

Chatter & Clatter



65 IN 2025 CELEBRATION

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November 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, November 1, 2025 at 6 pm

NOVEMBER SOUP SUPPER & WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

We will be having a soup supper at or Nov. meeting. Members not bringing soup are asked to bring a side dish or desert. We plan on eating at 6 pm with the business meeting to follow. Our White Elephant auction will be held at the November meeting. Member are asked to bring at least two items so we have a good selection as well as raising a nice amount of money for our charitable donation. Suggestions to bring: Model A parts, books, puzzles, holiday items for decorating, baked goods and car related items. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Hanshaw (402-304-1280).



John Seawell	10th
Theresa Colliton	12th
Roberta Mittan	14th
Deb Embury	24th
Margaret Manske	29th

Happy Anniversary

Deb & Matt Waechter	2nd
Dick & Jerry Waechter	6th
Bill & Linda Buckley	30th

"EAT OUTS"

FIRST TUESDAY BREAKFASTS

Nov 4th Stauffer's, 5600 S 48th St. Meet around 9 am.

Thursday Dinner Cruise

Nov. 20th, Granite City, 6200 'O' Street. Meet at the restaurant at 5:30. Please make reservations with Jeff Thomas by 5 pm on Wednesday, Nov. 19th. 402-421-3961 (H), 402-450-2509

PLEASE NOTE-THE NOV. EAT OUT WILL BE A WEEK EARLIER DUE TO THANKSGIVING FALLING ON THE LAST THURSDAY.

NOVEMBER 2025 EVENT

Nov. 16.....Veterans Parade, 2 pm, downtown Lincoln. Staging will be in the parking lots north of Lincoln High. The parade route is on K Street from S 21st to 14th St. More information will be emailed to members as soon as it is received.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS



Election of officers will take place at the Nov. meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting you may still participate by sending an absentee ballot (found in this newsletter) to Joan Taylor, 4721 Mandarin Circle , Lincoln, 68516

OCTOBER 4, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

The October Cornhusker Model A Meeting was called to order on the 4th by President Gayle Hanshaw at 7:08 p.m. Birthdays and anniversaries were announced by Gayle and congratulations were extended. The September minutes posted in the newsletter. There were no additions or corrections. The minutes stand approved as presented.

Linda Buckley gave the treasurer's report. The beginning checking account balance: \$5,661.09 and the ending \$5,672.59. The beginning savings account balance: \$3,722.73 and the ending balance: \$3,722.73. Bill Buckley moved the report be accepted; Jerry Waechter seconded, and the motion carried. Bills were resented in the amount of \$31.02 for ice cream for the September meeting and \$20.00 for Car Council dues. Jerry Waechter moved, and Richard Waechter seconded the bills be paid. Motion carried.

Gayle said there will be a wrap-up report on 65 in 25 at the Christmas Party.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: There are no new members currently. A discussion was held on dues regarding when someone joins midyear. There is confusion based on what the bylaws state. Gayle said the bylaws need to be reviewed and updated. Richard Waechter moved that the fee be \$36.00 for the rest of the year and the entire following year. Motion carried.

Activities: Shawn Kean said we will have our soup supper in November. There is no sign up for soups and in the past there weren't any duplicates. Members who do not bring soup are asked to bring a side or dessert.

Car council/swap meet: The car council dues have been paid.

Ads: Bill will send invoices out in December.

Calling/sunshine: Andrew Kean (in Rachel's absence) said Tom Schuerman has medical issues but had no further information.

Dinner runs: Jeff Thomas said we will be going to Ginger on October 30th and Granite City on November 20th.

Parades/tours: Dick Waechter announced we will be showing our cars at Savannah Pines on October 20th from 3:00-6:30 p.m. The Veterans Parade will be On November 16th and there is a \$100.00 fee to enter. Waverly is having a fundraiser car show on October 11th from 9:00-11:30 a.m. There didn't seem to be any interest from club members. The final Cars and Coffee for the year at Speedway Motors will be on October 25th.

General Interest: Nancy Hanshaw said in addition to our Soup Supper in November we will again have a White Elephant silent auction. All \$s will go to a charitable group of the club's choice.

There were no reports from the following committees: Tech talks/seminars, History, Newsletter/Communications.

Old Business:

It was noted that Don Cook will be handling car shows and nursing home visits in the future.

New Business:

The 2026 slate of officers was submitted as follows:

President: Jeff Meier	Vice President: Gary Horn	Board: Rc Bkackledge
Secretary: open	Treasurer: Bill Buckley	Gayle Hanshaw

It was brought up that the bylaws state the past president is a member of the board. If our current president runs for the board will that be a conflict? Again, the bylaws need to be reviewed and updated.

Bill Buckley moved we pay the \$100.00 fee to be in the Veterans Parade. Jerry Waechter seconded; motion carried.

Our Christmas Party will be held at the church this year. We will be inviting past members to attend.

Nancy Hanshaw will oversee decorations, and Linda Buckley will handle the registrations. Bill Buckley suggested we have highlights of the club activities as our entertainment. Shawn, Andrew and Rachel Kean will take care of the food. Andrew said Jeff Meier has talked with The Pizza Kitchen and they are able to cater our meal. Gayle said another option would be Carmela's.

Carpool: The carpool was won by Bill Jurey.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:13.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Taylor, Reporting Secretary.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE....

65 in 2025 CELEBRATION WRAP-UP

The wrap-up event of the Cornhusker Model A Ford Club's 65th Anniversary Celebration will be at the 2025 Christmas Party (see details elsewhere in the newsletter). We will be recognizing the original Club founders, as well as long-time current and past members.

The 65th Anniversary Certificate received from MAFCA and the Celebration Banner will be displayed at the meetings and the Christmas party. There are pictures of the June Celebration for folks to request copies of. And, the plan to offer keepsake items of the Celebration is still in the works.

Janet Jeffries has done research to identify the folks who originally founded the Club in 1959 and then obtained a MAFCA Chapter Charter in 1960. She presented her findings during the evening banquet at the 65th Anniversary Celebration and will be invited to do that again at the Christmas Party. Plus, Margaret Mays and Bill Buckley will be providing a pictorial presentation of the early years of the Model "A" Club.

Keep wearing the Celebration shirts, albeit maybe with a jacket. There still are opportunities yet this year to advertise the Anniversary, to include the Veterans' Parade on November 16.

UPCOMING ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER

Jeff Meier, current Vice-President and Chair of the Nomination Committee, has presented a slate of candidates (see elsewhere in the newsletter) for election to the 2026 Board of Directors. Elections to be held at the November Membership Meeting. Installation of Directors will be during the Christmas Party. Jeff will ascend to President in 2026.

In addition to the Board positions, the various Standing Committees are important to the success of the Model "A" Club and the enjoyment of the members. Consider offering to Chair or accepting an invitation to Chair any of the several committees. Let Jeff know.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Clean out your pantries, closets, basements, garages, etc., and bring those good but no longer needed items to the White Elephant silent auction event at the November Membership Meeting. Monies received from the auction will be combined with monetary donations/gift cards received at the Christmas Party and then donated to one or more charitable organization(s).

CAR COUNCIL BOOKS

Books are still available. Come to the meetings and get a book or more. Have them with you in the Model A to hand out whenever the opportunity presents itself.

There is room in the Car Council Book for additional advertising, so, if you hear of anyone or any organization with an interest in reaching out to the automotive community, be it their hobby or avocation, for sure get them a book.

VETERANS PARADE

The Cornhusker Model A Ford Club is registered for the upcoming Veterans Parade on November 16, 2025. The staging of all Parade entries will be in the north Lincoln High School parking lots at 22nd and "K" streets. There will be a reserved spot for us, based on the number of cars we are planning on having in the Parade. Let me know as soon as you can, so I can provide that number to the Parade Commander ahead of time. Plan on arriving around **11:35 AM**. The Parade route is on "K" Street from S. 22nd to S. 14th streets. Model "A" Club Parade walkers will be given rides back to the starting point.

Specific line-up instructions will be received from the Parade Commander in the first week in November. They will be forwarded to everyone in the Club, giving those who will not have a car in the Parade an invitation to come and watch the Parade and cheer on the Cornhusker Model A's. Information regarding the Parade program is available at: LincolnVeteransParade.org.

There were 14 Model A's in the Parade in 2024. This year, so far, there have been 3 - 4 Club members who have "**Revived**" a Model "A". So, potentially, we could increase the number to a new high at the 2025 Veterans Parade as we honor the Veterans in our community.

But, still, there are rumors of more Model A's slumbering in Member's garages, so, y'all come to the meetings and add your names and cars to the needing "Revivers Group" list. Let's get them all running for next year.

Let Gayle know if you are going to be driving your Model "A" in the Parade.

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(PRESIDENTS MESSAGE CONTINUED)

Here is the script sent with the Parade Registration for the Parade Announcer.

CORNHUSKER MODEL "A" FORD CLUB

Next up is the Cornhusker Model "A" Ford Club of Lincoln, Nebraska, being led by Chance and Marci Hanshaw carrying the Club banner.

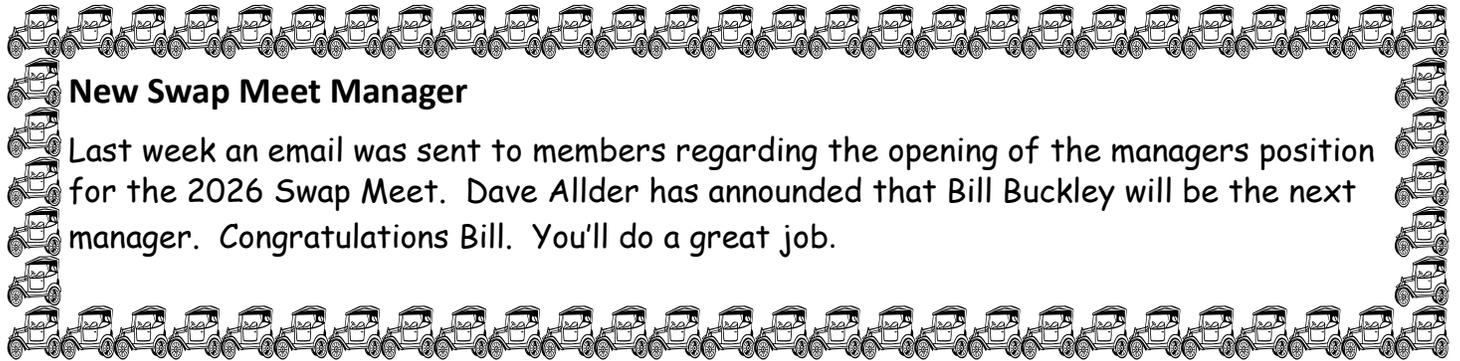
The Club was founded by a group of local Model "A" enthusiasts in 1959. The Club became a Chapter of the national organization "Model A Ford Club of America" (MAFCA) in 1960. It is the eleventh (11) oldest Model "A" Ford Chapter in the world out of over 250 Chapters.

The Model "A" Club is observing its 65th anniversary in 2025. An official Celebration was held at the Speedway Motors Museum of American Speed in June, with a wrap up celebration coming up at the 2025 Christmas Party, when Club founders and long-time current and past members will be recognized.

The Club has 44 family memberships, comprised of 73 individual members from Lincoln and surrounding communities, who own a wide variety of Model "A" cars and Model "AA" trucks. Each year the Club participates in many parades and makes numerous visits to retirement homes in the area as well.

The Model "A" was manufactured for only four (4) years, 1928 - 1931. Nearly five (5) million were produced worldwide from factories in thirty (30) countries, even though, the last two years were during the early years of the "great depression". It was Henry Ford's second great success following the phenomenal production and sale of fifteen million (15) Model "T"s" from 1908 - 1927.

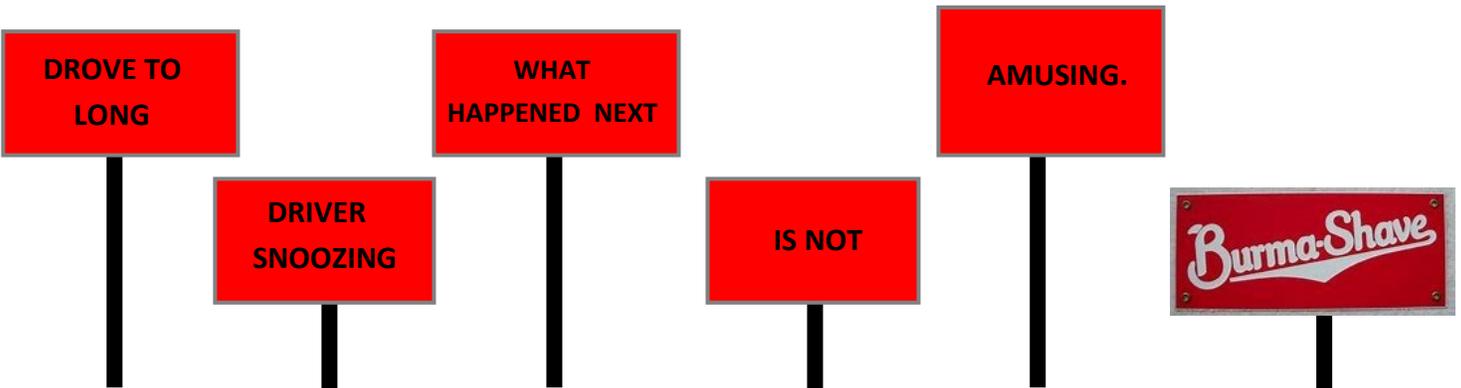
Gayle Hanshaw
Veterans Parade Group Leader
President - Cornhusker Model A Ford Club
(c) 402-570-8623



New Swap Meet Manager

Last week an email was sent to members regarding the opening of the managers position for the 2026 Swap Meet. Dave Allder has announced that Bill Buckley will be the next manager. Congratulations Bill. You'll do a great job.

Thank you to the following members who provided information and pictures for this newsletter: Sherry Whikinhofer, Gayle Hanshaw, and Bill Buckley



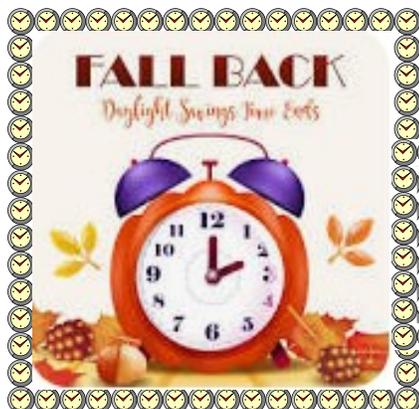


Tom & Becky Scheurman have been dealing with medical issues for the last several months. Tom has been diagnosed with a benign, slow growing Meningioma tumor at the base of his brain. They have decided to go to the Mayo Clinic for treatment and his surgery will be in early 2026.

The following is information received regarding Barb & Myron Smiths daughter-in-law, Laura Smith. "The past month has been quite the roller coaster. Laura Smith has been in the hospital for 21 of the past 30 days and is still currently at Bergen Mercy in Omaha. She was initially admitted for difficulty breathing due to the tumor in her neck compressing her trachea. A stent was placed to open her airway but she has continued to have issues breathing and has developed additional complications related to the tumor. If you're interested in more of the story, you can find that on our GoFundMe page. <https://gofund.me/04c79f04a>. We are also having a fundraiser dinner and silent auction for medical and related expenses next Sunday, November 2nd, at Faith Lutheran Church in York and would love to see you there."



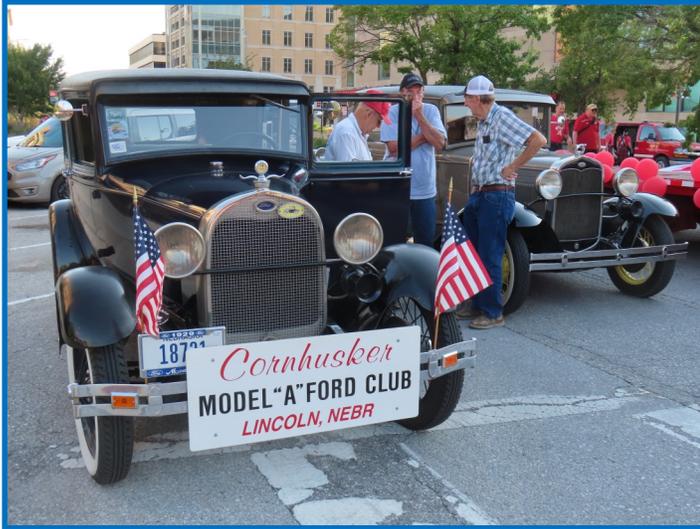
Dick & Jerry Waechter were married on November 6, 1965. We've been invited to help celebrate their 60th Anniversary with an open house on Nov. 8. It will be held at Christ Lincoln Church, 4625 Sumner Street, from 2-4:30 pm. They have requested no gifts. If unable to attend and would like to send a card, their address is 1150 Elba St., Lincoln, NE, 68501



WE GET AN EXTRA HOUR OF SLEEP AFTER OUR NOVEMBER MEETING ON THE 1ST. DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

UNL HOMECOMING PARADE - 2025

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October 3rd was another perfect evening for the UNL Homecoming Parade. This was the fifth year our Club has participated in the parade. Driving the parade route which ended at Memorial Stadium were Bill Buckley, Dick & Jerry Waechter, Jeff & Deb Thomas, Steve & Susan Pozehl, Bob & Scott Callaway, and Margaret Mays

SAVANNAH PINES



A fun evening was spent on Oct . 10 at Savannah Pines. There were games and delicious foods along with musical entertainment. Attending were Jeff Thomas, Bill Buckley, Gayle Hanshaw, Angie Heijl, Dick & Jerry Waechter and Margaret Mays.

NOVEMBER MAFFI Minute

(Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.)

- MAFFI Minute October 2025 Model A Days was a great experience for all who attended! There were a total of 1100 people who attended and were able to see the ribbon cutting of the new expansion to the museum, including the Garage Learning Center. 210 model A's took over the Gilmore in support of the event as well as a registered 80 swap vendors at the swap meet making this the largest swap meet to date!
- The ribbon cutting ceremony was led by John Begg, with former MAFFI President Stan Johnson, and Brad Minners (on behalf of former MAFFI President Howard Minners) cutting the ribbon.
- While we may be finished with the expansion, there are plenty of ways to still be involved with the museum for continued projects such as the "My A Program" as well as the memorial bricks as well.
- If you did not get a chance to get up to the museum or to see the expansion yet, you can still check out the expansion on maU'i.org under the "Cameras" section of the website.
- It was really cool to see our hobby come together to celebrate our beloved cars! I know the Gilmore is equally proud to be partnered with us.
- Happy motoring!
- John Grossheim
- MAFFE Trustee/Secretary



🍏 KIMMEL ORCHARD 🍏

Sept. 28th was a fun time at Kimmel Orchard, relaxing and shooting the breeze along with all the conversations with folks who stopped to look at and talk about the Model A's. Many had a Model A story of their own. Attending were: Sherry Wickinhofer & her nephew, Rethan Edwards, Gayle Hanshaw, Gary Horn, and Bruce Larson & his friend Cliff Cooper. Bruce is from Nebraska City and has joined our club at past displays at Arbor Lodge during Apple Jack Days. Member, Paul Stevenson had planned on showing his Model A, but on the way it conked out. He called his wife, Mary, and she came with the modern car and towed him back home.



Octoberfest at the Manske's



Attending the Octoberfest on October 18 were Glen & Margaret Manske, Dick & Jerry Waechter, Bill & Linda Buckley and Gayle & Nancy Hanshaw.

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CORNHUSKER MODEL A FORD CLUB

2025 Christmas Party Reservation

Our Christmas Party will be held at the Fourth Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 6, 2025. The meal will be a buffet, There will be a cost of \$10 each for Club family members and one guest. The cost is \$20 for additional guests. Please complete this form and return to Linda Buckley, 3300 Crown Point Road, Lincoln, NE 68506 by Monday, December 1. You may also send your Model A Club renewal and any cash donation to be added to the Club's Annual Charitable Donation.

- 5:30 Registration
- 6:00 Master of Ceremony Welcone
- 6:05 Self Serve Buffet
- 6:45 Master of Ceremony Program
- 7:00 Instillation of 2026 Board of Directors
- 7:30 Entertainment
- 7:45 Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long
- 8:30 Master of Ceremony Closing

In keeping with the tradition of the season of remembering those less fortunate than ourselves, we will be collecting gift cards again this year. Bring them to the Christmas party.

Party Attendees

(Members) _____ Amount _____

(Guests) _____ Amount _____

2026 Membership Renewal (\$24)

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