

# Columbia Crier

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## Meeting Location:

**Reata Springs Baptist Church**  
**2830 Leopold Lane, Richland, WA**  
**November 10th, 7:00 p.m.**



Larry & Sue Campbell are next to the Columbia River with their 1930 Model A Ford Fordor Town Sedan.



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## Message from the Prez



November is traditionally when new officers are nominated for the upcoming year and then officially ratified at the December meeting. If you have any interest in serving in the capacity of officer in 2017, give me a call. I'm still looking for my wooden railroad whistle so if no one volunteers we can officially railroad someone into the vacant positions. Toot toot.

## Meeting Schedule

January:	Tom & Robin Eldhardt/Mary Fraser
February:	Club Members - Chocolate
March:	Garry & Joanne Bryan
April:	Pete & Grace Jackson
May:	Larry & Sue Campbell
June:	Hosts needed
July:	Club Members - Potluck
August:	Blaine & Bev McGillicuddy
September:	Calvin & Vernita Coffey
October:	Marshall & Sharon Hauck
November:	Jan & Mara Jackson
December:	Christmas Brunch

After limping home from our Grand Coulee Dam tour we decided to cancel the 'Manifold Destiny' tour to Herb Mettler's garage in Waitsburg. I was hoping to try out the hot dogger contraption, but we were quickly running out of cars that still ran. We'll pick up this tour next year which will give us plenty of time to try out new manifold cooking recipes.

I'm looking forward to the Veterans Day Parade next Saturday. I hope you can bring your car and join us for lunch at the new, and improved, Sterling's Restaurant in Richland.

*Jan Jackson*



## Calendar of Events

<b>Veterans Day Parade</b>	<b>November 5</b>
<b>Christmas Brunch</b>	<b>December 10</b>

## Veterans Day Parade

The City of West Richland Chamber of Commerce 17th Annual Veterans Day Parade will be held on Saturday, November 5th. Please plan to be in place no later than 9:00 a.m. as the parade starts at 9:30 a.m. The theme of this year's parade is "Stars & Stripes."

**There is a new staging area for parade participants. Van Giesen Street will no longer be blocked. Grosscup Road is the new staging area.**

All school bands will be checking in at Tapteal Elementary School and all youth groups will be checking in at the Glen Memorial Park on Gray Street in front of the Senior Center. There will be people at multiple check in stations to help direct parade entrants to the appropriate staging area.

A map of the new parade route will be sent to you via email.

At the conclusion of the parade, we will travel to Richland and eat lunch at the new Sterling's Restaurant located on George Washington Way.

## Ladies Lunch

The ladies luncheon will not be held in November.

## Anniversaries

<i>Garry &amp; Joanne Bryan</i>	<i>16th</i>
<i>Don &amp; Marti Meyers</i>	<i>22nd</i>

# 2nd Harvest

On Wednesday morning, October 26th, six Model A club members met at 2nd Harvest at 9:00 a.m. to sort food. Those participating were Marshall and Sharon Hauck, Tom and Robin Eldhardt and Rick and Janet Budzeck. Along with twelve other individuals, we sorted through a variety of apples. Since another shift was coming at the end of our shift, we didn't need to clean up our work area.



We were told upon completing the task that we had sorted a total of 12,328 pounds of apples, which provides enough for 10,273 meals.

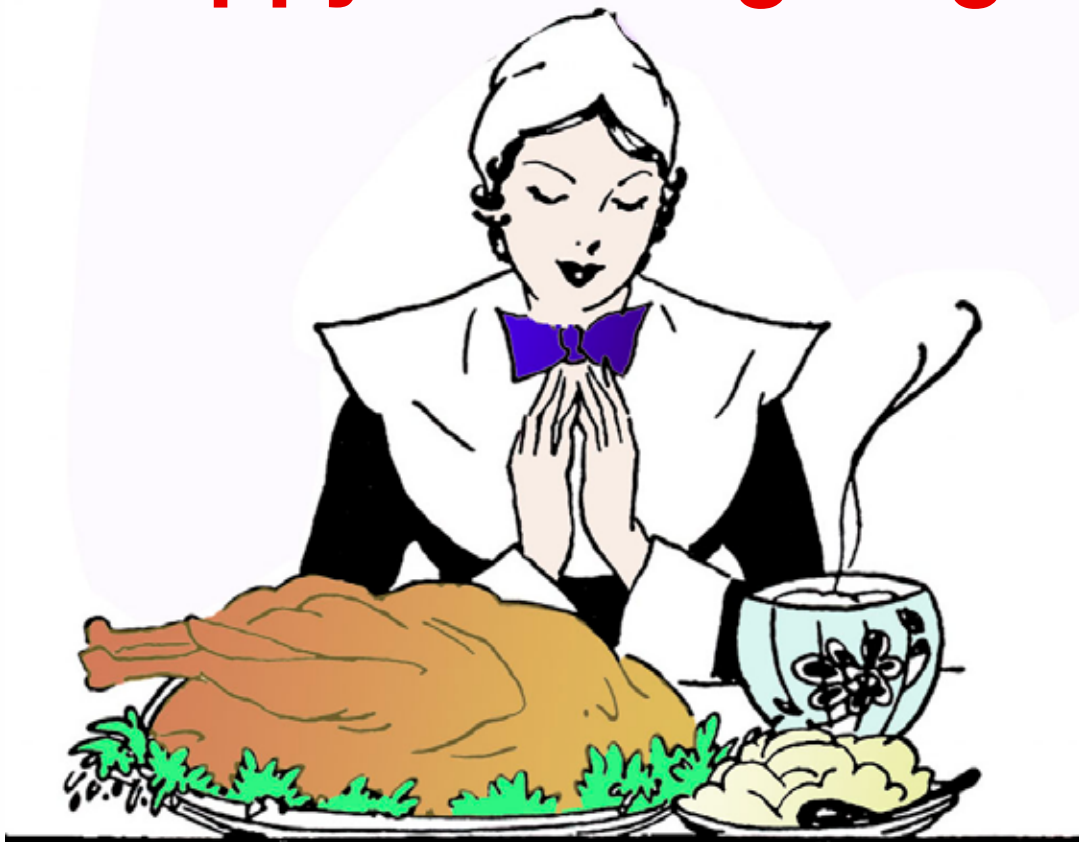
When we left 2nd Harvest we proceeded to Country Mercantile for lunch, where we were met by John and Walteen Corson and Garry and Joanne Bryan. It was good to relax and visit after sorting apples all morning. John shared with us highlights from his 94th birthday get-together and treated us to ice cream. When we were full, we each went our separate ways.

Plan now to join us in January at 2nd Harvest for the next food sort.

***Submitted by Rick Budzeck***

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# Happy Thanksgiving



# Fashion Feature

*Fashions of the Model A Ford Era*

## Fashion 101

This month's article features a versatile dress pattern with a dropped-waist, pleated, and belted skirt or partially pleated skirt. The bodice adds interesting details to the dress front and back. It can be made with long sleeves or cap sleeves for spring wear.

**Submitted by Robin Eldhardt**



## MAFCA NEWS

The 2017 NW Regional Meet in Coos Bay, Oregon has a web site that can be accessed by clicking on this hot link <http://2017nwrn.weebly.com/>. This site contains all of the information to get you registered, so check it out and join us in Coos Bay next June.

The election for the MAFCA Board of Directors is over; this year we had seven candidates vying for five vacant positions on the board. These members have stepped forward to volunteer their time and experience to help keep MAFCA a world class organization.

Please join me and the current members of the MAFCA Board in congratulating the following members who have been elected to the 2017-2018 Board of Directors:

Jim Cannon - Texas  
Kay Lee - Illinois  
Jay McCord - California  
Garth Shreading - Texas  
David White - Maine

The new board members will be officially installed at the Awards Banquet in Reno.

Alex Janke, President



# Restoration Projects

## Model A Ford Repair & Restoration

### Gas Tank Problem/Fix

Two of the cars in the club have recently experienced fuel flow problems. The immediate fix was to blow back into the Gas Tank via the Fuel line to the Carburetor to clear the obstruction. This allowed the cars to make it back home. The following steps were used to clean debris from the Gas Tank. These steps do not fix a problem of rust in the tank. Keeping the tank filled with gas helps prevent moisture-related rust from forming in the tank.

#### **“In Car” Gas Tank Cleanout steps –**

1. DRAIN the fuel from the tank.
2. REMOVE the Gas Tank Filler Screen. A screw-in screen was used on 1928-29 and late 1930-31 tanks. A tabbed drop-in screen was used on early 1930 tanks.
3. REMOVE the Fuel Line from the Gas Tank Shut-Off valve to the Sediment Bulb.
4. REMOVE the Gas Tank Shut-Off valve.
5. PLUG the Gas Tank drain hole with a small cork.
6. SPRAY the inside of the Gas Tank with high pressure water.
7. PULL OUT the cork plug and drain water/debris into a bucket.
8. REPEAT steps 5, 6, 7 and 8 as needed until Gas Tank debris is removed.
9. Let Gas Tank dry out.
10. REINSTALL the Shut-Off valve, Fuel Line and Filler Screen.
11. ADD gas to the Gas Tank and fix/seal any leaks, as needed.

An aftermarket filter screen can be placed into the top of the Gas Shut-Off Valve prior to its installation back into the Gas Tank. This will help keep debris from blocking the valve inlet hole.

The internal baffles of the two types of Gas Tanks are shown with the top part of the tank removed. To fully clean/etch the tank and then completely seal coat it from rusting requires the tank to be removed from the car. Instructions for etching and sealing the tank are available with these products from most Model A Ford part sellers. Damage to the paint job could occur. Be very careful.

***Submitted by Tom Eldhardt***



28-29 Gas Tank Cut Open



30-31 Gas Tank Cut Open

# Meeting Minutes

**October 13th, 2016**

The monthly meeting was opened by vice president Bev McGillicuddy. The following members attended: Dave Hannah, Dean and Teri Hinkson, Mary Fraser, Marshall and Sharon Hauck, Garry and Joanne Bryan, Tom and Robin Eldhardt, Blaine McGillicuddy, Calvin and Vernita Coffey, Pete and Grace Jackson and Rick and Janet Budzeck. The minutes from the September meeting were approved with a motion and Vernita provided the treasurer's report.

**Correspondence:** Janet reported Mara received a thank you note from John and Lynda Carraher for inviting them to the 5 club tour and a letter from Cheri Hanson, Area Director of Sales for the Red Lion, thanking us for selecting their facility to care for the out-of-town attendees coming to the 5 club tour. Mara also mailed in the Veterans Day parade registration form.

**Old Business:** Bev reminded those present that the Veteran's Day parade is on Saturday, November 5th in West Richland. This year following the parade at about noon, those participating will meet at the new Sterling's on George Washington Way for lunch.

**New Business:** Bev encouraged members to think about nominees for next year's club officers, which will take place at the November meeting. She also asked the members about the annual donation our club makes to the Baptist Church for allowing our club to meet here. A motion was made, seconded and passed approving a \$200.00 donation as we did last year.

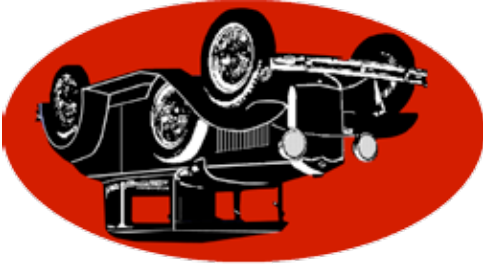
**Tours:** Rick reported the next sort at 2nd Harvest is set for Wednesday, October 26th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Upon completing the sort, those participating can meet at Country Mercantile for lunch. Janet will provide additional information at the November meeting on the annual Christmas party, which will be at Country Gentleman this year.

**Projects:** After the tour to Grand Coulee, several members experienced problems they will be working on or have completed on their Model A's – Marshall has gathered what he needs to fix the broken axle and Blaine and Jan both had problems with debris in their gas tanks. Calvin continues to work on his Model A steering.

Bev recognized those celebrating birthdays this month (no anniversaries) and thanked Marshall and Sharon for providing the refreshments.

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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