

Scuttlebutt

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Happy October to the Sooner Model A Club

It was a beautiful sunny day for our drive to the Rock Café in Stroud on Saturday the 24th of September. We had seven Model A cars and 18 people. The food was great and it was very interesting to see one of the “props” from the movie “Cars.” Good food and entertainment too. That is what we are- ‘An eating club that drives old cars’.

The Czech parade on Saturday 1 October was another nice day and we had six cars and some new members, Randy and Theresa Bratcher, with their new recently purchased Model A. WELCOME!!

The Sooner Model A Club Christmas party is on Sunday night, the 11th of December, at 6:30 at the Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC. The cost is \$5.00 per person for members and the Club will pick up the difference for the meal. Of course, we will play “Dirty Santa” for those who want to bring a wrapped “gift.” To be included in this year’s get together, you must make your reservation and pay the \$5.00 by or at our regular club meeting on 13 November 2022.

Thank you in advance for the wonderful treats for our October club meeting by Pat & Nolan Morgan, JoEllen & Ron Blissit, Sharlotte & Mike Campbell and Marilyn Mitchell.

As you all know this club runs on food.

In January 2023 we will be changing our meeting days from Sunday afternoon to the 4th Tuesday night at 7:00pm starting January 24, 2023.

Don Mitchell, President



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Meeting October

October 9, 2022
2:30 pm

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

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as of April 26th

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REFRESHMENTS

<p>October meeting: Pat & Nolen Morgan Sharlotte Campbell Marilyn Mitchell JoEllen & Ron Blissit</p>	<p>November meeting: Kaye Sage Greg Hoyle Vonnice Meritt Marilyn Mitchell</p>
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2022 ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

(Subject to Change)

“Let the good times roll in your Model A”

October 2022

- 1** 10:00am **Czech Parade & Festival - Yukon.** Line Up 9:00 am, Parade 10:00 am.
Lunch after parade– Location and time TBD
- 4** 6:30pm **Board Meeting - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)**
- 8** 9:00am **Tune up day at Phil’s Garage, 7601 NW 30th Street, Bethany, OK .** Inspection times between 9am and Noon. Lunch at 12:00.
- 9** 2:30pm **Club Meeting - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC**
Refreshments Provided by Club members
- 12** 7:30am **Breakfast at the Guthrie Braums Store on Hwy 33 @ I-35. Depart for Branson at 8am.**
- 13-16** **Fall Tour - Branson, MO; Hosts: Tulsa Model A Ford Club**
- 22** 10:00am **Mansions Senior Living Center, 9900 S Western, OKC. Car show at 10:00 am.**
- 29** 11:00am **Lunch at Eischen’s Chicken — 109 S. 2nd St, Okarche.**

November 2022

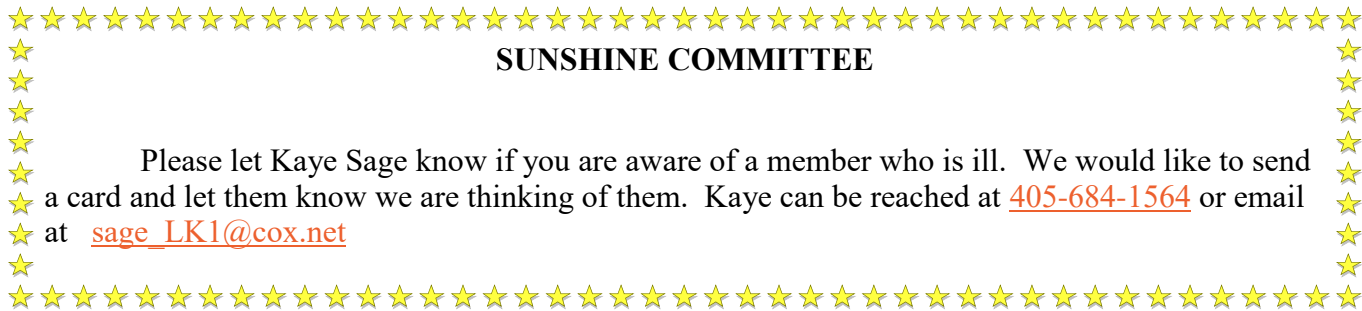
- 1** 6:30pm **Board Meeting - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)**
- 4-6** **Lake Murray State Park - Hosts: Dallas Model A Ford Club**
Lodge reservations available now. Call 580-223-6600
Information on page 5. Registration form on page 6.
- 12** 9:30am **Veterans Day Parade - Blanchard, lineup at 10th & Main in Blanchard**
- 12** **Lunch after parade**– Location and time TBD
- 13** 2:30pm **Club Meeting - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC**
Beans and Cornbread provided by Club members. **NOTE:** We are collecting for Christmas Party sign-up,\$5.00 per person and 2023 Club Dues \$20.00.

December 2022

- 1** 6:30pm **Board Meeting - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)**
- 3** 10:00am **Cowboy Christmas Parade - Stockyards, OKC, Line-up 9:00am.**
[Cowboy Christmas Parade | TravelOK.com - Oklahoma's Official Travel & Tourism Site](#)
- 3** **Lunch after parade**– Location and time TBD
- 11** 6:30pm **Christmas Party - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC**
Catered dinner, \$5.00 per person for members, and the Club will pay the difference.
Dirty Santa gift exchange, limit of \$10 to \$15

SAVE THE DATE

- June 11–16, 2023** **Midwest Regional Meet, Breckenridge, Colorado**
- July 16-21, 2023** **MAFCA National Tour, Indiana & Michigan**
- June 16-22, 2025** **MAFCA National Tour, Charlottesville, Virginia**



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

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](tel:405-684-1564) or email at sage_LK1@cox.net

October 2022 Birthdays

1 - Dan Morris	5 - Linda Ochs	20 - Carol Trego
1 - Gary Sullivan	7 - Cheryl Maxwell	22 - Beverly Gammill
2 - Chuck Angie	14 - Fred Ayers	23 - Patrick Hill
3 - Jo Ellen Blissit	17 - Gary Huey	30 - Wanda Steffens
3 - Scott Russell	20 - Jacqueline Callan	31 - JoAnn Clonts

October 2022 Anniversaries

- 7 - Don & Carole Ayers
- 7 - Chuck & Karen Dusenbery
- 18 - Scott & Jill Russell
- 23 - Marvin & Linda Mellage

- For Sale!** 1931 Model A Pickup, 1929 Modified Open-Cab Model A Coupe.
Call Virjean Ogle at 405-640-5993.
- For Sale!** 1929 4 door Briggs Deluxe.
Call Tom Marcotte at 405-684-7248 or 405-895-7445.
- 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.

DISCUSSIONS OF THE BOARD

The Christmas Party is on December 11th at 6:30pm. There will be a catered dinner, and we'll have the Dirty Santa gifts, and maybe a collection for charity. We are hoping that Santa Claus will be there. The board has decided that there will be a cost of \$5.00 for members, and the Club will pay the difference.

The vote for the 2023 board was decided at the September club meeting. The 2022 Interim Board will remain in their same positions for 2023. Congratulations to the 2023 Board. We all appreciate your service, and thanks to all the members for their unwavering support

Vonnie has reported that she can now special-order merchandise on an on-demand basis. Please contact Vonnie Meritt to place an order.

Board meetings are being held at Johnnie's Restaurant in the Village. The address is 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave). Everyone is welcome at the board meetings, on the first Tuesday of each month (except December) at 6:30pm. Guests are also welcome at all meetings and events. The Board is asking for recommendations for Sunday events and drives on the occasional Sunday for next year. If you have any suggestions, please attend the board meetings or contact a board member.

WebMaster Jim is still working on updating the website. PayPal is set up for payments, and it is now working properly. Clicking on the link "Join the Sooners" will take you to the page to register, and PayPal is listed. Clicking on "PayPal" will result in a page to pay, not only with PayPal, but also with some other options, including the credit card payment. Feel free to use it to pay 2023 dues. If you have any questions, please contact a board member. All board members and their phone numbers are listed on the front page of the Scuttlebutt.

There are still two committee duties available (Refreshment & Hospitality). If anyone would like to take advantage of these volunteer opportunities, please let us know.

The Sooner Model A Club meetings are changing to the fourth Tuesday of the month in 2023, starting with the January meeting on January 24th, 2023.

The complete dates and times for 2023 are as follows:

January 24th	May 23rd	September 26th
February 28th	June 27th	October 24th
March 28th	July 25th	November 22nd
April 25th	August 29th	

Welcome to New Members in 2022

Monte & Barbara McHendry
313 E. Buffalo St, Fairmont OK 73736
Monte 580-541-6572, Barbara 580-541-1590

Terry & Judith Joy
2608 NW 151st St, Edmond OK 73013
405-653-2505

Randy Bratcher
479-462-6512

Lake Murray Tour – November 4-6, 2022

This is going to be a laid back weekend tour where there will be a lot of time relaxing and talking to friends. The Talkingtons will be leading the scenic drives for us, and will be leading us once we get to Oklahoma. We will be staying at the Lake Murray Lodge again this year, we will be visiting the Choctaw Cultural Center, Tishomingo, Oklahoma and spending lots of time hanging out with friends. Make sure you bring a chair!

Arlen will be leading a group from Prosper. The group will be leaving from the intersection of Highway 380 and Preston Rd. at the Texas Roadhouse Parking Lot at 9AM. Lunch will be at MG's in Sherman, if you would like to meet the group there you are welcome to as well. The restaurant that we ate at last year closed and as of planning this there is NO restaurant inside the state park. Friday & Saturday night will be a cookout at the pavilion with dessert. Saturday we have a drive planned, lunch, and then a cookout, campfire and some fun with friends.

You are responsible for making your own reservations. Call 580-223-6600 to make your reservations. The group is under Dallas Model A Ford Club. You have a choice of cabins or rooms in the lodge. Cabins are \$90-\$165/night +tax (depending on type of cabin), lodge rooms are \$135/night + tax. When you reserve your room/cabin one night deposit is required. The deadline to make your reservations is October 1, 2022 after that there is no guarantee that you will be able to reserve rooms in the group block. Your reservation includes parking for 1 car, if you are taking an additional car you will need to pay for it when you arrive at the park.

Your registration fee includes a cookout style dinner Friday and Saturday as well as campfire desserts Friday and Saturday night. All other entrance fees will be self pay when we get to each of the different places.

If you have any questions please call or email Trish or Arlen.

Trish: 817-808-4279 trishaevans@gmail.com

Arlen: 817-228-9595 arlen_evans@hotmail.com



Lake Murray Tour – November 4-6, 2022

Registration Form

Please fill out this form and send to Trisha Evans, 3405 Cliffwood Dr., Colleyville TX 76034.

Payment Options

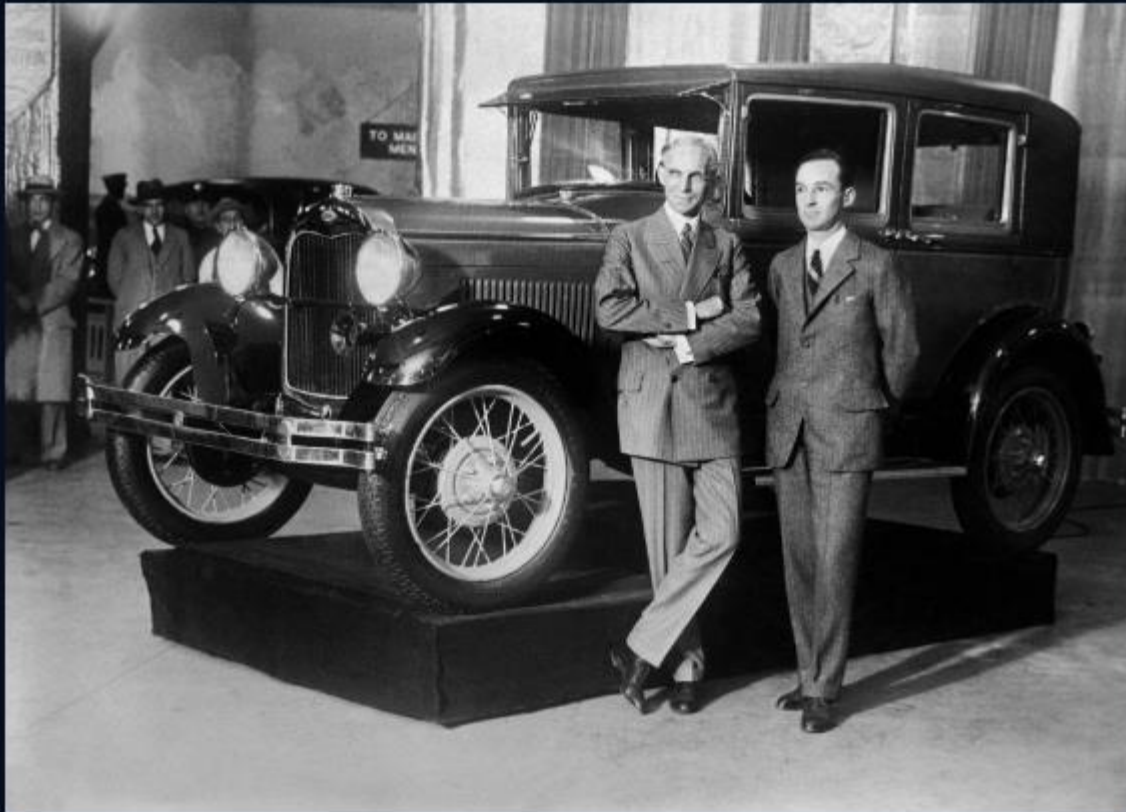
Make checks payable to: Trisha Evans

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	



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QUOTATIONS OF HENRY FORD

“Life is a series of experiences, each of which makes us bigger, even though it is hard to realize this. For the world was built to develop character, and we must learn that the setbacks and griefs which we endure help us in our marching onward.

Ref: Quotations of Henry Ford, APPLEWOOD BOOKS Bedford, Massachusetts



Technical Talk
with Dick Lusk



Checking the Alternator. What's Right?

Dear Tech, Director:

The other day I saw a mechanic disconnect the battery lead on his Model A engine while running it at a fast idling speed. The engine was equipped with an alternator in place of a generator. When I asked the mechanic why he was doing it that way he explained:

"If the engine is running while the battery is disconnected, the alternator is producing the current for the ignition circuit and is therefore working properly". Is this an accurate way to test an alternator?

Bill DeWitt, Yankton, IA

Dear Bill:

No, that procedure does not prove that the alternator is in perfect shape. Most alternator stators have three sets of windings and three sets of rectifier diodes. If one of the windings or diodes has gone bad, the alternator would still produce enough current for the ignition circuit, but won't produce enough current to keep the battery fully charged. The most accurate way to test an alternator is with an ammeter, voltmeter and ohmmeter.

There is more to this. Suppose the alternator is in good condition. Disconnecting the battery lead may damage it. Allowing an alternator to operate without a battery lead can cause a rise in voltage that can cause stress on the alternator windings. Also when the battery lead is disconnected a high voltage spike is induced in the electrical system. This spike, which can reach 150 volts, may damage the diodes as well as the regulator. When the battery lead is reconnected, another spike is produced. Therefore, disconnecting the battery lead with the engine running is not a good idea.



Good Luck and Happy Motoring!
Your Technical Director,
Richard Lusk

Era Fashions Committee

The Era Fashions committee is an integral part of MAFCA. Era Fashions are a part of every MAFCA regional, divisional, and national meet, as well as most MAFCA chapter meets. The Era Fashions Committee oversees the rules for judging era fashions, assists MAFCA chapters and regions with their era fashions events, and researches era fashions.

Articles written by EFC members will acquaint you with Era Fashions Judging and how the committee operates. You may click on the articles to read them if you have Adobe Reader installed on your computer.

If you're interested in being a part of the EFC, [click here](#) to find out more.

[How It All Began - The Beginnings of the Era Fashions Committee](#) by [Lynette Marcione](#)

Applications are being accepted for EFC membership. For more information, [click here](#).

The Era Fashions Committee



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EFC Member 2021-2023

BOOK ON ERA FASHIONS

MAFCA's book on era fashions, *The Book of Fashion Facts, Model A Era 1928 to 1931*, was published in July 2006 and MAFCA's newest collection of fashion related articles previously published in The Restorer, *The Fashion Files 1928-1931*, was published in June 2016.

For more information on these two books, [Click Here](#).

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**SOONER MODEL A CLUB
P.O. BOX 83192
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73148**

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 address above.

General Meetings are held on the second Sunday of the months of January thru November, except May and December. Meetings commence at 2:30 p.m. 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 primary requirement for membership shall be an interest in the objectives of the organization and a desire to participate in its activities. Actual possession of a Model A Ford is not a necessity. A member must be of good character as to be of benefit to the club, its functions and activities. An active member must be a member of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). MAFCA dues are \$50.00 per year.