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Michael Haight's 1931 Model A Coupe

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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 vol-

unteer 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 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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NW Regional Group Reps: David Adair and Tom Winterrowd;
Portland Swap Meet Reps: Mike Worthington and Bill Griffith;
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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: noe2912@comcast.net or 2222 Matterhorn Ct West Linn OR 97068. The newsletter deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

This morning as I write this column it is the first day of Spring. We had a little glimpse this last weekend of hopefully what is to come.

As you read this we are in full swing with the Portland Swap Meet. Hopefully the Farmer's Almanac is correct with it's weather forecast.

Mike Worthington has promised it will be correct. Again, thank you to everyone who has stepped up to the plate. We would not make it happen without you!

This last weekend was a great example of perfect weather for a tour. A little chilly in the morning, but warmed up and the sky was blue and sunny. Thank you Michael and Penny for putting on the tour. Can't wait to see pictures you took. What really made it special was we had a toast (apple juice) to two new members and their maiden voyage with the club. It's great to see the new members this past year and see them so excited to participate in the tours.

Spring has sprung. So dust off those Model A's and embrace every chance you can to enjoy the good weather.

Respectfully,

Debbie Dutton



FIRST WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST—APRIL 5, 9 A.M.

Renee's on Main—1003 Main St. Oregon City

Beaver Chapter Meeting Minutes for March 2023

Call to order: President Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with 56 members in attendance. Debbie Dutton led the flag salute.

Welcome: Debbie Dutton welcomed the members and guest. There were no guests present. New Member Danny O'Neil, a Navy veteran, has a 1929 Roadster Pickup. He is looking forward to enjoying his pickup. Melissa Bullard thanked the membership for all the help they are giving her with her 1929 pickup.

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

Treasurers Report: Mike Worthington reported that the club is on budget.

Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington stated that the Duty Packets were available now. Many of the members had picked up their packets tonight. Read the map carefully, be on time and be prepared for the elements. He stressed the importance of arriving 15 minutes early and checking in before starting ones duty. He instructed the membership to call if they are unable to meet their commitment and to call if they are running late. The phone numbers are in the packet.

Swap Meet Booth: Jeanie Adair is organizing the times for helping at the Booth. Call her to volunteer if you did not sign up at the meeting.

Ladies Seminar: Jeanie Adair is presenting information on Ladies Era Fashion.

Sunshine Report: Brenda Caseday reported that Tom Winterrowd had a triple bypass operation. He is at home now, recuperating.

Spring Banquet: Brenda Caseday stated that the cost to attend the banquet will be \$30.00 per person. More information to come in April. The Banquet is at the Wedding Barn in Damascus, Oregon on May 6, 2023, at 2 PM.

Name Tag Drawing: Melissa Bullard won the drawing.

Membership Drawing: Cheryl Witkowski won the drawing.

50/50 Drawing: Ted Downs won the drawing.

Tours: Michael Haight shared information on the tour to the Fort Vancouver Historic Site on March 18. He is planning a photo shoot with old cars and old buildings and a visit to the Pearson Air Museum. The next tour will be to Aurora, Oregon for some antique shopping on April 22.

David Adair reminded members that there were free things on the table. He also inquired if anyone was interested in going to the HUB Regional Tour in Vancouver B.C. Contact him if interested.

Past President: Lynn Sondena reported that the Past Presidents Tour would be to the Long Beach Peninsula and possibly to West Port. The cost will be \$50.00 per couple. That amount will be refunded if they worked at the Swap Meet and attended the Friday banquet. If someone is unable to attend after signing up, they can get a refund if it is more than 35 days before the tour. When signing up for the tour, you are required to list your name and phone number so that the tour leader can contact you.

Seminar: Lynn Sondena will teach on How to Make a Model A More Reliable tonight after the meeting.

Refreshments: A Thank You to Richard and Bonnie Starkweather for the cookies and fruit and to Ted Downs for the drinks.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23P
Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

Beaver Chapter Board Meeting – March 15, 2023

Call to order: 6:01PM by President Debbie Dutton

Board Members Present: Debbie Dutton, Leonard Dutton, Jennie Ryan, Tom Ryan, Mike Worthington, David Hawbecker, Lynn Sondeneaa, Mike Haight and Penny Haight

Minutes Approval: A motion was made and seconded to approve the February 15, 2023 minutes as printed in the Ahooga Newsletter. The motion was voted on and passed.

Treasurers Report: Mike Worthington reported that the cubs finances are on budget..

Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington reported that the planning is complete and the Swap Meet team is ready to execute the plan. He stated that the member packets contain a map, a letter from him, and a parking pass. Mike shared that he would emphasize the importance of being on time at the general meeting.

Tour Report: Mike Haight plans to give the Ahooga Newsletter editor a copy of all the tours that are planned for the 2023 year. He still is looking for someone to do an October tour. The March Tour is to the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site. He plans to emphasize tour rules to help make the tour more successful.

Membership Report: Jennie Ryan reported that the Membership Directory was printed and ready to be distributed to the membership at the general meeting.

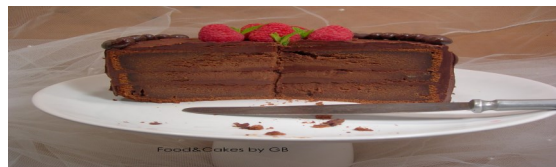
Editor's Report: David Hawbecker will ask the general membership for pictures and stories about their cars.

Past Presidents Report: Lynn Sondeneaa has narrowed the plan for the September 22-24 Past Presidents Tour down to a trip to the Long Beach Peninsula. He will do a Seminar for the general membership tonight on How to Make the Model More Reliable.

By Laws Review: The Board reviewed the Bylaws and found them to be satisfactory. It was moved and seconded to let the By Laws stand as printed in the 2023 Membership Directory. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary



REFRESHMENTS

April— Doug Inglis (307) 413-6419

May— Roger and Kathy Green (503) 602-2668

June— Jeanie and David Adair

July— Linda Nielsen (360) 936-9143

August— Debbie Dutton (503) 706-4843

September— Andrew and JoAnn Jackman (503) 658-6270

October— Tom and Jennie Ryan

**Paris approves
These three fashions
in a
Woman's Journal
dated April 1929**

**-this
Spring**



Chantal has created one of those very simple ensembles, which are so perfectly in tune with the young of the year. The dress is of finely pleated rose red georgette with balls and cords of red and blue as the only trimming. The coat is in finely checked red and white silk, soft and not shiny.

In the center you see the Parisienne in her beloved black, dressed for the popular five o'clock. Chantal uses fine silk jersey, incrusts it with georgette, and sets ornaments of green jade and diamond paste on the hip to lift the whole thing to brilliancy.

The Jean Patou model is in two shades of beige jersey, with the stripes used both horizontally and straight up and down. The white silk waistcoat is stitched and fastened with glass buttons. The belt is in brown leather.

~ Jeanie Adair



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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
Glen Robinson	18 th	Chuck Lawrence	21 st
Jan Jones	26 th	Tanya Johns	28 th
Barbara Whitworth	28 th	Larry Peters	30 th
		Fred Kroon	30 th

TURN SIGNALS FOR YOUR MODEL A

Many of you cannot come to club meetings and many do not stay for the seminar. You miss out on good information and valuable tips on the Model A.

At the start of Lynn Sondenna's seminar "How to Make Your Model A More Reliable", Bill Jabs asked if he could have just a moment. Lynn of course said OK.

Bill demonstrated a set of bicycle turn signals. I think they were a really neat set of lights and by gluing rare earth magnets to the base you can have a nifty set of turn signals for your Model A. The turn signals are available from Amazon and the cost is only \$60.00.

They are listed as Goldfox Bike Tail Lights USB Rechargeable Bike Turn Signals. These are two lights (amber) for the front and two lights (red) for the rear. The LED warning light is very bright. These lights are wireless and waterproof..

Compare this to a wiring loom from a Model A parts supplier at about \$310 plus you have to purchase a \$30 flasher. Don't bother with the \$7.00 one with aluminum cover as they are prone to catch on fire.

Even if you already have turn signals on your car these lights would be a very nice addition as they will be brighter than the existing lights you are using. If you don't believe me, just ask check out Bill Jabs' Model A on the next tour he is on.

David Adair

SEEKING FORGIVENESS

I PISSED OFF MY Model A (third installment)

By Bill Griffith

So, all was set. I replaced the battery, turned the key on and....

POP. Blown fuse. Why? I replaced the fuse and tried again. Same result. One more time with same result. Well, that's not working. What the heck is going on? Now I had to remove the dash instrument cluster, which in my case [of course] was a pain because I have a two-gauge bracket on the bottom side which has always been problematic to line up all four holes. Surprise, my aftermarket light switch had come apart. I don't know why or how. I replaced the switch with one I got online and put the cluster back only having to use my special words a few times. The engine fired right up. Success and I was ecstatic with joy. I spent time even putting everything back on the A. Floor boards, light bar, front bumper, all that little stuff. I even bled the breaks. My plan was to drive on the 'garage tour' which was coming up. I am finally all done.

I climbed into the cab, and she fired right up. Why not, I was done. I put her in gear, to exit the garage, let out the clutch and NO MOVEMENT at all. Went through all gears and still no go. I think this was the time I overused my special words.

After extensive research with phone calls and written articles I learned the [very] sad truth. The transmission had to come out.

Now this I had done before and should not be a problem. All went well until the floor jack under the transmission went sideways causing the trans to get hung up on several frame parts. Transmissions are very heavy so there was no way I would be able to manually adjust it. After 2-3 hours and several attempts I was successful. [Side note: I now have a custom-made transmission block that fits my floor jack.]

Transmission is now out, and I can inspect it for issues, So, as you can guess, I found none. It was at this point when I called a most experienced Club member and made arrangements for him to help me re-install the trans after I put in a new float-a-motor front mount. Apparently, the geometry was all wrong. No problem, all I had to do was take the radiator and a few other items off to raise the motor. As you know by now my A did not make it easy but with the help of 2-4 special words, I got her done. It only took three hours for both of us to re-install.

Yes, I do know how sad that is, but the A fought us all the way. Now all I needed to do was put it all back together again.

Putting in the buttocks aka rear end and driveline was somewhat un-eventful. And, yes, I did remember to install the inner u-joint cover first, this time. Now all the running gear is in as it should be. I am making progress and moving forward. YA!

ANTIQUÉ TOUR

APRIL 22, 2023
AURORA, OREGON



9:00 AM – Meet for BREAKFAST AT PAPPY’S GREASY SPOON, 243 NW 2ND, CANBY, OREGON 97013

(There is Street Parking only. Take Ivy Street off of Highway 99e. From Ivy St., take a left on 2nd. It is located between Holly and Grant.)

MOST ANTIQUE STORES OPEN BETWEEN 10 AND 11 AM.

After your breakfast, gather in small groups and head south on Highway 99E. Aurora is about 4 miles from Canby, Oregon. Be sure to pick up a Bio sheet from the tour leader on the Antique stores and what they focus on collecting and selling. Some have parking lots and others require on street parking.

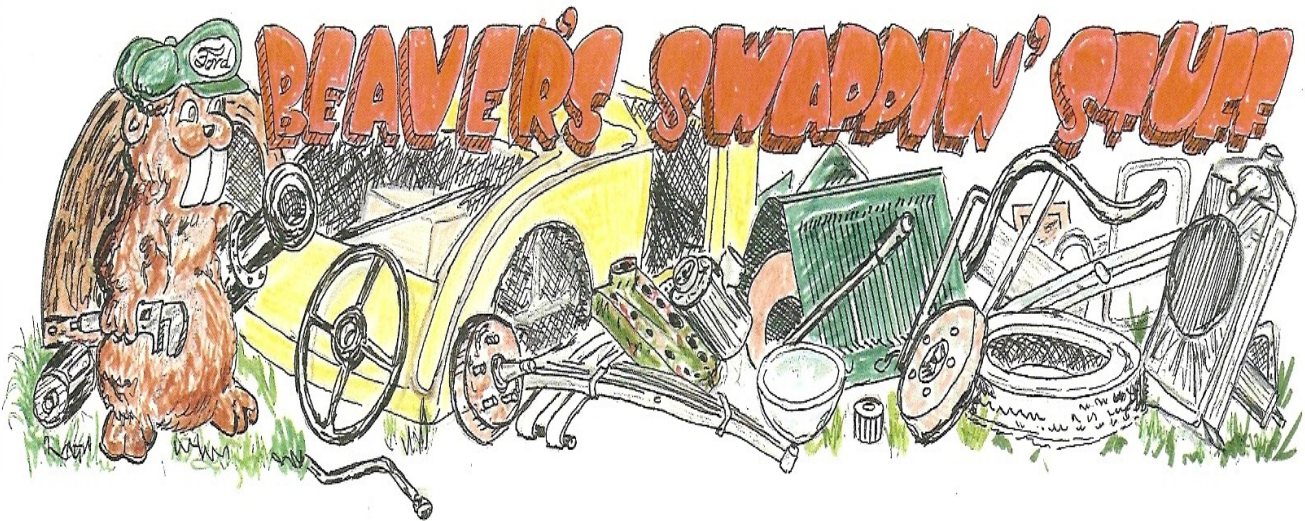
Consider visiting the refurbished OLD AURORA COLONY MUSEUM. IT IS LOCATED AT 15018 2ND STREET.

The cost for seniors is \$5.00 per person.

****Feel Free to head for home whenever you are so motivated.****

This is a rain or shine activity. Have a great time!

Take pictures for our Ahooga Newsletter and send them to David Hawbecker. Write a few lines about your car and your find or fun sightings.



FOR SALE: (5) Super nice 19" Rims \$200. Lynn Sondenna (503) 781-9741 or Lynnsond@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: (2) Model A heaters (these fit on top of the manifold) \$20 each.

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FOR SALE: 1930 Ford Town Sedan (Murray body). \$7000 obo. Gene Scott (503) 367-9676 .

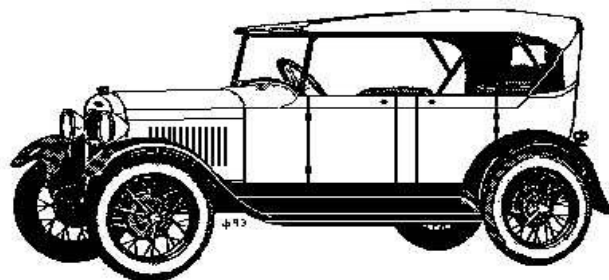
FOR SALE: 19" Model A rim with new, never used tire mounted on it. \$100. Bill Jabs (971) 235-3804.

WANTED: (1) 16" Kelsey Hays Wheel. Lynn Sondenna (503) 781-9741 or Lynnsond@hotmail.com

WANTED: Two AC (anticlockwise) Houdaille Shocks. Vincent Dunn (503) 586-6811 or vincentkdunn@yahoo.com

WANTED: A generator and a starter. Ken Holtmann (360) 936-9143 or (360) 887-3727

WANTED: Luggage Rack (rear) and/or Model A travel trunk. Gary Bartman (559) 285-8233 (Newberg)





Fort Vancouver National Historic Site— March 18, 2003

Our trip began with brilliant sunshine and lots of smiles. As we neared the Interstate 5 Bridge, we could see a bank of clouds clinging to it. We thought nothing of it until we approached the Holiday Inn and drove into it. The fog changed the day from cheerful sunshine to cold fingers and a hunt for a coat.

10 Model A cars and pickups met up at the Holiday Inn. 2 more cars met the group at the Fort Vancouver Historic Site. With a short drive across the bridge, we emerged into the sun and followed “C” Street to Evergreen Blvd. As we drove into the Historic site, we were thrilled to see sun and warmth.

Mike Haight had us park at an angle in front of the Artillery Barracks on Hathaway Street. Now, we were all impressed by the beautiful row of Model A’s. Each club member was grinning and enjoying the sight. We attracted much attention and had the privilege of sharing our vehicles with people out for a walk in the park.

Our next stop was the Visitors Center and Bookstore. Here we found lots of local Indian art and stories about the site we were visiting. The Bookstore houses a wonderful selection of books on the history of the fort and on the Indians of the area.

Mike Haight took pictures of each individual car as they passed by the Marshall House. The next stop was to the Pearson Air Museum. This was very educational. Did you know that on the site of the airfield was the world’s largest Spruce Lumber Mill of the 20th century. It milled 1,000,000 board feet of lumber per day for making parts for World War 1 airplanes. Needless to say, being an army run mill, it far out produced the need for lumber. Less than 6000 board feet were actually used for airplane manufacturing during the entire war.

MARCH 18 TOUR OF FORT VANCOUVER AND PEARSON AVIATION MUSEUM



Gary Dexter's 1931 Deluxe Roadster

New member Ron
Baird with his 1931 Red
Tudor



New Member Kent Uhl
with his 1929 Black Se-
dan

TENTATIVE TOUR SCHEDULE

December 2022	Xmas pot Luck		
January 2023	Steering gear seminar	Mystery trip	David A
February 2023	Fun winter tour		Doug I & M Haight
March 2023	Fort Vancouver tour	EG Aviation Museum	Mike Haight
April 2023	Swap Meet	Ladies antique tour	Mike & Penny H
May 2023	Albany Carrousel tour?	T.B.A.	Pam & Terri
June 2023	Covered Bridge tour	T.B.A.	Lynn & Anne Humble
July 2023	Lacy Lady tour	Waaaim	Mike W &??
August 2023	Scenic Farm tour	Sterner Cabin tour	C Irwin, T <u>Winterrowd</u>
September 2023	Past president's tour	T.B.A.	Lynn S
October 2023	Fall colors tour ?		?
November 2023	Garage day tour		David A
December 2023	Xmas pot luck		

This is the planned tour schedule for tours as I have it as of the end of March. It is subject to change . We are hoping to have two tours during the summer months, but I'm not sure if that can happen. If anyone has questions or wants to volunteer to lead a tour either email or phone me!

Michael Haight, Beaver A Chapter Vice President and Tour Coordinator

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On the March Tour waiting for lunch