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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Summer is marching along and hopefully it will not be too long before we get some breaks in the summer weather. August seems like a great time to have an Ice Cream Social to cool us down while enjoying good food and conversation. We are grateful that Joanna Cooper hosted our gathering once again. It is always fun to visit her showroom full of beautiful cars as well as such a welcoming environment. A special thanks goes to Linda and Marvin Mellage and Jackie and Andy Dunn for their efforts to make this such a fun day. We also want to send a special thank you to those who brought ice cream.

The next major activity will be Play Day on September 20 at Asbury Church in Tulsa, reference articles in the Rumble Sheet for specific details. Given the September Membership Meeting and Play Day are so close together we again will combine the two things. We hope you find that convenient.

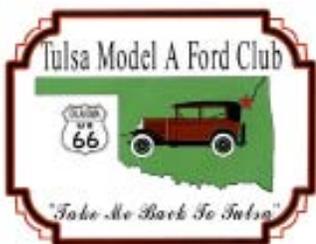
Remember the Fall Tour is going to be in Norman on October 16 – 19. Look inside the Rumble Sheet for further details. If you have not made your hotel reservations you may want to do that soon.

The 2025 Board has appointed John Rinkenbaugh and Jackie Dunn to be members of the 2026 Board Nominating Committee. Both John and Jackie's Board terms carry them through 2026. The 2025 Board has tasked these two to find a third person from the Membership to work with them on the Nominating Committee. The goal is to have a slate of three Board Member candidates identified by the October Membership Meeting. The nominees will be presented to the Membership as well as solicit other members who may wish to be considered. Election of the 2026 Nominees will take place at the November Membership Meeting. If you have an interest in being on the 2026 Board of Directors, please contact the Nominating Committee.

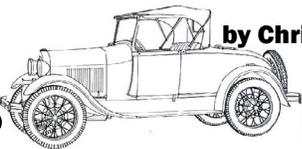
In September a small group of us are meeting with the Career Tech Automotive Group in Broken Arrow to start a dialogue about their current automotive programs and potential interest in different type automotive programs. We understand this is a long-term project but feel it is something we should start to explore.

We are delaying our International Model A Day celebration until Saturday, October 4 at 8:30a.m. Once again, Bill Knight Automotive Group will host us at his Ford Dealership. So, our breakfast get together will be at Bill Knight's. Bill and his group will provide us with the usual pastries and coffee. We will depart the dealership at 10a.m. and drive downtown Tulsa where Michael Wallis will do a presentation. See articles related to this for more details.

*Let's get those A's on the road.
Roy*



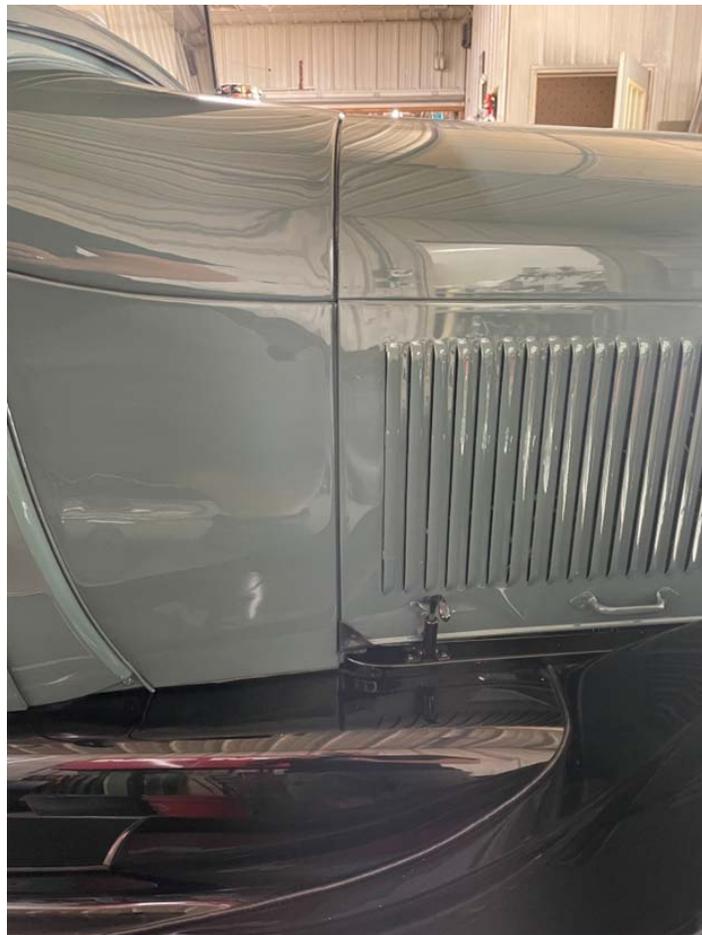
Finer Points



Below is the end tip properly installed on our Special Coupe. The top moldings and rain guttering are original to the car and quite hard to find if missing.



I'll leave you with one more teaser from our Special Coupe restoration: hood alignment. As you can see, this car is also very close to being finished after a restoration that started in 2019!



Autumnal Equinox
September 22, 2025, 1:19 p.m.



Exciting news from the DuVall's shop! We officially dropped off the 400-A at Sturm's Upholstery last month! I think we are all ready for that project to be complete! Personally, I am hoping she will be ready to show at next year's MARC National meet in French Lick. If you haven't made your reservations yet, you should!

I would guess Mr. Sturm knows more about Model "A" interiors than anyone else, and it is always a great pleasure to visit his shop. While we were there, we needed some special end tips for our February 1929 Special Coupe. Below is a photo of new tips next to original tips. As you can see, they are longer than needed, which requires them to be shortened to fit the car. Interestingly, there is not a part number available for these end tips. Mr. Sturm believes end tips were a common manufacturing item during the Model "A" era, and that Ford could source them from third parties without issue. Ford purchased them rather than producing them resulting in no known part number. You can also see there were two different finishes on the originals: black paint or nickel. Which one you need depends on which car you have.



The new standards that are currently being worked on will have much more detailed information on the end tips than the current version that is available now. For our Special Coupe, we require black paint. (You may have guessed since the new ones in the above photo were painted.)



August 16, 2025

This meeting was held during the annual Ice Cream Social held at Joanne Cooper's wonderful museum and event venue. Our thanks to Joanne Cooper, Linda Millage, Jeanne Washburn, Jackie Dunn and all the others who brought ice cream, and the other goodies.

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by President Roy Cail. Prayer was said.

Treasurers report was given by Treasurer Jackie Dunn. Motion to accept was made by Tim, seconded by Andy and unanimously approved.

Connie Hudson gave the Sunshine Report with concerns for several members including Sharon Laramore, Olie Harris, Virginia Harris, Barbara Cail, Roy Cail, and others. Our thoughts and prayers go out for them and others with health concerns.

No reported cars bought or sold.

Old Business: No old business discussed.

New Business: A brief discussion of the Fall Tour occurred. Members were urged to make hotel reservations and submit the sign-up sheet to the Oklahoma City club as soon as possible. Tulsa Club will be driving as a group, departing the Bixby Sutherland's parking lot at 9 am. More information will be published in Rumble Sheet and e-mails.

Play Day will be September 20th at Asbury Church beginning at 8:30 am. More information coming.

Delayed International Model A Day will be October 4th at Bill Knight Ford. More information coming.

September Breakfast will be at Freeway Cafe, 4401 E. 31st St, Tulsa at 8:30 am. Keith Jones will lead a tour of a local car collection after breakfast.

Please monitor Rumble Sheet and your e-mail for details and changes to club events.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mitchel, seconded by Tim and approved. Meeting adjourned.

Tim Bodine, Substitute Scribe



September's club breakfast is at Freeway Cafe, 4401 East 31st Street in Tulsa. We hope to see you on Saturday, September 6 at 8:30 am.

Keith Jones has arranged for us to tour two different car collections after we eat. Both are located around midtown. Keith will lead us to one we have never visited and to another owned by Mayor Kathy Taylor which we did visit in the past but the collection has probably changed somewhat since we last visited.

Many thanks to Keith for organizing the tours following our breakfast. Please drive your Model A.

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Guest Speaker



Event to be rescheduled due to delayed exterior renovations.
Watch email for updates!

Wallis is a three-time Pulitzer Prize finalist who authored "**Route 66: The Mother Road**," along with a couple of dozen other great books. "**Cars**," animated film series, features his distinct voice as the Sheriff of Radiator Springs.



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2026 Centennial

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- MICHAEL WALLIS

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- Michael Wallis, "**BELLE STARR**"

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> Johnny Nickelson and Marvin Mellage enjoying ice cream and desserts



> Bob Stine won the 50-50 pot!



JoAnna's




INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW

The origins of ice cream are ancient and varied, with no single inventor or definitive date of origin. Early forms of frozen desserts, like flavored snow and ice, appeared in Persia and China around 3000-200 BCE. These evolved into more recognizable ice cream-like treats in Europe, particularly in Italy and France, by the 16th and 17th centuries.



Instead of breakfast on the first Saturday of August, we had lunch in Okemah in order to meet our Holdenville neighbors. Unfortunately, Gary and Ricki Sullivan couldn't make it due to Gary's recent golf cart mishap. This resulted in his being hospitalized with a broken left thumb, broken right arm, bruised hip and cracked pelvis. Don and June Chesser met us and filled us in on the sad news. We were all very sorry to hear this, wish Gary the very best, and hope he heals quickly. Our drive to Okemah included a dozen Model As plus a couple of modern cars and was quite enjoyable with interesting backroads and nice weather. I had talked with a fraternity brother who lives in Okemah, but who was to be in Hawaii on this date, to see if he might arrange for a police escort into town for us. He came through. We were led into town by a police

car with its flashing lights. We went through stop signs and signal lights as if we were a funeral procession, which I'm sure folks assumed we might be. Inside the restaurant we were greeted by the City Manager, the President of the Chamber, and a former Mayor and Councilman who welcomed us. Each shared a little about their small town. They even presented each car with a gift bag. What a great welcome! After a nice lunch, things kind of fell apart as far as an organized tour goes.

Everyone left on their own. I had never seen a tour group mutiny on its leader before without saying a word. They just left. Weird! During mens' coffee the following Tuesday at Marvin's we learned Tim had carburetor issues on the way home and had to swap carburetors. Monte had a serious steering rod system come apart. Keith had a flat tire but was without a jack so had to call for help. I have to tell you I kinda felt a small tinge of revenge hearing these problems.

Just a reminder, following our breakfast on the first Saturday in September, Keith Jones has

arranged for us to visit a couple of car collections. One is Mayor Kathy Taylor's. We have been to it in the past, but I hear the cars keep changing. The other is one we have not yet visited, so both should be fun to see. They are both located within the midtown general area not far from our breakfast location, so should be minimal driving. But please don't mutiny on the tour leader until finally dismissed!

Also, Play Day is in September. Jerry Conrad and Linda Ochs have some really interesting games for us to try. These will be fun challenges for your Model A driving skills. I think the lunch afterwards is to be a potluck, so be sure to sign up for a dish to bring. Show time is 8:30 am to beat the heat and get indoors earlier to eat and cool off. I heard Chris Duvall bought Bob Kendal's right-hand drive Phaeton. Wow! How many As does this make for you Chris? Congratulations!

Don't forget to make your A all ready for the tour to Norman in mid-October. Should be another fun one. Happy Trails to You!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
September 6	Breakfast/Car Collection	Freeway Café, 4401 East 31 st Street, Tulsa	8:30 a.m.
September 16	NO MEETING – WILL BE COMBINED WITH PLAY DAY		
September 20	Play Day/Lunch/Membership Meeting	Asbury Church	8:30 a.m.
October 4	Breakfast	Bill Knight Ford	8:30 a.m.
October 7-10	Hershey Swap Meet	Hershey, PA	
Fall TBD	OSU-Okmulgee Grand Buffet	Okmulgee	TBD
October 16-19	OKC Fall Tour	Norman, Marriott Courtyard	TBD
October 21	Monthly Meeting: Baked Potato Dinner/Slate of Candidates	Hardesty Library	6:30 p.m.
November 1	Breakfast	TBD	
November 11	Veteran's Day Parade	Claremore	TBD
November 18	Monthly Meeting: Roger Cornelison/Ventriloquist/Election of BOD members	Hardesty Library	7:00 p.m.
December 6	Breakfast	TBD	
December	NO MONTHLY MEETING		
December 13	Christmas Party	Country Cottage	1:00–3:00 p.m.

ORIGIN OF LABOR DAY

Labor Day, celebrated on the first Monday in September, originated in the late 19th century during the American labor movement. It honors the social and economic contributions of workers and recognizes the achievements of the labor movement. The holiday emerged from a time of intense labor activism, where workers were fighting for better wages, reduced hours, and safer working conditions. The first Labor Day celebration was a parade held in New York City on September 5, 1882, organized by the Central Labor Union.

Key aspects of the holiday's origin:

- Labor Movement:

The late 19th century was a period of significant labor activism, with workers organizing to improve their conditions.

- First Celebration:

The first Labor Day parade in New York City on September 5, 1882, involved 10,000 to 20,000 participants.

- National Holiday:

Labor Day became a federal holiday in 1894, signed into law by President Grover Cleveland.

- Purpose:

The holiday aims to honor the contributions of workers to the nation's strength and prosperity.

- Dispute over Originator:

While Peter J. McGuire is often credited with suggesting the idea, some evidence points to Matthew Maguire as the true originator of the holiday according to the Department of Labor



JoAnna's Ice Cream Social



>Our ever-faithful servers, Linda Mellage, Jeanne Washburn, Melody Duvall and Linda Ochs. Thank you!



FALL TOUR: OCTOBER 16-19, 2025 OKC SOONER MODEL A CLUB

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at Courtyard by
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Reservations after September 29th will be
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currently requires 48-hour notice (subject to change)
and cancellations after the deadline of September
29th may be subject to a cancellation fee of one night's
room and tax charges. The Marriott looks forward to
welcoming you to Norman.

Reservations can be made through the online
link or by calling the hotel to request the group rate
code (Sooner Model A Club) at 405-701-8900, Option
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Details of Fall Tour was sent via email on
June 12. Will send additional reminders during the
summer



SOONER MODEL A Fall Tour Registration

October 16, 2025 – October 19, 2025

Name(s): _____

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

Make your hotel reservation at Court by Marriott, 770 Copperfield Drive, Norman OK
Rate \$99.00 + Tax per night. E-Coupons are issued for 2 people for breakfast at Bistro.

Friday, October 17. *Sam Noble Museum of Natural History.*

Military Veterans enter free. Entry fee for all others is \$12.00. (Seniors \$10.00) Pay at the door. **They accept Cash, Credit cards and Checks.**

National Weather Center

Lunch is on your own in the weather center. The free guided tour of the weather center starts after lunch.

Dinner on your own.

Saturday, October 18.

Fred Jones Museum of Art



Military Veterans including 4 guests can enter free. The entry fee for all others is \$13.05.
They will only accept credit cards for payments.

Kendall's Restaurant Noble OK

Casual, Cash Only restaurant.

Sunday, October 19. *Have a safe trip home. Thank you.*

For us to get an accurate count, please complete the registration form no later than October 1, 2025. Please return the 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
cdusenbery50@yahoo.com donmitchell1396@cox.net

NOTE: We will not collect fees before the tours. Each person will be responsible for paying at the door of the museums.



>Police escort into Okemah



>Time to eat Mexican food



>Don and June Chesser, one of the couples from Holdenville who are members of Tulsa MAFC



>Current and past mayors of Okemah, former city council member and president of Okemah Chamber of Commerce shared information about Okemah



Rest stop in Okmulgee

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tulsa Model A Ford Club

2025 MONTHLY MEETING EVENTS

SEPT 20	 <p>Annual Play Day and Potluck Lunch Saturday, September 20th STARTS AT 8:30 a.m. ASBURY CHURCH 6767 S. Mingo Road, Tulsa</p>
OCT 21	 <p>FAMOUS BAKED POTATO DINNER <i>Join your friends and enjoy jumbo baked spuds with your favorite toppings!</i></p>
NOV 18	 <p>ROGER'S MAGIC & FRIENDS <i>Meet Arthur Itus and get ready for a fun evening of magic from our very own Roger Cornelison!</i></p>
DEC 13	 <p>CHRISTMAS PARTY COUNTRY COTTAGE RESTAURANT LOCUST GROVE  DIRTY SANTA GAME 1:00 - 3:00 P.M.</p>




Men's Monthly Coffees

- Marvin's - 8:30 a.m.
- ▶ 1st Tuesday
- McDonald's - 8:30 a.m.
- ▶ 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Tuesday
- Bob Stine's - 8:30 a.m.
- ▶ 3rd Wednesday



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Tulsa Model A Club presents . . .

Annual Play Day
 and Potluck Lunch
Saturday, September 20th
 Start Early to Beat the Heat:
 8:30 a.m.



Asbury Church, 6767 S. Mingo Road, Tulsa

SPECIAL SURPRISE GAME THIS YEAR!

Play Day caught on in the early 1980s at Model A Clubs all over America.

Back in the day and even currently, Play Day features various Model A car and lawn games – fun for all ages.

Add a little home cooking (potluck lunch) and friendly competition, let the games begin!

Bring your favorite potluck dish to share!
 Text Jackie Dunn (918) 960-4919 or email adunn1944@outlook.com to get on the potluck sign-up.

We are combining Play Day and the September Monthly Meeting.

FUN CAR AND LAWN GAMES - FRIENDS - PRIZES !

 **SUNSHINE Report** by **Connie Hudson**

- Roy Cail gave us an update on his health Saturday at our ice cream social. He indicated that his cancer has come back but he feels optimistic that he will find something even better this time to continue the fight.
- Ollie Harris is still taking chemo therapy and still going strong as the saying goes you can't keep a good man down.
- Debbie Johnson had surgery she had a deviated septum but all's well now.
- And more bad news Tim & Linda Bodine daughter's cancer has come back.
- Jan Hamm hasn't had any news yet about what's going on with her neck she has an appointment the 28th more information later.
- We also heard Karen Dusenbery had a heart attack while they were in NY this past summer she is back home and doing better.
- Gary Sullivan had an accident and was injured but can't give an update as no one answers their phone.
- Please keep our friends in your prayers.

Connie

Report health concerns at 918.269.7240 or
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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Rodger Johnson
- 2 Kent & Jeanne WASHBURN
- 8 Bob Soper
- 10 Audrey Martin
- 11 Dave Pilmaier
- 15 Jeanne Washburn
- 19 Sue Harris
- 19 Chuck & Carolanne MAHAN
- 20 Bill & Sue HARRIS
- 21 Ralph & Connie HUDSON
- 24 Linda Mellage
- 29 Ralph Hudson
- 30 Don & June CHESSER



- September 16 - Connie Hudson & Jeanne Washburn
- October 21 - Barbara Cail & Linda Mellage
- November 18 - Linda Bodine & Virginia Harris



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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.

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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

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