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# The Rumble Sheet

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President's Message

#### By Harold Helton



I believe that Will Rogers said "If you don't like the weather in Oklahoma, wait until tomorrow, it will change". Will's saying had a lot of common since and his humor made him very popular. Our Spring Tour was cancelled because of bad weather. I was ready to go on a tour; Marvin helped me put the old trunk from my garage on our Fordor plus other mechanical updates. I must have cabin

fever and ready for the open road. I asked Virginia this weekend, is this spring or winter? She just ignored me as normal and went about her knitting. So I just talked to myself and said "I guess we will have another chance when the weather is warmer".

Talking about warmer weather, I am not sure what to think about all of the members putting air conditioners in their Model A's. I visited with one guy that was getting ready for the Spring Tour that said his A was so cold with the AC on that his wife was planning to take a blanket with her to keep from getting too cold. I have been thinking about that, and talking to myself about all of this information. Not sure what I will do.

On a more serious topic, at the last club meeting Carolyn Plucknett was recognized by the club for her "96th Birthday" with a card signed by all that were present. I asked Carolyn if she wanted to say a few words and she made some very nice comments about George James and other members that started the club and has kept it together. Check the article by Ken this month about our clubs 45th anniversary.

Make sure you attend the meeting this month. Nancy Forcum will do a presentation about Model A Era clothing. For more information read the article by Nancy this month. Last month the board changed the 50/50 pot so that if the pot is over \$100, it will be split three ways. The club will keep a third and two winners will receive a third each. Congratulations to Susan Schalk and Carolyn Plucknett each won \$35.

Your Model A Board is still working hard to plan more tours and activities for our members. We have set another goal for this year. At the last meeting I had a review of the goals that have already been set. The teacher in me just cannot resist a good review of information. The new goal was suggested by Chris DuVall "Learning more about how to work on our A's". The Tulsa Club is very fortunate to have great mechanics like Ralph and Marvin to keep us on the road. I know we have others that also help. I will have more about this next month.

> Keep Smiling Harold

## Community Theater

By Virginia Helton

The club has purchased tickets for those attending the play on Saturday, April 13th at the Community Theater in Broken Arrow starting at 8:00 pm. A room has been reserved at the Lone Star Steak House just north of the Bass Pro Shop in BA.

We plan to arrive at Lone Star at 5:30 pm so that we will have enough time to eat and visit. Tickets will be handed out at the April breakfast in Claremore or you can get your tickets when we eat at Lone Star. If you have a question, call me at 918-430-6131.

#### Tulsa Model A Financial Report March 25, 2013 by Jeanne Washburn

**DEPOSITS:** 

50/50	\$46.00
Activities - BA Playhouse funds	\$308.00
Donations	\$300.00
Membership Renewals/Advertising	\$40.00
Name tags	\$20.00
New Members	\$40.00
	\$754.00

#### **EXPENDITURES:**

Activities - BA Playhouse Tickets	\$308.00
Directories	\$208.30
Flowers	\$30.49
Food, beverages & supplies for Mar. mtg.	\$92.86
Stamps	\$(9.20)
Total	\$630.45

## Breakfast & Tour

by Linda & Marvin Mellage Just a reminder our Model-A club's monthly breakfast and a mini tour is

coming up Saturday April 6, in Claremore. If you drive your Model A, you have a



chance to win your breakfast free. See the Calendar of Events for restuarant information.

The tour will spend time in downtown Claremore visiting some of the many antique shops. Next is a beautiful country drive to Mike Fuller's Auto & Gas Museum in Inola. This unique museum which has been featured on several local TV stories, has old cars and lots of gas related antiques. Admission is free, but there is a donation jar available. Following this we'll continue driving thru the back country and wind up in Broken Arrow.

So get that Model-A out and ready. Including a full tank of gas before going to breakfast.

See you there.

#### Tulsa MAFC is 45 Years Old by Ken Brust

President Harold received a certificate from MAFCA recognizing our Tulsa club on its 45th year anniversary. The Club wishes to celebrate this occasion at a club event on Saturday, June 1.

Few members are still around

from the original 1968 group;

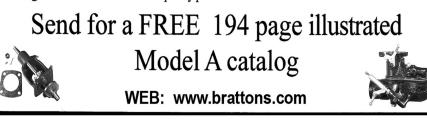
however, if you have information

about old-time members we could

invite who might still be in the area



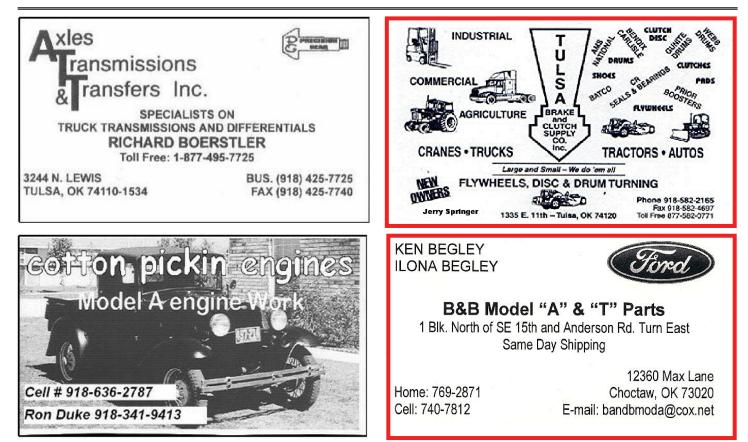
~ Serving the Model A restorer with quality parts since 1977.



or if some of you other long-time members have information about the club's history, please contact Ken Brust at kvbrust@cox.net. He hopes to put together a brief history of the club for the June 1 celebration. George James, Ralph and Connie Hudson, Don House, Carolyn Plucknett, Charles Sewel, Marvin and Linda Mellege or any of you who can provide some information of the history of our Tulsa club are asked to contact Ken to help him with this task.

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## Nuts and Bolts (or MiscellaneousTidbits) by Ken Brust



Here it is already April and

Spring is definately in the air! Thanks to Ron Duke, Marvin Mellage and Jerry Conrad, our "Ruthie" now has a new motor and is all ready to hit the road again. Unfortunately, the Spring Tour to Ponca City, which we had hoped to use as a warm-up, was cancelled. So Blue Ridge Parkway National Tour, here we come! The last count I heard, there were 166 Model A's registered for this May tour.

I read recently where Henry Ford gave his very first Model A Ford, serial #1, to his close friend, Thomas Edison. I had always thought Will Rogers had obtained one of the first Model A Fords, so I asked Jim Spawn who is the editor of the MAFCA magazine, The Restorer, and a serious Model A Ford historian. Jim reports that Henry actually gave several cars to friends. Jim has heard stories of Henry and Will but has no specific knowledge on whether Will bought or received one of the first cars. Steve Gragert, Director of the Will Rogers Memorial in Claremore, is also researching what he can find. I have just completed a 6-week OLLI course on the Life of Will Rogers, taught by Steve, and it was an extremely interesting class.

Did you know that Will Rogers, our famous statesman here in Oklahoma, never lived in the state of Oklahoma? I'm sure I would have lost money on this bet if challenged. The truth is that when Will was born in 1879, his home was in Indian Territory. Oklahoma wasn't a state yet. By the time Oklahoma became a state, he had left to go be a cowboy in South America, South Africa and New Zealand. When he returned to America, he went to New York and then later moved to California. Although he often visited Oklahoma, he never lived here when it was a state. Interesting, no?

I took a friend over to the Tulsa Auto Show where the club had 15 lovely ladies on display. My friend used to own a '31 slant windshield that had been his grandpa's. He had sold it several years ago always wondering where it might have ended up. After visiting with Ralph, he learned Ralph had owned his car at one time and now it is the beautiful car driven by Rodger and Debbie Johnson. It is a small world indeed!

## 2014 Tulsa Regional Meet

The Regional Planning Committee has scheduled a meeting on April 4 to review the latest plans for the 2014 Tulsa Regional Meet. These plans will then be presented to the Club at a subsequent club meeting prior to the June Regional Meet in Wichita. There are 10-12 cars from Tulsa signed up thus far to attend the Wichita Meet. All members are encouraged to attend, if at all possible, either for the full week or for a portion. The more of us who attend, the more knowledge we will have on how best to host the 2014 Meet here in Tulsa.

For information on the Wichita event this June, go to www.wichitaas.com and click on the Regional Registration Form. We will need numerous volunteers to help during our 2014, so please be ready to step up when help is called for. Feel free to direct any comments or questions to Tory and Ken Brust at kvbrust@cox.net or 918 728-2015.

## Model A Fashions

By Nancy Forcum

Our April meeting is all about Model A Fashion. We are so proud of our cars; they are always spit-clean and shiny. Each and every one of them could appear in Vogue. The guys spend so much time and energy with their hobby and, ladies, it would be nice if we would wear period clothing occasionally. We are not only presenting our cars and our enjoyment for the hobby, but we should also be enjoying dressing for that period in history.

I am a retired Home Economics Teacher and will give a brief history of fashion from the beginning of the automobile to the end of the Model A era. Some of the clothes that I will show have been designed by me for us to wear in our Model T. I also have a new design to wear with our Model A because finding original era clothing is not easy and normally the sizes are small. I will present suggestions on where you might shop for something new.

It will be a fun meeting and we are asking each of you to join the fun by wearing something vintage. You might even be asked to share with us where and how you obtained your article of clothing. Hey Guys, this request also includes you. Some of you are more comfortable in your Atwood overalls, and that's great. Just remember, it's around 1930 and we are going for a drive Saturday morning.

#### Happy Trails to You.



DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION TIN	ME
April 2	Monthly Board Meeting @ Hardesty Library	PM
April 6	Breakfast, Golden Corral, 1405 West Will Rogers Boulevard, Claremore8:00	AM
After brea	akfast: Claremore - Antique Shopping & Inola - Mike Fullers Auto & Gas Musem	
April 13	Broken Arrow Community Playhouse - "THE CEMETERY CLUB" 8:00	PM
April 15	TAX DAY	
April 16	General Membership Monthly Meeting @ Lewis & Clark School	PM
	Era Clothing, Nancy Forcum	
April 19-20	41st Annual Tulsa Swap Meet @ Creek County Fairgrounds	
	Rte 33 & Hwy 66 5 miles west of Sapulpa7:00 AM - 6:00	PM
April 25	All Submissions for The Rumble Sheet are due	
May 4	Breakfast, Cafe Crescent, 3417 South Hwy 97, Sand Springs	AM
May 7	Monthly Board Meeting @ Hardesty Library	PM
May 11	Rooster Day Parade & Lunch	
May 12	MOTHERS' DAY	
May 21	General Membership Monthly Meeting @ Lewis & Clark School	PM
May 25	All Submissions for The Rumble Sheet are due	
	MEMORIAL DAY	
	Club Picnic & Meeting, Location TBA N	
June 4	Monthly Board Meeting @ Hardesty Library 7:00	PM
June 16	FATHERS' DAY	
	Wichita A's Host 2013 REGIONAL MEET	
June 25	All Submissions for The Rumble Sheet are due	
	Monthly Board Meeting @ Hardesty Library 7:00	PM
July 4	HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!! Celebrate the 4th!!!!	
July 6	Breakfast, TBA	AM
-	General Membership Monthly Meeting @ Lewis & Clark School7:00	PM
2	All Submissions for The Rumble Sheet are due	
June 9-12, 2014	TULSA MAFCA HOSTS THE 2014 REGIONAL MEET	

# Welcome New Members

Dwight Reinke 7412 East 74 Tulsa, OK 74133 918-250-9050 - home 918-625-9313 - cell 1929 Business Coupe

Julie Reinke 1503 E. 52nd Pl. Tulsa, OK 74105 918-497-8813 - cell 1929 Business Coupe Sunshine Report

No new members to report at this time. But, there are several club members continuing to recover from various medical challenges and issues. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

**COOKIE LIST** 

**APRIL** Faith Bond and Jessie Reed



**May** Linda Mellage and Virginia Helton

# Members' Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### $A_{\text{Pril}}$

- 11 Carol Hayes
- 11 Robert Parker
- 16 Julie Reinke
- 17 Fred K. LeMaster
- 17 Shelby Reiser
- 22 Ed & Mary Ann Reiser
- 24 Carma Jenkins
- 24 Bob Kendall
- 24 Margaret Soper
- 25 Patrick & Stephanie McCartney
- 26 Benny Benson
- 27 Joy Snowden





WANTED: 1930 single bulb headlights. Like to trade for my 2 1930 seal beam headlights. Charlie Sewell 918-437-5743. FOR SALE: 1931 Coupe fenders. 2 front \$100.00 each FIRM. 2 rear \$100.00 each FIRM. Call: Gary Sullivan work 405-379-5477 M-F 9am-5pm.FOR SALE: Three Model-A engines, each com-

plete with flywheel, pressure plate, engine stand and uncracked block guarentee. #1 - recently overhauled, new paint, 75+ psi per cylinder. \$1,250. #2 - runs but needs overhauled. \$250. #3 - disassembled and needs overhauled. \$150. Marvin Mellage 918 633-4875 or marvinmellage@cox.net.





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## Club Jackets, Hats and More

If you're interested in purchasing a new jacket, hat or shirt with the club logo on them, here's the cost of each:

#### POLO SHIRTS w/Logo

Chestnut Hill (CH100) MensPine or GrassChestnut Hill (CH100) LadiesPine or GrassS-XL - \$40; XXL - \$42, 3X - \$44, 4X - \$46

#### JACKETS w/Logo

Harriton (MM775) Nylon Mens and Ladies See catalog for colors S-XL - \$37, XXL - \$39, 3X - \$42, 4X - \$44

DENIM SHIRTS w/Logo - Light Denim Harriton (M550) Mens Harriton (M550W) Ladies S-XL - \$36, XXL - \$38, 3X - \$40, 4X - \$42

SWEATSHIRTS w/Logo Gildan (G180) Mens Gildan (G180 FL) Ladies See Catalog S-XL - \$30, XXL - \$32, X3 - \$34

#### CAPS - \$12

Adams/AD 969 Low Profize - One Size Fits All Garment Washed, Washed Pigment with 2 Color Imprint Logo (RE: 56955) Khaki/Black

If you're interested in purchasing clothing items with the Club Logo, please make note of the NEW PRICE & DESCRIPTIONS below. For ordering or more information contact Benny Benson at benson426@sbcglobal.net or 918.296.5000.

## Tulsa Car Show - 2013



Tulsa Model A Club Members Who Showed Their Cars





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# About the Tulsa Model A Ford Club

# Chapter #8231 of the Model A Club of America (MAFCA)

This is the official publication of the Tulsa Chapter of Model A Ford Club of America. This monthly newsletter is mailed to members, prospective members, advertisers and editors of similar publications. It's purpose is to keep you informed of what has taken place, scheduled activities and to promote fellowship among club members.

Members are encouraged to submit articles containing technical or any club related information. Articles must reach the editor by the 5th of the month to insure publication in that month's newsletter. Articles received after that will appear in a following newsletter.

Membership dues for the Tulsa Model A Ford Club are \$20 per family annually payable at the end of the year. Contact the New Member chairperson for new memberships and the Treasurer for renewals. The Tulsa Model A Ford Club recommends membership in the national MAFCA organization.

Members may advertise at no cost, non-business ads in the newsletter For Sale, Wanted or Trade section. Businesses may advertise with cost by the ad size, (business card size or 1/4 page) in the advertising section. The number of ads are restricted to space available in the Rumble Sheet. Contact the Advertising chairperson for details.

Meeting Schedule

- Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.3rd Tuesday of each month at Lewis & Clark Elementary School, 737 South Garnett, Tulsa
- Breakfast 8:00 a.m., 1st Saturday of each month, location to be announced
- Board Meeting 7:00 p.m., 1st Tuesday of each month, Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa

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