

The Ahoooga News

April 2022



Your Model A could be here!
Send in your photo.

I've never seen a purple "A"
I've never hoped to see one
But I can tell you anyway
I'd rather see than own one!

The official newsletter of Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club of America, Portland Oregon
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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 commence on January 1st or on the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$10.00 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse/partner. A \$5.00 late fee charged after January 1st for renewals. 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 110th Ave. Vancouver, WA 98684. By-laws 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 the Beaver Chapter." MAFCA dues are \$50.00. Make check out to Model A Ford Club of America. Mail to: MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress Ave., La Habra, CA 90631.

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CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2022

NW Regional Group Reps: David Adair and Tom Winterrowd;
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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 or mail to 895 Hazelwood Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045. The newsletter deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.

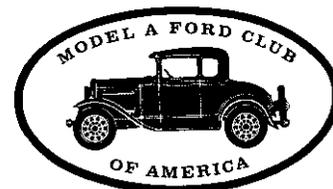
What's Wrong...

SYMPTOMS— The car kept losing water from the radiator during drives to club meetings and while on club tours.

THE PROBLEM— The level of water in radiator kept going down. Water seemed to be coming out around the radiator cap or out of the overflow tube when the car was being driven. No matter how long the car was driven it needed to have about 1/2 gallon of water added back into the radiator after the car was stopped for lunch or at a tour stop.

THE FIX— It was determined the normal level of water in radiator was about 1/2 gallon from full (i.e., water level just below the top of the overflow tube). This was the water level this car liked. Talking to other club members found similar findings. Each car has its own desired radiator water level.

- Tom Eldhardt, Columbia Basin A's



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Anne Humble	3 rd
Dan Higgins	3 rd
Mike Popiel	5 th
Joyce Murk	6 th
Carla McGillivray	8 th
Peppi McDonald	10 th
Mary Proffitt	11 th
Tom Winterrowd	17 th
Jan Jones	26 th
Tanya Johns	28 th
Barbara Whitworth	28 th
Larry Peters	30 th
Fred Kroon	30 th



April Host - Doug Ingles
May Host - Linda Neilsen
June Host - Rene Metteer

PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Spring has finally arrived! Now if the weather could just catch up with the calendar. As this newsletter hits your email, we will be right in the middle of the Portland Swap Meet. May the weather Gods bless us with lots of sunshine! There is nothing more miserable than having an outdoor swap meet with pouring down rain and wind. I am trying very hard to think SUNSHINE-SUNSHINE!! I will never forget the year we were all chasing vendors tents because of the wind and rain. I know I have a pretty sweet inside job, but when chaos breaks loose outside we all circle the wagons. Again I want to thank everyone that stepped up to fill our duty roster for the Swap Meet, we couldn't do it without you!

A short time ago something was said to me and it has weighed on my mind ever since. It was said that we are no longer a car club, we are a social club. We aren't a car club that does some social gatherings but we are a social club that owns Model A's. I don't know why this bothers me so much but it does.

So there is something I need to get off of my chest. When Leonard and I joined the Model A club back in 1996 I joined with Leonard to support his dream hobby and interest in old cars. Not sure how it happened but I got way more involved than he did. I am not only the President of the Model A club and Swap Meet Rep but I am the treasurer of the Portland Swap Meet committee, treasurer of the Cadillac Club, and an active member of the Rose City Model T club. Yes my plate is full! But I LOVE it! Leonard keeps telling me I need to learn the word no! The main thing that drew me into this hobby was the people and the social interaction. People in the 3 clubs and the Swap Meet have not only turned into very dear friends but are like family. So for me I guess the most important part is the social interactions. I would really like to get some input on this subject. I am interested in what the majority of the club members want. I feel as President it is not my job to impose my interests on the membership but to support in the best way I know how the wants and needs of the club. Do we spend less money on social events such as the banquet or Christmas pot luck and throw more money at tours and seminars or activities that focus on the Model A's?

I am really interested in how do we grow our membership? We are in dire need of younger people getting interested in preserving our passion for the Model A. I think one thing that we can all work on is please be friendly and truly welcoming to anybody that is a new member or someone that is merely just checking us out. A smile and a hand shake goes a long way. Please feel free to reach out to me and let me know your ideas or feelings about what direction this club needs to go. My email is ddoubledutt@aol.com. Thank you letting me unload.

I hope to see you at the First Wednesday Breakfast. You wont be sorry.
Happy Easter to everyone!

Respectfully,

Debbie Dutton

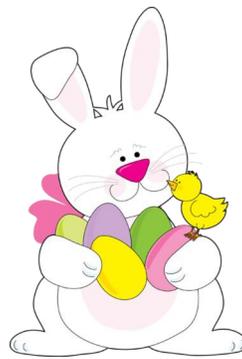
Have you signed up for Beaver Chapter's Banquet yet? See page 11 for details and come join us as we celebrate all things Model A and our 60 years!

In Memory

I received a note from Dale Corah to let us know that his wife Mary passed away at the beach. She had been ill, but wanted to go to see the ocean, her favorite place. We extend our condolences to Dale and his family.

My wife just stopped and said, "You weren't even listening were you?"

I thought, "That's a pretty weird way to start a conversation!"



**Beaver Chapter's Newest Members:
Please add them to your new 2022 roster.**

Vincent Dunn (above) 925 Saginaw St.
Salem, OR 97302 Vincentkdunn@yahoo.com
1931 Coupe 503.586.6811

David Iven, is the grandson of Dale Corah.
David's info is: 7420 N Willamette, Portland
OR 97203 Ph.503.773.8711 & 503.285.2683
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April
SHOWERS
BITING
May
FLOWERS

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,



Torquing Nuts and Bolts on Your Model A

Torque is actually a measure of the twisting force on something, like a nut or a bolt. When you tighten a nut, you are actually stretching the bolt or stud that the nut is turning on. It is the stretch of the bolt or stud that provides the strong "clamping force" that holds everything together tightly. Think of the bolt or stud as a very powerful spring. You stretch it out when you tighten the nut and the stud or bolt "spring" keeps pulling it together. If a stud or a bolt is weak, due to age or corrosion, it will often break under the intense stress you are applying when you torque the nut.

Although Ford did not publish torque values "back in the day", there are many values published today for nuts and bolts on a Model A. I recommend you follow them as a guide and use a torque wrench. Today's modern torque wrench "clicks" when you get to the desired torque. When it clicks, stop tightening. If you are going to insert a cotter pin into the nut after it is tight, keep turning the nut beyond the point where the wrench clicks, just until the cotter pin will slide in.

All published torque values, unless it clearly states otherwise, are for tightening a nut or bolt with clean, dry threads. This means the rust has been cleaned off of the bolt or stud threads (I use a wire brush) and they have been wiped dry. No oil or grease or anti-seize compound should be applied to the threads that the nut will be turning on. (If you'd like to, a small drop of oil can be applied to the face of the head or other surface that a nut is tightening against, such as the boss on the top of a head, where the stud goes through the head.)

If you lubricate the threads on a stud or bolt, it will be too easy to turn the nut as you torque it. So when you stop at your target torque (say 55 ft-lbs for a head nut) you will have stretched the bolt or stud more than 2 times as far as you would with the same torque with dry threads. This will be like over-torquing the nut and can result in the stud or bolt breaking, the stud pulling out of the block, or the head or block cracking, due to too much stress on it. That will ruin your day!

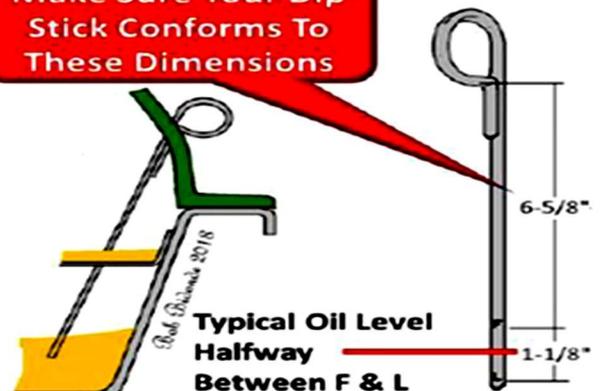
So clean the threads before you start, keep the threads dry, use a torque wrench, and stop pulling the instant the torque wrench clicks. You'll be glad you did.

I forgot my coffee this morning so I'm gonna drive on the rumble strips along the side of the road all the way to work just to be safe.

Oil Level Gauge – Dip Stick

- Same dipstick for "A" & "B" engines
- Engine holds 5 quarts but only about 4 quarts will drain
- Valve chamber & dip tray do not drain nor register on dipstick
 - Dipstick measures oil pan level only

Make Sure Your Dip Stick Conforms To These Dimensions



Typical Oil Level Halfway Between F & L

- taken from Heart of Florida A's newsletter

Pattern Options and Fabric Choices

This Model A era vintage pattern would make a wonderful spring or summer dress for the ladies in 1928 or 1929, or today.

These dresses have the distinctive dropped waistline with a belt. Other features that were very typical at the time is the deep "V" neckline that ends with a bow, a fluttery bertha collar, the front panel that repeats the "V", and a couple flouncy bias layers on the skirt for added flair.

Depending on the fabric that was chosen and pattern options that are shown, one could have a house dress in cotton, a dressier one in silk, and notice on the model wearing the green long sleeve version how the fabric looks shiny, it might be satin. The B version also illustrates a sleeveless version. Another example is shown without the collar. Something else I noticed is that the printed fabric doesn't show the details as much. Fabric choices are a large part of sewing.

The thrifty modern ladies in the late twenties could have several dresses using this one pattern and choosing different fabrics. ~ Jeanie Adair



Website News

Beaverchapterford.org

Website Calendar

The Website Calendar is loaded on a Google Calendar, and can be found on the Website. When you tap on Calendar, the calendar for the present month appears, and various events are shown. Next tap on an event and the information for the event appears, showing When, Where, and a Description of the event. Now if you look at "Where" you can further tap on (map), then you have the option of getting directions from where you live, to the event. Try it and see if it works for you.

Website Want Ads and For Sale

Want Ads can be viewed on the website, by clicking on More. When More is clicked, then a dropdown menu will show further options. Click on Want Ads, and all the want ads will be visible. Showing For Sale, followed by Wanted.

Want Ads can be placed by e-mailing modelaford28-31@outlook.com, as shown on the site, or added to the Newsletter. Either way they show up on the website. Please review the website want ads, and let us know if there are items still listed, that have been sold, or items found under wanted that should be deleted. It is important to keep this list current.

Richard Starkweather – Webmaster
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Editor's Note - And remember *The Ahooga News* is also stored on the website if you've misplaced or deleted your current issue, or want to reread an article.



Good turn out at the March meeting...

How to Live Longer

It was Grandpa Jones' 100th birthday and he was still in perfect health. At his birthday party he was asked how he managed to live so long and stay so fit.

He explained, "I put my long life down to spending so much time outdoors. I've been in the open air, day after day, rain or shine, for the last 75th years."

"How do you manage to keep up such a rigorous fitness regime?" they asked.

"It's simple," he said. "When I married my wife 75 years ago, we both made a solemn pledge. We agreed that whenever we had a fight, whoever was proved wrong would go outside and take a long walk."

If you are interested, you'll do what's convenient.

If you're committed, you'll do whatever it takes.

Travel as much as you can, as far as you can, as long as you can. Life is not meant to be lived in one place.

A flower does not think of competing to the flower next to it, it just blooms.

Strive for progress not perfection.

Beaver Chapter Board Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2022

Called to order: 6:02pm by Debbie Dutton

Board Members Present: Debbie Dutton, Tom Winterrowd, Penny Haight, Mike Worthington, Jeanie Adair, Tom Ryan, Jennie Ryan and Lynn Sondenaa and Leonard Dutton

Minutes Approval: A motion to approve the February 16, 2022 meeting minutes as printed in the Ahooga Newsletter was made and seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Mike Worthington presented to the Board the final 2021 actual budget and the 2022 budget to be approved by the general membership.

Portland Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington reported to the board on the final preparation for the Swap Meet. He reviewed with the Board the presentation he would make that evening to the general membership. Mike clarified the difference between the Information booth and the Beaver Chapter Booth.

Membership Report: Jennie Ryan reported that the Membership Directory was printed and ready to be distributed. She shared that our Facebook page was up and available to post on and suggested that our Web page feature stories about our new members.

Editors Report: Jeanie Adair clarified how to contact the new lady in charge of the PSM Information Booth. Beaver Chapter's 60th Anniversary Banquet on May 22, 2022 will begin accepting reservation this evening. Make your reservation by May 7th.

Tour Report: Tom Winterrowd discussed with the board the upcoming NW Regional Model A Club Meeting. They meet during the Portland Swap Meet and plan future regional event. There will be a NW Regional Hub Meet in Spokane, Washington in September 2022. Tom reported that he has leaders for tours for most of 2022.

Past Presidents Report: Lynn will head up the tour through the Mosier Tunnels in July.

Meeting adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

BREAKING NEWS:
The **Pity Train** has just derailed at the intersection of **Suck It Up & Move On**, and crashed into **We All Have Problems**, before coming to a complete stop at **Get The Heck Over It**. Any complaints about how we operate can be forwarded to **1-800-WAA-WAAA**. This is Dr. Sniffle reporting from *Quitcur Fussin'*.



Beaver Chapter General Meeting Minutes for March 16, 2022

Call to Order: President Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 7:30PM with 49 members in attendance. Tom Ryan led the flag salute.

President Debbie Dutton welcomed the members and asked if any guests were present. Larry and Jean Skou were first time visitors. They are the proud owners of a Model A Ford Pickup and a Model A Ford Truck. Vincent Dunn is a new member and lives in the Salem area. He owns a 1931 Rumble Seat Coupe. Bob Moore introduced his friend, Nancy Garner who was in attendance this evening.

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.

Portland Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington reviewed all the volunteer procedures for the upcoming Portland Swap Meet. Upper most on his list of reminders was the importance of being on time and letting himself or Debbie Dutton know if you are unable to meet your volunteer duties. A \$500.00 fine is made if any Beaver Chapter member is a no show. Make sure that you check in when you arrive at the site for your duty. He noted that both the Information Booth and the Beaver Chapter Booth need volunteers to man them.

Treasurers Report: Mike Worthington presented and reviewed the actual 2021 budget to the membership. The 2022 budget was presented for the approval of the membership. After much discussion it was moved, seconded and passed that the vote for approval would be postponed until the April meeting.

Sunshine Report: Glen Robinson passed away recently. His son Tim was in attendance to honor his father.

Name Tag Drawing: The drawing was won by Cheryl Witkowski.

Membership Drawing: The person whose name was drawn was not in attendance.

50/50 Drawing: Sharon Fancier won \$36.00 dollars.

Tour Report: Vice President Tom Winterrowd stated that he had leaders for most of the 2022 tours. Tom stated that the April tour will be to the Antique Powerland Car Museum for brake checks, safety checks and general service issues if needed. Tom Winterrowd will give the Seminar this evening. He will share his experiences from a Model A trip to Montana and back. Tom Irwin shared his plans for the Saturday, March 19th tour. Participants will be visiting the Austin Car Museum in Newberg, Oregon. This is perhaps the last time to be able to see this fine collection. Lynn Sondenaa will lead the tour through the Mosier Tunnels in July. He asked that those interested would sign up with him as soon as possible due to a limit on the number of cars that can participate.

Editors Report: Jeanie Adair let the membership know that the registration for the Annual Banquet is open. The cost is 35.00 per person. This amount will be refunded to you if you serve as a volunteer at the Portland Swap Meet. The event is being held at Lakeside Gardens on May 22, 2022. It will be a time to celebrate our 60th Anniversary as a Model A Ford Club.

A special thank you goes to **Richard and Bonnie Starkweather** for providing the refreshments and to **Ted Downs** for providing the drinks.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

"A SHOT OF WHISKEY" What does that mean?

In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents and so did a glass of whiskey.

If a cowboy was low on cash, he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.





Saturday March 19th Tour was to the Austin Car Museum in Newberg. We had 29 people in attendance and enjoyed 63 cars of all Vintage from 1903 Original Model A and a Model K to early farm tractors, early sprint cars, early Mack trucks, speed equipment, and a large collection of muscle cars.

All of this plus a quiz for finding different information. A Terry Burtz engine was also on display.

After a lunch at Black Bear restaurant, some of our members visited the local boyhood home of President Herbert Hoover.

The weatherman had predicted rain all day, but we had nothing but blue skies. Wonderful time. ~ Tom Irwin



Ken Austin was an OSU Beaver and he created this Beaver mascot. Tom and David are also Beavers.

Bob and Art sat down for a chat after seeing all the collection of cars.





Cars,
Muscle
Cars,
Hot Rods,
Trucks,
Tractors,
Sport Cars
and even
a Boat!



We spent about two
hours looking at a fine
collection!
Thanks Tom Irwin!



Whenever I want to start eating healthy, a chocolate bar looks at me and snickers.

A three-legged dog walks into a bar and says to the bartender, "I'm looking for the man who shot my paw."

How do you find Will Smith in the snow? You look for the fresh prints.

What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo? One is really heavy, the other is a little lighter.

Ever Wonder...

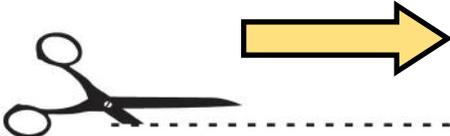
Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor, and dishwashing liquid is made with real lemons?

What do you call an elephant that doesn't matter?
An irrelephant!

Beaver Chapter Banquet

It will be here before you know it!

Sign up now, cut it out and send it to Rene, or you can sign up at the April club meeting.



PLEASE JOIN US
Beaver Chapter's
60th Anniversary
Annual Banquet
Sunday, May 22nd, 5 pm
Lakeside Gardens
16211 SE Foster Rd.
Portland, Oregon

Menu choices are Prime Rib or Baked Salmon, accompanied by a salad, stuffed baked potato, green beans and dessert, with a No Host Bar.

The evening will include club history, video memories, music, a photographer, and a fashion show and more.

Plan on coming as we celebrate 60 years!

Reservations
Due by
May 7th
See form below

Beaver Chapter's 60th Anniversary
Annual Banquet Reservation - Due May 7th

You're invited to join us as we celebrate the club's 60th anniversary Sunday May 22, 2022

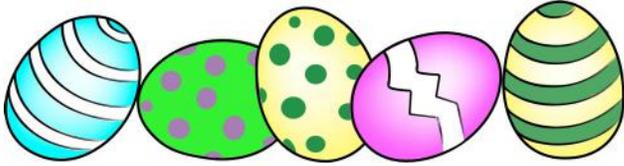
Name	Beef	or Salmon	*Club Duty (circle)	
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Dinner is \$35 each. Make check payable to "Beaver Chapter" and send reservations to:

Rene Metteer,
7617 S Monte Cristo Rd. Woodburn, OR 97071

Refunds for serving Portland Swap Meet club duty will be made the night of the banquet.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



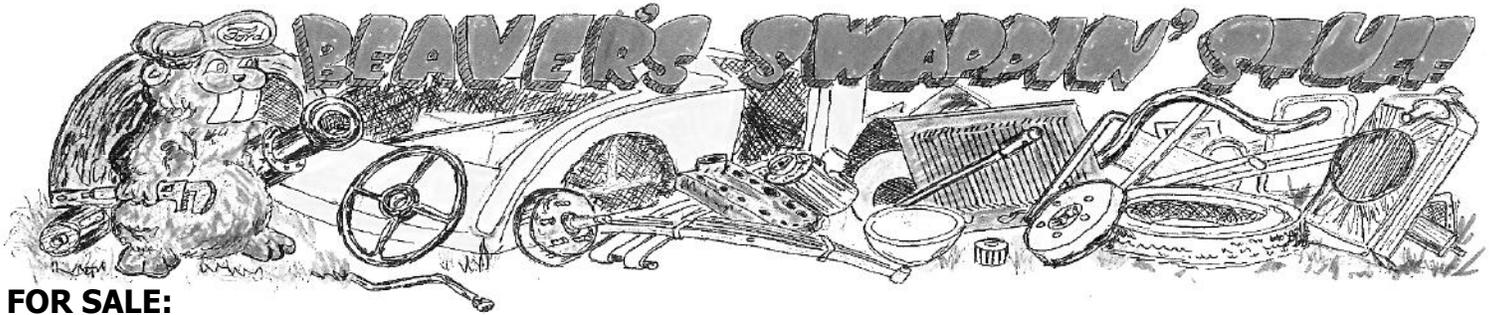
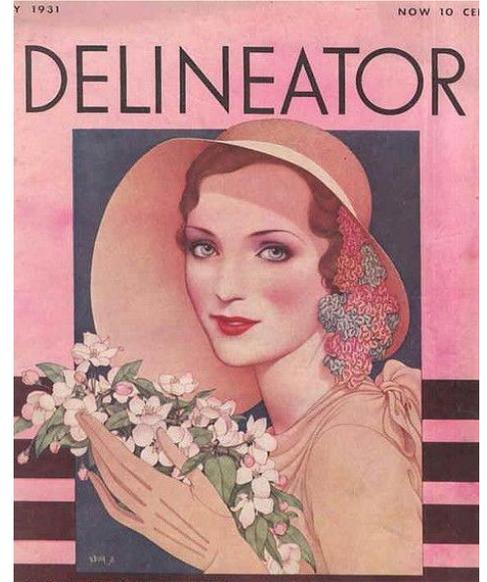
1st Wednesday Breakfast is April 6th at 9AM at The Carver Hangar, 16196 SE Hwy 224, Damascus OR. Join us! If **you** have a favorite "breakfast spot" call Tom Winterrowd to set up a 1st Wednesday Breakfast to go there. Tom - 503.263.2696

Wednesday, April 20th, **Beaver Chapter Board Meeting** is at 6PM, Social starts at 7PM, followed by the **Membership Meeting** at 7:30PM. Location is the Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th in Clackamas, OR. Seminars following the meeting.

Guy's seminar will be "The Lowly Spark Plugs" with Mike Worthington. **Ladies**, meet in the annex - **bring an Easter bonnet** (era or not) for show and tell.

April 23rd Tour is a Safety Check Tour - Doug Inglis. Tour to Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum. Seasoned Model A Mechanics will be checking brakes, lights, timing, wiring, tires etc. for a well running Model A. Bring your problems, questions, issues and we will try to provide solutions. Mark your event calendar and final details will be provided at the April meeting.

May Tour - "T" Trip to Maine with Kirk Metteer and David Kerr. An adventure presentation on three young men and their Model T Touring Car travelling from Oregon to Maine. Mark your calendar and details to follow.



FOR SALE:

Good 28/29 Radiator \$150; 30/31 Radiator Splash Apron \$30; Model A Tire Pump, Noblitt-Sparks \$30; Technically Speaking Books by The Model A Restorers Club, new, never used, Vol 1-7 \$40, Vol 1-3 \$15, Vol 2 \$5. Lynn Sondenaa 503.781.9741 or lynnsond@hotmail.com

1930 Model A Tudor project with flathead engine V8 and 7-5 5 speed transmission. Great body and good start, \$12,000 Bill Jabs 971.235.3804

Edwin Schroder has Model A parts for sale: Headlights, taillights, 30/31 front & rear bumper, 2 transmissions, manifold heater, heads, crankshaft, cam shaft, horns, visor & jacks. Also many "T" parts. Make offer. Call Ed at 503.655.4311

WANTED:

Need 2 450x19" Tires, B.W. Prefer Goodyear
Michael Haight 503.405.6548

1 Dog bone shock link, opposite side, 1 Dog bone shock link, same side. Lynn Sondenaa 503.781.9741 or lynnsond@hotmail.com



Don't forget to arrive 15 minutes early for your swap meet duty! You'll need time to check in and get to your duty location. Dress warm, and allow extra time for traffic congestion.

BEAVER CHAPTER CLUB BOOTH at the swap meet is #4261 in Hall E. If you have some extra down time - or need to sit down for a while at the Portland Swap Meet - spend some time promoting our club!