

THE PLAIN DEALER

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July 2026

The Club meets
the 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m
Tomahawk Ridge Community Center

Next Meeting
Monday
July 27, 2026

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President's Message

Happy July!

Hope everyone is doing well and had a great 4th celebrating USA's 250th. Look forward to seeing everyone at the July 27th meeting. Until then please try and stay cool and try and get out and about with your cars , friends and family and enjoy your time and our hobby.

Happy Motoring !

Your club president ,
Andy Dugan

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Photo from 2025 Lenexa parade since this year's parade was called because of lightening.



Photo by Ken and Fran Coleman and shared on Facebook

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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 8th of the month.

Sunshine Report

Hi All,

Hoping everyone had a great 4th of July holiday once the stormy weather passed that day. We beat the weather getting home from the parade route that morning with about two minutes to spare. It was very close!

No cards were sent in July. Please send an email or call if you know of any cards that need to be sent.

Deborah Smeltzer
913-526-6977

Plain Ol' A's Refreshments

July 27 2026

Keith & Kathy Nesbitt
Justin Read

August 24 2026

Darrell & Deb Enloe
Jeff Goff

September 28 2026

Ed & Millie Jankowski
John & Deborah Smeltzer

October 26, 2026

Alan South
Joe & Joanie Nicholas

November 23, 2026

Lance & Terri Burton
Dennis Burks

Refreshments

Paper plates, plastic silverware, napkins, and cups are provided by the Club. If you are not able to serve, please contact Steve Woerdehoff at 913-449-2229 or steves_skiing@yahoo.com soon as you can.

Thank you everyone for helping!

- Steve Woerdehoff

Minutes - June 22, 2026

The Plain Ol' A's Club met on June 22, 2026, at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center. Vice President Steve Woerdehoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes - The minutes of the May 25th meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter.

Treasurers Report - Alan South - The Treasurer's report was approved as read. Alan reported that the bank accounts had been frozen because of 3 attempts made to get into our account. New bank accounts have been set up.

Sunshine Report - No Report.

Tours - Bill Hills reported on numerous tours that are coming up. They include the following as well as others: tour to Kansas Museum of History in Topeka in June, Lenexa 4th of July Parade, and a Mystery Tour in August. See Bill's article for all of the tours.

Ron Guenther and others gave a report on the MAFCA National Convention, Pendleton, OR. Ron told about having to cover the roof of his car on the trailer with Saran Wrap and tarps. There were 350 cars at the event. They all had a wonderful time. The best part for Ron was that his car won 1st place in his category!

Car Shows - No Report.

Ladies' Night Out - Bob and Nancy Hess are hosting June 25th at Jumping Catfish.

Bill and Debbie Hills are hosting Tuesday, July 21st at K & M BBQ in Spring Hill at 6:30 PM.

A Host is needed for September.

Webmaster - No Report.

Other Business - Dennis Burks thanked everyone who helped him with his car at the Memorial Day Picnic. The problem was his clutch release shaft arm broke. A replacement for a 30-31 costs \$46.

Raffle - A raffle was held. Ladies - besides car parts and other car items, there are items for the women. This month Lea Crim provided 2 Jar openers that she had made. At the May picnic, Deborah Smeltzer provided scrubbers she had made.

Refreshments - Refreshments were provided by Ed and Millie Jankowski; and Bob and Nancy Hess.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Fran Coleman, Secretary

Newsletter

Have you changed your email address or mailing address and are not receiving the club newsletter? Do you know someone who isn't receiving the Club newsletter, but they should be? Please contact the editor, Joyce Tweedy, at 816-410-4613 or jtweedy@swansonbernard.com to be added to the distribution list..

Thanks.

- Joyce

Ladies Night Out 2026 Sponsor Sign Up

January	
February	Ken & Fran Coleman
March	Andy Dugan
April	John & Deborah Smeltzer
May	Picnic
June	Bob & Nancy Hess
July	Bill & Deb Hills
August	Alan South
September	OPEN
October	Ron & Theresa Guenther
November	Jeff and Carrie Goff
December	Christmas Party



2026 Calendar

July

- 4- Lenexa 4th of July Parade
- 25- Dave Brummel's Nothing New Model A Parts LLC
- 27- POA Meeting

August

- 22- Mystery Tour
- 24- POA Meeting

September

- 10-13- Air Capital Car Tour. If you want information on this, please contact Bill Hills
- 12- International Model A Day
- 26- Dick Combs Airplane Hanger Tour
- 28- POA Meeting

October

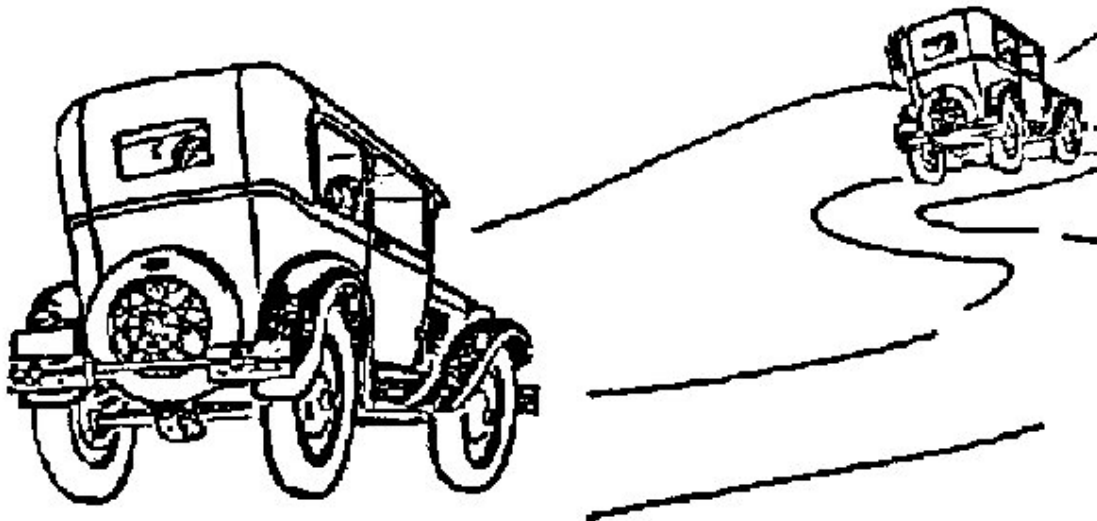
- 3- Turner Barn Car Show
- 10- 17- Route 66 in Illinois
- 26- POA Meeting

November

- 11- Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade
- 23- POA Meeting

December

- TBD- POA Christmas Party



Tours 2026

Kansas Museum of History. We had 4 Model A travel to Topeka and one modern car meet us there. Great museum. If you haven't been there in sometime it is worth the trip.

Lenexa 4th of July Parade. We had 15 cars signed up for the parade. Unfortunately the parade was cancelled because of storms in the area.

Dave Brummel's Nothing New Model A Parts LLC. The HOA Club has invited us to join them on July 25th @ 10:00 am this tour.

16112 South State Route KK
Pleasant Hill MO 64080

Give yourself extra time to find this place, look for the blue and white sign that says Brummel on it, west side of the road. There are Amish horses and buggies in the area so drive carefully.

After perusing his large inventory of Model A stuff in the barn, you have to see the Ford mural on the outside of the barn. Then it's a short walk to his shop to see Mustang, Fairlane and of course, more Model A stuff.

Part 2 of the day: Just a short drive north of Dave's shop is the Lone Jack Civil War Museum and Cemetery. 301 S Bynum Road Lone Jack, MO 64070

Part 3 of the day: Lunch will be at Lone Jack Family Café 100 E US Hwy 50 Lone Jack, MO 64070

I will have a signup sheet at the June meeting. This sounds like an interesting tour. If you haven't signed up to go Please contact me and I will add you to the list.

Mystery Tour August 22nd. We will meet at the McDonald in Olathe (Harrison/K7 and Hamilton Circle) at 9:30 and leave at 10:00. I will have a sign up sheet at the July meeting.

Dick Combs' Airplane Hanger Tour, Saturday Sept 26 11am

One of the most fun activities of the old car hobby is to visit each other's shops and garages. We are going to view Dick Combs' car and automobilia collection on Saturday September 26 beginning at 11am.

It's an actual airplane hanger with bifold doors, etc., loaded with cars, from a Model T, Model A, even a 1919 Bartholomew (which belongs in a museum), with rest of the original and beautifully restored cars from the 1930's and 1940's eras. Most of these cars and automobilia are for sale.

Location: 14307 W 175th St, Overland Park KS Sometimes this address comes up as Olathe KS

This is tricky. Find the south entrance to Heritage Park in Olathe. Across the street on the south side of 175th is Overland Park. The hanger entrance is a farm road just east of this Heritage Park entrance on the south side of the 175th. You'll have to drive around a soybean field to get back to the hanger. We'll try to have a Model A Event sign out front.

Lunch: As you will figure out, this airplane hanger is not close to any lunch spots, so we'll vote on a place.

October 10- 17- Route 66 in Illinois. Plans are being made for this tour. If you are interested in going Please contact me. I want to have planning meetings / emails to keep everyone that is interested up to date. So far here is what we have planned;

October 10th we will drive to St. Louis area and spend the night. **October 11th** we will go to the **National Transportation Museum**. Drive down to the Arch, Cross the river and spend the night in Edwardsville, Il. **Oct. 12th** we will head north on Route 66.

June 13-18, 2027- **National Tour in Durango, CO**

Registration for this tour starts August 1st and is limited to the first 500 people. I will send out a notice reminding you when the registration is open.

If you have suggestions for outings for 2026 Please let me know.

If you want to attend any of these tours and are not at a meeting to signup you can always contact me at the e-mail or phone below.

Thanks,

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

Our Trip to the 2026 Pendleton National Meet

By Theresa Guenther

Two days after the POA picnic, we, Lance and Terri Burton and Alan South loaded our Model A's on the trailers for trip to Pendleton, Oregon to attend the 2026 Model A National Meet, "This Ain't Our First Rodeo". We spent four nights on the road in North Platte, Nebraska, Rawlins, Wyoming, Burley, Idaho, and LaGrande, Oregon. We arrived in Pendleton Sunday morning having battled strong winds and missing severe storms. Our improvised cover for our '31 Cabriolet's top took a beating but the top survived the trip really well.

The week started out with registration and an ice cream social. Ron spent most of Monday in meetings about judging and filling out paperwork that was needed for entering the car in Tuesday's judging. Later at the hotel, he, Lance, and Alan got the car ready for Tuesday's event.

Tuesday morning rolled around and Ron went out to take the car to the Convention Center for the judging. With the ignition on, he stepped on the starter button and nothing, DEAD BATTERY! We didn't come 1700 miles to not have it start on this important day. He did what any good Model A'er would do, found some guys in the hotel parking and got a push. Success and off he went to judging. He made it through the mandatory tour and into judging. Owners were not allowed in the arena during judging. Now all we had to do was wait for the results at the Saturday night banquet. Apparently, the mandatory tour that morning was enough to recharge the battery, because it started right up after sitting all day.

We spent the rest of week touring around the beautiful mountains (knolls) that surround the Umatilla River Valley. We enjoyed some really good restaurants. One was a speak easy that had a really cool atmosphere. During the week we also visited the Pendleton Woolen Mill retail store. They had some beautiful blankets and clothes.

Saturday gave way to car games and picking up any raffle items that we may have won. We didn't get anything. That afternoon, after lunch, was spent putting the cars on the trailers and getting everything packed to head home. That night was the banquet and awards presentation. There were three classifications for cars judged, fine point, fine point touring, and modified. Our Cabriolet was entered in the fine point touring class of which there were three being judged. When they announced the awards, Ron won a first place with 380 points, the next car had 384 points, and the last car was awarded an Award of





Excellence with 400 points. Ron was dumbfounded! He did not expect to do so well. He was only twenty points shy of 400 points needed for an Award of Excellence.

After a week of good weather and seeing some really nice Model A's, it was time to hit the road Sunday morning towards home. We stayed in Twin Falls, Idaho, Rock Springs, Wyoming, Ogalallah, Nebraska, and Nebraska City, Nebraska. We lucked out and had less wind and missed any bad weather.

Our last day on the road and after two weeks of hotel breakfasts we asked the hotel clerk for a good place for breakfast. We ate at the restaurant at Sapp Brothers off I-29 in Iowa before heading south on I-29 towards home. At the Tracy exit near Platte City we said good bye to the rest of our group and headed towards Leavenworth. We pulled into our driveway at about 1:00 pm tired but glad to be home. What a trip.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Lance and Alan for all their help going, coming, and getting our Cabriolet ready. Thanks guys.



Keith Nesbitt	July 6
Alan South	July 9
Joanie Nicholas	July 12
Stacy Bernard	July 23
Justin Read	July 24
Leland Daise	July 27

Bob & Lea Van den Berghe	July 3
Bob & Donna Pettit	July 22

MAFFI Minute

June 2026



Happy Summer, Model A'ers!

I hope everyone is enjoying the driving season and finding plenty of opportunities to get their Model A out on the road. Whether you're heading out on a cross-country tour or simply enjoying an evening drive through the countryside, there's nothing quite like summertime in a Model A.

Here at MAFFI, preparations are well underway for Model A Days, and we're looking forward to welcoming everyone back to the museum. This year's event will feature an exciting display of Model A Speedsters, including vehicles from the Secrets of Speed Society. It promises to be a unique opportunity to see these remarkable cars up close and learn more about this fascinating part of Model A history.

If you're looking for ways to support the museum, please consider purchasing a memorial brick or participating in the My-A Program. Both are meaningful ways to leave a lasting impact while helping preserve the history of the Model A Ford for future generations. Be sure to also check out our sweepstakes 1930 Fordor Sedan- it's another great way to support MAFFI while having the chance to take home a beautiful Model A.

As always, the museum continues to stay busy thanks to the incredible efforts of our volunteers, who work year-round to care for the collection and keep the museum looking its best. Their dedication is what keeps MAFFI moving forward.

We look forward to seeing many of you at Model A Days. Until then, enjoy the season, drive safely, and keep on motoring!

John Grossheim

Trustee and Secretary, 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.***

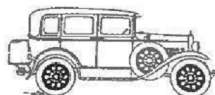
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MAFCA National Tour Durango, Colorado

June 13-18, 2027

Hosted by the Model A Ford Club
of Colorado

Early Bird Newsletter #4 - July 2026



Registration Officially Opens August 1, 2026

The countdown is on!

Registration for the 2027 Model A Ford Club of America's National Tour will
officially open on:  August 1, 2026

 Registration is limited to the first 500 participants — don't wait to register!

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Spouse: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Birthdate(s) (MM/DD) _____
Anniversary Date (MM/DD/YY) _____

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? _____

Renewal Member - Dues \$30.00/year. The electronic monthly newsletter, *The Plain Dealer* included with membership.

New Members - Prorated Dues \$30/year. The electronic monthly newsletter, *The Plain Dealer* included with membership.

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TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

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

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