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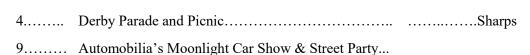
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27	Club Meeting at Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th	7:00 PM

## **July 2016**



## **WICHITA A'S MEETING MINUTES**

#### **April 25, 2015**

President **Dennis Ellerman** called the meeting of the Wichita A's to order on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 P. M.

**Dave Dreiling** was introduced as our newest member of the club.

Jim Nungesser moved and it was seconded by **Tom** Ruggles that the minutes of the March meeting be approved as written in the newsletter. Motion carried.

Treasurer, **Rex Kraus** reported on the club's finances. Sunshine lady, **Bonita Graham** reported that all members are well and there was nothing to report.

There was no report from MARC and MAFCA per **Brenda Broadhead**. **Jim Nungesser** stated there was no report from the Wichita Car Council.

**Gil Adams** reported on the April 9<sup>th</sup> "Air-Mail Arrow tour and stated that 22 cars attended and a thank you was given to the Stone's in helping locate the two arrows that were viewed and to the **Bennett's** for the great lunch that was served at their home.

**Dennis** gave some highlights of the upcoming tour to Beaumont and Butler County and **Greg Rau** expanded on details for the tour which is May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Dennis** announced that a letter and certificate from MARC was received regarding the excellent newsletter that **Linda Kibbe** faithfully prepares for the club each month. The certificate was presented to **Linda** for the great job being done.

A "Headlight" bank is going to be available for members to drop coins into each month with the funds being forwarded to MAFFI for purchase of a "Brick of Appreciation" honoring one of our members with the brick being displayed at the museum.

It was mentioned that there was openings for officers for the upcoming year and anyone that was interested to please come forward.

**Tom Ruggles** announced that the Men's tour would be April 29<sup>th</sup>-May 1<sup>st</sup> leaving McDonald's in Goddard at 7:45 A. M.

The Wichita A's meeting for May 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a picnic at Watson Park from 5:00 to 9:00 P. M. This will be a covered dish dinner with the club furnishing the hot dogs and trimmings.

**Mike James** announced that a tour will be held on June 11<sup>th</sup> to Augusta, KS where the club will visit two museums and have a hot dog and hamburger feed and see the movie, "It Happened one Night" in the restored movie theatre.

**Ron Ayers** announced that a supplier that had Chevy parts for 30's, 40's and 50's had passed and if anyone was interested in obtaining parts to see **Ron** for information.

The refreshments for the evening was provided by Joanna Adams, Bob Broeckelman, Donna Hileman, Barb Phye and Clint White.

The program for the evening arranged by Randy Frazer was tips on traveling on club tours presented by Jim Broadhead, John Stone and Roger Graham.

Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting – Picnic – Watson Park

Joanna Adams

Secretary

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The men's tour was great! **Tom Ruggles** and **Steve McLaughlin** did a super job planning a great tour and it was an excellent shake down opportunity for the upcoming tour for the MAFCA National Convention in Loveland, Colorado. I know I have some work to do and I hope you are making plans for the trip as well. We are fortunate to have such an active club. Don't be left behind. Join in as many tours and activities as you can.

Please note that September will be upon us soon. Please consider running for a board position and let me know that I can place your name on the ballot.

Denny Ellerman, President

## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR



President **Denny Ellerman** presenting the award to Editor **Linda Kibbe.** 

I am happy to report the Wichita A's Region is the recipient of the MARC Award of Continuing Excellence for their Rumbleseat Newsletter.

Alert: I have moved up the June newsletter deadline by one week due to our travel plans. The deadline will be June 7th.

Linda Kibbe, Editor

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.

## **Club Picnic Watson Park**



Join us for hot dogs and covered dish / pot luck in Watson park May 23rd. We have the large shelter on the west side (same place as last year) from 5:00 until 9:00 pm and will plan to eat around 6:00. Hot dogs, buns, condiments, iced tea and water as well as paper goods and plastic ware will be provided. You bring your favorite side dish (with food inside) and together it will be a great meal.

#### **Denny Ellerman** President







#### **New Member**

Dave & Amy Dreiling

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#### June Birthdays

- 1 Robert Novak
- 2 Aaron Frazer
- 3 Rex Kraus
- 4 Tonya Jordan
- 4 Glenda Sill
- 13 Helen Louise Beaver
- 15 Mary Brashear
- 15 June Hall
- 18 Alan Orr
- Lenette Kottas 19
- 20 Trudee Harshfield
- 20 **Sharon Hessefort**
- 23 Diana Grube
- 24 **Bob Johnson**
- 24 Phil Ross
- 24 Sheryl Wilson
- 27 Judi Sharp
- 29 Rae Ellen Dickey



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#### **June 2016**

- Pat McHenry
- Judi Sharp
- Lenette Kottas
- Norma Agard
- Arley Bennett

#### **July 2016**

- Dale Hellar
- Randy Frazer
- JoAnn Bruce
- Debbie Rice
- Francis Grady

#### August 2016

- Bonita Graham
- Judy Hill
- Doris Jean Ludlow
- Linda Kibbe
- Carolyn Nungesser

## **Newsletter Deadline**

Tuesday, June 7, 2016 Tuesday, July 12, 2016

editor@wichitaas.com or

## **FUTURE TOURS AND EVENTS**

# Bygone Towns of Butler County Model A Tour May 21, 2016

Join us for a leisurely drive to Beaumont, Ks for breakfast and then a driving tour of Bygone Towns of Butler County.

We will leave from the Dillons parking lot at Highway 54 & Andover road at 9am. We will then drive to Beaumont for breakfast. They have graciously offered to put together a breakfast buffet for us. (This will be a faster option than everyone trying to order from a menu.) Cost will be

\$9.50 a person. This includes a drink.

After enjoying breakfast we will tour bygone towns of Butler County. We will be driving on some gravel roads. (Approximately 6 miles or less.)

There will be a sign up sheet at the April meeting. We will not collect any money. Everyone will pay for their own meal.

Greg & Jean Rau

## **Augusta Historical Theater Tour**

Saturday, June 11, 2016

Tour Leader: Mike James, Wichita A's

Contact: ph 316-253-1414 Email: kmkjames@gmail.com

**Subject:** Augusta, KS Historical Tour – Wichita A's

Leave: At the Andover, KS Dillons parking lot—1:00 PM (SE corner of

Kellogg & Andover Road)

The Wichita A's, Model A Ford Club will be traveling to Augusta, Kansas on Saturday June 11, 2016. The purpose of the club tour is to acquaint members with the numerous Augusta museums (Twisted Oz Motorcycle Museum, Kansas Museum of Military History and Augusta Historical Museum) as well as providing an opportunity for club members to celebrate the 81st anniversary of the opening of the Augusta Theater.

The Augusta Theater first opened in June 1935 and is one of the few remaining theaters in the United States that was built in the art deco style prior to 1940's. The Augusta Theater will be screening "It Happened One Night" which received the 1935 academy award for Best Picture. In addition to a Brick Street (main street in front of the theater) cook out of hot dogs and hamburgers, The Wichita A's will recreate the 1935 street view with Model A's parked out front of the theater to provide theater patrons an opportunity to visualize the street scene as it might have appeared in June 1935. The Wichita A's car club is scheduled to arrive on main street at approximately 3:30 PM with the cars remaining parked near the theater entrance through out the film screening. The movie "It Happened One Night" is scheduled to start at 6:00 PM and the public is invited to share in the 81st birthday of the Augusta theater by viewing historical cars and a historical movie.

## It Happened One Night

7:30 pm
Saturday, June 11th, 2016
6:00pm
Rated G ~ 1 hr. 45 min

Augusta Historic Theatre 523 State Street—Augusta, KS

Movie Line: (316) 775-3661



#### Cost to attend:

\$10.00 per Wichita A member

\$25.00 per person for guest (this includes the donation to each museum plus the cost of the movie (\$6.00) and dinner (\$5.00)

Note: if you have a guest that would like to attend the movie only, your guest can pay six dollars at the theater window. If your guest desires to partake in the cookout, each guest can pay five dollars at the event.







## **Derby 4th of July & Picnic**

#### July 4, 2016

Sign-ups will be at the May and June meetings for the 4th of July Parade. Costs and directions at a later date.

You can also contact **Sharps**,

**McHenrys**, or **Hilemans** with questions or to sign-up.

## **Lake Afton Car Show**

#### June 12, 2016

Join the club for the Lake Afton All Wheels Car Show. There will be a pancake feed. The club will have sandwiches and refreshments.

Contact Info: Jim Clark .....

## **Marbles & More Tour**



Friday, August 26 thru Monday, August 29, 2016



We are going to visit the Washington Creek Lavender Farm Friday afternoon to learn how Lavender is grown. After the tour we will drive to Bonner Springs, KS.

We will visit Moon Marble Company in Bonner Springs Saturday morning. Moon Marble Company is one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Commerce because it is the only store in the country where you can buy toy marbles, handmade marbles and watch them being made. After lunch we will drive on to Boonville, MO.

Sunday morning we will visit Warm Springs Ranch. Warm Springs Ranch is a breeding farm for the Budweiser Clydesdales, resting on 300-plus acres of lush, rolling hills in the heart of Missouri. Established in 2008, it features a mare/stallion and foaling barn, veterinary lab and 10 pastures, each with a customized, walk-in shelter. The facility is home to more than 70 Clydesdales ranging from foals to stallions. After this tour we will drive to Harrisonville, MO for the night. Monday is a travel day to return home.

Due to the reservations being made at Warm Springs Ranch, I need to know early as possible how many people will attend this trip. There will be a sign up sheet at the May club picnic and June club meeting.

**Deadline for Cancelations and refunds at the July meeting.** 

Cost: \$15 per club member \$45 per guest

Contact: Linda Kibbe ......... Helen Louise Beaver ........



Friday, August 26 Holiday Inn Express, Bonner Springs, KS., Phone: 913-721-5300

Doubles & Singles \$109.00 plus tax

Saturday, August 27 Holiday Inn Express, Boonville, MO., Phone: 660-882-6882

Doubles & Singles \$100 plus tax

Sunday, August 28 Comfort Inn & Suites, Harrisonville, MO., Phone: 816-884-4124

Single 1 King \$89.99 Double 2 Queen \$85.49

Deadline to make reservations under the blocked rooms is July 25th.

All blocked rooms are named under Wichita A's Model A Ford Club

## **PAST ACTIVITIES & TOUR**

## Men's Tour

The long-awaited re-scheduled Men's Tour finally took place the last weekend in April. Twelve Model A's, 19 members and 3 guests made the trip, spending two nights in Liberal KS. Friday began with a stop at the new Albers Finishing and Solutions plant near Cheney, where the group was given an interesting tour of this brand new state-of-the-art spray painting facility. The whole operation is computer controlled and is just ready to start production.

Rain kept engines, tires, and drivers cool until after lunch in Ashland KS, but ended before the next stop near Plains KS. The five miles of muddy road were worth the trouble to visit the **Warren** and **Susan Fox** collection of antique cars, trucks and tractors, with some later models and street rods thrown in. They treated the guys like royalty, with brownies and drinks and a grand tour of the collection. It took more than one of our guys to successfully start a 1-cylinder Rumley Oil Pull tractor, one of several in the collection.

Saturday morning the group headed to Hugoton KS, and the collection of **Greg** and **Sharon Morris**. Again the red carpet was rolled out, with a wonderful collection of 1932 and 1939 Fords polished and displayed (and a couple of Model A's), plus many unusual and rare Ford parts. After a buffet lunch arranged by our Hugoton hosts, and a visit to the shop of Wayne Wolfmeyer (an old-school body man and craftsman) to see a 1932 Ford Cabriolet under restoration, the afternoon was rounded out with a very interesting visit to the Stevens County Gas & Oil museum.

The last stop was the Mid-America Air Museum, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the guys, almost as much as the BBQ dinner at Billy's that evening. After a night's rest the group headed back to Wichita on Sunday morning. Special thanks to our western Kansas hosts, and to **Steve McLaughlin** for making the arrangements out west. **TR** 



Darrell Ludlow & Bob Phye checking out Warren & Susan Fox collection of antique cars, trucks and tractors.



**Denny Ellerman** touring the spray painting facility.



Jim Clark putting Dave Burke's front bumper in the bed of the truck. It fell off when Gary Agard tried to pull him to get the pickup to start.



**Greg & Sharon Morris** collection of 1932 and 1939 Fords.

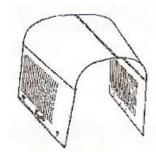
# Tech Talk

## **TINY TIPS**

#### **Top & Upholstery**

This applies to Model A coupes and sedans. With a complete restoration it has been a common practice to install the exterior fabric top first and then tackle the interior second. The **Model A Medic, Eric Weninger,** says, "this sequence is backwards." Install the interior or at least the headliner first. Then if you have some puckers or wrinkles in the headliner you can reach in from the top side to help work out the problems. There was never any compelling reason to do the top first.

#### Hood



When restoring a hood or installing a new one, one should lubricate the hinge rods, not only to retard rust in the hinge segments but for smooth operation of the hood when it is opened. Many times I've witnessed an owner opening his hood and a very irritating binding noise resulted. The bare metal rod was installed,

and then the hinge segments accumulated rust from either wet weather or wash jobs. In a few cases I've actually seen the hood bend in the hinge area when the hood was opened. The internal rust resulted in the rod seizing in the segments. If you opt for new stainless steel rods the problem is not so acute but rust can still accumulate in the

hinge segments. Do not lubricate the rod or segments before the hood is painted. Lubricant and paint don't mix.

I like to use **SUPER LUBE** synthetic grease available at **TRUE VALUE HARD-WARE** stores, to lube the hood rods. This is clear, non-messy grease that contains a Teflon component. This is not critical, but something heavier than spray oil is needed to "stay on the job". This lube also works well for many mechanical assemblies like brake pins, and the balls on the spark and throttle rods.

Roger Graham







## **Great Race 2016**



## INTERESTING ROUTE SHORTER TIME THIS YEAR

June 14 – 18 in San Rafael CA June 18 – 26 San Rafael CA to Moline IA Check out the info at greatrace.com Just the route:

http://ww.greatrace.com/2016-route#city-id-8205



## **MAFFI** Newsletter Article for April

Recently trustee Rob Mills compiled the following list of original parts that are needed for our displayed vehicles as we strive to improve our museum exhibits.

- · Two restored 1931 gas caps
- · One restored 1931 radiator cap
- · Three restored 1928-29 gas caps
- · Five sets of license plate clips
- Two sets of single-bulb headlight reflectors (original silver plating in very good condition)
- Two sets of two-bulb headlight reflectors (original silver plating in very good condition)

If you have one of the above items and would like to donate it to the museum, please contact Rob Mills at <a href="mails@cass.net">mmills@cass.net</a> or 517.902.5852 (after 2:00 p.m. EST)

In addition to the original items listed above, we also need eleven (11) new tubes with metal valve stems for the 1929 Roadster Pickup and 1929 Town Sedan which are currently on display. These items were recently price checked at \$49.95 per tube with metal valve stem and \$19.92 for each long dust cover which totals to \$69.90 per tire (let's just call it \$75/wheel with tax and shipping). Perhaps it would interest an individual or a club to donate the money to purchase one tube or a whole set? If you would like to support the museum in this manner, please note it on the memo line of your check and mail to the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc., P O Box 95151, Nonantum, MA 02495.

As always, we thank you for your continued support of your Model A Ford Museum at the Gilmore.

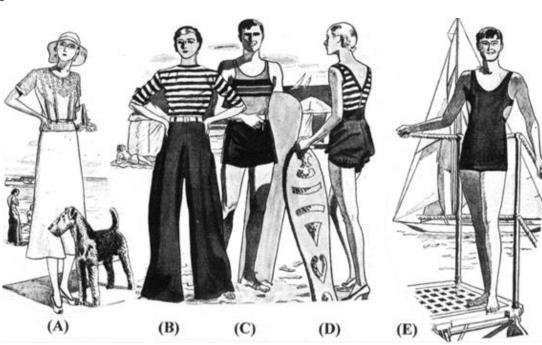
## **ERA FASHIONS**

#### **Smart Summer Fashions**

By Patti Jones (Taken from Style Sources, April 1931)

The Bradley Company was a leading knit company during the Model A era. They produced out-of-door wear for the smart fashion conscious Model A'er. Vivid colors were seen in their beach and knitwear. The following could be seen on the shores of the Atlantic.

- (A) A sweater blouse in white, with lace on the yoke and sleeves. It came with a matching knit skirt, and could be bought in light blue, mauve gray, and bisque beige. Note the spectator 2-tone shoes and wide brimmed beach hat. (B & D) These ensembles for the beach were inspired from sailor's uniforms. In navy and white, the knitted one-piece bathing suit (D) has full knickerbockers-style trousers, zipper sun back and square neckline. Jersey is used for the fisherman's style shirt and pajamas in (B). The pajamas fit snuggly around the hips and fall straight down to the ground giving the pant leg a distinct flare.
- (C) This man's 2 piece suit is made in tan and brown. The suit has a trim cut top and the brief isn't tightly fitted around the legs, as in the other man's swimsuit (E).
- (E) This is the common swim suit we normally see being modeled at fashion shows for men. At public pools, these suits were offered for both men and women! It has a "skirt" over the front of the suit to hide a man's "dignity". Being wool knit, the under short fits snuggly around the legs for maximum comfort swimming.



## NATIONAL MODEL A CLUBS



#### **MAFCA**

250 S. Cypress St. La Habra, CA 90631-5515 www.mafca.com U.S. Membership Cost: \$40 The Wichita A's Model A
Ford Club encourages
members to join both
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MAFCA Clubs.

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



MARC 6721 Merriman Garden City, MI 48315 <a href="http://modelarestorers.org">http://modelarestorers.org</a> U.S. Membership Cost: \$45

## **LOCAL AND NATIONAL CALENDARS**

## 2016 - 2017 SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW SCHEDULE

May 20-21, 2016	Sedgwick Street Rodders Spring Swap Meet, Kansas State Fairgrounds	Hutchinson, KS
June 14-18, 2015	Petit Jean Swap Meet.	Petit Jean, AR
June 25-26, 2016	Swap Meet Fremont.	Fremont, NE
July 7-9, 2016	Iola Old Car Show & Swap Meet	Iola, WI
August 19-21, 2016	Ozarks Antique Auto Club Swap MeetOzark Empire Fairgrounds	Springfield, MO
Sept 28-Oct 2, 2016	Fall Carlisle Swap Meetwww.carsatcarlisle.com	Carlisle, PA
October 2, 2016	All Ford DaySalvation Army Camp Hiawatha	Wichita, KS
October 5-8, 2016	Hershey Region AACA Swap Meet.	Hershey, PA
October 13-15, 2016	Chickasha Fall Swap Meetwww.chickashaautoswapmeet.com	Chickasha, OK
October 20-22, 2016	Norman Swap Meet, Cleveland County Fairgrounds, 615 E. Robinson	Norman, OK
October 21-22, 2016	Sedgwick Street Rodders Spring Swap Meet, Kansas State Fairgrounds	Hutchinson, KS
February 3-4, 2017	KS Sunflower Swap Meet For Charitywww.kssunflowerswapmeet.com.	Wichita, KS

## 2015 - 2017 FUTURE REGIONAL & NATIONAL MODEL A MEETS

June 9-12, 2016	53rd Texas Tour.	Glen Rose, TX
June 19-24, 2016	2016 MAFCA National Convention.	Loveland, CO
June 27 - July 1, 2016	MARC National Meet - Sweet Sixteen Region	Perrysburg, OH
September 19-22, 2016	MARC National Tour Hudson Valley Region	Newburgh, NY
December 5-8, 2016	MAFCA National Awards Banquet	Reno, NV
June 5-9, 2017	Omaha Regional Meet	Omaha, NE
September 10-17, 2017	MAFCA National Tour - Pacific Northwest Tour	Lions Gate Model A Club
2018	MAFCA National Convention.	Reno, NV



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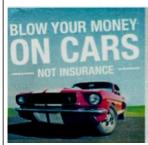
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## Wichita A's Club Meeting

Minisa Park, 704 W. 13th. N

**Meeting Starts 7:00 PM** 

4th Monday of each month except the month of May varies due to Memorial Day holiday. There is no club meeting in December.

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