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65 IN 2025 CELEBRATION

APRIL 2025

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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, April 5, 2025 at 9 am

APRIL BREAKFAST MEETING

Our annual breakfast meeting will take place at our usual meeting location, 5200 Francis St on April 5th. Breakfast begins at 9 am with the business meeting to follow. For more information, see Presidents Message on page 2.

"EAT OUTS"

FIRST TUESDAY BREAKFASTS

April 1st, Stauffer's, 5600 S 48th St. Meet around 9 am.

Last Thursday Dinner Cruise

Jeff & Deb Thomas will be in Mississippi watching their grandkids, plus the Easter Dinner at Carmela's is the week before. It was decided to cancel the last Thurs. Cruise in April. They will resume in May.



Dick Waechter	12th
Matt Waechter	12th
Bob Zetocha	17th
Jenn Heetderks	26th
Andrew Kean	28th
Nancy Allder	30th
Becky Schuerman	30th

Happy Anniversary

11th

2025 EVENTS

April 17......Easter Dinner at Carmela's (page 5)
April 24th...Speedway Motors Museum Open House
April 26th...."A Ride Back in Time" Car Show at
Kimmel Orchard in Nebr. City.
They are celebrating 100 years.
See Presidents Message for more information.

May 23-24th..Wheel Hub Live at Speedway Motors

Museum

June 13......South Lake Village Car Display, 9-11:30

June 15-22...MAFCA National Driving Tour of the

American Civil War

June 18-21st..Speedsters Reunion

June 28th......65 in 2025 Celebration

July 4th.....Independence Day in Seward

Aug. 3rd.....Wilber Czech Days Parade

Oct 3rd.....UNL Homecoming Parade



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE....

SWAP MEET Thanks to all of the dozen plus Club members who worked one or both days of the Swap Meet. Your efforts earns the monies that, to a large extent, pays for the Breakfast and Christmas Party for all of the rest of the Club members. Car Council Books will be available at upcoming Club events.

BREAKFAST MEETING - APRIL 5 @ 9:00 AM The April 5 Breakfast Meeting will be at the Fourth Presbyterian Church where we normally hold our monthly meetings. Shawn Kean has generously volunteered the Kean family to prepare the food, so, this is not a bring a dish affair. She would, though, welcome offers to help from the members. She'll be at the Church on Saturday morning by 8:00 AM. Shawn has a plan to make a combination of casseroles; including eggs, potatoes and meat(s). Plus, fruit to top it off. There will be coffee and orange juice for drinks. The Club provides cups, plates, napkins and eating utensils. Shawn needs to have a count ahead of time to know how much food to prepare. Please contact her via, phone, text or email by March 28 and let her know you are coming. We'll eat shortly after 9:00 and then hold the Membership Meeting following. If you don't make it for breakfast, the meeting will be approximately an hour later. Pick up your Celebration shirts and a Car Council Book at the meeting. BUDGET AUDIT: Audit Committee members, Shawn Kean, Don Cook and Gayle Hanshaw, along with Linda Buckley assisting, have completed the annual audit of the 2024 Model A Club financial records. The committee members, after a lengthy work session, did conclude that income and expense transactions in total did appear to be accounted for. The "65 in 2025 Celebration" transactions were not originally included in the mainline 2024 Budget. Instead, the plan was to maintain a subsidiary ledger to track the transactions in a separate checking account and Venmo account specifically setup to accept Celebration Registration fees along with shirt sales. Difficulties were encountered, so, it was decided to close those accounts and post actual transactions to the mainline financial report and budget. Revenues, minus Celebration, were \$4,414.25, which was \$746.25 more than the \$3,668.00 budgeted. The bulk of that came from \$448.25 "Miscellaneous Income" that had not been budgeted for. Add in \$979.76 from Celebration shirt sales for a total revenues of: \$5,387.01. Expenses, minus Celebration, were \$4,421.43, which was \$1,203.43 more than the \$3,218.00 budgeted. The bulk of that came from the Christmas Party, which was \$1,045.00 more than the \$1,000.00 budgeted. Add in \$1,027.45 from Celebration expenses for a total expenses of: \$5,448.88. Remarkably, income and expenses were nearly balanced. There were not necessarily any irregularities encountered and documentation, with few exceptions, was excellent. The Committee recommends, to ease the audit process in determining if amounts were posted to correct budget line(s), that more detail and clarity in descriptions be recorded for some transactions. Examples are: 1) when revenue and expense amounts are from or to multiple sources, such as when members combine membership dues and white elephant purchases into one payment; 2) ad hoc donations are included with other routine receipts. This will make the audit go smother and quicker.

KIMMEL ORCHARD 100 YEAR CELEBRATION Here is the schedule:

8:00 am - 9:30 am Check In and Show Registration

10:00 am - Show opens to the public

10:00 am - 4:00 pm Model T rides by Nebraskaland Model T Club

10:30 am - 11:15 am Sea-to-Sea Model T Trek presented by Mike Vaughn

11:30 am - 12:00 pm Mrs. Ford and Produce Stand presented by Sherry Winkinhofer

1:00 pm- Arbor Day Parade - Central Avenue

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Impact of the Automobile presented by Sherry Winkinhofer

3:30 pm People's choice awards

4:00 pm . Show Concludes

It is an hour drive to Nebraska City, so, for those folks going, meet at and leave by **8:30 am** from the Service Station across the Highway from Walmart at 87th and Nebraska Parkway (Old Hwy. 2). Model A Club member Paul Stevenson will greet members at the Orchard and assist with getting the cars parked. A signup sheet will be at the Supper Run on the 3-27-25 and at the meeting on the 5th. Or, let Gayle know via email or phone. (Continued on next page)

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65 IN 2025 Celebration - Gayle Hanshaw, (see above)

Audit Committee - Gayle Hanshaw, (see above)

(Presidents message continued from page 2)

65 IN 2025 CELEBRATION The Committee is working diligently to plan and prepare for the Celebration. There have been wide-spread announcements of the Celebration. The Celebration flyer was emailed with invitations to the Meadowlark and Council Bluffs Model A Clubs and the Nebraskaland and Centennial Model T Clubs. Clubs have acknowledged the invitations and expressed intent to attend. Announcements are in the 13,000 Car Council Books and MAFCA Restorer magazine with 10,000 members, as well as on the MAFCA and Cornhusker Model A Ford Club websites. There is a "Registration Form" on the Club website. The Cornhusker Model A Club will be presented a certificate commemorating the 65th Anniversary by MAFCA Board Member and Cornhusker Club Member Sherry Winkinhofer. Cool! Some shirts are waiting to be picked up and will be available at the April meeting, plus, there are an additional 4 shirts available for purchase, 1 (S), 1 (M), 1 (L) and 1 (XL). The Celebration date of June 28 is fastly approaching, but, there still is time to place a third order for Celebration shirts and join the already 73 shirts that have been ordered and received. A minimum order of a dozen t-shirts is required to receive any discount from ART F/X. Polos can be included in an order, but they are not eligible for a discount. And, think how cool it will be to be in the once in a lifetime planned drone overhead picture of a big 65 comprised of Model A's and Model T's at the 65 in 2025 Celebration! Contact Gayle with questions, ideas and or to order shirts.

Get involved, get those Model A's ready to roll and join your fellow members at the meetings and community events, of course wearing your 65 in 2025 Celebration shirts, and help the Cornhusker Model A Club celebrate this memorable 65th Anniversary Year!



MARCH MEETING MINUTES

The March Cornhusker Model A Meeting was called to order on the 1st by President Gayle Hanshaw at 7:05 p.m. at the Forth Presbyterian Church. There were 22 members in attendance. Sherry Winkinhofer had a guest, her nephew, Ethan Edwards.

The secretary's report was filed as printed.

Linda Buckley gave the treasurer's report. The beginning checking account balance: \$3,451.07 and the ending \$4,443.39. The beginning savings account balance: \$3,716.09 and the ending balance: \$3,716.09. Bill Buckley presented a bill of \$17.76 for the purchase of tickets for the sale of raffle tickets. Joan Taylor moved the bill to be paid; Shawn Kean seconded, and the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Membership:</u> Deb Thomas reported no new members. She asked that members who do not have the correct joining date contact MAFCA to find out that information and get it to her.

<u>Activities:</u> Shawn Kean reported our April meeting will be a breakfast meeting and will again be held at the Hy-Vee store on 84th and Holdrege. She said the Kean's will provide snacks at the May meeting.

<u>Car council/swap meet:</u> Dick Waechter said the set up for the swap meeting smooth this morning. We will do check in at 5:30 in the morning. He said upcoming events are in the newsletter and that we will again do the UNL Homecoming Parade. The date of that is October 3rd.

Ads: Bill reported we currently have 10 paid ads. He added Carmela's just yesterday.

Calling/sunshine: Nothing to report.

<u>Dinner runs</u>: Jeff Thomas reported we will be going to Lee's Chicken on March 27th at 5:00.

Parades/tours: Dick Waechter asked if anyone is interested in taking over the chairmanship of this committee.

Gayle Hanshaw said Nebraska City is having a 100-year celebration on April 26th at Kimmell Orchard. So far, the Nebraska Motel T club and the Meadowlark Model A club are attending.

<u>Tech talks/seminars:</u> Gayle Hanshaw said he would like to have a "revival" following the meeting where the guys talk about what they need for their cars and the women could also have a talk.

History: No report.

Newsletter/Communications: Margaret Mays said she will be sending an updated roster.

<u>General Interest:</u> Nancy Hanshaw said she would like to know how many people would be interested in having an Easter Dinner at Carmela's on April 10th. She also suggested a tour of the State Capitol in the month of April. In addition, she asked for members to give write an article about how they obtained their Model A.

Old Business: 65 in '25: Margaret has put information in the newsletter. She asked if the registration form is complete so that it can be put on our website. Jeff Meier said if we have our meal catered by Pizza Ranch in Milford it will be \$14.50 each. This includes two meats and two sides. He said we could possibly provide our own water, lemonade, etc. Speedway reached out to our club regarding there being a trade show on the same day. This could possibly relieve us of having to provide a food truck during the day. Car games could include a tire roll, as well as a couple blindfolded activities. Bill Buckley asked for a show on hands of how many members of our club are interested in attending and participating. There will be an announcement in the Car Council book as well as the Restorer.

<u>New Business:</u> Gayle said an audit committee has been set up. Future activities are the swap meet tomorrow. The Kimmell Orchard car show, which Paul Stevenson will be providing us with additional information and our upcoming celebration.

Nancy Hanshaw said there was little interest in the Valentine's Day dinner, so it was cancelled.

Bill Buckley said he has done research, and our club does not qualify for a 501.3c designation.

Carpool: This secretary did not make note of who won the carpool. I apologize to whoever you are.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02.

Respectfully submitted, Joan Taylor, reporting secretary.

PROPOSED CLUB ACTIVITIES

I agreed to serve as the 2025 Activities Coordinator and have put together a proposed calendar of events. Please email me which activities you would like to do. If there is not enough interest, I won't plan them. If you have ideas of activities you would like to do, please call or email me. (There will be Tech Talks for the guys at our meetings as well as topics for the ladies to discuss at the same time.)

April: Tour of the State Capitol

May: Tour of the Bess Streeter Aldrich Home

June: 65 in 24 Celebration at Speedway Motors

July: Saltdogs game with a display of our Model As. (This would probably be on a Friday evening so we could watch the Fireworks.)

August: Annual Picnic (Would you prefer to have this event at a park or at the church? This would held on our regular meeting night.)

Sept: Evening at James Arthur Vineyards

Oct: Still thinking but will welcome any suggestions

Nov: Soup Supper and White Elephant Auction (Held at our regular meeting night.)



How I Got My Model A by Bill & Linda Buckley

In April 1983, my brother-in-law bought the car from Roger Schmieding in Seward. The car was previously owned by a gentleman named Rose (Bee, NE) in 1962. We were in Seward visiting family, and when I saw the car, I told him if he ever wanted to sell it, I wanted first choice. Well, in

Ray helping unload the car.

1989 he decided to sell it. I bought it and stored it in a barn on my wife's family farm in Seward until I retired from the Air Force and moved to Lincoln. In 1995, Ray Hogrefe helped me trailer it to Lincoln because it hadn't run in many years.

Al Greiss affectionately called it a "50- footer Model A" meaning it looked great until you got up close...then it was a real basket case! The car was completely painted maroon--bumpers and windows included. The body was in good shape, but the interior, motor compartment and firewall, roof, and inside structural metal were disasters! Luckily, the headlights, radiator shell and stainless steel were all in great condition!

In 1999, with Al, Ray's, and many club members' help, I started the restoration process. Al said he would only help me if I did it right...which meant **ORIGINAL** – no shortcuts, and attention to detail!



Al starting the car for the first time!

It took seven years of hard work and lots of \$\$\$, but I finished it on July 3, 2006, and I drove it in the Seward Parade the next day! The car has won numerous awards at MAFCA National and Regional judging competitions.



1931-45B Standard Coupe



CARMELA'S EASTER DINNER

Gayle and I will be hosting an Easter Dinner at Carmela's on Thursday, April 17. It will be much like our past Valentine's Dinners except we'll be focusing on Easter. Cocktails will begin at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:00. In addition to the excellent food and drinks, we'll have fun & games so bring your appetite and competitive spirit. And, of course, your sense of humor! As in the past, we will have a special menu to order from. Please make reservations with me by noon on Monday, April 14. You can text or call me at 402-304-1280 or email nchanshaw@gmail.com

SWAP MEET





The 51st Annual Rocky Manginelli
Memorial Swap Meet was held on
March 2nd at the Sandhills Global Event
Center. Helping this year either
Saturday or Sunday were Ed Taylor,
Richard Waechter, Dave Allder,
Terry Elliott, Harvey Jecha, Avery Jecha,
Jeff Thomas, Bill Buckley, Gary Horn,
Gayle Hanshaw, Bill Jurey, Jeff Meier,
Robert Callaway, Matt Waechter, Randy
Scdoris, Don Cook, Harry & Laverne
Johnston and Tom Schuerman.



APRIL MAFFI Minute

(Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.)

Through the generous donation of Gary and Laurie Mills, their 1928 Ford Model A 4-Door Phaeton will be used in this year's sweepstakes. Their request was that the proceeds be used to fund the expansion of the Ford Model A Museum on the grounds of the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan.

The 1928 Ford Model A 4-Door Phaeton highlights:

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With an open design, the Phaeton was not as commonly purchased as other Model A body styles.

Entering in the sweepstakes not only benefits the Model A Ford Museum, you are entered to in this amazing car! To enter, cut and paste this address: https://www.tapkat.org/model-a-ford-foundation-inc/eE6e35? promo=MAFFIWS20 (or go to the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. website, click on Expansion and then click on Sweepstakes).

The Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. (MAFFI) seeks to preserve Model A Fords and related artifacts and memorabilia, encourage research, and educate present and future generations about the Model A Ford and its era.

Every year a special Model A Day celebration is held on the third weekend of September. You are encouraged to attend the two-day Model A only event, because all funds collected at the Gilmore Museum's gate that day are given to MAFFI to support the foundation and the Model A Ford Museum. By entering this Sweepstakes, you are becoming a part of a broader plan to help the Model A Museum expand.

You may also support the Model A Museum through Membership in MAFFI, and all donations and bequests are welcome and much appreciated.

Cindy Ellenbecker, MAFFI Trustee/Secretary



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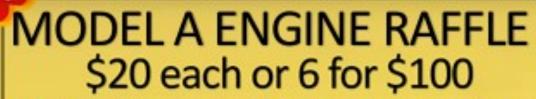
Once again the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) I is offering a Free 1st Year Membership for 2025. In order to qualify, you must be a member of a MAFCA Chapter and have never been a member of MAFCA. Interested new members can obtain the application I form Deb Thomas or Margaret Mays.





Lee's Chicken Restaurant was established in 1945 and is the longest running full service restaurant in Lincoln. On March 27th twelve members from our club enjoyed chicken prepared from the same recipe that the original owners used. After eating, there was a photo op under the Lee's Chicken Rooster.

The Lone Star Model A Ford Club of Georgetown, Texas is Hosting the 62nd Annual Texas Tour at the Silos in Giddings, Texas this June 12th-15th and their largest Raffle item is a Model A Ford Engine shown in the AD below. Arlin Bohn from the club has asked me to share the information. Any questions please call Arlin at 512-508-2704.



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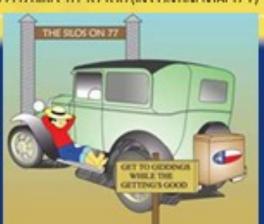


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