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

Next Meeting
Monday
August 24, 2020

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President's Message

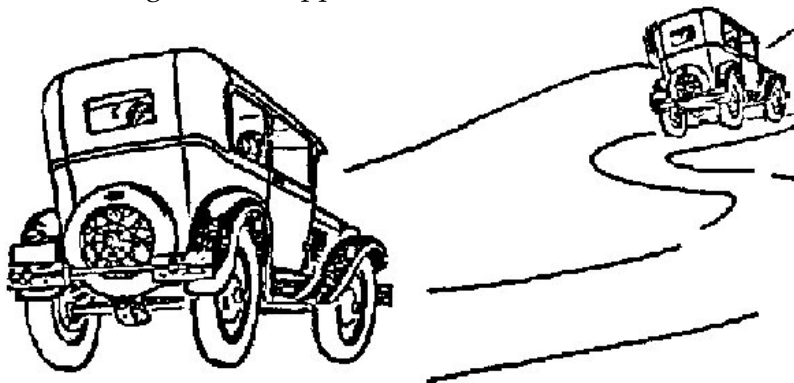
Hopefully we have come towards the end of the hottest part of the summer. The heat makes it difficult to enjoy a tour or driving our A's. A member brought up a good point awhile back that the reason for the tours is to get out our Model A's and enjoy each other's company. It is also a great way to see what other members have done with their car and get to know other members better. As you read through the newsletter you will find upcoming events which will give us a chance to hit the road again in anticipation of more favorable weather in the months ahead (Shawnee Town Event, August 19; Mystery Tour, August 22; Model A Day, September 19; Shawnee History on Tap, October 14; HyVee Car Show, October 31).

With COVID-19 state, county, and local mandates still in place, we will be holding a monthly membership meeting this month (August 24 at 7:30). If you are high risk or do not feel comfortable joining us, please feel free to stay home. The Club will implement social distancing by removing tables and setting up pairs of chairs 6 feet from other pairs. Families/households will be required to sit together. Refreshments will not be provided (feel free to bring your own if you wish). The Club will wipe down frequently touched surfaces beforehand and will have hand sanitizer available for your use. Face masks are required, per the local and state mandates. If you have questions or concerns, please contact one of the Club Officers listed on page 2. I look forward to seeing you there. With everyone's support and understanding, we will persevere. Please stay safe and keep the faith. Now without further ado, I give everyone a 6 car length AHOOGA on!

– Justin Read, President

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Newsletter Articles

Information for the newsletter should be sent to Jim Bernard, Jr. His email address is jbernardjr@swansonbernard.com, or snail mail, 4600 Madison, Ste. 600, Kansas City, MO 64112 or phone Jim at 816-410-4610 or Joyce at 816-410-4613.

The deadline for submission of articles is the 8th of the month.

MAFCA

MAFCA, the Model A Ford Club of America, encourages national membership. There is a membership form in the back of the newsletter for anyone who is interested.

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>

2020 Sponsor Sign Up Ladies' Night Out

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| September | Guenther |
| October | Mills |
| November | Smeltzer |
| December | Christmas Party |



Cover photo for the Facebook Page.

Minutes - July 27, 2020

The Plain Ol' A's met on July 27, 2020, at the Masonic Hall. President Justin Read called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Guests and New Members-New members and guests Al Prothe, Tom Balas, Chris South, and Any Dugan were present.

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

Treasurer's Report-Bob Hess gave the treasurer's report. The balance is \$15,310.23.

Sunshine Report-Dean Weller is going home tomorrow.

Ladies' Night Out-There will be no ladies' night out for August. A decision will be made on future ladies' nights out at a later time.

Tours-The following tours are being planned.

August 22-Mystery tour

September 11-Tour to Kaufman Gardens

The Model A Day at the MAFFI Museum has been cancelled.

Shawnee Town Events-Dates for Shawnee Town events are as follows: August 19, September 6, and October 14. Decisions regarding these events will be made by the city of Shawnee.

Car Shows:

September 27-City Market--cancelled

October 31-HyVee car show

Other Business-The club has gas tank shields for sale for \$3.00. The Tuesday lunches will now be held at JB Hodgden's garage.

Regional Meet-Ron has not heard anything from the hotel regarding available dates.

Refreshments-There were no refreshments. We will not have refreshments until further notice.

Nancy Hess
Secretary

MAFFI Newsletter Minute-Addition

Since Model A Day has been canceled, The Four Points Sheraton, who was our Host Hotel, considers all reservations canceled. If you still plan to visit the museum the weekend of September 18-19, you will need to contact the hotel directly to re-reserve your room. (269) 385-3922. They will give you the best available rate possible.

If you had hotel reservations at any other hotel, you are responsible to cancel these.

We apologize for this inconvenience.

Treasurer's Report - July 2020

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| Beginning Balance 6/30/2020 | | \$15,310.23 |
| Checking Balance | \$1,653.05 | |
| Income | | |
| Dues | 47.00 | |
| TOTAL INCOME | | + 47.00 |
| Expenses | | |
| Auto Owners Insurance | 15.00 | |
| July Newsletter | 54.02 | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | | - 69.02 |
| Money Market Account | | |
| Beginning Balance | \$12,426.89 | |
| Interest Payment | 1.05 | |
| Total Money Market Balance | | \$12,427.94 |
| Ending Balance 7/31/2020 | | \$15,289.26 |

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

Model A Day at The Gilmore (MAFFI) - CANCELED

Dear Model A Supporters,

This year we had planned to celebrate our tenth annual Model A Day reunion at The Gilmore. However, due to the continuing and unabated impact of the Covid-19 virus, the MAFFI Trustees have concluded that we must cancel the September 18th-19th, 2020 event. After much evaluation and conversation, it was determined that attempting to have a safe and comprehensive event with meeting seminars, swap meet merchandise and exhibits showcasing our Model A's presents too great a risk to our hobbyists this year.

Thank you for your support of The Model A Museum and for your past participation at our annual event. We plan to have Model A Day next year (2021), and will carry over our First Responders vehicle theme. We will provide further information regarding The Foundation's 2020 annual meeting and induction of Hall of Fame candidates as we get closer to September.

All of us associated with The Model A Ford Foundation wish you well and hope you remain safe during this pandemic. Please understand how difficult it was to make this decision and accept our apologies for the necessity of cancelling Model A Day at The Gilmore this year.

Check Facebook or the MAFFI website for updates. Also, let other members know.

Calendar of Events

- Aug 22 Mystery Destination Tour, Meet: Casey's, 130th & State Ave., Kansas City, Kansas
Leave: 10:00 a.m., Bring your own picnic lunch
- Sept 19 Model A Ford Day, Kauffman Gardens, KCMO, 4800 Rockhill Road
Time: TBA

Future calendar of events are on hold until further notice.

All event days and times may be subject to change. If you would like to schedule a tour or event, please allow 6 - 8 weeks notice, due to our newsletter coming out in the middle of the month and meetings at the end of the month. To schedule a tour or car show, call Theresa or Ron Guenther (913) 682-2545 or email www.ronsaresto@yahoo.com, or talk to us at a POA meeting.

Car Shows

All events are considered tentative due to the current COVID-19 situation and host organization decisions.

- August 19 Shawnee Town Notable and Notorious People of the 20s - Women's Suffrage (6-9 pm)
\$FREE\$ RSVP at 248-2360
- October 14 Shawnee Town History on Tap - Revolution! (6-8:30 pm) \$5/person RSVP at 248-2360
- October 31 HyVee Car Show 18101 W 119th St, Olathe, KS 66061 (10-2)

CANCELED Shawnee Town Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck & Bike Show (1-4 pm) \$20/car in advance

CANCELED Art of the Machine Car Show - River Market KCMO

Tours

Our weather the past few days has been beautiful and one of those weeks in August that signals a prelude to Fall. For sure more warm weather is in store for us this month. Hopefully for us it won't be too hot for our August tour.

There are two events for us to participate in this month. August 19th Old Shawnee Town has a presentation "Women's Suffrage" from 6 - 8 p.m., with a POA Car Show. This is a free event but you still need to RSVP.

August 22nd is the Mystery Scenic Tour. We'll meet at Casey's at 130th and State Ave in KCK (about a mile east of K-7, or a mile west of the Speedway) at 9:30 a.m., and leave at about 10:00 a.m. Our ending point will be Sar-Ko-Par Park at Lackman and 87th St. Bring lawn chairs (to social distance) and your own lunch for after the tour. If you didn't sign up at the last meeting, give me a call or email to sign up for this tour.

Although the Model A Day at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan and the September 27th Art of the Machine Car Show are cancelled, we will have a tour to celebrate Model A Day. The Ewing and Muriel Kauffman Memorial Gardens will be our destination September 19th. Details will be out at the August meeting, and in the September newsletter.

Old Shawnee Town will have a fund raiser car show September 6th, "Wheels, Dream Cars, Trucks, and Bike Show", (1 p.m. - 4 p.m.), \$20.00 per car in advance. For the rest of the year it remains a wait and see what happens for future tours. Any cancellations will be posted through email and on the web site.

Hope to see everyone soon at a meeting or on a tour. Be sure to keep wearing your masks and stay well.

Happy Model A'ing!

Theresa Guenther, (913) 682-2545

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.

For Sale at Grandpa's Garage, DeSoto

12 Model A manifold heater covers,
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Everything for Sale: Cars, Car Parts, Tools, Memorabilia and literature, etc. Come and browse.

I still have 17 of the 29 cars for sale.

Always open on Tuesday mornings or call to schedule an appointment.

913-585-3326 Cell
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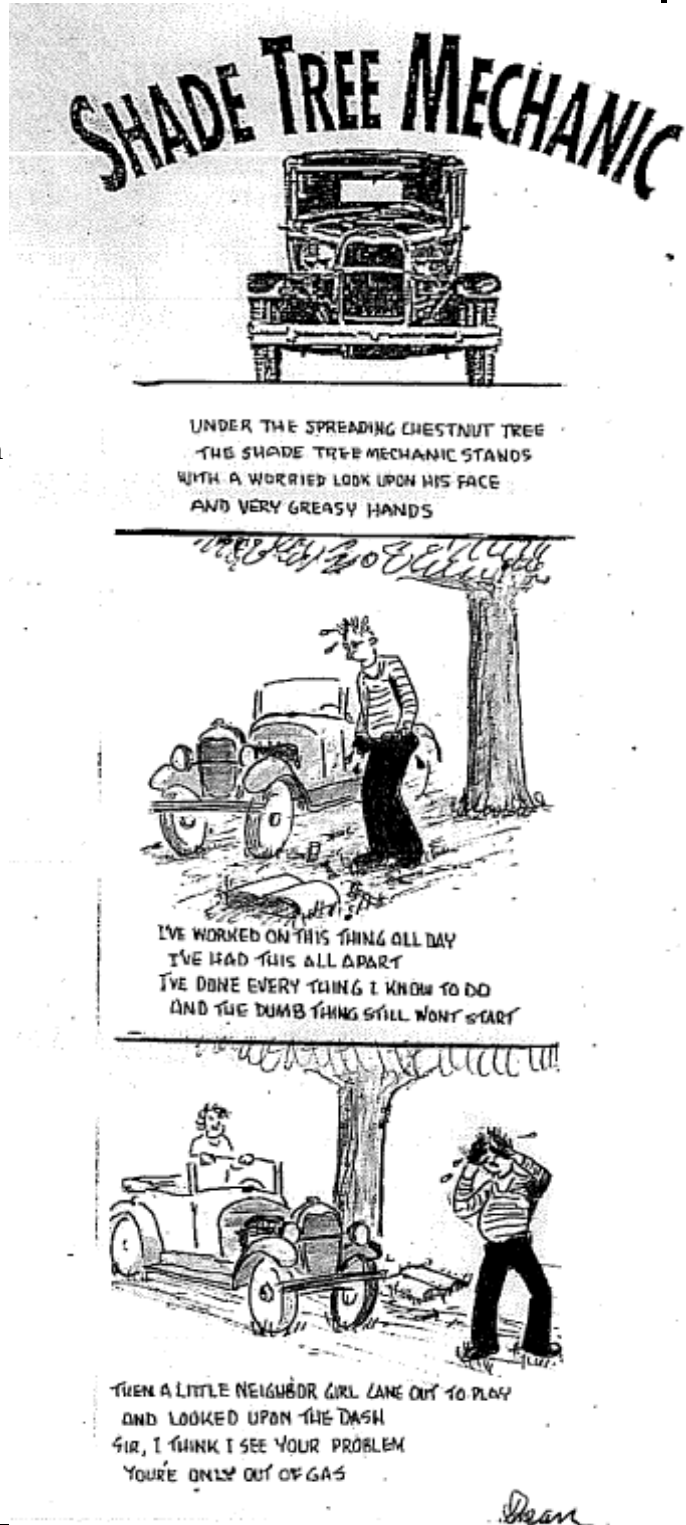
For Sale:

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Ken Coleman 913-481-6654 (6/2020)

To Buy:

I'm looking for a solid set of rear radius rods for my 28'. Mine current rods have been rusting from the inside and sound like they're full of gravel.

Cheers,
Todd Storrs
248-736-1930 (7/2020)



For Sale: 1931 Ford Mod A Deluxe 4 door sedan original outside except for new top and top trim, new running-board rubber, and replaced left front fender. 5 new tires [spare on right fender], original type luggage rack. A Texas car with no body rust-out, but there is some minor surface rust on various parts of the body as all paint is original. New Lebaron original type mohair interior, but still original paint on dash & door surrounds. Motor has been rebuilt using bearing inserts. This car is a great driver as is, but its restoration can inexpensively be finished. Car is in Illinois. Please call or email Jim Bequette 646-261-6479, jwbequette@yahoo.com for pictures and complete details. (7/2020)



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Most available on VCR
and some on DVD

Roadside Troubleshooting
(new)

Jewelry of the Model A Era (new)

How To Stop On a Dime

Gennin Along

Carbs & Carbos

Flasher (turn signals)

Timing the Ignition

Tillotson Carburetors

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Electrical Seminar '87 Hargrave

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 First: _____ Cell Phone: _____
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 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 \$8.00 plus \$1.00 for each month remaining in the year)

_____ Renewal (dues are \$20.00 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:

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