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Just a nice photo of a Model A - Your car could be here!
Send your photo and story of your car to the Editor

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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.

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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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 email noe2912@comcast.net or 2222 Matterhorn Ct West Linn OR 97068.

The newsletter deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.

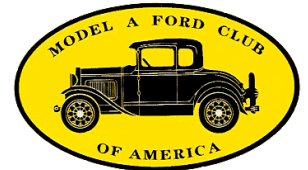
Beaver Chapter Meeting Refreshment Sign Up List

January - Brenda Caseday
February - Rene' & Kirk Metteer
March - Bonnie Starkweather
April - Doug Ingles
May - Roger & Kathy Green
June - Jeanie & David Adair
July - Need a volunteer
August - Debbie Dutton
September - Need a volunteer
October - Tom & Jennie Ryan
November - Pie Night, everyone bring a pie.

Everyone enjoys the refreshments at the meeting.

We have two slots left to fill for the year.
You can call Debbie Dutton 503.706.4843 to volunteer.

All you have to do is purchase refreshments and give your receipt to the Treasurer, Mike Worthington for reimbursement.



Happy Birthday

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| Sherry Hawbecker | 11 th |
| Nurry Scott | 12 th |
| Shirly Bliss | 14 th |
| Beverly Asbahr | 17 th |
| Bill Call | 17 th |
| Dennis Schelske | 23 rd |
| Rey Reece | 25 th |
| Michael Blick | 29 th |



PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we say goodbye to 2022, I hope that this holiday has found you and all of your friends and family happy and healthy. I am really looking forward to what 2023 has in store for The Beaver Chapter Model A Club going forward.



I am excited to see what our new Vice President Michael Haight has in store for us for tours. If the tour planning seminar we had last month is any indication we are going to have a good year.

I want to thank Brenda and Dave Caseday for all the hard work they put into our Christmas party this year. There was a wonderful turn out , 60-65 people. I believe everyone had a great time. A special thanks to Santa for making a special appearance for us this year.

This month I am not going to be able to make the meeting but I trust that Michael Haight will lead the meeting and make me proud.

This month Mike Worthington and Bill Griffith will have the sign up sheets for Swap Meet duties. Mike does a great job of listing the mobility requirements for each duty so we can put you in a job that you can do safely. I believe we have 51 slots to fill this year. Please step up and do your part, we can't do it without you. Thank you in advance!

Speaking of Swap Meet we can always use more good people to join us on the Swap Meet Committee, and I can't think of a better club that would fit that requirement. If you are interested or have any questions please get in touch with Mike Worthington or Bill Griffith and they can fill you in.

Well that's all I have right now. Hope to see you at the Cracker Barrel in Tualatin for our first Wednesday Breakfast.

See you all in February!

Respectfully,

Debbie Dutton

Christmas Potluck

We'll be Gnome for Christmas -

That was the theme for the clubs Christmas Potluck. Brenda Caseday planned it well! She cooked the turkey, ham and mashed potatoes. The tables were festively set. Everyone arrived right on time and the buffet table groaned with amazing dishes! The Dutton's also had a hand in setting up. Thank you everyone for such a fun evening!



Gnome
Sweet
Gnome





Santa even made an appearance...



Kids
of
all
ages
enjoyed
seeing
Santa!





The Christmas Potluck was filled with activities. Debbie handled the Photo Contest. David Adair resurrected the game from years ago where you had to guess the Model A part that was tied shut in a bag. You could only feel the part, no peeking! And it wasn't just for the guys! Amanda was right in there tied with Lynn and Doug for first place. There were two tie breaker questions. In the end, Doug was the winner of a gift card to Dutch Brothers!



Ted was the ever present servant handling the trash can detail. Bless you!
Thank you all for coming.



The Whole Story About The Cars In Roger & Kathy Green's Barn A Follow Up From The November Garage Tour

1911 Brush, Gentlemen's Roadster - This car had been owned by Kathy's father, Stan Davey of Salem, Oregon. When Stan died in 1993 his wife sold it and 5 other antique cars that they owned. In 2001, Roger saw it listed for sale and bought it back. The gentleman who owned it, sold it back to the family for the same price he had purchased it.

Brush Cars were built from 1907 to 1913. These cars had wooden wheels, wooden frames and wooden axles (and in the day, the joke was "*they wooden run*!"). It's a 1 cylinder car with planetary gear transmission. 2 forward speeds and reverse. The oiling system is a total loss system, which was very common at the time.

I have done 100 mile days in this car and you feel pretty beat up at the end. You drive intently listening for a change in sound and then try to figure out what came loose or fell off now!

One of my most favorite thing on this car is the rear kerosene lamp, which has a red tail lens and a clear license plate lens on the side, all this when Washington was not even issuing license plates.

1913 REO Touring - This car was also owned by Stan Davey and sold upon his death. We acquired it 7 years later, again for the same price it had been sold for. It has a 4 cylinder engine, 3 speed transmission and both internal expanding and external contracting brakes.

How did this car come into this family? Well when I started dating Kathy she had a '57 T-Bird,. Stan traded it for this REO. That was shortly before our wedding in 1978.

I have two distinct memories in this car. First was Kathy & I road home from our wedding in this car (it was a cold day, November 11, 1978). The other one was Stan needed to mow the yard of a rental in town, so he threw a Toro mower in the back seat and away we went!

1929 Model A Town Sedan - We acquired this car in July of 2017. It came out of the Moon on A's in Everett, Washington. It has a downdraft carb, a '39 transmission and Mitchel overdrive.

1930 Model A Town Sedan - This car was also acquired in July of 2017. It came out of Ft. Bragg, California and the Lake County A's. This car has a diamond block A engine, a Mitchell transmission & overdrive.

1931 Model A Town Sedan - This car was inherited when Kathy's dad died. The worst way to get a car. I'd much rather have him. It came out of Oregon City. I think it had been painted but had no interior. It has a diamond block B engine and Mitchell overdrive.

1931 Model A Roadster - This is the only car that Stan had done the complete restoration himself. It was done in their basement by carrying one part at a time down stairs. When he finished the car in the basement he took it all apart and carried it out and re-re-assembled it. This car was inherited by Kathy's sister and she still owns it (I just get to do all the work to maintain it). It's the most stock A we have.

1941 Dodge pickup - I paid \$175 for this in the late '90's. It came out of Wallowa County, Oregon. It had sat for years on the edge of a plowed field and dust had blown in everywhere. The whole exhaust system, the differential, the carb - everywhere. A friend of mine in Libby, Montana did the restoration.

1955 Chevy 210 Wagon - This car we saw in Vancouver, we liked it and bought it.

Roger Green

You know all those red tickets you've been saving from last year? It's time to bring them to the January club meeting for the **Red Tire Ticket Drawing**. You might be a lucky winner of \$50, \$100, or the big winner of \$600 towards the purchase of a new set of Model A tires!

So don't forget to bring your red tickets!



2023 Portland Swap Meet – The Inside Scoop

I was asked many questions about last year's swap meet during my recent visit to each of the clubs. The most common concern was if the swap meet would be profitable going forward. I would like to have responded "absolutely!" The truth is less certain, so my answer was generally to list several reasons why we think that it will continue to be successful. The swap meet is a business – **your business** – with several areas of uncertainty. We try to plan for unlikely events, but as you know not everything follows a planned script.

Your Swap Meet Committee began preparing for the 2023 swap meet several months ago. Who are the members of the swap meet committee, and what do they do? The committee is the core planning group of about one hundred volunteers drawn from the six sponsoring car clubs. These are the folks who arrange for: the building, the buses, rent fences, contract for pot-a-pots, print the program, obtain traffic plan approval, provide security, mail vendor packets, provide duty packets, layout the vendor spaces, and the list goes on. Basically, they do all the things that allow us to open the gates to vendors and customers.

Most of us think that the swap meet starts on Thursday with vendor move-in. The swap meet really gets started on Tuesday with committee move in, and venue preparation. It is a big job to complete the layout of vendor stalls in each of the buildings, and the outside lots. Without this dedicated group, vendors would not know where to locate their stalls, and the Thursday move-in would not turn out well. Many vendors know the process, what gate to enter, where to go, and what needs to get done – and many do not. That is where the club duty volunteers come in. We are there to provide direction, answer questions, and keep the process moving forward. This is not glimmers, but absolutely required, and amazing to watch!

Bill and I will have the Beaver Chapter 2023 Swap Meet duty signup sheets at the January meeting. We hope to make a big dent in our roster by the end of the meeting. We know that you do not want to miss out on this year's event, so if you cannot attend the meeting give me a call at 503.502.0440, or send an e-mail to mike_worthington@comcast.net, and we will find a place for you.

Big Thank You!!!!

Big Shout Out to the many members leading
a plethora of Tours in 2022.

We toured museums, mansions, machine shops,
tunnels and dahlia farms.

Several tours had 10 to 15 Model A's.

Thanks to members for sharing your A's at
State Park Celebrations, Concourses and other
public events.

Excited that Michael Haight is taking the helm in
2023.

He knows what makes a good tour and will support
members' touring ideas.

Thank you for your support in allowing me to be 2022 VP of Touring.

Drive Em.....

Tom Winterrowd

Introduction From Your New Editor

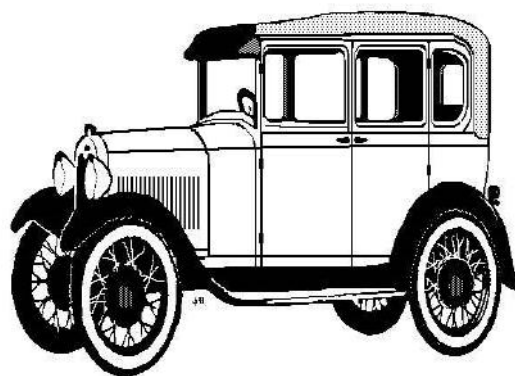
In 1955 when I was a senior in high school I
bought a Model A that looked much like the this.

However, I didn't have enough money to do
much in terms of fixing it up and the roof leaked. So, when I took my girl friend out on
a date I would always take my mother's car.

A little more than a year ago I bought a fixer upper from Lynn Sondenaar and began
working on it. However, once I joined the local Model A club Bill Jabs convinced me that
at my age I may never get it to the point of being able to drive it.. So, I sold it and
bought a '31 Sedan from Bob of Bob's Red Mill and am now getting acquainted with my
"new" car.

As far as editing The Ahooga News please be patient. With the help of Jeanie I will
eventually get the hang of it.

Dave Hawbecker



Office Use: Member# _____ Spouse# _____ Year Joined _____

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BEAVER CHAPTER MODEL A FORD CLUB

Last First

PRINT NAME _____ SPOUSE _____

STREET _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____ DATE _____

PHONE _____ CELL M- _____ S/P- _____

EMAIL M- _____ BIRTHDAY: Month _____ Day _____

S/P- _____ BIRTHDAY: Month _____ Day _____

MODEL A's - YEAR & BODY STYLE _____

HONORARY MEMBER SINCE (____)\$ **PAID**

BEAVER CHAPTER DUES (\$10.00)\$ _____

LATE RENEWALS (after Dec 31st \$5.00).....\$ _____

SPOUSE DUES (\$1.00).....\$ _____

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER EMAILED? ____ (YES)..... **NO CHARGE**

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MAILED (\$25.00 yr.)\$ _____

TOTAL \$ PAID _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BEAVER CHAPTER MAFCA

MAIL TO: Jennie Ryan, Membership Coordinator
2415 NE 110th Ave.
Vancouver, WA 98684

MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO BECOME & MAINTAIN MAFCA MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE CONTACT: MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA, 250 SOUTH CYPRESS
LA HABRA, CA 97331-5515.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MAFCA DUES? YES ____ NO ____ MAFCA NO. _____

NOTE: New members joining after July 1st, membership and all Beaver Chapter club benefits will continue through the following year. Beaver Chapter accepts Youth Dues (\$1.00 each). They must be between 15 and 20 years of age.

8-22



FOR SALE: 1930 Model A Tudor Sedan. H and H engine. 12 volt system. Electronic ignition. Overdrive. Heater. \$14,000.

Rich Murphy: 971-241-0973. McMinnville, OR.

FOR SALE: 1929 Tudor Sedan; rebuild from the ground up; Greg Edwards engine; Beautiful paint job with red striping; seat belts; turn signals; quality vinyl upholstery . Asking \$15,000. Call or email LeRoy Benham at 503-849-8696 or benham68@gmail .com



In Memory Of -

Beaver Chapter member Jim Shaw passed away. He and Rose moved to Newport a few years ago but remained club members. Jim loved the outdoors and to putter around his shop and tinker with his Model A.

A memorial was held on December 11th.





**THE BROAD SHOULDER AND SLIM HIP SILHOUETTE
LOOK - FEATURED IN LATE 1931 PICTORIAL REVIEW**

What will collars do next? Certainly nothing more flattering than this number 5797 frock. The simple V neckline is softened in the new elegant manner by a scarf collar in three tones, swung around the neck and finished with a knot and jabot.

5824 has a cleverly draped scarf collar that gives it marvelous shoulder width, and well placed seaming makes the hips divinely slim.

Nothing is better than black velvet with touches of satin and fur on the sleeves of this third model.

The coat is slimming below the waist and so broad above. Did you ever see anything newer or more fashionable than its wide, gracious fur collar, unless it's the interesting pointed cuffs of self material.

The last model shows a skirt and blouse. Whether the blouse is made knee length in lame' as shown here, or made short of airy chiffon it's bound to be luxurious and very ladylike. The wrap around skirt has that slender silhouette.

Don't forget to check out the smaller hats that were favored in 1931. ~ Jeanie Adair