

# **"Aoogah" Newsletter**

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The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

**December 2018**

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

- December 8th. - Election Banquet - DeGidio's Restaurant**
- December 18th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School**
- December 20th. - Men's Clinic - Brooklyn Center High School PDR (Paintless Dent Removal)**  
*Don Kavenaugh*
- Ladies Night Visit To The 50's Diner** *Car pool with others*
- January 15th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School**
- January 17th. - Men's Clinic - Installation Of A Panard Bar** *Dale Pomerleau* **Installing Sound Insulation On A Coupe** *Catherine Jammer* **Slide Show Or Model A Stuff Bucket Swap** *Gary Anderson*
- February 19th.- Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School**
- February 21st. - Men's Clinic - Minnesota During Model A Times** *Darel & Laverna Leipold*
- March 19th. - Business Meeting - Brooklyn Center High School**
- March 21st. - Men's Clinic - Odyssey Restoration** *Tom Rasmussen*

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](http://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,

The meeting went well and we are winding down for the year 2018. I have two more meetings to officially preside over. A special thanks to the last two boards I have had the pleasure to work with and I must say we were quite a team. I am excited for the New Year 2019 with its new challenges and I believe we will have another productive and rewarding year. I am looking forward to another "Great Northern Tour" in Hayward Wisconsin.

The last month's clinic was well received by our attending club members. Jasper Bond did a great job with going over his trip along the Alaskan Highway. Dave Peterson is looking for new ideas for the Men's Clinics so if you have any ideas on what you would like to see covered please let him or Dale Pomerleau know.

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

I hope to see all of you at the upcoming Election Banquet at DeGidio's in St Paul on December 8<sup>th</sup> 2018. I like going to DeGidio's since it was opened in the 1930's and gives you that Roaring 20's feel.

Please remember to watch the coming events in the newsletter. We should start thinking about "coffee socials" to break up the cold winter months ahead. I am pleased to see we have a positive response to do a future National Model A Meet. The last time our club did this type or event was in 1982.

**Please remember to send in your membership renewal for 2019 by December 31, 2018!!!**

Thank you to everyone for making the year of 2018 a memorable and successful year. 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 2017-2018

**MINUTES OF THE TCMAFC MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 20, 2018 MEETING MINUTES**

The November 20<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Doug Portlance at BCHS in Brooklyn Center.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** President – Doug Portlance, Treasurer – Mel Eder, Past President -Doug Persing, Secretary Catherine Kieger.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dale and Cindy Pomerleau, Steve Barnacle, Marc Rude, Dave Peterson, David Kieger, Mark Leder, Jack Portlance, Jerry Schilling, Vince Smith and Catherine Jammer.

**LAST MONTHS MINUTES:** The October 16, 2018 Board Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved, motion by Doug Persing and seconded by Cathy Kieger, the minutes were approved.

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

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** 1 new member

Gregg Tichmann and Becky Atreet

950 Carmel Court

Shoreview MN 55126

1928 Roadster

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

**MEMBERSHIP GREETING:** Volunteer not present

**MEN'S CLINIC:** Dave Peterson reported that the Men's Clinic is taken care of for the next couple months and he may have a couple more. Dave will be putting suggestion paper on the table at the clinic meeting so members can suggest the type of topics /clinics we would like to see in the future. We still are looking for a Women's Clinic 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:** New Tool – Spark plug tap , not that many tools being used

**FASHIONS:** Open position volunteer needed.

**SUNSHINE LADY:** volunteer not present

**NEWSLETTER:** Nothing new. Everything is OK

**WEBSITE:** nothing new – some updating needed.

**SWAP MEET:** Dave Peterson gave us an update on the swap meet committee meeting. Dave Peterson could not go to the meeting – Dave asked Marc Rude to see if he could go and he did and brought us up to speed. The club received a \$2,100

\$2,100 check from the 2018 swap meet

**SERVICE ADVISOR:** Volunteer not present.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** Volunteer not present.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Marc Rude attended the swap meet meeting and brought everybody up to speed. A discussion on maybe we need to have a joint meeting with both clubs to go over new ideas.

Motion was made by Doug Persing and second by Cathy Kieger - that Dave Peterson to find a sponsorship for the 2019 Swap Meet.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jerome Bokelman was happy to see the school fixed the wiring issue in the lunch room and everything with the Men's clinic went smooth.

Raffle - no new sales

There was a discussion on club Name Badges – tabled for next meeting.

Doug Persing reported the results in the club holding a future National Meet 51 people would help out.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**ADJOURNED** The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m. the board approved a motion to adjourn made by Doug Persing and seconded by Mel Eder.

Catherine Kieger - TCMAFC Secretary.

## **GREAT NORTHERN TOUR 2019**

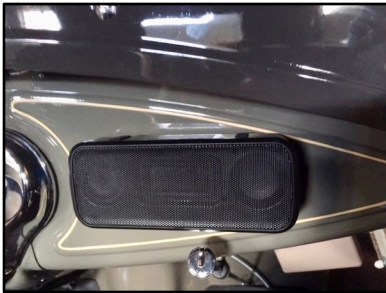
**SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2019 TO OCTOBER 4TH, 2019  
DRIVE UP ON MONDAY AND DRIVE HOME ON FRIDAY  
COMFORT INN AND SUITES  
HAYWARD, WISCONSIN**

## Model A Accessories Edsel might have wanted and Henry didn't! *By Mike Neeley*

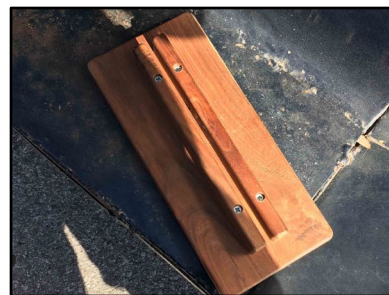
Early on after finishing my 1930 Tudor I found the need for a few creator comforts. Many accessories are available from after market suppliers but require permanent installation. The following are what I found and how I adapted them.

I use a Bluetooth speaker instead of a radio because of difficulties with mounting, voltage and ignition interference. Bluetooth speakers are rechargeable and link wireless or with an adaptor cord to your cellphone, iPod, or MP3 player.

Fasten the speaker to the magnets with Velcro and apply painter's tape to the other surface to avoid scratching the dash. The Velcro allows you to use your speaker for other purposes. Magnets are available from Harbor Freight two for \$1.00. I purchased my Insignia Bluetooth speaker from Best Buy currently on closeout for under \$20.00.



Ever wanted to rest your "A" on your "A"? A Florida Model A owner showed me this simple seat that attaches to the front bumper. The size of the seat can vary with two 1" X 2" boards mounted on edge just wide enough to slip over the front bumper. It's inexpensive, easy to make and store. Remember to remove it when driving or you may "loose you're A"



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**For Sale:**

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**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](mailto: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](mailto:cwash211@comcast.net)



**For Sale:** Folding Magnetic cup holders fit under the Model A dash attaching. No holes to drill, no scratches. Black, Grey and Tan to match your interior \$20 each. Mike Neeley (651) 636-6966



**For Sale:** Looking to buy tires for next summer? Save and Buy now! I have a set of 4 brand new Firestone 19" Black walls still in the wrapper. \$600 Free pickup (Coker \$624 + shipping). Contact Steve Barnacle (952) 212-6847 or [slbarnacle@aol.com](mailto:slbarnacle@aol.com)



For those members enrolled in the MARC Driving Awards Program please send me your ODOMETER reading by December 2018. for more information on enrolling contact me:

Dale Pomerleau

763-458-9880

[dfpomerleau@comcast.net](mailto:dfpomerleau@comcast.net)

**REPORTING DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 20TH.**



## You are invited to attend the Election Banquet



**Saturday December 8th**

**12pm Happy Hour**

**1pm Lunch**

PORK TENDERLOIN

Sliced pork tenderloin with brandy peppercorn sauce

CHICKEN PICCATA

Sautéed chicken breast with a lemon caper cream sauce

***Lets have fun and wear our Era Fashion  
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DeGidio's Restaurant & Bar was founded by Joe "Kid Bullets" DeGidio, a successful bootlegger during the late 1920's and early 1930's. At one point he operated 12 stills in the St. Paul area. "Kid Bullets" parlayed his bootlegging profits and opened DeGidio's Royal Bar at this same location when prohibition ended in 1933.

DeGidio's was a favorite watering hole for many of the most notorious mob figures during Saint Paul's famous gangster era. Of course, all mob ties were severed many decades ago!

Today, DeGidio's remains owned and operated by "Kid Bullets" grandchildren as a family restaurant serving fine Italian food at reasonable prices.

Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 per person. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Names of attendees:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Silent Auction donations are greatly appreciated, contact Doug Persing with any

**Please send your RSVP with a check made out to TCMAFC no later than Dec 1st.**

**Doug Persing**

**1352 155th Ave NW**

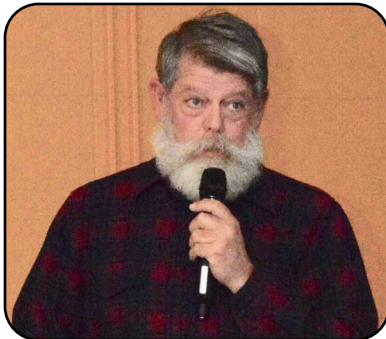
**Andover, MN 55304**



### November Men's Clinic

Our program tonight gave us the opportunity to hear Jasper Bond recount his trip to Alaska to drive on the Alcan highway. Jasper started out by letting the group know about his family and his experience of traveling with them when he was boy to Alaska. Jasper built a special camper to fit on his A pick up. With all good intentions , attention to detail and with the help of friends he began his adventure. Like all adventures there are the expected and the unexpected. Jasper explained what worked and how his camper design was unbalanced due to it's length and he felt uncomfortable driving it on the Alaskan highway due to a very light feeling in it's steering. He decided to continue his trip by only sleeping in the camper and driving only very short distance to local car shows and photo opportunity areas. He visited many interesting areas and had a series of photos that we all enjoyed seeing. The second half of the presentation dealt with the Oregon trail and an early adventurer and promoter for the preservation of the Oregon trail by the name of Ezra Meeker. We found that this man to almost his dying day continued to be an adventurer and even got the support of the Ford Motor Company with the a AA truck chassis that had a conestoga wagon type body fabricated to it to promote his love of the historic Oregon trail.

We had two checks presented to the club. In appreciation of our attendance to Excelsior's annual Apple Days. Club members and local Excelsior shop owners LaVerna and Darel Liepold presented the check. Our Midwest swap meet event has always been the large fund raiser to bolster the financial needs of the club and the membership has always turned out to volunteer to make the event successful. Jim Schleicher has for years been an active volunteer and coordinator of many of the Midwest swap meets and he was able to present the check to Doug Portlance who accepted it on behalf of the membership.



*Jasper Bond*



*Jim Schleicher and Doug Portlance*



*LaVerna Liepold*

Ken Huber brought and shared with us the story of one of his collectables. The company was known for its "Time to Re-Tire" tagline, featuring a young, pajama-clad boy with his right arm encircling a tire and his left hand holding a candle. The company had 121 retail tire stores in 1930, but only three by 1934. The firm was unable to sustain its stores; during the Great Depression, the company discontinued two-thirds of its dealerships by excluding those with less than \$200 in annual sales.





### ATTN: ALL MODEL A LADIES

On Thursday, December 20 (same night as men's clinic) we will be celebrating the holiday season at the 50's Grill located in Brooklyn Center (5524 Brooklyn Blvd). They have delicious homemade food, 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, if you wish to participate in the cookie exchange. We will be carpooling from the Brooklyn Center High School. Please call Cindy Pomerleau (612-964-5953) so we know if you would like to attend this event so reservation can be made at the 50's Grill.

A Women's Coordinator position is still vacant in the club which we have been trying to fill, if you are interested in the position please contact a board member. Should we not fill the position we still have rented a room on the same nights as the men's clinics this year for this group and hope to make use of the room and the funds expended. If anyone would like to create an event or organize a social gathering on the clinic nights for this year please contact Joan Frisk 763 - 784 - 7698 or [elfrisk@usfamily.net](mailto:elfrisk@usfamily.net)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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

HERE IS A HANDY LITTLE ITEM TO MAKE THAT CAN BE USED FOR TWO PURPOSES.

*by Mark Leder*

Here is a small tool that you can put together and use it for two purposes. The picture shows one that I put together that couples up to my glass sediment bowl. With different plumbing fittings that are available from a store with a selection of small plumbing fluid connection fittings like Menards or a good hardware store you can adapt it to either a glass sediment bowl or cast iron sediment bowl. You can use either a copper line ( I had some laying around) or better yet a segment of fuel proof hose which can coil up into a small package that you can easily store in your car.

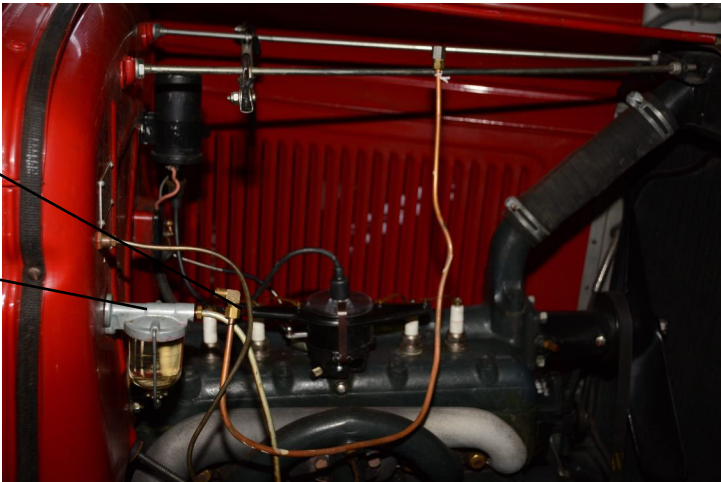
The first use for this item is to help you out should you experience a fuel flow problem from rust flakes or accumulated crud in your fuel tank. Many of us use a standup pencil filter inserted into the fuel shut off valve to save ourselves from a dirty carburetor issue. At some point that filter or if you don't use one, dirt might constrict the fuel flow through the shut off valve causing engine running problems. When this happens you simply shut off the fuel supply valve and remove the fuel line from the sediment bowl that runs to the carburetor and attach this item. Since a fluid will seek its own level make sure the free end of the line is higher than fuel level in the tank. Now open the shut off valve and blow into to the line freeing up the constriction. All you need to do now is shut the valve off and re attach the fuel line to the carburetor. When you are on a ride or a tour and you experience a fuel starvation issue you will be happy you have this little item ready to use to work through the steps, of which I would make this the first one to get running well again. The second step would be checking to make sure your fuel tank cap vent is not obstructed and lastly you may have dirt in the carburetor.

The second use for this tool is to give yourself an added margin of safety when you put your car away for winter or long term storage. The shut off valve either original or reproduction usually suffers from the tiny rust flakes that occur in the gas tank mixing into the fuel and scratching the sealing surface in the valve. The result is that these valves tend to leak at some point even though you believe it to be shut off. Your carburetor float valve is not the most dependable secondary shut off either. You could lose the whole tank of fuel over a long term storage and ten gallons gasoline on the floor is very dangerous. In order to truly feel no fuel will flow while the car is in long term storage install this tool and make sure the free end is higher than the fuel level. I just use a twist tie and secure it to one of radiator support rods. Now the fuel cannot flow. This is very inexpensive to make and you only need a small wrench in your tool kit should you need to install it while on the road. You could use your existing fuel line to do this however once you have a connection to the carburetor bowl I would refrain from removing and reinstalling that connection to limit future leaking problems. You may also have to remove a vacuum wiper line to move the original fuel line around. The original fuel line will also have fuel in it and I prefer not to have the gasoline on my hands or dripping down in the engine compartment when removing it. These are the reason for making up this small item.

### Install in normal fuel line

**position for tool use**

**Remove normal fuel line.**



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