"Aoogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

December 2019

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

December 7th - Election Banquet - Tinucci's Restaurant

December 17th - Business Meeting

December 19th - Men's Clinic Video- Rebuilding The Model A Engine

January 16th - Men's Clinic Topic To Be Determined

January 21st- Business Meeting
February 18th - Business Meeting

February 20th - Men's Clinic Topic-Lubrication

February 29th - Iron Man Tour - Rog Anderson / Lynn Groven

Clinics and Business meeting from now on will be held at St. Michaels's Lutheran Church located at 1660 County Road B W, Roseville, Mn.

Clinic doors will open at 6:30 P.M., meeting starts at 7:00 P.M. Enter at door #2

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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.







President's Letter

It's official... The Nomination Banquet is in the rear view mirror, and straight ahead out the front windshield staring us in the face is the Election Banquet, getting bigger by the day. Know what else is in that rear view mirror? Driving season. And, we all know what that means. Repairs. Get your parts list together, because you have my permission to 'Shop til you Drop' at your favorite Model A Parts supplier. Put those parts in a bag, add a bow, and announce, "Merry Christmas to Me. Find some friends, and get those repairs done before the Iron Man Tour.

The club is driving past 2019 at a fairly quick clip, and it will be in our rear view mirror very soon. We've accomplished a lot this year. As we drive down memory lane, we experienced an awesome Tune Up Clinic, business meeting and clinic relocation to St. Michael's Lutheran Church, a great Great Northern Tour, summer business meetings around the Minneapolis/St Paul area, raffles, Summer Tours, a Warm Pancake Breakfast with a side of Mystery Tour, members helping members, an Iowa Tour, St. Helena's Autumn Daze Parade, a Photo Contest, luncheon get-togethers, Excelsior Apple Days, fundraisers, and the Midwest Swap Meet. Thank you to all of you who have poured your heart and soul into this club. It wouldn't be as strong as it is without you.

Many hands make light work
By my grandmother, and probably yours

I agree with my grandmother, and yours. A task is done easily if a lot of people share the work. Thank you for driving through this year with me on our journey through the "Mess of Success". It takes many people to come together, bringing their gifts and talents to the club with a 'we can' attitude, and you did. Thank you.

"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself."

— Henry Ford

We moved forward like a well-oiled machine this year, and we found success. Yeah, we may have had a flat tire, changed the points, turned the gas on, cleaned the carburetor, and turned the key to the 'on' position, but baby, there were no U-turns!! We just kept driving forward toward that big sign that read: 'SUCCESS'. You are encouraged to continue to move in a forward direction in 2020 with an open mind. I've said it once, and it is worth driving around that block again. My vision is clear, and my purpose unwavering, I will serve with the most dedicated. We can, as a whole, find success in 2020, if you'll commit to working like a well-oiled machine again. There is a reason why this club is as strong as it is, and it can be strong for many years to come if we all drive forward together. Besides, the tires are good, the carbs cleaned, we got new points, the gas is on, and the key is in the 'on' position. Start her up, and let's go forward.

Speaking of driving forward together, I have good news to share. I figured out the oil change thing, and got that done with the help of another member, Scott. Thank you, Scott. It was such a nice late afternoon, we were able to sneak in a mini tour around his

neighborhood. Boy, I thought one Model A turned heads, you should see what happens when there's two, and if you missed the Great Northern Tour, you would have seen what happens when there's like 50, I think the jaws drop. Your jaws' gonna drop with what we can accomplish in 2020.

So, the biggest question I have as the Election Banquet gets bigger and bigger in the windshield is this... Who is going to be calling Randy Gross about a new set of Cast Iron Brake Drums?

Drum roll, please... and, the winner is... Come to the Election Banquet to find out!!

Driving forward with a clear vision in 2020, Catherine



Twin Cities Model A Ford Club November 19, 2019 Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

The November 19, 2019 TCMAFC Business Meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by Catherine Jammer at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Roseville, MN.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT President – Catherine Jammer, Treasurer – Mel Eder, Past President – Doug Portlance, Secretary - Catherine Kieger, Senior Board Member – Doug Persing, Junior Board Member - Marc Rude.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale and Cindy Pomerleau, Phil Zins, David Kieger, Dave Peterson, Steve Barnacle, Blaine Maas, Jim Schleicher, Al Thuening, John Rohl, Mark Leder, and Rollie Radil, as per the sign in sheet.

LAST MONTH MINUTES: The October Board Meeting minutes were reviewed, motion by Doug Persing and seconded by Marc Rude, motion carried. The Nomination Banquet Minutes were reviewed and approved, motion by Doug Persing and seconded by Marc Rude, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT: Mel Eder handed out hard copies of the Treasurer Report for the month of October which were reviewed. A Motion was carried to approve the corrected report, first by Marc Rude, seconded by Cathy Kieger. The motion was carried. The correction is under the heading "Budgeted/Non Budgeted Totals – Nomination", the Expense Total reading \$1435.46 should read \$988.14, and "Nomination Total Inc. – Exp" reading \$1435.46 should read \$988.14, which changes the grand total that reads \$1046.54 should read \$1313.86. The correction coincides with the numbers listed in the "Category – Nomination" area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: 2 new members.

Steven & Lizabeth Smith, 1321 Prairie Street, Chaska, MN 55318 192? Coupe

Thomas Straub, 4202 Stewart Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401, 1929 Murray 4dr

Motion was carried to approve the new members, first by Doug Portlance, seconded by Catherine Kieger.

Mr Persing stated that there are 78 members who have renewed.

MEMBERSHIP GREETING: Jim Lake has contacted last month's new members.

MEN'S CLINIC: November and December taken care of, January is open, February taken care of.

WOMEN'S CLINIC: Still looking for a Women's Coordinator.

VIDEOS: Jim Schleicher reported that all is fine with videos.

TOOLS: Steve Barnacle reported everything is OK. Steve mentioned that Mike Neely took 3 of the reamers to be sharpened/repaired.

NEWSLETTER: Mr Leder reported that there were no Comcast issues in November.

WEBSITE: Mr Portlance reported he received an invoice for the website renewal. Discussion regarding cost, options, and potentially adding a page for selling cars/parts.

SWAP MEET: Mr Thuening and Mr Schleicher reported on the Midwest Swap Meet. Since there will no distribution of funds for 2019, it was determined that the TCMAFC Board would make arrangements to meet with the AACA Capitol City Board to discuss the results, and determine the next steps. Time is of the essence, as the venue, and publications, will need to be solidified in Feb 2020.

FUNDRAISING: Ms. Jammer has Kwik Trip Car Wash cards for sale. If interested, please contact her, the club purchased extra in case a member did not pre purchase. Ms. Jammer to present on SCRIPP at the Dec. Business Meeting. Mr Leder reported that the Cast Iron Brake Drum Raffle has sold \$394. The drawing is scheduled for Election Banquet.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORTS – SHORT TERM COMMITTEES

2020 60th **Anniversary** - Mr Persing reported that he committee had its second meeting Nov. 19 prior to the business meeting. Possible dates, and locations were discussed, along with the purpose/agenda were discussed.

Election Banquet – Mr Rude reported he has received approx. 42 reservations. There were 63 attendees in 2018. Mr. Rude reported that the Election Banquet is scheduled for Dec. 7, is in process, and added that he is carrying the 'no door prize' concept to the Election Banquet based on member input, and instead crediting each attendees' dinner by \$6, in an effort to maintain an affordable banquet for members. Members will have the opportunity to bid on Silent Auction Items, and anticipates the banquet to financially be under budget.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u> There was no unfinished business carried forward from Oct.

NEW BUSINESS

TCMAFC CUT AWAY ENGINE - Dale Pomerleau confirmed that the TCMAFC cut away engine is now located at Little Dearborn.

YEAR END DONATIONS – Ms. Jammer reported that she received a letter from Anoka Technical College requesting a scholarship donation for 2019. Additional discussions in the future will determine final decisions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lifetime Member and Spark Plug Award nominations closed Nov. 13, 2019 at 9am. Dec. 7 - Election Banquet at Tinucci's Restaurant, Newport, MN. Motion to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. by Mel Eder and second by Marc Rude

National Club Affiliation Information

Members are encouraged to belong to one or both of the National Model A Ford clubs. Benefits of membership include six high quality magazines for the year, ability to place advertisements in each of the publications as well as many technical and historical articles that relate to the hobby and time period of these vehicles. Each of the clubs host national meets, tours and social events. Products and services are reviewed and advertised in the publications and you get a overall view of where the direction of the Model A Ford enthusiasts car hobby is headed. Each club has an on line presence with well executed websites. Contact information for the each of the national clubs are below.



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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

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

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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

Wanted: Usable header board for 30 - 31 pickup, dash rail, left rear fender and all four braces.

Contact: Bob Butek 651 459 8039

For Sale: Clancy's PowerBox 12-volt power supply box \$129.99 Use Coupon Code modelA at checkout page for 10% discount

through 12-31-2019 Link: https://clancysoutdoors.com/products-page/12-volt-accessories/clancys-powerbox/



Wanted: One front bucket seat for a 30-31 Model A Victoria or Tudor Phaeton.

Contact: Chuck Straub 715 581 8602 Charles.straub@frontier.com

For Sale: License Plates 28-31 years. \$80-\$240 depending on condition. 28-29 Gas tank. \$275

Contact: Clancy 763-291-8888

Wanted: Front shock assemblies for 29 Tudor Sedan. Contact: Clancy 763-291-8888

For Sale: 1929 Four Door Town Sedan, Leather Back. Fully restored.

Excellent, show condition. Many new parts, turn signals, custom made trunk. A lot of spares available, carbs, distributors, wheels etc.

Contact: Chuck Ash 715-245-7303 or cwash211@comcast.net



Looking For or Wanted: Medium to badly dented original 1930 or 1931 gas cap or radiator cap (stainless steel). Needed for demonstration and can be returned. LOOKING FOR or WANTED: Medium to badly dented original 1930 hub cap (stainless steel no liner). Needed for demonstration and can be returned. Contact Jerry Schilling, 763-213-4917.

<u>For Sale:</u> 1930 Model A Ford radiator shell, very good condition \$175.00,1931 Model A Ford radiator shell, very good

condition \$ 325.00, 1931 Deluxe A radiator shell, this is the one with a removable insert at the bottom, very good condition. \$ 375.00. 1928 - 29 Model A Ford Roadster top bows, very good condition. \$ 325.00 Ford Motor Co.

Twin City plant badges, I have a few to choose from. All in excellent condition. \$ 125.00 each.

Contact: Gary Anderson 651-776-8387

Summer Tour to the Detroit area for the Oakleaf Club's Regional Round Up

This tour would include a drive down the Famous Woodward Dream Cruise. Steve Barnacle is working on a touring plan that would leave the Twin Cities August 2nd. and possibly return some time after August 11th. He would like to include the Ferry across Lake Michigan, Hollow bowl factory and a stop at the Gilmore Antique Auto Museum. It is in the planning stages right now. Call Steve 952-212-6847 for details.

Mark your calendar!

Whitewater 2020 Tour

The Lady Slipper A's have again reserved the Whitewater State Park group center. Mark the dates, October 7-11, 2020 on your calendar. Watch your newsletter for a formal invitation and registration, to participate in this Model A tour.

November Men's Clinic

Unofficial head count for this meeting was at least 78 people, our new location is working out well as we see members attendance to the clinics as strong as those at our former location. Easy access, comfortable space along with good visual and sound systems make this work. We are hoping those that have not yet come to the "new home" come on over and get involved and enjoy these clinic nights.

Our program dealt with when my car won't start or run right. Dave Peterson had a list of problems that cause you to be sitting on the side of the road. He worked thru simple tests to determine the problem, mentioned certain tools to carry out the tests. Most problems that cause the no start involve electricity and the second most common dealt with fuel and fuel systems. There was member input from the crowd that recalled their own problems and details that lead them to getting back on the road. We discussed modern points vs original points and easy ways to time the distributor. With some simple tools and a wiring diagram and perhaps a little luck you should be able to find your problem. Certain spare parts you can keep in the car might be an extra fuse, coil, points, rotor, condenser, jumper wire, test light and maybe an inexpensive multi meter. Many experienced owners also carry a tested extra distributor that can be timed for the car before hand. When trouble comes sometimes the easiest fix is a just a quick swap out (can be done in less than 10 minutes) while on the side of the road. Mentioned were the Les Andrew shop manuals that have trouble shooting write ups.

An interesting car accessory was brought in, This is known as a Tourist Kitchen, this was an accessory that bolted on to the running board or could have been carried on the trunk rack. It is a pantry that you could keep your food in along with a block of ice that kept things cool and also has a water reservoir that held the ice block cooled water. The lid folds down to create a table. Not to many of these are found and the interesting story on this one was that it was sold for scrap metal to Mark Leder who owns a metal recycling plant. One of Mark's employees found it laying on the ground after the load was unloaded and had a feeling it was something good. These units came in at least two sizes or models and this one is their Model "A". This one measures 33" in length and would fit nicely on a Model A's Trunk rack









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Dave Peterson created a Power Point and presented on the topic of what to do when my car won't start. It seemed like each of the members in the crowd has had an experience they could relate to. Many offered suggestions and shared thier experiences. The Tech Tip below is one more solution to the problems highlighted this night.

Jim's Tech Tip

by Jim Cannon,



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Starter Ground

I've had several people ask me why their starter seems to crank the engine over rather slowly. For the most part, this is because that's what our starters do, they did not spin as fast as on a modern car. So there is nothing wrong.

However, I will mention that you need to make sure that the starter has a really good ground when you mount it to the flywheel housing. Fresh paint on the engine combined with fresh paint on a newly rebuilt starter can result in you not having a very good ground connection between starter and engine. Over time you can also get a buildup of rust on the mounting surfaces, or a film of oil and dirt accumulation that interferes with the ground.

So if you think your starter is cranking a bit slowly, it would not hurt to pull it off, clean up the mounting surfaces with a degreaser followed by some fine sandpaper, and reinstall it. See if that gets it turning at a better speed again.

Have a Model A Day!

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Lunch and Fellowship

For years a bunch of Model A guys gather for lunch on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. The second Wednesday is at Flahertys Arden Bowel located at 1273 West County Rd. E. Arden Hills The fourth Wednesday has moved to the American Legion on the North East corner of Highway 100 and Glenwood. 200 Lilac Drive North. Golden Valley



Donald Biehl	Dec/1	Jack Fortman	Dec/17
Jerome Samuelson	Dec/1	Jerry Schilling	Dec/18
Jim Slettehaugh	Dec/1	Nancy Schilling	Dec/19
Ken Johnson	Dec/2	Anne Ward	Dec/19
Elaine Pederson	Dec/3	Deborah Miller	Dec/24
Linda Pole	Dec/4	Raymond Moran	Dec/20
Barbara Thyr	Dec/6	Eldon Frisk	Dec/23
David Graning	Dec/7	Donald A. Stenzel	Dec/24
Charles Ward	Dec/8	Brian C. Ciccone	Dec/25
Kathy Stroup	Dec/14	Jane Lord	Dec/26
LaVerna Leipold	Dec/16	Roger Welch	Dec/26
Steve Collins	Dec/16	Lorraine Costa	Dec/27
Timothy Miller	Dec/16	Kim Portlance	Dec/28
Wayne Reed	Dec/16	Allen Amsden	Dec/29
Scott Collins	Dec/17	Jo Ann Buhl	Dec/31
Dick Olson	Dec/17	Brian Peterson	Dec/31
Doug Persing	Dec/17	Dave Peterson	Dec/31

It only happens every four years! "The Ironman"



Yes, the TCMAFC is once again going to challenge the streets of the Twin Cities with the original Iron Man Tour on February 29th. that extra day found in the Leap Year. Prepare now and only gently let your car be put away so that when that day comes you can smile and laugh at the calendar and say I'm not afraid to drive my A! Further details will be forthcoming From Rog Anderson and Lynne Groven who will be the tour leaders.



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