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The Club meets the 1st Saturday of the month at Fourth Presbyterian Church 5200 Francis St, Lincoln, NE



Next Meeting Saturday March 2, 2024 at 7 pm.

## President's Letter....

February has flown by and good old 'Unadilla Billie' has given us some beautiful weather in Nebraska. I'm sure many of you are getting the itch to drive your Model As! 'We had a fun evening at our Annual Valentine Dinner at Carmela's and learned the 'dos and don'ts of marriage proposals' which evoked lots of laughter. Mark your calendar for May 16 when we will be visiting Villa Marie and sharing our cars with the students there. I know they are looking forward to rides and, of course, honking the horns. Looking forward to September, you will find an invitation from the Meadowlark Model A Club to join in their bus trip to the Gilmore Auto Museum. It's a wonderful place for car folks and even more exciting because it will be Model A Days with lots of Model As on the grounds. Please consider joining in the fun! Nancy



Rachael Kean	2nd
Jim Cook	3rd
Jerry Waechter	5th
Tim Colliton	11th
Paul Stevenson	16th
Karen Schroeder	29th

## Happy Anniversary

John & Denise Seawell 30th

## SWAP MEET

The 50th Annual Rocky Manginelli Swap Meet will be held at Sandhills Global Event Center, (formerly the Lancaster Event Center), on Sunday, March 3rd. We need volunteers to help with set up on Sat. March 3rd in Ag Society Hall, (previously was known as the Lincoln Room). Arrival time to help set up is 8 am. On Sunday we need at least 6-8 members to help with collections. Sign in time is 5:30 am with collections beginning at 6 am. Our club will have a table for members to bring items for sale. Please bring your items on Saturday and place your asking price on the items. We also need members to staff "EAT OUTS" <u>FIRST TUESDAY BREAKFASTS</u> March 5th, Stauffer's, 5600 S 48th St. Meet around 9 am.

LAST THURSDAY DINNER CRUISE March 28th. Lee's Chicken, 1940 W Van Dorn St. Meet at the restaurant at 5:30. Please make reservations with Jeff Thomas by 5 pm on Wednesday, March 27th. 402-421-3961 (H), 402-450-2509



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INVITATION FROM THE MEADOWLARK MODEL A FORD CLUB Let's Fill The Bus to Gilmore! The Meadowlark Model A Club invites members of the Cornhusker Model A Club to join us for a motor coach trip to the Gilmore Car Museum, September 19-22, 2024. The Gilmore Car Museum is North America's largest auto museum and home to MAFFI's Model A Ford Museum. The featured event is 'Model A Days'', a two day celebration of the Ford Model A held annually at the sprawling 90 acre complex in Hickory Corners, Michigan. Other partners in the complex feature the Cadillac and LaSalle Club Museum; the Classic Car Club of American Museum; the H. H. Franklin Club Museum; the Lincoln Motor Car Heritage Museum; the Museum of the Horseless Carriage; and the Pierce-Arrow Museum. The Model A Days theme for this year's celebration is open cars – roadsters, roadster trucks, cabriolets, phaetons and 400 As. Special events include a swap meet, live music, technical and fashion seminars and more! Our goal is to fill a 56 passenger luxury motor coach so that the per-person transportation cost will be reasonable. The anticipated \$215.00 cost includes admission to the two-day event, driver gratuity and driver accommodations. Our nightly accommodations will be at the Best Western Plus Kalamazoo Suites in Kalamazoo, Michigan where a special rate of \$115.44 (double occupancy) has been arranged. This includes king or queen options with a full breakfast and all hotel amenities. (Each participant should schedule their own rooms at 1-800-780-7234 and ask for the Meadowlark Group Rate.) To sign up for this exciting trip, please call Ed Nickell at 402-618-0628 or email edwardnickell51@gmail.com.

#### FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

The February Cornhusker Model A Meeting was called to order on the 3rd by President Nancy Hanshaw. There were 24 members in attendance. The January minutes were amended to reflect the secretary's report was to reflect the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion was made by Bill Jurey, not Bill Buckley.

Linda Buckley gave the treasurer's report. The beginning checking account balance: \$4,430.37 and the ending is \$4,981.17. Beginning savings account balance: \$3,598.78 and ending \$3,598.78. Bill Buckley submitted a bill of \$23.00 for advertising. Harvey Jecha moved the bills be paid, Ed Taylor seconded and the motion passed.

#### **Committee reports**

Membership: Deb Thomas said she is updating the membership roster.

Activities: Shawn Kean said snacks for the March meeting are covered.

<u>Car Council/Swap meet:</u> Dick Waechter said Bob Callaway will fill Dave Allder's duties as he will be having shoulder surgery and will be unable to assist. Bob Callaway said the walk through will be on February 25<sup>th</sup> and that we will have three tables at the swap meet.

Ads: Bill Buckley reported he has received payment for seven ads at this time.

Calling/sunshine: No report.

Dinner runs: Jeff Thomas said we will be going to Lee's Chicken in March.

Parades/tours: No report.

<u>Tech talks/seminars</u>: Ed Taylor said he will send a sheet around for people to get suggestions for a topic and to sign up to do the seminar. Nancy Allder said Howard Dinker from Omaha will do one on pop-out switches and Don Graves may do one on brakes. <u>History</u>: No report.

<u>Newsletter</u>: Margaret asked that members review the phone numbers and email addresses and give her any corrections that need to be made.

<u>General Interest</u>: Nancy Hanshaw asked the members to revisit the activities she had suggested, and decide which ones really interest them. She would then like your feedback.

#### Old Business

1. Gayle Hanshaw said he is willing to chair a committee to celebrate our club's 65 in 2025. He said it will be a lot of work and that it will require help from everyone.

2. Nancy Allder suggested we assemble some hygiene kits at a meeting to be distributed to the needy. She will contact some agencies to find out what are their greatest needs.

#### New Business

1. The budget was discussed at the board meeting and presented by Linda Buckley. Discussion; was regarding the cost of name tags and dues. The current tags we have are costly and it was suggested we use the ones we can get from MAFCA, which are much less. The question was raised if we really need name tags. It was agreed we do. It has been several years since there was an increase in our annual dues. Jeri Waechter moved the dues be increased to \$35.00 as a family membership. Deb Thomas seconded, and the motion carried. The website maintenance reflected \$288.00. This is only paid every three years, so it should be \$96.00. It will be transferred to savings and transferred back to our account the year it is due. Bill Buckley moved the budget be approved. Joan Taylor seconded, and the motion passed.

2. It was suggested Roberta Mittan be made an Amerites member as she is in California and continues to enjoy our monthly newsletter. The executive committee made the motion, Nancy Hanshaw seconded, and the motion passed.

- 3. It is time for an audit of our books to be made. Shawn Kean volunteered to help the past and present treasurer's audit the books.
- 4. Ed Taylor brought his gold jacket purchased from MAFCA to see if there is any interest in club members purchasing these.

#### President's comments

Nancy said the Omaha club is excited about doing some activities with our club. They are taking a bus tour to Hickory Corners in September. There are 56 seats and they will all need to be filled. They have made a deal with a hotel for rooms to be \$115 per night. The cost of the bus ride and admission is \$215 per person. Nancy said the Valentine's dinner at Carmela's will be February 8<sup>th</sup> and she needs to make reservations so please see her after the meeting if you plan to attend.

#### Car Pool: Judy Jecha.

Joan Taylor moved the meeting be adjourned; Nancy Hanshaw seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Taylor, reporting secretary.

## **March MAFFI Minute**

(Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.)

The Trustees are already planning Model A Days 2024! So far it looks like a candidate for the First Start Event (barn find which hasn't been run in a few decades) has been located. And, the report from the Gilmore Auto Museum is that one of the Event Centers will be finished in time for Model A Days, which will be nice for our Model A visitors.

Other news is that Model A's donated to the museum to be sold for the Model A Museum Expansion are getting checked over and repaired so they are roadworthy to sell. Our hardworking team of volunteers devotes Thursday evening to getting the Model A's in "sale ready" shape.

- 1. One Model A Tudor (1929) is on the sales floor already.
- 2. Another 1928 Tudor has had Trustees and friends repairing brakes, gas gauge, and a gas tank, to name a few, so it should be ready shortly
- 3. A 1929 Fordor Blindback is also in the queue for roadworthiness work.

4. And there are two 1928 Phaetons that we anticipate will be available to sell in the coming months Please contact Jerry Dennany, <u>jerrydennany@gmail.com</u> or John Begg, <u>jwbegg@gmail.com</u> for information about these cars or if you have a vehicle you would like to donate to be sold for our expansion fundraising program.

Many of you have been following our Save the Bus project (school bus) and although the bus has taken longer than we anticipated, things are coming along nicely now. The sides are up and all 4 fenders have been installed as well as the bumpers. There's lots of sandblasting, and just plain sanding and priming going on now. Things are getting exciting at Save the Bus Headquarters!

- As always, we appreciate your support as we move forward with fundraising. It's all of you that make the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. Museum so awesome.
- Cindy Ellenbecker, Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. Trustee/Secretary



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## FREE MAFCA MEMBERSHIP

Once again the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) is offering a Free 1st Year Membership for 2024. In order to qualify, you must be a member of a MAFCA Chapter and have never been a member of MAFCA. Interested new members can obtain the application form Deb Thomas or Margaret Mays.

THIS & THAT, miscellaneous info...

If any member has items for sale or looking for parts, please send your request to heinz56@neb.rr.com and I will include it in the next newsletter I send. If any member has a tech tip they would like to share, you can email that to me too. Deadline to submit information for newsletters is the 20th of each month, however, if you know that you will be sending information after the 20th, please let me know by the 20th and I will save space for you. Margaret