Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck & Bike Show- 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
September 27 POA Meeting- Masonic Lodge, Shawnee
October Turner Barn Car Show- Date to be determined.
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 POA Christmas Party- TBD

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The Answer To A Maiden's Prayer Is Not a Chin Of Stubby Hair Burma-Shave

Celebration of Life Event



Remembering Delbert Allen Aye

Delbert, Husband and Father passed on January 29, 2021. A celebration of his life will take place at the VFW Park, Tonganoxie, Kansas on May 22, 2021, from 1:30-3:00 pm. A brief service will be held and you will have an opportunity to express your favorite memories of Delbert. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Classic vehicle owners are encouraged to meet at 1:00 at Billie & Delbert's home, 19851 219th Street, Tonganoxie. We will enjoy seeing the long caravan of classics travel to the park at about 1:15. From there, we will leave at 3:00 and travel to the Leavenworth National Cemetery to visit Del's interment site.

RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. Please contact [Mark @ Badvolvo@gmail.com](mailto:Mark@Badvolvo@gmail.com).

Caravan To Delbert Aye's Celebration Of Life

The Guenthers will lead POA members who would like to caravan as a group to Delbert Ayes's Celebration of Life Ceremony, May 22nd. We'll meet at Casey's, 130th and State Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas, (about 1 mile east of K-7 or 2 miles west of the Kansas Speedway) at 12:15 p.m. We will leave promptly at 12:30 p.m. to drive to Aye's house.

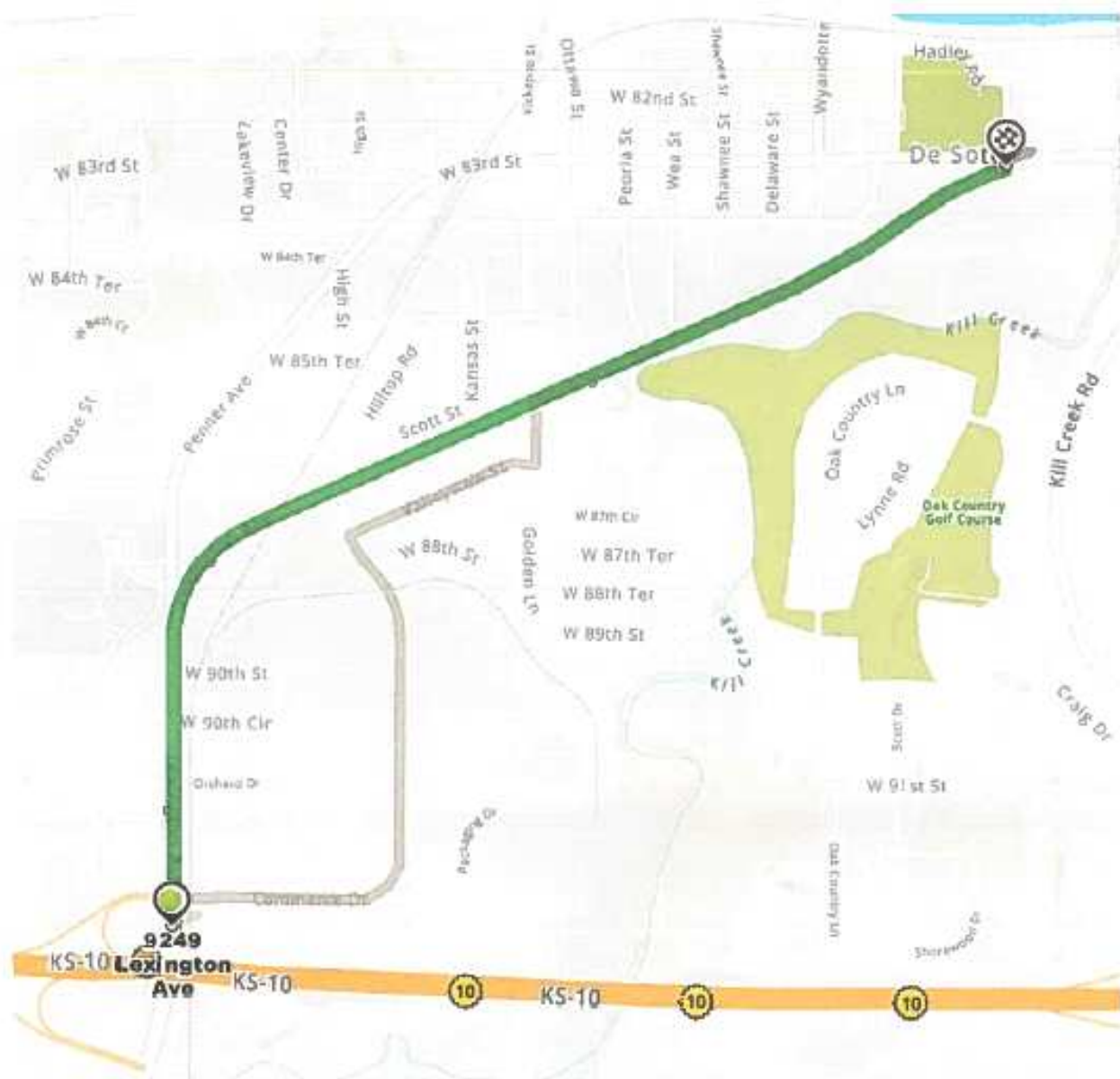
Our route from Casey's follows: Right onto State Ave west to 218th Street, Tonganoxie, Kansas. Right on 218th to Parallel. Left onto Parallel to 219th St, right onto 219th St to Ayes, 19851 219th Street (on the left).

Hope to see everyone there.

Contact Ron or Theresa Guenther for information, (913) 682 - 2545.

Memorial Day Picnic

This year the Plain Ol A's will hold their annual picnic on Memorial Day , May 31, 2021, in DeSoto, Kansas at Miller Park pavilion. The pavilion is reserved from 11:000 AM to 3:00 PM . The picnic will be from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Due to the covid virus, the present plan is for those attending to wear masks and bring their own box lunch. The Harps Grocery, McDonalds and Burger King will be open on Memorial Day Harps has a deli that serves hot food. Harps,,McDonalds and Burger King are all located on the south side of town adjacent to Highway 10 on Commerce.. The accompanying map indicates locations . Miller Park is at the north end of town and can be accessed from Hwy 10- Lexington Ave exit or from 83rd St from the west. Question call be directed to Ed Jankowski at 785-690-7170



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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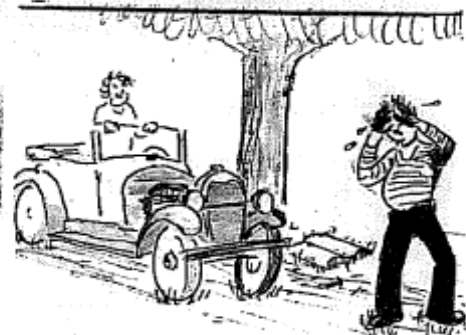
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AND LOOKED UPON THE DASH
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YOU'RE ONLY OUT OF GAS

Dean

If you haven't yet

Many MAFCA members have already renewed for 2021 - thank you to all who've done so!

Membership brings many benefits as we all know, and our dues are the main source of the income that enables them. If you haven't yet renewed your membership, this is the time to make that happen! And thank you.



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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? _____

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

_____ Renewal (dues are \$25.00 per year and DUE BY DECEMBER 31)

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

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

Bob Hess, Treasurer
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