

# ***"Aoogah" Newsletter***

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

### **November 2024 Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events**

- Starting Now**                      **Photo Contest For 2024 - It Is Prime Time For Great Photos!**  
**Details On Page 11**
- November 12th.**                      **Business meeting via Zoom Platform, All Are Welcome.**  
**Contact Jerome Bokelmann For Invite Code**
- November 21th.**                      **Clinic 7:00 P.M. At St. Michaels Church in Roseville.**  
**Topic : Tim Peterson Woody Station Wagon**  
**Restoration**
- November 30th.**                      **Photo Contest Ends Photos Entered Must Be A Print**
- Thursdays**                      **Model A'ers Breakfast Held On The Second And Fourth**  
**Thursday Of Each Month At McDonald's Near I-94 And**  
**Valley Creek Road, Woodbury At 9:00 AM.**
- Sunday December 8th.**                      **Annual Meeting Banquet Starts 12 Noon. Degidio's Restaurant**  
**425 7th. Street W, St Paul, MN.**



Film Stars: Dorothy Sebastian, Joan Crawford and Anita Page

**Clinics 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](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.**



**President's Letter**

**TCMAFC Presidents Letter**

Greetings Club Members

November 2024

A couple of weeks ago, I created a short little video of my 10-Year-Old grandson showing how to start the Ford Model A. It was fun for both of us to do. I ended up putting it on our club's community discussion Facebook page. This fun video has gotten a lot of plays (over 850). Our community discussion page is open to anyone to post Model A related items. In your search bar just type: **TCMAFC Community Discussions**. You will find it and can start exploring. Our webpage: [www.tcmafc.com](http://www.tcmafc.com) and our TCMAFC Facebook page: **Twin Cities Model A Ford Club** still remain a source of information available to you.

Do you know of someone who has done things to support our Model A club this past year? It could be someone to help you figure out that nasty misfire you are experiencing. Or maybe it's someone you think of when you think of our club that has always contributed. Let us Know! We will be voting on our **Spark Plug awards** for this year and this award will be presented at the **December 8 Annual Meeting/banquet**. Just reach out to me or any other board member with a quick writeup about the contributions someone made to the club. Also... If you have not done so yet, please register to attend the Annual Meeting Banquet. It's a fun event where our annual awards are presented.

With fall upon us, it is also Club Renewal time. Notices have been sent out to each of you about your annual TCMAFC Club renewal. Please get your renewal into our membership director Roberta Butek by the beginning of December. If you have questions, you can reach out to Roberta via her email: [membership.tcmafc@gmail.com](mailto:membership.tcmafc@gmail.com)

Our clinics are rolling along smoothly and getting more and more attendance now that it is starting to feel like fall weather outside. The October Restoration Clinic had a presentation by Darel and Laverna Leipold about hub caps and badges on various makes of cars during our Model A era. This clinic was attended by over 50 members.

We also had a nicely attended Nomination Banquet on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Blaine Maus for hosting our event. We have a good group of board members for 2025 including:

President: Tom Owens

Vice President: Marc Rude

Secretary: Mark Leder

Treasurer: Doug Portlance

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Sr. Board: Blaine Maus  
Jr. Board: Jimmy Slettehaugh  
Past President: Jerome Bokelmann

I would like to thank Thom Boche as our Past President and Scott Huberty as our Sr. Board member as they completed their respective terms at the end of 2024.

That is all for now...

Cheers – Keep the wheels on the road!  
Jerome Bokelmann

**Twin Cities Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes for October 20<sup>th</sup>. 2024**  
**Nomination Banquet Business Meeting, called to order at 2:04 P. M.**

The meeting was called to order to conduct the business of creating nominees to be considered for election to our board of directors. Members of the club were present as were President :Jerome Bokelmann, Past President :Thom Bocke, Senior Board : Scott Huberty, Junior Board : Blaine Maus , Secretary: Mark Leder, and Treasurer: Doug Portlance.

In accordance with the rules of our bylaws, our President Jerome Bokelmann first announced the positions of the board that are needed to be filled. He stated to those present, first the position that we needed to fill, he then asked those present to nominate a person for the stated position. We had a member stand and state before those present who they nominate to the position. Once this occurred our President asked for a second time if there were anyone else present wishing to nominate someone. In each of the formal asks for a second nomination there were none. Once again in each of the formal ask for third nomination there were none. The President asked after the third call for a nominee for a member present to stand and close the nomination for that position and each time a member formally created the request for the close.

Our President then asked each of those nominated if present or in one case of the nominated person not present who was advised before this meeting if they were to be nominated would they accept the nomination and serve.

In each instance each nominee agreed to serve.

Our new slate of nominees is as follows;

President: Tom Owens, nominated by Bob Butek: Vice President: Marc Rude, nominated by Thom Boche Junior Board : Jim Slettehaugh, nominated by Dale Pomerleau, Secretary: Mark Leder, nominated by Doug Portlance. Treasuer: Doug Portlance, nominated by Blaine Maus

Our Past President will after the annual banquet will be Jerome Bokelmann, Blaine Maus will migrate to Senior Board as per our bylaws.

We all had an enjoyable banquet and appreciate the work done by our Junior Board member Blaine Maus and the members who donated items for the silent auction.

The meeting had a call for adjournment first made by Rollie Radil and was seconded by Bob Butek. Those present voiced their approval for the adjournment.

Adjourned at 2:10 P.M

Minutes are submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary

## Twin Cities Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes for October 8<sup>th</sup>. 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:02 P. M.

**Attendance:** Board Members present: President - Jerome Bokelmann, Vice President - Marc Rude, Secretary - Mark Leder, Treasurer, Doug Portlance, Senior Board Scott Huberty, Past President - Tom Boche and Junior Board, Blaine Maus. Our Membership Director Roberta Butek was also present. Members in attendance, Dale Pomerleau, Jerry Schilling and Tom Owens and Phil Zins. Our President, Jerome Bokelmann called the meeting to order and conducted the board meeting in accordance with his duties to meet with the board in the monthly scheduled meeting.

**Secretary's report:** Our President asked if there were any corrections or additions to the report for the September printed copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Thom Boche to accept the September minutes as printed in the Aogah Newsletter in October. The motion was then seconded by Scott Huberty. A vote was taken, and it passed unanimously.

### **Treasures report:**

Doug Portlance, our treasurer ran thru the September month's activities with a spreadsheet provided for those present for this month's bank and expense activity. After running thru the accounting for the month a question was asked by Scott Huberty regarding the interest that we are gaining each month on our bank balance. He asked why we are not seeking a higher interest return than we are presently receiving. Various members of the board voiced their view on the this. The responses were, a member of the board would be very hesitant to create and file a tax return on behalf of the club as the investments required to get a higher rate of interest would generate a document that would require a tax return. Several board members said they would not consider being on the board if it would require their signature. Other members stated that should we need to seek the services of a professional (an accountant or attorney) should we need to reply to an inquiry from the IRS or state department of revenue those fees could be much more than the gain in additional funds received thru investing. Other comments made were that the club is presently in very good financial standing, and the additional income would not influence the expansion of our budget or change how we look to wisely spend our funds. The club is easily living within its means with the collection of dues, donations, fundraiser and the generosity of support from some of its members.

A motion was made by Scott Huberty to accept the report as presented, a second was made by Marc Rude, there were no further questions, and the vote was unanimous and passed.

**Membership report:** Roberta Butek told us that there were no new applications to consider for membership. She told us there are already two members have sent in early renewals for 2025 and that we have somewhere between 240 – 250 family memberships at this time.

**Membership Greeter:** Not present

**Fashion Clinic:** There is an open position that we would like someone to fill and coordinate activities. If interested contact any board member.

**Tools:** Coordinator was not present, inventory of tools is ready for members to check out, Steve Barnacle reported to our president that not much going on now with tool loans.

**Sunshine:** Will be advised of cards that can be sent this month. Last month two cards were sent.

**Newsletter:** All seems to be working well. Our editor would like to see some members contribute stories and content to the Newsletter. The Photo Contest is running, and we want to create some encouragement to get members involved.

**Website/Facebook:** We need to list address for the community page in the newsletter for the Facebook page, our youtube page is temporarily flagged for adding content and that should be lifted soon and clinic content during the flagged period will soon be added.

**Service Advisor:** Not present but as always, he would like members to collect business cards for any service or shop you can recommend and forward to him.

**Fundraising:** We will be having a fundraiser again the year with a generous donation of four cast iron brake drums, wheel studs and hub swedging service provided if winner sends hubs to Randy Gross. Freight of the prize is the responsibility of the winner. Raffle tickets will be priced at \$5.00 per ticket or bulk purchase discount of 5 tickets for \$20.00. Drawing for the brake drums will take place at the election banquet. The value of this donation is in excess of \$700.00.

**Announcements:** Our nomination banquet will be held on October 20<sup>th</sup>. at Flaherty's Arden Bowl, as of this meeting we can have about 30 members signed up. Our Election banquet will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup>. at DeGidio's restaurant. We received a donation of \$350.00 for our members participation in the St. Helena's Church parade from the American Legion Organization

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Business meeting to be held November 12th. via Zoom internet platform. Next Clinic will be held November 21<sup>st</sup>..

**Motion to adjourn:** Doug Portlance made a motion to adjourn, Marc Rude seconded the motion, a vote was called and it was unanimous. The meeting ended at 8:03 P.M.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary**

No 500		<b>2024 TCMAFC Brake Drum Raffle</b>		005	
		<i>Four Cast Iron Brake Drums Swedged to Your Hubs</i>			
		<i>Randy Gross Product And His Service</i>			
		<i>Drawing Held At Election Banquet</i>			
		<b>\$5.00 Per Ticket or 5 Tickets For \$20.00</b>		No 500	
		Winner need not be present to win at day of drawing			
Name	Email	Phone			

**We have been fortunate to once again be able to run a raffle as a fundraiser for the club. This prize is valued at over \$700.00 and the quality and safety that this upgrade is to your braking system is one that should go on every Model A. Tickets will be available at all club function up until the moment the lucky ticket is chosen. Should you want tickets and be unable to attend an event, please contact any board member and an arraignment can be made to get you tickets. Consider buying a ticket and gifting it to a friend who has helped you on a project.**



## TO PLACE YOUR AD: CONTACT NEWSLETTER EDITOR

[FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES :](#)

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- 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](http://www.durableperformance.net)
- For Sale:**        Rebuildable Model A Ford engine. serial # A809223—Dec 1928. complete except for clutch and  
transmission. call for details \$500. firm. John Pole @612-810-6811 or [johnfpole@gmail.com](mailto:johnfpole@gmail.com)
- For Sale:**        For Sale: 1929 Model A Blindback. Very nice older restoration, clean interior, runs good, many new parts with  
receipts and notes. Needs work on brakes and steering. 10k OBO. Will provide lots of photos and details,  
[rlcolem@hotmail.com](mailto:rlcolem@hotmail.com) or 651-703-8695 .
- For Sale:**        Original 1929 headlamps with script, nickel plated with rims, lenses and reflectors correctly cad plated  
mounting studs very nice selling for the cost of plating \$650.00 also original 1929 cowl lamps (no arms)  
chrome plated ( easily stripped to nickel ) includes rims lenses and reflectors \$150.00 contact Brad Nelson  
651-253 3981
- For Sale:**        1928 Model A Roadster for sale owned by John Roehl It is an older restoration and the paint is showing  
it's age but still nice. The engine was rebuilt by Dave Gerold in 2018 or 2019 and have very few (less than 1k)  
miles on it. \$15,000 or best offer, contact Doug Persing 763-443-2375 with any questions or to setup a time to  
see the car.
- For Sale:**        29 Tudor, Needs compete restoration. Stalled project, owner passed away. Complete car, no rust thru. Many  
new parts: top wood kit, all new glass, new rubber floor mats. new ignition and wire kit. new dist. parts.  
Rebuilt carb. new upols. material. some new seat wood. Eng turns over but has not been run in years. Trunk  
and many extra parts. Six '21 in. wheels. Extra rad shell. car is all together and rolling. Pictures available.  
Asking \$8000. OBO. Jack 763-784-9001
- Wanted:**        I'm looking for these parts for a 1930 Tudor, dash lamp. I can be reached at [johnsonck@centurylink.net](mailto:johnsonck@centurylink.net) or  
leave a message at 651-774-9607.
- For Sale:**        Ford Model T front axle with spring, spindles, tie rod & wishbone. \$50 OBO, or trade for parts for '28-'29  
Model A coupe. Has surface rust. Was used on a farm wagon & still has parts to attach drawbar. Can send  
photos. I know where rear axle is if you're interested (bring chainsaw!). Steve Smith 612-718-4464 (call or  
text)
- Club Merchandise:**  
Letterman's style jackets - \$225.00, XXL size \$15.00 extra, must be ordered. Hat pins \$4.00, Gas ration  
stickers \$5.00, Club patches \$5.00, Window stickers \$1.00. See Bob Butek at our clinics or contact him at  
651 - 301 - 9560

- For Sale:** Upgrade your Model A to a 6 volt positive ground alternator for \$145.00. Includes all brackets and bolts to install on your car. I have 4 alternators in stock ready to go. Call Steven Barnacle 952 212 6847
- Wanted:** I'm looking for a front leaf spring as well as a full set of tube style shock links for my town sedan. Dan Cunningham cell number is (651)442-6662
- Wanted:** Good original used parts for my 1931 narrow-box CCPU project: locking door handle, 2 roof panels, 2 top and 2 side hood panels, re-buildable distributor, tail gate + more. Call or text Al Malachowski 612-364-3423
- For Sale:** Model A Head, milled flat ready to install 125.00 , New Wolf Whistle \$45.00. Jim Lake 651-245-1937
- For Sale:** 1931 Standard Coupe, lombard blue, cloth interior, rebuilt engine by Bruce Remington, has rumble seat. Nicely restored, some spare parts included. Contact Gerald Aamodt 612 - 322 - 5819
- For Sale:** Assorted Model T parts, reasonable. 1930 and 1931 radiator shells. Assorted 1930 head lights and parts . Model A data plates. Exhaust manifolds. Keys cut, need lock, switch or key number. Darel Leipold, 952 474 5880 days at work. [leipold@leipolds.org](mailto:leipold@leipolds.org).
- For Sale:** Model A Test Stand on wheels \$100.00. 1929 Driver side front and rear fenders. \$40.00 each. Graco Paint System model 700 with portable spray equipment \$200.00 for all. Call Roger at 763-377-0086
- Wanted:** Wanted: Gas tank for a 1930 Coupe. Ron Hein (507) 461-3606
- For Sale:** 1930 Ford Model A Tudor for sale. Very nice older restoration. Great interior. Runs well. Driven annually and in parades. Price just reduced to \$10k. Will provide lots of pictures and video. Many NEW parts, 2 new mufflers and original tools can be negotiated into price if desired. Contact Steve A. 651-307-9396
- Storage:** Heated winter garage storage in Chanhassen for Model A's. \$400 for season. Contact Blair 612-812-6791
- For Sale:** 1931 Model A rumble seat coupe. It runs great, drives great and in fact may be an original unrestored vehicle. Two club members saw this car and are helping this elderly gentleman get it sold. It is garaged in Dellwood, Minnesota. He is asking \$12,000 for the vehicle. Call club member Eric Thompson Cell# 612-940-9049

Ads placed on these pages are free for members, if your ad is no longer needed please contact newsletter Editor to remove it.

Should be have open space, non members may place an ad for a fee. Ads should be for cars, parts, or services related to automotive items

**Submission Deadline for advertisements is the 21st. day of the month**

**Do not text information, send via email, USPS or phone conversation**

## 2024 Whitewater Gathering

The Lady Slipper A's hosted a gathering at Whitewater State Park, Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Model A Club members from three clubs gathered at the Modern Group Camp for fellowship and daily tours of the surrounding areas. The clubs represented were Lady Slipper A's, Rochester, Twin Cities Model A Ford Club, Central Wisconsin Chapter Model A Ford Club America, Stevens Point, WI.

Those in attendance had the option of staying at the Modern Group Camp's cabins or area motels. About half those in attendance stayed onsite. Breakfast was served each day at the Group Camp Lodge and was prepared by members of the attending clubs. Catered evening meals were served at the Lodge each day.



Thursday morning a driving tour was planned and led by Dave & Jan Martin, members of the Lady slipper A's, into Wisconsin. Dave and Jan chose some challenging back roads that tested the metal of our old cars and the drivers who braved the journey. Friday, Denny & Shirley Lind, members of The Lady Slipper

A's, lead a tour to Winona where we visited the Peerless Chain Manufacturing Plant for a production tour. Everyone found the manufacturing process extremely interesting and the dedication of the manufacturing team's members to a well-made and safe product inspiring.





A stop at a large antique mall completed our day in Winona.

Friday evening the gathered group at the Modern Group Camp Lodge were entertained after supper by Banjo Deb and Tom. They played lively American Dixieland Jazz selections to the delight of all gathered. Tom and Deb Owens are members of the Twin Cities Club.



Saturday, Dave & Jean Gerold, Members of The Twin Cities Club, lead a driving tour through the area farmland and scenic roads to Harmony and Lanesboro, MN. A stop for lunch at Estelle's then a stop at Harmony Antique Mall and an Amish market were made in Harmony. After leaving Harmony, a short drive found us in the quaint town of Lanesboro, MN where we spent about two hours exploring the shops along main street. As the afternoon waned, we made our final drive back to Whitewater for our final evening of fellowship.



Sunday morning, members of all the Clubs present helped clean the Group Camp building used, and we were headed home by 9:00 am looking forward to our next gathering in two years.

*Photo Credits: Phil Zins, Peerless & others., article submitted by Dave Gerold*

Join us at



**For the TCMAFC Annual Meeting**  
**Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> 2024**

12:00pm – 1:00pm Social Hour

1:00pm – 2:00pm Lunch

2:00pm – 3:00pm Meeting

Where?: DeGidio's Italian Restaurant & Bar  
 425 7<sup>th</sup> Street W.  
 St. Paul, MN 55102

**Please RSVP by Friday November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Make checks payable to "TCMAFC"**

**Buffet style dinner:**

(Caesar salad, Mostaccioli, Sausage & Peppers, Chicken Alfredo, and Garlic Bread Sticks)

Qty: \_\_\_\_\_/\$30 per person

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of attendees:**

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

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

Mail Checks payable to TCMAFC & RSVP to; Blaine Maus  
 15 S. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Apt A914  
 Minneapolis, MN 55401

Any and all donations, raffle, or silent auction items are welcome and greatly appreciated.  
 Contact Blaine Maus with any donation(s) you may have using the following ways of  
 contact; Phone: (715) 928-3233 or Email: [blaine.maus@hotmail.com](mailto:blaine.maus@hotmail.com)



## Photo Contest For 2024

**Contest Ends November 30th.**

*I've started to receive a few photos for this year's contest. Please don't let me down! I've got entries already in both categories and I'm really counting on seeing the "special" theme this year. It is "Flag". You know there are so many opportunities to see all kinds of different flags, and words, buildings and what else?? that have a tie in! Get busy because the contest will be ending in November. As always there will be prizes, and the photos must be printed, anything close to 4"x 5" will be just fine. The photos in some way have to have an association with a Model A, an event or something with our club.*

I'm counting on seeing more participation this year than last. We have our summer meetings, those days you make a run for ice cream and of course all of the warm days of this summer and fall to be out and about. Our great our summer holidays have many photo opportunities for you. This contest will have two categories. "General" and "Scavenger Hunt" (Flag theme) Choose either or both. Each member family may submit a **total** of 6 photos. These must be photos taken in 2024, the contest will end in the month of November. Photos will need to be submitted as a printed item. I cannot accept digital files. When you submit the photos, you agree that we may use them in the publication of the Aoogah Newsletter as well as possibly the Restorer magazine of MAFCA. All photos must have a tie in to a Model A theme or club event.

*I'm looking forward to seeing your photos as well as all of our members so please, participate! Imagine what you can fill one of these frames with*

## Newsletter acceptance and deadlines

In order to put this newsletter out I need to have articles, ads for sale and general news in my possession by the beginning of the third week of the month. Consider the 21st. day of the month the cut off. I need to allocate space for known items, certain meetings, and club business. Wild card items do come up and I save some space to accommodate them. I would like items sent to me either by mail or e mail. Do not text ads to my phone. Please write your ads out and I can help edit them if needed. Contact me to remove ads that sell. I prefer that any newsletter items come to my personal e mail (mleder22@aol.com). Please refrain from texting. The club e mail address is used mainly as a one way service to deliver your newsletter and any late breaking club information items we feel you need to have. Since more than one person sends items out via TCMAFC@gmail.com, should you need to contact a person for clarification or assistance your board members, newsletter editor and committee members contacts are listed on the Presidents column page as well as in your membership roster. I appreciate all submissions to the newsletter however to give you a quality newsletter I need to have some preparation time to get it all together.

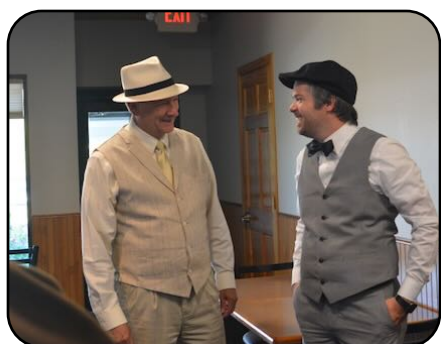
*Mark Leder, Editor*

## Nomination Banquet

If you missed the opportunity to be at the banquet rest assured that not only did we have a fun afternoon but some very generous members stepped up and volunteered to become members of the board for the new year. There was food and silent auction items. In the Presidents letter on page one of this newsletter you can see those members nominated for the new board.

Our Junior board member had the job to organize this banquet and the annual banquet that we will have in December. Blaine Maus provided us with a good venue and a nice afternoon. His hard work is greatly appreciated and if you would like to offer some assistance to him for the Annual Banquet, silent auction items, or help on decorations please give him a call.

At our Annual Banquet we will have the new board seated, a silent auction, the drawing for the brake drum raffle will have a winner chosen and right up to the selection of the winner you may purchase tickets at the event. We will thank our past and newly seated board members. We are hoping you choose to come to DeGidio's restaurant for the banquet on December 8th. This venue fits right in time wise for the era of our Model A's. Why not dress up in period clothing to make it a special day? The sign up sheet is on page ten of this newsletter, our Junior Board member would greatly appreciate your reply as soon as possible so he may work the details out needed with the venue for space and meal accommodations.





### Jim's Tech Tips

#### Pleated Paper Fuel Filter Elements

Ford originally used a fine mesh brass screen at the top of the glass fuel strainer bowl that's mounted to the Model A firewall. The bowl gives a place for water to settle into (water is heavier than gasoline) and a place for dirt and rust particles to collect.

The screen also keeps these particles from traveling down to the carburetor (where you have another screen!). With all these screens, I think Ford knew that gasoline supplies at the time were prone to contamination (more than today).



Many people have started to install a small pleated paper filter element in the glass bowl instead of the brass screen.

I'm not so sure it's needed; I think the brass screen is enough. The Model A has no fuel pump, it relies only on gravity feed, and I'm concerned about adding another restriction to the fuel flow.



But IF you use one of these paper filters, you need to know that the rust, dirt, etc. is trapped INSIDE the paper element, not on the outside of it like you'd think. Therefore, you can be collecting a lot of junk inside the filter, plugging up the filter element on the inside, and not even know it. One day, you lose all your power and the engine really acts like it is starving for fuel. You thought you would see the rust and dirt collect on the outside of the filter... but you don't. Surprise! (I hate surprises!)

So, if you are going to use these pleated paper filters, get into the habit of replacing them regularly, maybe once a year, since you can't see how dirty they are inside. And carry a spare filter and gasket with you in the car. It's a pretty easy thing to swap out in a parking lot. Kind of messy, but it can be done without tools. Use some disposable gloves and you won't smell like gas for the rest of the day.

That's all for now. Keep driving, help each other out, and *Have a Model A Day!* Jim

## TCMAFC Restoration Clinic

**Let Zoom Put You Into The Room Clinic Night November 21st. 7:00 P.M.**

**Use Zoom Meeting to join the clinic on the Internet**

**Topic: Swap meet first, Tim Peterson will present on the restoration of his Woody Station Wagon**

### Thursday Night Clinic

We were treated to a history lesson by Darel and LaVerna Leipold, they put a lot of effort into compiling photos and stories of the many many early automobile manufactures. We were informed that there was over 2700 manufacturers of automobiles. Many were obscure names, some may have made a handful to a few hundred cars. Many of these companies either consolidated in the early years hoping for larger market shares or were purchased by successful auto industry tycoons hoping to appeal to many different market segments by offering a diverse line of cars. Darel has been a collector of automobile history and parts from his early teens. They showed us photos of items in his collection of hubcaps, automobile badges and early advertising. For those that missed it, our youtube page - TCMAFC will have a copy of this presentation in video form as well as many of our previous presentations.



A quality presentation with great detail, photos and anecdotes by our presenters Darel and La Verna



Fashion on display - Logo TCMAFC socks sported by our club President Jerome Bokelmann

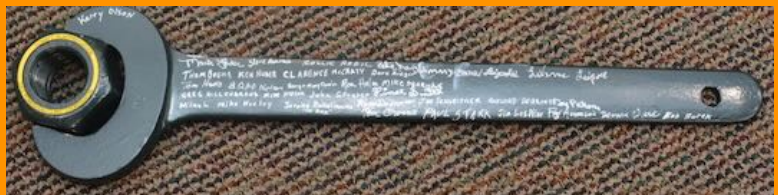
## *" And then a wrench was thrown into the works" by Mark Leder*

This is an expression that many of us are familiar with (maybe because we are old?) or just thru out our lives "things have happened". The one place this has not happened is at our Thursday night clinics. The reason? - our Clinic Coordinator, Dale Pomerleau who has taken on this task for many years just won't let it happen. He prepares for each clinic lining up presenters, looks for news and current events that keep us in the know. He is the guy who asks each member who is new to stand up and introduce themselves. He makes everyone feel welcome. He comes prepared with props, obscure items and looks for a person to identify them. Then there are jokes, some elicit a hardy laugh while others may elicit a groan but "hey you got to try em all" according to Dale.

At this last clinic the wrench came out, it was not there because of a problem, but rather as a unique award of accomplishment in recognition for Dale. Dale recieved 3 1/2" wrench and the hex nut that partners with the wrench, of course in was finished in Ford engine green color. The award is constructed to hang on a wall and the request that was made was for those present who have enjoyed our clinics to show their appreciation to sign the wrench, special markers were provided. I have asked Dale to bring it to the November Clinic so those not at the October Clinic may sign it.

### *The back story*

So a month ago this big wrench along with another one came in a load of scrap to our recycling facility (we no longer call it a junkyard). Sometimes I pick stuff out and put it aside for some unknown reason because a little voice somewhere says you should keep this because you might use it. It sat in my hoarders space in my office and then it just clicked- Dale does so much and the clinics are something that I look forward to for that third Thursday of the month. I could clean it up and present it and as I know the other members are as appreciative as me. Then it clicked a second time, twenty five years ago that same little voice said save those big hex nuts. This time I had to go searching in another hoarders space I hadn't looked at in years. As luck would have it I had the exact size nut for that wrench. I don't know where you could even buy one if you wanted one with out having it machined. I asked some of our members for opinions and suggestion if they thought this idea of mine would work or was it dumb?. I need to thank Doug and Kim Portlance for creating the plaque on the nut, Richard Darling, Vince Smith, Steve Barnacle, Jimmy Lake and my wife Sue Leder for suggestions, help and encouragement. They all felt the same as I that Dale deserves our recognition. So I got it done!







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