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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 20th Ave, Suite 100, Battle Ground, WA Guys lunch on Fridays (11:00 am) at Benny's Pizza & Café on 4219 St Johns Rd NE, Vancouver, WA

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Club Photo of the Month



No Club Meeting for April

With the closures of all State and community events, we will be cancelling all of our Model A events thru March and April and maybe beyond depending on the duration of the Pandemic.

Jerry

Have a Happy & Safe Easter Holiday



President's Note March 23, 2020

What a difference a month makes in our daily lives, speaking about the Coronavirus. Dian & I had a

great time on our vacation to Arizona and other great places, in our wonderful country. In the last week of our travels we started hearing about the virus showing up in Northern Washington at a retirement home for the elderly, we arrived home a few days later and have been sheltered down since then. With the closures of all State and community events, we will be cancelling all of our Model A events thru March and April and maybe beyond depending on the duration of the Pandemic. At this time, we should all be respectful and make the necessary change in our lives to help shorten the spread of this terrible virus.

In the long run I am sure we will be able to return to the great times we have experienced in the past and enjoy our great Club driving Model A's to the events we all enjoy so much.

Stay positive!

Jerry

Front Page Photo

Volcano A's parked in front of Little Italia's Trattoria in the spring of the year.





Anniversaries

None

Birthdays

Cassandra LaFleur
 Roderick Rice
 John Earnest
 Pete Hazard
 Arleta Thompson

Refreshments

April: Dian Lane and Nancy Wooldridge

May: Joyce Swartz

June: Open July: Open

August: Annual Club Picnic

September: Open October: Open

November: Dianne Earnest and Roberta

Emerick

December: Christmas party



I forgot what I wanted to remind you to not forget. So why don't you just remember anything that comes to your mind and forget everything else. Let others remember things for you. It makes your life simpler and gives them something to do.

Note: Periodically some materials printed in our newsletter may have been borrowed from other club newsletters. We thank other clubs for sharing their newsletters with the Volcano A's. Also, when sources are known they will be included.

April 2020

<u>Volcano A's General Membership Meeting Minutes</u> March 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President, Roger Green, called the meeting to order at 7:00.

TREASURER: Linda Willey gave the financial report.

TOURS: Roger Green stated the tour to the Vista House at Crown Point was a great success with beautiful weather and no roadside seminars. Eric Huset is planning a tour in April with no date yet.

EDITOR/WEBMASTER: No Report.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Joyce Swartz reported that 72 #'s of food was collected in Feb. bringing our year's total to 132 #'s.

LAVA LADIES: Linda Willey is planning a tour of the Pendelton Store in Camas for Tuesday March 17th. There is a 15% discount on Tuesdays on all purchases. Lunch to follow at Smitty's. We will meet at 10:00.

SUNSHINE: Both Jack Mattingley and Dianne Earnest have been hospitalized recently.

OLD BUSINESS: The minutes were approved and seconded by Gary Swartz and Austin Alling respectively.

NEW BUSINESS: Last Friday the guys included the wives at their weekly lunch at Benny's. It has been suggested the wives make this a monthly occasion on the last Friday of the month. All present thought it was a good idea. So, wives, feel free to join the guys then!

RAFFLE: Roger Green won \$23.00 and the club received \$23.00.

REFRESHMENTS: Marylan Kelly and Becky Blick served refreshments with a St. Patrick's Day theme!

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned by Roger Green.

Submitted by Sherry Rusunen



Lava Ladies

I hope this finds you all healthy. Following current CDC guidelines our events are now on hold, when the time is right, we'll get together to reschedule and celebrate. In the meantime, if anyone has need of some assistance in getting groceries, supplies or whatever... please reach out. Please take care and be well!



Meet Your Model A Members



Frank & Roberta Emerick

Model A, 5-window coupe, 1930. Known as "The Coupe."

Acquisition: I purchased The Coupe from Jim Harpe (whose home is in Chelatchie Prairie) an Amboy Middle School teacher. Jim bought it in Oregon. It was housed in his chicken coop awaiting restoration. After a few years, he advertised it for sale and some fellows came to look at it. Jim and his wife, Ruth, were gone for the weekend. When they returned, the most

valuable parts were missing--like the lights! Knowing that I was interested in it, he sold "the pieces" to me.

The body was sitting on the frame. I stacked the pieces inside. I used a flat board for a seat so I could steer it as I was towed home. We settled on a price of \$1,000.

Taking the frame off, I started removing the rusty parts and welding in new pieces. The rust was EVERYWHERE!

After the body was restored, I painted it and reupholstered the interior including new seats. I chose lighter colors so repair dents were less likely to show.

Alan Schurman overhauled and balanced the engine. I rebuilt the transmission, replaced windows, all wood and top. The finishing touch was striping. The spoke wheels were powder-coated by Les Schwab.

We have enjoyed taking the cars (along with The Tudor, which was another complete restoration project, and a '28 Chevie on occasion) to Battle Ground, Amboy, Yacolt, LaCenter and Ridgefield parades and receiving an array of ribbons and trophies. Latest update: 2019 blue ribbon at Amboy's Territorial Days Parade. The Coupe's cousin, a '30 Tudor, came in second with a red ribbon. Our grandkids and their families are enjoying participating in the parades in our stead. So fun to watch them go by these days flashing a ribbon or a trophy.



Coronavirus Crisis

I wanted to share this information from the Santa Anita Model A Club newsletter.

"Now that you are not allowed to go anywhere or act normal, I suggest you turn your attention to all those things you have wanted to do around the house but just didn't have the time for.

Here Are My Top Nine Suggestions:

- 1. Clean out the garage if you have permission from your government to go there.
- 2. Put all the tools laying on your work bench back where they belong after properly sanitizing them.
- 3. Sort out all those washers, screws, nuts and bolts that were somehow left over after you finished your last project. Boil them in water first.
- 4. Take all of the nuts, bolts, washers screws and those unidentifiable items out of your coffee can, sort them out by type and size, then put them in one of those nice storage cabinets that have lots of little drawers with labels on them. Use paint thinner for cleansing first.
- 5. Sweep out under the work bench; you might be surprise what you'll find there. Wear approved rubber gloves to pick up the pieces.
- 6. Find that 10-foot pole you said you wouldn't use to touch things with and use it to keep people at a safe distance (They say 6 feet is OK but 10 feet is safer).
- 7. Read all of the auto magazines that you have piled up on the table ready for "future" reading. Wipe them down first if they are recent issues
- 8. Call up all those people you never liked and ask them to go shopping for you at your local grocery store. Tell them to just leave the bags on the porch.
- 9. Work on your Model A so that it is healthy enough to survive the Coronavirus."

The Portland Swap Meet at the Expo Center has been cancelled for this year



Model A ERA Women Fashions



Model A ERA Men Fashions



Future MAFCA Events

Central CA Regional Group Jamboree

2020 – April 16-18 – Bakersfield, CA

Host: Bakersfield Chapter

Midwest Regional Meet

2020 - May 31 - June 5 - Overland Park, KS

Host: Plain OL A's

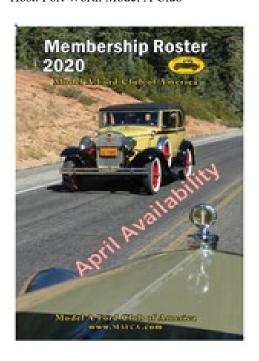
MAFCA National Convention

2020 - June 21-26 - Kerrville, TX

Host: Alamo A's

National Awards Banquet

2020 – December 3-6 – Fort Worth, TX Host: Fort Worth Model A Club



Important Reminder

Don't forget to order your **2020 Membership Roster** now. You don't want to be traveling without this helpful resource. Order yours now so you will be sure to get a copy, they will go fast. \$16 plus postage

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MAFCA President's Page -

Some Thoughts from Bill

April 2020



We have discovered some folks who will be attending the 2020 National Convention in Kerrville, Texas will be traveling by themselves in their Model A's. So, we were thinking that it might be nice if there were some options for them to join caravans of other Model A's on the journey to Texas. **Rick Black**, our Webmaster, has agreed to be the coordinator of information about those wishing to connect with others and the "others" who are willing to have someone else join their caravan along the route. If you would like more information, and would rather not travel alone, contact Rick at webmaster @mafca.com.

You have undoubtedly enjoyed reading *The Restorer*. Have you ever thought about contributing an article? It's not hard if you like to tell stories. It's not necessary to sit down and fill up a tablet of paper with your writings, although you can if you wish. You can simply get a tape recorder and tell your story out loud, then copy it onto paper. Edit it so it flows well. Then gather some photographs you have made to highlight key points in your story and send your draft to Andy Scheer, Editor of *The Restorer* at restorer a mafca.com. He would be happy to give you some feedback. You may even see your article appear in a future edition of the magazine. It can be a story about how you restored your car, how you discovered something special about the pedigree of your vehicle, or how you became interested in era fashions. There are many subject possibilities.

Speaking of *The Restorer*, is your club represented in the Chapter Chatter portion of the magazine? In every issue, we hope to hear what each club is doing on tours, in celebrations, or in community service. If your club isn't represented you can help by encouraging someone in your group to send in a brief 75-word summary of your recent chapter activities. Send it to Andy Scheer, Editor at MAFCANews @ gmail.com. Submission deadlines are shown on page one of every issue.

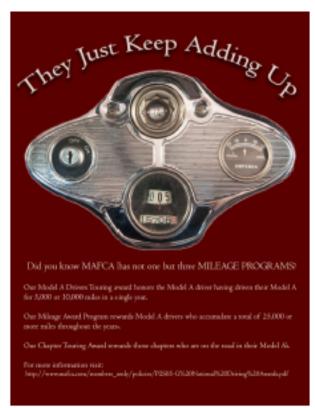
We are at that time of year when we are beginning to pump up the tires, put gas in the tank and hit the roads again. I hope to meet you along the way. Travel safely.

MAFCA 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 \$50 yearly and include a subscription to **The Restorer**.



MAFCA's Different Mileage Award Programs



What do you like most about owning a Model A Ford? I love driving my car, meeting people and listening to stories about their Model A Fords. Twenty-five years ago. I went to the hardware store and when I came out. there was an older ladv standing next to my car and smiling. She told me how much she enjoyed driving her Model A Ford in the thirties and how she regretted having to sell it for the war effort in 1940. I think she speaks for many of us: we enjoy driving our Model As.

Did you know that MAFCA

has a Driving Recognition Awards Program? The Program is P2S05-G and can be found in the members' only section of the MAFCA website under policies. There are three types of awards available: Annual Award, Lifetime Award and Chapter Award. The awards require that you be a MAFCA member, that your car is powered by an A, B or C engine and that you keep accurate, verified mileage records. Mileage can be accrued in more than one vehicle. Acknowledgement will be made in *The Restorer* and possible presentation of a certificate of recognition at national events or regional activity.

The Annual Award requires driving 5,000 or 10,000 miles within one calendar year. The Lifetime Award is given when you have driven 25,000, 50,000, 75,000 and 100,000 miles. The Chapter Award requires each person that participates in the program to drive at least 800 miles within the calendar year.

The Chapter Award would seem to be the easiest to complete. You need to drive

about 70 miles per month to claim award. Take your car to the store, out to lunch or drive it on a tour. There are many opportunities to accrue the mileage. Start by appointing a "Mileage Person" who can set up a spread sheet that contains the pertinent information. Submit a picture of your odometer and date the picture. By the way, you can accrue Lifetime miles and even Annual miles

simultaneously, as well.

Many clubs have contests for miles driven during the year.

In some cases the competition is fierce. Sometimes they present a plaque or a Certificate of Recognition or maybe a gift certificate or some other attractive prize.

What can you do as a club?

Let me know what your club does. It would be great to share. One of my goals this year is to upgrade the Driving Recognition Awards program. Should the Annual Award have a shorter distance as the first award? Should we provide something as an alternative to a patch and a decal? Please let me know if you have any suggestions as to how we might make the program more attractive for everyone.

Tom Jeanes Chapter Coordinator ChapterCoordinator@MAFCA.com

Jim's technical tip

Preventing Moth Damage to Upholstery and Era Fashions

There are two kinds of moths that eat wool: Webbing Clothes Moths and Casemaking Clothes Moths. Most of the interior upholstery used on our closed cars is made of wool, as is a lot of vintage clothing. If they take up residency in your car or closet, moths can quickly eat large holes in the material before you know what happened. You can be alerted to their presence before you see the damage.

When your car is parked in the garage, hang a "clothes moth trap" on a small piece of coat hanger wire inside the car, or hang one in your closet near your vintage clothes. Check the trap regularly (at least monthly). There is a sticky strip inside the trap that is treated with moth-specific pheromones. If there is a male Webbing Clothes Moths (but not Casemaking Clothes Moths) in the area, they will go to the trap. (Do not use the traps sold for grain moths or pantry moths -- wrong pheromone.)

You can't rely on these traps to catch all of the moths, though, to eliminate the problem. You must do something to kill the moths in the car or on the clothes to stop the damage. First vacuum everything well to get rid of anything you can. I don't like to use insecticides, but you might find one that you like that will work.

If you can, park the car outside in direct sun all day with the windows rolled up, to get the interior temperature above 120 $\hfill\square F$ for 4 hours or more. Put cloths in the sun in a black plastic trash bag, sealed. (I do it all day for several days -- it can't hurt.) This will kill the larvae and adults, but may not kill all of the eggs, so you may need to treat again.

If hot weather is not available, you can also smother the moths by closing all of the windows and putting several pounds of dry ice in the car. The CO2 from the dry ice will fill the car and smother the moths -- eggs, larvae and adults. Or put the dry ice in a sealed container or bag with era fashion cloths (don't let them touch the dry ice.). It takes about a week to kill everything, so leave it all closed up, then air it out well before you drive.

Mark how many moths are stuck in the trap after you treat the car or clothes and then continue to monitor for any new little critters. If you see them again, you need to treat again.

I hope this little tip helps you prevent damage to your car's upholstery and era fashions. Have a Model A Day! Jim



Traveling Along the Model A Highway

Photo: found on the web



You Are Invited

To The Annual Veterans Of The Road Old Car Picnic

Saturday, June13th, 2020

The picnic will take place at 1354 Pleasant Valley Road, West of Chehalis, WA. This year's theme will be "*Flying Circus Jennies*" barnstorming in Goodland, Kansas in 1929. The *Wichita Stompers Orchestra* will be playing tunes from the Roaring Twenties and everyone is encouraged to dress for that era.

What to Bring: Pot-luck food and folding chairs

NOTE

No hot-rods or modified cars allowed at this event.

Ticket Activity

White: Tickets for the Grand Prize pedal car will be given to all antique and

classic cars as they enter the covered bridge.

Green: Tickets for the door prizes can be picked up at the booth in the picnic area.

Red: Tickets for the *Raffle Prize* will be sold at the booth in the picnic area.

Schedule of Events

11:00 AM 1929 Travel Air biplane fly-in. Air rides will be available.

12:00 Noon Orchestra performs first half of program

Intermission : Red Ticket drawing for the Raffle Prize Green Ticket drawings for Door Prizes

Orchestra performs second half of program

White Ticket drawing for the Grand Prize Pedal Car

Facilities: Out-houses, water and washing facilities.

The hosts and sponsors of this picnic wish to thank the visiting clubs for bringing and showing their cars.

Special thanks to Rod Rice for supplying the hamburgers and condiments.

The Billboard shows two Flying Circus Jennies

For more information: (360) 740-4834

For Sale Items or Wanted

To place an "Ad" send your information to rrusunen@comcast.net, or call Bob Rusunen at 360-828-5317

Fellow Model A'ers,

Last year I met some elderly people through the Portland Swap Meet that needed to sell a couple of Model A's and a trailer. I emailed many different clubs and quickly found a buyer for them. Last month I met a gentleman who had inherited his father's two Model A's, and he too would like to sell them. This happens a lot these days. I told him I would help by notifying as many people in the hobby as I could. These are two very nice drivers. The "flyers" below show the **1931 Coupe** and **A400**. I am not a broker. I am not getting paid. These cars just need to be on the road again.

Thank you Rayburn Mitchell- Beaver Chapter





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.

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