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Facebook Sooner Model A Club



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2024

Meeting

**October 20, 2024
2:00 pm**

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

Congratulations to our newly elected Sooner Model A Club Officers and Board Members for 2025. I know that everyone will give them your complete support as you have for me the last three years. They are: President Phil Wolfenbarger, Vice-President Vonnie Meritt, Treasurer Chuck Dusenbery, Secretary Carla Newton, Editor Karen Dusenbery, Web Master Jim Yates, Director David Swain, and Director Joe Astafan.

We had a very interesting tour, arranged by Joe and Helene Astafan, to the Infant Jesus Shrine in Prague, Ok on Wednesday, September 18th. After the tour of the shrine, we had a great lunch at Mamaw's Restaurant.

The picnic at Phil and Kaye's house on Saturday, September 28th was attended by 30 people. There was plenty of food and it was great to see all of Phil's Model A's and so many of his other cars. Thank you, Phil and Kaye, for opening up your home on a unusually hot September day.

The Sooner Model A Christmas party is Sunday, December 15th at 2 PM at the Will Rogers Garden Center. This is our regular club meeting place and date, but there will be NO meeting. Our only purpose will be enjoying the Christmas Party. We hope everyone can make it. The cost is \$10.00 per person and the club will pick up the remaining costs. Reservations must be made and they must be paid for by December 1st to ensure the count for the caterer. Of course, as usual, we will play "Dirty Santa." The "Gifts" should cost less than \$25.00. This is also a good time to pay your \$20.00 dues for 2025.

We have 4 tickets for the OKC Polar Express Christmas train to auction off at the October club meeting. These tickets are for Sunday, 10 November 2024 and are donated by Steve Davis.

Don Mitchell
President

2024 Officers

**President: Don Mitchell
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**Membership: Joe Astafan
405-737-1876**

**Sunshine: Kaye Sage
405-684-1564**

**Merchandise: Kay Lee Meritt
405-262-3354**

October Snacks provided by
Cliff & Cathy, Joe & Helene, Vonnie & Kay.
Drinks by Jim & Gayle.

ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

(Subject to Change)

“Let the good times roll in your Model A”

October 2024

- 1 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 5 10:00am Czech Festival Parade** - Yukon; Line-up 9am on Garth Brooks Blvd.
Parade begins at 10am.
- 17 - 20 Fall Tour** - Van Buren, AR Joint Tour, Sponsored by Tulsa Model A Ford Club
Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Van Buren, Arkansas
- 20 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Refreshments will be provided by Cliff & Cathy, Joe & Helene, Vonnie & Kay,
Drinks by Jim & Gayle. Raffle of 4 tickets (donated by Steve Davis) for
Polar Express train ride on November 10th at OKC Train Museum on NW 36th St.
- 24 - 27 66th Annual Winnsboro Autumn Trails** - Parade, Tour, Dinner

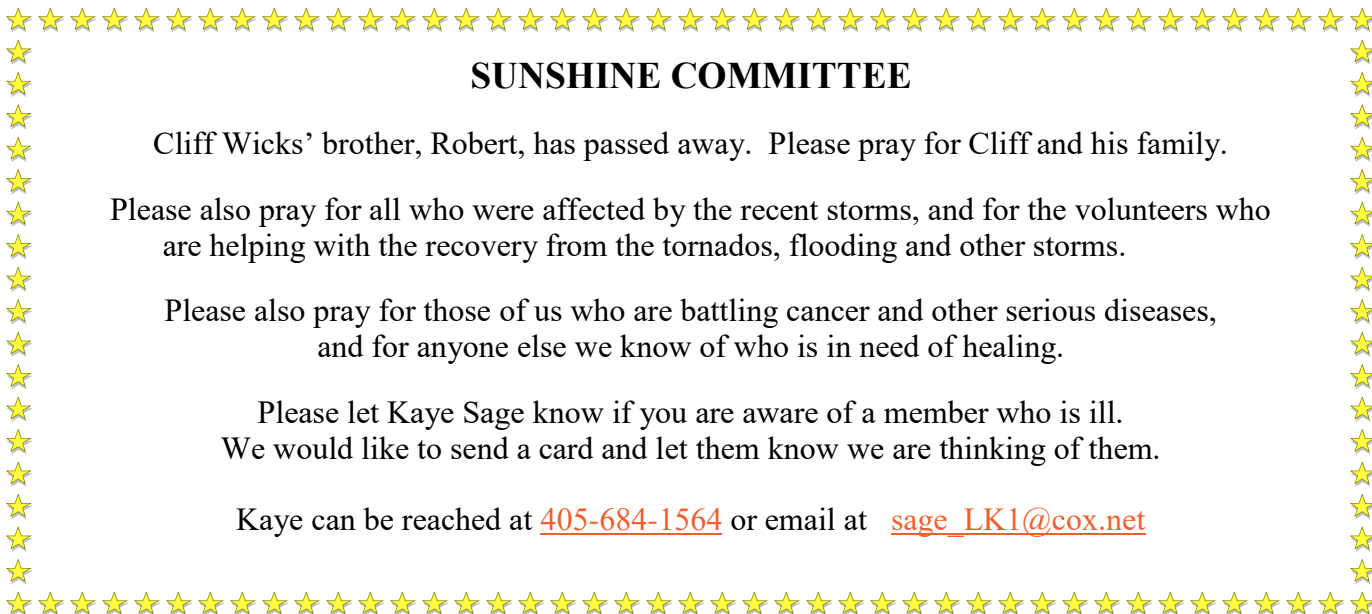
November 2024

- 5 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 9 9:30am Veteran's Day Parade** - Blanchard
Line-up at 9:30am at 10th and Main, Parade begins at 10:30am
- 16 10:00am The 99s Museum of Women Pilots** - OKC Airport area
\$10.00 per person, \$8.00 for seniors, 4300 Amelia Earhart Way, OKC
- 17 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Refreshments will be provided by club members.

December 2024

- 2 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 7 10:00am Cowboy Christmas Parade - Stockyards City, OKC**
Lineup at 9:00am on Exchange Ave east of Pennsylvania
- 7 11:30am Bubba's 33** - 6212 SW 3rd St, Oklahoma City
Lunch provided at no charge for those who arrive in a Model A- park in front.
- 15 2:00pm Christmas Party** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Catered by Earl's, Cost is \$10.00 per person, payable by December 1st.
Bring a wrapped gift (value less than \$25) for Dirty Santa.

Every Monday morning, club members meet at **6:30am** for **breakfast at McDonalds**, NW 39 & Portland, 3722 NW 39th Street. 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

Cliff Wicks' brother, Robert, has passed away. Please pray for Cliff and his family.

Please also pray for all who were affected by the recent storms, 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](tel:405-684-1564) or email at sage_LK1@cox.net

October 2024 Birthdays

01 - Dan Morris	07 - Cheryl Maxwell	23 - Patrick Hill
01 - Don Sable	16 - Steve Marks	26 - Jeff Griffin
03 - Scott Russell	17 - Jim Keene	26 - Tommy Prothro
03 - JoEllen Blissit	20 - Jacqueline Callan	30 - Wanda Steffens
05 - Linda Ochs	20 - Carol Trego	31 - Jo Ann Clonts

October 2024 Anniversaries

07 - Don & Becky Sable	07 - Chuck & Karen Dusenbery	18 - Scott & Jill Russell
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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS IN 2024

- Loren & Peggy Metcalf, Chickasha
- Steve & Loura Talley, Cameron MO
- David Reynolds, Oklahoma City
- Derral & Janet Estes, Newalla
- Joni Pyron, Edmond
- Eric & Leslie Broadhead, Oklahoma City
- Patrick & Barbara Hill, Oklahoma City

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

Minutes of the Club Meeting September 15, 2024

September 15, 2024: Club Meeting; Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC

- Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President Don.
- Don welcomed everyone and asked for introduction of guests. Gayle Keene introduced her grand-daughter, Amber. Clifton Hill introduced his great-grandson, Stephen. Eric Broadhead introduced his daughter, Ella.
- Don reported that Joe A. is down with the sciatic nerve problem. He also reported that Cliff Wicks' brother, Robert, has passed away.
- The Secretary's report was published in the Scuttlebutt. Motion was made and carried to accept the minutes as published.
- Kay gave his Treasurer report. Motion was made by Jerry and seconded by Phil; motion carried to accept the report as given.
- Don thanked the following for bringing snacks: Kaye and Phil, Eric and Leslie, Wanda and Kerry, Jim and Gayle.
- Phil reported that the nominating committee had the following slate of officers for 2025:
President: Phil W., Vice-President: Vonnie M., Treasurer: Chuck D., Secretary: Carla N.,
Editor: Karen D., WebMaster: Jim Y., Directors: David S. and Joe A.
- Don asked for nominations from the group and none were suggested. A motion was made and carried to accept the proposed officers for 2025.
- Phil reported about the following events:
Czech parade, October 5th: Line-up at 9am on Garth Brooks Blvd in Yukon. Parade begins at 10am.
Fall Tour, October 17-20: Van Buren, Arkansas
Club Meeting, October 20, 2pm
- Don reported that we had received a request for three or four cars to show for an event on September 24 at Torchmark Senior Living, located at Covell and Broadway in Edmond.
- Sunshine Report: Kaye reported that Jerry Amend, a former member, passed away recently.
- The drawing was held for the 50/50 pot. It was won by Gayle Keene.
- Old Business: None was reported.
- New Business: None was reported.
- The meeting adjourned at 2:22pm.
- After refreshments, the club played Card Bingo.

Minutes of the Board Meeting October 1, 2024

October 1, 2024; Board Meeting; Johnnie's, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC

President Don Mitchell –Present
Secretary Vonnie Meritt –Present
Editor Chuck Dusenbery –Phone
Director David Swain –Present

Vice-President Phil Wolfenbarger –Present
Treasurer Kay Meritt -Present
Web Master Jim Yates -Present
Director Joe Astafan –Present

Members in attendance: Helene Astafan, Marilyn Mitchell, Carla Newton, Kaye Sage, Cliff Wicks

- Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Secretary minutes of the September board meeting were published in the Scuttlebutt. Minutes were accepted as published.
- Treasurer's report: Kay presented the June treasurer's report. Beginning checking balance was \$2195.36, a deposit to checking account was \$32.00 from 50/50 pot. There were no expenses for September. Ending balance was \$2227.36. The PayPal account beginning balance was \$237.72, one dues payment of 18.91 was received. Ending balance is \$256.63. Total cash on hand is \$113.25. CD totals are \$8040.72. Grand total \$10637.96. Report was accepted as presented.
- Phil W presented a bill of \$90.00 for reimbursement of parade registration fees and food for the picnic. Motion carried to pay Phil for expenses.
- Don thanked Phil and Kaye for hosting the fall picnic.
- Don reported that Steve Davis has donated 4 tickets for the Polar Express at the Railroad Museum in OKC. The plan is to auction the tickets at the club meeting.
- Oct. 5 Czech Day parade in Yukon. Lineup is at 9:00 a.m. on Garth Brooks' Blvd with parade starting at 10:00 a.m.
- The Fall Tour will be Oct 17-20 in Ft Smith, Arkansas. The plan is to meet at Braum's in Choctaw to travel to Ft. Smith Arkansas.
- Oct. 20th is our club meeting day; however, we will keep the meeting as scheduled.
- Don has checked into the 99 Women's Aviation Museum at the Will Rogers International Airport, He proposed to tour museum on Nov. 16th Saturday. It was suggested to arrange a tour 10:00 a.m. with lunch to follow, more details will be published in the Scuttlebutt. Nov. 9th Blanchard parade. Chuck will check into it. Dec. 7th Stockyard parade. Christmas party on Dec. 15th . Discussion about price to charge members. It was decided that members who plan to attend will pay \$10.00 for the meal and the club will pay difference plus the tip. Registration for meal is December 1. See the list in the Scuttlebutt for more activities.
- Webmaster- Jim made some corrections to the webpage.
- Old Business-none
- New Business-none
- Sunshine Report. Card was sent to Chuck when he was ill recently
- Meeting Adjournment at 6:58 p.m.

MAFCA Photo of the Week. We want your Model A Photo!

Please describe your car's year and model, your city and state, and who is in the photo and where it was taken, in an email to AoftheDay@mafca.com. Photos that are at least 250KB in size work the best.



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They will accept your payment and give you an advertiser number.

Shrine of the Infant Jesus
Prague
September 18, 2024



Shrine of the Infant Jesus Prague September 18, 2024



Picnic with Phil and Kaye

Bethany

September 21, 2024

On this hot September day, 30 of us traveled to Phil and Kaye's house to picnic with them. We usually have our picnics at Ripper Park, just down the road, but the park was already booked, so Phil and Kaye volunteered to have the picnic at the house. The bonus was having all of Phil's cars to admire.

Indoor dining was available in the air conditioned house, and the patio outside in the shade was also available. There were reports that everyone had a good time, and that there was plenty of food to enjoy, along with lots of cars to admire.



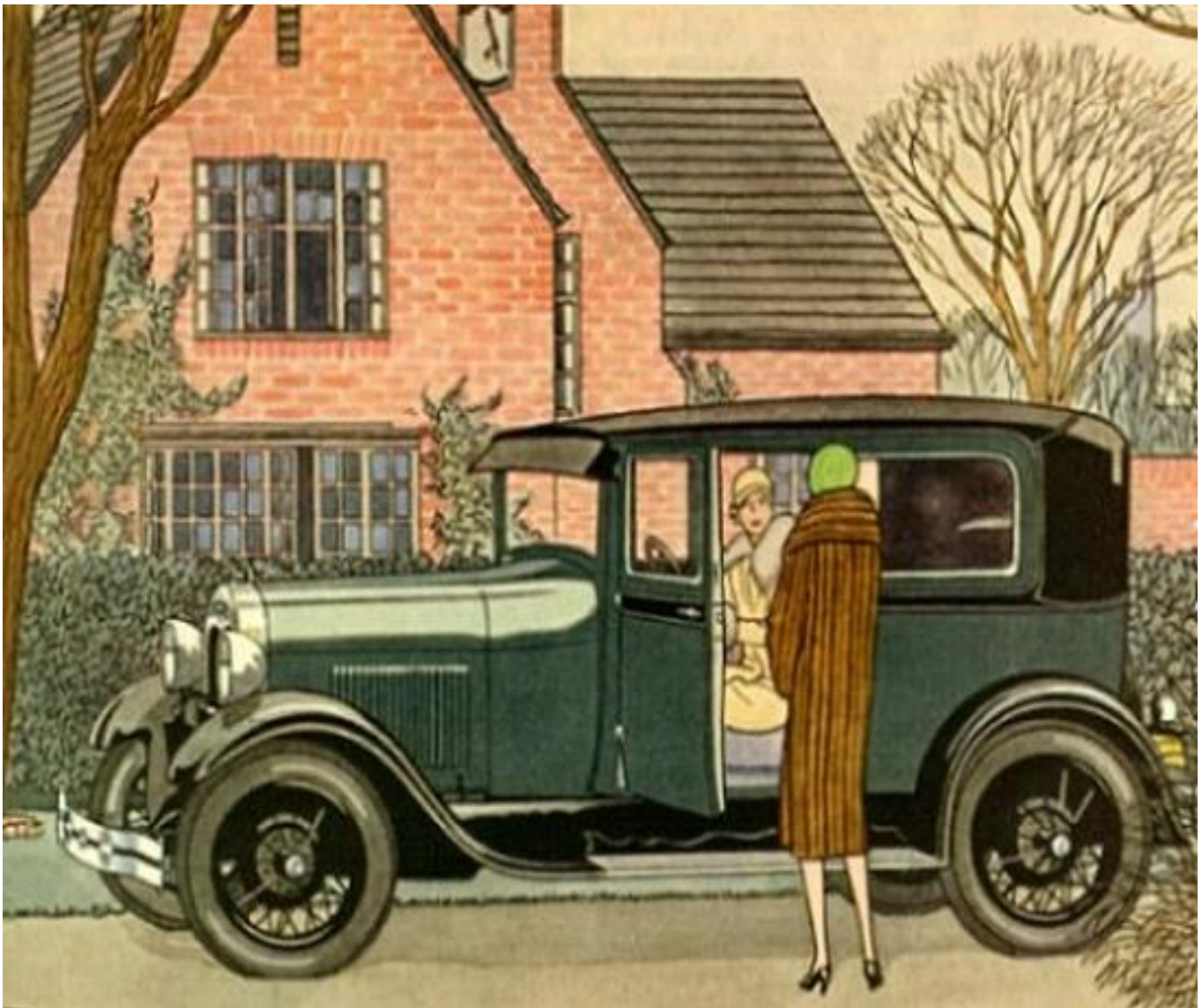
Czech Parade Bethany October 5, 2024



QUOTATIONS OF HENRY FORD

“An idea is not necessarily good because it is old, or necessarily bad because it is new, but if an old idea works, then the weight of the evidence is all in its favor. Ideas are of themselves extraordinarily valuable, but an idea is just an idea. Almost any one can think up an idea. The thing that counts is developing it into a practical product.”

Ref: Quotations of Henry Ford
APPLEWOOD BOOKS
Bedford, Massachusetts



Jim's Tech Tips

Pleated Paper Fuel Filter Elements

Ford originally used a fine mesh brass screen at the top of the glass fuel strainer bowl that's mounted to the Model A firewall. The bowl gives a place for water to settle into (water is heavier than gasoline) and a place for dirt and rust particles to collect.

The screen also keeps these particles from traveling down to the carburetor (where you have another screen!). With all these screens, I think Ford knew that gasoline supplies at the time were prone to contamination (more than today).



Many people have started to install a small pleated paper filter element in the glass bowl instead of the brass screen.

I'm not so sure it's needed; I think the brass screen is enough. The Model A has no fuel pump, it relies only on gravity feed, and I'm concerned about adding another restriction to the fuel flow.



But IF you use one of these paper filters, you need to know that the rust, dirt, etc. is trapped **INSIDE** the paper element, not on the outside of it like you'd think. Therefore, you can be collecting a lot of junk inside the filter, plugging up the filter element on the inside, and not even know it. One day, you lose all your power and the engine really acts like it is starving for fuel. You thought you would see the rust and dirt collect on the outside of the filter... but you don't. Surprise! (I hate surprises!)

So, if you are going to use these pleated paper filters, get into the habit of replacing them regularly, maybe once a year, since you can't see how dirty they are inside. And carry a spare filter and gasket with you in the car. It's a pretty easy thing to swap out in a parking lot. Kind of messy, but it can be done without tools. Use some disposable gloves and you won't smell like gas for the rest of the day.

That's all for now. Keep driving, help each other out, and *Have a Model A Day!* Jim

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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 \(mafca.com\)](http://Model A Ford Club of America (mafca.com))