

THE RUMBLE SHEET

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It is hard to believe summer is winding down already, but at least the weather is getting cooler so we can spend more time in our motorcars. My parents and I are gearing up for Model “A” Days in Hickory Corners, Michigan this year. It’s a great event with lots of old friends, and a great swap meet too!

Our club activities are becoming more frequent as we work to end the year. First on September 10th, we will meet at the Silver Skillet at 8228 E. 61st Street in Tulsa. We were unable to reserve the normal room. So, we will just have to attempt to sit as close together as possible. Hopefully, it will be a nice day because afterwards we have the option to motor over to the Circle Cinema for their Second Saturday Silents. If you have never attended this event

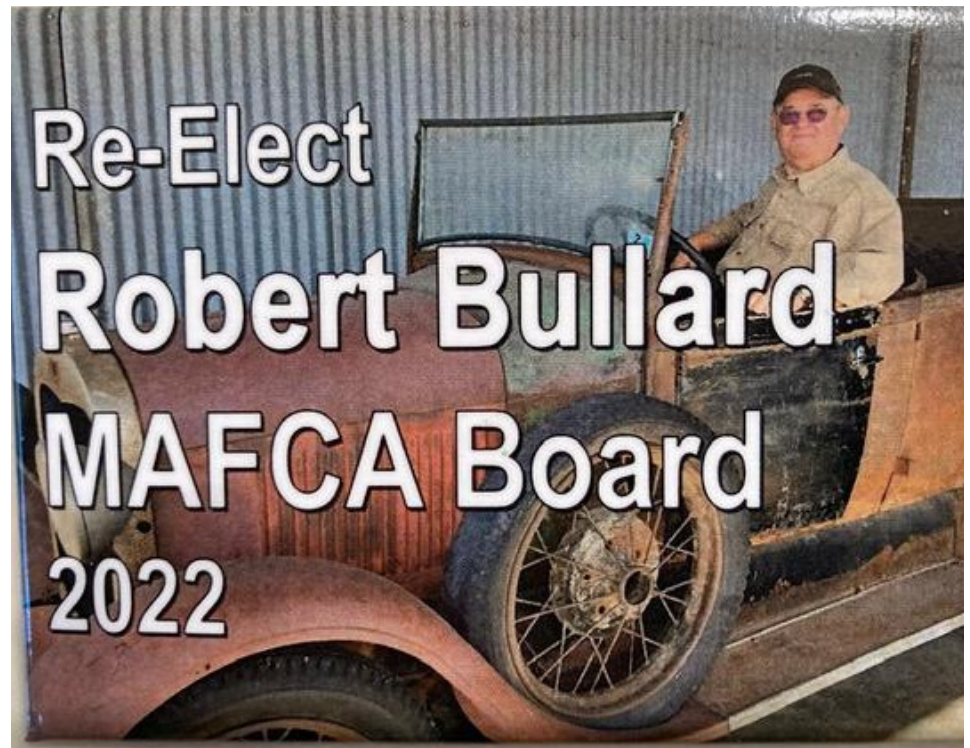
before, I would recommend it since it fits in perfectly with the time period of our cars.

On September 24th, we will have the Fall Social at the DuVall’s in Tahlequah from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The address is 2307 Summerset Point. My parents will be providing the meat for the event. Please bring the side or dessert of your choice and your favorite lawn chair. For everyone interested, my dad will show off his Henry Ford

Award winning 1929 Roadster! During this time, we will also briefly hold our monthly meeting.

At the end of the year, Jeanne, Connie, and I will be stepping down from the Board. So, we will need three new board members! If you are interested in stepping up to do your part for the club, please let us know. It takes volunteers to keep the club going and active!


Chris



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September

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •September 10: Silver Skillet at 8228 E. 61st Street, Tulsa, OK 74133 Potentially Second Saturday Silents 11 a.m. •September 16-17: Model "A" Day – Hickory Corners, Michigan •September 24: Fall Social at the DuVall's in Tahlequah
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Rodger Johnson 	2 Kent & Jeanne WASHBURN 	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Audrey Martin  Breakfast at Silver Skillet
11 Dave Pilmaier 	12	13 Ladies' Lunch, 11:30, Society Burger, 935 East Kenosha, Broken Arrow	14 Sandy Sewell 	15 Jeanne Washburn 	16 Tom Brewer Charlene Sloan 	17
18 	19 Sue Harris  Chuck & Carolanne MAHAN	20 Bill & Sue HARRIS 	21 Ralph & Connie HARRIS 	22 Rich Robinson 	23	24 Linda Mellage  Fall Social
25	26	27 Jerry & Virginia HAVILL 	28	29 Ralph Hudson 	30 Don & June CHESSEY 	

The Finer Points

By Chris Duval

I've been working away on the 400-A Convertible Sedan project. The motor was rebuilt years ago and never run; nevertheless, it needed to be disassembled so the finishes could be brought up to current Standards. I don't want to brag too much, but I think everything I have for the car is beautiful. Before I put any part on, I'm double and triple checking the Standards to make sure it's absolutely correct. The 400-A is a June 1931 car. I've also been working on a May 1931 motor for my DeLuxe Roadster project. You would think being so late in production that all of the finishes would be the same, right? Not to mention that since the motors are only a month apart that they should be exactly the same. Such assumptions are not good assumptions when restoring a car. Below is an example of the water inlets for both motors.



The castings are both Ford Engine Green despite the shading differences in the different batches of Bill Hersch paint. The lock washers are unfinished, and the clips are "black enamel". So, the only other difference can be the bolt. Technically, both of these parts are Mid 1931. Starting in Mid 1931, the finish on the bolt was changed from black enamel to raven finish. The left inlet has a raven finished bolt while the right has a black enamel bolt. The Standards specify a two-month rule that allowed Ford to use up their inventory of parts. I guess for the May 1931 motor, I decided to take advantage of the two-month rule and paint the bolt black when I was fixing the part. That would not have been okay for my June 1931 400-A though. So, it's a good thing I double checked, and didn't just do what I did before! Little details like this can add up quickly when the car is being judged.

The 400-A came with a restored popout switch and locking door handle. Unfortunately, they were

keyed differently. Beginning in March 1931, all cars used the same key for all locks. June 1931 is slightly past the two-month rule for the changeover. Luckily, a friend of mine from California had just the thing I need: a pair of NOS keys and an NOS cylinder. How cool is that, right? Below is a photo of the keys and cylinder.



True 1931 parts can be difficult to find since the depression was in full swing, and production was lower. I mean has anyone tried to find an NOS clutch pedal for a 1931? Good luck! Getting back on track, there is one other aspect of a 1931 key cylinder that is mentioned in the Standards. Beginning in April, the key number was relocated from the bezel to the face of the lock cylinder. Before this time, the key number was easily viewed when the cylinder was popped out. So, this cylinder is perfect for my June car. The below photo shows where the key number was relocated.

SunShine Report

by Roy Cail

I would appreciate your assistance in letting me know of any medical issues you or other members may be having. You can reach me via email at: roycail@cox.net or cell number 918-906-0575. If you can not reach me please contact Linda Mellage a 918-629-2978. Linda has offered to help me when I am out of town. As a Club, we want to provide any support we can.



2022 Calendar

SEPTEMBER

September 10: Breakfast Silver Skillet, 8228 East 61st Street, Tulsa
Potential Second Saturday Silents, 11 a.m.
September 13: Ladies' Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Society Burger, 935 East Kenosha, Broken Arrow
September 16-17: Model "A" Day
Hickory Corners, Michigan
September 24: Fall Social at the DuVall's in Tahlequah

OCTOBER

October 1: Breakfast, Cafe USA, Sapulpa
October 4-7: AACA Hershey Swap Meet
October 13-16: Fall Tour Presented by Tulsa MAFC
October 18: General Meeting -
Board meeting at 6:30 before general meeting
Trivia Contest

NOVEMBER

November 4-6: Dallas Model A Ford Club
Lake Murray Tour
November 5: Breakfast, Eggberts, Claremore
November 11: Veterans' Day Parade, Claremore
November 15: General Meeting
Baked Potato Dinner
Sign up to bring baked potatoes

DECEMBER

December 3: Broken Arrow Christmas Parade, 10 a.m.
Ti Amo's, 1 p.m.
December 6: Board Meeting Hardesty Library
December 10: Catoosa Christmas Parade, 2 p.m.

HAPPY

LABOR DAY



August business meeting featuring chicken and ice cream lunch at Cooper's



Harold, Jerry, Rich, Kent, Roy, Dan, Andy, Russ, Ken and Sam at the men's breakfast



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Nuts and Bolts

by Ken Brust

We had over two dozen for breakfast in Owasso on the first August Saturday. It was good to see some faces we've missed seeing lately, like John and Sharon Lairmore, Jim Pogue, and Chuck and Lisa Ramsey. Plus we had some newer members in attendance: Tom and Ellen Brewer and Gary and Susan Henderson!! Most of us then followed behind Ralph and Connie in their AA truck over to the Tulsa Air & Space Museum. This museum is a real treasure for Tulsa, in my opinion. Oklahoma has a wealth of aviation history that we don't seem to hear much about. One of the museum's newest exhibit was of the Tuskegee Airmen which I found of personal interest since it highlighted BGen Charles McGee, whom I had known. BGen McGee just died earlier this year at the age of 102. He had once commanded the air base in Kansas City. I later flew with his son in the USAFR at that base for ten years. Both McGees were outstanding patriots. Numerous other museum exhibits told of the many aviators who were from this area or who visited Tulsa after making aviation history. Lindberg, Earhart, Cessna and Post were some of the



names along with oilman J. Paul Getty who lived in a bunker at the Tulsa airport for years. Whenever I read about Wiley Post, who was the first one to fly solo around the world and who discovered the jet stream, I naturally think of Will Rogers who was with him on that fatal flight in Alaska

on August 15, 1935. Will has always been everyone's favorite here in Oklahoma. Our club has attended many of the memorable fly-in's at the Oologah Ranch in August where his great granddaughter, Jennifer Rogers Etcheverry, has always welcomed us and our Model A Fords as we pay tribute to Will and Wiley. She enjoys preserving Will's legacy as well as his sense of humor, as evident in her family's nut business! They have an almond grove in California!!



As we sadly salute all of our aviation and other pioneers, we also want to proudly salute Sam and Carina who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this month! Congrats, you two!! Membership in our Tulsa club seems to promote long lasting marriages since Sam and Carina join several

other couples who have already celebrated 50 years together! Maybe we are onto something and didn't even know it! Congrats to all.

And for all of us who are members of MAFCA, we need to be sure and send in our ballots with a giant checkmark for Robert Bullard. Robert lived here for many years and is still a member of our club. He has a handful of Model A Fords and he and Elaine drive those cars all over the country. They retired to the Houston area but they still come up to participate in many of our club activities. He is currently on the MAFCA Board and is running for another term. Maybe he will be President Bullard some day!! At the men's coffee and at breakfast, several of us wore Robert's campaign buttons. Marvin has some extra ones if you want one to help support Robert! Please vote!



And, speaking of men's coffee, remember the first Tuesday of each month we meet at Marvin's garage at 8:30am. All other Tuesdays, we gather at McDonald's on 91st and Memorial in south Tulsa at



8:30am. Harold Helton was with us recently before he returns to his school bus driving duties. He has served our club as president in the past and continues to publish our monthly newsletter. Let's give Harold a big salute also for all he has done and continues to do!!

August Breakfast and Tulsa Air and Space Museum Tour



*In memory of Will Rogers
who drove one of the first
Model A Fords*

presented to him by Henry Ford

August 15, 1935, was the fatal crash of Wiley and Will. The Tulsa Model A Club has honored both men in past years during August at the Oologah Ranch.



Ken Brust with Jennifer, Will's great granddaughter, four years ago. She always loved our cars and enjoyed preserving Will's legacy.

FUN FACTS:

By February 4, 1929, one million Model As had been sold, and by July 24, two million. The range of body styles ran from the Tudor at US\$500 (in grey, green, or black) to the town car with a dual cowl at US\$1,200.

In March 1930, Model A sales hit three million, and there were nine body styles available. Prices for the Model A ranged from US\$385 for a roadster to US\$1,400 for the top-of-the-line town car.



September - Cheryl Jackson
and Carina Slavens

October - Rus Shuler and
Marvin Mellage

November - Virginia Harris and
Jessie Reed



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Don Reed gave prayer
and Lunch was served
with chicken, mashed
potatoes and gravy on
the menu. With home
made Ice Cream and lots

of cakes and cookies and toppings. Thanks everyone
who brought goodies and Ice Cream. A Special Thank
you to Joanna Cooper for hosting us, we always
enjoy looking at her beautiful cars and enjoy the air
condition.

We had a short meeting after lunch, guest
were recognized Bobby and Cheryl Jackson son in law
Carson Kettener, Rus and Sandy Shuler, Lonnie and
Kelly Sherry, plus Mckade Mellage guest Jaden, and
Chris DuVall guest Julianna.

Mel Burton sold a green coupe but didn't give
in information on who purchased the car.

Up and coming events were discussed: See the
newsletter for updates.

Meeting Minutes By
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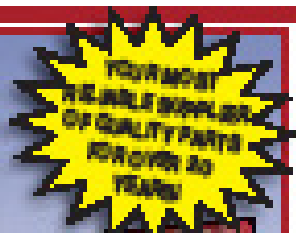
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Dallas Model A Ford Club Lake Murray Tour

Here is the info and registration for the DMAFC Lake Murray tour Nov 4-6 if any of your members are interested. I think there are a few from Sooner A's coming down.

The tour will start with an early lunch Friday 4 Nov at MG's restaurant in Sherman, TX, we will then proceed to Durant to the new Choctaw Cultural Center, and around 2:30 to 3:00 head to Lake Murray to check in and cook hamburgers at the pavilion. Sat. Nov 5 we will head to breakfast at Prairie Kitchen in Ardmore, then to the Greater Southwest Historical Museum in Ardmore. We leave there for a drive through the country to Tishomingo for a couple of attractions and lunch at Ole Red's, Blake Shelton's restaurant in Tish. Arrive back at lake Murray early afternoon for socializing and dinner at the pavilion. Evening meals are provided by the club since there is no longer a restaurant at Lake Murray.

We would love to have any of your members join us for a friendly Texas-Oklahoma get together that doesn't involve a football game. Tell them to make their reservation at Lake Murray, send their registration to Trisha, and contact me to join us on the tour. Jim Talkington, Kingston, OK
580-579-4096, texomatwo@sbcglobal.net

Lake Murray Tour - November 4-6, 2022 Registration Form

Please fill out this form and send to Trisha Evans, 3405 Cliffwood Drive, Colleyville, TX 76034.
Payment options: Checks payable to: Trisha Evans
Venmo: Trisha-Evans14, Zelle: 817-808-4279
Deadline to register is October 1, 2022

Name:	Cell Phone Number:
Name of other people in group:	
Will you be meeting the group in Prosper? (please circle)	Email:
Number of People Coming: \$22 per person	\$22 X People
Total	
I am paying by (circle one) Cash Check Venmo Zelle	

LABOR'S FIRST HOLIDAY

**THE BIGGEST PARADE IT HAS
EVER HAD.**

**HONORED SOMEWHAT IN THE BREACH
BY BUSINESS MEN, BUT IN THE OB-
SERVANCE BY WORKMEN.**

Labor Day was honored in this city yesterday more in the breach than in the observance. The variation of a large and miscellaneous parade served only to impress on the public at large so far as could be observed, the unfitness of the season for a general holiday. Of course many stores were closed and there were vast numbers of people on the streets.

But business slept with an eye open, and behind the closed iron shutters in the wholesale district, which was apparently the one most seriously affected, clerks were as busy as at any time for the past week, trying to catch up with orders, and any purchaser who chose to edge his way within by way of the freight entrance

September 6, 1887 - The New York Times

But it took several more years for the federal government to make it a national holiday — when it served a greater political purpose. In the late 1800s, many Americans toiled 12 hours a day, seven days a week, often in physically demanding, low-paying jobs. Children worked too, on farms and in factories and mines. Conditions were often harsh and unsafe.

Working people began organizing and bargaining collectively to advocate for better working conditions and wages and celebrated the first Labor Day in New York City on Tuesday, September 5, 1882. Following the deaths of 13 workers during the Pullman Strike in June of 1894, President Grover Cleveland made reconciliation with the labor movement a top priority of his administration, making Labor Day a federal holiday in 1894.



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. 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.

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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