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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We started the month with a great group of members attending the breakfast at the Cracker Barrel in Tulsa. The food was excellent and the group enjoyed some much needed fellowship. We were glad to see Rich Robinson doing well and back with us again.

Our first in person meeting was also attended by a large group of members. The building and space was provided by Charles and Tom Sewell. Everything was already set up with tables and chairs when the group arrived. We can't say thank you enough for their thoughtfulness and generosity. Not only did they allow us the use of one building but they also offered the space for the Technical Session, so that we could look over our cars before going on tour. Mechanics Ralph Hudson and Marvin Mellage, shared their knowledge with the group to help insure that no problems would be encountered on the road. Ralph even put his own car on the lift for an inspection, just to show us how things should be. If you didn't attend then you missed out on some tasty donuts and coffee!

Outstanding members, Connie and Ralph Hudson, did a great job planning the tour to Bartlesville. Melody and I enjoyed tagging along with them during the planning stages. It takes a ton of work to organize a tour, and we really appreciate them stepping up during a difficult time when things were cancelled. Wasn't it fun seeing the moving props being constructed for the movie, "Killers of the Flower Moon" and the 1926 swinging bridge in Pawhuska along with the Ben Johnson Museum? The club received special recognition from the Osage County Oklahoma Tourism thanks to Barbara Cail. Be sure

to watch the video of the cars as it now has over 6500 views and multiple shares on Facebook. Truly a fantastic video! Check out the picture of the lineup of the cars that Barbara took of everyone attending Prairie Song. Such a neat place with a truly great lunch followed by dinner and then games at the hotel. The Bunco and Bingo games were well attended, and we heard lots of compliments about both nights. One member told me after Bunco, "I talked to members that I had never talked to before!" We sincerely hope the guys enjoyed the technical session at the motel also, as Chris and I always enjoy talking about Model A parts and cars! Last but not least 13 members enjoyed Woolaroc before traveling home on Sunday. Woolaroc is a beautiful area along with museums and we had the chance to get pictures of the cars in front of



a restored gas station thanks to Barbara Cail. It was also great to see our friends from the Sooner Model A Club.

I would also like to mention that we have a fantastic active board. Every board member has been attending general meetings and breakfast meetings, and all of them were in attendance at the Bartlesville Tour. It takes a team to make this club work, and we have a great one! Thank you, Ollie, Connie, Jeanne, and Chris for your continued support and hard work!

Our group was saddened to lose our friend and fellow member Allen Crawford. He will be greatly missed by all of us and our prayers are with Barbara Crawford during this difficult time. Please, take the time to send a card if you can.

Cruising along,



THE FINER POINTS

By Chris DuVall

The Model A Ford seems to have an endless supply of details to look upon. While many of the areas in the Judging Standards have details which apply to all Model A's, there are many others that are body style specific. In fact, some body styles are so unique they require their own area within the Standards. My personal favorite example of this is the delightful Cabriolet section. The Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards is such a wealth of information, and I highly encourage everyone to purchase a copy!

During our tech session on the Bartlesville Tour, we learned about king pins and the changes that can be done to make the reproductions look authentic. Unfortunately, this is not the case for all reproduction parts. Sometimes, you just have to scout out the swap meets hoping to find some rare part. This is most often the case with hardware. The top prop knobs and bolts used on Roadsters and Phaetons fall into this category.

The top prop knobs used for "Standard" Roadsters and "Standard" Phaetons were painted black and unique to those cars. DeLuxe Roadster knobs have either a chrome or stainless cap depending on the year. They look similar in style to those used on DeLuxe Phaetons and Cabriolets: however, they are only 1-1/2 inches wide. Cabriolet and DeLuxe Phaeton knobs were 1-3/4 inches wide. Sport Coupes used knobs that were 1-1/2 inches wide, but the back utilized a hex shaped base rather than a square base. In the first two photos, the black knob is for a "Standard" Roadster and

"Standard" Phaeton (all years), while the stainless knob is for a DeLuxe Roadster (mid '30-EOP).





The next two photos compare a Roadster and Cabriolet/DeLuxe Phaeton knob. The difference in size is striking, and you can also see the hex base instead of a square base.





So, these have all been originals, but what does a reproduction look like? Why do I say you have to scout out the swap meets in search of these parts? Below is an initial comparison of an original and reproduction.



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Upon first glance, the reproduction looks correct. It is the same size and has a highly polished stainless cap that matches the original. Let's look closer, shall we? Viewed from above, it is strikingly clear that the hex base is much too large. Additionally, the crimping of the reproduction cap is not correct. To further pick apart my poor DeLuxe Roadster, the locking clip should not be there since they were only used on Cabriolets and DeLuxe Phaetons.



Seen below is one final point of comparison: the carriage bolt that holds it on. Originally, the carriage bolt was always painted with black enamel. It was never stainless despite what the reproduction parts book may tell you. Additionally, they were 7/16-14 x 15/16" with a 3/4" diameter head. The head of the new bolt is much larger and perfectly round. The head of the original on the left hasn't been damaged over the years. That slightly square shape is correct for these bolts, and it is something the judges in fine point should look for.



So, which do you think would be easier: searching out this rare hardware or modifying the reproductions to fit the bill?

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NUTS AND BOLTS

by Ken Brust

After an enjoyable trip to Pawhuska and Bartlesville, I just

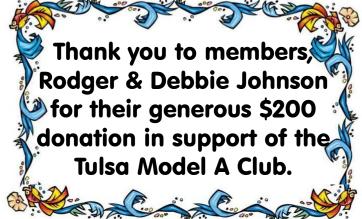
thought that some Thank You's might be in order. To Ralph and Connie, for stepping up and organizing a spring tour that wasn't a Spring Tour, Thank You. To Mel and Celinda, for helping stop traffic so our caravan of 2-dozen cool vintage cars could make it downtown on time for dinner on Saturday night And for loaning your 1926 Model T to the film crew so that we will have an inside connection to the future film, Thank You. To Charlie and Sam, for simply being fantastic Police Officers And for stepping in when an intoxicated trouble-maker got loose in the hotel and for getting him into the hands of the local police And for always bringing your three, cute younguns, Thank You. To Marvin and Greg, for coming to our rescue when Ruthie wouldn't start after the wet storm on Friday night, Thank You. To Linda and Marvin, for giving us a limo ride to Prairie Song And to Jan, for giving up her back seat for a ride in Mckade's pickup, Thank You. To Joanna, for being the fun and caring lady (80+) driver who continues to keep us young and is always ready to join us on tours (even though she may forget to pay for gas from time to time), Thank You. To Chris and Mitchel, for presenting the tech session Saturday night, Thank You. To Debbie, for sending some of your amazing art with Roger for door prizes, Thank You. To Sheryl, for just being a super teacher And for helping serve during the BBQ, Thank You. To Bill and Sue and Rocky and Mary Jane, for simply coming along, Thank You. It's been toooo long! To Barbara, for always documentating our adventures with photographs, Thank You. To Roger, for donating \$200 to our club after providing use of his beautiful Model A in a wedding made even more beautiful by i presence, Thank You. And to everyone for making or Club so special, Thank You!!

With extreme sorrow, our sincere sympathy is extended to Barbara Crawford after learning that Allen passed away during our weekend in Bartlesville. Allen and Barbara joined our club a couple or so years ago, and Marvin helped them get a Model A all ready for touring. But before they could get much touring in, the Covid hit and we were pretty well shut down. And then they both were hospitalized with Covid. Barbara recovered but Allen had a very difficult time with his recovery. He had returned to the hospital two additional times but sadly succumbed to the virus.

(Finer Points continued)

Personally, I think it is easier to find originals in this case since there are so many differences on these four small parts. However, if you can't find them it will likely only result in about a ½ point deduction out of your 500 points if the judges notice (they are human after all!). It's okay to do that a few times, but if you're trying to build a fine point car or even just a really nice driver it's those small details that add up to a magnificent motorcar.





Allen was a true car guy and had a collection of cars, but even though he had only owned his Model A a short time and had not toured much in it, he claimed it was his favorite car! He was a funny guy and had some hilarious stories. Allen, we will truly miss you. Rest in Peace.

So as not to end on a sad note, I wanted to inform those of you who crossed the swinging bridge in Bartlesville, that it was built in 1926, making it older than all of our fine Fords. Amazing, no?

Happy Trails.

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Calendar of Events

DATE EVENT AND LOCATION

TIME

May 1Breakfast, Silver Skillet, 8228 East 61st Street, Tulsa	8:00 a
May 11Ladies' Lunch, Stone Horse Market and Cafe, 1748 South Utica at Utica Square	.11:30 a
May 20General Meeting, 4809 South 101 East Avenue, Tulsa	7:00 p
June 5Breakfast, Apple Barrel Cafe, 3806 South Elm Place, Broken Arrow	8:30 a

TULSA MODEL A



FORD CLUB APRIL 20, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:06

Prayer and pledge to our flag was said,

No secretary report Jeanne gave the finance report.

Sunshine Report:

Rich Robinson had surgery on the 21st and doing well. Allen Crawford passed away while in the hospital with COVID plus other complication.

Charlie Sewell is fighting cancer

Cheryl Jackson is doing well after her surgery Roy Cail has one more chemo treatment and all is looking good.

Please keep them all in your prayer

The weekend trip to Pawhuska and Bartlesville was discussed, looking forward to seeing everyone, and praying the rain holds off for our morning drive.

Thanks to Tom Sewell for the use of his facilities for our meeting it was greatly appreciated.

Meeting was closed.

submitted by Connie Hudson





MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS



- 4 Kent Washburn
- 12 **Linda Stine**
- 12 **Terry Ulberg**
- 17 **Charlie Ramsey**
- 17 Lisa Ramsey
- 18 Kenda & Steve REISER
- 23 Barbara Cail
- 29 Melody & Mitchell DUVALL
- 29 Virginia & Ollie HARRIS



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KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS TOUR

by Elaine Bullard

Robert and I had the opportunity to meet up with some Model A friends and spend 6 days touring Central Kentucky. The weather was excellent with temperatures in the high 60's to low 70's each day and except for one day, we had beautiful skies for driving the backroads near Lexington.

Dogwoods, Ornamental Cherry trees and Redbud trees were in full bloom as well as there being fields of red clover (which is purple by the way!) Pastures were lush and green and contained mares with their new foals. Life is good in the Lexington area for most horses. Most barns are more elaborate than the nearby houses. (continued on next page)







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This was supposed to be something of a Bourbon Trail tour, but most distilleries were not giving tours due to still making hand sanitizer, but we were able to tour a craft distillery and several gift shops of larger distilleries. We visited a moonshine distillery and found several flavors and recipes that were so tasty, we left with a couple bottles of moonshine. One night we had two Master Bourbon Tasters give a presentation while allowing us to taste several bourbons so rare that you can't buy them anywhere.

After the tour ended, we drove our A to Williamstown, KY to visit The Ark Encounter, a life-sized reconstruction of the ark that God commanded Noah to build. It was impressive and worth the trip. We then drove to Louisville to visit The Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory. That was very educational and fun as well. We had hoped to visit The Kentucky Derby Museum and Grounds, but the weather wasn't cooperating so we didn't make it there.

That concluded our Model A travels, but we went on to visit friends and family trailering our Model A. She's tired after about 1,100 miles and dirty after a rainy day, but she never let us down in 8 days thanks to the preparation Robert does before we head out. Happy Travels, everyone!







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Good Morning













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PRAIRIE SONG BARTLESVILLE TOUR









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PRAIRIE SONG

BARTLESVILLE Tour







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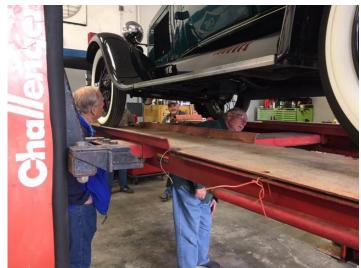
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Members are encouraged to submit articles containing technical or any club related information. Articles must reach the editor by the 5th of the month to insure publication in that month's newsletter. Articles received after that will appear in a following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

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 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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