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Facebook Sooner Model A Club



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2026

**Club Meeting
February 22nd
2:00pm**

**Will Rogers Garden
Center, Room 1**

**3400 NW 36th St
Oklahoma City**

Dear Sooner Model A Club members,

Happy Valentines Day. We hope you can join us on the day after Valentine’s Day, February 15th, at Incredible Pizza. So far, it looks like Sunday will be a bright sunny day with no rain or snow.

At the club meeting on February 22nd, Count Gregore will give a presentation and then he will let us help him celebrate his 98th birthday. It should be very interesting and a lot of fun, and we will be having birthday cake.

Last month, we enjoyed visiting the Interpretive Center in Chandler. It was cold and windy, but we were mostly inside looking at all the exhibits and learning about the history of Route 66 in the building that used to be a National Guard Armory. We had lunch afterwards at the restaurant/bowling alley/former gas station with plenty of gas station signs in the parking lot. It was very interesting.

Don and Chuck have finalized the plans for the Spring Tour, April 23-26. There will be a lot to see in the Enid area, so we hope you can join us. The schedule is in the Scuttlebutt, and information about how to register is included. The driving directions for the tour will be available in the meeting room at the hotel.

Next month, in March, we have a few activities to enjoy in the Oklahoma City area, including the St Patricks' Day Parade in Stockyards City, Bob Wills Day at the State Capitol, and the annual Chisholm Trail celebration in Kingfisher, which includes the chuck-wagon (with the free samples) at The Chisholm.

We are still on the lookout for interesting topics for the club meetings, so please let us hear your ideas. We are looking forward to seeing you soon, at some meeting or event or parade or somewhere for lunch. Happy Valentines Day to all.

Phil Wolfenbarger, President

Club Meeting on February 22nd

Refreshments will be provided by board members.

There will also be birthday cake.

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ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE
(Subject to Change)
“Let the good times roll in your Model A”

February 2026

- 3 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 15 2:00pm Incredible Pizza** - 5833 NW Expressway, Oklahoma City
- 22 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Room number 1, across the hall from previous meeting room.
Count Gregore will be the guest speaker. He is celebrating his 98th birthday and is going to celebrate his birthday with us. There will be birthday cake, and other refreshments.

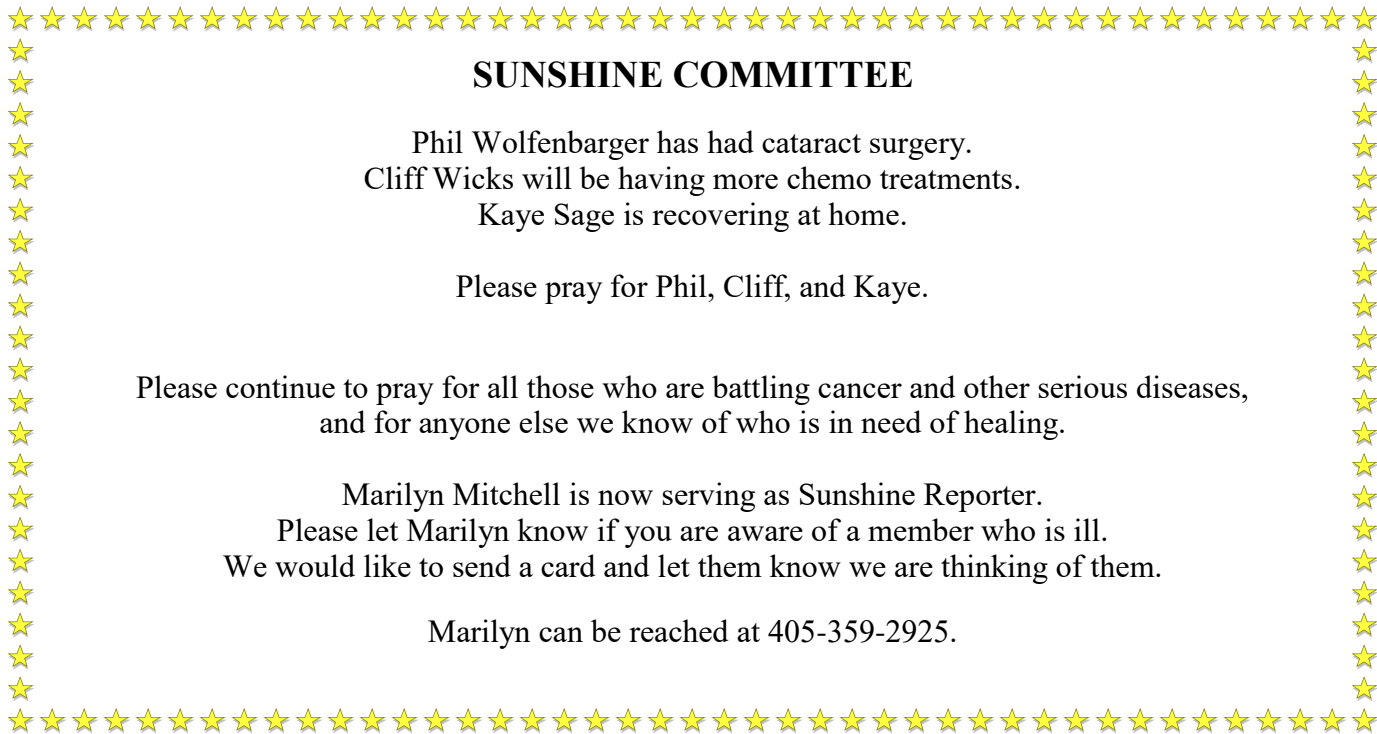
March 2026

- 3 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 9 10:00am Bob Wills Day** - State Capitol Rotunda, 2nd floor, 2300 N Lincoln Blvd, OKC
Live music and a Western Fashion contest. Free event presented by the Arts Council and the Historical Society. Snack bar & Visitor Center on first floor.
- 14 10:00am St. Patrick’s Day Parade** - Stockyards City
Line-up at 9:00am on Exchange Ave, East of Pennsylvania Ave.
- 22 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Will Rogers Garden Center, 3400 NW 36th St, OKC
Room number 1, across the hall from previous meeting room.
Refreshments will be provided by club members.
- 28 10:00am Annual Chuck Wagon Gathering** - The Chisholm, Kingfisher
Annual Celebration of Chisholm Trail, Medicine Man shows, Wild West Show
605 Zellers Avenue, Kingfisher No entry fees, all activities free

April 2026

- 7 6:30pm Board Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)
- 18 12:00 89er Day Parade** - Guthrie
Line-up at 11:00am, Lunch after the parade
- 23-26 Spring Tour** - See pages 5 and 6.
- 26 2:00pm Club Meeting** - Johnnies, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC (east of May Ave)

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

Phil Wolfenbarger has had cataract surgery.
Cliff Wicks will be having more chemo treatments.
Kaye Sage is recovering at home.

Please pray for Phil, Cliff, and Kaye.

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

Marilyn Mitchell is now serving as Sunshine Reporter.
Please let Marilyn 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.

Marilyn can be reached at 405-359-2925.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS	28 - Teddy Leyba 28 - Barbara Hill	FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES
04 - Ken Corder		10- Dan & Janet Miller
11 - Cliff Wicks		22 - Ron & JoEllen Blissit
13 - Pam Williams		22 - Steve & Loura Talley
19 - Derrel Estes		28 - Gary & JoAnn Clonts
22 - Don Mitchell		29 - Jeff & Angie Griffin

2026 Meetings at the Will Rogers Garden Center

The monthly Club Meetings are scheduled for the *4th Sunday* of each month, except for April and December. In April, we are meeting at the Johnnie's in the Village on April 26th. This is the same location as the board meetings. The Christmas Party will be sometime in December.

The *fourth Sunday* of the month allowed us to have the best availability for the most number of meetings. *Our meeting place has changed to Room #1 at the Will Rogers Garden Center and the meeting day has changed to the 4th Sunday, but the meeting time remains at 2:00pm, now in Room #1 at the Will Rogers Garden Center.*

January 25, 2026	July 26, 2026
February 22, 2026	August 23, 2026
March 22, 2026	September 27, 2026
May 24, 2026	October 25, 2026
June 28, 2026	November 22, 2026

Please mark your 2026 calendars with these new meeting dates.

FUTURE EVENTS

Save the Date: Details Coming Soon

May 16, 2026: Armed Forces Day Parade, Del City

July 4, 2026: Independence Day Parade, Bethany

July 4, 2026: Independence Day Parade, Edmond

September 5, 2026: Western Days Parade, Mustang

October 3, 2026: Czech Festival Parade, Yukon

Veteran's Day Parade in Blanchard will be on the first or second Saturday of November.

December 5, 2026: Cowboy Christmas Parade, Stockyards City

FLASHBACK PICTURE OF FEBRUARY 2025 GREAT PLAINS COTTON GIN, MINCO OK



SPRING TOUR, 2026

April 23-26, 2026

Thursday April 23

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 4914 W. Owen K. Garriott Rd, Enid OK

Rate \$89.00 + tax per night. For reservations, call 1-580-233-7100. Tell the clerk you are making reservations for the Spring Tour hosted by the Sooner Model A Club. The hotel is located on the North side of Route 412 in Enid. Arrival check-in will be in the meeting room provided by the hotel. Travel documents for the tour will be provided at check-in.

Friday April 24

Line Up at 08:00 behind the hotel. Departure at 08:15.

Tour begins at 9 am.

Vance AFB Visitor Center, located at the intersection of W Southgate Rd and Gott Rd, Enid, OK

Two tour buses are provided by the Air Force base. Each bus will take twenty people. This will be a guided tour and will last about 3 hours.

The first forty people who register (via email or snail mail) are guaranteed a seat on the tour buses. Entry clearance to the base is not required. The tour guides will provide base clearance for each tour bus occupant.

Departure time will be determined when both tour buses have returned to the Visitor Center. We have Reservations for lunch at Napoli's Italian Restaurant.

Napoli's Italian Restaurant, 225 S. Grand, Enid, OK

After lunch, we have a tour at John Groendyke's car collection.

John Groendyke's Private Car Collection, 2510 Rock Island Blvd, Enid, OK

Tour starts at 2 PM

(Chuck spoke to Mr. Groendyke and he is interested in seeing our cars. He won the Best of Class at Amelia Island in a beautiful 1932 Packard 904 Victoria Convertible. He told Chuck that he has several Duesenberg cars in his collection.)

Departure time will be determined when the tour is completed.

Woodring Wall of Honor and Veterans Park, 1026 S 66th St, Enid, OK

After we have visited this Memorial, we will return to the hotel. Dinner will be on your own.

SPRING TOUR, APRIL 23-26, 2026
(continued from previous page)

Saturday April 25

Line Up at 8:30 behind the hotel, Departure at 8:45.

Hajek Motorsport Museum, 105 E. Corporate Dr, Ames, OK (27 miles)

Departure time will be determined when the tour is complete.

Ames Astrobleme Museum, 109 Main St. Ames OK

The museum is home to one of the few oil-producing craters in the world, which was caused by a meteor striking the area 450 million years ago. It is a quick educational stop for those interested in geology and space.

Departure time will be determined when the tour is complete.

Sod House Museum, 4628 OK-8, Aline, OK (30 miles)

Departure time will be determined when the tour is complete.

Cherokee Strip Regional Center, 4628 OK-8, Aline, OK (30 miles)

This is an optional stop, on your own, if time allows. It is a historical museum telling the fascinating story of the settlement and development of Northwest Oklahoma, beginning with the Land Run of 1893. They close at 5:00pm.

We will return to the hotel. Dinner will be on your own. (34.5 miles)

Wrap up meeting is scheduled for 8 pm in the meeting room provided by the hotel.

Sunday April 26

Thank you for joining us on the Spring Tour. We wish you a safe journey home.

NOTIFICATION to DON

The first forty people who notify Don Mitchell of their intent to join the Vance AFB tour are guaranteed a position on the tour buses.

Email : donmitchell1396@cox.net

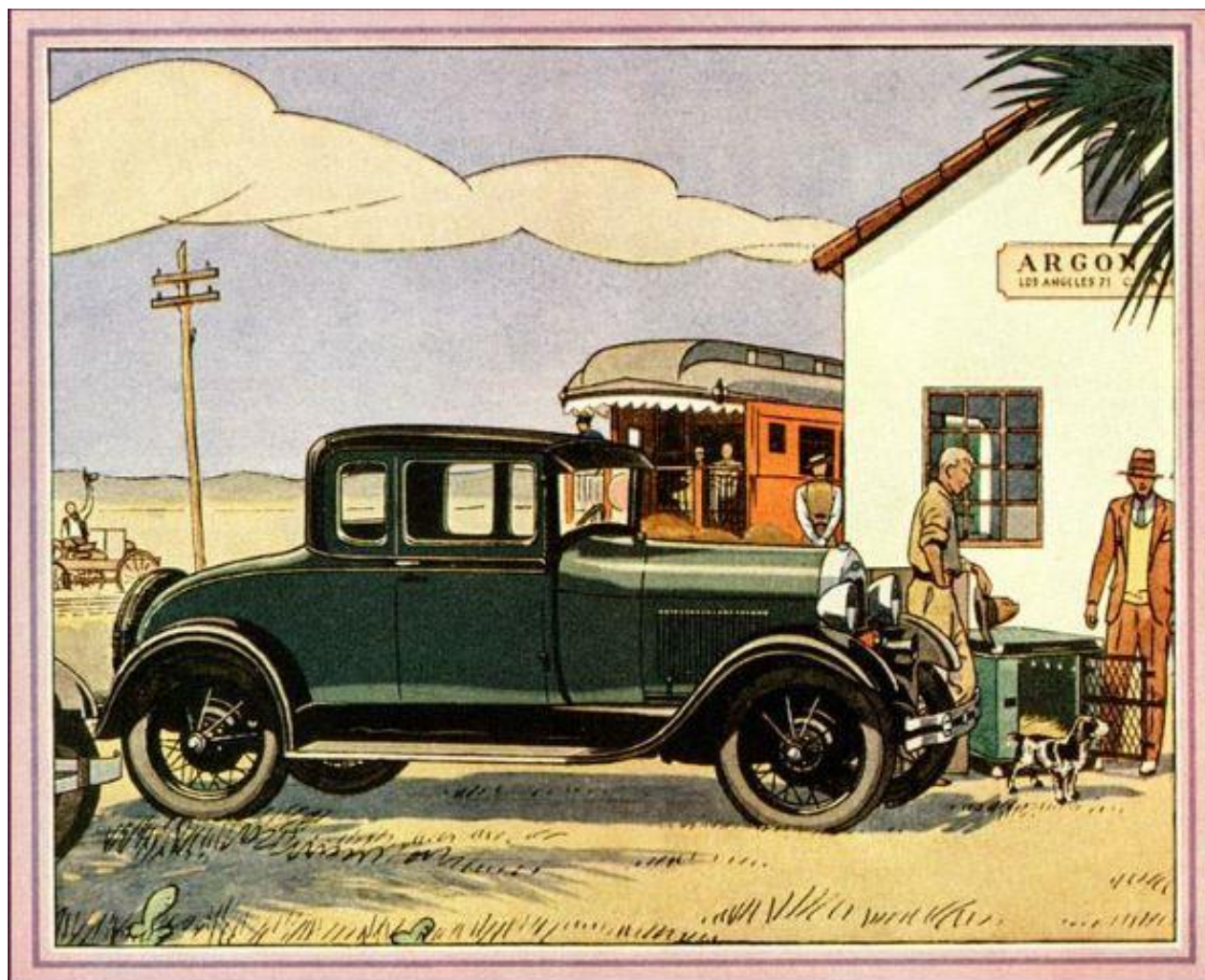
Address: 512 Ridge Rd. Edmond OK, 73034

QUOTATIONS OF HENRY FORD

“I don’t know anybody so old he can’t do something useful.
Just give them a chance and see what happens”

Ref: Quotations of Henry Ford
APPLEWOOD BOOKS
Bedford, Massachusetts

Advertising Illustrations for the Ford Model A
by Robert Tate Automotive Historian and Researcher
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**1931 Tudor of Jerry & Stacy Phillips
(picture taken at Hollywood Corners in Norman)**



1,000 Mile Challenge

MODEL A MILES DRIVEN IN 2025

Greg & Sheryl Hoyle	19,662
Cliff & Cathy Wicks	9,360
Steve & Laura Talley	5,910
Jim Yates & Roanna Neuenschwander	3,861
Kerry & Wanda Steffens	3,363
Terry & Judy Joy	2,407
Bob & Linda Stine	2,098
Joe & Helene Astafan	1,976
Chuck & Karen Dusenbery	1,687
Don & Marilyn Mitchell	1,212

Congratulations to the participants of the 1,000 Mile Challenge.

Contact Chuck Dusenbery, 405-613-3901, to provide mileage, and for information about how to become a member of the 1,000 mile club.

February 3, 2026: Board Meeting; Johnnie's, 2652 W. Britton Rd, OKC

President: Phil Wolfenbarger	Vice-President: Gayle Keene (A)
Secretary: Lois Phillips	Treasurer: Chuck Dusenbery
Editor Karen Dusenbery	Web-Master: Jim Yates
Director: Steve Davis	Director: Joe Astafan (A)
Merchandise Committee: Kay & Vonnie Meritt (A)	
Refreshment Committee: Judy & Terry Joy	
Demonstrations Committee: Steve Davis	
Membership Committee: Jimmy Keene	
Sunshine Committee: Marilyn Mitchell	

Also attending: Don Mitchell, Roanna Neuenschwander

- The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Phil Wolfenbarger.
- The minutes from the January meeting, as published in the Scuttlebutt, were approved.
- The Treasurer's report was given, accepted, and approved as presented.
- The winner of the Thousand Mile challenge is Greg Hoyle, 19,662 miles.
- Only 39 members have paid membership dues for 2026. There was discussion about sending out PayPal invoices for the convenience of members who have not yet paid.
- Editor Karen Dusenbery reported that the February 2026 Scuttlebutt is in process, and reported the upcoming activities, as listed on the Activities page. We have lost a couple of advertisers, so we are looking for new ones. The cost is \$35 for a year of advertisements in the Scuttlebutt.
- On February 15th, we'll have lunch at Incredible Pizza at 2:00pm. No reservations needed as there is plenty of room.
- The Club meeting on the 22nd will include Count Gregore as guest speaker. He is celebrating his 98th birthday on February 17. There will be birthday cake in addition to some refreshments.
- As a reminder, the Club meetings for the year 2026 have changed to the 4th Sunday of the month, and will be in Room 1 at Will Rogers Garden Center, except in April and December.
- Webmaster Jim Yates reported all updates and the new grid was installed on our web pages.
- Sunshine Report: Marilyn reported that cards were sent to Greg, Joe, Phil, and Jim Yates. Kaye Sage is much better, but still recovering. Greg Hoyle and Jim Yates are recovering.
- Chuck reported that he and Don are still finalizing the details for the Spring Tour to Enid on April 23-26, and more information will be available soon.
- Steve Davis encouraged all to come to the meeting on the 22nd to join in the celebration of Count Gregore's 98th birthday.
- Phil informed us that the Tulsa club is looking for 3,000 cars to show up this Summer in celebration of 100 years of Route 66, with staging areas for groups of cars.
- There was discussion about the Bob Wills celebration at the Capitol Rotunda on March 9th, and the celebration of the birthday of the Chisholm Trail in Kingfisher on March 28th.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm

Jim's Tech Tip

Working Around Your Car's Battery

Whenever working on the electrical parts of your car, it is a good idea to de-energize everything to prevent an accidental short circuit. For example, one of the horn wires is "hot" all the time, so any time you do anything with the horn cover, it's a good idea to disconnect the battery. The same is true of the brake light switch and the wires inside the instrument panel in the car.

If you have a fuse on the yellow wire that comes off of the starter switch, just removing the fuse will do the trick. Or if you have a battery cut-off switch on the car, that will kill the power to everything.

But in many cases you need to disconnect the ground strap from the battery in order to make sure everything is without power. Perhaps you need to remove the starter cable, or the battery itself. **Whenever you remove cables from the battery posts, it is a really good idea to cover the battery post with something to prevent accidental contact between it and the other battery post.**

For example, if you dropped a wrench or other metal tool while working around or above the battery, it could land on top of the battery touching both posts. This will short out the battery, which can be a really big problem, resulting in a fire or perhaps the battery exploding acid all over.

When you buy a new battery for most cars today, they are sold with one or two small plastic caps over the battery posts. I see them in red and black plastic. If you go to your local auto parts store, the people there may even give you a few of these caps, if you ask.



I keep several of them in my box of battery-related tools and things, to put over the posts of any battery I am working around. It is easy to do and only takes a minute.

Take a minute to be safe. Enjoy! *And Have a Model A Day!* Jim

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**CZECH FESTIVAL PARADE
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October 2025
Picture by Phil Wolfenbarger**



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
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Contact Leonard Ellis at 405-372-5690 for more information.
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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.
- For Sale!** 1931 Model A Tudor for sale at a fair price.
Contact Don Currie at doncurrie62@gmail.com.
- For Sale!** 1931 Model A Deluxe Roadster. Pictures available on request.
Fine Point Restoration, has won prizes, 480 of 500 points at Temple TX contest.
Contact Gary Beyers at 512-426-9088 or gary.beyers@me.com

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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.

Up to 3 Model A's may be advertised in any calendar year.

Additional ads may be submitted for \$40 each.

To review the MAFCA Media Advertising policy, click

https://www.mafca.com/members_only/policies/P1S02_Media_Advertising.pdf

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.

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
1st Saturday of month: 8am-11am
Remington Park



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 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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MODEL A YEAR _____ BODY STYLE _____ RUNNING? _____

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: [Join The Sooners | Ford Model A Lovers](#)
 Email: soonermodelanews@gmail.com

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 4th Sunday of the months of January thru November, except April. Page two of the Scuttlebutt will list the scheduled meetings for the current month.

Meetings commence at 2:00 pm, and are held in Room Number One (1) at the 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://ModelAFordClubofAmerica.com)