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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We began this month of October with our annual fall tour hosted by our friends from the Sooner Club. We will once again use Café USA in Sapulpa as our point of departure. Dividing up into two groups of about six or seven cars each and leaving promptly at 1:30 PM on Sunday October 8, 2023. You won't want to miss

this one. The Oklahoma City Club is planning some really great tours.

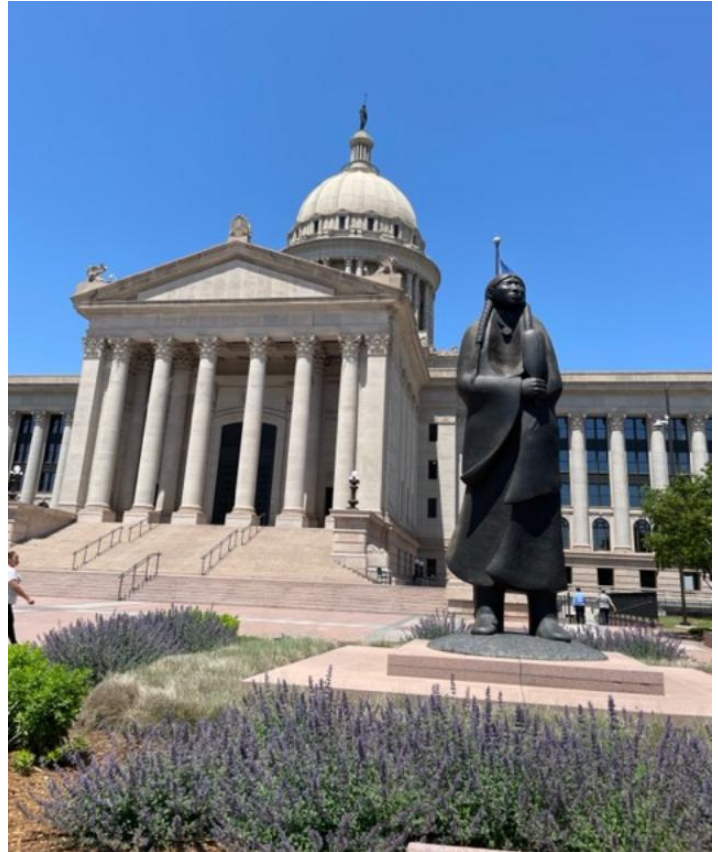
Don't forget Jan Hamm and the Haskell Flying Club.

The fly-in at the Haskell airport will be on Saturday October 14, 2023. They

have invited the Model A's to join them for lunch and show our cars at this event.

Jan will be leading this event and she wants a list of those who plan to attend.

Please contact her at 918-482-3004.



Remember that the tickets for Cheryl Jackson's quilt are on sale through the club for \$10.00 per ticket. You must be present to win. The drawing will be held at our annual Christmas Party on December 2, 2023.

This month we will have our baked potato dinner at our general meeting at the Hardesty Library on October 17th. There is a sign-up sheet with Jeanne for bringing potatoes and the fixings. We will also be nominating board members to replace Don Reed and Rodger Johnson who will be rotating off. Please give serious consideration to serving as a member of the board.



Kent



THE FINER POINTS

By Chris DuVall

Model "A" Days at the Gilmore was a great success! If you're looking for parts, the national swap meets are the place to be. You never know what you'll find. There were NOS fenders available as well as a number of NOS smaller parts. As always, there was a great variety of used parts.

We're continuing to make progress on the Convertible Sedan, and it's getting close to time to install my engine splash pans. So, how do I know I'm installing the correct ones? Below are examples of two driver's side pans: one used and one NOS. The one on the left is correct for November 1929 through June 1930. The one on the right is correct for June 1930 through end of production.

Below is a photo showing the bottom side of the NOS late pan. You can also see the proper shape of the pan from this angle. It is not round all the way to the front like the reproductions are.



You might be looking at these thinking, "What's the difference?" The one on the right has an extra hole that was only added after June of 1930. This hole was only used on "AA" trucks. Other than that, they are exactly the same. Below is a photo of the extra hole on the NOS pan. Isn't that original paint just gorgeous? I supposed if you were desperate, you could probably find a way to add the extra hole to the one on the left.

Anyway, let's move on to the passenger side splash aprons. It's abundantly clear one of these has had fuel drip on it while the other has not. You guessed it, the extra hole is present on the right pan and not on the left one. So, the same dates must apply, right? Actually, the tailpipe cutout is larger than normal on the right pan which means it is a December 1931 pan. Isn't that interesting?



You might be looking at the left pan, and thinking what's going on there? Below is another view. At first glance, it looks like the pan has been damaged and repaired. However, it's a little too nice for that. I believe it was made this way. In the photo on page 4, you can see how the paint "pooled" on that ridge when it was dipped at the factory. Anyway, it's certainly an interesting piece. Now I just have to hide it from Dad so it doesn't end up on his Cabriolet!

NUTS & BOLTS

by Ken Brust

As I browsed through old issues of our national magazine, I recently discovered an interesting bit of trivia. Did you know where the name for our MAFCA magazine came from? Originally, in 1956, the national Model A Ford organization was called the Model A Restorers Club of Southern California and “Restorer” was used for the name of the magazine. Even though it was a national organization, some folks in Michigan thought the new organization was focused too much on the west coast and California. They led a split and in 1957 they kept the MARC name with its base now in Michigan and then the group based out west became MAFCA. Who knew? (Thanks to our MAFCA President Robert Bullard for this clarification!)

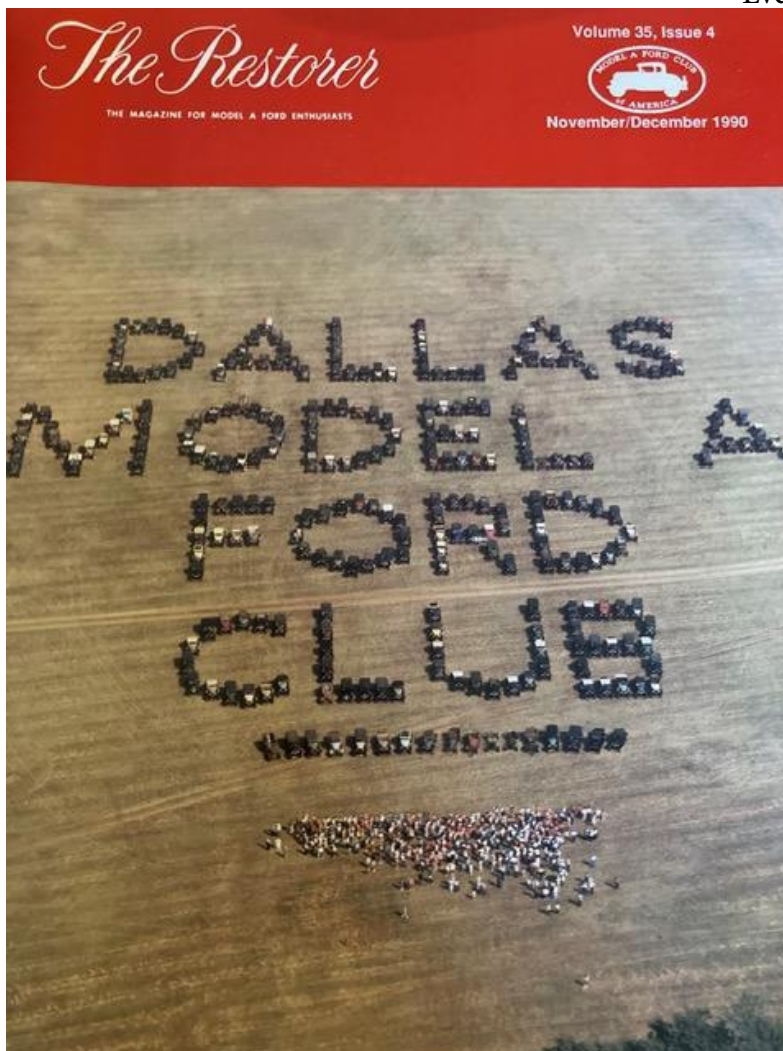
I also came across an interesting article about a competition among various clubs trying to get the largest gathering of Model A Fords. It began as a simple challenge by the Santa Clara Valley, California Chapter of MAFCA. In 1984, it set a record by having 72 Club Model A's at a single event and issued a



challenge to all other MAFCA Chapters to beat it. The Wisconsin Chapter immediately gathered 104 cars and claimed the title, only to learn on the very next weekend the Fort Worth, Texas Chapter had amassed 124 of their club's cars. The challenge spread to other parts of the country with the Colorado Chapter assembling 135 cars which was soon bettered by the Evergreen (Washington) Chapter's 142. Again, on

the very next day, Fort Worth gathered 147 cars to reclaim the title. Wisconsin began a full-scale assault on what they dubbed the “Texas Challenge.” They produced 254 Model A's and laid claim to the title of “Model A Capital of the World.” Then in 1990, only six years after the initial California challenge was initiated, the Dallas Model A Ford Club celebrated its 30th Anniversary and proudly captured the title by amassing 291 Model A Fords from fellow club members. The resulting photograph made the cover of the Restorer November/December 1990 issue. It reminded me of some of the interesting photographs many of us have organized here in Tulsa or participated in over the years with multiple gaggles of Model A Fords.

With the 100th anniversary coming up for Route 66 in 2026, our Club has been asked to participate in the anniversary preparations. Ken Busby is one of the organizers of the festivities. He has previously presented a program to our club and will be looking for our support. Any ideas?? Word from our men's coffee group is that MAFCA is also asking our Tulsa Club to help organize/support a Route 66 celebration along with a California club. It could be a busy and exciting time during the next few years with





the 100th anniversary of the Model A Ford coming right behind the Route 66 celebration! Hold on to your hats!!

The new movie, "Killers of the Flower Moon" is due to be released here soon. Since Mel had an inside peek during filming and had his Model T in the movie, maybe we need to have him give a presentation sometime about his experience with the Hollywood folks. What do you think, Mel? Maybe we could then all go see the movie together. Mel, can you get some free passes?? Chris can you bring the popcorn!!

Happy Trails



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Calendar of October Events

October 1-7

NO FIRST SATURDAY MODEL A BREAKFAST
3/Tuesday, 8:00 a.m., Men's Coffee at Marvin's Shop

October 8-14

8/Saturday through 11/Wednesday, Fall Tour
Sooner Model A Club - Oklahoma City



14/Saturday

Fly-In - Jan Ham, Haskell Airport
Lunch includes Model A Club

October 15 - 21

17/Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting, Hardesty Library
Board Nominations/Nomination from the floor
Baked Potato Dinner

October 22 - 31



November

11/Saturday, 9:00 a.m. Veteran's Day Parade
Claremore

21/Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. General Meeting
Hardesty Library, Voting on Board Members

Baked Potato Dinner

December

2/Saturday, 1:00 p.m. Model A Christmas Dinner,
Country Cottage Restaurant, Locust Grove
Drawing for the Cheryl Jackson Quilt

THE FINER POINTS CONTINUED. . .



SUNSHINE Report by Roy Cail

Again, this year Linda Mellage is assisting me with the Sunshine program. We would appreciate your assistance in letting us 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 not able to reach me please call Linda Mellage at 918-629-2978. As a Club, we want to provide any support we can.

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers.

Rich Robinson Jerry Conrad
Linda Ochs Tori Brust

If I missed anyone my apologies. Again, if you know of anyone that is having difficulties please let us know so we can send them a card or flowers depending on situation.

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NO LADIES LUNCH THIS MONTH DUE TO FALL TOUR

October

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Gary Sullivan
- 3 Joanna Cooper
- 3 Dave & Deborah PILMAIER
- 5 Linda Ochs
- 6 Jim & Teresa STRODE
- 7 Chuck & Karen DUSENBERY
- 11 Carolanne Mahan
- 17 Linda Bodine
- 19 Hastings & Dianne SIEGFRIED
- 20 Don Reed
- 22 Roy Cail
- 23 Marvin & Linda MELLAGE
- 25 Deborah Pilmaier
- 26 Jeff Griffin
- 30 Wanda Steffens

SEPTEMBER

- 19 Sue Harris
- 22 Rich Robinson
- 24 Linda Mellage
- 29 Ralph Hudson



Apologies to these folks for not including them in last month's celebration of birthdays



October- Celinda Burton and Corina Slavens.
November- Virginia Harris and Jeanne Washburn.
December- Jeanne Washburn and Linda Mellage



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MEETING MINUTES

The general meeting was held on 9-19-23 at the Hardesty Library, Tulsa. Regular club business was handled by the club officers. We had several new members present, along with a visiting couple. We welcomed Dwayne and Judy Tucker and Kem and Peggy Sue Morrow.

President Washburn reviewed the upcoming calendar events, highlighting several opportunities to drive and show our Model A Cars. This a reminder that tickets are still on sale for the very impressive Model A Quilt at \$10.00 each for a raffle at our Christmas Party on December 2 in Locus Grove, OK. See Jeanne Washburn for details on the Party and tickets for the quilt.

The Fall Tour is from October 8th to the 11th. Please check your email and the club calendar in the Rumble Sheet for all upcoming Club events. Several of our dear members are fighting health issues; please remember them in prayer. SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY: Ralph and Connie Hudson Celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on September 21st. We enjoyed a special cake with them at the meeting.

Also, we enjoyed the showing from the Model A Foundation, a movie documenting the 20th million Model A produced. For additional information on club events, please see the Rumble Sheet or contact any club officer.

Secretary, Rodger Johnson



**Marvin's on
Tuesday, October 3,
8:00 a.m.**



FALL TOUR 2023

OCT 8 – 11

HOST: SOONER MODEL A CLUB

- October 8, Sunday -Arrive at the **Hampton Inn, 300 Meline Drive, Edmond OK. 405-428-4540** (Note, Real Gas is sold at the 7/11 Gas Station in the hotel entrance area.)
- October 9, Monday -**Line-up at 8:45, depart at 9AM** for the Masonic Lodge in Guthrie.
- Masonic Lodge Tour** cost is \$5.00 per person. Masons are free.
- Tour Starts at 10:00AM.** 1419 N Walnut St., Guthrie. 405-282-1281
- Lunch at **Simone's Café in Guthrie.** Pay on your own. 223 S. Division, Guthrie. 405-293-9363
- Depart Simone's for Territorial Museum Tour** in Guthrie. Cost is 10.00 person for a Guided Tour. **Tour starts at 1:30 PM.** 406 East Oklahoma Ave, Guthrie. 405-282-1889 (Note Collect Cost Chuck & Don)
- After the tour there will be time to visit the many antique shops in Guthrie from Division Street to the Railroad Tracks. Return to the hotel in Edmond. Dinner will be on your own.
- October 10, Tuesday -**Line-up at 8:45, depart at 9AM** for the **State Capital Tour** in Oklahoma City. 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd. 405-521-6813
- Tour Starts at 10:00AM.**
- After the Capital Tour, depart for the Land Run Monument,** one of the world's largest Bronze Sculptures featuring 45 heroic figures of the land run. Located at the South End of the Bricktown Canal. Entrance is at 200 Centennial Ave, just off Reno Ave between Bass Pro Shops and Residence Inn Hotel.
- After you view the **Land Run Monument,** we will travel to the **Golden Corral Buffet & Grill** for lunch. 1501 S Sooner Rd, Del City. 405-739-0566. Pay on your own.
- After lunch we will drive to the **Tinker AFB Air Park** to view many of the aircraft that were assigned to Tinker. NOTE: **We must depart for the next tour at 1:30 PM.**
- Depart for the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum Tour in Oklahoma City is schedule to start at 2:00 PM Cost is \$10.00 per person.** 1700 Northeast 63rd, Oklahoma City. 405-478-2250 (Note: Collect Cost Chuck & Don)
- Return to the hotel after this tour. Dinner is on your own.
- Don will hold an informal meeting at the hotel on Tuesday night after dinner at 8:00 PM** to provide an overview of the tour and open the floor for any suggestions of the Spring Tour for 2024.
- October 11, Wednesday -Depart for home.

SOONER MODEL A Fall Tour Registration
Sunday, October 8, 2023 – Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Name(s): _____

Model A or Modern Car? (Circle one) Cell Phone: _____

Make your hotel reservation at **Edmond Hampton Inn – (405) 844-3037**

Edmond Hampton Inn 300 Meline Drive, Edmond, OK. 73034. Sunday, Mon & Tues night only

To get discount rate; state “SOONER MODEL A”. Rate available only to September 8, 2023.

King & Sofa bed - \$95.00 / night + tax. Or Double Queen - \$99.00 / night + tax

Monday, October 9. – State number of people in Yes or No spot.

Do you plan to go to the **Masonic Lodge Tour** in Guthrie? Yes ___ No ___ (\$5 per person – to be collected with registration.) Masons Free. Lunch is planned for **Simone’s Café**.

Do you plan to go to the **Territorial Museum Tour** in Guthrie”. Yes ___ No ___ (\$10 per person – to be collected with the registration).

Dinner on your own.

Tuesday, October 10.

Do you plan to go to the **State Capital Tour**? Yes ___ No ___ (Entry is free).

Depart the State Capital for the **Land Run Monument**, one of the world’s largest Bronze Sculptures featuring 45 heroic figures of the land run. After the land run, drive to the **Golden Corral Buffet & Grill** in Del City for lunch. After lunch, drive to the Tinker AFB Air Park to view many of the aircraft that were assigned to Tinker.

NOTE: Departure time for the next tour is 1:30PM.

Do you plan to go to the **National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum Tour**?
Yes ___ No ___ (\$10 per person – to be collected with the registration).

Dinner will be on your own.

Don will hold an informal wrap up meeting at the hotel on Tues night after dinner at **8:00 PM** to provide an overview of the tour and open up for any suggestions for the 2024 Spring Tour.

Wednesday, October 11. Have a safe trip home. Thank you.

In order for us to get an accurate count, please complete the registration form no later than September 8, 2023. You must return the registration form to be eligible for any of the wonderful door prizes. Please return registration form to: Don Mitchell, 512 Ridge Rd, Edmond, OK 73034

Any Questions, contact:

Chuck Dusenbery (405) 613-3901 OR Don Mitchell (405) 830-2932
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NOTE: If you plan on attending all the tours listed above, please send \$25.00 for EACH person on your registration. Make your check out to **SOONER MODEL A CLUB**

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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.

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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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