Scuttlebutt

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Meeting

May 19, 2024
2:00 pm

Will Rogers
Garden Center
3400 NW 36th St
Oklahoma City OK

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

We wish all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day. We hope you all are treated very special on your day by getting flowers, having a fabulous meal and/or getting together with family. Thank you for all that you do for everyone.

The joint Spring Tour with the Tulsa Model A Ford Club went well. We visited Fort Sill's Auxiliary Museum, the Quad where the soldiers lived, and the storage area for the Museum, where we saw some of the original head-dresses and shields. Then we went to the cemetery where we saw Geronimo's grave, and his family's graves, and other graves from the various Indian tribes. We also visited the Museum of the Great Plains and the Comanche Museum. We made the drive to Frederick to see where the Abernathy boys came from and how they traveled to Washington D.C. and New York on horseback, then by car. The tornado warnings did not bother us as we only had interesting clouds and a little rain. We did have an unplanned bonus with a herd of Longhorn cattle that stopped traffic on our way to the Holy City of the Wichitas. They probably just wanted to look at the Model A's, and wish they had one.

It is with sad regret that I have to report the passing of our longtime Model A member, Sharlotte Campbell. Sharlotte and Mike were very supportive of our Model A Club, and we were all very pleased to see Sharlotte at the Christmas party this past December. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mike and their family.

Now that the warmer weather is here, we should be able to drive our Model A's to some exciting places even for a few hours or a day. If anyone has a suggestion or recommendation for a club activity, meeting topic, or if you want to present an interesting hobby or topic, please let me or a Board Member know.

Don Mitchell
President

May Refreshments

Provided by: Jim, Helene, Karen, and
Drinks by Don and Marilyn.

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ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

(Subject to Change)

"Let the good times roll in your Model A"

May 2024

7	**6:30pm**	**Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
11	**9:45am**	**Armed Forces Day Parade** - Del City Theme: Duty Honor Country Check-in between 8:00-900am behind Del City High School West on Vickie Drive to SE 20th St to check-in area
12		**Mother's Day** - Happy Mother's Day
19	**2:00pm**	**Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC Refreshments will be provided by Jim, Helene, Karen, and Drinks by Don and Marilyn. Phil is planning a demonstration about distributors.
25	**12:30 pm**	**Picnic with Phil & Kaye** - 7601 NW 30th, Bethany Bring a side dish and your own drinks.

June 2024

4	**6:30pm**	**Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
16		**Father's Day** - Happy Father's Day.
16	**2:00pm**	**Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC Refreshments will be provided by Steve, Helene, Judy, and Drinks by Nolen and Pat.
23- 29		**National Convention** - Riudoso, New Mexico https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Events/2024_Convention_Registration.pdf

July 2024

2	**6:30pm**	**Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
4	**10:00am**	**Independence Day Parade** - Bethany Lunch afterward
4	**9:00am**	**Independence Day Parade** - Edmond Lunch afterward
21	**2:00pm**	**Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC Ice Cream Social: Refreshments will be provided by Helene, Steve, Cathy, and Drinks by Jim & Gayle.

Every Monday morning, club members meet at **6:30am** for **breakfast at Braums**, 4104 NW 39th Street, Bethany, OK. Everyone is invited and the discussion ranges from repairing your car to what the weather is going to be for the next scheduled event. Please stop by and add your two cents. No charge for opinions.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Sharlotte Campbell has passed away. David Reynolds was ill, but is recovering.
Please pray for Mike and the family, and for David.

Please also pray for all who were affected by the recent tornados, and for the volunteers who are helping with the recovery from the tornados, flooding and other storms.

Please also pray for those of us who are battling cancer and other serious diseases, and for anyone else we know of who is in need of healing.

Please let Kaye Sage know if you are aware of a member who is ill. We would like to send a card and let them know we are thinking of them. Kaye can be reached at 405-684-1564 or email at sage_LK1@cox.net

May 2024 Birthdays

09 - Bebe Booher	12 - Deborah Steiner	22 - Marilyn Barton
12 - Linda Stine	17 - John Chaney	23 - Ron Blissit
12 - Doris Woodard	20 - Chuck Gibson	28 - Nolen Morgan

May 2024 Anniversaries

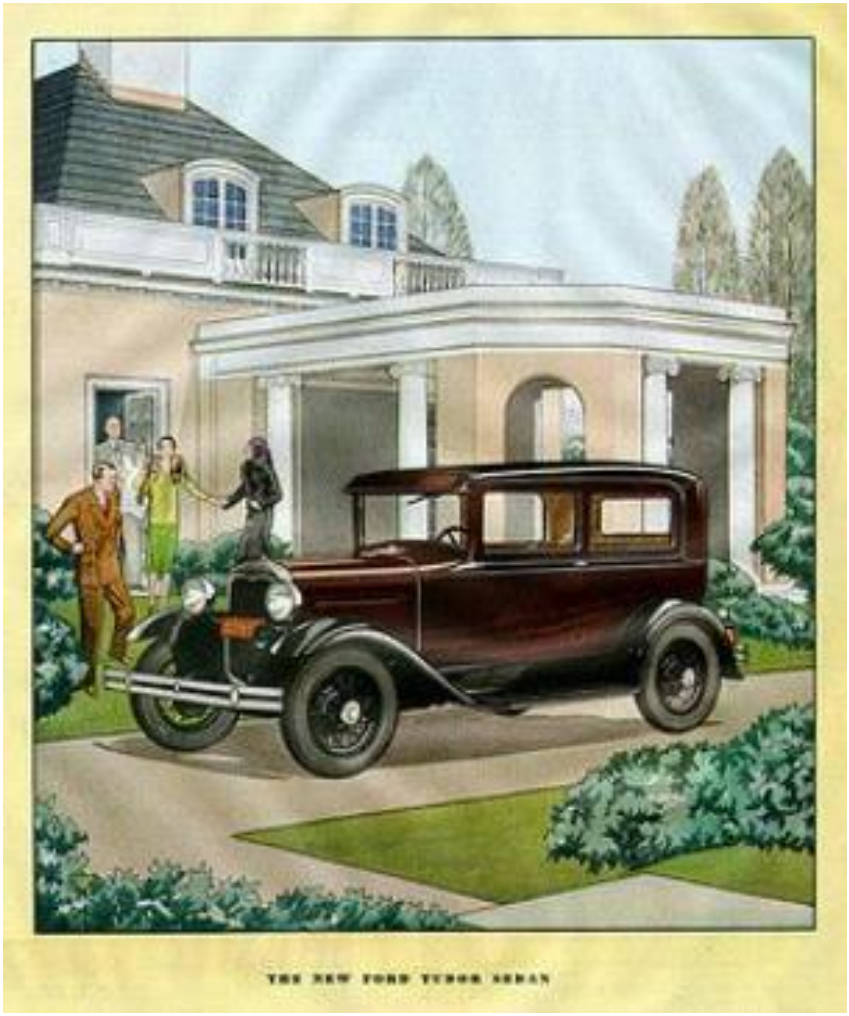
17 - Timothy & Bebe Booher	26 - Tom & Pat Marcotte	28 - Tom & Connie Douglass
24 - Tom & Carla Holcomb	26 - Loren & Peggy Metcalf	30 - Jim & Pam Williams

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS IN 2024

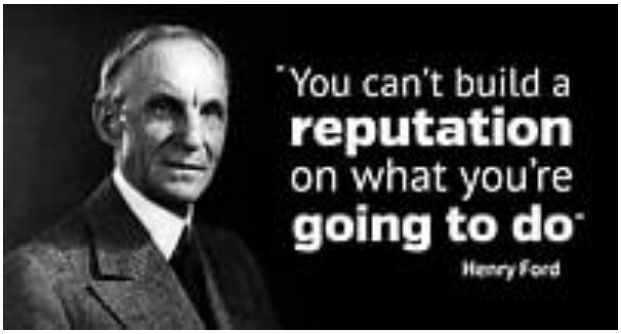
Loren & Peggy Metcalf, Chickasha
Steve & Loura Talley, Cameron MO
David Reynolds, Oklahoma City

Welcome to the Sooner Model A Club.
We are looking forward to seeing you at some of our activities.

SATURDAY EVENING POST
Cover Picture, March 1939



QUOTATIONS OF HENRY FORD



Ref: Quotations of Henry Ford
APPLEWOOD BOOKS
Bedford, Massachusetts

Minutes of the Club Meeting
April 21, 2024

April 21, 2024: Club Meeting; Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC

- Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President Don. He thanked everyone for coming. There were 25 members and one guest, David Reynolds, who joined the Club at the meeting.
- Secretary report: The minutes of the previous meeting were published in the Scuttlebutt. Motion was made by Joe and seconded by Ken to accept the minutes as published. Motion carried.
- Treasurer's report: Kay reviewed the treasurer's report and passed out copies of the report, which was accepted as reported.
- Don thanked Phil and Kaye for hosting Tune-Up Day, and he also thanked Phil and Greg for their expert knowledge and expertise in working on the cars.
- President Don announced that the Club won first prize in the Guthrie 89er parade in the Antique Vehicle Class, and congratulated everyone who participated.
- Don announced that the member listing was sent out via email, and reminded everyone not to share it with anyone outside of the club.
- Chuck gave an update on the Spring tour. The group will meet at the Love's located at Highway 81 and Route 66 in El Reno, on April 25 at 11:00 a.m. He said its 100 miles to the hotel and to make sure you have enough gas to make it to the hotel in Lawton.
- Don announced that anyone in North OKC or Edmond could meet at the Timber Ridge Neighborhood Park at 9:30am on March 25th to travel to the meeting location in El Reno, for the Spring Tour
- Don reported that the new Sooner Model A business cards are available. Members are encouraged to take some cards to keep in your Model A to promote the club when possible.
- Jim reported that the website is working.
- Sunshine Report: Phil has been ill, but is recovering at home.
- It was announced that there would be a car and bike show on June 15th from 8am to 2pm at Edmond North High School, to benefit Gavin Black, a senior at North who was killed in a motorcycle accident, for a fee of $25.00 per car.
- Old business: none was reported.
- No new business was reported..
- A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.
- After the meeting, refreshments were enjoyed by all.
- After refreshments, we played Card Bingo, which was a lot of fun, and several people won prizes.

Minutes of the Board Meeting
May 7, 2024

May 7, 2024; Board Meeting; Johnnie's, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC

President Don Mitchell –Present	Vice-President Phil Wolfenbarger –Present
Secretary Vonnie Meritt -Present	Treasurer Jerry Phillips -Present
Editor Chuck Dusenbery -Present	Web Master Jim Yates -Present
Director David Swain –Present	Director Joe Astafan –Present

Members in attendance: Helene Astafan, Karen Dusenbery, Carla Newton, Cliff Wicks, Marilyn Mitchell

- Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President Don. He gave a brief review of the Spring Tour. There were no major problems. We had tornado warnings but no severe weather. The hotel allowed us to park Model A's under the hotel portico because hail was expected. There was no hail, only a little rain. The next parade is the Armed Forces Day parade in Del City. The parade will begin with a fly over at 9:45am. Check-in is between 8:00am and 9:30am, and Don expects to arrive about 8:15am. There was discussion about where to have lunch after the parade, and Golden Corral was elected for lunch. May 19th is the next club meeting, and Phil will do a demonstration. Don will not be here for the June Board Meeting, so Phil will run the meeting.

- Secretary minutes were published in the Scuttlebutt. Minutes were accepted as published.

- Treasurer's report: Kay presented the February treasurer's report. Beginning balance as of $2068.64, total deposits to checking $235.00, expenses $98.28 to Karen Dusenbery for printing business cards at Vista Print, account ending balance $2205.36. PayPal beginning balance $218.91, no dues were received, ending balance is $218.91. Total cash on hand is $113.25. CD's $8065.62. Grand total $10603.14. Phil made a motion to accept, and Chuck seconded. Report was accepted.
- Editor Chuck reported on the following upcoming events.
- May 4th Armed Forces Parade in Del City, line up will be between in the parking lot behind Del City High School.
- May 19th Club meeting 2:00 pm
- Vice-President Phil sent in the registration form for the Bethany Independence Day parade.
- Chuck report that the Scuttlebutt would list all activities on the second page.

- Webmaster:Jim sent in the registration form for the Edmond Independence Day parade. Jim reported that the Guthrie City Hall called him to let him know that the Sooner Model A Club won first place in the Antique Vehicle Class in the 89er parade. Jim had the plaque with him for display and said he would maintain it unless someone else wanted it.

- Old Business-none

- New Business- Joe asked if there were any complaints about the change in club meeting day and time to Sundays at 2:00 pm. No one had received any. Karen reported that she had comments from a few people who said they preferred daytime on Sundays.

- Meeting Adjournment at 6:44 p.m.

MAFCA
Photo of the Week

We want your Model A Photo!

Please describe your car's year and model, and your city and state in an email to Aofthe-Day@mafca.com

Don't forget to tell us who is in the photo and where it was taken.

Photos that are at least **250KB** in size work the best.





2024 MAFCA National Convention June 23-29, 2024 Ruidoso, New Mexico
Sponsored by Southwest Model A's

Introductory Video Website: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8x--fxdmPQ4

Registration Form: https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Events/2024_Convention_Registration.pdf

SAVE THE DATE

Fall, 2024	**National Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague**
Dec 11-14, 2024	**National Awards Banquet** - Salt Lake City, Utah
Dec 15, 2024	**Christmas Party** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
June 16-22, 2025	**National Tour** - Dallas Model A Ford Club, Waynesville, VA
May 31-Jun 7, 2025	**National Convention** - Blue Mountain A's, Pendleton, OR

For Sale!	1930-31 Coupe/Cabriolet front seat spring cushion assembly. $150.00 (Seat Spring Assembly only) Call Terry Joy at 405-653-2505
For Sale:	1931 Model A Pickup, 1929 Modified Open-Cab Model A Coupe. Call Virjean Ogle at 405-640-5993
For Sale!	1929 AA 1-1/2 ton flat-bed stake truck; VIN A3946780, mostly complete, needs some transmission work, rewiring, tires, etc, $7,900.00. Call Rob Wagner, 405-990-4100
For Sale!	1928 Model A Roadster, Excellent Condition. Call Bob Baird, 405-641-0277
For Sale!	1930 Model A Coupe. Restoration in progress. New tires and restored frame. Call Mike Maxwell, 405-826-2504, for additional information.
For Sale!	Model A Coupe project car. Includes two additional engines. Call Kevin McDonald, 405-375-5804
For Sale!	1928 Model A Roadster in pieces. Frame, body, engine, 2 transmissions, and several "New Parts". $2,500 OBO. Pictures available. 580-306-8624
For Sale!	1931 Model A Ford 4 Door in excellent condition. Pictures available. Contact Celeste Price, 405-382-8858
For Sale!	1929 Phaeton 4 Door. Car is located in Edmond, OK. Contact Megan Payne, 512-608-3369
For Sale!	1930 Tudor and 1928 RH Drive Phaeton. Contact Mark Ayers 405-496-4883
For Sale!	1931 Cabriolet, restored and painted. Call Tom Prothro 405-546-0620 for more information or to make offer.
For Sale!	1929 Model A Roadster, 1860 miles since restored, Contact Leonard Ellis at 405-372-5690 for more information.

89er PARADE
Guthrie
April 20, 2024











CLUB MEETING
Will Rogers Garden Center, OKC
April 21, 2024

We had 25 members and one visitor, David Reynolds, at the April club meeting. David has visited with us before and we have seen him at some of the events, but he joined the club at the meeting. Also at the meeting, Don and Jim announced that the Club won first place in the Antique Vehicle Class at the Guthrie parade. After the meeting and refreshments, we played Card Bingo, which was very exciting and resulted in several of us winning prizes.







SPRING TOUR
Lawton
April 25-28, 2024















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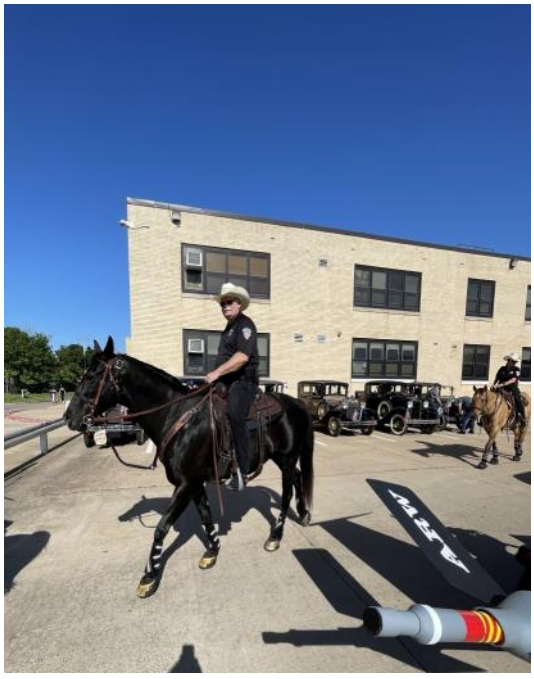




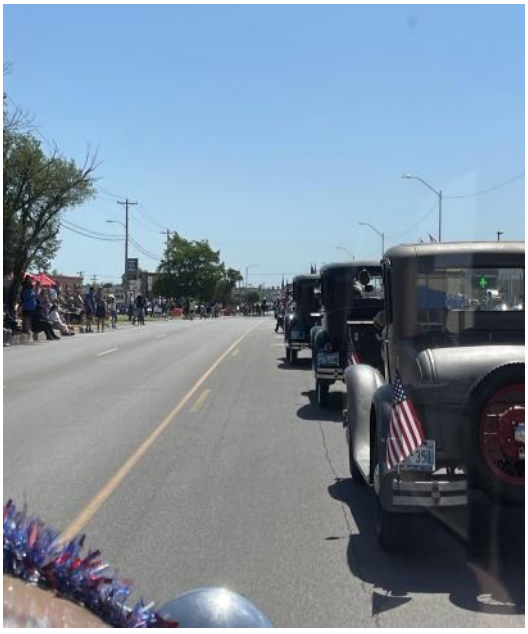
ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE
Del City
May 11, 2024











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Del City
May 11, 2024
Pictures by Helene Astafan





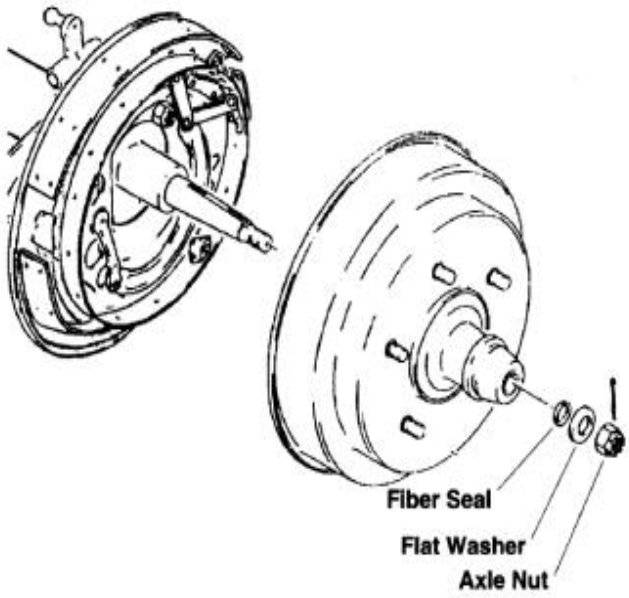




Jim's Tech Tips

"Check Your Rear Axle Nuts"

Every time I have a rear wheel off of a Model A, I use the opportunity to check the tightness of the rear axle nut for that wheel. They are supposed to be quite tight, and yet I find many with at least one axle nut that is loose. This is not good. If the hub is able to move on the axle, it will cause excess wear to the end of the axle and can damage it to the point where the axle will need to be replaced.



To check it, first remove the cotter key. With the transmission in 1st or Reverse gear, and the opposite rear tire on the ground, you can apply a wrench to the axle nut and confirm it is tight.

Ford did not publish torque values for nuts and bolts; he counted on the experience and "feel" of expert mechanics to know how tight to make things. Les Andrews has a value of 125 ft-lbs. in his book for this nut, and I feel that is a good target to shoot for. Watch the position of the cotter pin hole relative to the slots in the axle nut. If the pin will not line up on the nut, keep tightening the nut until the cotter pin goes in. Bend the ears over. I use a new cotter pin every time.

This simple maintenance step will help you avoid bigger problems down the road.

Until next time, *Have a Model A Day!*
Jim

How It All Began

The Evolution of the Era Fashion Committee

By Lynette Marcione
Era Fashion Committee Member



As a member of the Era Fashion Committee, one of my first assignments from Chairperson, Donna May Bewley was to document the history of the Committee. Thinking about how the MAFCA Era Fashion Committee got its start and actually knowing about it required the expert help of someone who was there at the beginning. My first and only thought on the history and evolution of the Era Fashion Committee began with Edie Jones. Edie, a living historian of Model A era fashions, was the woman to see on the subject. It is Edie who willingly shared her vast knowledge and vivid recollections of the development of the committee. This author acknowledges and appreciates all Edie Jones has done and continues to do to foster the presentation and preservation of Model A era fashions.

We must begin with the fashion articles that have appeared in ***The Restorer*** magazine. These articles were the inspiration for communicating information about Model A fashions and the changes that took place when fashion competition started in earnest. The following individuals contributed their time and knowledge to that effort as ***The Restorer*** magazine fashion editors;

Blanche Whisler	1956-1960
Jeanne Skutt	1960-1962
Lois Rather	1962-1974
Edie Jones	1974-1988
Fern Davis	1988- Present

Lois Rather said it best in her fashion article in 1964: "Not all the models are A's". Showing off your Model A fashions has always been an entertaining part of the hobby, lending interest and fun to parades, parties, and banquets. During this time, MAFCA Headquarters had received several inquires for assistance in planning fashion related events. In response, such notables as MAFCA members Edie Jones, Vivian Payton, Doy Seng, Betty Thomas, and Etta Francisco of MARC suggested fashion competition parallel to Model A car competition. They recommended a panel of

Donna May Bewley, the current chairperson, has done much to foster consistency and organizational effectiveness. Since the foundation of the committee has been cemented by the former committee members, Donna May continues to refine, enhance, and advance those procedures developed previously. MAFCA website articles are consistently written by Era Fashion Committee members on a regular basis. The fashion related topics are interesting and reflect hours of research by their authors. Judges are kept informed and up to date on changes in policies and practices by means of a mentorship program. Work continues to keep all documentation supporting fashions current and accurate, and placing important fashion information online at the MAFCA website.

The Era Fashion Committee meets twice annually. Any person who would like to join the committee need only to apply for a vacant position. It is recommended the applicant have some experience with local, regional, or national fashion judging. The only requirement is membership in MAFCA.

The devotion and dedication of members of the Era Fashion Committee, both past and present, have served the MAFCA membership well. Direction and organization, accuracy, a sense of fair play and competition, and the benefit of increasing the knowledge of our members, are all hallmarks of the era fashion committee. Many members have participated in era fashions over the years. We are grateful for their support.

The Era Fashion Committee members continue to understand and appreciate the fragility of the historical garments and accessories of the Model A era. Their focus includes an awareness of the dwindling number of fashions of this period still in existence today, and the need to continue to invent new and innovative ways to preserve and re-create fashions from 1928-1931.

I would like to thank the following individuals for their recollections and contributions to this article: Edie Jones, Char Crawford, Sandy Patterson, Trudy Vestal, Pat Watson, and Donna May Bewley.



Salt Creek A's enjoying era fashions

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See the complete five-page article on the MAFCA website, How_It_All_Began.pdf (mafca.com)

COFFEE AND CARS

Coffee and Cars started as a client appreciation event and has grown to be the largest monthly gathering of car enthusiasts across the great state of Oklahoma!
All makes, models, cars, trucks, and bikes, etc. are welcome.

Oklahoma City:
Coffee and Cars Oklahoma City
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Western and Memorial (Cross Street)
13230 Pawnee Drive, Oklahoma City, 73114



Yukon:
Coffee and Cars Yukon
(aka Yukon Nights Cruise In)
3rd Saturday of Each Month
6pm-9pm
Plaza at Stone Mill
2121 S. Yukon Parkway
Yukon, OK 73099



Norman:
Coffee and Cars Norman
2nd Saturday of Each Month
8am-10:30am
It is held at: Crest foods.
1421 24th Ave NW, Norman
Norman, OK 73069



Midwest City:
The Cruise In for Coffee Car & Bike Show is held the third Saturday of each month, April through October. This family-friendly event is held in Town Center Plaza on SE 29th Street between South Air Depot Boulevard and Midwest Boulevard. Sponsored by the City of Midwest City; this event is free and there are no entry fees. Sure to please enthusiasts of all ages, come out and browse all makes of new and classic cars and motorcycles.

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DUES - $20.00 PER YEAR/PER FAMILY

Dues can be mailed to the address above, paid in person at one of our events, or paid on the Sooner Model A Club website:

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SOONER MODEL A CLUB
P.O. BOX 83192
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The **SOONER MODEL A CLUB** is a non-profit organization affiliated with the Model A Ford Club of America. All correspondence for the club should be sent to the above address.
General Meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of the months of January thru November. Meetings commence at 2:00 pm, and are held at Will Rogers Garden Center at 3400 N.W. 36th Street in Oklahoma City. All members are welcome to attend the club's Board Meetings, which are held on the first Tuesday of each month at a location designated by the President and advertised in the Scuttlebutt. Membership dues are $20.00 per year.
The actual possession of a Model A Ford is not required. The primary requirement for membership shall be an interest in Model A's and The Sooner Model A Club, and a desire to participate in club activities. Visitors are always welcome to attend any of the club activities.
The Sooner Model A Club recommends membership in the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). MAFCA dues are $50.00 per year, and can be paid here: Model A Ford Club of America (mafca.com)