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## Meeting Location:

Meadow Springs Country Club  
700 Country Club Road  
Richland, WA  
December 8th, 8:30 a.m.



Alyce Thompson is looking over the Columbia River valley with her 1930 Model A Ford Tudor.



## Leadership

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## Meeting Schedule

January:	Canceled
February:	Larry & Sue Campbell
March:	Tom & Robin Eldhardt/ Mary Fraser
April:	Bruce & Shelley Clark
May:	Rick & Janet Budzeck
June:	John & Thora Trumbo/ Pete & Grace Jackson
July:	Club Members - Potluck
August:	Dave Hannah
September:	Calvin & Vernita Coffey
October:	Jan & Mara Jackson
November:	Blaine & Bev McGillicuddy
December:	Christmas Brunch

## Larry's Lessons

The November veterans day parade was cold and SLOW. Our car was still in the dog house so thanks Marshall and Sharon for sharing the ride. Good fellowship and the sun did shine so another fun day.



Our car has been a very reliable starter that ran well albeit with strange unexplained noises. It was my turn for a road side seminar after a visit to the doughnut shop. Started right up and ran well on the trip to the shop, but would not start when it was time to go home. Up went the hood with four or five car guys peering in and offering suggestions and assistance. Verified a good fuel supply and inconsistent spark to the plugs. No spare parts were available so thanks to a Ye Olde Car Club member for providing a trailer with a winch to get it home.

Model A car club members Tom and Marshall came over and we got it running with what amounted to a tune up. Thanks again for the help. I am not sure that I have found all the problems so I am considering a few ignition upgrades. The lesson I learned is to have a few spare parts on hand.

Best wishes for the upcoming Holiday season.

*Larry Campbell*

## Calendar of Events

Christmas Brunch	December 8
Progressive Dinner	January 19 or 26

## Birthdays

<i>Janet Budzeck</i>	<i>2nd</i>
<i>Thora Trumbo</i>	<i>5th</i>
<i>Sharon Hauck</i>	<i>27th</i>
<i>Tom Eldhardt</i>	<i>28th</i>

## Anniversaries

<i>Blaine &amp; Bev McGillicuddy</i>	<i>27th</i>
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## Ladies Lunch

The ladies lunch will not be held in December.

We'll begin the 2019 lunches at 12:30 PM on January 2nd, at CG Public House in Kennewick. The address is 9221 W. Clearwater.

Please let Robin know if you're planning to attend by Saturday, December 29, so you can be included in the reservation. Her phone number is 967-3081.

# Veterans Day Parade

When Mara and I were coming down Bombing Range Road on our way to the parade we noticed some white flakes fluttering about. "Is that snow?" Mara asked. "Maybe it's frost blowing off the trees" I replied. I think it's called a skiff of snow, or perhaps a gaggle of snowflakes, or a herd of....but I digress. We had a high staging number for this year's parade and were almost at the back of the pack so we stood around for an hour or so before the parade reached out and coerced us to join. We spotted several friends along the route, including Laura Osterwyk dressed in her red, white and blue. After a gleeful session of dodging horse doo doo we turned off the parade route by my favorite pizza house, Brick House Pizza, and headed south.

Tom and Robin Eldhardt led us up over the hill on a new road that eventually got us to our lunch destination, Sterlings on Queensgate. Members participating in the parade and dining were: Larry and Sue Campbell, Calvin and Vernita Coffey, Tom and Robin Eldhardt, Marshall and Sharon Hauck, Jan and Mara Jackson, Blaine and Bev McGillicuddy and Connor Budzeck and his friend, Tyler Birchenough.

**Submitted by Jan Jackson**



*Merry Christmas Columbia Basin Model A Club!*



# Fashion Feature True or False?

Fashions of the Model A Ford Era

## Fashion 101

Need a hat to go with your new dress you just finished sewing? The McCall Printed Pattern #1894 may be just what you were looking for. The three hat styles below allow you to select the hat that fits you.

Submitted by Robin Eldhardt



## Dues are Due

Dues will remain at \$10/family or \$5/individual. Bring your dues to the Christmas brunch along with calendar and brunch money.

## Questions

1. T/F - The flat Headlight bar (flat between headlights) was installed on 1928-29 vehicles.
2. T/F - The Crankshaft, Fan and Generator all rotate in the same direction.
3. T/F - The 66-A Deluxe Closed Cab pickup introduced in May 1931 was the only Model A available with White as a standard color.
4. T/F - The large hole in the bottom cap of the Light Switch assembly cover is for draining out water and all 600W oil leakage from the Steering Sector.
5. T/F - The Spindle Bolt (King Pin) locking pin nut located on the front side of the Front Axle, keeps the front wheels from turning to far when the Backing Plate hits it.
6. T/F - Removing the key from the Pop-Out type ignition switch when in the ON position will cause the engine/motor to die.
7. T/F - You would need to buy a minimum of 20 Lug Nuts to replace all of them at one time on a standard equipped car.

## ANSWERS

1. TRUE – The Headlight mounting bar was flat between where the Headlight buckets were mounted on 1928 and 1929 vehicles. It was bowed up for the 1930-31 vehicles.
2. TRUE – The Crankshaft rotates in a Clockwise direction, and the Fan Belt on it rotates the Fan and the Generator in the same direction.
3. TRUE – Per the book: Ford Model A Collector's Originally Guide.
4. TRUE – The Light Switch cover came with a hole in it which is to be installed facing down.
5. FALSE – The long-bodied nut is installed on the back side of the front axle.
6. FALSE – When turn to the ON position, the Pop-Out switch key will allow the switch to “pop out” which closes the contacts so the vehicle to be started. The keys can then be removed. Pushing the “popped out” switch back IN will shut off the engine and secure the vehicle.
7. FALSE – Kind of a trick question. You need 20 Lug Nuts for the four tires that are on the ground, but you would need at least three more for the Spare tire mount whether it is a rear mounted spare tire or a fender mounted spare tire.

Submitted by Tom Eldhardt

# Restoration Projects

## Model A Ford Fasteners Part 2: Rivets with Split Pins

This month's article continues the series about the use and installation of Fasteners found in a Model A Ford. There were several types of fasteners used to hold together the many parts of a Model A. Fasteners such as Rivets, Bolts, Nuts, Washers, Studs, Screws and Nails were installed throughout the vehicle as it was being assembled from the various prefabricated metal, wood, fabric, etc. parts.

**RIVETS** – These are made of Steel or Brass. The parts of a rivet are: The Head, the Pin and the Pin End. They come with either a solid pin, a hollow (tube) pin or with a split pin. The Head keeps one end of the rivet from being pulled through the holes in the pieces of metal. The Pin is sized to fit through these holes. The Pin End is then formed over (deformed) to create a second Head to secure the connection.

**SPLIT SHAFT RIVETS** – These are always installed “Cold”. They are used to attach the lacing to the Radiator where the front edge of the Hood made contact and to the Cowl area where the back edge of the Hood made contact to lessen the amount of metal to metal noise. The rivet went through either the lacing then the flange or the flange then the lacing prior to its being spread apart to hold the lacing in place. They were also used to secure the Distributor clamps to the Distributor ears

### ***Split Shaft Rivets were installed in such places as:***

Radiator Lacing (All) - Head of rivet faced outward on the outside of the lacing with the rivet part that is spread on the inside of the shell.

Cowl Lacing (1928-29) - Head of rivet faced inward behind the Cowl flange with the rivet part that is spread on the outside of the lacing.

Cowl Lacing (1930-31) - Head of rivet faced outward on the outside of the lacing with the rivet part that is spread on the inside of the Cowl lacing.

Distributor Cap Clamps (All) – Head of the rivet faced forward.

Hood Corners – To hold the leather Hood corners in place. Head on inside of Hood.

Horn Data Plate – To hold the plate onto the Horn motor cover. Head on inside of cover.

Anti-squeak Pad – To hold the rear cross member anti-squeak pad in place.

Heads to inside

***Submitted by Tom Eldhardt***



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## Christmas Brunch & Calendars

Blaine and Bev McGillicuddy have, once again, graciously arranged to have our annual Christmas meeting at Meadow Springs Country Club. The meeting and brunch will be held Saturday, December 8th, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The cut off date to confirm your attendance is Thursday, December 6th. If you must cancel, call Bev before the 6th - if you don't you'll still be responsible for the cost of your meal. Meal cost is \$16.50/person; the club will cover half the cost. Because this is a swanky place, the country club dress code - no blue jeans allowed.

The annual Chinese gift exchange will be held after breakfast. Don't forget, women bring a woman's gift and men bring a man's. Please clearly mark the gift by gender. Gift value is a \$10 minimum. We will follow our past rules of drawing for choosing order. The #1 person gets to choose again at the end of the exchange.

Jan and Mara will distribute the 2019 calendars prior to breakfast. The cost of each calendar last year was \$8.00. The 2019 cost is unknown at this time; the final cost will be provided prior to the brunch.

To confirm your participation, or if you have any questions regarding the brunch or calendars, please contact Bev at 627-1254, or Jan at 967-2801.

# MAFCA News



## President's Message: Doug Linden, 2018 MAFCA President

Can you believe it, November is upon us and here in the northeast we have already had a few bursts of snow. That sure is sign that we should be getting ready to put our Model A's up for the winter. Those of you in the warmer climates can extend the touring season a little longer, but eventually it will be time to rest the Model A's and to attend to some projects that have been put on hold. And while you're doing that project, take some pictures and think about an article for The Restorer magazine. Andy Scheer is always looking for articles.

Thanks to all of you who submitted ballots for the election and Bylaw change, which was approved. We had a great slate of candidates and I am happy to report the following members were elected to serve MAFCA for 2019-2020. David White and Kay Lee were re-elected to the board, while Bill Myers, Bill Truesdell and Mike Kelley were newly elected to the board. Congratulations to these members for offering their services to MAFCA and we look forward to having them join us in Tucson.

Speaking of Tucson, have you made plans to attend the National Awards banquet? This should be a great event and from what I have heard it will be a large one. The Tucson Model A Club has planned a number of great events for us while we enjoy some fine Arizona weather. So, if you haven't registered yet, please go to [www.tucsonmodelafordclub.org](http://www.tucsonmodelafordclub.org) and sign up now.

November is also a time for family, with Thanksgiving being here before you know it. I would like to extend my best wishes to you for a very happy Thanksgiving.

**Canyonlands National Tour:** We have just received notice there is a date change for 2019 National Tour. Presently, it is published as October 7-11, 2019. This has been changed to October 6-10, 2019. Due to circumstances beyond our control, this is a necessity. Registration and hotel information is coming soon.

## MAFFI Newsletter Minute: Send a Brick for Christmas!

Since 2011, when we first started raising money for the construction of the Model A Museum, about 1550 bricks have been ordered in memory or in honor of your favorite Model A'ers, Model A clubs and regions. We have room under the gas canopy at the Museum for about 110 more bricks. It would be a wonderful thing if we could finish off that area by Model A Day 2019! So how about ordering a brick for a loved one for Christmas. A personalized brick would make a great gift for that parent or grandparent who really doesn't 'need' anything and, of course, it would benefit the Model A Museum as well. If your Model A region or club doesn't yet have a brick at the Museum, now would be a good time to do that as well. Use the brick order form in the upcoming issue of the 'A' Preserver or copy and paste this link into your browser: <http://www.maffi.org/WSContent/Download/BuyABrickDonation.pdf>

It will be in place at the Museum by September 21, 2019.

Merry Christmas and thank you,  
Loukie Smith, Brick Coordinator

*The purpose of the club shall be to serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information and parts for admirers of the Model A Ford, and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve the car in its original likeness. Membership in the Model A Ford Club of America is a requirement to joining the Columbia Basin Chapter. To join MAFCA, see the web site at [www.mafca.com](http://www.mafca.com) and click on the "Join MAFCA" tab. Requirements for membership in the chapter shall not insist upon the actual possession of a Model A Ford, merely an interest in the objectives of the club and a desire to take an active part in club activities shall be the primary requirement for membership. (Excerpt from Columbia Basin Model A Club Bylaws dated February 2015.)*

# Meeting Minutes

**November 8, 2018**

The monthly meeting was opened by President Larry Campbell and attended by Sue Campbell, Blaine and Bev McGillicuddy, Marshall and Sharon Hauck, Jan and Mara Jackson, Tom and Robin Eldhardt and Rick and Janet Budzeck. The minutes from the October meeting were approved with a motion and the treasurer's report was provided by Blaine, who reminded members that he is now accepting the dues for next year. Dues are \$10.00 for a couple and \$5.00 for a single membership.

## **Correspondence**

Mara reported she received an invitation from the Modesto Area A's for their annual Swap Meet set for January 26th and 27th, 2019 in Turlock, California. The club also received a letter from MAFCA containing a chapter renewal form, the annual bill of \$75.00 for general liability insurance, which covers MAFCA Chapters and officers, and a free membership application for first time members.

## **Tours**

Marshall reported the next scheduled tour is on Saturday, November 10th, for the Veterans Day Parade in West Richland. Those planning on going should be in place by 9:00 a.m. Mara made a reservation at Sterling's in Queensgate for lunch following the parade. Bev announced the Christmas party will be at the Meadow Springs Country Club on Saturday, December 8th. Breakfast will be served promptly at 9:00 a.m. at a cost of around \$16.50 each. As approved by club members, one meal will be paid for by the club treasury. A short business meeting will take place after the meal followed by the Chinese gift exchange. Each gift should be marked 'male or female' or whatever strikes your fancy and cost a minimum of \$10.00. Please give Bev a call if you plan on attending.

## **Old Business**

The following officers were nominated to serve next year: president – Marshall and vice-president – Rick. Election of officers will take place at the December meeting.

## **New Business**

Mara commented our club will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2020 and she suggested members think about what they might like to do to celebrate this occasion. Rick brought up the idea of holding our meetings in conjunction with a meal possibly during the day to enable more members to attend. Example: have brunch at a local restaurant followed by the business meeting.

## **Projects**

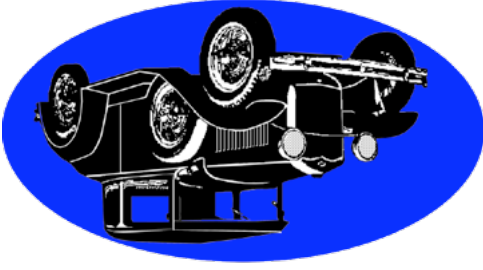
Larry shared his story on driving his Model A to meet with friends and then having to have it towed. With assistance from Marshall and Tom, Larry's car is now running. Possible cause – out of time. Blaine reported he sold his 1952 military Jeep, which he restored several years ago.

## **Announcements**

Larry announced the names of those celebrating anniversaries this month and thanked Blaine and Bev for providing the refreshments. Members brought more items for the Food Pantry. (As of Sunday, November 11th, 112.25 pounds of food has been donated. Hooray, we reached our goal, but let's not stop now.)

With no further business, a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting.

**Respectfully submitted by Janet Budzeck, Secretary**



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