# "Aoogah" Newsletter

## The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

## December 2017

### **Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events**

December 2nd- Election Banquet And Holiday Party

**December 19th - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School** 

December 21st. Men's Clinic - The New Petroleum Issues Facing The Consumer

Women's Clinic - We Celebrate At The 50's Grill - Car Pool

From Brooklyn Center High School - Cookie Exchange

January 16th - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School

January 18th - Men's Clinic - Topic To Be Determined

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** 





**President's Letter** 

TCMAFC President

Greetings All,

The meeting went well this month and lasted a little over an hour. We had a few items of discussion as you can see from the minutes.

We received two checks from the Midwest Swap Meet and Apple Days. The proceeds from the Midwest Swap Meet were way down this year due to the poor weather conditions. We received a check for \$1400.00 and another for \$200.00 from the Apple Days event.

The clinic season is well underway, Dale Pomerleau indicated that we have a full slate of upcoming clinics to carry us through the season. Phil Zins did a great job with presenting the Model A rear end differential rebuilding process. The clinic was well received and had high attendance. Bravo Phil!!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO GET YOUR MILEAGE for your Model A into Dale Pomerleau!

I would like to thank Deb Persing for taking over the Women's Clinic / Fashion Coordinator positions. Deb pointed out that "MAFCA" is now selling a Menswear Fashion catalogs. During our meeting we discussed the possibility of having a joint Men's and Women's clinic possibly covering menswear. If you ever go to a National meet having a clinic on this would be of great value for someone entering fashion's for judging.

It's that time of the year when a hot cup of coffee and a donut sounds good!! If you have a free weekend after the holidays consider having a coffee social. Coffee socials are a great way to meet club members and discuss Model A projects and events of the day.

I would also like to extend our clubs condolences to the family of Tom Rice. Tom was a very active past member that made our club what it is today!! Tom will be greatly missed!!

Well that's it for now.

Warmest Regards,

**Doug Portlance - TCMAFC President** 

## MINUTES OF THE TCMAFC MEETING NOVEMBER 2017 MEETING MINUTES

The November Business Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. by Doug Portlance at BCHS.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President - Doug Portlance, Treasurer - Mel Eder, Past President - Doug Persing, Junior Board Member - Jimmy Sletthaugh, Secretary - Catherine Kieger.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Phil Zins, Dale and Cindy Pomerleau, Deb Persing, Mark Leder, David Kieger and Roger Anderson.

TREASURER REPORT: Mel Eder handed out hard copies of the Treasurer's report for October and it was reviewed for the details of the report. Had a refresher on the benefits of TCF Bank compared to Wells Fargo. With TCF there is more branches and there are no fees compared to Wells Fargo. Went over the Nomination Banquet Expenses, possible 2 lines for this expense. Doug Persing made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented and it was seconded by Jimmy Sletthaugh, the motion carried. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Member Report: Randy Smith of Andover, MN, James and Susan Rovano of Duluth, MN 1929 Standard Coupe, Roy and Arlene Pedersen of New London, MN 1931 Deluxe Roadster, Jack Portlance of Columbia Heights, MN No car, Kirk and Diane Lindberg of Inver Grove Heights, MN 1930 Fordor Sedan. Mel Eder made a motion to accept the new members and second by Jimmy Sletthaugh. Per Doug Persing 108 member renews and 170 need to renew, as of today there is a total of 282 member in the club

MEMBERSHIP GREETING: Volunteer not present, Jim Lake did contact the last months members all but one and he left him a voice message asking to call him.

MEN'S CLINIC: Jerry Schilling would like more people to step up in the clinic position, Dave Peterson has become more involved, and other people could help in continuing develop strong clinics. The December 2017 topic is Petroleum Issues for Consumers with a guest speaker - still looking for some more ideas

Women's Clinic: For November we made fleece ponchos for the veterans in wheelchairs and made cards. December clinic, the women will be having a cookie exchange at the 50's Grill in Brooklyn Center, women will meet at the school. Debbie is doing inventory on patterns

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS: Volunteer not present.

LIBRARIAN: Volunteer not present.

**VIDEOS: Volunteer not present.** 

HISTORIAN: Volunteer not present.

FASHIONS: Everything is going good

SUNSHINE LADY: Tom Rice passed away he was a member years ago, funeral services will be held in Appleton,  $\overline{MN}$ 

NEWSLETTER: Everything going fine, did receive a lot of pictures for the 1<sup>st</sup> picture contest, Mark will be picking out a committee to judge.

WEBSITE: The website has pictures and everything is running smooth.

FACEBOOK: Volunteer not present.

**SWAP MEET: Volunteer not present.** 

SERVICE ADVISOR: Volunteer not present.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: Volunteer not present, Doug Persing states there is a couple of events set up for next Year.

OLD BUSINESS: Our club received \$1,400 from the Swap Meet and \$200 from Apple Days.

Doug Portlance brought up a discussion about tool liability. We discussed having forms for liability issues.

We reviewed a letter from MARC regarding coverage for the board members.

Richard Darling sent a copy of a bill from Congress, which indicates a volunteer club and we cannot be sued. This to be added to the Presidents book as a record.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion was brought up about moving the engine from the Anoka Technical College To Little Dearborn. The engine will stay at Anoka Technical College for now.

Discussion was brought up about combining the Clinics/Business Meeting to one night. Tabled for December.

Paul Gran has Restorer Magazines, discussion was brought out that the club may use the magazines to give to new members along with the restoration book.

Wade Privratsky is needing help for a Model A restoration project.

Discussion was brought up about getting a pedal car for a possible raffle, new one was \$250.00 plus tax.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Jerry Plagge is stepping down for the Midwest Swap meet, looking for someone to fill this position.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. the board approved a motion to Adjourn made by Doug Persing and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Sletthaugh

Catherine Kieger Secretary

Happy Holidays!!!!

LAST CALL! For odometer readings in the MARC mileage program. Send to Dale Pomerleau by the end of December. Call or text 763 458 9880 or email <a href="mailto:dfpomerleau@comcast.net">dfpomerleau@comcast.net</a>

### **November Men's Clinic**

Phil Zins gave us an in-depth course on the rebuilding of the differential, he had a power point presentation that gave us details on various torque and clearance settings when working on this assembly. Special tools were shown that are needed to work on this project. Phil has made a number of special tools and modifications to others and he brought some of them to the clinic.

We had monetary presentations to the club for our participation in the annual Excelsior Apple Day event. Darel Leipold a business owner and club member is shown giving the check to club President Doug Portlance.

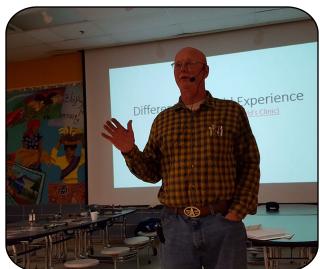
We also had a check turned in by Al Thuening for our club's participation in the Midwest Swap Meet held in October.

Shown below is Darel Leipold and Doug Portlance



#### Al Thuening and Doug Portlance









Special tools for differential rebuilding

#### 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: 1927 Ford Model T Roadster, clear North Dakota title, has Ruxtell rear end, wire wheels, has not

been started for years, needs restoration. All parts present to our knowledge, has NOS turtle deck with lid and other NOS parts, no rust. Ford Model A used motor with transmission, new valves and rings. Model B 4-cylinder motor with transmission, distributor, fuel pump, and manifolds totally rebuilt. Will include new oil

Located Bismarck, ND. Call Steve Ellefson 701-220-6818

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

pan gasket and new head gasket so buyer can take head and pan off to review the professional rebuild

(651) - 631 - 9127 or Larrybecky@usfamily.net

For Sale: 1930 Ford Model A Tudor older restoration, needs some TLC runs and drives well \$7,000.00. Contact Tim

Clancy 763 614 6241.

For Sale: 1929 5 window Coupe with rumble seat, freshly rebuilt engine and new shocks.

Medical Issues prevent me from driving this car. Contact Charles Hilgert 651 - 455 -7274

Wanted: 28 AA rear brake drum (the one without the separate emergency brake). Contact Dave Hetchler

952 - 261 - 2688

For Sale: Front and rear fenders from 1931 Coupe. Poor conditions. Contact

Arlen Kyllo 507 - 732 - 5009

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: Enclosed trailer to haul my Model A Coupe. Contact Catherine Jammer 540 - 354 - 2782

For Sale: Early pair 1930 fenders with the eye brow design. Good condition. One has a small dent. Probably for Fordor

sedan. \$250 for the pair. Darel Leipold 952-474-5880 (w) or leipold@mnmicro.net

For Sale: Mid-1930 Tudor (A332xxxx) Black on black w/black wheels. Completely restored for touring class judging in

2004, driven yearly around the block with less than 600 miles since restoration. All parts that could be

restored were restored; rubber, wiring, interior, glass, etc. were replaced

with new. Asking \$15,500 Jerry Schilling at 763-434-7464

or jerry.nancy.schilling@gmail.com



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: Small trailer for vacation and camping, 19" Model A wheels, frame from a Model A, very light weight.

\$140.00 or best offer. Contact Dick Zins 651 - 481 - 8004

Wanted: 100% complete original or restored 1928 or 1929 Tudor.

Call Benjamin Rowan 651- 202-3040



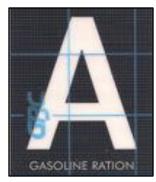
## GREAT HOLIDAY GIFT ITEMS

TCMAFC Items For Sale
Caps—Solid Blue, Blue Mesh, Solid White and White Mesh \$10
"A" Gasoline Ration Sticker Best quality around \$5
We A's Patch ready to be sewn on your shirt \$5

Contact Doug Persing 763-443-2375







### WOMEN'S CLINIC AS REPORTED BY DEB PERSING

Did you know why November 11 was chosen as Veteran's day? It started out being called Armistice Day marking when the armistice was signed between the Allies of World War I and Germany for the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front of World War I, which took effect at eleven o'clock in the morning – the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918. In 1954, after World War II, congress amended the act by striking out the word Armistice and replacing it with the word Veterans. With the approval of the change, November 11 became a day to honor all service men and women who serve their country. This month to honor these people, the women's clinic made wheelchair poncho's that will be donated to the Minneapolis Veterans home.

Nothing is as special as something that is handmade. A big thank you goes out to Roberta Butek and Joan Frisk for sharing their scrap booking talent, tools and supplies while they helped us create some greeting cards. I know I will use mine when I need to send a special note to someone.







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#### **News Flash!**

The Twin Cities Model A Website (<a href="www.tcmafc.org">www.tcmafc.org</a>) has been updated to include the patterns the club owns. If you are interested in borrowing any of them or if you have any questions contact me (Deb Persing <a href="mailto:debpersing@gmail.com">debpersing@gmail.com</a> or 763-434-4110.

In December we will be celebrating the holiday season at the 50's Grill located in Brooklyn Center (5524 Brooklyn Blvd). They have delicious homemade pie and shakes. Come join us for a late dinner, pie or just some conversation. For those of you that enjoy the holiday baking season, we will be doing a cookie (or bars, candy, popcorn ball) exchange. Bring a dozen of your favorite treats to exchange. We will be carpooling from the Brooklyn Center High school. Please let me know (eMail at <a href="mailto:debpersing@gmail.com">debpersing@gmail.com</a> or call 763-434-4110) if you plan on attending this event so that I can make reservations.

## 2017 New England Model A Meet in North Conway NH.

Club members Cathy and David Kieger were visiting family in Maine and were able to take in parts of this event. Cathy sent this write up for the newsletter to share with you all.

I connected with Jon Harris a member of the Pine Tree Model A Club – stating that will be out there in September. He mentioned that during our stay the 2017 New England Model A meet would be held.

We meet Jon and 2 other couples in Grey, ME and headed up to Windham, ME to meet up with some more people, had a little tour of the area and stopped and had lunch at the 302 West Smoke House and Tavern in Fryeburg, ME. After lunch, we headed up to the North Conway Grand Hotel in North Conway, NH. We met a lot more people and the cars were awesome to see and some were models that we had never seen before. Everybody was super friendly and we had a super good time. The event was a lot bigger that we expected.

We were told the Maine Pine Tree Club will be hosting the event in 2021 The 2018 New England Model A Meet will be held in Albany, NY next year in September



The large line up in the hotel parking lot, The group of friendly Model A' ers from the Northeast that we met and shared time with.



## Taking A Look Back In Time

Here is a photo of the Standard Oil Company Gasoline Station located in Minneapolis in the 1930's at Franklin and 3rd. Ave. Note the Red Crown Gasoline name on the signs. In preparation for winter many people who could not afford antifreeze, a good battery, tires or could not count on the dependability of their cars due to the harsh times of the depression would chose to put their cars up on blocks for the winter. Minneapolis and St. Paul had a large street car system and people lived much closer to their jobs and small stores were interspersed thru out the neighborhoods. Heavy wool clothing with it's distinctive wet smell with that nagging itchy feeling was what you had to wear. Coal burning heating systems that needed the ashes removed frequently and didn't evenly heat your house and a snow shovel was your friend that spent the winter with you. Union suit underwear, mittens and scarfs tried their best to keep you warm, you were afraid to get the grippe (some of you may need to look that one up). You wore your galoshes and probably dreamed of spring. Fresh fruits and vegetables were replaced by the canned goods all the moms worked so hard putting up at the end of the growing season. Today many of us like the easy parts of Model A era as we drive our cars in good weather and occasionally dress in period clothing, then change back to modern. We put our cars in a garage and sleep in our warm houses with fresh fruits and vegetables all year round. We have a come a long way and have much to be thankful for.

## Happy Holidays And Wishes for A New Year With Many Good Things For All!



### **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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## **Informal Lunch Gatherings**

Did you know members of the TCMAFC meet for lunch every Saturday and 2nd Wednesday of each month at 11:30 A.M?

If you have time stop over at Flahertys Arden Bowl located at 1273 County Rd E, Arden Hills, MN 55112

Another gathering on the West side of town is on every 4th Wednesday of each month at 11:30 A.M. This is at the

American Legion located at 949 Wayzata Blvd, Wayzata, MN 55391

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