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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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By Harold Helton



June, 2014 is the month we have been waiting for. Two years ago plans were being made to prepare for our regional meet in Tulsa. When I use the word "our", I am talking about your club and mine. We are all in an organization together that has stepped up and developed an activity that has made all of us very proud. We have a total of over 121 registrations as of Memorial Day. A total of 39 Tulsa members have registered for what promises to be a fun filled week of Model A activities. Counting Oklahoma a total of 12 states will be represented at the meet.



Ken and Tory have done a great job of chairing the regional meet. I know they have put a lot of time and effort into organizing all of the activities that will take place during the week. I think each member that has helped with one or more of the many committees will be pleased with the results of their labor. Make sure you meet some of the people coming from across the Midwest. Just seeing over 100 Model A's in one location will put a big smile on your face. At the many meal functions try to set with someone you have not met and enjoy the fellowship.

The board has been busy again making changes that should improve our club. They voted to include everyone at breakfast in the drawing to win a free meal. In the past only a member that drove their Model A was eligible for the drawing. The new rule will start on June 7th at Café USA in Sapulpa at 9:00am. If you can arrive early, take your A to the Waite Phillips Filling Station and park it, have a friend give you a ride to breakfast. Remember that the Route 66 Car Show is taking place that day so parking will be a premium. The museum volunteers know we are coming so they will help us save parking places.

Another change from the board is about funding. The club has an excellent bank balance so raising more money will not be necessary this year. The plan is not to have a pie auction this November and not have the chili supper. The board



is thinking about doing something different. If you have an idea about a different meal function, let one of the board members know. Think about this, we have a hobby that we get to eat a lot, we have a bunch of very nice people to socialize with a bunch of nice people, and we all enjoy going places in our Model A's.

*Keep Smiling!*

# NUTS AND BOLTS

(OR MISCELLANEOUS TIDBITS)

By Ken Brust



We owe thanks to Bill Harris and the Sooner As for hosting our recent spring tour in April. Mitchell, Melody and Chris DuVall introduced us to an amazing dinner venue out in the countryside of Tahlequah on Friday night. Chris led 16 Model As on a beautiful winding road through the Cooksen Hills for about 8 miles until the pavement actually ended. Mitchell and Melody brought up the rear in one of their other Model As to make sure we didn't lose anyone.

Suddenly, we were in the town (?) of Qualls. The only thing left is an old general store that had been built in 1932 and is now a rustic dinner restaurant serving some delicious and hefty homemade entrees plus some very tasty homemade pies. It is a favorite eating place of the DuValls and we now know why! Mitchell has been known to take home a complete pie after dinner. When he asked to take home a pie on one occasion, he was asked if he wanted it cut into 6 or 8 pieces. He was reported to have replied, "Better cut it into 6 pieces since I'm not sure I could ever eat all 8!" Many thanks to DuValls for a very interesting evening. Just 87 years ago in May, Charles Lindberg made fame in aviation by flying for 33 hours across the Atlantic from Long Island to Paris.

Then, that same year in August, George Goebel flew Frank Phillips' airplane, Woolaroc, from Oakland to Hawaii bringing more fame to the Oklahoma oilman. This was 1927, just as the Model T was ending an extraordinary 20-year run, and a new Model A was being designed as its more modern replacement. And the year prior, Route 66 was established as a new American highway crossing Oklahoma with more miles than any other state. Tory and I recently made a trip along the old Route 66 Highway with some others to Joplin and stopped in some small towns in Kansas which we found very interesting. While only a couple of hours drive from Tulsa, these stops would make a fun Model A tour sometime. Remember Tow Mater, the wrecker in the movie, CARS? He resides on Route 66 in Galena, Kansas.

As you are reading this, we will be just about ready to kickoff our Tulsa Regional. Let's show our Model A visitors a romping good time here in Tulsa - Model A Territory!



**Happy trails to you**



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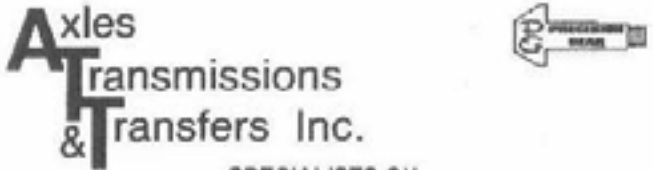
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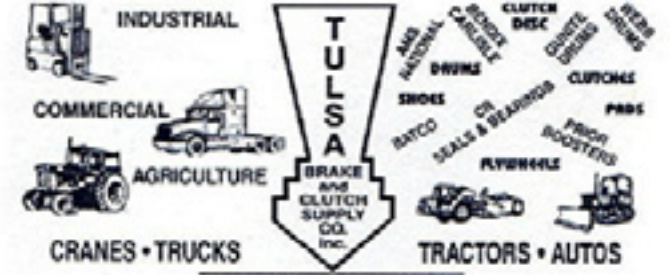
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## TWO RARE TRUCKS by Chuck Ramsey

These two 1929 Model A one ton commercial trucks, Walter and Hunter have express beds. Only 29 of these trucks exist in the United States and not all of them are in running condition.



## APRIL MEETING – DOING THE LINDY



# Calendar of Events

DATE.....	EVENT AND LOCATION.....	TIME
June 7 .....	Breakfast, Cafe USA, 725 South Mission, Sapulpa .....	9:00 a
	After breakfast, park at the Waite Philips Service Station and visit Route 66 Car Show	
June 8 .....	Regional check-in open .....	3:00-6:00 p
June 9-12, 2014.....	<b>TULSA MAFCA HOSTS THE 2014 REGIONAL MEET</b>	
June 17 .....	No club meeting for June	
July 5.....	Club picnic and monthly club meeting at Chuck & Lisa Ramsey's .....	11:00 a
	"Outdoor Living Center" at Owasso	
July 19.....	Porter Peach parade and lunch.....	TBA
August 2.....	Breakfast, Union Street Cafe, 4759 South Union.....	9:00 a
August 5.....	Board Meeting Hardesty.....	7:00 p
August 17.....	Will Rogers Fly-In.....	TBA
August 19.....	Monthly Meeting & Ice Cream Social, Joanna Cooper's.....	7:00 p
September 2.....	Board Meeting, Hardesty.....	7:00 p
September 6.....	Breakfast.....	TBA
September 16.....	Monthly Meeting, Lewis & Clark.....	7:00 p
September 20.....	Bartlesville Fly-in.....	TBA
September 27.....	Model A Day, Bill Knight Ford.....	TBS



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## TULSA MODEL A FINANCIAL REPORT

May 23, 2014 by Jeanne Washburn

### DEPOSITS:

Clothing & Name Tags .....	\$204.00
50-50 .....	\$45.00
New Member - Pope .....	\$20
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$269.00</b>

### EXPENDITURES:

Activities - Breakfast .....	\$19.00
Clothing & Name Tags .....	\$185.93
Flowers.....	\$12.98
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- 03 Don & Patricia WISE
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- 04 DeWayne Owens
- 05 Mitchell DuVall
- 05 Sharon Moore
- 06 Greg & Sheryl  
HOYLE
- 07 Donald & Loretta  
HOUSE
- 10 Julian Pope
- 13 Steven Reiser
- 16 Chris DuVall
- 17 Darlene DeCamp
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### SWEATSHIRTS w/Logo

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### CAPS - \$12

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## THE BASEMENT

by Dan Ulberg

Have you ever wished you had more room for the items you want to take on a tour? Well this may be the answer for some of us, you can get a Basement to store those items for your next tour. The Basement has access from the backseat floorboard and straddles the drive shaft as seen in the picture below.

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# Spring Tour Tahlequah



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## THE BENSON FORD

submitted by Roy Cail and Bob Ramey

The Benson Ford was originally a cargo ship for the Ford Motor Company. The interior was designed by Henry Ford, and Thomas Edison was a passenger. From the time it was built in 1924, the boat was used to transport coal and iron ore across the American Great Lakes. After being decommissioned in 1981 it was left to rust for four years before the front part of the ship was removed and perched on top of the 18-foot cliff shown below to serve as a really lovely home.

The ship's forecastle was removed, and then that portion of the boat was positioned on a great piece of waterfront property, with its bow extending out over Lake Erie for a water-going effect, and then used by its owner as a vacation home.



The ship still contains the beautiful wood-paneled state rooms dining room and lounge designed by Henry Ford.

The boat was used by Ford himself to travel across the American Great Lakes, and Thomas Edison was a guest on this beautiful boat.

The four-deck, 7,000 square foot getaway home is made out of the ship's forecastle, and includes the walnut paneled state rooms, dining room, galley, and passenger lounge designed by Henry Ford for his own personal use while on board.

The ship-house was originally owned by Frank J. Sullivan, but after trying and failing to turn it into a hotel in 1992, Sullivan eventually auctioned the building to father and son, Jerry and Bryan Kaspar, who still enjoy relaxing there while taking time off from work.

It has now been modernized with a garage, a game room, a bar, a state-of-the-art kitchen, and four bathrooms. The 90-year-old US cargo ship is beautiful, as she sits there looking out over her former waterway. Don't look down -- visitors may need a head for heights if they take a tour out onto the bow of the boat, and see the water way down below.



The four-story, 7,000 sq ft home has maintained the historic and beautiful interior, which has been updated with modern technologies.

Bryan Kaspar said, 'Everyone who sees our home from the outside, is intrigued to look inside.

And, I think everyone who sees this beauty, is amazed at the gorgeous woodwork throughout our beautiful ship home.

This impressive getaway is large, as it includes five bedrooms, four bathrooms, a captain's office and living room with panoramic views out across Lake Erie.

'I love the deck on the fourth floor. It's a great place to enjoy a cocktail overlooking the lake and the nearby cliffs, and to watch the sunsets is amazing from there.' Videographer Nick James, who conducts tours of the home, said,



'The most incredible part is standing at the helm with the way the boat hangs over the cliff. It actually feels like you are out on the open water.' I love the history that remains all around the Benson Ford. In the parlor, you can just imagine Thomas Edison and Henry Ford sitting there puffing on their cigars.' When you're there, it feels as though you are stepping back in time, and that those two famed gentlemen could appear at any moment.' An incredible beauty of a long-ago ship, still available for water lovers to see.





# 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.

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- Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of each month at Lewis & Clark Elementary School, 737 South Garnett, Tulsa
- Breakfast - 9:00 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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