

# THE PLAIN DEALER

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

Next Meeting  
Monday  
November 23, 2020

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## President's Message

Our touring season is about over for the year, and we will be getting our A's ready for the winter months ahead. In the mean time... we have one more event remaining for the year: The Veterans Day Parade in Leavenworth on November 11th. Do not let winter deter you from taking the A out for a spin on a warm day. Even though our cars are old, they were meant to be driven year round. There is nothing better than taking the A for a spin to see the reaction on people's faces. Winter is always a great time to work on those "A-List" repairs you put off the rest of the year.

The November meeting will be the last business meeting of the year. I encourage everyone to attend the November meeting, as the election of officers for the coming year will be held. With COVID-19 state, county, and local mandates still in place, we will be holding a monthly membership meeting this month (November 23 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](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> 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> There are pictures posted from the Fall Foliage Tour and the HyVee Car Show, along with some previous events.

## Welcome New Members

Bob Van Den Berghe  
 (870) 464-7862  
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## RENEWAL NOTICE

It is time to BEGIN sending your 2020 Membership Renewal FORMS to:

Bob Hess  
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 Kansas City, MO 64145  
 Renewal Forms are on page 11.

PLEASE FILL OUT A RENEWAL FORM EVEN IF YOUR INFORMATION HAS NOT CHANGED.

BE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

### Minutes - October 26, 2020

The Plain Ol' A's met on October 26, 2020, at the Masonic Hall. President Justin Read 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 balance is \$15,190.38.

Sunshine Report-Patsy Lohuis was in the hospital.

Ladies' Night Out-There will be no ladies' night out for the remainder of the year.

Tours-The following tours are being planned.

November 11-Leavenworth parade

Car Shows:

October 31-HyVee car show

Other Business-The newsletter will be E-mailed to all members except those who do not have E-mail. If members wish to have the newsletter mailed to them, they can pay an extra \$5.00.

Regional Meet-We are still waiting on information from the hotel regarding available dates.

Nominating Committee-The following members have been nominated for the 2021 board:

- President John Smeltzer
- Vice-President Ed Jankowski
- Secretary Nancy Hess
- Treasurer Bob Hess

We will vote for the board at the November meeting. Bill Hills will be the tour director.

Refreshments-There were no refreshments. We will not have refreshments for the remainder of the year.

Nancy Hess  
Secretary

### Treasurer's Report - October 2020

Beginning Balance 9/30/2020		\$15,190.38
Checking Balance	\$1,552.09	
Income		
TOTAL INCOME		+ 0.00
Expenses		
October Newsletter	52.68	
USPO Post Office Box	106.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES		- 158.68
Money Market Account		
Beginning Balance	\$12,430.02	
Interest Payment	1.06	
Total Money Market Balance		\$12,431.08
Ending Balance 10/31/2020		15,032.76

Submitted by Bob Hess, Treasurer

### Leavenworth Veteran's Day Parade

The Leavenworth Veteran's Day Parade will be Wednesday, November 11th. We will meet in the Leavenworth McDonald's parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and leave at 9:30 a.m. to proceed to the parade staging area.

The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. all stop at 11:00 a.m. for the playing of TAPS. Hope to see you all there.

Theresa Guenther

Ken and Fran Coleman



### Calendar of Events

- Nov. 11 Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade, Meet: McDonald's, 4th St at 9:00 a.m.  
Leave at 9:30 a.m., parade at 10:30 a.m.
- Nov. 14 -- Cold Weather Tour CANCELLED until Spring

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](mailto:www.ronsaresto@yahoo.com), or talk to us at a POA meeting.

### Tours

At the rate the leaves are falling from our trees, they will be bare and soon cold weather will be upon us. For the Fall Foliage Drive, 10 Model A's enjoyed the emerging fall colors. We drove along the Missouri/Kansas line into Louisburg. In Louisburg, we picked up another Model A and Bill Hills took over the lead. Leaving Louisburg we headed west then north past Hillsdale Lake. The brisk wind made many white caps on the lake.

We ended up at the Turner Barn and Orchards where they were having a car display that included a few Model T's and a couple of Model A's. We had our social distance lunch behind the barn to get out of the wind. After lunch we looked at the cars and everyone headed home. For the last tour as Tour Director, it was a great day.

It was a good showing for the Hy-Vee car show. Again, it turned out to be a glorious day for a car show. Many people milled around to see the cars and shop at the tent sale that was going on. Kids in their costumes went from car to car for Halloween candy supplied by Hy-Vee. Earl Louhis did a good job organizing this show.

This is my last newsletter article as POA Tour Director. For fifteen years I've enjoyed the pleasure of putting together touring activities for the Club. People ask me where I found all these places we have traveled. State tourism books are a great source as are newspapers and TV. Many an evening I would pour over maps for trip routes. What can I say, I like to read maps for fun. Before computer map programs Ron and I would travel routes I mapped out ahead of time. Many a time our daughters had to put up with us taking back road trips home when we would come home from Colorado ski trips. Today with the computer maps it makes the job a lot easier.

All the preplanning and organizing makes it all worth while only if you have a good group people to travel with on our adventures. We have a great bunch of people that travel with us.

Thank you to all of you that have traveled the many, many miles to places both near and far on our Model A tours. I've appreciated all your support, but it wouldn't have been successful if not for Ron's support. He was my administrative assistant, editor in chief for my instructions, maps, and newsletters. Thank you honey.

Touring is the basis to our hobby and our club's new Tour Director, Bill Hills, will do a good job. I leave it in good hands, and we're ready to follow behind on new adventures in our Model A. It will be a different view for us,

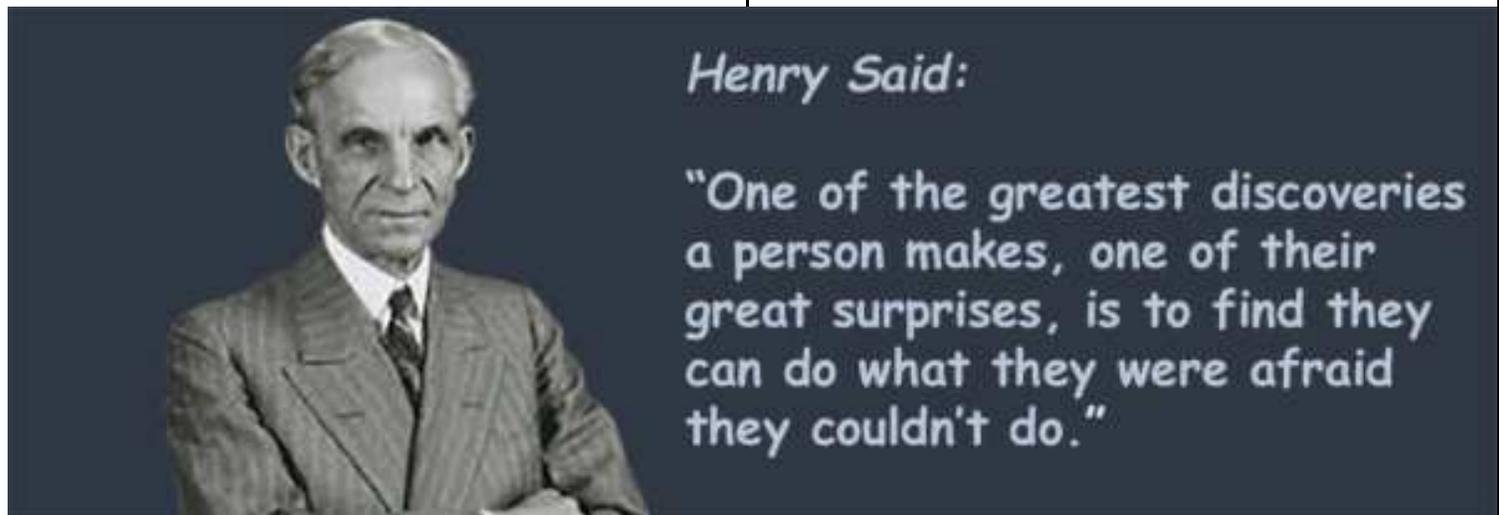
As I've always said, if you can drive your A 20 miles you can do 200 miles, or even 2,000 miles. Heck, we've done 4,500!

Again, thank you for all the memories and support for the last fifteen years. I'll be right behind you and Bill on the next POA tour.

For one last time, "Happy Model A'ing"

Theresa Guenther, (913) 682-2545

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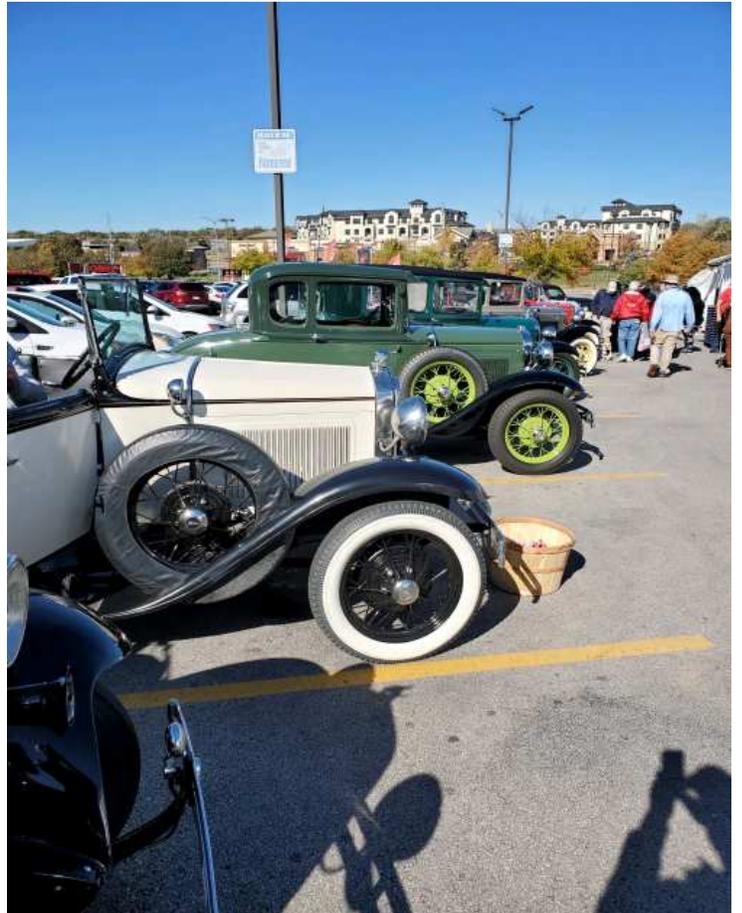
# Pictures from the Fall Foliage Tour- October 17, 2020

from Georgia McCrabb Bianchi , Christine South and Julie Woerdehoff



# Pictures from the HyVee Car Show - October 31, 2020

from Georgia McCrabb Bianchi and Ken Coleman as posted on Facebook. Thanks. for sharing!



## Veterans Day

Veterans Day originated as “Armistice Day” on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans – living or dead – but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day.

In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed by Congress, which moved the celebration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. The law went into effect in 1971, but in 1975 President Gerald Ford returned Veterans Day to November 11, due to the important historical significance of the date.

Veterans Day commemorates veterans of all wars.

Great Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World War I and World War II on or near November 11th: Canada has Remembrance Day, while Britain has Remembrance Sunday (the second Sunday of November).

In Europe, Great Britain and the Commonwealth countries it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every November 11.

Every Veterans Day and Memorial Day, Arlington National Cemetery holds an annual memorial service. The cemetery is home to the graves of over 400,000 people, most of whom served in the military.

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## Famous Quotes regarding Veterans

“I only regret that I have but one life to give for my country.”

- Nathan Hale, 1776, in his alleged last words prior to being executed by the British for being a spy.

“The unparalleled perseverance of the armies of the United States, through almost every possible suffering and discouragement for the space of eight long years, was little short of a standing miracle.”

- General (and future President) George Washington, 1783, in his farewell orders to the Continental Army.

“The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated [this ground], far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here.”

- President Abraham Lincoln, 1863, in the Gettysburg Address.

“To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory.”

- President Woodrow Wilson, 1919, in proclaiming Armistice Day (which would later become Veterans Day) on the anniversary of the end of World War I.

“I saw your sons and your husbands, your brothers and your sweethearts. I saw how they worked, played, fought, and lived. I saw some of them die. I saw more courage, more good humor in the face of discomfort, more love in an era of hate, and more devotion to duty than could exist under tyranny.”

- Comedian Bob Hope, 1944, in “I Never Left Home,” his book about going on tour to entertain the troops, which he did in every U.S. conflict from World War II to the Persian Gulf War.

“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them.”

- John F. Kennedy in his 1963 Thanksgiving proclamation, issued before his death.

# 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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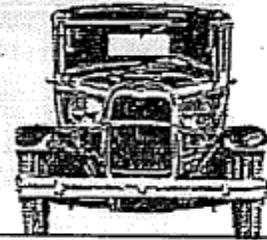
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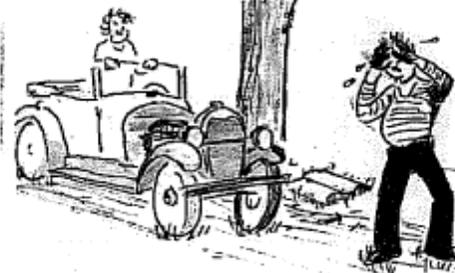
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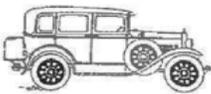


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 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Has any of the above information changed since the last Roster? \_\_\_\_\_

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:

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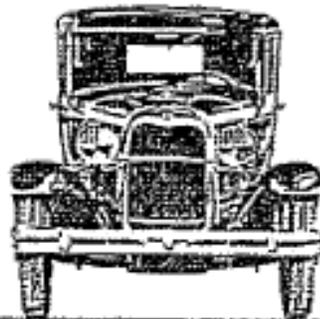
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