President’s Message

We have had such mild weather and now it is almost the first day of spring. It is time to get the Model A out of the garage and see how it will run. Weather permitting; we could start touring in April.

Sign up at the March meeting for the bowling party or call me at 332-3993 and I will add you to the list. You are welcome to bring your kids and grandkids, too. Work up an appetite for the Valentino’s Italian buffet after bowling.

Don’t forget to bring your tools & parts to add to the bag for the raffle. I have heard that the girls are planning their own raffle and I don’t want them to show us up.

The tech talk at the March meeting will be given by Howard Denker on "pop out and related locks". Howard is well known for his knowledge on this subject.

The board has toured a potential new meeting space. The membership can see the room at a Bunco Night and Dessert Buffet on March 18. It is located at the Douglas County Medical Center at 42nd & Woolworth Street, just north of Center St.

See you at the meeting,

Bob

President's wife's message,

After the board meeting, the girls decided that it would be fun to fill a basket with "girl stuff". Bring something to add. We will only sell 50 chances and that will give us $50.00 to donate to a women’s charity. Sounds like fun! (More info in the newsletter)

Mary

Mary’s Library Corner

There are lots of great books and videos available to be checked out – come and check us out.

For Library hours please call Mary 402-332-3993
## Editors Notes:

Please note these corrections that need to be made on the 2006 Club Roster:

- Roger Sebeniecher’s box number is 24.
- Bob & Mary McKinney’s phone number is 332-3993.

### Looking for:

Model A Shay - please call:  Mark Tighe  402-533-4991 or 402-238-2183

### Attention – Club members

According to our new by-laws updates, we will have new membership information sheets for every club member to fill out. We have attached a copy in this newsletter, and we ask that you bring it filled out to the March meeting or put in the mail to the club’s mailing address. All members need to fill these out.

Also if you have not paid your dues for 2006 or if you paid after the due date (December 1st) you need to add a $6.00 late fee to your payment.
In Memoriam – Don Graves Sr.

With great sadness we tell you of the passing of Don Graves Sr. a long time member of the Meadowlark Club. Don passed away on Saturday March 4, 2006. Our sympathy to Irma and their family. At the time of this writing, funeral arrangements are pending.

Tool bag raffle

Don’t forget to bring your items for the tool bag raffle – items that have already been donated are:

- Distributor body & cap nos – Delmar Bunch
- Temp cut out switch – Howard Denker
- Circuit tester – Larry Blecha
- Hand Cleaner- Elaine Blecha
- Electrical tape & utility knife – Rodney Lorence
- Wrench – Ed Jankowski

Ladies raffle

Not to be out done by the guys, at the last board meeting the ladies decided that we should have a girl stuff raffle. Items needed are anything female – soaps and smelly stuff to crafts would be great. The thought is that we would have about 50 squares and the proceeds would be donated to a women’s charity.

Suggestions for charities will be taken at the regular meetings.

The board had toured a potential new meeting space. It is located at 4102 Woolworth Ave. It is in the Douglas County Health Center, in the Town Hall. We will be having a Bunco party there for all of our members to have a look at it.

The Bunco party will be held on March 18th from 7 to 10:00pm.

Please bring your favorite dessert to share with the gang afterwards.
March 12th - ENWICC Swap Meet in Lincoln – Those who have signed up to help work are: David Beckman, Howard Denker, Charlie Earnest, Lee Hendrix, Mike Kauss, John Mabry, Don Noodell. **Meet at 1pm SHARP and sign in at the Ag-Hall.**

March 14th – At our regular club meeting, while the ladies are having their time together, Jan Hartenhoff is going to have a tech talk for us. **Ladies need to bring a small jar.**

**Don’t forget your cans of food for the Food Bank.**

March 19th – Bowling party: Mockingbird Lanes 4870 So. 96th St. from 1-3:00pm
We will be going to Valentino’s on 108th afterwards.

April 23rd – **Theater:** Mary Mallore Kountze Memorial Theater at Mahoney State Park
“Don’t Dress for Dinner PG13
Sunday, April 23rd 2:00PM
This comedic farce has been a smash hit all over the world.

**Buffet:** Sunday 11:00am to 6:00pm
**Dinner/Theater Package:** Rates: $16.00 for adults $10.00 for children (12 and under)
Rates for show only: $8.00 for adults $6.00 for children (12 and under)
We will have a sign up sheet at the meeting – but it will be first come first serve.
**(Reservations are nonrefundable)**

May 5, 6, 7th – Lawrence, Kansas Swap meet. (See flyer at regular meeting)

June 10th – Our 20th Annual Ford Show in conjunction with the Benson Summer Festival.
Located downtown Benson, 60th to 62nd & Maple - Omaha, Nebraska.

June 18 – 24th
Registration is now open for the regional in Oklahoma City. The web address is [www.SoonerModelA.com](http://www.SoonerModelA.com). If there is anybody that does not have internet access, let us know and we will print you a copy of the registration.

**September 23rd** – “Classics at the Crossing” Car show hosted by the Meadowlark Club. Open to all cars and trucks. Located at Nebraska Crossing, Exit 432 off I-80.
On February 18th our club toured RoJam Machine at 8520 G Street in Omaha. It is amazing how you can put new life into an engine block if you have the right machines. We are talking heavy-duty expensive high tech equipment here folks. From automatic cylinder boring and hone operation, valve guide and seater operation, head and block grinding and resurfacing to regrinding a crankshaft and the use of magnaflux to find cracks in crankshafts, we got to see it all. Ladies, how would you like to clean the dinner dishes by putting them in an oven that heats up to 1500º? Not recommended for your good china or Tupperware. How do you clean an engine block up with all the grease, oil and sludge in it? Put it in the oven and literally bake it off. Of course there are the finishing touches that really complete the job. If the engine in your car or truck goes Putt-Putt when it used to go Varoom-Varoom, maybe you need to go see the guys at RoJam. That is after you have pulled it out of the vehicle and disassembled it. Something your favorite “Shade tree” mechanic can do – Ha,Ha.

Thanks to Larry Blecha, Delmar Bunch, Lloyd Burke, Howard Denker, El Gertner, Don Graves, Mike Kauss, Bud Wells, John Mabry, Rich Molden, Don Noodell, Roger Olsen and Gary Rohrberg for their attendance. Thanks to Larry Blecha for setting up the tour and Thanks to Kurt, Drew and Howard at RoJam for having us.
Era Fashions

Montgomery Ward & Co. 1929
This is the official publication of the Meadowlark Chapter of the Model A Restorers Club (MARC) and the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA). This monthly newsletter is mailed to members, prospective members, and editors of similar publications. Its purpose is to keep you informed about what has taken place and to remind you of future activities.

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MONTHLY MEETINGS: Second Saturday of each month (except January) at 7:30PM at the Faith Westwood Church – enter on west side & go down hall to the right.

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2006 Officers

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Membership dues for the Meadowlark Club are $24.00 per year prorated monthly for new members. Membership in one of the national clubs is required. You may join both national clubs if you wish. MAFCA dues are $30.00 per year and MARC dues are $35.00 per year.

Prospective Members: Please call Membership Chairman, Don Graves, (402-453-7166) for more information.