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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



by Roy Cail

"Ole Man Winter" has certainly thrown us a few challenges this year. However, with each passing storm that means spring is just that much closer. I must say our ladies, Miss Magnolia and Miss Caroline, are anxious to get on the road to see new sights and have some fun. They enjoyed a brief but "fun" tour around the neighborhood recently on a bright sunny day that just sets the stage for what is to come.

Speaking of fun, if you missed the January members meeting (45 attendees) you missed a great opportunity to share in great food and conversation. As you may recall we had "pot luck" dinner – which can only be described as "WOW what a feast". The entertainment for the evening was "great conversations" during dinner which all seem to enjoy. All too often we do not have time to just "catch up" at our meetings so this provided a good opportunity. Based on feedback from those attend-

ing we will plan another pot luck dinner sometime in the future.

The February Board meeting was a key meeting for planning for the balance of 2010 in terms of activities and events. As we did in 2009 we developed a 12 month calendar of events/activities so that you can plan your participation. Not all dates are filled so as new activities surface during the year we can add and/or substitute them on the calendar. Barbara Cail is the Chair of Events/Activities and as such will be providing communications on these in the Rumble Sheet and other means. As you may recall, the results of the member survey conducted in September showed 96 percent wanted the same or more events/activities. We used this feedback as a guide as we planned the year. Hats off to the Board members for a job well done!!!

In January we introduced a program to participate in tracking our Model A mileage in 2010 in conjunction with Oklahoma City. This is can be a fun program while offering a little competition on who drives the most miles. We encourage you to participate and let's see how many miles we can drive our A's. For more details of the program see the article entitled: Driving Our A's 1000 Mile Patch.

In my January President's

message I talked about the right level of communications with our members as a goal for 2010. While we have some great communications tools such as the Rumble Sheet, Calling Committee, emails, Sunshine Person, etc. The goal is to have a personal touch with our members on a regular basis. Some of our members are not able to attend many of our meetings and/or activities but remain quite interested in what is happening in our club. With this in mind we will be setting up a calling group that will visit with our members on a regular basis. If you have an interest in participating please let me know.

Look for other new programs as the year progresses. We need to find a way to ensure our more mature members get assistance they may need on routine maintenance of cars so they feel comfortable driving them. In addition, we need to find a way to attract new members, especially younger (I will let you define younger) folks that have a passion for vintage automobiles, great friends, and a fun time.

I would appreciate hearing from you on how the Club is doing and what suggestions you may have. Open communications will ensure we remain an active club. You can reach me at roycail@cox.net or by calling me at 299-5691.



SUNSHINE REPORT by Loretta Benson

We have several members with illnesses or injuries. Pauline Back fell on Christmas Day and hurt her back. She is still in pain and has gone to the doctor. Marvin is still bothered with the shingles. Frank Bohall had a heart attack on Jan. 12. He is home now from the hospital, but is still in bed. Lois Smith is having heart problems and has had several different tests. Terry Smith will be starting chemo again soon. Lois wasn't sure just when. Elmer Battenfield was in the hospital for awhile. He is home now, but is using a walker to get around.



DRIVE THOSE MODEL A'S: 1000 MILE PATCH

by Roy Cail

A little background on this program is needed. At the January meeting I had introduced a potential program tracking our Model A mileage in 2010 in conjunction with a program the Oklahoma City club was going to participate. When discussed at our meeting and via email I had conveyed MAFCA had a "Touring Award" based on achieving 25,000 or 50,000 miles accumulatively. I had originally thought this was the program OKC was talking about but since have learned I was in error. Oklahoma City has actually developed their own program to track mileage, 1000 Mile Patch. Tracking our mileage is also in conjunction with MAFCA attempting to accumulatively drive 1 million miles between January 1, 2010 and September 30, 2010. MAFCA will post those clubs participating on their website.

The Board has agreed to adopt the 1000 Mile Patch for our Club. We will develop our patch in the near future. If you want to participate please provide Roy Cail your odometer reading (either by email, postal. or at our next meeting) as of January 1 – you may have to estimate miles assuming you have driven your A in 2010. I have set up a database to capture the miles by owner and car. A few of you have already provided me your initial odometer reading by car -- you can have multiple cars. We will also provide the mileage to MAFCA so we could participate in their 1 million mile endeavor. My contact details are as follows: phone, 299-5691 or roycail@cox.net .

Just for your information, Lindell is off and running with over 300 miles (combined pickup and car) already --- now that lays down a real challenge for some of us.

TULSA MODEL A 2010 BUDGET

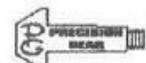


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Fall Tour	\$-	
Dues/New Members	\$1,740	
Clothing	\$1,200	
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Ads	\$440	
Misc.	\$100	
Activities	\$2,000	
Fundraisers/cars	\$250	
Dvd's	\$100	
Sub Total		\$8,830

Clothing/Name Tags	\$1,200	
Fall Tour	\$-	
Food/Beverages	\$1,300	
Postage	\$800	
Rumble Sheet	\$600	
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Rent/TPS 1 year	\$452	
Activities	\$2,000	
Door Prizes	\$250	
Misc	\$300	
Programs	\$250	
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by Virginia Helton, February 3, 2010

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Kicks on ROUTE 66 TOUR



A tour down part of Route 66 is being planned for March 27-28. The OKC Sooner Club plans to join us for part of the weekend. When the weather allows, the planning committee will finalize

details. We hope to have those by February meeting and publish them via email and in the March Rumble Sheet. Tentatively, we hope to visit Chandler and Stroud on Saturday and overnight in that area. The Tulsa group will return via Cushing and Drumright. Contact: Barbara Cail 299-5691 or barbcail@cox.net

MARCH BREAKFAST AND POKER RUN

Our Poker Run following March Breakfast (Ihop located at 9005 North 121st East Avenue Owasso, (918) 609-6226) will take us on sightings of several statues of Timmy and Cindy. (See Feb/March Events Update for details)

Timmy and Cindy are bronze statues of the young boy and girl playing which are distributed throughout Owasso. This is a community public arts initiative funded by donations from families, individuals and organizations. The locations are decided through a joint effort of the City of Owasso staff and the Arts and Humanities Council of Owasso. The labor to set the statues is provided by City Staff.



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February and March Events Update

February 13

- Dinner at Rib Crib, 71st (Kenosha Ave.) Broken Arrow
- Broken Arrow Community Theater, "Bus Stop" Contact: Barbara Cail 299-5691. Previous reservations required to go with group.

February 16

- Monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Lewis and Clark Middle School
- Pie supper and entertainment

March 6

- Breakfast, IHOP, Owasso, at 8 a.m.
- A poker run following our March Breakfast in Owasso will provide several sightings of Timmy and Cindy. Plan to join us for a drive around Owasso in search of these adorable youngsters.....bronze statues. Ralph and Connie Hudson have been busy mapping out our route.

March 16

- Monthly meeting, Lewis and Clark Middle School
- Baked potato dinner and entertainment

March 17

- Check in for Tulsa Auto Show (tentative date)

Mar. 18-21

- Tulsa Auto Show
- Contact: Benny Benson 296-5000 (home) or 671-1381 (cell)
- Location: Expo Square - Quik Trip Center - Tulsa
- The auto show is on the calendar for this year. Again, our club plans to participate. Benny Benson will coordinate our participation. He will announce in March's Rumble Sheet the check-in times and location for our display. We anticipate a Wednesday check-in. Let's get our cars spruced up for the show. We especially want to have a great representation of 1930 models, their 80th anniversary.

March 27-28

- Overnight Kicks on Route 66 Tour (see separate article for information)
- In conjunction with OKC Sooner Club

2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH/DATE	EVENT OR ACTIVITY	LOCATION	TIME
February 13	B.A. Theater/Dinner	Rib Crib, BA	6 p.m.
	“Bus Stop”	BACT, S. Main	8 p.m.
February 16	Monthly Meeting/pie supper & musical entertainment	Lewis and Clark	7 p.m.
March 6	Breakfast	IHOP Owasso	8 a.m.
	Poker Run following	Owasso area	9 a.m.
March 16	Monthly Meeting/Baked Potato Dinner/Entertainment	Lewis and Clark	TBA
March 17	Check in for Car Show	QuikTrip Center	TBA
March 18-28	Tulsa Auto Show	QuikTrip Center	Varies
March 27-28	Kicks on Route 66 Tour	TBA	TBA
April 3	Breakfast at Luby’s	71st & Riverside	8 a.m.
April -TBA	Walking tour of Downtown Tulsa – Art Deco and Historical	Tulsa	TBA
April 17	Azalea Festival Parade	Muskogee	TBA
April 20	Monthly Meeting/Shoe Box Swap Meet	Lewis and Clark	7 p.m.
May 2	Breakfast	Duffy’s, Broken A.	8 a.m.
May 8	Strawberry Festival Parade	Stillwell	TBA
May 18	Monthly Meeting	Lewis and Clark	7 p.m.
May TBA	Ladies Day Out	Savory Chef	TBA
June 5	Breakfast, Sapulpa area	TBA	8 a.m.
	Visit Sapulpa Car Show	Sapulpa	9 a.m.
June 7 – 11	Regional Meeting	Omaha NE	
June 11 – 13	Leake Auction	Fairgrounds Tulsa	Varies
June 15	Monthly Meeting	Lewis and Clark	7 p.m.
June 26	Green Corn Festival Parade	Bixby	TBA
July 3	Breakfast	TBA	TBA
July 3	Concert: 4th on the 3rd Patriotic, TCC	81st St. at Hwy 169	TBA
July 10	Outdoor Drama: Trail of Tears	Tahlequah	TBA
July 17	Porter Peach Festival	Porter	TBA
July 20	Monthly Meeting	Lewis and Clark	7 p.m.
August 7	Breakfast with activity following	TBA	TBA
August 15 (SUNDAY)	Will Rogers/Wiley Post Fly-in	Oologah area	TBA
August 21	Annual Picnic		
September 4	Breakfast	TBA	TBA
September 11	Club Play Day (monthly meeting)	Lewis and Clark	TBA
September 18-19	International Model A Day Celebration Bill Knight Ford & Tom Mix Days Parades and activities	Dewey Area	TBA
September 21	Third on the Triangle Concert	Sand Springs	evening
October 2	Breakfast	TBA	TBA
October 2	Hunger Awareness Month	TBA	TBA
(tentative date)	Fill “A” pickup project		
October 19	Monthly Meeting	Lewis and Clark	TBA
October 22-24	Fall Tour – Medicine Lake/Lawton area	TBA	TBA
November 6	NO BREAKFAST		
November 6	Lunch and Will Roger’s Day activities	Claremore	TBA
November 13	Chili Dinner and Pie Auction	Lewis and Clark	TBA
November	NO MONTHLY MEETING		
November 18	OSU – Okmulgee Thanksgiving Buffet	Okmulgee	noon
December 4	Breakfast	TBA	TBA
December 4	Broken Arrow Christmas Parade	Broken Arrow	TBA
December 11	Christmas Parades	Varies	TBA
December	NO MONTHLY MEETING		
December 18	Christmas Party	TBA	TBA

CAUSING SOME HELL ON THE BORDER

by Barbara Cail

We should have known that with the group we were taking on a Fall Foliage Tour to Van Buren and Ft. Smith, AR, trouble would be brewing. After all, Ft. Smith has been dubbed as the city of “hell on the border.” Lots of famous outlaws got their starts and ended their crime-sprees in Judge Parker’s territory. Hanging Judge Parker and his US Marshalls did not take kindly to the ruckus caused by the gangsters. Hanging gallows are evidence of that.

The annual Tulsa and Sooner (Oklahoma City) Model A Ford Clubs’ Fall Foliage Tour started without any signs of trouble. We gathered in the community of Haskell to get our directions and goodie bags. Those bags contained some great items donated by many of the businesses we frequent as Model A’ers.

Then, trouble began. Don Reed flattened one tire and split a rim. It only took about two-dozen guys a couple of minutes to put him back on the road.

From there it was off to Sallisaw, once in part of Indian Territory before Oklahoma’s statehood.

These “parts” produced some of the “finest” gangsters around. One of those gangsters was Charles Arthur Floyd, also known as Pretty Boy Floyd. Floyd was a bank robber. A few people died from his bullets. To the folks around Sallisaw, he was almost like a modern-day Robin Hood. He sometimes shared his loot



with others, especially if they helped him avoid getting caught. Floyd was long saddled with a nickname he despised. The hill folk around Sallisaw were duly impressed by the fact he was never without a pocket comb. They studied his slick-as-axle-grease pompadour and dubbed him “Pretty Boy.” Years later when he was deep in criminality, the nickname resurfaced even though he had tried to keep it secret. The name irritated Floyd right up to the moment he lay dying in an Ohio cornfield. Famed FBI agent Melvin Purvis stood over him and said, “You’re Pretty Boy Floyd.” The dying gangster flared, “I’m Charles Arthur Floyd.”

Floyd was killed on Oct. 22, 1934. He requested years before his death to be buried near Sallisaw. Some reports estimated that 20,000 people came to his funeral. Others reported upwards of 40,000 mourners and spectators.

Being as we were passing by the area exactly 75 years and a day after his death, we found it “fitting” to visit his gravesite. After all, he was known to drive Model A’s. For that alone, we could pay our “respects.” One of our “gang,” Rick Jensen, surprised us. He pulled out his trusted (toy) machine gun and knelt at the grave. He looked suspiciously like a gangster himself. Might Floyd’s gang exist among us?

From there we went to the site of Sequoyah’s cabin. Sequoyah was the son of a white father and a Cherokee mother. He studied the sounds and syllables of the Cherokee language and developed an alpha-

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bet of symbols for the language. His original cabin is beautifully preserved inside a building built in the 1930s as a WPA project.

Now it was time to really start checking out the hills of the once lawless eastern Oklahoma where many gangsters found their refuge. Blazing in all the brilliant colors of autumn, the hills provided us with spectacular scenery. Cows, goats, buzzards and a few folks watched as we made our way over the hills and around many curves.



We crossed the border into Arkansas and wound our way into the Victorian town of Van Buren. Things were looking calm and peaceful. A walk around the downtown area and a feast of Mexican food made the 150 mile trip worthwhile. However, there was still much more in store for us. Things were not as peaceful as they appeared.

Saturday morning we gathered for breakfast before leaving for a driving tour into Ft. Smith. We took a slow drive through the Belle Grove District to see the historical houses. Next, we drove to the U.S. National Cemetery. Graves of soldiers from past wars are row upon row. They date as far back as the Civil War era. We were awed by the peacefulness and beauty of the site.

Frontier Fest was going on in Ft. Smith, and we were invited guests. We parked our cars for festival attendees to see. Members shopped, toured downtown Ft. Smith, and visited with on-lookers. The city has a fine historical museum, an old brothel-turned-visitor's center, trolley, 1920s era amusement park, and other great attractions.

Lurking nearby were the gallows from Hangin' Judge Parker's days as well as the Judge's courtroom

where many criminals were sentenced to hang. A sign nearby announced plans for a National US Marshall's Museum. Those should be warnings enough to not cause any trouble while in Ft. Smith.

If you recall, trouble was brewing within the group on this tour! We just didn't know who nor how much.

Near the time we had planned to depart Ft. Smith, one of our members, Bob Soper, hopped into his 1929 Blindback Sedan and left. He pulled in front of the bank and stopped. Out of the bank walked Henry Starr and his partner; into Soper's car they jumped. A bank hold-up had just occurred, and Soper was their getaway guy! In "HOT PERSUIT" was a 1930 Model A sedan with a former banker on running board and our member Marvin Mellage driving. Quick-on-the-gas Marvin, acting really "cool and important," failed to turn on his siren and red light. Suddenly, the getaway car stopped. A gunfight began. Poor Henry Starr, he lay shot on the streets of Ft. Smith. Starr had been shot in the back by the former president of the bank. He "died" three days later. The other robber surrendered. As for Soper, he slipped back into the parking lot where he hid himself and his car among the clubs' fleets of A's.

Our club had just helped to reenact the first recorded bank robbery to have used an automobile as the getaway car. The actual robbery was in Harrison AR on February 18, 1921. Albeit seven years before the Model A era, the spectators found it entertaining. Bob Soper will forever be our official "Bad Guy." He was glad to leave Ft. Smith before Judge Parker's sentencing.

Trouble had not ended for us yet. The evening was filled with a visit from the ladies-of-the-night,



Miss Laura, a preacher and the doctor. The preacher-man seemed to recognize some of our ladies including our dear Sunday-going Connie. He told us he knew her from his Tuesday night visits to calm her soul. The good doctor claimed to have cured Tulsa club member Virginia's "bunions" and asked if they were bothering her anymore. Sure was kind of him to inquire. The city of Ft. Smith hired him to "certify" Miss Laura's girls' health conditions, too.



The days of the brothels that lined the riverbank border between Arkansas and Indian Territory during the 1800s are gone, but the stories aren't. The ghosts of Miss Laura, the ladies, and the gentlemen of those days live on. Miss Laura's Players performed a lively musical rendition of those days and tried to stir up a bit of rumor and trouble for some of our distinguished "gentlemen," especially Tulsa MAFC President Lindell Duncan and member Jerry Conrad.

When Sunday came, we knew it was time for us to high-tail-it out of town and cross that border back into Oklahoma and the safety of home. Except for one last bit of trouble, a broken fan belt on "Machine Gun" Jensen's car, we made it back just fine. Our "gang" of mechanics made fast work of the repairs.

Our adventures were planned by Roy and Barbara Cail and Lindell and Mayleta Duncan. We had over 60 members and guests from the Tulsa Model A Ford Club and the Oklahoma City Sooner Club attend. Yearly, we do tours together. But, usually we don't cause "hell on the border!"

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JUNE MEETING

Linda Ochs
Tony Brust

APRIL MEETING

Linda Mellage
Virginia Helton

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by Ken Brust

To help encourage us to drive our old cars, we are initiating a program to track our mileage this year to see how many miles we actually put on these Model A's. Turn in your current odometer mileage now to Roy and let the driving fun begin. The one who drives the most will surely win some prize and those who meet certain mileage criteria might be eligible for a mileage patch. Stay tuned for more scoop.

Marvin has just about completed the new interior redo on our car and it is looking might fine. He didn't want me to tell this but it is too good to keep quiet. He had all of the hardware off the doors and had finally just completed all four interior door panels. He was inside the car with all doors closed and was checking the seams to see how it all fit and looked. He was quite satisfied with his work and decided to call it quits for the day when he realized he did not have a door handle or window crank attached to get himself out of the car! He was being held hostage in his own garage. He thought of his cell phone so he could call Linda for help but then saw it sitting on his shop desk! He was really beginning to feel somewhat concerned and was really kicking himself until he finally remembered he had a window crank in a hardware box sitting under the dash. He found it and rolled down a window, reached out and opened the door and escaped. Now that I'm sharing this little secret of his, I bet he is really sorry he ever told me!! It did make for a good laugh though!

As many of us grow older, we might not feel as comfortable driving as we once did. If you know someone who doesn't drive any longer, invite them to ride with you to breakfast, a club meeting, or an outing. Lets keep our membership strong and active. Our time will eventually come when we might not feel like driving. We hope there are friends around then who will offer us a ride.

We have a nice program scheduled for our February "Valentine's Day" meeting on Tuesday night, February 16. Sue Bennett is going to sing for us and I know you will not want to miss her. Tory and I claim she is Tulsa's own Susan Boyle. Bring your Valentine and come listen to some wonderful music and enjoy some delicious pie! See you there!

Remember to salute a Veteran and to say thanks. Until next time, happy trails to you!

FROM YOUR BOARD

by Ken Brust



Your Board met on Ground Hog night to review plans for this year. Locations were identified for our breakfast gatherings on the first Saturday of each month with activities planned following breakfast where we can tour in our cars. Various interesting programs have been planned for our monthly meetings that we believe you will enjoy. The Board invites members who might have ideas for programs or any club activity to contact a Board member. Tulsa's sensational Sue Bennett will sing for us on February 16 as we celebrate Valentine's Day and enjoy some delicious pies.

We will have a poker run in March following breakfast in Owasso. The March Tulsa Car Show is mid-month where we always enjoy showing off our cars. An overnight westward tour on old Route 66 with our cars is planned the last weekend in March where we will join several members of the Oklahoma City Club. April brings an outing with our cars where we will visit some of the popular art deco areas with an interesting walking tour of some of the old buildings and a venture down into the little-known tunnels. This is just a small taste of what is planned for this year.

We are initiating a mileage program where we will track our mileage. We have 87 families in our current Tulsa membership with approximately 115 Model A Fords. The Rumble Sheet has a new Editor this month. We again wish to thank Randy Riddle for all of his fine work as past Editor. Please read the Rumble Sheet to learn more about all of the planned activities for this year. The Board depends mainly on it as the primary Club communication tool augmented by emails and phone calls. Remember your Valentine! We hope to see you February 16.

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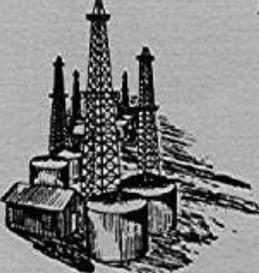
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February 19th
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March 15th
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