

# At The Hooga News

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This 1931 Pickup belongs to Tom and Chris Irwin.  
This was the Beaver Chapter Photo Contest winner for 2017.  
Have you been taking photos for this years contest?  
Remember there is a \$100 prize for the winner!

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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 of the Portland Swap Meet.

The Beaver Chapter memberships commence on January 1st or on the date paid and expires on December 31st. A \$5.00 late fee charged after January 1<sup>st</sup> for renewals.

New memberships received after July 1st are valid for the following year. Beaver Chapter dues are \$10.00 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse member.

**Make check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit membership application to the Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send them to:**

**Dale Fiedler, PO Box 428 Sandy, OR 97055.**

By-laws Article III, Section 2 states: "Membership in the national club (MAFCA) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of the Beaver Chapter."

MAFCA dues are \$50.00. Mail to: MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress Ave., La Habra, CA 90631.



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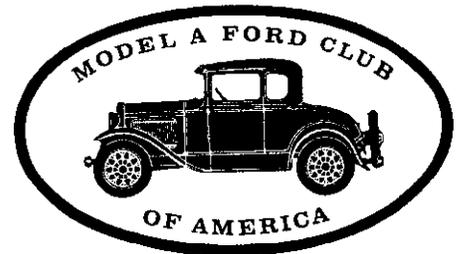
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Articles and contributions for the newsletter is encouraged and will be used as space and time permits. **The deadline is the weekend following the meeting unless announced otherwise.** Correspondence should be sent directly to the Editor: [jadadaja@msn.com](mailto:jadadaja@msn.com) or mailed to 895 Hazelwood Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045. Other newsletters may reprint article as long as credit is given to the author and *The Ahooga News*.

**Beaver Chapter Web Site:** <http://beaverchapter.shutterfly.com>

**REFRESHMENT HOSTS:** July - Nurry Scott; August - Barbara & Ron Whitworth; September - JoAnn & Andrew Jackman; **OCTOBER - NEEDS A VOLUNTEER;** November - Pie Night, everyone bring a pie to share.

**BEE A VOLUNTEER**





# PREZZZZZIDENTS COLUMN



July 14<sup>th</sup> we had a lovely trip to Silver Creek Falls for their annual "Historical Days." There was some concern about the current fire that was burning at Silver Falls Park but I was assured that it would not be affecting their celebration as it was on the other side of the park in a remote area. They always love having the vintage cars attend and it is a great way to enjoy the park as they waive the \$5.00 entry fee and also provide a nice lunch for us. They have an assortment of old crafts including various ways of logging in the past, with a display of one of the largest chain saw collections that you could ever hope to see. It is always fun to watch some of the young kids on each side of a long saw trying to saw through a big log. Also of interest was a flint napper full of information on how to make blades and knives from obsidian. He noted that there is no obsidian west of the Cascades and if you find some here it would have been brought over by the Indians in trade. Several spinners were showing off their skills in spinning wool into yarn. And of course there was some old time music if you just wanted to sit and enjoy the day.

We had seven Model A's and one modern car attend. We even recruited a new member to the Beaver Chapter, Tom Winterrowd, who was there with his 1929 AA stake bed truck. Quite a great looking truck. As the day wore on and we were getting ready to depart the park, David Adair had a wonderful idea of stopping at the Dairy Queen in Silverton for ice cream on the way home. We were all up for that one. And on the way home we carried on a tradition of stopping at a wheat field and singing "America the Beautiful" and there was even a tall flag pole at our stopping point.

If you haven't had a chance to attend one of our monthly tours, you should really consider taking part in some of them. I know we have certainly been on a lot of back roads that we have never traveled before and taken in many new destinations that we maybe never know existed. It is also a great time to get our cars on the road.

Chris Irwin, President

## Donations

Part of Beaver Chapter's budget is a line item for "Donations".

If you have a suggestion as to where these funds might go this year, please submit it to our Member-At-Large, Ted Downs before September 15th.

The Board will pick the top three choices and then the membership will vote for their choice of who will receive our donation for the year.

**Ladies:** If you have "fashionable related" items to sell you can bring them in the meeting room for others to buy during the August Parking Lot Swap Meet - It's cooler inside!

## GOOD HOUSEKEEPING TIPS

- When writing your name in the dust on the table, omit the date.
- Cobwebs artfully draped over lampshades reduce the glare from the bulb, thereby creating a romantic atmosphere.
- Thou shalt not weigh more than thy refrigerator.
- My idea of housework is to sweep the room with a glance.
- If guys were suppose to hang clothes up, door knobs would be bigger.

# It Stalls at a Stop by Tom Endy

This is a common complaint often heard from Model A owners. My experience has been that it has to do with the Zenith carburetor. On most forums numerous theories are offered; many of them contradictory.

Every once in a while I encounter a Zenith that defies being fixed so that it does not stall at a stop. It can be very frustrating. However, I think I may have hit upon the problem.

I recall attending a Zenith seminar years ago at a MAFCA meet conducted by Herman Reise, who was an old fellow since passed away, that knew quite a bit about Zenith carburetor restoration. He made a statement that stuck in my mind. He said that “there hasn’t been a decent throttle plate produced in 50 years”. Unfortunately he did not elaborate.

Occasionally I find a throttle plate where someone has filed a groove in it right where it approaches the hole in the throat of the carburetor for the idle circuit. I have never figured out why this is done. I think that doing this would upset the flow of the proper amount of air to the idle circuit.

Snyder’s Model A catalog has an interesting statement concerning the reproduction throttle plate they offer. “Made of brass as original with correct angles on the edges. USA”.

Recently I was rebuilding two Zeniths that road tested perfectly until I came to a stop, then the engine stalled. Nothing I did to the Zeniths resolved the problem. The float level was set to different heights a number of times, the throttle shaft was replaced, the throttle bosses re-bushed, the float replaced. The float valve was replaced with a Viton tip. Flow tested jets installed. All the passage ways were open. It was then I began to think about the throttle plate itself.

If the throttle plate does not close on the idle circuit hole in the throat properly it could adversely affect the flow of air to the idle circuit and the transfer from run to idle would be disrupted.

Maybe old Herman was on to something. Maybe back in the J.C. Whitney days the Model A Kingdom was flooded with throttle plates with the angles not ground correctly, that has continued to the present day.

I ordered two throttle plates from Snyder and installed them in the two Zeniths that both stalled when coming to a stop. **Problem resolved!**

This was quite a revelation. It could be that there is a multitude of incorrectly ground throttle plates floating around, or it could be that some of the originals that have survived have become worn such that they do not close on the idle hole properly.

Whatever is the case, when rebuilding a Zenith I will be installing new throttle plates from Snyder. I suspect some of the other better suppliers, such as Bratton’s, are offering the same throttle plate.

However they don’t say so in their catalog.

**The small hole in the throat of the upper casting allows air to flow into the idle circuit when the throttle is closed. The throttle plate closes such that half of the hole just peeks above the closed throttle plate.**



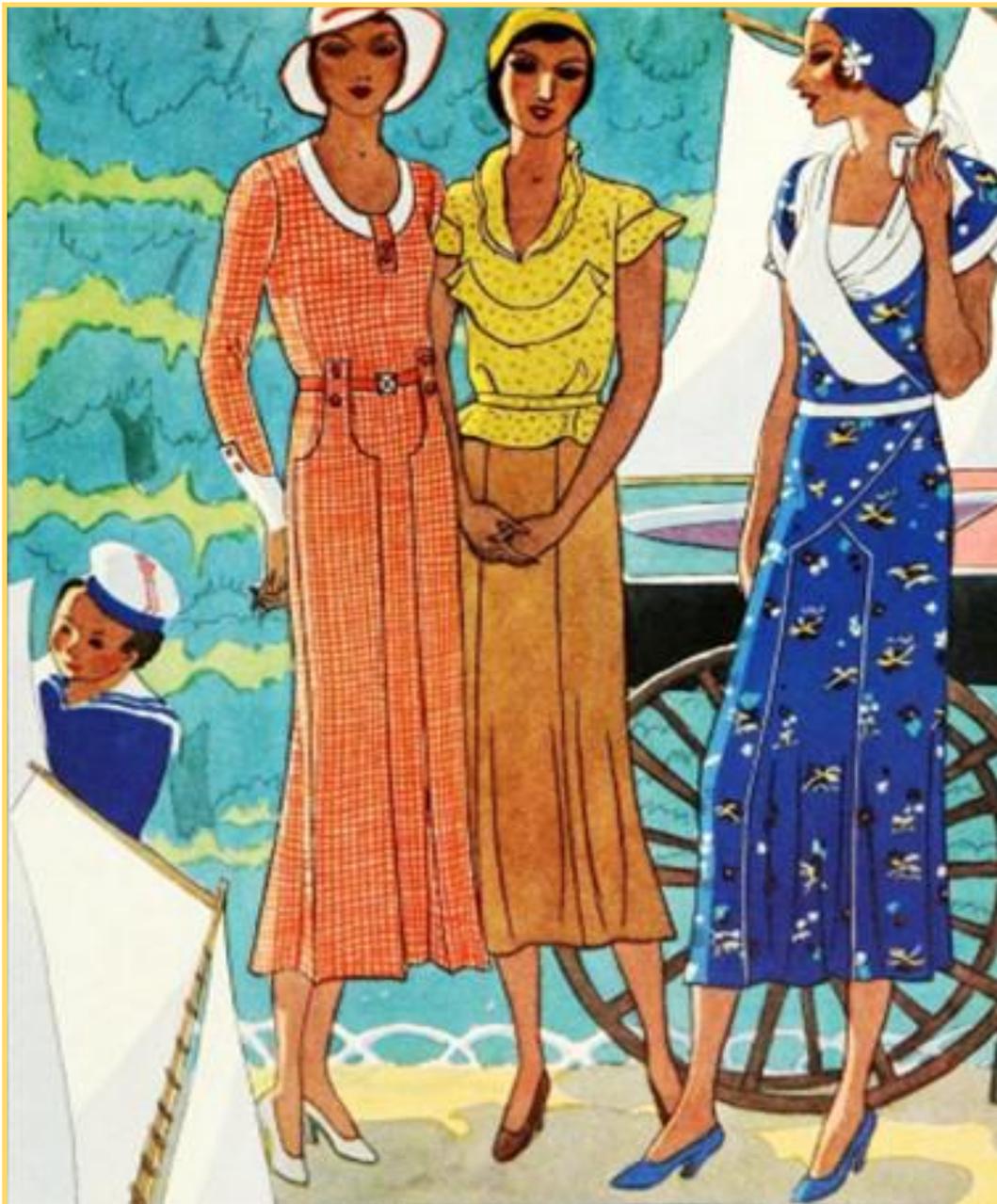
Little Johnny was sitting on a park bench munching on one candy bar after another. After the sixth one a man on the bench across from him said, “Son, you know eating all that candy isn’t good for you. It will give you acne, rot your teeth, and make you fat.”

Little Johnny replied, “My grandfather lived to be 107 years old.”

The man asked, “Did your grandfather eat six candy bars at a time?”

Little Johnny answered, “No, he minded his own business!”

When people say, “You’re going to regret that in the morning,”  
I sleep until noon because I’m a problem solver.



## Becoming Necklines Are the Order of the Day

This 1931 *McCall's* summer fashion page is a good illustration of how varied neckline on ladies dresses could be. The first one on the left is a simple scoop neck, trimmed in white, with a buttoned tab. The button and tab creatively repeats at the waistline and on the sleeve cuffs.

The second short sleeve dress features slight ruffles – on the sleeves, at the waist, on the front and at the neckline where it forms a collar.

The last dress in a bright blue print is finished off with white accents. The collar wraps around, ending long on one end that crosses the body. The V neck has an insert, again in white fabric; it also repeats on the short sleeves and the waistline.

~ Jeanie Adair



### Hymns for Her

One Sunday a pastor told the congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the offering plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.

After the offering plates were passed, the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed a \$1,000 bill in the offering. He was so excited that he immediately shared his joy with his congregation and said he'd like to personally thank the person who placed the money in the plate. A very quiet, elderly and saintly lady all the way in the back shyly raised her hand. The pastor asked her to come to the front. Slowly she made her way to the pastor. He told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanksgiving asked her to pick out three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three handsomest men in the building and said, "I'll take him, and him and him."



# Fourth of July

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The officers of Beaver Chapter put on their aprons to cook and serve the usual fare of pancakes, eggs, sausage and fresh fruit. Everyone must have gotten their fill as there was some leftovers!

According to the sign up sheet there were 66 members and guests that attended the pancake breakfast.

It was good to see some of the "older" members - Don and Ruby Knudsen were there, don't see them much, and



there was several "newer" Beaver Chapter members in attendance that we got to know a little bit better. It was a fun morning of visiting, and still gave us all time to enjoy the rest of the 4th's holiday activities.

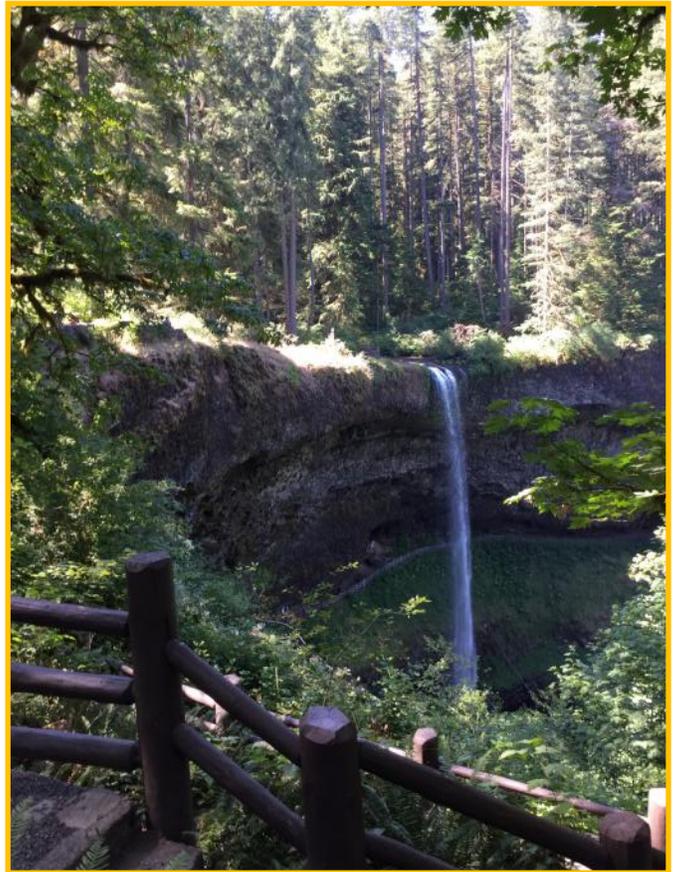


**SUMMER**  
 ice cream  
 sunshine  
 FLIP FLOPS  
 lemonade  
 BARE FEET  
 vacation  
**MEMORIES**

SWIMMING

The July 14th tour was led by Tom & Chris Irwin to Silver Creek Falls for their Historical Days event. It was a warm day, but much cooler in the shade as we sat and visited and partook of the various activities and displays. Despite the threat of a fire in the park it was not in the area we were in and we were not even affected by any smoke.

Those attending in Model A's were Tom & Chris Irwin, Bruce & Bobbie Barnette's, David & Jeanie Adair, Andrew & JoAnn Jackman, Mike & Helen Worthington, Chat Worthington & Jamie Fuller, Pam McClafin & Terry Findley, and in a modern car was Richard & Joyce Murk.



There were other vintage vehicles there also. This sharp looking 1929 Stake Bed Model A Truck was one of them, driven by Tom Winterrowd from Canby. In visiting with him we convinced him he should join Beaver Chapter, and he did, he came to the July meeting! See page 8 for his photo and info.



## Beaver Chapter Model A Board Meeting – July 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chris Irwin at 6:00PM. Present: Chris Irwin, Ron Forehand, Dale and Pat Fiedler, Jeanie Adair, Mike Popiel, Barbara Henderson, and Richard Starkweather. Guests: David Adair, Bill Henderson, Bonnie Starkweather and Mike Worthington.

PAST PRESIDENT'S TOUR: Richard reported that the tour is in order and ready to go.

TREASURER'S REPORT was given by Ron Forehand. He gave a Quarterly Budget Review. Our budget is on target. He added categories in "Revenue", "Raffle Income" and "Miscellaneous". Ron reported that we have a CD maturing in August which we will re-invest.

TOURS: Barbara reported that we have a tour on August 18<sup>th</sup> going on the Washington side of the gorge to the museum in Stevenson. Tour Leader: Mike Haight

NOTE: In 2019 the Bowling Event and Pancake Breakfast will not be included in the "Tours" budget line item. They will be a separate line item. The name of the account will be determined later.

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK: The VFW facility is no longer available for events. Chris Irwin re-instated our reservation at the Milwaukie Senior Center.

CHARITY DONATIONS: Please submit your nominations for our club donations to Ted Downs by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. The Board will review the charities and pick the top three. The membership will vote at the October General Meeting. When submitting your nomination, please keep in mind our club mission – preservation and restoration of antique cars.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: We had 66 members, 15 guests, and 8 model A's attend the Pancake Breakfast. With gratitude to Al and Marcella Schurman for letting us use their facility for our Pancake Breakfast on July 4<sup>th</sup>, we are sending a donation in their name to the NW Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum. This donation will be designated for the "Speedster Program"

AUGUST BOARD MEETING – The Board will meet at 5:00PM for the August Board Meeting.

AUGUST SWAP MEET – will be in the parking lot at 6:00PM before the General Meeting. Bill Henderson will sell some of the club's equipment at the Swap Meet.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55PM.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Fiedler, Secretary



Beaver Chapters newest member:  
Tom Winterrowd, 27635 South  
Oglesby Rd, Canby OR 97013  
Phone 503.263.2696  
Email [tawinterrowd@gmail.com](mailto:tawinterrowd@gmail.com)  
Tom has a 1929 AA Stake Bed Truck

### Mystery Model A Part

Submit your guess at the club meeting. The first correct guess drawn will win a gift card.

Remember, one guess per member.



### MARY HAS MOVED -

Mary Wohlgemuth has moved to an adult care residence and would like some company in the evenings. Her address is 10254 SE Saac Dr. Happy Valley. Her entrance is on Greiner St. between Mt. Scott Rd. & Saac Dr. Phone is 503.504.5990.

## Beaver Chapter Model A Club – General Meeting July 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM and the pledge of allegiance was led by Chris Irwin. The June minutes were approved.

Our new member, Tom Winterrowd, was introduced. He has a '29 Model AA Stake bed Truck. Chris introduced Joshua Butterwegge. He is promoting an event with a Great Gatsby theme. This will take place in Director Park in downtown Portland on Saturday, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-10:00PM. Joshua invited us to bring our Model A's. Our admission is free and the Model A's will be in a protected area. Please contact Chris Irwin for Joshua's contact information.

**NATIONAL CONVENTION:** David Adair shared some of the Reno Convention highlights.

The **NAME TAG DRAWING** was won by Lynn Sondenaa

**TOURS:** Barbara Henderson thanked everyone who has participated in the tours. She asked that if you signed up for a tour and are not able to attend, please advise the tour leader. Mike Haight is leading the August 18<sup>th</sup> tour which will take us on the Washington side of the Columbia Gorge. We will be leaving the Oregon City Shopping Center at 8:30AM. Please refer to the Newsletter for the September tours.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** was given by Ron Forehand.

**CHRISTMAS POTLUCK:** VFW closed their facility for events so now our Christmas Potluck will be scheduled again at the Milwaukie Senior Center.

**SUNSHINE:** Ted Downs had a knee replacement. Rayburn Mitchell's sister passed away.

**SWAP MEET:** Our Annual Parking Lot August Swap Meet will be in the parking lot at 6:00 before the General Meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP DRAWING** – There was no winner.

**LOST:** Andrew Jackman lost his pocketknife (lots of sentimental value) at the last tour. If you found a pocketknife, please call Andrew.

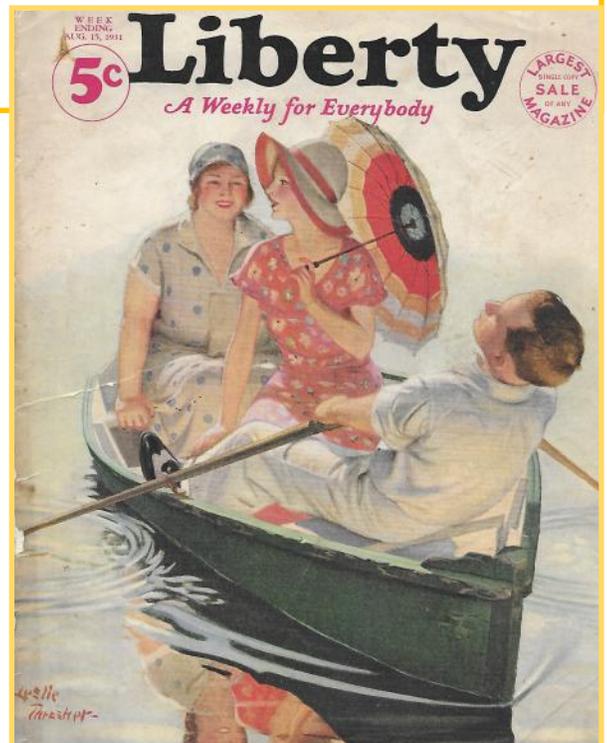
**SEMINAR:** The seminar tonight will be led by David Adair. **TOPIC:** Brakes

**RAFFLE** was held. Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Fiedler, Secretary

### Battery Tips for Summer Driving

In the summertime you should check your battery often. Because of the hot, dry weather, check not only the water in the battery cells, but for corrosion on cable terminals. Corrosion prevents good contacts and causes loose cables which in turn prevent the generator from doing its job of keeping the battery "hot." Take that extra minute or two and give your battery some attention next time you plan to take your "A" for a spin around the block or for a parade.

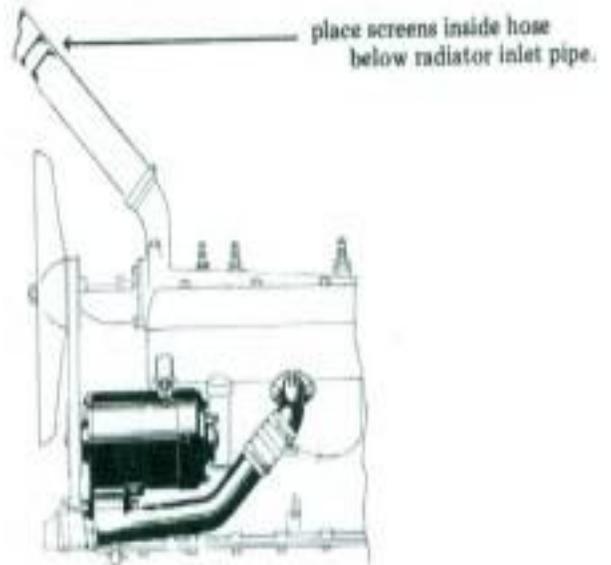


**TECH TIP: Radiator Screen** by Robert Hitchcock (copied from the *A Talepipe* newsletter)

I have found that most of the problems of overheating are caused by a stopped-up radiator. Rust and grease from the engine and water pump work their way through the engine and lodge in the radiator.

To stop the matter from reaching the radiator, a screen can be placed in the upper radiator hose.

Here's how: (1) Cut two pieces of window screen (Aluminum is good, but brass is better), about 1 inch larger in diameter than the radiator inlet pipe. (2) Form each piece over the outside of the radiator inlet pipe making a cup. Push each cupped screen into the upper radiator hose from the engine end toward the radiator end of the hose. It should fit snug. Push the first screen so that it rests just below the radiator inlet pipe. Push the second screen to a point just below the first screen. Do not push the two screens together. Do not push the screens so that they are crushed by the radiator pipe after installation. The object of the screens is to trap rust before it can enter the radiator. The screens should be cleaned about every 500 miles at first. After that, at intervals as needed. It is recommended that if the radiator has been on the car a long time or if the radiator seems to lose its water after long drives, the radiator should be cleaned to remove all rust and grease. I had the problem of a radiator, stopped-up from engine rust, forcing the water out the top of the radiator but it stayed clean only a short time. Since installing the screens the radiator has stayed clean.



**A THIEF BROKE INTO MY HOUSE LAST NIGHT.  
HE STARTED SEARCHING FOR MONEY  
SO I WOKE UP AND SEARCHED WITH HIM.**

**Worm Overload Recreational Killer** (borrowed from *The Script* newsletter)

There is a dangerous virus being passed around electronically, orally and by hand.

This virus is called Worm-Overload-Recreational-Killer (WORK). If you receive WORK from any of your colleagues, your boss, or anyone else via any means, **DO NOT TOUCH IT!** This virus will wipe out your private life completely.

If you should come into contact with WORK, put your jacket on and take two good friends to the nearest grocery store. Purchase the antidote known as Work-Isolating-Neutralizer-Extract (WINE) or Bothersome-Employer-Elimination-Rebooter (BEER). Take the antidote repeatedly until WORK has been completely eliminated from your system.

You should forwards this warning to five friends. If you do not have five friends, you have already been infected and WORK is controlling your life!

## MEN'S SUMMER FASHIONS

This 1928 ad for Hart Schaffner & Marx are excellence examples of lightweight summer suits.

The text of the ad read: "Dixie Weave suits are as cool as a morning plunge and as stylish as a polo match. These porous wool or worsted fabrics wear, tailor beautifully and keep their shape; economical, too."

You can also glean other information about era fashion by looking at the accessories the models are wearing, note their hats are two different styles, light shoes, and shirt and ties. The suit on the right is double breasted while the one on the left is single breasted. ~Jeanie Adair



### FOR SALE:

Ford top loader O.D. transmission & bell housing \$500. Bill Jabs 971.235.3804

The club has some surplus club items that will be for sale at the August Parking Lot Swap Meet.

### WANTED:

Rear end assembly, 3 shocks that are good. Lynn Sondenaa 503.781.9741 or email lynnsond@hotmail.com

Private party would like to buy a Model A Sedan Delivery, as close to original as possible. I am willing to restore if needed. 360.936.5459

# August

## BEE HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

**Beaver Chapter Parking Lot Swap Meet** Wednesday, August 15th, 5PM at the Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th Clackamas, OR 97015.



**Beaver Chapter Board Meeting** at 6PM, followed by the **Beaver Chapter Membership Meeting**, refreshments and social at 7PM, the meeting starts at 7:30PM.

Dale Fiedler	9 <sup>th</sup>
Roy Asbahr	10 <sup>th</sup>
Dean Boring	10 <sup>th</sup>
Gene Scott	16 <sup>TH</sup>
Debbie Dutton	17 <sup>th</sup>
Sue Perry	19 <sup>TH</sup>
Anne Mudder	20 <sup>th</sup>
Pete Smiley	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Tim Brost	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Melanie Phillips	28 <sup>th</sup>
Lloyd Dilbeck	29 <sup>th</sup>
Steven Bee	31 <sup>st</sup>

### Beaver Chapter August Tour - Go East! Old Man! Go East!

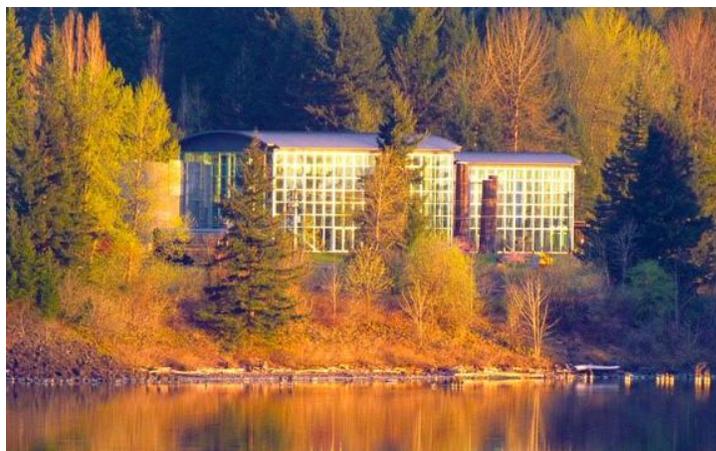
We will travel from scenic downtown Oregon City via many side streets to the Glenn Jackson Bridge, where we will cross to Washington for a leisurely hour of driving along the Columbia River. Our destination will be the Columbia Gorge Interpretative Center located on the west end of beautiful Stevenson. You will be able to enjoy the outdoors displays of equipment and for a mere \$8.00 you can also spend a couple hours seeing all the wonderful displays and historic artifacts that are in the Center's building. This is one tour you don't want to miss! So, tune the old A up and give her a good shine job. Mark your calendar in red and plan on being there!

**Details are:** **Date:** Saturday, August 18th

**Times:** Meet at 8 AM behind the Shari's in Oregon City Shopping Mall. Depart at 8:30. Arrive at the Columbia River Interpretative Center in Stevenson at 10:30 AM. **Cost:** \$8.

**Food:** Bring your own light lunch or snack. We will lunch at the Interpretative center or possibly at the city Park a mile further east. Water will be provided.

On the return trip we will stop in Camas at the Los Dos Compadres for a Mexican food meal you won't forget. Then we will all disperse to our homes from the I 205 bridge. Contact tour leader Michael Haight at 503-663-3263 if you have questions.



**Changes are good, but please let the Membership Coordinator and Editor know of your changes.**



**Please make these changes to your club roster:**

Barnett's have new email addresses -

Bruce: [bbarnett5443@gmail.com](mailto:bbarnett5443@gmail.com)

Bobbie: [bobbiebarnett90@gmail.com](mailto:bobbiebarnett90@gmail.com)

David Adair has a new cell phone number- 971.724.0875