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May Refreshments Beverage
Marcia Kurtz

Treats
Trudee Harshfield
Donna Hileman
Bonita Graham

CLUB TOURS & MEETING SCHEDULE

May 2024



- 18..... A Club Picnic.....McLaughlins
- 20..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W. 13th.....7:00 PM

June 2024



- 7..... Newsletter Deadline...sheorr@sbcglobal.net.....Sheila Orr
- 7-9..... Crusin' on the Mighty Mo.....Ruggles
- 9..... All Wheels Day at Lake Afton.....
- 24..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W 13th.....7:00PM

July 2024



- 4..... Derby Parade..... Sharps &Hilemans
- 5..... Newsletter Deadline...sheorr@sbcglobal.net.....Sheila Orr
- 6..... Automobilia Moonlight Car Show.....
- 22..... Club Meeting at Minisa Park 704 W. 13th.....7:00PM

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The Wichita A's meet on the 4th Monday of the month except December. We do not hold a meeting during the month of December. Other meeting changes will be published in the newsletter prior to the scheduled meeting. The meetings are held at Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th, Wichita, KS. Meeting time is 7:00 PM unless otherwise noted in the newsletter.

Wichita A'S Model A Club Meeting– April 22, 2024

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE – President **Frank Chenoweth** called the meeting to order and led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS – None.

SUNSHINE REPORT – **Donna Heilman** reported that **James Sharp** is at St. Lukes Hospital in Kansas City and hoped to go home this week.

STORY OF THE MONTH - **Don Grabendike** shared the story of the evening.

MARC & MAFCA – **Jim Nungesser** received the MARC award for driving his Model A 65,000 miles.

CORRESPONDENCE – None received.

MINUTES (March 25, 2024) – **Jim Broadhead** moved that the minutes be accepted. **Alan Orr** seconded. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT– **Claudia Ellerman** gave the treasurer's report. We have enough money for another brick. Please leave your suggestions regarding brick recipients by the headlight.

WICHITA AREA CAR CLUB COUNCIL – **Stuart McNeal** reported the upcoming car shows:

May 5th at the Riverfront Stadium (sponsor Leukemia & Lymphoma Society)

May 11 - at the Craft Fair at Derby North Middle School

May 18th - Peck KS

May 31 - All Fords Day

Note - A flyer was shared regarding an Estate Auction near Everton, Mo.

PREVIOUS TOURS OR EVENTS - **AVIATION MUSEUM** - **Richard Kibbe** reported that he, **Stuart McNeal**, and **Richard Giordano** displayed their Model A's at the Aviation Museum's 1920's themed fundraiser. They gave rides to some of the attendees. It was a fun event with a good turnout. **GO FLY A KITE** - **Don Grabendike** said that a number of club members turned out to fly a kite at High Park in Derby. Hot dogs were provided. May do it again next year.

FUTURE TOURS - **COFFEE & DONUTS** will be at **Tom Ruggles** on Thursday, May 4th. Those participating in the **BIG KANSAS ROAD TRIP** will meet at the **Ruggles** at 8am and will prepare to depart at 9am to start the tour. **BKRT** - **Mike James** reported that 22 people will be going on the trip this year. **Mike** said to bring a roll of toilet paper. It's a Kansas Explorer tradition to leave a roll of toilet paper as a thank you to the places that make this service available. A decal (that **Don Grabendike** helped design) is to be attached to the toilet paper. **GILMORE MUSEUM BUS TRIP** - cancelled due to insufficient participation. **Mighty MO** - **Tom Ruggles** is accepting sign ups for this tour that will be on 6/7, 6/8 and 6/9th. Areas to explore will include St. Joe, Atchison and Leavenworth. **1950's BASEBALL GAME & PICNIC at COWTOWN** - **Gil Adams** is planning this event for either 6/23 or 10/5th. Baseball rules for the time period will be followed. The date will be finalized and sign ups will be taken at the May meeting. **Richard Giordano** is planning a tour to view a WWI airplane. This will be scheduled for either 6/6th or some time in August. You do not have to sign up for this event. Information will be in the club newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS– none

NEW BUSINESS - **Frank Chenoweth** presented **Jim Clark** with a Model A Club jacket for his service to the club as a past president and for organizing the clubs participation in the Lake Afton and All Fords Day event for the past 20 + years.

REFRESHMENTS – Provided by **Linda Kibbe, JoAnn Bruce, Debbie Rice** and **Carolyn Nungesser**.

NEXT MEETING - May 20th, 2024 (due to Memorial Day holiday)

PROGRAM - **Rick Speck** showed a video, *The Twenty Millionth Ford*.

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned by **Frank Chenoweth**.

Submitted by **Kathy James**, Secretary

Editors Notes

As I write this, they are predicting nasty weather tonight. I am thankful our bunch that went to the Big Kansas Road Trip made it home safely before the storms! Much is planned for the club over the next few months-Come join in-guaranteed you will have an experience!! Hope everyone is planning on attending the Annual Picnic on Saturday, May 18th. Great time to meet everyone and have a lot of wonderful cooks in our group! Picture of Jim Clark receiving his Model A jacket.
Happy Spring and Summer!

Sheila Orr Editor



PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Hello to all. The year is on third gone and the club has been very active. In April we had a very enjoyable day to "Go Fly a Kite". The weather was perfect, the hot dogs were delicious, the fellowship was terrific, and the kites were easy to make and fly even without much wind. Great day.

Looking forward to the Big Kansas Road Tour and the adventure it brings. There are tours planned to "Cruise the Mighty Mo" and the "Texas Tour".

The Club Picnic is scheduled for May 18, 5:30 pm at **Jane and Steve McLaughlin's** home. Please bring a side dish or desert, hot dogs will be provided.

Richard Giordano is testing the waters to see who might be interested in a day tour to see a World War I airplane and **Gil Adams** is planning a trip back in time to Cow Town to see a baseball game of that era, played by the rules of the day. Both sound interesting and a great time to drive the Model A.

Those who are not able to participate in tours miss a lot of fun and adventure. An active club is a thriving CLUB.

See you at the meeting, **MAY 20.**

Keep "Cadilacking along in your Model A.

Frank, President

MONTHLY DOOR PRIZES



Monthly Door Prizes!!

At the last two monthly meetings I have been having a drawing for some fun door prizes. If you have some treasure that you would like to be added to the monthly drawings, please contact me via email at rick.speck@gmail.com or bring your treasure to the meeting.

Rick Speck

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Gil Adams
- 3 Rex Kraus
- 4 Tonya Jordan
- 4 Glenda Sill
- 6 Larry Plunkett
- 13 Helen Louise Beaver
- 17 Melanie Adams
- 18 Alan Orr
- 18 Barry Plunkett
- 20 Trudee Harshfield
- 24 Sheryl Wilson
- 23 Diana Grube
- 27 Judi Sharp

MEMBER RENEWAL

Charley & Marcelyn Davidson

MAFFI BRICK COLECTION

The starting balance in the headlight was \$.55. At the April meeting, \$30.00 was collected. The balance in the headlight is \$30.55.

Denny Ellerman



**Newsletter
Deadline**

Friday June 7, 2024
Sheila Orr
sheorr@sbcglobal.net or
316-207-8878

Announcements

NEW MEMBER

Stu & Tess Tomlinson

Phone number change

John Davis –

UPDATE

Kim sent an update on Ed Giesen’s health: “Ed is maintaining pretty well, even with his heart functioning at 35%. He gets tired easily. We meet with Dr. Kicha, who will be doing the heart valve surgery and also did his first heart surgery 13 years ago. He is scheduled for surgery May 28th. We would still appreciate all your prayers.”

Kim & Ed Giesen

FOR SALE

1931 Model A Pickup. Late production with recessed fire-wall, long bed, electric or crank start. Not running at this time, selling as is. \$15,000 firm

Michael Vaughters

AWARDS

Jim Nungesser received an award from MARC Mileage Program for driving his 1931 Towne Sedan 65,000 miles. Jim joined the MARC Mileage Program in 2005.

I will have the Refreshment List at the May meeting. If you have not brought Treats or Beverage and Ice this year, please sign up for July, August or November. If you have questions please call or e-mail me.

Thank you,
Brenda Broadhead

2024 Refreshments



May	June	July
Beverage Marcia Kurtz	Beverage Brenda Broadhead	PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE MAY MEETING
Treats Trudee Harshfield Donna Hileman Bonita Graham	Treats Melanie Adams Eric Seiler Dawna Ruggles	

PAST TOURS AND EVENTS

Go Fly "A" Kite

Go fly a kite was held on Sunday, April 21st at 2 PM. We assembled and drove to High Park in Derby, KS. **Don Grabendike** handed out the kites and members assembled them! Next was trying to get them air bound. Many succeeding in that, then the wind died down! In Kansas, who would believe it. After flying the kites we had delicious hotdogs and the fixings. Great day out on the sun and having fun! Thanks, **Don and Terri** for the event!



Good to see many members turn out. **Gilbert Adams** was out visiting with everyone!! Not sure but around 8 Model A's and several Modern cars.





Model A members assembling their kites!



Richard Sanchez teaching his young friend how to fly a kite!



FUTURE TOURS & EVENTS

“A” Club Picnic

The Annual Club Picnic will be held on Saturday, May 18th at **Jane & Steve McLaughlin’s** home. Come at 5:30 PM Dinner served at 6 PM. Please bring either a side dish or desert. Hot dogs will be provided. I understand there may be some lawn games for those who are interested, **Don Grabendike** will be in charge of those. See you there!

When: Saturday May 18th
Time: 5:30 PM eat at 6 PM
Where: McLaughlins

Bring: Side dish or desert



Coffee and Donuts



All Men are invited for Coffee and Donuts at **Tom Ruggles** Garage . The event is held the first Thursday of each month. The next event will be on Thursday June 6th from 8 to 10 AM. Come join us! Address is

CRUISIN’ ON THE MIGHTY MO

This 3-day tour will begin Friday, June 7 and end Sunday, June 9, 2024. Friday the group will leave McDonald’s at 53rd N. and Meridian at **8 am (NOTE TIME CHANGE)** for the drive to Lansing KS. We will have an early lunch at about 11AM and should arrive at the motel before 4PM. There will be a short local tour that evening. Saturday will be a full day of touring Leavenworth and Atchison KS, and Weston and St. Joseph MO.

Overnight stay both nights will be at EconoLodge in Lansing. **DO NOT CONTACT THE MOTEL.** Rooms have been guaranteed and will be charged at check-in. Rate is \$105.92 per night, taxes included, double occupancy.

Cost is \$15 per member, \$65 per non-member; including all admission charges and lunch Friday and Sunday.

Tom Ruggles at

FUTURE EVENTS CONTINUED

Derby 4th of July Parade

The Derby 4th of July Parade

Sign up at May and June meeting

\$5.00 each

More info later!

Sharps and Hilemans



Here's a recipe that dates back to 1931.

Corn Flake Waffles

- 1-1/2 cups flour
- 1 cup finely crushed corn flakes
- 3 tablespoons corn meal
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/3 cup melted butter



Sift and measure flour then add remaining dry ingredients and then sift again. Beat egg yolks then add them to milk. Stir liquid ingredients into dry ones then add melted butter. Beat egg whites until stiff then fold them into batter just before baking.

Bake in preheated waffle iron for 3 minutes. Serves 6

- from *The Road Runner* Northwest Missouri Model A Ford Club

HOPE YOU HAD A VERY HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



MAFFI MINUTE

Now you can shop from the comfort of your home for wearing apparel and home décor specific to YOUR Model A and help the museum out in the process!

MAFFI has paired with a company that provides a variety of Model A products that can be customized! to your Model A/year. Or if you prefer, the merchandise can have the MAFFI logo on it. You can buy t-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, aprons, and hats to wear. Or, if your home or shop need some Model A décor you can buy wall art or a clock and more . . .

The company that we partnered with takes the orders on-line with credit cards and ships your custom order to your home. MAFFI gets 10% of the proceeds from each sale, so you are helping the museum every time you shop and getting great products.

It's easy: go to the MAFFI.org website, click on Store and you will be rerouted to the Mo A tshirt store. **It is important to shop by going through the MAFFI website though.** It's the only way our partner knows to give us 10% of the sale. If you go directly to the Model A tshirt website, staff don't know you are a MAFFI customer and you pay the same price, but the museum doesn't get anything.

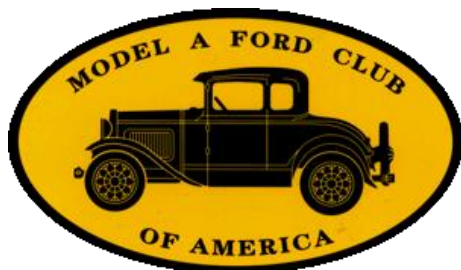
We know not everyone can get to Hickory Corners, MI to buy Model A merchandise; now you can shop Model A items 24/7 year around! And with Mother's and Father's Day around the corner, we've just made shopping a bit easier for the Model A enthusiasts in your life.

The accompanying pictures are some of my purchases; I guess you know what I drive for a Model A!

Cindy Ellenbecker, Trustee/Secretary for MAFFI



National Model A Clubs



MAFCA

250 S. Cypress St.
 La Habra, CA 90631-5515
www.mafca.com
 U.S. Membership Cost: \$50

The Wichita A's Model A Ford Club encourages members to join both National MARC and MAFCA Clubs.

For membership information you can check MAFCA and MARC web sites.



MARC

6721 Merriman
 Garden City, MI 48315
<http://modelarestorers.org>
 U.S. Membership Cost: \$50

TECH ARTICLE



Jim's Tech Tip by Jim Cannon

Check Your Oil Filler Pipe and Cap

Many Model A owners experience excessive oil leaks when driving their car, often out the rear main seal. One simple thing that can cause this is a restriction in the oil filler pipe. Take the cap off and look down the pipe with a good light. You should only see a series of little metal baffles, half-moon in shape, inside the filler pipe. If you find where someone has covered the pipe with a sock, or stuffed a piece of cloth down in the filler pipe to stop oil from coming out the filler when driving, this will put pressure inside the crankcase and force oil out the rear main seal while you drive. Easy to fix: get that stuff out of there!



While you have it off, also inspect the inside of the oil filler cap. It, too, needs to be clear inside. No pieces of steel wool, pot scrubber, or old sock in the cap! Look for evidence of someone accidentally pushing the oil filler cap on too far. When you do, you bend the little tabs inside the cap and mash it all the way down on the pipe. This blocks the engine's ability to vent the crankcase, builds up pressure, and causes a bad leak out the rear main seal.

I hope this little tip helps you stop that oil leak while driving. Have a Model A Day!
Jim

Contributed by **Jim Broadhead**, Technical Editor



ERA FASHION

UNIFORMS AND WORK CLOTHES

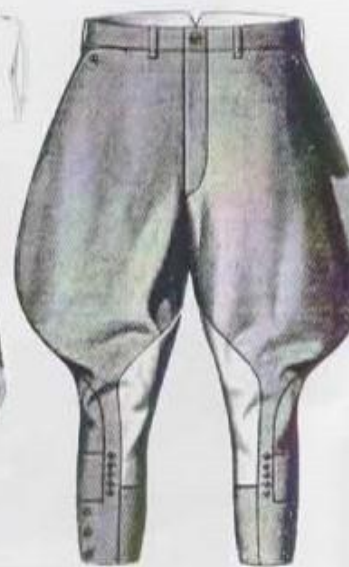
Firemen Uniforms



Chauffeurs or Bus Drivers Uniforms



Army Officers Uniform



Riding Breeches

LOCAL AND NATIONAL CALENDARS

2024 SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW SCHEDULE

June 12-15, 2024	Petit Jean Swap Meet.....Petit Jean, AR
October 8-11, 2024	Hershey Region AACA Swap Meet.....Hershey, PA



2024 -2025 FUTURE REGIONAL & NATIONAL MODEL A MEETS

May 21-23, 2024.....	2024 MARC National Tour.....Berlin, Ohio
June 23-29, 2024.....	MAFCA National Convention hosted by Santa Maria A's.....Ruidoso, New Mexico
July 15-18, 2024.....	2024 MARC National Meet.....Asheville, North Carolina
December 11-14, 2024.....	MAFCA National Awards Banquet , hosted by Utah Valley Model A Ford Club, Salty A's, & Beehive A'sSalt Lake City, Utah
June 16-20, 2025.....	2025 National Tour hosted by Dallas Model A Ford Club.....Waynesboro, VA

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