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Dear Sooner Model A Club members,

We had a clear day for the scenic drive to the Corners of My Mind car collection in Weatherford. There were lots of cars to see there, and many western paintings and statues and other memorabilia.

22 Model A’s went to Ponca City for the joint Spring Tour with the Tulsa Club. We toured Marland Mansion, Conoco Museum, Pioneer Woman, Standing Bear Museum, the Poncan Theatre and lots of other historic places. The Model A’s were on display at the Stuteville Ford Dealer and there were quite a few people who stopped by in the rain to see them.

Eight Model A’s were in the 89er Day parade in Guthrie on April 19th. We thought there was going to be a lot of rain, and it sprinkled a little before the parade, but when the parade began, the sun came out and dried up the rain. Lunch at Simone’s Café afterwards was wonderful, as usual. The Simone’s staff was very attentive and even took a picture for us.

The Armed Forces Day parade is on May 17th in Del City. There was an airplane fly-by at the beginning of the parade last year, and we are hoping to see them again. The Club Meeting is on the following day, May 18th, at the Will Rogers Garden Center.

On June 7th, Don Sable has invited us to his shop, along with other car clubs, for a picnic and a meeting of the car clubs. All food will be provided by Don. The other car clubs include the Model T Club, the Studebaker Club, the Early V-8 Club, the Triumph Club, the MG Club, and there may be other car clubs not named here. This is an opportunity to see lots of other types of cars and to visit with some of the other car club members.

We hope to see you soon, at one or more of these activities or somewhere along the Model A road.

Phil Wolfenbarger, President

Refreshments for the May meeting will be provided by Helene, Karen, and Drinks by Jim and Gayle.

Meeting
May 18, 2025
2:00pm

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

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- Refreshments: Judy & Terry Joy
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ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

(Subject to Change)

“Let the good times roll in your Model A”

May 2025

- 3 8:30pm Departing** Braum’s parking lot at Route 66 & Hwy 4 in Yukon.
Travel to Corners of My Mind Car Collection in Weatherford, arriving at 10:00am,
10143 N Highway 54. Lunch afterwards at Lucille’s.
- 6 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 17 10:00am Armed Forces Day Parade** - Del City
We are number 41; Lineup at 8:20-8:35am, Parade begins at 10:00am, but we are
advised to be ready to move when the airplanes fly over at 9:45am.
Address for checking in: 1600 Hanna Dr, Del City
Parade route is south on Sunnyslane past Del City High School to SE 29th St.
Location for Lunch will be decided by participants.
- 18 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Refreshments will be provided by Helene, Karen, and Drinks by Jim & Gayle.

June 2025

**We do not have a scheduled Club Meeting at the Will Rogers Garden Center in June.
The club meeting will be at a different location, as shown below for June 15th.**

- 3 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 7 12:00 Meeting of the Car Clubs** - Don Sable’s Shop, 7608 N Harvey, OKC
Picnic with MG, Triumph, Model T, Studebaker, Early V-8 Clubs and others
Food for picnic provided - Hotdogs, Hamburgs, Chicken, Brats, & more
- 15 1:30pm Neighborhood Parade and Club Meeting** - The Gardens of Blue Quail Ridge
Clubhouse, 15220 Garden Ridge Dr, OKC, enter thru gate at NW 150th St, west of
May Ave. no traffic light. Terry Joy will arrange for the gate to be open.
We will have the parade thru the neighborhood, followed by the club meeting.
- 12-15 Texas Tour** - Giddings TX: See page 6 for review of one of the auction items.
- 15-22 MAFCA National Tour** - Virginia
- 22 2:00pm Incredible Pizza** - 5833 NW Expressway, Oklahoma City

July 2025

- 1 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 4 Independence Day Parade** - Bethany, details available soon
- 4 Independence Day Parade** - Edmond, details available soon
- 20 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Refreshments will be provided by club members.

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

Kaye Sage is still recovering in the hospital. Loura Talley is recovering from foot surgery.
Janet Estes is in the hospital with kidney failure.
Please pray for Kaye and Loura and Janet.

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.

Due to Kaye’s illness, Helene Astafan has volunteered as Sunshine Reporter.
Please let Helene 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.

Helene can be reached at yoanniern@aol.com.

MAY BIRTHDAYS	17 - Donna Skidmore	MAY ANNIVERSARIES
09 - Bebe Booher	22 - Marilyn Barton	17 - Timothy & Bebe Booher
12 - Linda Stine	23 - Ron Blissit	24 - Tom & Carla Holcomb
12 - Doris Woodard	28 - Nolen Morgan	30 - Jim & Pam Williams

<u>2025 Meetings scheduled at</u>	<u>Will Rogers Garden Center,</u>	<u>3400 NW 36th St, OKC</u>
January 19, 2:00pm	May 18, 2:00pm	October 19, 2:00pm
February 16, 2:00pm	July 20, 2:00pm	November 16, 2:00pm
March 16, 2:00pm	August 17, 2:00pm	

2025 Meetings that are not yet scheduled or scheduled at other locations

- April 20** - no meeting scheduled, Easter Sunday
- June 15, 1:30pm** - Gardens of Blue Quail Ridge, Edmond; Neighborhood Parade, followed by club meeting in the Gardens of Blue Quail Ridge Neighborhood Clubhouse, sponsored by Terry & Judy Joy, NW 150th Street, west of May Ave, first opportunity to turn left into the gated neighborhood. The gate will be open. The clubhouse address is 15220 Garden Ridge Dr. OKC
- September** - No Meeting at Will Rogers Garden Center; alternate location not scheduled yet.
- December** – The Christmas Party is being discussed, but there are no plans for it yet.

1929 Fordor Sedan of Jim Yates

The picture includes Jim Yates and Roanna Neuenschwander, and was taken at the Marland Mansion in Ponca City during the 2025 Spring Tour.



SAVE THE DATE

September 6, 2025: Western Days Parade, Mustang

September 22-October 13, 2025: Route 66 Tour, Chicago to Santa Monica

Route 66 TourWebsite Link: [Route 66 Tour – United States – Model A Ford Club of America](#)

October 4, 2025: Czech Festival Parade, Yukon

November 8, 2025: Veterans Day Parade, Blanchard

December 3-6, 2025: MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Mobile, Alabama

December 6, 2025: Cowboy Christmas Parade, Stockyards City

FLASHBACK PICTURE OF May 2024
Armed Forces Day Parade, Del City



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS IN 2025

Gunner & Brandi Baker, Norman
Randy & Deana Clonts, Piedmont

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

62nd Annual Texas Tour
The Silos, Giddings, Texas
June 12-15, 2025

The Lone Star Model A Ford Club of Georgetown, TX is Hosting the 62nd annual Texas Tour at the Silos, in Giddings on June 12-15, 2025. The largest Raffle item is a Model A Ford engine, as shown in the following ad. If there are any questions, you may call Arlin Bohn at 512-508-2704.



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- IRONITE – HIGHTEMP SEALING & PRESSURE TEST
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- ONE PC. CRANK PULLEY W/ LEFT HAND THREAD
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- ALL NEW STUD, NUT & BOLT SET
- COMPLETELY PAINTED TO MAFCA JUDGING STANDARDS



Jim's Tech Tip

Clutch Pedal Free Play

It is easy to forget to check the Clutch Pedal Clearance (or Free Play) now and then, but you really do need to check it. I press down gently on the pedal with just a couple of fingers, to judge how far down the pedal goes before you are pressing the throwout bearing against the clutch "fingers". If you do not have an inch of movement, follow the instructions below. A little extra free play will not hurt anything.

Clutch Pedal Clearance

The correct clearance or play for the clutch pedal is approximately 1". That is when the clutch pedal is depressed there should be about 1" movement in the pedal before it starts to disengage the clutch.

As the clutch facings wear this clearance or movement gradually grows less. Consequently it should occasionally be checked. Under no circumstances should the car be driven without clearance or play in the clutch pedal.

Adjusting Clutch Pedal Clearance

The adjustment is easily made by removing the clevis pin (see Fig. 4) and turning the release arm rod. Screwing the rod in decreases the clutch pedal play. Screwing the rod out increases the play. After making adjustment, be sure to replace clevis pin and cotter key.

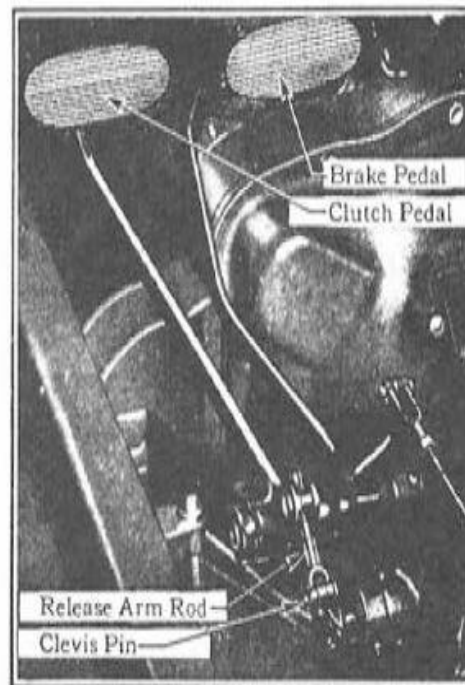


Figure 4
Clutch Pedal Adjustment

Forgetting to keep an inch or so of clutch pedal free play can lead to premature throwout bearing failure, because the bearing is spinning all the time where the pedal is pressing it into the clutch. We don't want that. So maybe check it every time you change the oil and adjust as required.

Have a Model A Day! Jim

The Fashion Files

1928-1931

A Collection of Era Fashion Articles
Written by MAFCA Members



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The Fashion Files, 1928-1931, are now on sale, at the MAFCA website. A thoughtful collection of 118 articles on Men's, Women's, and Children's fashions from the Model A era. Originally written by MAFCA members and published in The Restorer magazine between 2000 and 2015, these articles cover a variety of topics in over 200 pages. This book will help you explore that fashions that were in vogue at the time of your car, and help you define your look. It's definitely a book you want to add to your collection! [The Fashion Files 1928 - 1931 – Model A Ford Club of America](#)

QUOTATIONS OF HENRY FORD

“Every failure is an opportunity to begin again
with more information.”

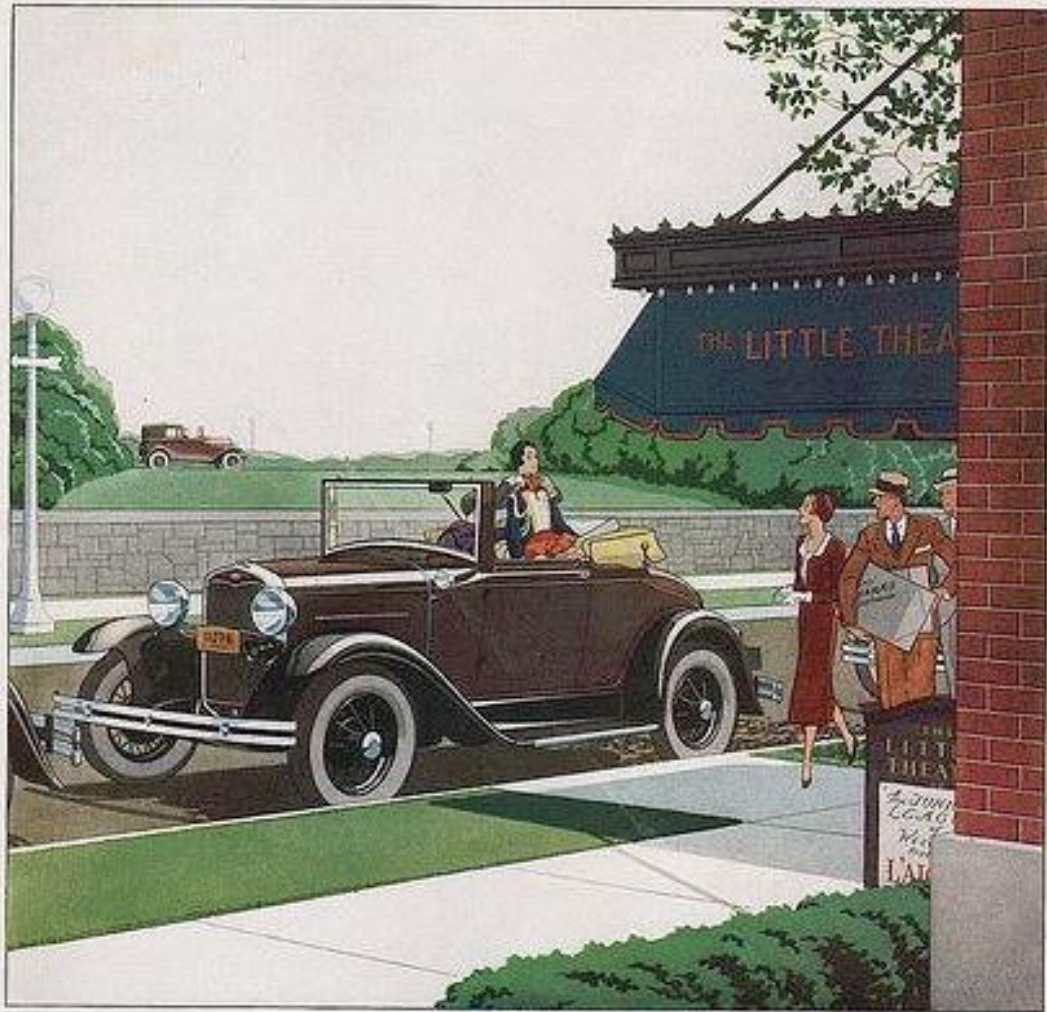
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Minutes of the Board Meeting
May 6, 2025

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

President Phil Wolfenbarger - Present	Vice-President Vonnie Meritt - Absent
Secretary Carla Newton - Present	Treasurer Chuck Dusenbery - Present
Editor Karen Dusenbery - Present	Web Master Jim Yates - Present
Director & Demonstrations Committee David Swain - Present	
Director & Membership Committee Joe Astafan -Present	
Merchandise Committee Kay Meritt - Absent	
Sunshine Committee Helene Astafan - Present	
Refreshment Committee Judy & Terry Joy - Present	

Also in attendance: Don Mitchell, Cliff Wicks, and Roanna Neuenschwander

- Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by President Phil.
- Minutes from the April meeting were approved as published in the Scuttlebutt.
- Treasurer's report was given, accepted and approved.
- Chuck reported that we are paid up thru November 2026 with the Will Rogers Garden center, but we have some location changes in April, June, and September this year, and date changes next year.
- Our June meeting will be held at the housing area clubhouse where Terry & Judy Joy reside, The Gardens of Blue Quail Ridge, located on 150th, west of May Ave, on the north side. There is a gate, which will be open on the meeting day, and the clubhouse is the building beyond the gate. Terry has suggested using his address, if needed, for GPS location.
- Jim received a report from 'Go Daddy' that there has been great activity on our website, and there were comments that it may have been an advertisement.
- 2025 dues are now delinquent, but still accepted.
- David will email Larry Parman about a demonstration for our club.
- Our club will be in charge of the Fall Tour. Don and Chuck have agreed to take care of the planning of the tour. They are open to hearing any suggestions and ideas for this tour and future tours. They are looking into a visit to the Weather Station, Sam Noble Museum and checking on possible tours of a stadium. Helene brought up the Great Salt Plains as a possible drive, but we thought it might be too far for a day trip.
- Please contact David Swain if you have any suggestions of demonstrations for the club meetings.
- We would like to hear any suggestions for day drives for our club, we currently have the following planned: May 17 – Armed Forces parade in Del City at 10:00, line up at 9:00am; June 7 – We have been invited to Don Sable's workshop, along with other car clubs, and food will be provided. The address is 7608 N. Harvey, we are meeting at noon. July 4 – Bethany and Edmond parades – more details to come.
- A Pizza Party was suggested for June 22nd at Incredible Pizza on NW Expressway at 2:00pm.
- Chuck will inquire about open dates at the Will Rogers Garden club for our Christmas party, and will be discussing it with the members at the club meeting this month.
- Sunshine Report: Kaye is still in the hospital, and has had another surgery. Loura Talley has had foot surgery. Janet Estes is in the hospital with kidney failure.
- Membership Committee: Joe and Chuck have been very active with the membership committee by contacting members about our meetings and upcoming activities.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

LOCAL CLASSIFIED ADS

- For Sale:** 1931 Modified Open-Cab Model A Pickup.
Call Virjean Ogle at 405-640-5993 or email virjeancogle@yahoo.com
- For Sale!** 1929 AA 1-1/2 ton flat-bed stake truck; VIN A3946780, mostly complete, needs some transmission work, rewiring, tires, etc, \$6,000.00. Call Rob Wagner, 405-990-4100
- For Sale!** 1929 Phaeton 4 Door. Car is located in Edmond, OK.
Contact Megan Payne, 512-608-3369
- For Sale!** 1929 Tudor and 1928 RH Drive Phaeton. Contact Mark Ayers 405-496-4883
- For Sale!** 1929 Model A Roadster, 1860 miles since restored,
Contact Leonard Ellis at 405-372-5690 for more information.
- For Sale!** 1930 Model A Fordor, runs and drives well, and
1928 Model A Roadster, street rod, 59AB block, 3/4 race, both located in Yukon
Contact Randall Sauter at 405-410-5589 for more information.
- For Sale!** 1931 Fordor Sedan; Suicide Doors; Mechanic who works on it says it runs well,
Transmission good, Windows work, interior might need some work.
1930 Roadster, all original; Running well when last driven 20 years ago; New canvas
top (uninstalled) included. Both cars are located in Norman.
Contact Lee Ann Peters at 405-443-8539 for more information.

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MAFCA members may place FREE classified ads on the MAFCA web site.

mafca.com

Members must be HOBBYISTS and not involved in commercial sales.

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To review the MAFCA Media Advertising policy, click

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Non-members may also place classified ads. The cost is \$50 per ad. Contact MAFCA Headquarters at (562) 697-2712 Monday - Friday from 10AM to 4PM Pacific time.

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

89er Day Parade
Guthrie
April 19, 2025



SPRING TOUR
Ponca City
April 24-27, 2025



CORNERS OF MY MIND CAR COLLECTION
Northwestern Oklahoma
May 3, 2025



CORNERS OF MY MIND CAR COLLECTION
Northwestern Oklahoma
May 3, 2025



Spring Tour 2025

Ponca City

Picture from the third floor of the Marland Mansion, by Ollie Harris



89er Day Parade

Guthrie, April 2025

Pictures by Laura Talley



TUNE-UP DAY
Bethany
Mar 29, 2025
Pictures by Ken Corder



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All makes, models, cars, trucks, and bikes, etc. are welcome.

Oklahoma City:

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Yukon:

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3rd Saturday of each month
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Plaza at Stone Mill
2121 S. Yukon Parkway
Yukon, OK 73099



Norman:

Coffee and Cars Norman
2nd Saturday of month
8am-10:30am
Crest
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

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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 above address. General Meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of the months of January thru November, unless the Garden Center has something else scheduled on our meeting day. Page two of the Scuttlebutt will list the scheduled meetings for the current month.

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 shown in the Scuttlebutt on page two, the activities page.

Membership dues are \$20.00 per year. Ownership of a Model A Ford is not required for membership. 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))