

# The Ahoooga News

**August 2026**

**Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club**



**Rob Oxley with his new 1929 Speedster**

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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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Refreshments: Debbie Dutton

MAFCA Chapter News: Tom Irwin

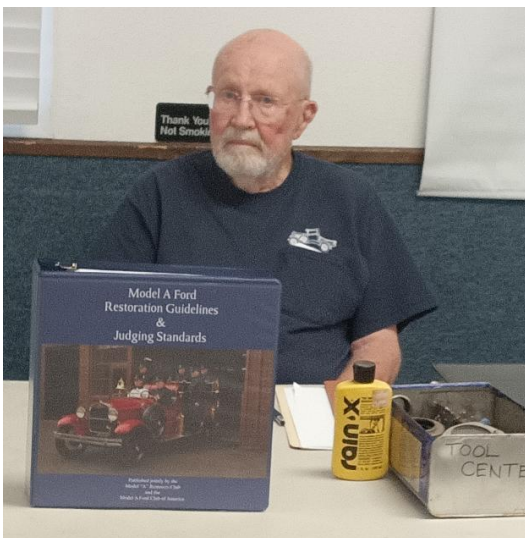
Beaver Chapter Webmaster: Pamela McClafin. **Web Site: <http://beaverchapterford.org>**

**The Ahoooga 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](mailto:mandphaighthorsefarm@yahoo.com). The deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.



**Some like 'em shiny !**

**and some don't!**



**David Adair presenting our club seminar on Speedometers and windshield wipers. Conclusion on the speedo is to leave well enough alone or send the instrument to a qualified speedometer shop listed in the Restorer Magazine.**

**Conclusion on the wipers is they are ineffective and best left for decoration only. The solution is to use Rainex as a treatment on the glass. It really works!!**



## President's Column

On July 25<sup>th</sup> the Volcano A's and Beaver chapter's tour had perfect weather to enjoy a short drive to Damascus. We staged our cars mostly in the shade on the back lawn at the Damascus Centennial Park. Fifteen Model A's were on hand for the celebration of America's 250th anniversary.



Last month, we learned four of the six car clubs that comprise the Portland Swap Meet LLC have voted to discontinue this annual event. Consequently, we must contemplate how we will allocate our 2027 budget without this income. Two of our larger annual expenses are the past president's tour and our club banquet. Moving forward, our membership will need to decide how we will handle deficit spending.

August is the month the Beavers get a chance to show their ( Model A ) stuff and maybe make a few dollars in the process. We are planning our annual parking lot swap meet beginning about 6:00 before the regular club meeting.

The first Wednesday breakfast on August 5<sup>th</sup> is at 9:00 at Biscuits Café 19273 Molalla Ave, Oregon City.

On September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 our first Wednesday breakfast will be at Sunny's Diner 7107 SW Nyberg St Tualatin OR 97062 (503) 658-9988

Our next tour will be on Saturday, August 22nd - Farm Tour: - Meet at the entrance to Champoege Park at 9:15 for a 9:30 departure to Dan and Tani Brentano's Farm. Lunch will be at The Harvester in downtown St. Paul. Call Chris Irwin at 503-538-5227 or email to [irwintc@outlook.com](mailto:irwintc@outlook.com) to let her know you plan to attend.

Happy Motoring,  
Kent Uhl



***Amanda Ute***



***Chris Irwin***

***Jeanne Adair***

Three nice looking ladies dressed to be queens of the ball at the Pendleton MFACA fashion show. Amanda won first prize. Great photos.  
Congratulations to Amanda.



## The Damascus Car Show July 25, 2025



The Damascus Car Show on July 25, 2026 was a big hit for the club and a lot of fun.





**What fun looks like when we share our Model A's with the children! Having fun at Damascus days event on Saturday July 25**

## **BEAVER CHAPTER BOARD MEETING MINUTES JULY 15, 2026**

Meeting was called to order by President Kent at 6:04 pm.

Present: Chad Worthington, Ron Baird, Michael Haight, Debbie Dutton, Kirk Metteer, Kent Uhl, Mike Worthington and David Adair

Guests: Pam McClaflin, Leonard Dutton, Rene Metteer, Anita Uhl, and Jeanie Adair.

Old Business: Mike Worthington and Leonard Dutton were appointed by email vote to be our club representatives to the Portland Swap Meet while the LLC is dissolved.

Swap Meet Report - Mike Worthington. To liquidate the swap meet assets and close down the LLC will take some time, possibly a year. Debbie has issued 197 refunds to vendors that prepaid for 2027. Debbie and Leonard brought some miscellaneous Swap meet items to give to club members.

There will be a parking lot swap meet in August.

Tours – Kirk Metteer: July tour will be to Damascus for Damascus Days, this will be led by Kent Uhl. In August Chris Irwin will lead us on a farm tour and the September tour will be a visit to the Shady Dell miniature railroad in Molalla.

Editors Report: Michael Haight wants pictures of members cars.

Kent has a building close up checklist for our board meeting building and also for our club meeting.

Pam McClaflin had two items for the board. First the board needs to communicate better so that members who are unable to attend the meeting are informed as to what is going on in the club. Second, the newsletter needs to have better coverage of what is going on.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectively submitted by David Adair Secretary

## **BEAVER CHAPTER JULY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JULY 15, 2026**

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

Guests: Loretta was a guest of Gary Bartman and Dianna Hudson was with Terry and Pam, and Charles Seims has a 28 Business Coupe that had belonged to a long ago member Bill Burdick.

Sunshine: Renee Metteer said this is her first day without a cane. Mary McConnel is in the hospital.

New Business: There will be a parking lot swap meet before our August meeting. July 25th tour to Damascus for Damascus Days celebration Meet at N. Oregon City Shopping center for an 8:15 departure. (Cars need to be at Damascus by 9:30)

August 22 tour will be led by Chris Irwin. We will meet in Champoeg State Park entrance 9:15 for a 9:30 departure and tour to the Dan and Tani Brentanos farm. Lunch will be at the Harvester in St. Paul. August 29 is the Cutsforth Cruise In in Canby. There is a \$25.00 fee to enter your car.

September 20th (Sunday) The tour will be to Shady Dell Miniature Train Park in Molalla.

In October Kirk Metteer will take us to an interesting collection in Redlands.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Worthington reported that to date our budget is on track.

Swap Meet: Mike Worthington reported that assets are being liquidated and the next swap meet board meeting is July 20th. Debbie and Leonard Dutton have brought several swap meet items to give to any one who wants. "T" and Sweat Shirts, safety vests, light weight jackets, license plates and pins. Debbie said that she is not going home with any of this stuff. Debbie is also selling a mini refrigerator for \$50.00 and a small lock box for \$10.00.



Ahooga News: Michael wants club members to send him pictures of their cars. He does not know where he gets the birthday list from and would like to have one updated.  
 Debbie reminded everyone to remember there is a photo contest at the Christmas Potluck.  
 Tonight's seminar will be on windshield vacuum wipers and lubrication of speedometers.  
 Ladies Outing: On August 13th around noonish Pam McClafin is hosting a ladies luncheon and there is a sign up sheet being circulated.  
 Chad Worthington reminds us that as Member at Large he will act as your advocate and present items to the board in your behalf.  
 Chris Irwin said the refreshment list should be in the newsletter and on the club website.  
 Drawings: Name Tag Chris Irwin; Membership Gary Bartman; 50-50 Dianne Criticas.  
 Respectfully submitted by David Adair Secretary

## 2026 Tour Season - August to December

| <u>Date</u>      | <u>Leader(s)</u>               | <u>Comments</u>                                                                                    |
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| <b>August 22</b> | Chris Irwin                    | <b>Farm Tour</b> - Brentano Farms - Details in the making.                                         |
| August 29        | Event of Interest (Not a tour) | <b>Cutsforth Cruise-In</b> - Canby, OR - 9 AM - 2 PM                                               |
| <b>September</b> | Adair                          | <b>Shady Dell Miniature RR Tour</b> - Molalla, OR - Bring lunch                                    |
| <b>October 3</b> | Metteer                        | <b>Interesting Collection</b> - Meet OC Shopping Center.<br>In Redland area. More details to come. |
| <b>November</b>  | ?                              |                                                                                                    |

### AUGUST 22<sup>nd</sup> TOUR

Our August tour will be to the Brentano Farm in St. Paul. Dan and Tani Brentano are also Beaver Chapter members. Meet at the entrance to Champoeg Park at 9:15 for a 9:30 departure. From Champoeg we will caravan to Brentano Farm to get educated on the processing of garlic. We will be introduced to a second crop harvesting, depending on what crop may be available for harvest at that particular time. This second crop may be grass seed? Join us to see where and how our food makes it to our table. After the tour we will have lunch at The Harvester in downtown St. Paul. If you have not signed up at the club meeting and plan to attend, notify Chris Irwin, 503-538-5227 or [irwintc@outlook.com](mailto:irwintc@outlook.com).

**December** No tour generally planned.  
**Tour Chairman- Kirk Metteer** Ph: 503-910-4900; email: [kirk.metteer@gmail.com](mailto:kirk.metteer@gmail.com)



## **The Oxkley Special**

**Owned by Rob Oxkley**

**A running chassis bought over 20 years ago as a father son project. After three months getting the electrical system repaired Rob Got it started. His father purchased the "speedster" kit and two months later they had the kit installed to what the pictures look like now. He changed the head lights to a later model car, put shocks on it and new tires. The only problem left as he was to find out on meeting night when he first drove it was the carburetor was running lean and causing the engine to quit. He did a period type repair by resealing the**

**top with a new gasket and gluing the top down. Now she runs fine! Rob now owns three model A's Woodie, and a late model coupe plus the speedster. The car is cute and fun to drive. We hope to see it in future tours (on sunny dry days)**



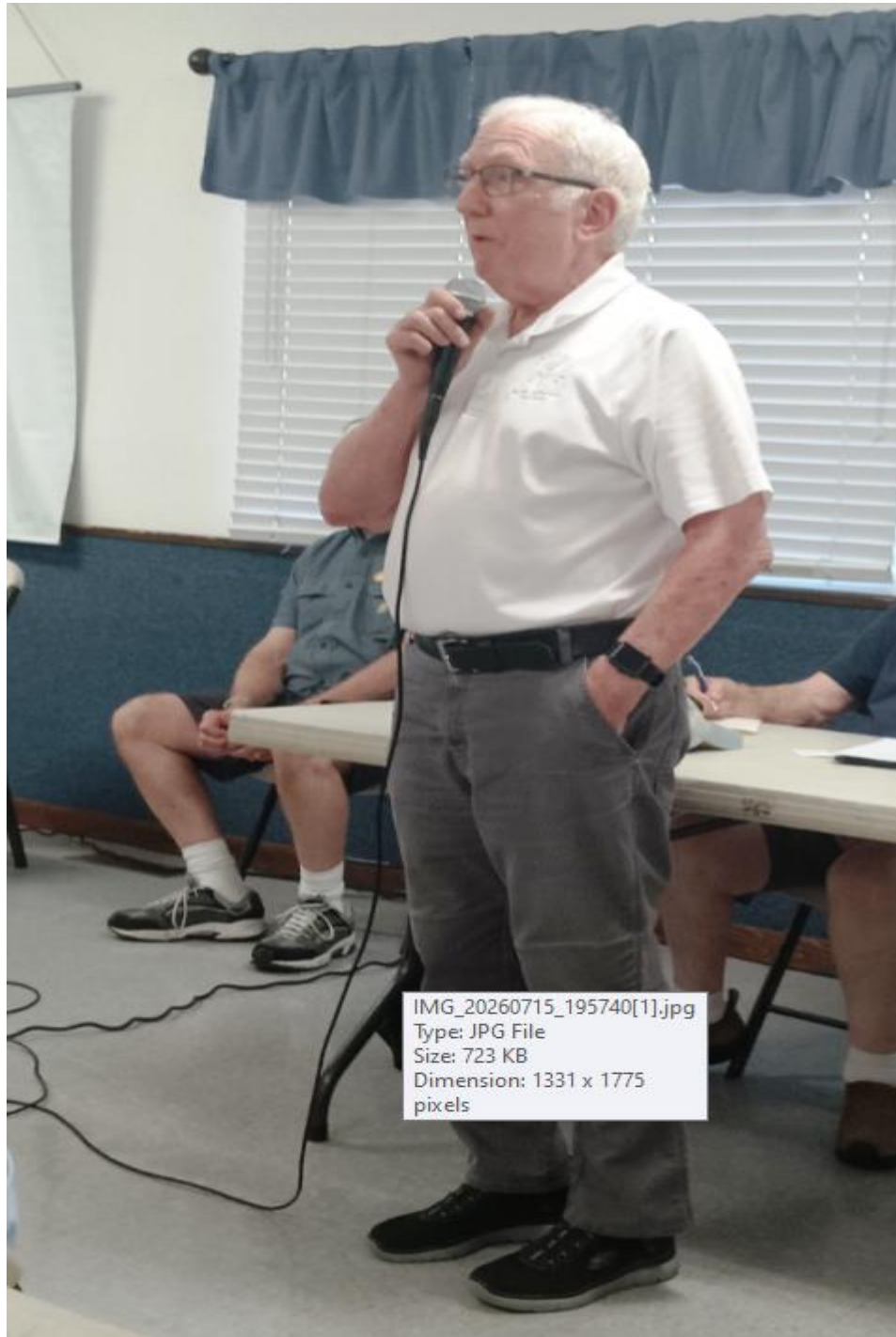
**Debbie Dutton**

**Past President Beaver A Chapter  
President of the Portland Swap Meet**

**Thank you Debbie for you contributions to our club over the last  
few years serving on the boards.**

**Great job!!**





**Mike Worthington**

**Mike in his classic presentation stance. The club thanks you Mike for your dedication in managing the club funds and representing the Beaver A 's at the Portland Swap meetings.  
GREAT JOB AND THANK YOU!**

## ***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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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**

## MODEL A ERA FASIONS FOR SALE



While the August parking lot will be full of guys selling their spare car parts, there will also be era fashions being sold inside the building.

Be sure to check out what era fashions will be for sale. Both men and ladies clothing will be available.

Whether its original vintage garments, era image or reproduced garments, its fun to dress the part!

And it will be nice and cool inside!!







### **FASHION DETAILS By Jeanie Adair**

First of all, I know that these are not Model A's in the background! This was an advertisement for the Essex automobile from a Ladies Home Journal magazine dated March 1928. But in the foreground are three fashionably dressed ladies from the era.

You hardly ever see the back side of coats. All three ladies are wearing hats with deep crowns. Notice how large the brim is on the lady wearing yellow. Era fashion was not the emphasis of this advertisement, but you can certainly pick out lots of information about Model A fashions. Details! Details! It's all about the details!

# 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**

**WHAT IS THE BEST FUEL TO USE IN A MODEL 'A'? *Anything that is volatile except water. Try some of your favorite mouthwash sometime. You might be surprised what it can do to your engine?***

**WOMEN ONLY: WHICH PEDAL DO YOU STEP ON WHEN GOING DOWN HILL? *If you don't know I ain't going to tell ya! Best to read the owner's manual. If you haven't already used it to line your parakeet's cage you'd still have it in on piece. However, if what you have left ain't readable they still are available at Synder's Antique Auto parts for a mere \$29.99.***

### **SERIOUS STUFF**

**ALWAYS CARRY IN YOUR MODEL 'A' A FEW BASIC TOOLS. A FEW SCREW DRIVERS, PLIERS, AND OPE N 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.**



**A FEW PARTS SHOULD BE ON BOARD ALSO. A BAG OF COTTER KEYS, AN EXTRA INNER TUBE, A FAN BELT, POINTS, CONDENSOR, MAYBE EVEN A COIL. YOU WILL BE GLAD YOU PUT IN A ROLL OF ELECTRIC TAPE, AFEW BLUE /RED BUTT CONECTORS AND A FEW INCHES OF 10-12 GAUGE WIRE. IT WOULDN'T HURT TO HAVE A COUPLE 2 INCH HOSE CLAMPS AND A COUPLE OF ENGINE GASKETS OF YOUR CHOICE.**

**EVEN IF YOU DONT KNOW HOW TO USE THIS STUFF SOME ONE THAT STOPS MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET YOU BACK ON THE ROAD WITH WHAT YOU BROUGHT.**

**ANDIF POSSIBLE MAKE SURE A SHOP MANUAL IS ACCESSABLE.**

**CHECK YOUR TIRE PRESSURE BEFORE DRIVING YOUR MODEL A 36 P.S.I., CHECK THE OIL AND THE COOLANT LEVEL. NEVER ASSUME ANYTHING. PAY ATTENTION TO DETAIL**

**ALWAYS HAVE A TOW SERVICE PROGRAMED INTO YOUR CELL PHONE**

**IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CELL PHONE-GET ONE AND CARRY IT.**

### **Poem of the month**

**There once was a Model A**

**It was nothing but a rattle trap**

**the owner always yelling OH C---P!**

**Wishing he had not spent**

**All his retirement and life savings**

**on what was to make him**

**the collector extraordinaire!**

**Author unknown**

***Calling all Ladies! Calling all ladies! Don't miss this one.***



### **Attention !! Beaver Babes**

We gals are getting together August 13th at noon for tea and coffee.  
The event will be hosted at Pam McClaflin's home 367030 SE  
Haughlum Rd., Sandy Oregon. Please RSVP.  
Pam's phone number is 503-778-0434