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May 2024

The Club meets the 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m. **NOTE NEW MEETING PLACE**

Next Meeting Memorial Day Picnic May 27, 2024

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President's Message

Happy May

Hope everyone is doing well. May is here and I do believe we've had enough rain for a bit. Weather is looking great to get the A's out and about. Don't forget the Memorial Day picnic is approaching fast. We will be meeting at shelter house C at 11:00 on May 27th. This is located in Wyandotte Park across from the Wyandotte County Historical Museum. Hope to see everyone there. Happy motoring Your president,

Andy Dugan

Memorial Day Picnic

The May 27th Memorial Day picnic will be held at shelter house "C" in Wyandotte County Park. It is across the street from the Wyandotte County Historical Museum.

Picnic starts at 11:00 am, we have the shelter house from 10am - 10pm.

Bring your own food and drink.

We will take a short trip for ice cream after the picnic.

Those of us in western Johnson County will plan a convoy up K7 Hwy. Details to follow.

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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.

Plain Ol' A's Keychain

Yours **FREE** with every \$5 donation to the Model A Youth Scholarship Fund. - Contact John Smeltzer at a meeting, event or by email.



Sunshine Report

Happy May!

I hope you have had a chance to get out to enjoy the sunshine and beautiful weather when it peeks through between the many rain showers we have had this month!

Vicky and Bruce Mills are continuing to do well. Vicky is continuing to work on building her strength and Bruce is counting down on his treatments, which are thankfully doing their job. Please keep sending good vibes their way.

On a sad note, long-time member Billie Aye passed away on April 28th, 2024, which also happened to be her 91st birthday. Billie and her husband, Delbert, were very active in the Plain Ol' A's Club and took many, many Model A trips together. Billie was a very sweet lady with a beautiful smile and she will be missed very much.

Hope to see everyone at the Picnic later this month! Ahooga On,

Deborah Smeltzer 913-526-6977

April 2024 Minutes

The Plain Ol' A's met on April 22, 2024 at the Matt Ross Community Center. President Andy Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

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

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

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>-The treasurer's report was approved as read.

<u>Sunshine Report</u>-Bruce and Vicky Mills are doing well. Theresa Guenther fell but is doing well.

Seminars are planned.

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

April 24-27 Tour to Salina, Concordia, Abilene, and Manhattan

May 4 Youth day
May 11 Ensor Park Ensorfest

May 18 Plattsburg car show

May 24 Tour to Ripley's Glass Recycling

May 27 Picnic

June 23-29 National Meet in New Mexico

July 4 Lenexa Parade

Car Shows-

June 8 Shawnee Days

July 14 Great American car show October 3 Cedar Lake Village car show

<u>Webmaster</u>-Joe updated the meeting location on the website.

<u>Meeting Location</u>-Other meeting locations are being researched.

<u>Picnic</u>--The picnic will be held at Wyandotte County Park on May 27.

<u>Christmas Party</u>-The Christmas party will be held on December 6 at Embassy Suites.

We discussed a possible future combined Christmas party with the Heart of America club, but no decision was made.

<u>Refreshments</u>-Refreshments were provided by Bill and Bernice Lindley and Ron and Theresa Guenther.

Nancy Hess Secretary

Treasurer's Report - April 2024

Income

TOTAL INCOME \$0.00

Expenses

Jan. Feb. March Newsletter

and Roster \$89.20 Donuts for seminar \$30.59

TOTAL EXPENSES \$119.79

Interest \$1.80

\$1.80

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

Refreshments

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

If you are not able to 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

2024

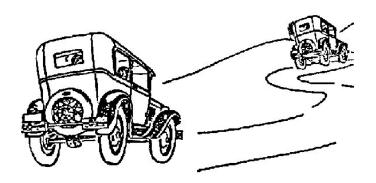
June 24	Dennis & Janet Cawley Cort Miller &
	Karen Garber-Miller
July 22	Darrell & Deb Enloe
	Bob & Nancy Hess
Aug. 26	Harvey & Vicky Roseberry
	Steve & Julie Woerdehoff
Sept. 23	Dennis & Jennifer Moore
	Ken & Fran Coleman
Oct 28	Alan South & Georgia Bianchi

Ross & Toni Warnell

Gilmore Museum Trip

The Omaha Model A Ford Club will be making a bus trip to the Gilmore Museum/MAFFI Museum September 19-22, 2024. If you are interested in this tour please contact Ed Nickell at 402-618-0628 or at edwardnickell5@gmail.com. The deadline for deposit is June 8th and the final payment is July 30th. Motel accommodations will be at the Best Western Plus Kalamazoo Suites in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Motel is \$115/night which includes fees and tax and breakfast. Other meals are on your own. Leaves Omaha at park and fly at the Eppley airport.

Ed Jankowski



2024 Ladies Night Out

Pick a month you would like to sponsor Ladies Night Out.

Ladies Night Out 2024 Sponsor Sign Up

January -----

February Smeltzer, John & Deborah

March Coleman April Hills May Picnic **OPEN** June July South **OPEN** August September Hess October Guenther November Dugan

December Christmas Party



Harvey Roseberry April 16 Justine Collis April 25 Bob Montgomery April 27



Al & Linda Prothe April 8
John & Deborah Smeltzer April 15
Bob & Nancy Hess April 17
Bill & Lorrie Carter April 20
Dick & Mary Knapp April 27

Tours 2024

We had a good turn out for Tune-Up Day. Several cars got looked at and repaired.

<u>Salina Hub Tour</u>. We had five cars on the tour. We saw many interesting places. We got rained on a couple of times but no major storms.

Model A Youth Month at Lance Burton's was cancelled because of the weather forecast.

<u>May 11th</u>- Ensor Fest. The folks at Ensor Park and Museum invited us out again this year for their yearly event. There will be tours of the farm stead, old farm equipment, Ham Radios, Blue Grass Music and a food truck. I will have a sign up sheet at the next meeting or you can contact me if you want to go.

<u>May 18th</u>- The City of Plattsburg, Missouri Mural dedication has been cancelled. They did not get the mural finished. They hope to do a dedication sometime next month.

<u>June</u>- National Convention in Ruidoso, New Mexico. We have 6-7 couples planning to go. If you would like to go, see me for information.

<u>July</u>- Lenexa 4th of July Parade. I have us signed up and will have more info later. Being I will be gone for the June meeting, I will have Andy or Ken do a signup sheet for me.

If you have ideas for tours Please let me know.

Thanks,

May

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

2024 Calendar

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	3-5	Lawrence Swap Meet
	4	Model A Youth Month - cancelled
	11	Ensorfest
	18	Plattsburg Car Show - cancelled
	24	Ripple Glass Tour
	27	POA Meeting and Picnic
June	23-29th 24	2024 MAFCA National Convention POA Meeting
July	4 22	Lenexa Parade POA Meeting



Billie Aye

Billie Aye and her husband, Delbert, were long-time members of The Plain Ol' A's. The following is from the Quisenberry Funeral Home.

Billie Lee Aye passed away at her home in Tonganoxie, Kansas on her 91st birthday, Sunday, April 28, 2024.

Billie was born in Ashland, Kansas on April 28, 1933, the daughter of Audrie Price Nies and Clarence Franklin Hudson. She graduated from Emporia High School and, after graduation, was employed in admissions at Newton Hospital in Emporia until her marriage to Delbert Allen Aye on June 30, 1951 in Emporia, Kansas. After Delbert's military service, they moved to Kansas City, Kansas, and in 1968 to Tonganoxie, Kansas. They had four children, Sara (Froehlich), Melody (Loya), Mark, and Jim. They had 69 happy years together until Delbert's death in January 2021.



Billie was a kind and giving person. She made gingerbread houses from scratch for shut-ins at Christmas and sat with friends during chemo. She was a 4H cooking leader for many years, sharing her kitchen and cooking skills with many children over the years, and a Sunday School teacher. Billie was a member of Friends of the Library and the Tonganoxie Historical Society, and she wrote the "Remember When" column for The Tonganoxie Mirror for many years.

She had an expansive antique bear and doll collection. Billie served as an antique doll appraiser and restorer, and she learned wood carving to carve Hitty dolls. She loved sewing, and she dressed the dolls she made or bought in clothing that she hand sewed from vintage lace and fabrics.

One of Billie's greatest joys was touring in the antique cars she and Delbert collected, even going to the Grand Canyon and dipping the tires in the river! Her absolute favorite tour was the Arctic Circle Tour in their 1930 Model A Coupe. They drove from Kansas to the Arctic Circle and back, a trip that took five weeks and made them many lifetime friends.

They were members of several car clubs: Henry Leavenworth Antique Auto Club, in Leavenworth, Kansas; the Plain Ol' A's in Shawnee, Kansas; and the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) in La Habra, California.

Billie is survived by her children, Sara Froehlich (Tom) of Good Thunder, MN; Melody Loya (Carlos) of Stephenville, TX; Mark Aye (Susan) of Salida, CO; and Jim Aye of Cocoa, FL. She had nine grandchildren, Lindsay Comini (Michael) of Good Thunder, MN; Angela Miles (Isaac) of Edmond, OK; Ben Froehlich (Annie) of Mapleton, MN: Becky Jennings (Brad) of Eustis, FL; Bethany Chadwick (Joe) of Clearwater, MN; Jessica Aye of Cocoa, FL; Mitch Froehlich (Jodi) of Good Thunder, MN; Shannon Lehman (Shea) of Leavenworth, KS; Mason Aye (Mallory) of Tonganoxie, KS; twelve great-grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, four sister-in-laws, and numerous beloved nieces and nephews. She leaves behind five sisters, Connie Colleen Chapman Taylor of Kountze, TX; Raina Fessler (Rodney) of Emporia, KS; Susan Dunmire of Topeka, KS; Janelle DuBree (Will) of Emporia, KS; Julie Mitchell (Marcus) of Emporia, KS; and one brother, Sam Hudson of AZ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Delbert Allen Aye; her grandson, Jeremy Walker; her parents, Clarence "Frank" Hudson and Audrie Price Hudson Nies; sisters Georgia Ann Nies and Lulu Belle Nixon, and four brothers, Frankie L. "Buster" Hudson, Jack Lee Hudson, Timothy L. Hudson, and Jerry Ralph Hudson; and her in-laws, Ralph and Mable (Riddle) Aye.

Services are pending.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial donations to the Tonganoxie Historical Society and Museum, the Tonganoxie Public Library, or the Council on Aging. The family also requests that you "pay it forward" in some way, honoring the legacy of giving and helping that was so important to Billie.



Thanks to John Smeltzer for the pictures.

Plain Ol' A's on tour in Salina, Kansas, at "The Garage Automotive Museum"



Waiting out severe storm in Abilene.

MAFFI Minute

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The company that we partnered with takes the orders on-line with credit cards and ships your custom order to your home. MAFFI gets 10% of the proceeds from each sale, so you are helping the museum every time you shop and getting great products.

It's easy: go to the MAFFI.org website, click on Store and you will be rerouted to the ModelAtshirt store. It is important to shop by going through the MAFFI website though. It's the only way our partner knows to give us 10% of the sale. If you go directly to the ModelAtshirt website, staff don't know you are a MAFFI customer and you pay the same price, but the museum doesn't get anything.

We know not everyone can get to Hickory Corners, MI to buy Model A merchandise; now you can shop Model A items 24/7 year around! And with Mother's and Father's Day around the corner, we've just made shopping a bit easier for the Model A enthusiasts in your life.

The accompanying pictures are some of my purchases; I guess you know what I drive for a Model A!



Cindy Ellenbecker, Trustee/Secretary for MAFFI





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.

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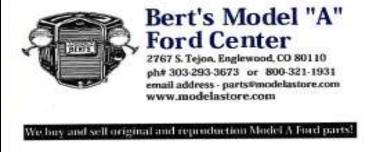


















Leroy had fallen on hard times. He lost his job at the fertilizer plant, his wife had left him, his unemployment had run out, and he was evicted from his apartment. He packed what little he had in a knapsack, made a little sign that read "Will work for food" and set off down the road on foot.

Toward the middle of the day, he came to a farmhouse. He was getting very hungry, and so he knocked on the front door. A woman answered, and Leroy explained his situation, and how he could do most anything and how hungry he was.

At first the woman wanted no part of Leroy, but he persisted. Finally she asked "Can you paint?"

"Oh yes, ma'am," Leroy said, "I sure can paint. I've done a lot of painting. Just let me show you." The woman relented, found a can of paint and a brush and said, "You go around back and paint the porch, and I'll fix you dinner." Happily, Leroy went to work.

About 40 minutes later, Leroy appeared at the front door. "Are you finished so soon?" asked the woman. "Oh yes, ma'am," said Leroy, "but I think you ought to know that's not a Porsche, it's a Volvo."

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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 alwith their free email copy. Would you be willing to serve refreshments at a membership meeting?				
Birthdate(s) (MM/DD)				
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