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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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A great big "Thank you" goes out to Ollie Harris for arranging for the group to visit the Broken Arrow Museum and the Farmer's Market along with a lunch in the park. We welcomed a visitor, Brian Cail, and enjoyed the cool breezes while relaxing and chatting under the covered area. Turned out to be a pleasant day with friends.

Having fun cruising in our Model A's is where it's all at!!! 7 Model A's and 13 members enjoyed the first ever Cushing Fly-In, which included lots of vendors,



airplanes, swap-meet, and helicopter rides if you were brave enough to try it. It was a beautiful day with an exceptional lunch at Joseph's Fine Foods recommended by Linda Mellage in Drumright, and a visit to an adjacent winery afterwards.

Everyone ready for some great Italian Food? It just happens to be International Model A Touring Day on September 19, so let's head toward McAlester! Those that participate will receive a certificate, so don't miss out on the fun. We will be leaving from Bixby at 8:30 a.m. from Walmart located at 10938 S. Memorial Drive. The day will include the Tannehill Museum, the Coal Miner Statue, two restored filling stations for a photo op, and, if time allows, an antique store or two.



Have you been enjoying the face book page? Please, share your Model A stories and pictures for everyone to enjoy.

Stay safe and don't forget to sign up for the Fall Tour with the Sooner Club, Mitchell

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THE FINER POINTS

By Chris DuVall

We've managed to get a few tours in recently, and it has been so nice to just go for a drive. Of course, I've been motoring away this whole time, but I understand some folks are hoping for a 500 miles award rather than the standard 1,000 miles award this year! While I was out motoring recently in my 1928 Roadster, I started to notice some issues. It was having symptoms very similar to vapor locking. I've driven the motorcar in the heat before without issue. Of course, everything on the fuel system is as stock as possible. Even the cast iron sediment bowl is original!

Since I was on the road, I opened up the GAV, and it started to alleviate my symptoms. I knew what that meant. Trash in the carburetor. When I first purchased this Roadster, it wouldn't start because ethanol fuel had evaporated leaving a residue behind that plugged up the jets. Now, my best guess was that trash from the fuel tank made its way into the carburetor. Upon opening it, I realized I was correct. Tiny particles of trash were blocking the jets.

No worries though! I had recently overhauled the engine, and it still looks brand new. However, I didn't restore the carburetor because I was too anxious to get back on the road. The Roadster had now presented me with the perfect opportunity to do a bit more restoration work on it.

Although all Model A carburetors are interchangeable, there are several variations by year. Finding the correct carburetor for your motorcar can be a bit of a challenge these days since a lot of them have been mismatched over the years. For my carburetor, it required a forged brass throttle shaft assembly and either a forged brass or steel air shutter valve (choke). Mine are pictured in Figure One. My levers are definitely usable; however, this is one problem. The judging standards state they were nickel plated originally, and mine are clearly not any longer!

Figure One:

Nickel plating is not a passive process, but rather one of electrolysis meaning direct electric current is passed through a nickel plate through



a solution to the part being plated. Most people would not attempt this themselves opting to take the parts to a professional plater which can be costly. Believe it or not, plating kits are available for small items (or large if you're brave enough), and I think they are fairly easy to use with good results. The math required is nothing more than basic algebra, and although the science is complicated the instruction manuals dial it down nicely. Perhaps I should confess I have a degree in Biochemistry though. My one word of caution before venturing down this path yourself is the solutions tend to be a bit acidic. So, safety precautions need to be taken.

The brass parts are bead blasted, rinsed in a degreasing solution, and finally put into the plating solution seen in Figure Two. You can barely see the parts hanging down from the cathode in the solution. Figure Two:

After leaving in the solution for around an hour, the parts are removed and rinsed. The center of the throttle shaft assembly must be bead blasted again to show the copper shaft since originally the throttle lever and shaft were assembled after lever was plated. Talk about picky! Figure Three shows the finished parts. Quite the change from the dull brass parts above, eh?



Figure Three:

Now, all that was left was to restore the rest of the carburetor! Figure Four shows the finished carburetor.

The nickel plating really makes those two parts pop! Since I only covered two of the many parts used on the Model A carburetor, I guess I have a lot more to cover! This seems picky, but now my carburetor matches my restored motor, and it was a fun project. Now, all that's left is the rest of the car!

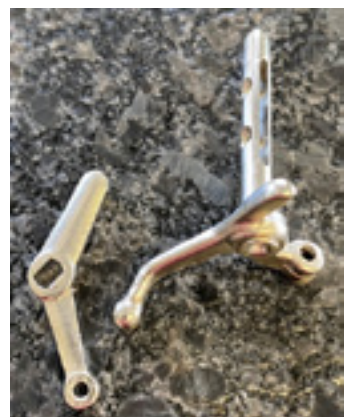


Figure Four:

BROKEN →
← **ARROW**
TOUR & PICNIC





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Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	TIME
September 5	Fishing Derby - CANCELLED	
September 5	Breakfast, Apple Barrel Restaurant, 14002 East 116 Street North, Owasso	8:30 a
September 8	Ladies' Lunch, Pioneer Woman Mercantile, 532 Kihekah Avenue Pawhuska, OK	11:30 a
	meet at Connie Hudson's house to car pool, 17713 East 104th Place North, Owasso at 9:30 a Call Linda Mellage 918.629.2978 with questions	
September 19	Cruise to McAlester OK, meet at Walmart, 10938 S. Memorial Drive, Bixby	8:30 a
September 19	Model A Day, Hickory Corners, Kalamazoo, Michigan	
October 3	Breakfast	8:30 a
October 8-11	Fall Tour, Fort Smith and Talimena Drive	
November 7	Breakfast	8:30 a
December 5	Breakfast	8:30 a
December 12	Christmas Dinner, Freddie's Steakhouse	12:00 noon

Please vote for Robert Bullard for the MAFCA National Board



- My wife of 47 years, Elaine, and I live outside Houston, Texas.
- I actively promote the Model A hobby thru my membership in four MAFCA clubs and several Special Interest Groups.
- Elaine and I enjoy touring and organizing tours on the local, regional and national levels. Annually we drive our A's 5,000-10,000 miles touring across the U.S. My vision is to promote more participation in those tours. Let's get those A's out on the road and have some fun and fellowship!
- I've been blessed with a lot of help and guidance from others in my 40+ years in the antique car hobby and now that I'm retired I look forward to the opportunity of "Paying It Forward" on a local and national level.
- I see the growth of MAFCA membership as the key driver of our organization's future. I'm eager to use the skills I've attained through 45 years of business experience, 35 of which were at an executive level, to facilitate the generation of ideas and potential solutions for membership growth and to pursue implementing those ideas that have the greatest potential to increase membership.
- I want to represent your interests. If you want to know more about me, discuss ways to make MAFCA better, or just talk Model A's, feel free to contact me via my cell phone or WhatsApp: +1-918-857-7577 or you can email me at: rlbullard1@gmail.com

Your ballots will be in your Membership Renewal materials and remember your ballot is due to the MAFCA office no later than October 1st.

Thank you for your interest in MAFCA and please vote (Hopefully for me!).

"Paying It Forward!"

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**MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS &
ANNIVERSARIES
SEPTEMBER**

- 2 Ken & Jeanne WASHBURN
- 3 Richard & Donna ROBINSON
- 8 Robert & Margaret SOPER
- 8 Harold Misner
- 10 Audrey DeCamp
- 11 Dave Pilmaier
- 13 David Black
- 14 Sandy Sewell
- 15 Jeanne Washburn
- 16 Charlene Sloan
- 19 Chuck & Carolanne MAHAN
- 19 Sue Harris
- 20 Bill & Sue HARRIS
- 21 Ralph & Connie HUDSON
- 22 Richard Robinson
- 23 Fred Wightman
- 24 Linda Mellage
- 24 Bob Soper
- 29 Ralph Hudson
- 30 Don & June CHESSER

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MS. ADDIE

By Virginia Harris

Our 1929 Model A Leatherback was bought by my Great Grandfather, Andrew Jackson Sanders, on April 1, 1929, in Southwest City, Mo. His wife, my Great grandmother, was Addie Sanders. We named the car for her.



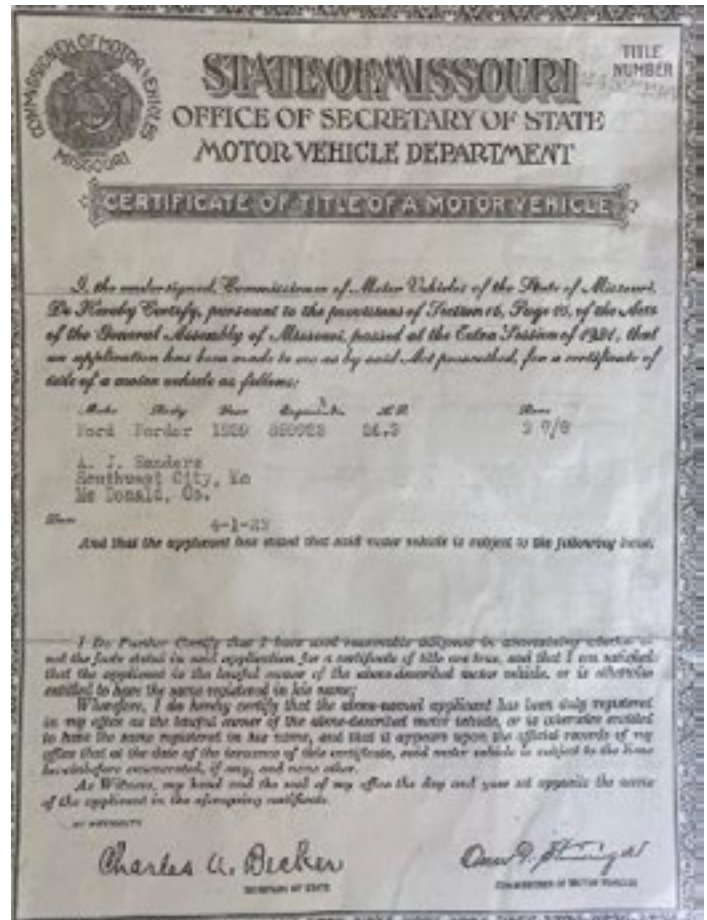
Using the owner's manual and a book on How to Drive a Model A, Great Grandpa took it out in the pasture and tried to learn to drive it. He decided he was not that into it (He was 77 years young at the time). So family history goes that my Great Uncle Herman used it in the evenings to go honky-tonking and my Great Aunt Elsa drove it in the day time to the school where she taught elementary classes. Both were single and living at home just outside of town. As a young child I remember going to my Great Grandparents home for fish fries. They had three spring fed ponds with gates in them to separate the different kinds of fish. During the gatherings, most everyone spent a lot of time fishing. Fishing was not interesting to me so I would get in a cool spot and read or I would go upstairs and look at the books in his small library. I also remember the Model A sitting in a small garage next to the house with chickens roosting on it.

The car stayed in the garage until the middle 80's. That is when my Aunt Patty acquired it and she had someone in Kansas restore it, new interior and new paint. They kept it for many years just driving it inside the gated community where they lived in Texas. They never took trips in it as we are doing now. When they were in their late 80's, they called and said they weren't able to keep it up anymore and decided to sell it. We were not sure if we wanted it or not and talked

to Don Reed about it and what would be a good price. We finally decided we wanted to keep it in the family and bought it from them. We hooked up a trailer July 4, 2010 and went to Grove, where they were living on Grand Lake, loaded it up and brought it home (hard to believe we have had it that long). Shortly after the purchase, Don and Jesse Reed invited us to the Tulsa Model A meeting and we joined the club at that meeting. New people get convinced to run for the Board and I became the Treasurer and Ollie handled the drinks.

Ollie did some mechanical work on it to make it more driveable, adding an air conditioner and turn signals and moved the seat back as these cars were not made for big guys. It still has its original glass, headlights and other parts I am not sure of. And, I have the original title and the little booklet that came with the Model A.

We plan for the car to remain in the family, eventually going to Ryan Ford, our only grandson. Like me, Ryan is interested in family history. When he was a young, he went with me exploring cemeteries looking for old headstones of our ancestors. He has promised to leave it as-is, not turn it into a hot rod! May Ms. Addie live long and prosper!





NUTS AND BOLTS

by Ken Brust

I was extremely excited to hear that Robert Bullard is wanting to serve on our national board. How cool is that? I hope all of you will both vote for him as well as send notes to your Model A friends in other clubs to encourage them to vote for Robert. I cannot think of a better candidate! His info is included in this newsletter so copy it and send to everyone!

I'm sure everyone enjoys Jay Leno as much as I do. He is a true Car Guy and funny as heck. I really get a kick out of his articles he writes on his experiences with various cars in a classic car magazine that Conrad passes down to me plus Jay has an entertaining show about cars on TV. I'm still miffed that my trip to southern California this past May to tour his Garage was cancelled due to the Covid-19. Dang it!! Instead, on one of my daily walks, I stopped by the nearby Chevy dealer to drool over the new Corvette! Wow! What a car even if we are a Ford club!! I'm sure Jay has one or two in his collection!

The Great Race that was scheduled to come through Sapulpa earlier this summer and then postponed to August was finally cancelled. Darn. I was really looking forward to seeing a variety of interesting cars. The race has now been rescheduled for 2021.

And speaking of cars that aren't necessarily Fords, I have been going through old slides lately to share with grandkids and came across one of me driving a Jolly in a high school parade. I didn't even know what a Jolly was back then but remembered our friend, Rob, who has us over to see his classic cars periodically, telling us his favorite car was his Jolly! Here is a guy who owns a 1903 Model A Ford plus a dozen other fantastic classy cars and his favorite car is a Jolly! Car people are the most interesting folks I know!



As of this writing, I am told the Fall Tour is still a GO. Unfortunately, the lodge for Saturday night is sold out but if you did not get a room, please call and put your name on a Wait List since a few rooms recently opened up and were quickly grabbed. There are motels in Mena available as well.

Happy Trails to all.....



MEMBERS OF THE TULSA MODEL A FORD CLUB

ROBERT BULLARD'S CANDIDACY FOR MAFCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I am writing this letter in support of Robert Bullard's candidacy for the MAFCA Board of Directors. Robert and Elaine are members of the Tulsa Model A Ford Club as well as three others Model A Clubs. They lived in Tulsa for several years before being transferred to the Houston, TX area. They were highly active members in Tulsa and remain continually active in two Clubs in the Houston area where each has served as Officers on their Boards.

Robert's outstanding business background in leadership and strategic planning as well as hands on involvement in the local Model A Clubs makes him an ideal candidate this position. To demonstrate his and Elaine's love of the Model A hobby they put about 10,000 miles per year on their A's. This is done by participating in local Club tours (including Tulsa) and participation in MAFCA national tours as well as touring alone across the USA.

Robert will not only bring focus on growth and expansion of MAFCA/Model A hobby, he will also bring passion for the hobby. After all, it is the love of these wonderful Grand Ole Ladies that make those smiles light up whether owners or observers of such unique cars. A car built for the masses that are still in existence in large numbers today.

By now, MAFCA members will have received a letter from MAFCA with one of the components of the information being ballots for members to vote for Board of Directors. All ballots must be post marked by October 15 to be counted.

I can not think of a better person to be on the MAFCA Board of Directors than Robert Bullard. He is a person of integrity and commitment and will make a great addition to the Board. Please join me in voting for Robert.

Roy Cail



*Roy and Brian Cail
check out Chris DuVall's
newest purchase.*

ABOUT THE TULSA MODEL A FORD CLUB

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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. Its 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 \$30 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.

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MEETING SCHEDULE

- Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of each month at Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa
- Breakfast - 8:30 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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