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December 2025

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

Next Meeting

Monday

January 26, 2026

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The Election Committee presents the Plain Ol' A's Officers for 2026;

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| President | Andy Dugan |
| Vice President | Steve Woerdehoff |
| Secretary | Fran Coleman |
| Treasurer | Alan South |

Congratulations and thank you!

New Club Dues Amount - Reminder

Club Members

The club members voted at the October meeting to increase the dues by \$5.00 from \$25.00 to \$30.00.

If dues are paid on or before December 31st, you will receive a \$5 dollar discount and the amount due will be \$25.00. Any payments received after December 31st will be the new amount of \$30.00.

Club President , Andrew Dugan



Santa's checking his list. Have you been naughty or nice this year?

Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Joyce Tweedy

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| December 2025 | | | | | | |
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| 14 | 15 Christmas PARTY | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
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2025 Club Officers

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| Director | John Smeltzer | 913-638-7032 | js5200ks@gmail.com |

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| Christmas Party | Andy Dugan | 816-548-7436 | andug125@gmail.com |
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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.

Sunshine Report

Hope everyone is surviving the bout of cold weather. No cards have been recently sent.

Wishing everyone a happy and blessed holiday season!

Deborah Smeltzer
913-526-6977



Minutes November 24, 2025

The Plain Ol' A's met on November 24, 2025, at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center. President Andy Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Guests and New Members-No new members were at the meeting.

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

Treasurer's Report-The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Sunshine Report-There was no news to report.

Tours-The following activities are being planned:

January-Restaurant week

October-Route 66 in Illinois

Car Shows-None are planned.

Ladies' Night Out-There was nothing to report.

Webmaster-Joe was not at the meeting.

Christmas Party-The Christmas party will be held on December 14 at Fountainbleau Clubhouse.

Meeting Location-Our regular meetings will be held at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center until further notice.

Officer Elections -The following officers were elected for 2026:

President Andy Dugan

Vice-President Steve Woerdehoff

Secretary Fran Coleman

Treasurer Alan South

Other Business-The club voted to move \$2,000.00 from money market to the checking account.

Contributions-The membership voted to approve the following contributions:

Joyce Tweedy--\$600.00

MAFCA Youth Scholarship Fund--\$250.00 plus any amount collected from raffles

Raffle-A raffle was held after the meeting.

Refreshments-Refreshments were provided by Ron and Theresa Guenther and Lance and Terri Burton.

Nancy Hess, Secretary

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

2025 Calendar

January

9-18 KC Restaurant Week

26- POA Meeting

February

23- POA Meeting

March

17- Leavenworth St. Patrick's Day Parade

23- POA Meeting

April

27- POA Meeting

May

1-3- Lawrence Swap Meet

25- POA Picnic & Meeting

31- June 7- MAFCA National Convention

June

22- POA Meeting

July

4- Lenexa 4th of July Parade

27- POA Meeting

August

24- POA Meeting

September

12- International Model A Day

28- POA Meeting

October

TBD- Route 66 tour in Illinois

3- Turner Barn Car Show

26- POA Meting

November

11- Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade

23- POA Meeting

December

TBD- POA Christmas Party

Tours 2025

Deb and I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

January- KC Restaurant Week is the 9th- 18th. They have 117 restaurants listed so far. A few have their menu listed. I will be checking the listing a couple of times a week to see what is new but I won't choose a restaurant until after the first of the year. In the meantime, if you are planning to attend, please email me so I can start a head count. I need a head count when looking for a restaurant as many limit their group reservations to 6-8 people.

May/June - MAFCA National Convention- Pendleton, Oregon

October- Route 66 in Illinois

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

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



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| Art Allen | December 2 |
| Darrell Enloe | December 7 |
| Mary Ann Jones | December 10 |
| Don Lobner | December 11 |
| Ken Coleman | December 12 |
| Bill Hills | December 12 |
| Lois Lobner | December 13 |
| Sue Ryan | December 14 |
| Mike Clayton | December 30 |

Bob & Joanne Arnold December 28



The Night before Christmas



'Twas the night before Christmas, the clock struck eleven. Everyone else was in bed; they'd be up long before seven. Milk and cookies for Santa, carrots for the reindeer. Set out for the visitors they hoped would soon be here. I turned off the lights as I walked through the house, chuckling as I thought of the proverbial mouse.

I looked out the window into the bright starry night, and grumbled as I saw he'd forgotten the garage light. I put on my coat, boots, mittens and hat. You can bet in the morning he'd hear about that. I walked to the garage, and as I got near, some movement and a voice inside I could hear.

I crept to the window and scraped off the frost. Looked inside to see some elves and, of course, Santa Claus. Elves on the running board, trunk and spare, I stood still, couldn't move, didn't dare. I listened as he spoke to them, smiling as he did. He talked about the Model A, his car when he was a kid.

"This vehicle is a piece of the past, this standard Fordor car, it made the world a smaller place, so men could travel far. This car gave every man a chance to step beyond his home. To leave his land, his town, his state, and go and go where he would roam. It opened up the world to every man, this little Model A Ford. The average man could buy this car - he couldn't afford an L-29 Cord.

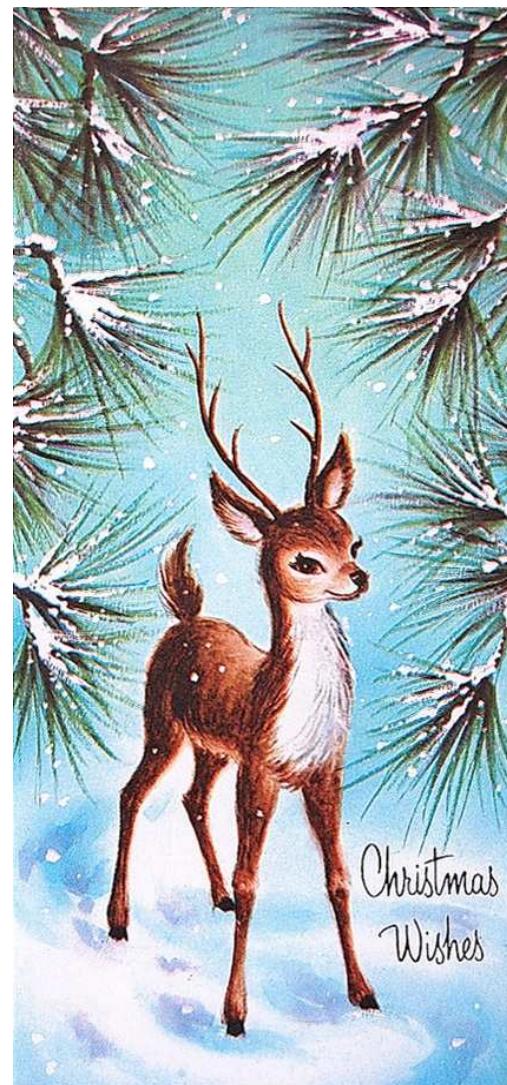
"This car you see here, this chicle and copra drab Model A. Is sixty-four years old, if it's even a day. It is cared for and loved by the family who lives here, who get pleasure and enjoyment with it, all through the year. It makes my heart glad and me, happy to see, that a simple thing can be a joy to a family."

He shined the motometer and patted the hood, then he commented, "Even the body is framed with wood." He gathered his elves and went to his sleigh, and went off of the roof, up, up, up and away. I walked back to the house and went up to bed, with the vision of Santa Claus still in my head.

I dreamed of Santa and elves all night. And woke the next morning to the sounds of delight. The children were up, down by the tree, looking at their stockings to see what they could see. The carrots, milk and cookies were gone, the pace was clean, Santa, his elves and reindeer had made the scene.

There was a note from Santa to all the family "Merry Christmas to all, and save a ride for me!" they all looked puzzled, wondering what did this man? As I smiled to myself, my eye had a gleam. I knew what he meant, that wonderful man. Model A Ford people have fun, as no one else can.

- The Running Board
Northwestern Connecticut A's



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.***

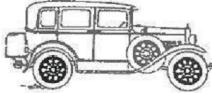
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MAFFI Minute

November 2025



Winter is approaching here in the Midwest, and the museum is still rapidly working on new and updated exhibits! Darwin Schafer donated a really special unrestored and fully original 1930 De Luxe Delivery (130) which was originally used by a funeral home for flowers. This will be used during Model A Days to demonstrate corn shelling since it has a power take-off system for a belt (though personally, I might try and sneak an ice cream maker on it!).

Andrew Oliver of Connecticut won the sweepstakes on the 1928 Phaeton, and Kris Wilson of Missouri won the rebuilt engine.

Now that the trustees have had a chance to go over the numbers for the 2025 Model A Days, it looks like it was a great success thanks to all our hobbyists who came to support the museum. There are plenty of ways to get involved with helping and still plenty of ways to donate to the museum between the My-A-Program, Brick Memorials, and even regular donations. As we get towards the Holiday Season, this is something great to keep in mind, especially for your local club.

Keep on motoring!

John Grossheim, Trustee and Secretary of MAFFI

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Last Name: _____ Home Phone: _____
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Has any of the above information changed since the last Roster? _____

Model & Year of Model A's: _____

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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? _____

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*Dues reduced to \$25.00 IF RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 31st

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Total Due: \$ _____

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

Bob Hess, Treasurer

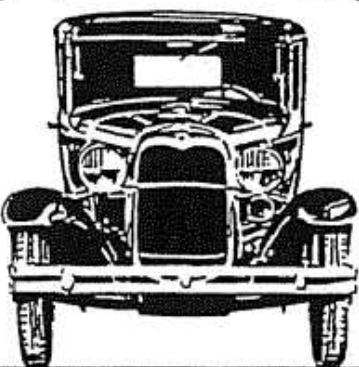
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