"Aoogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

February 2020

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

February 18th - Business Meeting

February 20th - Men's Clinic - Valentines and Model A's- Darel Leipold

Rebuilding a 12 volt alternator to 6 volt positive ground - Steve Barnacle

Proper use of the clubs head pullers - Steve Barnacle

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

March 17th. - Business Meeting

March 19th. - Men's Clinic - Lubrication

May 23rd. - Pancake Breakfast

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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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.







President's Letter

It is the second month of the New Year, and that means you better get crackin'. By now, your 'Repairs List' should be written, parts ordered, and work is in the process of being scheduled, or you are already gettin' to what needs to be done. If not, you better get crackin'. Which ultimately means ... I better get crackin'. As I open my book of 'Inspirational Words of Wisdom', cuz we all need a little inspiration now and then, and sometimes more so in the arctic zone we call MinneSNOWta and WINDconsin. I really didn't get that inspired, so I turned to my old friend Henry Ford for inspiration.

There were 7 Life Lessons that I learned while visiting my old friend. 1-Seek Advice from Others. Mr. Ford didn't really do all that great at listening to his trusted advisors, and did not adapt well to change since he sold Lizzie for about 19 years. 2-Invest in What Works. Mr. Ford invested in his company, diversified his portfolio, and was willing to take risks when necessary. 3-Create for Everyone. Mr. Ford increased the salary of his workers so they could actually purchase an automobile they were building. Being a part of something great is a wonderful feeling. 4-Don't Find Fault, Find a Remedy. To find success, Mr. Ford seen an issue, and worked to find a solution. I think that's why all of our cars are different, and by the way, they are not perfect either. 5-Always Produce High Quality Work. Henry Ford once said, "Quality means doing it right when no one is looking," and that is absolutely true. 6-Have Passion for What You Do. Mr. Ford had a passion for his work, and we should find passion in what we do as well. 7-Anything is Possible. Mr. Ford showed the world that anything is possible. He built an iconic company, he ran it, he bought out investors, and he made it bigger and better every year. He researched and learned from great business owners who were using assembly lines, and adapted that concept to fit his product. He was an innovator. He championed personal growth. He treated his employees well and raised their wages. He encouraged others to do the same. He was not perfect, but his story offers life lessons that we can embrace. Besides, he ended up making a Lady out of Lizzie.

Another great man taught me to do everything you can to keep your word. As I reported at the December Business Meeting, a meeting occurred between TCMAFC and CCC, and at its conclusion, a Jan. 31 date was agreed upon to make a final determination regarding TCMAFC's participation in the Midwest Swap Meet for 2020.

As most of you are aware, since May 1995, TCMAFC and CCC have been bound together in an agreement as 'co-owners and equal partners of the Midwest Swap Meet'. I announced at the November Clinic that the meet results did not warrant a division of profits between TCMAFC and CCC for 2019. TCMAFC Board has met with the CCC Board, as well as the Swap Meet Committee. The Board has received feedback from the membership, and has been diligently working on hours of research and discussion, prior to making a final decision.

The Board did its due diligence, and sought advice and counsel from many sources, inside and outside the club; they are determined to invest in what works, and build upon it; a decision was made based on what was in the best interest of the club, as a whole, and not any one individual; they didn't find fault, they looked for a solution; they spent hundreds and hundreds of hours producing high quality work when no one was looking; and last, but far from least, they have an insurmountable passion for what they do for this club.

In keeping our word, it was determined by the TCMAFC Board at the January Business Meeting that TCMAFC will no longer participate as co-owners and equal partners of the Midwest Swap Meet. The Board feels very strongly that this decision is in the best interest of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club at this time, and that we, as a club, will have the flexibility we need to fundraise in a new, innovative way that will positively impact our club in the coming years. Seeking a Lady out of Lizzie,

Catherine

Twin Cities Model A Ford Club January 21, 2020 Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

The January 21st., 2020 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, Vice President – Thom Boche, Treasurer – Mel Eder, Past President – Doug Portlance, Secretary - Catherine Kieger, Senior Board Member - Marc Rude, and Jr. Board Member – Dave Peterson. Welcome to new Board. Mrs. Kieger will be unable to record the minutes today, so Mrs. Jammer will be recording the minutes.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Gerold, Peter Trence, Dale and Cindy Pomerleau, Rollie Radil, David Kieger, Mark Leder, Doug & Deb Persing, Jackie Rude, Jim Schleicher, Steve Barnacle, Jerry Shilling, Scott Huberty, Blaine Maus, Al Thuening, as per the sign in sheet.

LAST MONTH MINUTES: The December 7th Election Banquet Meeting Minutes were reviewed, motion by Mr. Eder to accept the minutes as presented, second by Mr. Rude, motion carried. The December 19th Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed, and a motion by Mr. Rude to accept the minutes as presented, second by Mrs. Kieger, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT: Mel Eder handed out hard copies of the Treasurer Report for the month of December, which were reviewed. A Motion was carried to approve the report as presented first by Mr. Rude, seconded by Mr. Boche. Mr. Portlance made a motion for the 2019/2020 Budget Amount for Charities of \$800, to be equally divided among the 3 Charities with the most votes, which were The Model A Youth Restoration Award, Disabled Veterans, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, seconded by Mr. Boche, motion carried. Mr. Eder to finish the business of distributing checks appropriately.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: 1 new member.

Clay & Rhonda Bulow, 59304 120th Ave, Claremont, MN 55924.

Mr. Persing reported that 240 members have renewed their membership, and passed the draft copy of the Membership Roster to those present to edit for any errors. Mr. Persing anticipates the Roster to be at the printers shortly.

MEMBERSHIP GREETING: Mr. Lake will be in contact with our new member.

MEN'S CLINIC: The January Clinic highlighting the 1930s Merrily We Roll Along movie with Jimmy Lake's popcorn, hosted by Gary/Mary Thorin who provided period movie projectors, and period dress, along with 1930s themed displays, also provided soda and traditional dishes for a traditional dish drawing. The membership has given the event 5 out of 5 stars. Thank you to Gary/Mary Thorin, Jimmy Lake, Tammy Newman, and the rest of the gang on a successful January Clinic. Mark Leder's Distributor Challenge was also a great hit. February's topic will be Model A & Valentine's Day topic from our very own Mr. & Mrs. Leopold. The March Clinic we have secured Eivind Stenersen, a Lube Specialist with Lube Tech, for a Clinic on Lubrication. Mr. Peterson is seeking members who would be willing to be interviewed regarding their Model A during a future Clinic for approximately 10 minutes.

Videos: Mr. Schleicher reported that he has purchased "Rebuilding Model A Starters" for the DVD Collection.

Tools: Mr. Barnacle reported that a Bubble Balancer has been anonymously donated to the club. Thank you A. Nomymous for your recent donation. Mr. Barnacle looks forward to providing a clinic regarding the balancer.

Sunshine Lady: Per Mrs. Frisk, Mrs. Jammer reported a Get Well card was sent to Cathy Kieger regarding her recent surgery. Mrs. Pomerleau reported a Get Well card was sent to Judy Kreyer regarding some recent health issues. Get Well wishes to both ladies.

NEWSLETTER: Mr. Leder reported a few issues with emailing the recent newsletter. The printer evidently pulled the wrong address column, and 60+ newsletters were mailed out with no last names, and as of this date 5 have been returned. Mr. Leder is working with the printer.

FACEBOOK: Mr. Persing to contact Mr. Maus for access to the Facebook acct.

SWAP MEET: Mr. Thuening reported that the last Swap Meet Committee Meeting was held in December, and that there has been no communication with the MN State Fair or Committee Members since the December 11th meeting..

FUNDRAISING: Mrs. Jammer reported that all Kwik Trip Car Wash cards have been sold, and a reconciliation of accounts will be provided at the Feb. meeting. Mrs. Jammer spoke shortly regarding SCRIP.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORTS – SHORT TERM COMMITTEES

2020 60th Anniversary- Mr. Persing reported a meeting was held Jan. 21 at 6pm, and the date of the 60th Anniversary is scheduled for June 13, 2020 at Banquets of Minnesota in Fridley.

Tune Up Clinic – Mrs. Jammer encouraged discussion to begin regarding this topic. Mr. Peterson reported that there are several locations for the Tune Up Clinic this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SWAP MEET DISCUSSION – Following discussions, Mr. Rude made a motion for the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club to withdraw from participation in the Midwest Swap Meet and the 1995 agreement with the CCC. Mr. Portlance seconded the motion, and the motion

Classic Car Websites – Mr. Pomerleau reported he had some time to work on the topic, and is making some progress. **NEW BUSINESS**

Pancake Breakfast – Mr. Gerold reported that the Pancake Breakfast will be held on May 23, 2020.

Scholarships - Dunwoody and Anoka Tech Scholarships need to be discussed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 p.m. by Mr Boche, seconded by Mr. Portlance.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Catherine Jammer.

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.



250 South Cypress La Habra CA, 90631-551 Phone 562-697 -2712 https://mafca.com



6721 Merriman Rd. Garden City, MI 48135 Phone 734 - 427 - 9050 http://model-a-ford.org

Movie Night



Another first at the January clinic for TCMAFC. Very long time club members Gary and Mary Thorin brought out the old movies "Merrily We Roll Along" narrated by Groucho Marx and the "ABC "s of hand tools. You cannot have a successful movie night with out refreshments and the Thorin's brought pop and water for the group. Jim Lake and Tammy Newman brought in a commercial popcorn popping machine and distributed fresh warm popcorn to everyone. If this had been the 1930's and 40's and we were at the Orpheum or the Bijou at the end of the night typically there was a drawing for a set of dishes or glassware as an additional incentive to bring in customers. Thanks to Gary and Mary's donation someone else now has some more dishes to wash!.

At these clinics we always have our extensive library and video's available for check out. Bring your technical questions, your unidentified parts, a unique solution to a problem to share and discuss just why we all have an interet interest in theses cars. Bring a guest or a grandchild and let them see just what we are up to.



Tammy and Jim





Gary and Mary

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

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

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: 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.

Contact Jerry Schilling, 763-213-4917.

For Sale: 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

For Sale: New complete WIRE HARNESS, two bulb (no cowl light), \$60, (2) front and (2) rear hubs, good condition. \$40

Early 28 front bumper (open ends). Repro, not plated, \$80. Contact Jerry Schilling, 763-213-4917.

Wanted: Wire binders for the "Restorer" and "Model 'A' News" magazines. Contact Gary Thorin 612-788-1564

garythorin@yahoo.com

The Pancake Breakfast Will Be Held On May 23 rd. At The Home of Thom and Linda Boche

Mystery Tour Leader Needed:

The Pancake Breakfast is the kickoff event for our driving season. We are looking for a leader or leaders to plan a tour at the conclusion of the breakfast.

Contact: Thom Boche thomboche@aol.com or 612 - 840 - 4046

With sadness we announce the passing of longtime, Life Member Larry Erickson. Our thoughts and support go to his wife, Becky and family. Larry was our Club President in 1987

Our Model A Ford is a Lulu. In fact, her name is "Lulu." Here's the story behind how our 1930 Model A Ford came to be named "Lulu . Submitted by Howard and Julie Thorsheim, Northfield, MN

When I was a boy of about 10, a 95-year-old lady named Lulu Jones lived next door to my grandmother in the central-Iowa town of Radcliffe. Lulu Jones was a strong, clear-eyed woman I remember as a ten-year old boy to have been in her 90's. She was a friend of my Norwegian-immigrant grandmother, both whom were kind, and seemed to appreciate a 10-year-old boy full of questions that included old cars, rosebushes, and their gardens. Lulu lived in a very small brick house, which she kept as neat as a pin on her small very neat yard. As I remember, I think Lulu had a Model A Ford herself.

Anyway, I clearly recall thinking that if I were ever so fortunate to have a Model A Ford, that I would name the car Lulu in honor of Lulu Jones. In 1956 I had just obtained my driver's license, and was driving our family car down 3rd Ave. S. in Minneapolis when I saw a beautiful Model A Ford sitting by the curb with a sign that said "FOR SALE." My heart skipped a beat and I drove around the block to pull up behind that beautiful car. I went up to the house and learned from the original and first owner that he had to sell that car. I did not have enough money to buy it by myself, so I invited my sister Mary to be a co-owner. A year later I purchased my sister's share in the car, and Lulu became my means to drive to my first real job, pouring concrete for home construction.

Lulu joined our family when my wife Julie and I were married in 1964. Lulu came along when we moved to Northfield Minnesota in 1968 to join the St. Olaf faculty, ands been with us ever since--through raising four boys--and now when our grandsons sit on my lap and steer Lulu around the college local parking lot when it is empty.

Now retired, we sometimes invite others over for dessert or glass of wine and cheese during the drivable months of the year, and then we go for a spin in Lulu afterwards. We bought an inexpensive portable Bluetooth speaker that we place near the bottom of Lulu's windshield window, partially pushed open by loosening the levers on either side (what we call Lulu's air conditioning system). We turn up the volume to full blast, and broadcast period music from the 20s and 30s to it from our cell phone; for example, Salty Dog Blues, It's Only a Paper Moon, In the Mood, Dream a Little Dream of Me, On the Sunny Side of the Street, and Bob Hope's theme song--Thanks for the Memory, among others. We and our guests then drive around town and honk Lulu's horn and wave to people out walking or sitting in front of their houses, including young parents pushing strollers, kid playing in the grassy yards, and people our age out for a walk.

Our waves are returned by broad smiles, people pointing at the car with thumbs up signs, and shouted greetings. Often on our tours through town we take a turn around the circular driveway at the entrance to our local Cannon Valley Retirement Center while honking Lulu's horn and waving out the window. Many residents have said that they appreciated seeing our Lulu driving around their entranceway with Lulu's horn honking, because it brings back good and warm memories of when they grew up with a Model A Ford.

When we return to the house after the hour and recount the people we have seen, and the joy that Lulu has brought to many, we like to think that Lulu Jones would be happy to know that Lulu, her Model A Ford namesake, is still bringing joy to others.







January Men's Clinic

The was our first movie night, clinic coordinator Dave Peterson has introduced member interviews as an opportunity to learn more about our members and how they became involved with Model A's and the club. Dave asked Rusty Nelson to be our nights interview and Rusty told us about his cars and what skills he has developed while working on at least three Model A's. This is a good opportunity for other member to ask the questions they have to the guest and see how and what experiences they may learn from.

Vince Smith brought in an original two blade fan to show newer members the inherent defect in the original design by the Ford Motor Company. At the age of the fans today it is not a question if the fan will develop a fatigue crack, the question is how much damage will it create when it lets loose injuring you or your car. There are far to many examples the damage these fans have delivered. There are new aluminum fans designed to look like the original without this design flaw as well as plastic multi blade fans availble from the usual Model A parts vendors. We had a modified shift tower base brought in by Thom Boche that left us puzzled as to why it was cut off. No one could come up with a reason.

Mark Leder brought in a set up tool to check your skill level of setting the distributors point set to factory settings. There will be a short write up in a future newsletter as to what this set up proves and how it can help you realize and teach your self to accurately set the points.



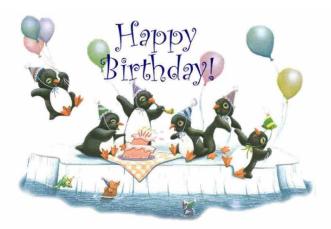
Cracked Fan



Dave Peterson, Rusty Nelson



Thom Boche with the altered shift tower



Deb Persing	Feb/1	Greg Hillenbrand	Feb/19
Craig Root	Feb/2	Larry Stroup	Feb/19
Kim Welch	Feb/2	Mark Wersal	Feb/22
Joan Frisk	Feb/5	Sharee Almsted	Feb/23
De Braatz	Feb/8	Craig Schwartz	Feb/24
Ross Johnson	Feb/8	Mary Thorin	Feb/24
Thomas Straub	Feb/9	Ray Dooley	Feb/27
Walt Groskurth	Feb/10	Lee Oster	Feb/27



Keep this coming June 13th open!
Cuz were going to be celebrating
our clubs 60th Anniversary.
Details will be coming soon.
So keep your eyes and ears open!!



PLEASE bring "cold related" accessories for display (auto related, era clothing, photos, etc.)

If you did not sign up at the January or February Clinic, please call 651-457-8820 (Rog Anderson) to register For those that register by Feb. 20th, you will receive a souvenir memento

We never know what the Man Upstairs has in store for us, so let's pray for good weather! Dress WARM and drive those Model A's! (or come modern).

We'll see YOU FEBRUARY 29th Rog Anderson and Lynne Groven

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