

The Ahoooga News

September 2026

Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club



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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 \$25 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 Chris Irwin 507 N College, Newberg, OR, 97132. 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 90631-5315.

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CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2025

NW Regional Group Rep: Roger Green

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Sunshine: Brenda Caseday

Refreshments: Debbie Dutton

MAFCA Chapter News: Tom Irwin

Beaver Chapter Webmaster: Pamela McClafin. **Web Site: <http://beaverchapterford.org>**

The Ahooga News is the club newsletter. Articles and contributions are encouraged and will be used as space permits. Send directly to the Editor at mandphaighthorsefarm@yahoo.com. The deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.

President's Column

This month, our club received a pleasant surprise from the MAFCA clubs that sponsored the National convention in Pendleton. The host clubs generously shared their surplus funds with the chapters that contributed to the event's success. During the August meeting, our members engaged in discussions to determine the best way to allocate these funds. The Brooks Museum classic car restoration program garnered significant interest. Fourteen members eagerly



signed up to tour the facility with Bill Jabbs and Gary Bartman on September 10th and will report back at the next general meeting. In September, the board will review a few housekeeping items in our bylaws and procedures related to the conclusion of the Portland Swap meet. These matters will be revisited in the October meeting for a final membership vote.

One of our concerned members raised an important question about our club's financial future. In my opinion, the Beaver Chapter is in a strong financial position. The board has collaborated effectively, with guidance from our treasurer Mike Worthington, to anticipate a decline in income from the swap meet. Consequently, several spending items have been adjusted from past practices. If we adhere to the budgets set for the last three years, I am confident that we will be financially stable for the foreseeable future. Notably, in 2024 and 2025, the Past President's tour dinners were covered entirely by the members. This year, in Pendleton, Debbie managed to organize a club-funded dinner while staying within the annual budget allocated for the event. Therefore, for the past three years, our Past Presidents, Lynn, Chris, and Debbie, have demonstrated remarkable resourcefulness in organizing enjoyable events within our budget constraints. However, next spring, our club banquet will likely require each member to be responsible for the cost their meal.

Our club's farm tour on August 22nd was a resounding success. Thanks to our tour guides Chris and Tom Irwin, and to our hosts Dan and Tani Brentano for their hospitality. The tour commenced at Champoege Park and concluded at Dan and Toni Brentano's family farms. Initially, we had 24 Model A cars, but a few more joined us later. During the tour we watched garlic harvesting in the field and grass seed preparation for shipment at their processing plant. Afterward, we gathered for lunch at the Harvester Tap Room.

Our first Wednesday breakfast on September 2nd is 9:00 at Sunny's Diner
7107 SW Nyberg St, Tualatin OR 97062.

On October 7th, our first Wednesday breakfast is at Beaver Creek Saloon-Kissing Kate
21950 S Beaver Creek Rd, Oregon City, 97045.

Happy Motoring,
Kent Uhl

August 6, 2026

Good morning and Good news.

As our board is not going to meet this month, I want to share this before our general meeting. Yesterday, our chapter received a surprise bank check in the mail from the Pendleton MAFCA Nation convention committee for \$5267.90. The check memo indicates this amount is for 13.3% net.

We can be proud of the time and work our group contributed to the overall success of this event.

Thanks to All
Happy Motoring
Kent Uhl

Surplus club property for sale at our September 16th meeting



Lock box for files. Clean, excellent condition, and has Underwriter's Laboratories fire resistance rating to 350-1/2 hour. Approximate outside dimensions. 14 high 11 inches wide 15 inches long.

Contact Kent Uhl if interested in any of this stuff.

BEAVER CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES August 19, 2026

President Kent Uhl called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led in the Pledge Of Allegiance.

Sunshine: Debbie Dutton substituted for Brenda Casseday. Debbie reported that Leonard Dutton was having surgery on his bunion for the third time.

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as printed.

It was suggested that we vote for Jim Cannor for a position on the MAFCA Board of Directors.

Membership applications are due.

Michael Haight reported that his email address is mandphaighthorsefarm@yahoo.com. In the roster his address has a hyphen and this is not correct.

New Business:

We received a check from the Blue Mountain A's (the host club for the national meet in June). It was suggested this money be spent for youth interested in our hobby. There were two suggestions from the floor. 1. We donate this money to the Brooks antique auto museum which has a restoration program set up for youth in the Salem area or 2. to Sandy High School which also has a youth program established.

David Adair "I move we limit our discussion to giving this money to a youth program working on cars of our hobby. This was seconded. Then Tom moved for the discussion to be tabled. Art Pugsley then suggested we read the mast head of Beaver Chapter and MAFCA. Jeanie Adair suggested we wait two or three months before we do anything. Ted Downs also wants to wait two or three meetings. Gary Bartman will take a group to Brooks in September to visit with the man in charge of the youth program.

Tours: Kirk Metteer

The Damascus Days tour in July was a success.

Chris Irwin will lead our August tour to Brentano Family Farm in St. Paul. We will see garlic being harvested and visit a grass seed facility. Lunch will be at the Harvester in St. Paul. September tour will be to the Shady Dell miniature train facility in Molalla and in October Kirk Metteer will tour a place of interest in Redlands.

Swap Meet: Mike Worthington reported the Swap Meet LLC is slowly being dissolved. This process may drag into December. It is much harder to dissolve a LLC than to set one up. Debbie Dutton reported that she is having a hard time getting vendors to cash their refund checks.

Debbie also reported the annual club photo contest is held at our club potluck in December. She needs the photos by the 18th of November so give her your pictures as soon as you possibly can.

Elections: As past president Debbie is checking with current club officers as to whether they want to continue for another year and she will also be taking nominations for officers.

Leah Higgins wants to know what is the disposition of our club since we have lost our main source of income. Kent assured Leah that our club is on solid financial footing.

Kent said the club has a small fireproof safe that we need to sell.

Raffles:

Membership: This was lost by Joyce Murk membership number 67. Name Tag was won by Edwin Schroder and the 50-50 was \$67 and this was won by Debbie Dutton.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectively submitted by David Adair Secretary

2026 Tour Season - September to December

<u>Date</u>	<u>Leader(s)</u>	<u>Comments</u>
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September 10	Bartman	Short Notice Tour to Brooks historic auto museum to learn about their youth program - For details contact Gary Bartman: 559-285-9233
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September 20	Adair	Shady Dell Miniature RR Tour - Molalla, OR - Bring lunch Details to be presented at the September meeting. see page 6 for details
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October 3	Metteer	Interesting Collection - Meet OC Shopping Center at 9:00 AM, Depart at 9:30 AM. Arrive at 20470 S. Sprague Road, Oregon City about 10:30 AM. This is a potluck gathering. Hosts intend to provide pulled pork, baked beans and maybe fresh corn. Please bring a side dish or dessert, provide your own drinks and bring chairs. No fee to attend (other than a potluck dish).
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November	?	
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December 5	Christmas Potluck	
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Tour Chairman- Kirk Metteer Ph: 503-910-4900; email: kirk.metteer@gmail.com
Please contact me if/when you would like to propose and/or lead a tour.

Heritage Auto Show

September 26

There will be a car show at Brook's Power Land truck/tractor museum September 26 for those who are interested. .



Brooks Speedster Shop Tour Sept 10th. @ Brooks Power Land

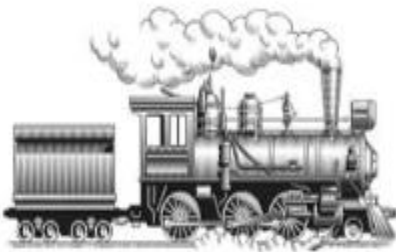
This is a Beaver Chapter official tour. We will be given an overview of the Speedster Shop and their youth education program for restoration and maintenance of vintage automobiles by Gary Dennis. Our date will coincide with the beginning of the school year and the first day of students at the shop. They will be interested in seeing our cars. We will park as instructed when we arrive.

We plan to have lunch at the 99 restaurant on the east side of route 5 in Brooks.

West side Led by Gary Bartman - Meet at the fire station in St Paul at 9:15am for departure at 9:30.

East Side led by Bill Jabs - Meet at the Oregon City Shopping Center at 8:45am for departure at 9:00am

Any questions, call Gary Bartman 559 285-9233. Note that my phone number in the directory is wrong.



SEPTEMBER TOUR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

**MEET at Berry Hill in Oregon City
HWY 213 & Beavercreek Road
Parking Lot by the Chevron Station**

TIME 9:15 for a 9:45 Departure

The tour will be about 20 miles one way from Oregon City. The destination is Shady Dell Miniature Railroad near Molalla. There are picnic facilities, bring your own lunch or buy your lunch at the concession stand. Their menu includes hotdogs, pulled pork sandwiches, nachos, fountain drinks and assorted treats. NO PETS AND NO ALCOHOL.

AUGUST 22ND TOUR

Our 4th annual farm tour was outstanding. We met at Champoeg Park and traveled to St. Paul to Brentano Farms. Dan and Tani were our host farmers. Brentano Farms is run by four brothers and their families. Lani, Dan and Tani's daughter, who also works on the farm, is a sixth-generation farmer. So, farming has been in their family for some time. We stopped at their garlic field where the garlic crop was actively being processed. A tractor with an air machine attached was digging up the garlic while much of the dirt was blown off garlic. Several workers on a wagon on the back of the tractor were also doing additional cleaning work to come out with dirt-free garlic cloves. Most of this garlic will be sent to California and used to seed crops there. Dan answered many questions that we all had about garlic.

We could have talked a good share of the day, but it was now time to travel across the road to where their grass seed cleaning was happening. This space is leased from the Church of Latter-Day Saints, where they once had a vegetable processing operation. Dan gave us some insight into grass seeds. This seed will be used for golf courses, various landscaping projects, maybe your own lawn, and some shipped around the country. It was so good to see the great working relationship Dan has with his workers, many who have been with him for 20 to 25 years. Dan's father instilled in his children the necessity to diversify, so what we saw today was just a piece of a larger pie. Maybe leaves an opening for next year's farm tour? Stayed tuned for more education on how our food gets to our table.

We had 20 Model A's and 3 MI's, a great turnout, and for those who did not attend, you missed out on fresh garlic and chocolate covered hazelnuts that we all got to take home. After leaving the grass seed operation, we went back to St. Paul and enjoyed lunch at The Harvester.



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FASHION PAGE



1931 Vogue Designs

What a difference just a few slight changes to a pattern makes. The first two dresses are the same pattern, one a solid fabric, the other a print. The print dress has a shorter sleeve trimmed with a white cuff, while the light blue dress has a double full length sleeve.

The red print dress looks more sporty. Maybe it just appears that way with the model wearing a more casual two tone black and white shoe. Imagine how it would look if she had on white pumps and a purse.

The final pair on the right are again the same pattern with different fabric and variations. The vestee insert are the same design but the sleeve lengths are different. What a difference little changes make!

FASHION DETAILS By Jeanie Adair

DURANGO ?

The 2027 MAFCA National Tour will be in Durango, CO in June 2027. Although that's about a year away, it's not too soon to begin planning.

Having been on numerous cross country Model A adventures, we have a few suggestions for your consideration.

- 1). Arrange your lodging in Durango as soon as possible. Registration will open on Aug 1st. We suggest you make sure you can cancel your registration without a charge. This is just in case you can't make the journey when the time comes.
- 2). Find a few others that also plan to attend the tour and plan the trip with them.
- 3). Limit your travel group to 4 or 5 cars. Larger groups can cause impeding traffic and loss of spontaneity at mealtimes. Eight or ten people can stop almost anywhere and be served. More than that and it almost always needs a reservation.
- 4). As a group, decide how many miles you are willing to travel each day. Consider long distances that may exist between accommodations. You may want to shorten or lengthen a day of travel to have lodging.
- 5). Plan your route thoroughly to limit unpleasant surprises or disappointments. However, it can also add to the adventure if there is a misstep.
- 6). Make sure your car is road worthy for 3000+ miles and you have towing coverage.
- 7). Take a MAFCA National Roster with you. This can be an invaluable tool when you're 1000 miles from home and a repair becomes necessary. If the person you call can't help you, chances are they will know someone who can.
- 8). We enjoy making travel days shorter at about 150-200 miles each day. This allows us to take time to see things along the way. Remember, it's about the journey, not the destination. We have friends who like to travel 300+ miles each day. I think they see a lot of windshield and not much else. I think they are a little crazy.
- 9). Take pictures. Take a lot of pictures! Your long-lost friends may not appreciate them, but your travel partner will. Write a journal of your trip.
- 10). Have fun! It doesn't matter if you take a wrong turn, have to make a U-Turn, or never find that museum you wanted to see. It will still be a great day. One to remember!

Submitted by Pam McClafin

Beaver Chapter Model A Club - Gots and Wants

Gots and Wants - August 2026

For Sale: Model B Engine with counter-balanced crank.
Will guarantee no cracks.
\$1,000.00
Bill Jabs (971) 235-3804

4 Kelsey Hayes 16" Wire Wheels.
Media blasted and nice,
\$600.00
Bill Jabs (971) 235-3804

1979 Mercedes-Benz 450 SL
110,000 miles (Pristine)
V-8 Fuel Injected
Auto trans. (New)
Both Tops Excellent Condition.
\$11,500.00
Ron Baird (503) 502-9485

Wanted: Old Beer Signs / Gas Signs for New Shop /
Any Model A items - license plates, Hubleys, any neat related items.
Tom and Jennie Ryan (360) 936-5459

BILL JABS CORNER

BATTERIES AT COST!!!

Hi Kent. For the past few years, a friend and fellow club member (Classic Club of America), now deceased, had an account with Battery Exchange, where he got a pretty big discount on Optima batteries. I have opened a commercial account with them, and will be offering batteries to Beaver Chapter members at my cost. Below is a summary of what I can offer:

6 volt red top--\$200 with an exchange (\$19) battery. The cheapest I can find are at Walmart and Amazon, both over \$250

12 volt Group 25--\$250 with exchange. This is not a big savings, as they can be bought at Amazon for \$258.29

If people want a battery from me, they will need to come to my house and pick them up.

Bill Jabs
971-235-3804
wjabs@cascadeaccess.com

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HA!HA! BAD JOKES, RIDDLES AND SOME SERIOUS STUFF !!

Jokes and riddles for the Month

SERIOUS STUFF

ALWAYS CARRY IN YOUR MODEL' A' A FEW BASIC TOOLS. A FEW SCREW DRIVERS, PLIERS, AND OPEN END WRENCHES . A RANGE OF SIZES FROM 7/16 TO 11/16 IS NICE AND A MEDIUM SIZE BALL PEEN HAMMER IS HANDY. ALWAYS HAVE THE ENGINE CRANK, A JACK, AN AIR GAUGE, A FEELER GAUGE SET A TIRE PUMP, AND A FLASHLITE. PLUS A GOOD SET OF LIGHT WEIGHT GLOVES.

Poem of the month

**My Model A Ford is a bust
Some call it a bucket of rust
But say what they will
When we go up a hill
It leaves them behind in the dust
You can blame Andrew Jackman for this one.**

SING WHILE YOU DRIVE!

At 45 m.p.h. sing...

"Highways are happy ways!"

At 55 m.p.h. sing...

**"I'm but a stranger here,
heaven is my home."**

At 65 m.p.h. sing...

"Nearer, my God, to thee!"

At 75 m.p.h. sing...

**"When the roll is called up
yonder, I'll be there."**

At 85 m.p.h. sing...

"Lord, I'm coming home!"





A big thanks to Dan and Tani and their daughter Laney for hosting our group of 20 Model A's on their farm. Also, Thank you for the wonderful gifts of chocolate covered hazel nuts. Your gracious hospitality was very nice.



YUM! YUM! gift bags provided by our friends at Bretano' farms



This is the combine I learned to harvest wheat on in 1965. I am leaning on the D 6 Cat . Long dusty hot hours earning \$7.00 a day. No AC, No radios or other amenities and definitely no laser guidance systems. Michael Haight



My special mechanics. Good old Moe, Larry, and Curly. They always did a "bang-up" job.



BILL & LILLY BUROICK
1928 BUSINESS COUPE
AT A SHOW FOR THE
BEAVER A CHAPTER IN
THE EARLY DAYS OF THE
BEAVER A CHAPTER



CHARLES SEIMS PRESENT OWNER
TODAY'S UPDATED CAR