

# The Ahoooga News

**September 2022**



Just a photo off the internet... A nice photo of your car could be here!

The official newsletter of Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club of America, Portland Oregon  
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**Still celebrating our 60th year as a Model A Club!**

## 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 of the Portland Swap Meet.

**Beaver Chapter Membership** commences on January 1<sup>st</sup> or the date paid and expires on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Dues are \$10 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse/partner. Late renewals are charged \$5.00. Make check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit signed membership application to the Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send directly to the Membership Coordinator Jennie Ryan at 2415 NE 110<sup>th</sup> Ave. Vancouver, WA 98684.

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, mail directly to 250 S. Cypress St, La Habra, CA 90631-5515.

### CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2022

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### CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2022

NW Regional Group Reps: David Adair and Tom Winterrowd;  
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MAFCA Chapter News: Tom Irwin; Beaver Chapter Webmaster:  
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*The Ahooga 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: [jadadaja@msn.com](mailto:jadadaja@msn.com) or mail to 895 Hazelwood Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045. **The newsletter deadline** is the Sunday following the club meeting.

### Fall Tours - Save These Dates

Saturday, September 10th, WAAAM Tour, Meet 7:30am Oregon City Shopping Center, Leave 8:00am. Tour up Columbia Gorge to WAAAM in Hood River Fly-In Day with 300 Airplanes/Museum Vehicles Running. Bring Lunch or Purchase at Museum. Return via LoLo Pass. Kirk Metteer - Tour Leader

Saturday, October 22th, Poker Run Surprise Tour with stops to draw the perfect hand. Probability, Luck and Poker Skills...  
Leader: Full House Mike and Penny Haight

Saturday, November 19th Famous Garage Tour, always an adventure and always educational. Leader: David Adair



### September Birthdays:

James Bliss	4 <sup>th</sup>
Charles Newcomer	7 <sup>th</sup>
Darlene Dilbeck	12 <sup>th</sup>
Jack Dusenberry	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Ken Proffitt	24 <sup>th</sup>
Rich Simpson	28 <sup>th</sup>
Ron Forehand	30 <sup>th</sup>

### REFRESHMENTS FOR THE MEETINGS

**September:** Chris Irwin & Pam McClafin

**October:** Jennie & Tom Ryan

**November: It's Pie Night!** Everyone bring a pie to share.

The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity.  
The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty. ~Winston Churchill

## PRESIDENTS COLUMN

WOW! I can't believe how fast this year has gone by! It is already September and I feel like I am finally ready to start enjoying summertime. This summer has been crazy for us. Had a wedding at our house. Turned out beautiful after all the concerns, as many of you heard from me, I am sorry.

I am also a member of the Mt. Hood Region Cadillac club and we put on a car show on Aug 20th. Good turnout. Now aside from a couple of canning duties I am ready to start relaxing. Oops now onto Swap Meet meetings...



Starting up in September and the Past Presidents tour, I am so excited about the turnout for the tour this year. Last time I checked there is 44 people signed up. Lynn Sondenaa is doing a great job and has a very interesting tour planned for all. Hope that if there is any way for you to participate that you do.

Now Swap Meet, we start meeting in September to start planning for the 2023 meet. We are facing some challenges and some fresh new eyes and contributions would definitely be welcome, If you have any questions, please feel free to see Mike Worthington or myself for meeting time and place. Thank you!

I have been doing a lot of thinking lately about how we can improve a couple of processes on how we do things in the club.

TOURS- Tom has had a couple of challenges filling certain months with a tour. It seems to always be the same small group of people that step up to the plate. Wouldn't it be great if we could get more of the new members involved in some way?

By the way, this has been a record-breaking year for new members. I am very proud of that. I had an idea to try to include new members in our tour planning process.

In November we are going to switch some things up. Instead of having a regular seminar, I would like to have a tour planning meeting. I would like everyone to take these next 2 months and think about a tour you would like to go on. No pressure to lead that tour but it would be great for your help. Let them see that they didn't make a mistake by joining our club. Many of our members belong to multiple clubs, would love to hear about some of the tours they have done with their other clubs.

I love this club and I am not going to watch this club go stagnant if I can help it. Not on my watch!

Thank you for letting me ramble.  
See you at the next meeting!  
Respectfully, Debbie Dutton

### ADD THESE NEW MEMBERS TO YOUR ROSTER:

Gordon & Judi Pietrzkowski  
25508 NE 154th Ave. Battle Ground WA 98602  
360-687-906 cell 360-600-6364  
cautro255@hotmail.com 1929 AA

Add Alyce Wagner to Bill Griffith in your roster (he is already a member). **Welcome to Beaver Chapter!**



Art Pusgley was getting acquainted with new member Gordon Pietrzkowski at the August Beaver Chapter meeting.

Sometimes, you need to step outside, get some fresh air, and remind yourself of who you are and who you want to be.

# Tech Tips

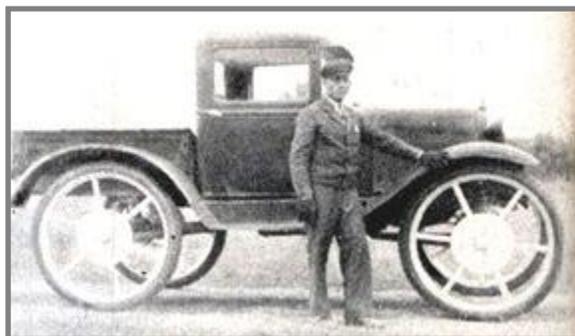


## "A" Engine Pans

By Bill Lee, *Colonial "A" News*, Aug 2004

Do not remove the engine pans from your Model "A" Ford. They are an important part of the cooling system for your engine. They route the flow of the air thru the radiator across the engine and exhaust manifold out thru the louvers of the hood sides. When the engine pans are removed from the Model "A", the air comes up from under the engine creating a high pressure area inside the engine compartment. This high pressure area is turbulent air and does not let the outside air flow smoothly thru the radiator across the engine out thru the louvers in order to cool the hot water generated from operation of the engine. When the engine pans are installed, the cooler outside air not only flows thru the radiator to cool the hot engine but cooler air is directed under the Model "A" and also cools the transmission and the differential. Engine pans are difficult to remove and replace when you work on the engine. It was an early practice for Ford mechanics and backyard mechanics to leave the engine pans off the car. If your engine is overheating, it may not be the radiator or water pump; it may be that you do not have engine pans installed on the car. Another benefit of the engine pans is that they provide an additional electrical ground between the engine and the chassis; therefore assists in the faster starting of your engine.

- Colonial A's



### "Stiltmobil" Aids Mailmen

Designed for use by rural mail carriers who must travel over roads which are frequently covered with heavy mud and snow, a new "Stiltmobile" is equipped with greatly enlarged wheels, elevated fenders and a specially designed body.

The odd looking machine is said to travel 20 to 30 miles on a gallon of gasoline. For ordinary transportation purposed, the large wheels and elevated fenders can be removed and replace with conventional types.

Only in America do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering.



## AFTERNOON FASHIONS TELL THEIR STORY IN PRINT

Here are two versions of 1931 Model A "afternoon" attire for Summer.

The green dress has a cowl neckline, long sleeves, simple self fabric tie belt and common seaming at the hipline.

But notice the very long length - this would be worn to a late afternoon function or early evening dinner. Notice the very large brim hat - how could you not! She has shoes and a clutch purse to complete her accessories.

The brown print dress is also long sleeved and has interesting front pleated detail. But the focal point is the contrasting white trim used as a collar that ends with a pleated section on each end.

Brown buttons repeat the dress color on the deep cuffs. The brown hat matches perfectly!

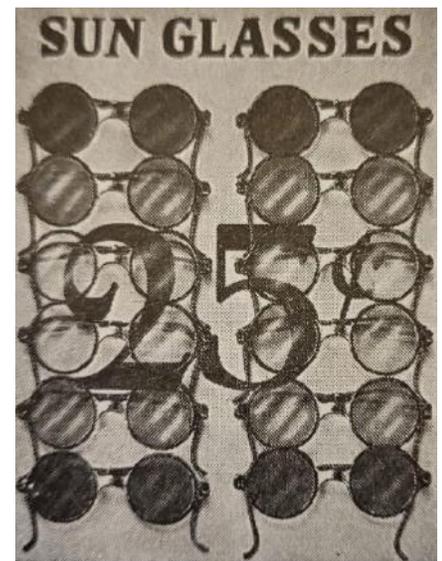
These are from a McCall's 1931 Summer edition, patterns 6495 and 6475.

~ Jeanie Adair



On the Model A Era Fashions - MAFCA, Sherry Winkinhofer posted this A. C. Becken 1931 ad for Sun Glasses. The lenses came in assorted color: amber, smoked, fieuzel and amethyst. They had round lenses and dark shell frames and sold for \$3.96 for a set of twelve! They had an easel back card for displaying them.

The one who follows the crowd  
will usually get no further than the crowd.  
The one who walks alone, is likely to find  
himself in places no one has ever been.  
Albert Einstein



Tom and Leslie Atiyeh's 1931 Panel Delivery was awarded **Best in Show** out of 168 vehicles at the 2022 50th All Ford Picnic and Car Show hosted in the historic Champoeg State Park August 14<sup>th</sup>. New Beaver Chapter member Gary Bartman who also attended the event claims his vote put the Atiyeh's over the top. Thanks Gary.



After a two-year hiatus, the event resumed by the Mid-Willamette Valley non-profit chapter of the national Early Ford V8 Club of America, a society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Ford Motor Company vehicles from the model years 1932 to 1953, with emphasis on the Ford flathead V8 engine.

Some Atiyeh Bros.' customers at the event quipped they want their next rug delivered in this truck. (Photo: Jerry Ferguson)



**SUMMERTIME  
IS PERFECT  
MODEL A  
TOURING  
TIME IN THE  
NORTHWEST**

On our 9 day adventure in August, we were diverted from Canada because of Covid restrictions. So we traveled from Kettle Falls to Republic over several summits including Sherman Pass at 5575 ft. It is the highest year around pass in Washington.

We were on our own for 4 days, great adventure.

Hwy 20 is the last Scenic Highway that we had not traveled on in Washington.

~ Tom Irwin





August's Beaver Chapter Parking Lot Swap Meet was a hot one! But still there was lots of sales being made...

Dale Witkowski below is staying cool with a Coke...

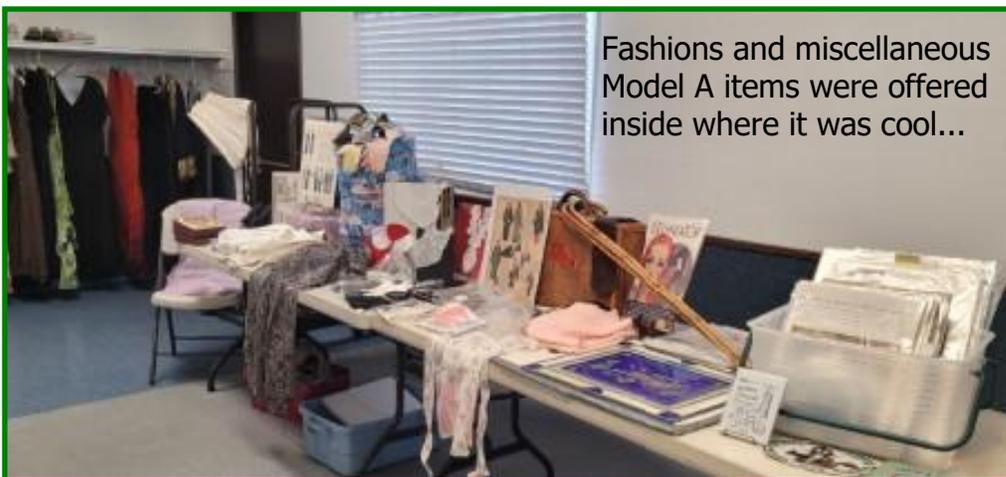
And there was also ice cream bars for refreshments that were a great hit!



Cody Watts had his grandkids in tow for the evening...



Leonard Dutton spied "Henrietta" a "Beaver" mascot and just couldn't go home without her! Her new home will be in the backseat of Dutton's Phaeton where she will ride along with "Bob" their other Beaver mascot!



Fashions and miscellaneous Model A items were offered inside where it was cool...

## Beaver Chapter General Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2022

**Call to Order:** President Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. There were 52 members present. Tom Ryan led the flag salute. Debbie welcomed the members and asked if there were any guest present. Pam and Terry had their friends, Bill and Ella with them for the evening. Cody Watts had future Model A drivers grandchildren, Flin and Elaina with him. Roger accompanied Dailey Holman to the meeting. Gordon Pietrzykowski from Battleground, Washington stayed long enough to join the club. He has a 29 Coupe and an AA Truck.

**Minutes Approval:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as they were printed in the Ahooga Newsletter. The motion was voted on and passed.

**President Debbie Dutton** reminded the membership that it was time to consider who should be the 2023 club officers. The following positions need members to fill them: Editor, Vice President and Swap Meet Representative.

**Treasurers Report:** Mike Worthington stated that all the bills are paid and he is prepared to cover the expenses for the Past Presidents Tour.

**Swap Meet Report:** Mike Worthington reported that the Swap Meet Committee will resume their monthly meeting in September.

**Tour Plans:** Lynn Sondenaa shared the route for the Past Presidents Tour. He emphasized that it is the members' responsibility to make motel reservations. David Adair gave the details for the August 20<sup>th</sup> tour to Swan Island Dahlias. Tom Winterrowd shared the plan for the September Tour to the WWAM Museum. Tom awarded Gary Dexter the Tour Kit for winning the drawing for driving a model A to the club meeting. The first Wednesday breakfast will be held at the Colton Café on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunshine:** Brenda Cassidy shared with the membership that J Wyllie had a hip replacement. She also passed around signup sheets for helping with the Christmas Potluck and what dish you would bring. The Club will supply the turkey and ham.

**Membership Report:** Jennie Ryan reported that Alyce Wagner and Gordon and Judy Pietrzykowski had joined the club in the last month. Bill Griffith won the membership drawing.

**Editor's Report:** Jeanie Adair reminded the members to get things to her by the 21<sup>st</sup> of August if they wanted them to be in the September Ahooga Newsletter.

**50/50 drawing:** Lori Symanek was the winner.

**Gots and Wants:** David Adair shared that he finds Paul Shinn's UTube videos on Model A's very helpful. Art Pugsley reminded the membership to always have their tool kits with them wherever they go with their Model A. Tom Winterrowd shared that it is a good idea to clean your starter connections regularly.

**Leads:** There were lots of good leads shared.

**Thank You:** Thank you to Ted Downs for providing the drinks and thank you to Leonard and Debbie Dutton for the ice cream.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

**FOR SALE:** Small 1930's single wheel trailer. Built by Sears. Works behind a Model A. We used it for our trip to Calgary in 1993! Comes with a cove, extra tire and adapters for straight bumpers. Looking to get \$800, make an offer! Contact Steve Ollison at 503.504.9287. Steve & Polly are former Beaver Chapter members and his parents were Dave & Donna Ollison.





A cool, overcast day for the Dahlia Tour was a welcome relief after all the hot summer days! David Adair, Tour Leader, planned the short tour to the Canby Swan Island Dahlia Farm.

Tom Winterrowd did the honors of christening three new cars into the club. It was the first tour for the Humble's 1928 Roadster, Daily Holman's 1930 Coupe and Adair's late 1931 Pickup.



There were twelve Model A's driven: Adair's, Down's, Fuller/Worthington, Gumbos, Haight's, Holman, Humble's, Jackman's, McFindley's, Sondenaa's, Worthington's, Winterrowd and in Modern Iron was Pugsley's.

After walking the garden paths and picking out our favorite dahlias, we motored to the Back Stop in Canby for lunch.





What a good looking group of people!  
They look like they're having a good time!!





Lunch at the Backstop...

The Pugsley's had their son Clayton and daughter-in-law Camie on the tour. She took about half the photos in this article.

Isn't this a nice picture of Michael & Gail Gombos with their 1929 Coupe!



Thanks Camie!



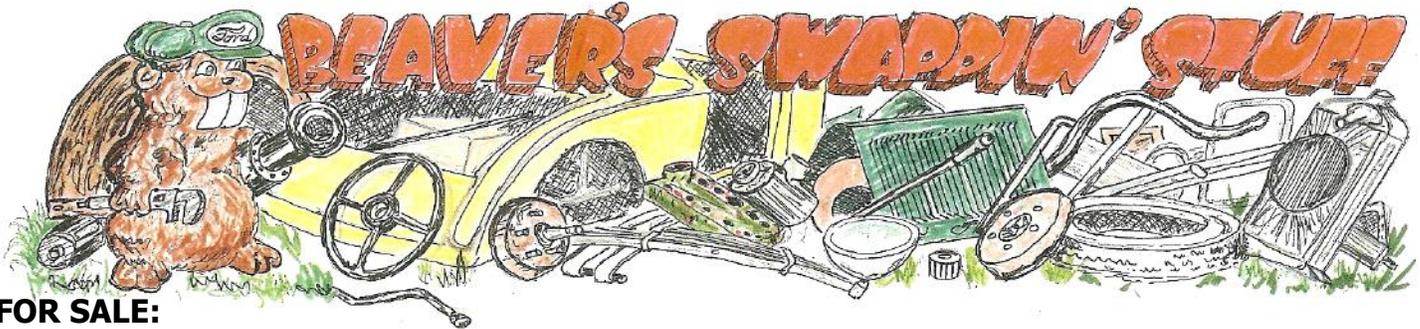
## CALANDAR OF EVENTS

**1st Wednesday Breakfast**, September 7th, 9AM. Location is the Colton Café 21038 S Hwy 211, Colton, OR 97017.

**September Tour** - Saturday, Sept. 10th to WAAAM in Hood River; Leave Oregon City Shopping Center at 8AM; Tour up the Columbia

Gorge; Fly-In Day with 300 airplanes; museum vehicles running; Bring lunch or purchase at the Museum. Return via Lolo Pass. Kirk Metteer, Tour Leader

**Past Presidents Tour** - September 23, 24 & 25th. You should have already made your reservations for the motel in The Dalles. Lynn Sondenaa is Tour Leader and has a jam packed weekend planned for us! You can contact Lynn if you have any questions: 503.781.9741.



### FOR SALE:

1929 Model A Ford Woodie Wagon FOR SALE, disassembled, new radiator & lots of parts, \$3,000 Beaver Chapter member Mac, in Newport, 541-264-8310

Matching 1931 Oregon license plates; unrestored, good condition, no cracks, no dents. \$175 Tom Atiyeh tom@atiyeh.com (503) 320-8582

New Model B connecting rods, std. set of 4, \$250. Camshaft good journals: 1. Model B, \$75 2. 1928 Journal Cam, \$50 3. Model A Cam, \$50 Model A reground crank, .008, .012, .009 \$100 Tom Irwin 503.538.5227 or irwintc@outlook.com



1931 Model A sport Coupe Quality Restoration, Firestone Tires, Luggage Rack, Rumble Seat, Fender Spare. Complete Car, not running and needs detailed sorting. See picture left. \$14,000. For Info contact: Tom Winterrowd tawinterrowd@gmail.com or 503-263-2696



1929 Model A Coupe for sale - right. Been in a barn since 1967. Engine does not turn, rust thru spot on right lower cowl, tires 60 years old, no mice, trunk, no rumble, body 90% straight, much better than average beginning project car. \$7000, willing to consider an offer. It's on a trailer so can be delivered. Gordon Pietrzykowski in Battle Ground. 360.687.2906 email cautrd255@hotmail

As Mr. Aging was browsing through an old newspaper, he read aloud to his wife a news item about men losing their memory cell faster than women do. "It must be true," she said. "That's the second time you've read it."