

The Ahoooga News



September 2016



Chad Worthington driving a 1930 Closed Cab Pickup.
This photo was take on the Historic Homes Tour in Oregon City, Oregon last May.
If you would like to see your car on the cover of our newsletter
submit a nice photo to the editor.

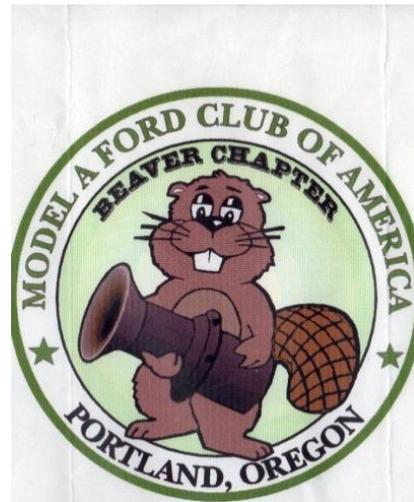
The official newsletter of Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club of America, Portland, Oregon
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BEAVER CHAPTER PORTLAND, OREGON

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.

Meetings: The third Wednesday of each month except December, 7:30PM at the Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th, Clackamas, OR 97015

The Beaver Chapter memberships commence on January 1st or on the date paid and expires on December 31st.



New memberships received after November 1st are valid for the following year. Beaver Chapter dues are \$10.00 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse member.

Make check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit membership application to the Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send them to Dale Fiedler, PO Box 428 Sandy, OR 97055.

By-laws Article III, Section 2 states: "Membership in the national club (MAFCA) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of the Beaver Chapter."

MAFCA dues are \$40.00. Mail to: MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress Ave., La Habra, CA 90631.

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CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2016

NW Regional Group: David Adair and Pam McClafin; Portland Swap Meet: Dick Thornes and Mike Worthington; Historian: Patty Brost; Sunshine: Eileen Ross; Raffle Prizes: Lori Symank; Refreshments: Mary McConnell; MAFCA Chapter News: Bill Henderson.

Articles and contributions for the newsletter is encouraged and will be used as space and time permits. The deadline is the fourth Wednesday of each month. Correspondence should be sent directly to the Editor: jadadaja@msn.com or mailed to 895 Hazelwood Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045. Other newsletters may reprint article as long as credit is given to the author and *The Ahooga News*.

Beaver Chapter Web Site: <http://beaverchapter.shutterfly.com/>

REFRESHMENTS FOR MEETING: September - Pam McClafin & Terry Findley; October - Cathy Smiley & Chris Irwin; November - It's Pie Month, everyone bring a pie to share. Remember that the club will reimburse you for the costs of refreshments when you sign up to bring them that month, just save your receipts and submit them to the treasurer. Sign up for 2017 if you'd like to volunteer. A big thank you to Ted Downs for bringing the beverages each month!

Presidents Column

Back to School sales remind us that summer is coming to an end, and I noticed that some stores already have Halloween merchandise offered for sale. Boo on that!!!

As we move into September we have still more great tours ahead. September 10th (International Model A Ford Day) Chris Irwin will lead a tour to visit Ken Austin's car collection. The Past Presidents Tour September 14-16 led by Ray Horton to Sisters Oregon, and October 23 Tim and Patty Brost are leading the "Pat Brost Covered Bridge Tour". All of these events are well planned and offer members the opportunity to drive your Model A's and spend some time with people who share a common interest.



Our club is growing with new members signing up, and we have more than made up for the five individuals that departed for various reasons last year. I do not have the statistics at this time, but the focus on new members, I believe, is helping to keep these members active in the club. On behalf of the club we want to give a Thank You to the "New Member Mentors" for their successful efforts.

I received my MAFCA Membership Renewal in the mail, due no later than December 31, and the 2016 Election Ballet. The ballots must be postmarked by October 15 in order to be counted. Be sure to exercise your voting rights.

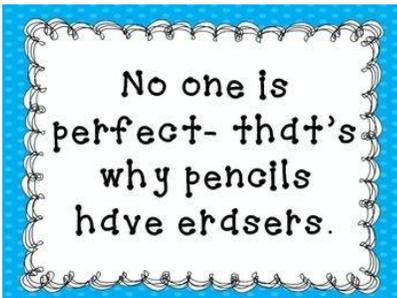
Planning for the Annual Banquet in January has started, and Amanda Uthe has volunteered to lead this event. The venue is changing, and Amanda has already come up with a theme. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Amanda. She will announce the details of the event at a later date.

The club tool trailer location is changing as Jim Van Lente is moving. Thank You to Jim for looking after the tools. Pam McClaflyn and Terry Findley have agreed to accept this responsibility, so I checked and Pam did discuss it with Terry BEFORE volunteering.

The set up for the General Meeting is being led by Bill Jabs, Karl Murphy and Sharon Yates. These members arrive an hour and a half early, and always stay until everything is done and the door is ready to be locked. Many members pitch in to help which is greatly appreciated. On behalf of the club we owe them a big Thank You.

When I received my August Ahooga News, I enjoyed all the color photographs that were included. Jeanie always does a great job with the newsletter. I have to believe our newsletter is the best, and we all owe Jeanie Adair a big Thank You.

PS: Jeanie, don't you edit this section out.
Richard Starkweather - President



Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

The difference between school and life?

In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test.

In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson.

To all the students going back to school...stop complaining.
Enjoy it, cause adulthood isn't what it's cracked up to be.

Rear Backing Plates

by Tom Endy

The installation of Model A Ford rear backing plates appears to be an easy process. However over the years I have noticed a problem that occurs quite often.

After the four mounting bolts are installed and torqued down the end of the bolt with the hole for the cotter pin protrudes some distance past the end of the slots in the castle nut. In some instances the nut has bottomed on the threads of the bolt and the backing plate is not tight against the end of the axle housing flange.

This phenomenon occurs even with original bolts and all the other hardware being original. In a number of cases I found the four mounting holes in the backing plates wallowed out in the shape of a football caused by the backing plate rocking back and forth during braking and acceleration.



Fig.1 Shows the castle nut run all the way up on one of the mounting bolts. The hole protrudes way past the end of the castle slot in the nut. This is often how the relationship of the bolt and nut ends up after the backing plate, emergency brake carrier, and grease baffle are installed.



Fig.2 This is how far the bolts protrude through the backing plate and the emergency brake carrier. The grease baffle, which is very thin, has not been installed yet.



Fig.3 Special shims have been added on each of the four mounting bolts before the baffle is installed. The total thickness of the shim stack is a nominal .020" in thickness. This will space the castle nuts out further on the bolts and better align them with the cotter pin holes. It will also ensure that the nuts have not bottomed on the threads of the bolts.



Fig.4 The shims that were used have an inside diameter of .450 and an outside diameter of .750. They fit very neatly between the emergency carrier and the grease baffle.



Fig.5 The final photo shows the backing plate installed using a nominal .020 of shims on each bolt between the emergency carrier and the grease baffle. The castle nut is properly aligned at the end of the mounting bolt and the cotter pin installs neatly. ☺

The only time you should look back is to see how far you've come.



JANTZEN SWIM SUITS

This 1929 Jantzen swim suit ad features two styles - the Twosome and the Speed-suit.

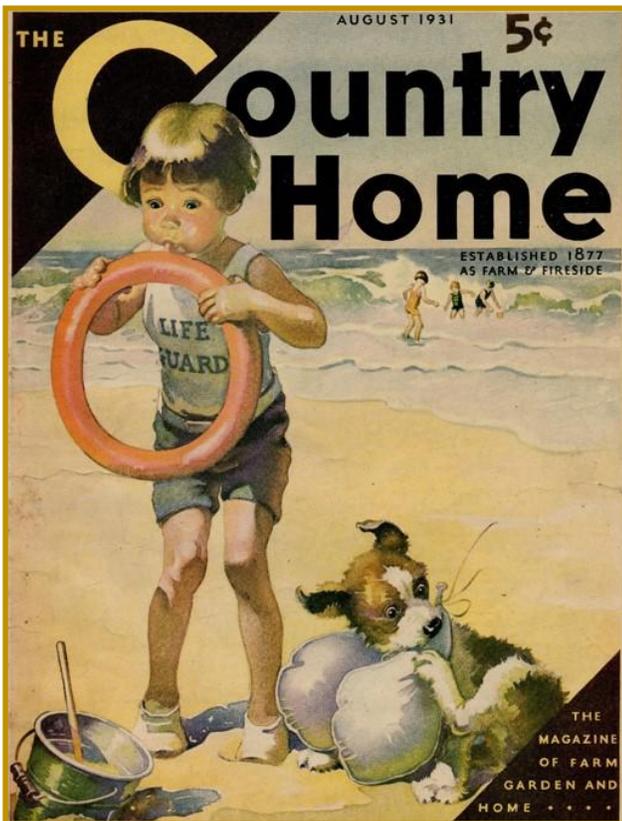
"They are tightly knit from the strongest long fibered wool." Yes, wool! That's what many swim suits were made of during the Model A era. (*And when you wear one it's like putting on a Brillo pad!* Said the voice of experience.)

Coordinated apparel and accessories might have been a robe, a hat, a beach bag, a towel, sunglasses or how about a Model A innertube. Also some kind of foot gear, there were rubber beach or "bathing slippers". Another unusual item was "water wings".

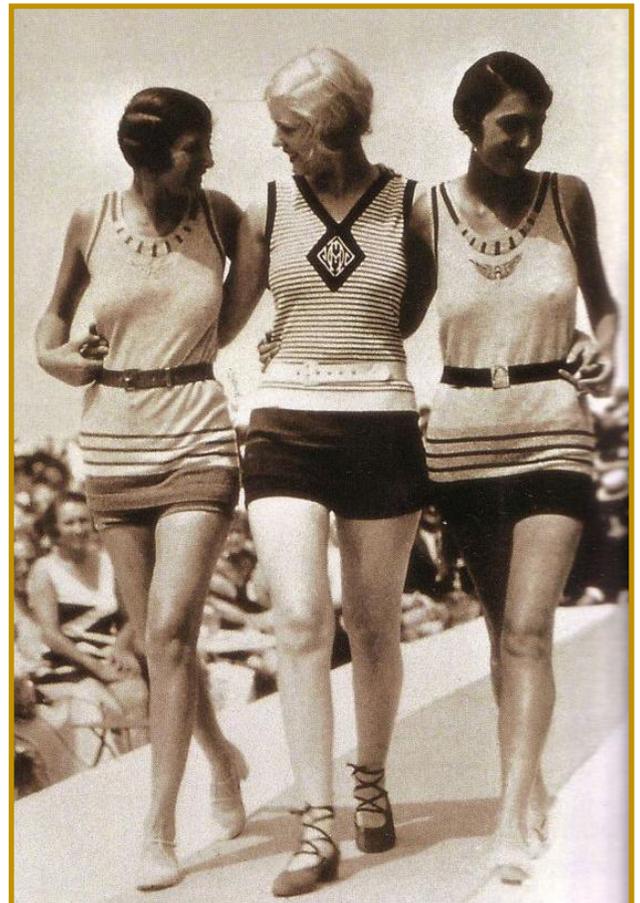
Many of you may remember that Jantzen was a Portland, Oregon company. Their suits were easily identified by the iconic logo of the diver on each swim suit.

~ by Jeanie Adair

This photo below shows three runway sunbathing beauties from the Model A era. Their swim suits are not Jantzen but they each have interesting fashion details, and check out their shoes.



Speaking of "water wings" this Model A era magazine cover shows the dog chewing on some water wings.



What you do today is important because you are exchanging a day of your life for it.

August 4, 2016 Beaver Chapter Board Meeting Agenda

The meeting was called order at 7:02 on August 4th by Richard Starkweather.

Present: Richard Starkweather, Ray Horton, Pat Fiedler, Dale Fiedler, Jeanie Adair, Jim Van Lente, Amanda Uthe and Ted Downs

Guests: David Adair and Bonnie Starkweather

SWAP MEET REPORT: Under new leadership and the main focus is on securing sponsorships.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Amanda gave the Treasurer's Report. She also reported that according to our bank there is no advantage of us using a CD Ladder strategy at this time.

CLUB TRAILER - Since Jim Van Lente is moving, the club trailer must be moved to another location. Richard will contact Pam regarding storage at her home.

Jeanie reported that we will be repeating the Mystery Part and will continue the mystery member.

Jim will be calling our new member, Gary Carlson, to remind him of our next meeting.

HONORARY MEMBERS - Ray stated that our Honorary Members (20 year eligibility) should be acknowledged. He asked Dale (Membership) to review the roster so that those people eligible for Honorary Membership status can be recognized at the banquet.

BEAVER BABES - Pam is hosting a Beaver Babes event on Friday evening, August 5th, in Troutdale. Spouses are invited.

PAST PRESIDENT'S TOUR – Ray reported that 16 cars have signed up for the tour. The actual cost of the tour cannot be determined until Ray has a definite count of participants. Planning expenses have been budgeted and will be compensated to Ray for this tour. The route is on all paved roads.

BANQUET- We have reserved Portland Meadows. Amanda brought the menu options for the board's review. The dinners will be served buffet style.

Amanda suggested we charge \$25/person and the club pays the gratuity or \$30/person which would include the 18% required gratuity. The theme is "A Day at the Races". The budget for the banquet is \$5,000.

MENTOR HANDBOOK - David reported that Mike Worthington sent our Mentor Resource Handbook to all the MAFCA Board Members. All clubs can benefit from this handbook.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Fiedler, Secretary

Technical Question & Answer from MAAFCA Technical Directory

Question - Mounting Tires: I remember reading that there is a proper orientation of the tire to the valve stem hole in the rim. Can you please tell me what that relationship is? I have four new tires on the way for my car.

Answer: Yes, on new tires there is often a red or yellow dot painted on the sidewall of the tire near the bead. This should be placed at the valve stem when mounting the tire. If you have both red and yellow dots, red rules. Put it at the valve stem. It is the light spot on the tire, so matching it up to the heavier valve stem will offset it to balance the tire.

A wise person knows that there is something to be learned from everyone.

August 17, 2016 Beaver Chapter General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was preceded by our Annual Swap Meet and Ice Cream Social hosted by Lloyd and Darlene Dilbeck.

The meeting was called to order by Richard Starkweather at 7:32 and he led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Minutes of the July meeting were approved.

GUESTS: Bill and Ellen Jansson from Signal Hill, Calif. (friends of Terry Findley) and Sandy Pargman's sister visiting from Georgia.

NAME TAG DRAWING for \$25 was won by Norm Lindquist.

TOURS: Mike Worthington reported on the upcoming tours. Over 20 cars have signed up for the August 20th Grand Ronde Railroad tour in Corbett. Details of future tours can be found in our newsletter. Ray Horton reported on the Past President's Tour to Sisters. There are 18 cars and 36 people signed up. Ray will be emailing the agenda to the participants.

TREASURER'S REPORT was given by Amanda Uthe.

NEWSLETTER: Jeanie Adair asked that people send her information for the newsletter.

MYSTERY PART – No one was able to guess the mystery part even after several hints by Lynn Sondenaa.

SWAP MEET: Dick Thornes reported that they are reworking applications for the Swap Meet and there will be changes to the duty roster.

BEAVER BABES: Chris Irwin announced the Sept. 10th outing to Newberg, Lafayette and Yamhill. Look for details in the September Newsletter. This is for both the guys and the gals.

SUNSHINE: Patty Brost reported: Flowers and card sent to David Ollison who is ill with infectious arthritis. Please visit him if possible. He would appreciate company. Bill Griffin's wife passed away. Karen Stott passed away. Rayburn Mitchell just had surgery.

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK: Mark your calendars for December 3rd at 6:00PM. Theme: "Elf on the Shelf". Enter the Photo Contest with an 8x10 photo of your car to win \$100 prize. The picture must have been taken during the current year. Submit these to Terry Findley.

SEAT BELT SEMINAR: Pam McClafin suggested hosting another Seat Belt Seminar. No date set. If you wish to participate, order 74" seat belts.

FREE ENGINE: Ray Horton said he had a free engine. Tom Irwin suggested he give it to the Youth Group at Brooks.

TIPS AND STORIES were shared by many members.

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING for \$50 was won by Roger Edwards.

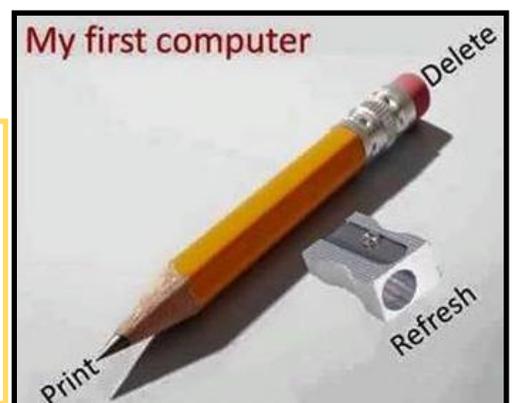
RAFFLE was held. Meeting adjourned at 8:28PM

Respectfully submitted, Pat Fiedler, Secretary

BEAVER TALES



Laid awake all night
"A" limerick I could write
It really troubled my soul
Just to rhyme and be funny was the goal
Guess I'll stick to it just out of spite!



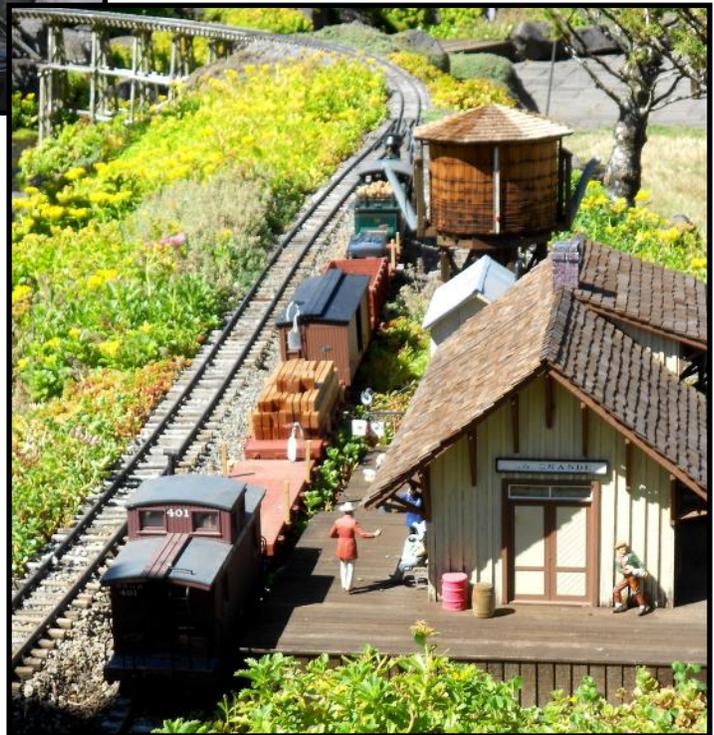
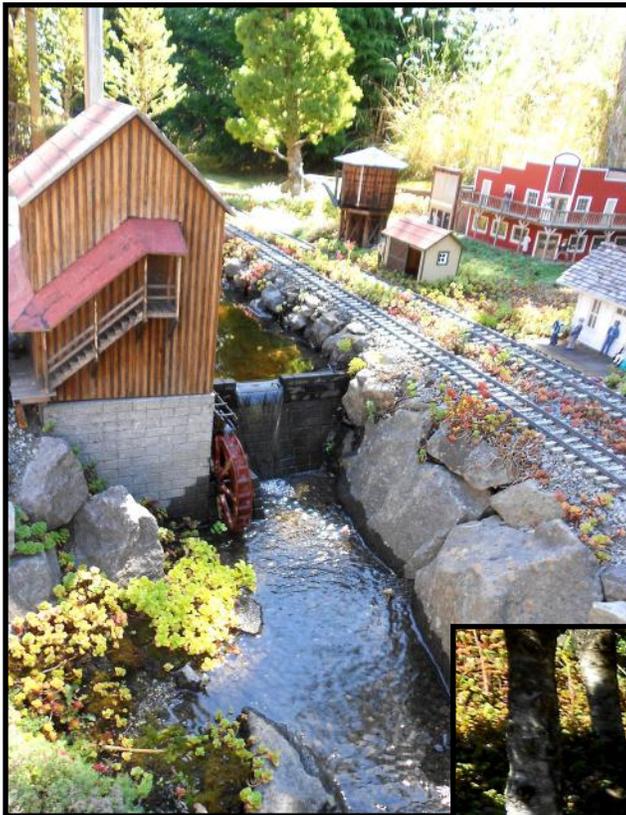


AUGUST TOUR

By Mike Worthington



What a fun and fantastic tour Mike led us to out Corbett way on a hot day in August!



There was a good turn out of eleven Model A's and several modern irons (with air conditioning!). There were a total of thirty-nine people who explored the 1:24 narrow gauge backyard railroad.



Lynn Sondenaa's granddaughters did a fine job running the trains around the tracks.



Everywhere you looked there was another vignette to take a picture of. You can't imagine how realistic the train layout looked!



Our host was just as enthusiastic about his hobby as we are about our Model A's. Its fantastic to see someone with a passion and so willing to share it with others.

Lynn Sondenaa had his recently restored 1930 Victoria out on tour for the first time. One of our club members even sniffed it - it smelled like fresh paint! What an unusual color too. Of course we had to christen his car with a bit of champagne. We wish he and Patty many happy touring miles in it.

TINY TIP ~by David Adair

Many of you know that our Sport Coupe experienced engine problems on our recent trip to Colorado. My little tip is passed on just in case you are in the same predicament, this could save you a little. I could not find transport for a car and I rented a truck and trailer from U-Haul. Today at breakfast it was pointed out to me that I could have loaded the car on a truck and skipped the trailer. I said I had considered this but didn't know how to load the car without ramps or a dock. The solution is really simple. Get a tow truck with a tilt bed to help with the loading and of course you need to do the same with unloading. This simple solution would have saved the rental of the trailer and a truck alone is much easier to handle. My last tip is to check with other truck rental companies. I received really poor service while my fellow traveler Art received excellent customer service from Penske.

BEAVER CHAPTER PHOTO CONTEST RULES

1. Members photos only – no professional or photo shopped pictures please.
2. Your photos must include one or more Beaver Chapter Model A's which may or may not include people (club tours, parades or special occasions).
3. Photos may be black and white, sepia or color and must have been taken this year.
4. 8 x10" size only. The deadline is November 30th.
5. Photos will be displayed at the Christmas Potluck to be voted on by the membership; then displayed at the Annual Banquet in January when the winner will be awarded the \$100 prize.
6. Mail your photos or hand them to the coordinator at the meeting before the due date; put your name on the back side of the photo. **Terry Findley is coordinator this year.**



BEAVER TALES

Glue, now there's a thought
Stick to it, give it a shot
Glue is handy stuff, I use it on occasion
Even the new stuff that comes from some Chinese Nation
Stinks! Be sure not to use a lot!



Dang, gotta get this sticky stuff off my fingers
Don't sting or burn but the odor lingers
Always use just a tiny spot
It will not help to use a lot
The tubes all dried, got another one, bring'er!



Gotta get this off my typing finger
Gotta get at it, cannot linger
Got it all off except that first dang spot
Good grief, it feels like it's starting to rot!
Should of took up music, I'd been a better singer.

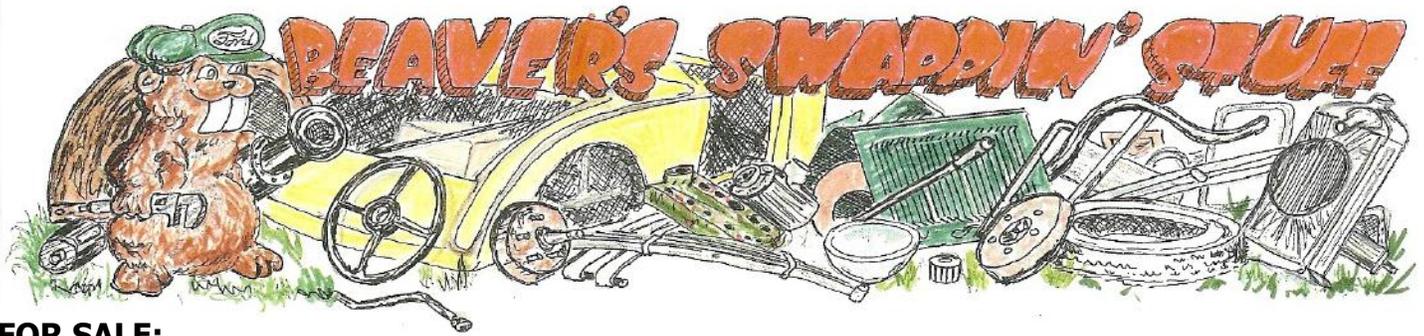


Anything that's new to you
Can really be something that's hard to do
My aching brain say's give up the fight
Laying there thinking most of the night
All my brain can do is ooze out more glue!



A bit of French humor: This is one way for an era gal to catch a guy!

4 out of 3 people struggle with math.



FOR SALE:

1930 Murray town Sedan with overdrive, lots of extras, excellent condition. Asking \$17,500 Great touring car. Richard Pargman 360.256.0941

New forced air kerosene shop heater by Heat Stream, cost \$400 will sell for \$200. Richard Pargman 360.256.0941

HOW TO WASH A CAT

For all you who have trouble bathing your cat, the following technique has come to my attention. Hope it works for you.

1. Put both lids of the toilet up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the bowl...
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom.
3. In one smooth movement put the cat in the toilet and close the lid. You may need to stand on the lid.
4. At this point the cat will self-agitate & make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this!
5. Flush the toilet three or four times. This provides a 'Power-Wash' and 'Rinse'.
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that there are no people between the bathroom and the front door.
7. Stand well back, behind the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift the lid.
8. The cat will rocket out of the toilet, streak through the bathroom, and run outside where he will dry himself off.
9. Both the toilet and the cat will be sparkling clean.



Sincerely,
The Dog



BEAVER TALES



David rolled into the nest
He had to get some rest
And immediately he began to dream
The end of the day wasn't what it seemed
74 MPG was all downhill from the Rocky Mt. crest.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER CHANGES:

Fred and Jeanette Kroon have move.
11632 N 19th Ave
Stayton, OR 97383
Phone: 503-769-3245
Cell: 503-833-2122
Email: fjkroon0430@gmail.com

with Sympathy

SAD NEWS: Beaver Chapter member Karen Scott passed, she had been battling leukemia. We extend our condolences to her husband Chuck.



happy
birthday

Bob Erickson	14 th
Jack Dusenberry	22 nd
Mary Wohlgemuth	23 rd
Ken Proffitt	24 th
Rich Simpson	28 th
Gary Brown	28 th

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Thursday, September 1st, Beaver Chapter Board Meeting 7PM at Bob's Red Mill Boardroom, 13521 SE Pheasant Ct. Milwaukie, OR

September 10th, Redmond, OR High Desert Swap Meet at fairgrounds.

International Model A Day Tour September 10th we will have a tour to celebrate this day by doing something of interest to both guys and gals. We will start by visiting Ken Austin's Car Museum. I know a number of you have been there before but we also have several new members that have not visited it before and Ken also has some new additions that I'm sure many of you have not seen before. From there we will travel to Lafayette and check out a couple of their antique stores. When we are shopped out we will head for Yamhill for lunch at Zippy's Pizza. Mike Worthington has ordered Model A Day patches for those attending. As always the east side folks will meet at Shari's at the Oregon City Shopping Center at 8:30am for a 9:00am departure. The west side folks will meet at Les Schwab Tire Center in Newberg at 9:30am. When the east side meets up with us in Newberg we will head over to Austin's.

You can contact Chris Irwin at irwintc@outlook.com or 503-538-5227.

Past Presidents Tour September 14-16th, to Sisters. Plans are in place for the 2016 Past President's tour. There will be two meeting places on Wednesday, September 14: Those close to Oregon City will meet at Shari's in the Oregon City Shopping Center at 8:00 for an 8:30 departure. Those close to Newberg meet at Les Schwab 7:45 for 8AM departure and on to Lone Elder at 8:45 to join the Oregon City group. We should be in Marion Forks for lunch about 12:30, but bring some snacks for the road if you expect to get hungry before then. I expect to arrive in Sisters about 3:00. If you haven't made reservations at the Ponderosa Lodge by now, you have missed the time to get the club rate, and our reserved rooms may be all taken. You may have to find other accommodations at standard rates. You are still welcome to come on the tour, however. Call Ray if you have any questions: 503-333-5766.

September 17th, International Model A Day at WAAAM, Hood River.

Wednesday, September 21st Beaver Chapter Membership Meeting 7:30PM at 15711 SE 90th, Clackamas, OR. Guys seminar will be by Lynn Sondenaa about finding and assembling his 1930 Victoria. The ladies will have a seminar about era pocket watches and wrist watches, bring some for show and tell if you have them.

September 24-25th, Chehalis, WA Swap Meet at the fairgrounds.



Mystery Member and Model A Part: Submit your guess at the club meeting, first correct answer drawn for each will be the winners.

