

# The Hooga News

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## Cool Ride

The official newsletter of Beaver Chapter Model A Ford club of America, Portland, Oregon  
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**Celebrating Our 60th Year!**

## 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 1st or the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$10.00 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 110th 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.

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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.

### MEETING REFRESHMENT HOST SIGN UP LIST FOR THE YEAR

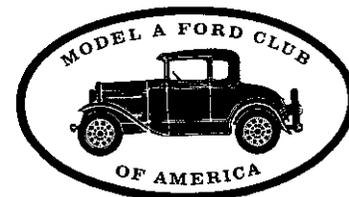
**January: Cody Watts; February: Art & Marlyne;**  
**March: Bonnie Starkweather; April: Doug Ingles; May: Linda Neilsen;**  
**June: Kirk & Rene Metteer; July: Lynn Sondena; August: Debbie Dutton;**  
**September: Need a volunteer; October: Tom & Jennie Ryan;**  
**November: Pie Month - everyone bring a pie to share.**  
I will list three months ahead each issue of the newsletter.



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** Wednesday, January 19th, Beaver Chapter Board Meeting at 6PM, followed by the Membership Meeting at 7:30; Social starts at 7PM. Location: Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th Clackamas OR.

**Be sure to sign up for the Portland Swap Meet Duty with Mike Worthington at the meeting! We love our volunteers!! Remember this is the way our club earns income for the year.**

**January Tour:** See page 8 of this newsletter for all the details...



### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Yvonne Jeffords	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Nurry Scott	12 <sup>th</sup>
Arnold Jeffords	14 <sup>th</sup>
Shirly Bliss	14 <sup>th</sup>
Beverly Asbahr	17 <sup>th</sup>
Bill Call	17 <sup>th</sup>
Dennis Schelske	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Rey Reece	25 <sup>th</sup>
Michael Blick	29 <sup>th</sup>
Dave Gallant	30 <sup>th</sup>
Mary Corah	31 <sup>st</sup>



## PRESIDENTS COLUMN

Happy New Year to everyone! Here's hoping that 2022 finds everyone happy and healthy.

First I want to say I'm sorry for missing my very first meeting as President. However this is a vacation we have had booked for 13 months. I'm hoping for warm and sunny days in wonderful Cabo San Lucas Mexico. I am sure Tom Winterrowd will do me proud in leading the meeting this month. As I announced in Novembers meeting this is all very new to me but I am excited to see what this new year brings.

As many of you already know I am very involved and a big advocate of the Portland Swap Meet. This month Mike Worthington will have the sign up sheets for duties. The mandatory duties have been reduced this year to relieve some of the pressure of the 6 car clubs to fill the spots. Please get in touch with Mike and he will be able to get you signed up. Please remember the Swap Meet is our bread and butter so please do your part.

On another note the refreshment sign up sheet still has one slot that needs to be filled, the month of September still needs to be filled. Please contact Mary McConnell if you can help, I know Tom has several great ideas for tours in 2022 but I'm sure if you have any ideas please contact Tom and let him know.

Hope the Holidays were everything you hoped for..... now let's get down to business and make 2022 a year we can all feel almost normal again. Everyone please be safe.

Thank you  
Debbie Dutton, President



### Who Is This Mystery Beaver Chapter Member?



We haven't had a mystery member in a while... and no, you're not seeing double!

Can you guess who the person on the left is?

Submit your guess at the January meeting. Sign your name and your guess on a ticket and the correct guess might be drawn.

The lucky winner will win a gift card.

### My Old Tin Can

The Ford is my auto;  
I shall not walk.  
It maketh me to lie down  
beneath it.  
It leaveth me stranded in  
deep waters.  
It vexeth my soul.  
It leadeth me in the path  
of ridicule for its namesake.  
Yea, though I ride through  
the valleys,  
I fear all evil for my  
sparkplugs corrodeth.  
My rods and my bolts dis-  
comfort me.  
It prepares a puncture in  
the presence of trouble.  
It anointest my hands with  
grease.  
My radiator boileth over.  
Surely curses and punc-  
tures shall follow me all the  
days of my life,  
And I shall plead before  
the Ford in vain forever.  
— Birney Dibble  
Eau Claire, Wisconsin

**1st Wednesday Breakfast -**

Decembers breakfast was at the Original Pancake House on Barbur Blvd. in Portland. If you haven't been there in a while it's worth the visit. You certainly don't leave hungry! In fact several of us left with carry out boxes. Those who attended were Debbie & Leonard Dutton, Tom & Chris Irwin, Tom Winterrowd, Cody Watts, Kirk & Rene Metteer and David & Jeanie Adair.



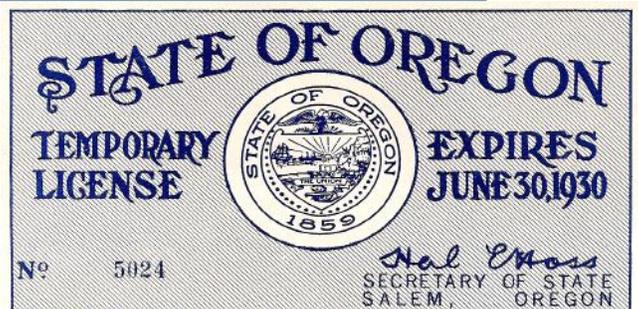
Some of our selections were: cherry crepes with bacon, pancakes with bacon, baked apple pancake that filled a plate, huge cheese omelets with pancakes, buckwheat pancakes, and mandarin orange crepes.



There were only two Model A's in the parking lot . Drivers were Kirk and Tom W.



Come join us next time!



Moisten this side and place on inside of windshield



# Jim's Technical Tip

by Jim Cannon,

## Ignition Cam Screws



I have helped a few Model A owners with an unusual problem: For no reason at all, their distributor goes “out of time”. They lose power and have to limp home. They reset the timing and the car runs great again, but after a while the same thing happens and they limp home. Gremlins? No.

The problem is that the ignition cam screw may not hold the cam down tightly to the distributor shaft. After a bit of driving, the cam rotates into a more and more “retarded” position and the engine loses power.

In spite of getting out a big screw driver and tightening the screw as much as possible, the cam still moves on them. Why is this? The **SCREW** that they are using is too long for the hole that is drilled and tapped in the top of the distributor shaft.

Some reproduction screws are just too long. Or the hole in the reproduction distributor shaft is too shallow. Or both! Whatever the case, the screw bottoms out in the hole and jams up tight before the cam is properly locked down on the shaft. So the cam moves.

The simple fix is to add a washer under the head of the cam screw. Now the cam will get locked down well before the screw bottoms out in the hole. You also want to inspect the underside of the cam; it should have ridges that help lock it down on the shaft. Once the screw is tight, put the rotor on the cam and gently try to turn it on the distributor shaft. It should not move.

If you or a friend encounters this problem with the engine going out of time, I hope my little Tip does the trick for you.

Jim Cannon

Have a Model A Day



### 2022 Portland Swap Meet

Well folks it is that festive time of year. Every time I hear someone sing “Deck the Halls” I think of the halls at EXPO and pull out our Swap Meet duty assignment sheets. Planning is currently on track for the 2022 Portland Swap Meet. Surprisingly, the planning committee has covered a good bit of ground, but still has a lot of work to do before April. Additions to the Swap Meet Committee are always welcome.

**I will have the 2022 Swap Meet duty signup sheets at the January meeting.** I know that you do not want to miss out on this year’s event, so come to the meeting for the best duty selection. If you cannot attend the January meeting, please give me a call and we can get you signed up over the phone. ~ Mike Worthington



Art and Marlynne Pugsley  
in their new  
1931 Deluxe Roadster

## NO HEATERS, NO HEATED SEATS and NO HEATED STEERING WHEELS...*brrrr!*

Remember next time you get into that cold car, try to imagine what it was like for your grandparents or great-grandparents and their contemporaries.



Don't be worried about your smartphone or TV spying on you. Your vacuum cleaner has been collecting dirt on you for years.

If you can't think of a word, say, I forgot the English word for it. That way people will think you're bilingual instead of an idiot.

I'm at a place in my life where errands are starting to count as going out.

Coronacoaster: noun; the ups and downs of a pandemic. One day you're loving your bubble, doing work outs, baking banana bread and going for long walks and the next you're crying, drinking gin for breakfast and missing people you don't even like.

I'm getting tired of being a part of a major historical event.

I've decided I'm not old. I'm 50 plus shipping and handling.

## Matinee at the Brooks Museum



NW Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum at Antique Powerland hosted an afternoon matinee. The movie was a 1927 silent film. It featured a 1904 Stevens Duryea and the vehicle was also on display at the museum. The owner and two other passengers were dressed in era attire.



There was a good turn out of people for the event, there was even popcorn!

The Model A's looked good on this cool December afternoon.



**THIS IS YOUR DO WHAT YOU LOVE, AND DO IT OFTEN. LIFE.**

IF YOU DON'T LIKE SOMETHING, CHANGE IT.  
IF YOU DON'T LIKE YOUR JOB, QUIT.  
IF YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME, STOP WATCHING TV.  
IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR THE LOVE OF YOUR LIFE, STOP;  
THEY WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU WHEN YOU  
START DOING THINGS YOU LOVE.

STOP OVER ANALYZING, ALL EMOTIONS ARE BEAUTIFUL.  
**LIFE IS SIMPLE. EVERY LAST BITE.** WHEN YOU EAT, APPRECIATE

OPEN YOUR MIND, ARMS, AND HEART TO NEW THINGS  
AND PEOPLE, WE ARE UNITED IN OUR DIFFERENCES.  
ASK THE NEXT PERSON YOU SEE WHAT THEIR PASSION IS,  
AND SHARE YOUR INSPIRING DREAM WITH THEM.

**TRAVEL OFTEN;** GETTING LOST WILL HELP YOU FIND YOURSELF.  
SOME OPPORTUNITIES ONLY COME ONCE, SEIZE THEM.  
LIFE IS ABOUT THE PEOPLE YOU MEET, AND  
THE THINGS YOU CREATE WITH THEM  
SO GO OUT AND START CREATING.

**LIFE IS LIVE YOUR DREAM, AND WEAR SHORT. YOUR PASSION.**

### New Years Resolutions?

Me? Just what are you implying?

That I need to **Change?**

Well, as far as I'm concerned I'm perfect the way I am!

### Cost of Living 1931

- Average cost of new house \$6,790.00
- Average wages per year \$1,850.00
- Cost of a gallon of gas 10 ¢
- Average cost for house rent \$18.00 per month
- A loaf of bread 8 ¢
- A lb. of hamburger meat 11 ¢
- Alarm Clock \$3.50
- New Car Average Price \$640.00

# Fashion Service

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

## WOMAN'S INSTITUTE MAGAZINE



### MID-SEASON FASHIONS

*Lovely Spring-Like Frocks and Hats--Monogramming--Beauty  
How to Make Seams--Making a Wool Crêpe Frock--Cookery*

January

Woman's Institute of Domestic Arts & Sciences

1931

#### Beaver Chapter January Tour

"Why Not - It's January 22-22 - Tour to the Pittock Mansion"  
Saturday, January 22, 2022 Meet: Firestone Parking Lot  
Oregon City Shopping Center 9:00AM for 9:15AM departure.  
10AM Tour the Pittock Mansion in the West Hills.  
\$12 admission/Senior Discount available. Lunch TBD...

Note: Because January weather is unpredictable, a final confirmation will be made at the Jan. 19th club meeting and by email to members. Drive 'em!

Tom Winterrowd, Tour Leader  
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Being positive is like going up a mountain. Being negative is like sliding down a hill.

The front cover of this 1931 Model A era magazine has some interesting details illustrated.

The dress neckline has a ruffled edge and tie, the same treatment is also used on the sleeves.

The belted waist is sporting an artificial bouquet of flowers.

The hips have a crescent shaped insert that appears to be of lace.

The 1931 hat is either a bicorn or tricorn shape and its adorned with large white feathers that drape long on the side.  
(No, that's not her hair!)

Another interesting thing is the long, above the elbow, length gloves. We usually think of long gloves as an evening accessory. However this is definitely not an evening dress.

Finally, her black coat with white fox collar is on the couch. ~ Jeanie Adair

#### Era Pattern Project



Are you interested in sewing a Model A era dress? Check out what patterns are available on the MAFCA website under Era Fashions. Hundreds of patterns have been scanned. Check it out!