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BEAVER CHAPTER MODEL A FORD CLUB

Portland, Oregon

The Beaver Chapter is a non-profit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile. Membership is open to all people with a sincere interest. Members will be asked to volunteer a minimum of three hours annually to fill the club duty roster at the Portland Swap Meet.

Beaver Chapter Membership commences on January 1st, or the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$10 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse/partner. Late renewals are charged \$5.00. Make a check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit signed membership application to Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send directly to the Membership Coordinator Jennie Ryan at 28104 NE 72nd Ave. Battleground WA 98604.Cedar Brook Event Center, 26450 SE Rugg Rd. Damascus. Deposit \$40 per person by 4/25. Call Brenda at 503-750-0178

Bylaws Article III, Section 2 states: "Membership in the national club (Model A Ford Club of America) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of Beaver Chapter." MAFCA dues are \$50.00. Make check out to Model A Ford Club of America and mail directly to 250 S. Cypress St. La Habra, CA 90631-5515.

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The Ahoooga News is the club newsletter. Articles and contributions are encouraged and will be used as space and time permits. Send directly to the Editor at: noe2912@comcastOR 97068. **The newsletter deadline** is the Sunday following the club meeting.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Spring has sprung and so far the weather hasn't been too bad. Perfect time to get those A's out and show them some sunshine. I'm pretty excited about the tours this year.

"Whew" another year of Swap Meet in the books. Planning for next year has begun. There are going to be some changes and they should be positive changes. One thing I ask of Beaver Chapter Model A Club is stay positive. That makes a huge difference. It is very difficult to fight rumors that are being spread. If you have ANY questions about Expo or the Swap Meet don't give any merit to lies or rumors. See Mike Worthington, Leonard Dutton or myself and we will tell you the truth. Thank you!

The cars for display was a big hit this year. I also want to thank Rayburn Mitchell for taking charge of



the Beaver Chapter Model A Club booth. It was the talk of E hall. Thanks you to everyone who spent time there to get our name out there.

Don't forget Dave Hawbecker is looking for Model A stories and even more. He wants photos to put in the newsletter. Don't be camera shy.

Hope everyone had a great Easter and enjoyed some special family time. Hope to see you all at the banquet. Brenda has a great time planned as always.

Respectfully yours,

Debbie Dutton

FIRST WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST May 7– 9:00 a.m.



Beavercreek Saloon 21950 S. Beavercreek Rd. Oregon City

MINUTES OF BEAVER CHAPTER CLUB MEETING -

April 16, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:29 pm by President Debbie Dutton and she led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no new members and there were no guests.

Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington The weather was too good and attendance was about 1,000 less than last year. Canadians stayed home and quite a few Californian venders did not make the trip. Mike interviewed 184 vendors and 223 buyers participating in the swap meet. This should give him a fairly accurate report of peoples' attitudes. His motivation for doing this was to find out from our vendors and customers on how to improve the meet. Aletia Worthy made a suggestion that we advertise the swap meet in our newsletter the three months before the meet. The Rose City Model T Club does and all they do is print the round swap meet logo and list the dates. It was also suggested that we give out flyers at earlier swap meets. Mike said that it is estimated that our revenue will be slightly lower this year.

Sunshine: Brenda Caseday. Gene Scott tripped on an extension cord and had a nasty fall at the swap meet, Cheryl Witkowski was ill at the swap meet and has since then been undergoing tests to determine what is wrong. Ben McConnnell had hip surgery. Marlynne Pugsley has had carpal tunnel surgery.

Banquet: Brenda Caseday, The banquet will be at the same place as last year, 26459 SE Rugg Road Damascus.

Tours: April tour will be on Sunday April 27th. After breakfast at the Monitor Volunteer Fire Department we will drive to the Monitor Millwork Company for a tour of a shop with antique woodworking machinery and they prepare millwork for historic structures. May tour will be on the 17th which is one week early.

Name tag drawing was lucky number 580 and won by Rayburn Mitchell.

Membership drawing: Won by Cody Watts. 50-50 Raffel; Tom Winterrowd won \$64.00.

Club Booth: Rayburn Mitchell reported the booth was a success, Gary Bartman's restored 1931 Station Wagen was very popular, so much so that Rayburn had to put yellow tape up to keep people out of the car. Club members and guests enjoyed place to sit and rest, there was water, doughnuts and cookies and it was a friendly spot. We signed up one new member.

New Business: May i8th will be a tour of an 1890 historic house. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm. Respectively submitted by David Adair Secretary

LEROY BENHAM FUNERAL

May 10 at 1:00 p.m.
West Chehalem Friends Church
Newberg, OR

MINUTES OF BEAVER CHAPTER BOARD MEETING -

April 16, 2025

President Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. pm Board members present; Mike Worthington, Dave Caseday, Leonard Dutton, Ron Baird, Kent Uhl, and David Adair. Guest was Jeanie Adair.

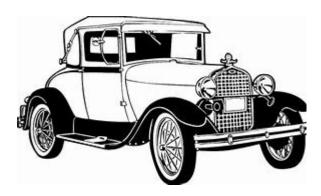
Minutes of the March Board Meeting were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Worthington reported that he has staggered maturity dates for our certificate of deposit. Income from the swap meet are estimated to be slightly lower than last year.

Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington gave an excellent report about the swap meet. He interviewed 184 vendors and 223 buyers and felt this should give a fairly accurate statical view of the swap meet His big question was to ask what could we do to improve the meet.

There were no other significant reports. Meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.

Respectively submitted by David Adair Secretary.



MAY TOUR

Saturday, May 17th

Meet: Berry Hill Shopping area at Beavercreek Road and Hwy 213 (behind the now closed Shari's Restaurant)

Time: 9:00 a.m. for 9:30 departure

Destination: Adleman's Peony Farm, Brooks, Oregon

Distance to drive one way is 47 miles plus an additional ten miles to our lunch stop

DID YOU KNOW

Early in his career, Henry Ford, in granting a subcontract for engine parts, specified that these parts were to be delivered in wooden boxes of a certain size, held together by screws, not nails. He even indicated the exact size and location of the screws. In order to receive his lucrative order, the subcontractors willingly accepted the conditions, although privately they agreed that "This guy Ford is slightly batty." Many of his own employees felt that the 'Old Man" was being unnecessarily dogmatic about the shipping cases too. But they chalked it up to erratic genius. Came delivery day and ...Revelation!! Henry Ford's "whimsy" had been the work of genius all right, but hardly erratic. The sides of those precisely measured wooden boxes were exactly the size of the floorboards of Henry's Fords. With each screw hole correctly spaced and drilled, the boards were ready to be slipped into place. From Pedal Pushers, August 1973 via the Ahooogha News, April 1986.



FOR SALE: Numerous Model T and Early V8 Ford Parts. Ed Schroeder (503) 655-4311

FOR SALE: Model B Head and Water Pump. Tom Irwin (503) 538-5227

WANTED: Restorer: May/June 2016. Rayburn Mitchell (503) 668-0872



Above are pictures as a follow-up to last month's article by Lynn Sondenaa on restoring a 1931 Roadster Pickup. He is in the process of restoring this car from the ground up. As you can see he has refinished the bed wood and bed strips. The radiator shell has been polished by Lynn and the inserts painted with new lacing. He spent a lot of time making new wood for the top bows which was tricky due to the curves at the end of them., but he says "I was not about to pay \$850 for 3 pieces of wood." When the weather warms up to 65 degrees the painting will start and maybe then he will have it completed.

Beaver Chapter Club Booth at the Portland Swap Meet

Rayburn Mitchell did a fantastic job organizing the club booth, setting it up, got volunteers to man the booth and arranged for lots of snacks and water. There were always lots of people hanging out.

2025 SWAP MEET WRAP UP

Leonard and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to this year's Swap Meet. Fifty-nine years ago, six local car clubs worked together to hold a Swap Meet. Remarkably, today those same clubs continue to work together to put on the Portland Antique Auto Swap Meet. This event is only possible because of the volunteer efforts of the club membership. There are about 500 volunteer duty assignments required to support this effort, with each club filling about forty-four duty slots. The remaining 250 duty slots are filled by the swap meet committee members. The Swap Meet is an LLC owned by the six founding car clubs, and its continued existence is only possible with your support.

The Swap Meet committee is in the process of completing year end details. Financial results for this year's Swap Meet are not yet known as several account items are not yet settled. These include ticket revenue from EXPO, and bus and traffic control reimbursement from PIR. As you know, for a variety of reasons, things are costing much more again this year. The Swap Meet is not exempt from this relentless cost growth. Several potential changes are being evaluated for the 2026 Swap Meet. This effort has just begun, and nothing is final. Progress and the status of this refactoring process will be presented at each of our monthly meetings.

The Swap Meet Committee has informed us not to expect the same club distribute as last year. The Swap Meet's fiscal year ends 30 June. Once all bills are paid, and the taxes are completed this fall, we will have a solid understanding of the fiscal results for this year' event. Meanwhile, the Swap Meet board will work on cost control measures as we go forward with refactor planning for the 2026 event.

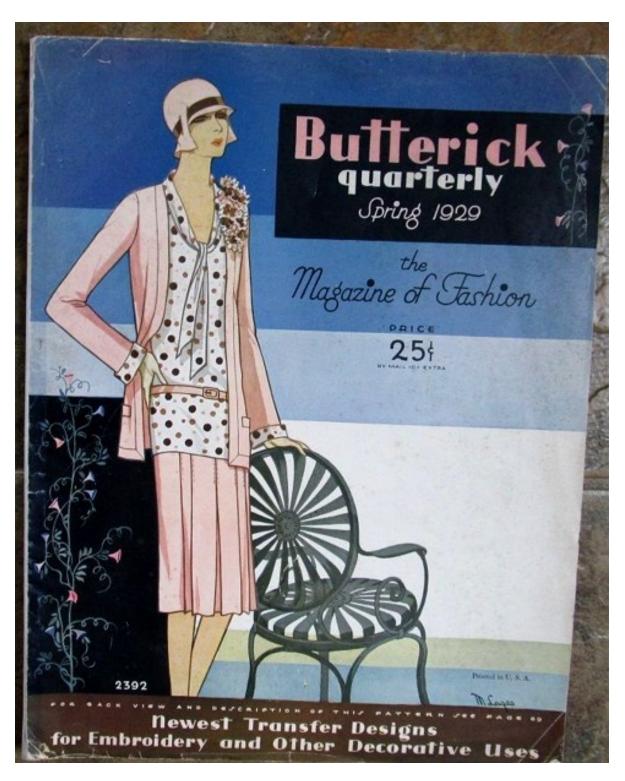
Again, we would like to thank those who contributed to this year's successful event. If you missed out this year, mark your calendars for the second weekend in April. As always, if you have any concerns, comments, or questions about the Swap Meet, or the Swap Meet committee, please contact Leonard or me and we will do our best to get you an answer.

Thanks for reading this,

Mike Worthington







Yes, Butterick patterns have been around for lots of years. In 1866 they began manufacturing patterns for women's fashions.

They began publishing the fashion magazine The Delineator in 1873 to publicize their patterns! Shown here is a lovely pink ensemble for 1929 Spring. The polka dots are various sizes and the fabric repeats on the jacket cuffs. A large arrangement of artificial flowers on the models left shoulder was a common accessory. Of course the hat is the perfect color to complete the outfit.

~ Jeanie Adair

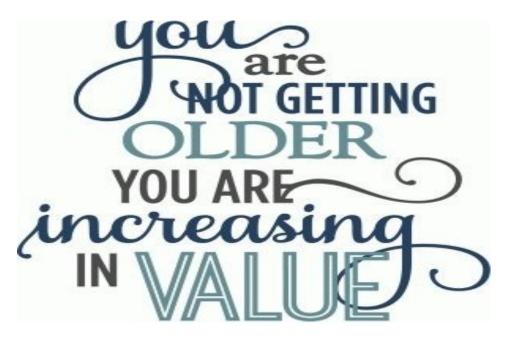
LOCAL TOUR



April 13th was going to be a sunny day, time to gather the troops for a little local excursion. I think most of you know that Tom Atiyeh had a serious accident a few months ago. Although he is doing better and taking lots of walks, it has been a long healing process, with a few more months to go. Not sure when he will get that beautiful van back on the road. We thought it would be good to make a little stop and visit Tom & Leslie and hopefully bring a little cheer into his rehab. We spent about a half hour with them.

Then it was onto the historic Butteville store for lunch. It was a beautiful day, so we were able to sit out in the courtyard to enjoy the sunshine while eating our lunch. If any of you are ever looking for a nice little drive for lunch, I really recommend a stop here. There is so much Oregon history connected to this little store. And the food is pretty good too. Those attending are Chris & Tom Irwin, Gary Bartman, Bobbie & Bruce Barnett, Bruce Ernst and friend Tom (yes, another Tom) and Dave Smith.





MAY BIRTHDAYS

Julie Peters 3rd Bruce Barnett 4th Tom Irwin 6th Ted Downs 7th Doug Inglis 10th
Una McLaughlin 11th Kirk Matteer 12th Brenda Caseday 16th Ben McConnell 17th
Anita Uhl 19th Candee Swenson 20th Leonard Dutton 20th Richard Starkweather 21st
Art Pugsley 22nd Ingeborg Dexter 27th Gail Saldana 28th Chris Irwin 29th Robert Flake 30th



GUARANTEED TO MAKE YOU SMILE

Why Do We Love Children

<u>Nudity-</u> I was driving with my three young children one warm summer evening when a woman in the convertible ahead of us stood up and waved. She was stark naked! As I was reeling from the shock, I heard my 5-year-old shout from the back seat. "Mom, that lady isn't wearing a seat belt."

<u>Opinions</u> - On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."

<u>Ketchup</u>— A woman was trying hard to get the ketchup out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone. "Mommy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle."