

"Aogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

October 2018

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

- October 3rd. - 7th. Whitewater
- October 16th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School
- October 18th. - Men's Clinic - Two Tooth Steering Box *Steve Baracle*
- October 20th. - Nomination Banquet - Tinucci's Restaurant in Newport, MN.
- November 15th. - Men's Clinic - The "Oxmobile" & Lessons Learned OnThe Alaskan Highway *Jasper Bond*
- November 20th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School
- December 8th. - Election Banquet - DeGidio's Restaurant
- January 15th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School
- January 20th. - Men's Clinic - Topic To Be Announced

More events sponsored by other clubs and announcements by club members, inside this newsletter

Board Meetings – 7:30 PM, Hall A, Room 104

Restoration Clinic – 7:00 PM, Lunch Room Ladies Clinic – 7:00 PM, Staff Lounge

Clinics held at: Brooklyn Center High School, 6500 Humboldt Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN

Come in the South door and ask for directions to our Meetings / Clinics. * Noted as non-standard meeting date

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Become A Member

**Interested in joining our club?
We would like you to join. Dues
are only \$35.00 per year.**

**For all the information about
what our club has to offer
please call our membership
director or see www.tcmafc.org**

**Members are recommended to
also have a membership in the
Model A Ford Club of America
or the Model A Restorer's Club.**



Doug Portlance

TCMAFC President



President's Letter

Greetings All,

Our first meeting at the Brooklyn Center High School for the season went well. There were some discussions on various items but the main items were the MOU "Memorandum of Understanding" with the Brooklyn Center High School.

I hate to sound like a broken record but we need to start thinking about candidates for the upcoming Nomination Banquet / "Spark Plug" and "Lifetime Membership Awards. If you would like to run for a board position or would like to nominate someone for one of the awards above contact any board member. I plan on sending out notices to the Past Presidents in the next 2 weeks for the location and time for voting on "Lifetime" Membership Candidate's received.

It's nice to have nominations for "Spark Plug" and "Lifetime Membership Awards in writing with a list of bullet points for reference. The "Spark Plug Award" is for participation in 2018 and "Lifetime Membership Award is "over a long period" of time. You can find out more information on these in the club roster.

Please help out your club!! We are still in need of new Women's Clinic Coordinator for this fall and into next year. If we don't get a volunteer chances are we will no longer rent a space for the woman's clinic for 2019.

I have a little follow up to my "model a story" from last month. You may recall I talked about how the Model A Ford bring people and communities together. I was able to meet up with Bob "Cookie" Taylor at his home in Grandy MN. We spent a lot of time going over old times and our families. It was sure great to see him again.

As I mentioned I have not seen "Cookie" for about 30 years. I hope to drive the 29 Ford up to Grandy before the snow flies to see the Taylor's again.

Please remember to watch the coming events in the newsletter. We are moving into the hectic time of the year with the club swap meet / Banquets / Elections and renewal of membership.

Thank you to everyone for making this year successful. Our club runs on donations and volunteer spirit so keep up the good work!!!

That's all for now.

Warmest Regards,

Doug Portlance – TCMAFC President

MINUTES OF THE TCMAFC MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The September 17th Business Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Doug Portlance at BCHS in Brooklyn Center.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT President – Doug Portlance, Vice President - Justin Maas, Treasurer – Mel Eder, Past President -Doug Persing, Secretary Catherine Kieger.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale and Cindy Pomerleau, Justin Maas, Phil Zins, Mark Rude, Dave Peterson & Steve Barnacle.

LAST MONTHS MINUTES: The August 21, 2018 Board Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, motion by Doug Persing and seconded by Justin Maas, the minutes were approved.

TREASURER REPORT: Mel Eder handed out hard copies of the Treasurer Report for the month of August which were reviewed. Motion carried to approve the Treasurer's report first by Justin Maas and it was seconded by Doug Persing. Motion approved.

Member Report: 3 new members.

Dennis Olstad	Russell and Jayne Isakson 1928 Tudor Sedan
941 Ashford Road	2800 118 th Lane
Belle Plaine, MN 56011	Coon Rapids, MN 55433

James Brackenbury
11673 White Oak Road
Pine City MN 55063

Motion was made to approve the new member, first by Mel Eder and seconded by Doug Persing. Motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP GREETING: Doug Persing talked to Dennis Olstad. Jim Lake was not present.

MEN'S CLINIC: Dave Peterson reported that the Men's Clinic is taken care of for the first 3 months ,may have a couple more. Still looking for a Women's Coordinator.

WOMEN'S CLINIC: Women's Clinic open position volunteer needed.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS: Volunteer not present.

LIBRARIAN: Volunteer not present.

VIDEOS: Volunteer not present.

HISTORIAN: Volunteer not present.

TOOLS: Everything ok, might need to replace a couple of tools. One of them is a timing gear wrench and the other one is spindle reamer.

FASHIONS: Open position volunteer needed.

SUNSHINE LADY: Cards to be send to Lee Oster & Bob Barkley who's wives passed away recently.

NEWSLETTER: Volunteer not present

WEBSITE: Need to add a couple of updates such as events / newsletters to the website and hope to have it done this week.

SWAP MEET: Dave Peterson mentioned that they ran out of brochures and more were printed and need more volunteers for the swap meet

SERVICE ADVISOR: Volunteer not present.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: Volunteer not present.

OLD BUSINESS: Doug Portlance brought in a copy of the MOU agreement with BCHS so everybody can look at the paperwork.

Update on the club website and Facebook saying that they need one or two months notice for any events that are requesting cars.

Raffle update – no additional sales for this month

NEW BUSINESS: Mark Leder requested \$100 for the upcoming photo contest. Motion was made by Doug Persing and 2nd by Mel Eder motion carried.

Phil Zins gave a list to Doug Portlance for the list of prospective candidates for TCMAFC 2019 President.

It was brought up that the MAFFI donation request might be put on the ballet for charities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Nomination Banquet on October 20 (registration will be in the October newsletter)

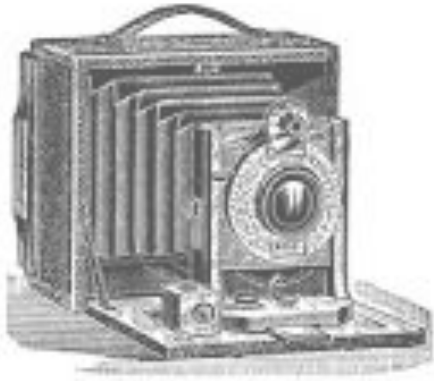
Apple Days on September 22nd. / Swap Meet on September 30th. White water on October 3rd.

ADJOURNED The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. the board approved a motion to adjourn made by Justin Maas and seconded by Doug Persing.

Catherine Kieger - TCMAFC Secretary.

There is going to be a "Trunk or Treat" event at Faith United Methodist Church in Farmington, MN on October 27th from 4 to 6 pm which is a Saturday. They usually have about 500 spectators at the event. If anyone is interested in attending with their Model A please contact club member Allison Rauch at 724-799-4673. Event is at 710 - 8th Street, Farmington, MN

We are holding a contest for all members to submit their favorites photos of this year's Model A activities. We will allow up to three photo submissions per member. Winners will be chosen and prizes will be awarded.



**Photos due by November 10th.
Bring them to Men's Clinic or mail
to Newsletter Editor Mark Leder**

The rules are as follows:

Submit any photos that were taken from January 1st. of 2018 until October 31st. of 2018.

Photo subject must be Model A themed, which could include club activities, period dress, Model A's out and about in today's world. Photos may contain people, pets, scenery and any creative touches you want to include. **Surprise us with your submissions!**

When you submit the photos, you agree that we may use them in the publication of the Aogah Newsletter.

Submit your photos any time prior to the contest ending date of October 31st. 2018. Any photos must be submitted by November 10th. 2018 to be included in the judging.

Submit your photos as a printed item, minimum size of the photo should be 3" x 5". You may print the photo on your home computer printer in either black and white or color, on regular paper, you may also choose to submit a processed photo on photo paper. The printed form of submissions will be the easiest for the judging panel to evaluate. Since most photos are shot on digital media today make note of the digital file and keep it handy. Should your photo be chosen we may request a digital file of the winning photos or a processed printed copy so we may use it in the printing of the Newsletter. All photos have an equal chance of winning and we invite any and all submissions.

FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES :**TO PLACE YOUR AD: CONTACT NEWSLETTER EDITOR****For Sale:**

Rebuilt engines in stock.

Trade in or bring me yours to re-build. Precision machining and assembly work.

Call Dave Gerold for options and pricing at (952) 290-3630 or see my website

www.durableperformance.net

For Sale:

Model A parts, almost any part you may need including fenders, hoods, tires, gas tanks, windshield frames, distributors, lights, manifolds, horns and many more items. Contact Larry Erickson (651) - 631 - 9127 or Larrybecky@usfamily.net

Wanted :

28 AA rear brake drum (the one without the separate emergency brake). Contact Dave Hetchler 952 - 261 - 2688

Wanted /Trade

I would like 5 - 21" original black painted wheels, I have excellent cream/yellow wheels and tires with stainless lug nuts for possible trade. Contact Rog Anderson 651 - 457 - 8820

Wanted :

Looking for a good set of (4) 19 inch wheels for a 1930 Model A . David Weiss 218-731-8070

For Sale:

Vintage clothes collection of Sharon Welch. I have set it up and ready to view. I want our club members to have first chance. Also there is a small amount of men's things as well. Please call me if interested. Roger Welch 763-753-4810

For Sale:

1929 Ford Model A Tudor beautiful older complete restoration inside, outside & under. excellent interior & paint. Not a project car. Contact Dale 763-458-9880 or dfpomerleau@comcast.net

For Sale:

1929 Tudor "Asst Chief" Full body off restoration 5 years ago, approximately 2000 miles on restoration. Asking \$20,000 . Contact Larry Erickson 651 - 631 - 9127

**Wanted:**

100% complete original or restored 1928 or 1929 Tudor. Prefer colors as follows : 28-arabian sand 29-bonnie gray.

Call Benjamin Rowan 651- 202-3040

For Sale: Rebuilt front end. New pins and balls. \$400.00 Contact John Fenske 651 - 633 - 0129

For Sale: 1929 Ford Model A Town Sedan "Briggs". Price \$18,750.00

Beautiful older complete restoration inside and out. Contact: Jon Skogh 612-860-7168 jonskogh@gmail.com

For Sale: For Sale: 1929 Four Door Town Sedan, Leather Back. Fully restored. Excellent, show condition. Many, many new parts, turn signals, custom made trunk. A lot of spares available, carbs, distributors, wheels etc.
Chuck Ash 715-245-7303 cwash211@comcast.net



September Clinic

This night we faced some extreme rainfall which kept a number of people home, Our topic was "Life and Times in the Model A Era" which was presented by Darel and LaVerna Leipold. A wealth of information was supplied by projected pictures of the era. From clothing, furniture, automobiles, toys and consumer products to assemble your own kit houses we got a good sense of what was available in those days. Our volunteers fought their way thru the rain and we had our coffee and treats - thank you Steve Barnacle and Neal Anderson. Our librarian and video librarian also brought their inventory - thank you Ken Huber and Jim Schleicher. Our volunteers make these nights a success and the hard work of Dale Pomerleau and Dave Peterson for putting together these clinic nights need to be recognized as well. A donation check was accepted from the American Legion for our members participation in the St. Helena's Church fall festival. We are also interested in what you want to have as clinic topics and if you or you know someone who would be an interesting guest willing to present a topic, Dave Peterson is awaiting your contact.



Kirk Lindberg	Oct/3	Darlene Sweeney	Oct/12
Marvin Witte	Oct/3	Ed Kodet	Oct/16
Joe Costa	Oct/5	Cheryl Neeley	Oct/16
Bud Curtis	Oct/6	Terrill Stratton	Oct/16
Doug Portlance	Oct/7	Jim Peters	Oct/18
Miriam Bragg	Oct/8	Galen Sneesby	Oct/19
James Rovano	Oct/9	Mike Neeley	Oct/21
Wayne Brown	Oct/10	Robert White	Oct/22
Art Doucot	Oct/10	Ron Lotz	Oct/23
Jeff Halter	Oct/11	Sharon Schleicher	Oct/24
Ron Johnson	Oct/11	Gary Thorin	Oct/26
Mike Sweeney	Oct/11	Stan Braatz	Oct/31

**You are invited to attend
Twin Cities Model A Ford Club
Fall Harvest/Nomination Banquet @ Tinucci's Restaurant
Saturday October 20th
11am Social Hour 12pm Lunch 1:30pm Meeting**



THIS YEARS HARVEST INCLUDES AN ABUNDANCE AMOUNT OF CHICKEN, BEEF,
A DELICIOUS SALAD BAR AND DESSERT.

IN ADDITION TO THE BANQUET THERE WILL BE DOOR PRIZES AND A SILENT AUCTION.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING _____ @ \$25.00 PER PERSON. TOTAL \$ _____

NAMES OF ATTENDEES:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED, CONTACT DOUG PERSING WITH ANY
DONATION ITEM YOU MAY HAVE.

**Please send your RSVP with a check made out to
TCMAFC no later than October 18th.
Doug Persing
1352 155th Ave NW
Andover, MN 55304**

**Tinucci's Restaurant
396 21st Street
Newport, MN 55055**



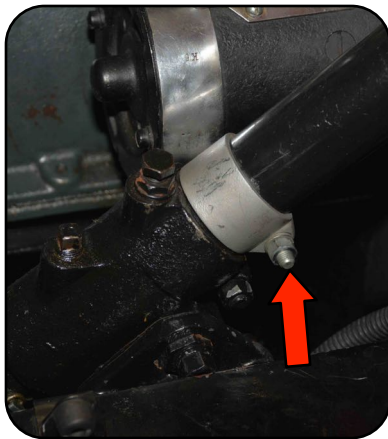
Are You At Your Limit? - Keeping Things Where They Need To Be.

by Mark Leder

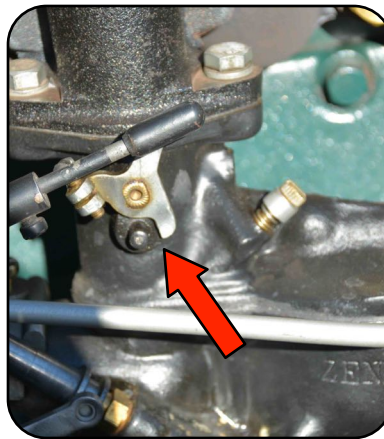
You need to consider the fact that our Model A's have now been on the road for no less than 86 years and as long as 90. The number of repairs and owners of these cars have been many. A visit to today's Ford dealership would certainly be of no help to fix your car but only a day brightener for those pulling wrenches in the shop. So, it is up to those with experience and those of us today who have figured out how to keep them on the road to share our common experiences. There are always new Model A owners that can use your help so any tips or lessons learned should be shared. If you have something to share please contact your newsletter editor and let's get something in print.

On the later style steering column known as the two-tooth steering it is extremely important that the column when placed in the car be correctly oriented. If it is not your distributor cannot have its full range of motion which will affect proper timing not allowing the engine to perform as it was designed. The slot in the upper distributor housing has a fixed range which limits the travel of the advance and retard of engine timing. Should the column when replaced if not have being clocked to the correct position you will not have the ability to use the entire length of the slot travel. Go to your spark advance lever in the car and place it to the top of the travel, then look at the distributor slot to see if it is at one of the limits. Next move the lever all the way down and make sure it is at the other limit. Should it be short on either travel side examine the rod connecting the upper plate of the distributor to the column. It could be bent or of the wrong length. If it looks fine next make sure the slot in the distributor body is of the correct length. There have been bad repro distributor parts. Your spark advance lever should move thru its entire range. Should you need to make an adjustment you now just loosen the nut - (Picture A) and rotate the column either way, using the spark advance lever in the up and down position to find the correct orientation. Then re tighten the bolt. Now you should check your timing going thru the timing procedure. If you were not getting full travel before this after resetting the full amount of travel in the distributor slot you should have easier starting and a better running engine.

Another common problem also related to full length of travel is to make sure when you fully press the accelerator pedal to the floor the full travel of the linkage allows for the full travel to bottom out on the carburetor casting stop (Picture B). First check to see if the linkage rod is bent or maybe there is a floor board or carpet issue limiting the travel of the pedal. If these check out OK the next thing to do to fix this the problem, you can gently cold bend the accelerator linkage to make up the difference. Over the years this part could have gotten bent and there were a number of versions of these made thru production that perhaps have a slightly different throw that limits the full potential of the carburetor fuel supply. This problem is regularly found and owners are surprised of the additional road speed that they gain after the fix. On most of the production runs of the accelerator linkage there are two spots (Picture C) on the assembly that are supposed to receive a few drops of oil to keep things moving freely.



Picture A



Picture B - these should touch



Picture C - one of two needing oil



Watch the November Newsletter

Your special invitation to the speakeasy Election Banquet on Saturday Dec 8th. @ DeGidio's will be enclosed.

A special password will be required for entry.

Apple Days in Excelsior



Photo credit Laura Bockenstedt / Lake Shore Weekly News

The Twin Cities Model A Club has a long history of participating in this fall event. We had over a dozen cars come and enjoy the sights and sounds of downtown Excelsior. Plenty of food items and pop up shopping opportunities filled the town with people young and old. The car display right off of Water street brought us many curious visitors especially young children. We had a lot of horn honking and behind the wheel wanna be drivers as guests in a number of the cars. A lot of interesting questions were asked by the Apple Day visitors about our cars and our club activities.



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