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Meeting: Church of the Nazarene – 16850 NE Fourth Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA - Second Monday of Month – 7:00 PM Guys breakfast meeting every Wed. (7:00am) at Hockinson Café, 219 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 100, Battle Ground, WA Guys lunch on Fridays (11:30 am) at Benny's Pizza & Café on 4219 St Johns Rd NE, Vancouver, WA

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#### Photo of Month



Club Member Autos at Hart Radiator





### President's Note March 24, 2014

In the last month we have had two great tours, first to Steve's Restoration in Portland to see several cars in various stages of ground up restoration; these cars become show winners, thank you LeRoy for taking us there. Lynn Elvestrom organized a nice tour to Kelso to see Harts Radiator Shop which was very interesting to see how much work goes into rebuilding a Model A radiator. Harts has been around many years and should be there to help us for a long time. A big thank you to Doug Hart and Lynn for organizing this tour.

Our next event is to Franz Bakery a long time Portland business, watch newsletter for details from LeRoy.

The Portland Swap Meet starts April 3<sup>rd</sup> for set up and will be open April 4-5-6 for the show. Wednesday April 2 at breakfast at Hockinson Café I will load parts you would like to sell.

See you there,

#### Jerry

#### Committee Chairs

Community Service: Sherry Rusunen
Garage Workshop: Tom Pagel
Library/Historian: Terry Findley
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Wooldridge

Sunshine: Pat Dusenberry
Tour Director: LeRoy Helyer
Webmaster: Bob Rusunen

Articles and contributions are encouraged and may be used as space permits. The deadline for all articles is the 20th of the preceding month. The Volcano View is a monthly publication of the Volcano A's Chapter - MAFCA

E-mail all proposed articles to: rrusunen@comcast.net.



#### Front Page Photo

Members from the Cowlitz A's & Volcano A's had a joint tour to Hart Radiator in Kelso, WA, for a radiator repair seminar and photo shoot.

## Volcano A's General Membership Meeting Minutes March 10, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER**: 7:00 pm by President Jerry Lane. Jerry introduced our new member, Mike Hyatt, who has a 1931 Standard Coupe.

TREASURER: Linda Willey gave the treasurer's report.

**VICE PRESIDENT**: Leroy Heyler said there will be two tours, one to Hart Radiators in Kelso this Friday the  $14^{th}$ . On March  $26^{th}$  will be the tour to Franz Bakery in Portland.

**LIBRARIAN**: Terry Finley purchased 12 DVD's on different Model A systems and they are available to check out.

EDITOR: Bob Rusunen has more rosters left at \$5 each if you'd like one.

**REFRESHMENTS**: Nancy said the roster is almost full for the year; please contact her if you would like to sign up.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**: Sherry Rusunen said keep the food donations coming in for the Food Bank!

**SUNSHINE**: Lynn Mattingly said Jack Dusenberry is Happy to be home and slowly recovering.

LAVA LADIES: Patty and Marilyn are planning lunch and antique shopping this Saturday. OLD BUSINESS: Minutes were approved and accepted as printed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Seminar tonight was presented by David Adair and Mike McLaughlin from the Beavers, with help from Steve Pargeter and Terry Findley, on headlight candle power output.

Many fun events coming up: On March  $22^{nd}$ , the Vancouver Bolt Swap Meet in downtown Vancouver, April  $10^{th}$  is LeMay Museum tour organized by Jim Kelly (meet 7:30 am in La Center), April 4-6 is the Portland Swap Meet at Expo Center (sign up to help at booth) and April  $11^{th}$  is the Slo Pokes Cruise In at Lane's museum for the guys.

The Knudsen picnic will by May 4.

#### PROPOSED NEW CHANGES TO BYLAWS FOR SECTION 15 AND SECTION 16:

The update to Article V, Section 15: Editor. Item (d) is the new addition (underlined).

#### SECTION 15: Editor

The President shall appoint the Editor.

- (a) The Editor shall publish a monthly newsletter to be distributed to members that are in good standing, paid annual dues, and are on the authorized membership roster the first of the month.
- (b) The Editor shall be responsible for the distribution (preferably electronically or US Postal Service) of the newsletter and any other notices.

- (c) The Editor shall annually prepare a membership roster for distribution to all members by the March meeting. Membership rosters will be available at monthly meetings and will not be mailed via US Postal Service to members.
- (d) Any and all costs (approved by the Board of Directors) incurred by the Editor related to the preparation and distribution of the monthly newsletter and annual membership roster shall be reimbursed by the club Treasurer on a monthly basis.

Here is the proposed new section under Article V - Officers and Board of Directors

#### SECTION 16: Webmaster

The President shall appoint the Webmaster.

- (a) The Webmaster shall have knowledge, training and skills in developing and maintaining website planning and maintenance.
- (b) The Webmaster shall ensure the club website URL (www.volcanoas.net), site hosting plan (website server entity), domain privacy certificate, and website software program are maintained in current status, and annual website fees paid.
- (c) The Webmaster shall be responsible for monthly maintenance of the <a href="www.volcanoas.net">www.volcanoas.net</a> website by updating information, data and photos for the various website pages.
- (d) The Webmaster shall annually prepare budget data and costs incurred during the year regarding website URL registration renewal, site hosting plan, domain privacy fee, and software application program. This information shall be available for the January Club Board Meeting.
- (e) Any and all costs (approved by the Board of Directors) incurred by the Webmaster related to the <a href="https://www.volcanoas.net">www.volcanoas.net</a> website shall be reimbursed by the club Treasurer on a monthly basis.

RAFFLE: 50/50 raffle was won by John Carlile.

REFRESHMENTS: Joyce Swartz and Becky Blick provided Irish treats: Soda Bread,

Cheese and crackers, grapes and cookies.

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned by Jerry Lane.

Respectfully submitted by Becky Blick.





- 7 Bill & Karel Wilkerson
- 7 Gene & Marlene Thompson

### Happy Birthday

- Roderick Rice
   John Earnest
- 15 Arleta Thompson

#### Refreshments

**April:** Nancy Wooldridge **May:** Marilyn Elvestrom &

Ruby Knudsen **June:** Open

July: Carma Huset &

Patty Sondenaa

<u>August:</u> Club Picnic

<u>September</u>: Sandra

Guyot, Jane Hall & Dee

LaBarre

October: Jennie Ryan
November: Roberta
Emerick & Dianne Earnest
December: Holiday
Potluck at the Lane's

# Portland Swap Meet April 4-6 at Expo Center

Trivia Knowledge Nugget
The tooth is the only part
of the human body that
cannot heal itself.

# MAFCA 2014 National Conference



# Ford Factory Foto of the Month



1929 150-PT Station Wagon

# Remember Knudsen's Pot Luck

Don & Ruby Knudsen are going to host a Pot Luck function at their place in Cathlamet, WA on Sunday May 4th.

Bring your food, drink and lawn chairs.

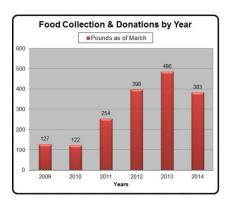
## <u>Pre-Meeting</u> Dinner Location

Several club members meet before the monthly meeting at a restaurant for dinner. Our new meeting time 5:00 - 6:15 pm and location will be Wendy's,1901 NE 162<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Vancouver, WA. All members are welcome to join the group on the second Monday of each month.

#### Community Service

The total food collection for March was 202 pounds!!!

Great show!!! Our total now for the year is 383 pounds!! Keep up the good work and shop, shop, shop,---the food banks need us!!!



#### Lava Ladies

#### Charitea Luncheon

Patty Sondenaa and Marilyn Elvestrom organized an awesome day for us. We started with a lovely tea at Chariteas in Sandy. There were 18 Lava Ladies in attendance and we enjoyed individual pots of tea, tea sandwiches and delicious desserts. After lunch we headed to Historic Downtown Troutdale and enjoyed several shops and antique stores.

We are looking forward to getting together on April 26<sup>th</sup> to have lunch at Albertina Kerr in Portland. More details will be available at our April meeting.













Header from the MAFCA Website

#### MAFCA President's Page - Dan Foulk - March 2014

The winter of 2014 is about over! I'm willing to bet there are a lot of Model A'ers out there who are very happy to hear that. This winter has certainly been one to remember, not only for our members in the mid-west and eastern parts of our country, but also here in the west where it has been relatively mild but without the rain we desperately need. One of our current board members from Boston had such a bad case of cabin fever that he and his wife packed up and headed to Turlock, CA the last week of January for the annual Turlock swap meet. Fortunately, the weather in Turlock was exceptionally good this year, so he wasn't disappointed. With the weather moderating, now is the time to start getting those Model A's ready for spring and summer driving.

Speaking of spring and summer driving, Model A's need regular maintenance. In the May/June 2010 issue of The Restorer, there was an excellent article from the Diablo A's on maintaining your Model A -- Maintenance for the Model A, by R. Accornero, B. Grady, B. Truesdale and A. Janke. Included in that article (but not printed because of space constraints) was a checklist which was subsequently published in the July/August 2010 issue of The Restorer. This checklist has been made available for download on our website www.mafca.com. If you want to get a copy, go to our website under Site Index, scroll down to DOWNLOADS, then find Maint\_Ck\_list\_2010.pdf, click on it, and when opens, print it and bingo! You have your own personal copy. Following the recommendations in this checklist might save you a lot of grief someday when you are on tour and just a few miles from the highlight of the trip. Model A or modern, cars never breakdown when it is convenient.

At the time of this writing, Shelby and I are packing for our trip to Texas for the "A" Texas Spring Tour. With only four days left before we leave, time is getting short and the excitement is growing. We plan to stay in Texas for a week or so after the tour ends so we can visit some family who live there. Unfortunately, we can't stay too long because we have another event to attend here, which is the Central California Regional Group (CCRG) Jamboree in Paso Robles, CA beginning April 4th. So many things to see, so many places to go! We can't hope to do it all. Seems like since I became President, people want us everywhere and we would love to go, but the logistics just don't always work.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me at president@mafca.com. My home phone number is (661) 393-2795 and my cell phone is (661) 303-1114.

#### **Information**

The Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. (MAFCA) is a California non-profit corporation and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles as manufactured from 1928 through 1931.

MAFCA's members are dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and enjoyment of Ford vehicles of that era. MAFCA is the largest club in the world dedicated to one make of automobile. Volcano A members are urged to join the Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. Visit the MAFCA website for a membership application. Dues are \$40 yearly and include a subscription to The Restorer.

#### 2014 Events

Central California Regional Group Jamboree

April 4-6 - Paso Robes, California

Host: Paso Robes A's

Northern California Regional Group Roundup

May 23-25 - Milpitas, California Host: Santa Clara Valley A's Central - Midwest Meet

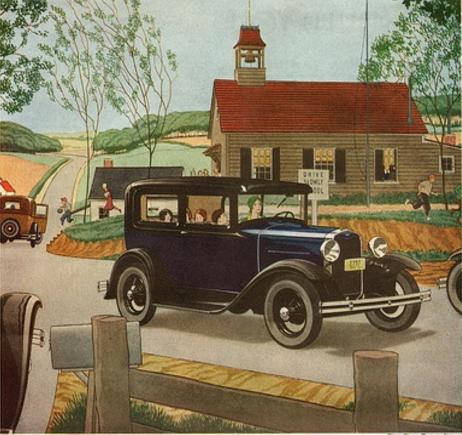
June 9-12 - Tulsa, Oklahoma Host: Tulsa Model A Ford Club MAFCA National Convention

July 14-18 - Puyallup, Washington Host: Gallopin' Gerties of Tacoma

#### New Ford a Fine Car Ad

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These ball and roller bearings—and there are

These ball and roller bearings—and there are more than twenty of them in the new Ford— allow moving parts to run smoothly and freely, thus reducing friction and wear to a minimum. To you as a car owner, this means smooth, quiet mechanical operation, more speed and power, increased gasoline mileage, greater durability and longer life.

The function of the ball and roller bearings The function of the ball and roller bearings of the new Ford is similar to that of the jewels in a watch. Since they are placed at every point in the chassis where they are needed to prevent friction, the new Ford may be called a full-jeweled car, in the same sense that a fine watch is full-jeweled.

As important as the number of ball and roller bearings in the new Ford is their adequate size, and the manner in which each type has been selected for the work it has to do.

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Ball bearings are used where their ball-shaped
construction will give the greatest smoothness
and efficiency. Roller hearings are used whereever a larger hearing surface is needed to carry
a heavier load.

Steering is made easier and safer in the new Ford because of the roller bearings in the front wheels, at the spindle holts and in the steering nucchasine. There are ball bearings on the estatch and ball and roller bearings in the transmission. A roller bearing on the

drive shaft at the universal joint provides per-fect alignment of those vital parts and prevents loss of power. Adjustments on the rear axle pinion and differential are made unnecessary by the close limits to which those roller learnings are held. The hall bearing on the generator gives greater reliability to that important part of the electrical system.

The value of the large number of ball and roller learnings in the new Ford is especially apparent after the first year. By reducing fric-tion and wear, they also reduce cost of up-keep and the need of replacement parts. drive shaft at the universal joint provides per-

and the need of replacement parts.

In many other parts of the new Ford you find this same high quality of materials and fine craftsmanship in manufacture. The performance of the car under the severest driving conditions reflects the value that has been built into it. The first cost of the new Ford is low and you can purchase it on convenient, economical terms through the Authorized Ford Finance Plans of the Universal Credit Company.

#### Model A ERA Clothing Fashions



Source: Phillip Lenssen at vintageadbrowser.com

#### Technical Notes

### Trouble shooting Tips for the Running Model A By Lynn Sondenaa

Let us assume that the Model A was running fine, but then something changed causing it not to purr like a kitten. It might backfire sometimes, or the engine might have a miss. This is a list of problems to consider and check.

<u>Point gap</u>: Wear can cause a change in the point gap setting. Hard starting or a tendency to buck at low speeds could mean the point gap is too wide.

<u>Plugged carburetor jet:</u> To do a quick unplug of a carburetor jet without taking the carburetor apart try this method. With engine warm and idling, wear a glove and place your hand over the choke housing to momentarily cut off the air supply. This can help to dislodge a particle of dirt. If covered too long the engine will die.

<u>Backfire</u> This could be many things, so here is a list of possibilities.

- Defective condenser
- Too rich of a fuel mixture
- Incorrect float level
- Manifold air leak by the block
- Exhaust/muffler leak at the clamp area
- Too lean of a fuel mixture

#### Backfire going downhill

- Spark retarded too much
- Fuel mixture too lean

#### Loss of power going uphill

- Spark is advanced too far
- Fuel mixture too lean
- Incorrect float level
- Clogged fuel screens at tank/sediment bowl/carburetor

<u>Squeaky fan belt</u> A quick fix is to apply hand bar soap to the belt. Next, would be to apply door-ease. Old timers used glycerin. The best fix is to determine why the fan belt is squeaking. Is the generator/alternator pulley out of alignment? Is the fan belt old and worn out?

#### Low speed shimmy

- Tires not inflated to 35 psi
- Loose wheel lug nuts
- Loose wheel bearings
- Worn wheel bearings
- Worn king pins
- Tie rod or drag link loose
- Worn tie rod or drag link balls

#### Keep Moisture out of the Distributor

Have you ever driven your Model A in the rain, and have it "act up?" This is ex-actly what happened to me while on tour with the Western Carolina's Model A Club. First the car began to periodically "skip." Then it began to really run rough, until it just died! The cause is moisture in the distributor. Well, this is a common problem in cars without electronic ignitions. Usually, the humidity level in the atmosphere is something the hot engine "burns" off before coming in contact with our distributors. But, when it rains, there is just too much moisture in the atmosphere and the inside of the distributor cap will begin to "sweat." This in turn causes moisture droplets to fall onto the points, thus interrupting the flow of electricity between the ignition coil and the spark plugs. Generally, if you can get the distributor dry, you can go on your merry way. But how to solve the problem before it happens is the real question. Nobody wants to try to stand in a down-pour over a hot engine and try to dry out their distributor!

WD-40 is the answer! It was developed in 1953 by Norm Larson, founder of the Rocket Chemical Company, in San Diego, CA. WD-40, from the abbreviation "Water Displacement, 40th formula," was originally designed to repel water and prevent corrosion. Another little "tool" to keep in your arsenal! If every 3-4 months you will open up your distributor and spray the underside of the cap and down into the distributor and the tops of the spark plugs and the plug "wires," a rain shower will never leave you sitting by the side of the road waiting on AAA!

Source: Happy Begg , Palmetto A's of South Carolina (from MAFCA website)



#### Hart Radiator Tour

Several model A's and modern irons drove to Kelso, WA. to visit Hart Radiator. The all "boys" road trip was enjoyed by Ron Hall, Bob Rusunen, Jack Mattingley, Leonard Willey, Richard Pargman, Bob Huset, Mike Blick, Terry Findley, Gary Swartz, John Earnest, Corley Wooldridge, Don LaBarre, Rich Simpson, LeRoy Helyer, Scott Deane, Jerry Lane, Steve Pargeter, Tom Ryan, Lynn Elvestrom, Eddy Pitts & Frank Mayer.

At Harts, all enjoyed seeing different types of baffles that Doug with his son Chris installed on a top tank of a 30-31 radiator. He also had special showing of his John Deer collection. In addition, Doug had a fabulous collection of trophy animals from the hunts he had been on in South Africa. Lunch was held at Pic@Trio's Pizza and the day was very much enjoyed by all.









To see more pictures visit the Touring tab on our website at www.volcanoas.net .

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