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## Meeting Location:

Reata Springs Baptist Church  
2830 Leopold Lane, Richland, WA  
November 8th, 7:00 p.m.



John Trumbo is taking a break from working on his favorite 1931 Model A pickup. John is a collector of antiquities and also has in his collection a 1931 Cabriolet, 1930 Station Wagon and a 1931 Fire Truck.



## Leadership

|                 |                     |          |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------|
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| Secretary:      | Janet Budzeck       | 943-2522 |
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| Editor:         | Jan Jackson         | 967-2801 |
| Web Master:     | William Sperry      | 572-2459 |
| Restorer:       | Robin Eldhardt      | 967-3081 |

## Meeting Schedule

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| January:   | Canceled                                     |
| February:  | Larry & Sue Campbell                         |
| March:     | Tom & Robin Eldhardt/<br>Mary Fraser         |
| April:     | Bruce & Shelley Clark                        |
| May:       | Rick & Janet Budzeck                         |
| June:      | John & Thora Trumbo/<br>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                             |



## Ladies Lunch

The November ladies lunch will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 12:30 PM, at CG Public House in Kennewick. The address is 9221 W. Clearwater.

Please let Robin know if you're planning to attend by Saturday, November 3, so you can be included in the reservation. Her phone number is 967-3081.

## Anniversaries

**Don & Marti Meyers**

**22nd**

## Larry's Lessons

I am proud to say that we have a couple of fast ladies in our club.

Congratulations to Janet and Sharon for finishing first and second in the modified division of the Hubley races at Sparks as recognized in the September/October issue of the Restorer magazine.

The event reminds me of the pine wood derbies back when our boys were that age. We now have a grandson that is a cub scout and proudly showed us his car. You are never too old or too young to play.

November is the time for officer nominations. Please let me know if you want to run for one of the positions.

Put on your warm clothes, install the manifold heaters and strengthen your clutch leg. The Veterans Day parade is coming up. Always a good day regardless of weather.

*Larry Campbell*



## Calendar of Events

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Veterans Day Parade        | November 10  |
| MAFCA Natl. Awards Banquet | Nov 27-Dec 1 |
| Christmas Brunch           | December 8   |



# Nominations for 2019 Officers

Nominations for 2019 club officers will be accepted at the November meeting. Nominees will be elected at the annual meeting in December. If you have an interest or desire to serve as an officer for the upcoming year, let your current leadership and friends know so they will submit a nomination. Further information about the nomination/election process can be found in the club's Bylaws or from club leadership members.

If you're asked to serve in a leadership position, please consider it as an opportunity to lead our club. New and fresh ideas are welcome and will be supported by club members.

## Veterans Day Parade

The 19th Annual Veterans Day Parade will be held in West Richland on Saturday, November 10th. Hosted by the West Richland Area Chamber of Commerce, the parade is a Department of Veterans Affairs Certified Regional Site for 2018 veterans parades. The event is a wonderful opportunity to show our support for veterans, active troops and the local community. The staging area is the same as last year.

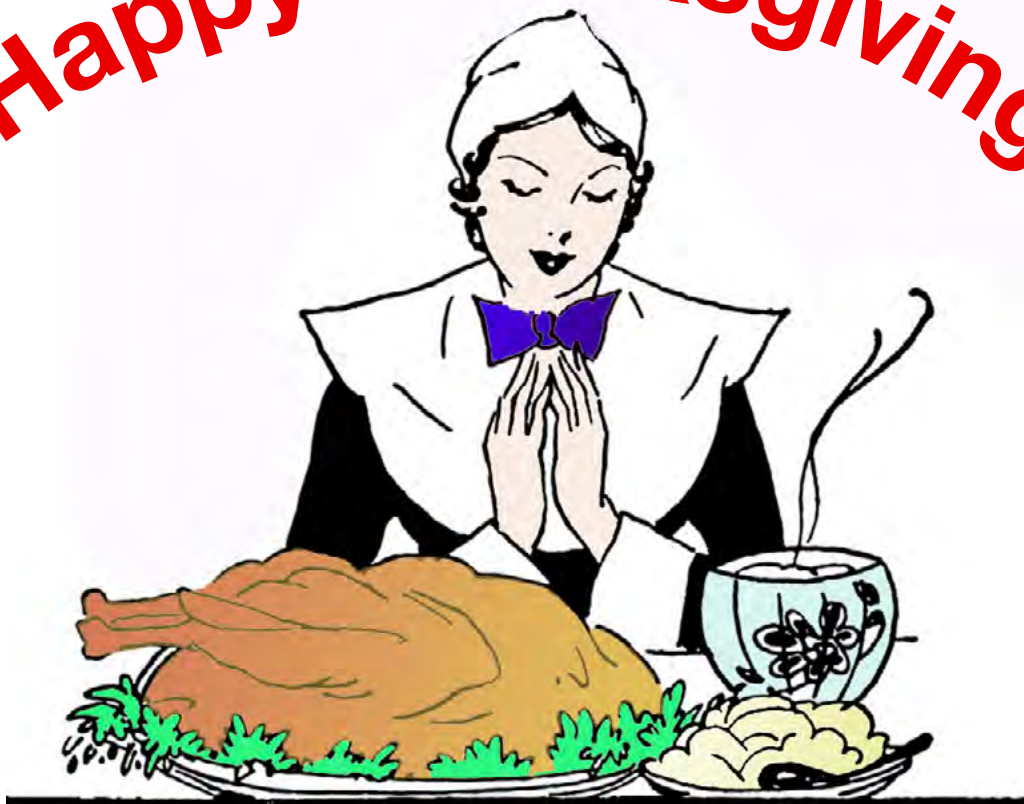
At the conclusion of the parade, we will travel to the Queensgate area for lunch at Sterling's Restaurant. Questions regarding the club's participation can be addressed by Jan and Mara Jackson.

## Food Collection

We are still gathering food for the food bank. We are very close to meeting our 100 pound goal! To date we have collected 89.6 pounds. As stated by Janet at the October meeting, all donations are needed and appreciated.

Thanks for your help.

# Happy Thanksgiving



# Fashion Feature True or False?

Fashions of the Model A Ford Era

## Fashion 101

Bow ties were popular during the heyday of the Model A Ford as can be seen in this advertisement for the Spur Tie found in the Saturday Evening Post magazine in 1928. They came already tied so that a man could quickly put it on. As they advertised “A good tie for a good time” and “A Spur Tie stays tied”

Submitted by Robin Eldhardt



## Questions

1. T/F - The crankshaft and the Cam shaft rotate in opposite directions.
2. T/F - The Water Pump is attached to the Engine block with four studs and nuts.
3. T/F - The pistol grip type Emergency brake handle was popular and could be installed on any vehicle.
4. T/F - The Drag Link arm can be adjusted to increase or decrease the turning radius of a vehicle.
5. T/F - If the Frame number is not readable, you can tell the date range of a frame by the location of the holes, cross-members and Cross Shafts.
6. T/F - Ford made the Tudor, Coupe, Roadster, Phaeton and Truck body styles.
7. T/F - The larger 21" wheels/rims have a larger hub cap than the smaller 19" wheels/rims.

## ANSWERS

1. TRUE - The teeth on the Crankshaft gear mesh with the Camshaft gear teeth and therefore they rotate in opposite directions.
2. TRUE - There are four studs that are screwed into the Engine Head. The other end of the stud protrudes through the Water Pump. Nuts are used to hold the Water Pump in place.
3. FALSE - The pistol grip handle came in two types. One was mounted through the left side body rail in early 1928 vehicles. The second type was mounted in front of the gear shift tower in late 1928 to early 1929. The third and fourth type handles used a push button to release the handle.
4. FALSE - The Drag Link connects the Steering Pitman arm ball to the left front Steering arm ball. Turning radius is maintained by the length of the Spindle Bolt Locking Pin Nut.
5. TRUE - Ford modified the frame five different times throughout the life of the Model A Ford.
6. TRUE - Ford focused on the major body styles. The bodies for the Fordor, Town Sedan, Cabriolet, etc. were produced for Ford by Briggs or by Murray. Ford did however assemble some of the 1931 Slant Windshield bodies.
7. FALSE - The larger 21" wheels/rims had a smaller Hub Cap than the smaller 19: wheels/rims.

Submitted by Tom Eldhardt

# Restoration Projects

## Model A Ford Fasteners Part 1: Rivets with Solid Pins

This month's article is the first in a 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.

### **METAL PARTS**

Includes major items such as the Frame, Frame cross members, Engine, metal stampings of body panels and seat frames, Flywheel and Clutch housings, Transmission, Rear End housings, Wheel Hubs and Drums, Fender brackets, and Running Board brackets to name a few.

### **WOOD PARTS**

Includes Body mounting blocks, Top Bow ribs for Closed and Open vehicles, and wood installed for the purpose of fabric installation (upholstery, headliner, etc.).

### **OTHER PARTS**

Includes fabric used to cover seats, inside door and kick panels, the headliner, etc.

### **RIVETS**

These are made of Steel or Brass. The parts of a rivet are (top to bottom in the picture below): 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.

### **RIVETS WITH SOLID PINS**

Some of the rivets were installed when they are "Red Hot". Other solid pin rivets are installed "Cold". Typical locations are listed below:

To attach the front, center and rear cross members to the Frame side rails.

The Running Board brackets to the outsides of the Frame.

The Body to Frame attachment "L" brackets to the outsides of the Frame.

The Body stands were connected together and then attached to the rear bumper brackets.

The Front Brake track brackets to the backing plates.

The Service brake arms to the cross shaft.

The Side/Fender mount spare tire bracket and arm assembly.

NOTE: Vehicles ordered with factory installed side mounted spare tire setups in the front fender(s) came with the bracket already installed to the Frame using this kind of "Red Hot" rivet and the correct fender. Vehicles that had this bracket installed after it was delivered to the Dealer, had these brackets installed with bolts, lock washers and nuts, and they also had to buy the correctly modified fender.

The Crank Hole cover.

The Starter brush holder.

The Cowl panels, Firewall panel, floor pans.

The seat risers to the metal sub-frame.

The Hood handle and latch brackets.

**Submitted by Tom Eldhardt**





# MAFCA News



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

I just returned from attending Model A Day at the Model A Museum in Hickory Corners, MI. It was a great event with two special exhibits. There was part of the Edstrom collection of Model A's on display and the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see Tim Kelly's amazing collection of Town Cars and Deliveries. The annual flea market had a wide variety of Model A parts and the museum grounds were filled with Model A's. We also signed up a number of new MAFCA members. It was a great few days at the museum.

It's October and the weather is changing. I enjoy the fall season because the heat of summer gives way to cool pleasant temperatures. Fall also gives us an opportunity to get our Model A's out to enjoy the vivid colors that Mother Nature is providing us. There are some great photo ops to be had while out and about in the "A"; how about sharing your pictures on the MAFCA Facebook page.

Fall also means the pilgrimage to the AACA Hershey Region Fall flea market and show. My first Hershey was in 1973, boy how things have changed since then. I will be attending this year as will MAFCA, with its tent set up on the Chocolate field. Alex Jahnke plans to be there and will conduct a number of sessions covering Model A Wiring. We would love to have you stop by and say hello, just look for our yellow balloon.

I hope you have returned your ballot. If not, you need to vote for your candidates running for the MAFCA board and the Bylaw change and have it post marked by October 15. While you're at it please send in your membership renewal that will save us from having to send you a reminder.

I look forward to seeing you at the National Awards banquet in Tucson, AZ. Happy Model A'ing.

**Restorer Magazine - Digital Version:** Did you know your membership in MAFCA includes a free copy of the digital The Restorer Magazine? If you are not receiving it, send an email to [info@mafca.com](mailto:info@mafca.com). In the subject line, write "Sign Up for the Digital Restorer."

**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:** Thanks to all the volunteers that made 2018 Model A Day such a success. I would particularly like to thank and recognize Tim Kelly and his family for bringing his collection of Town Cars and Town Car Deliveries to the museum. It takes a lot of personal effort to transport and display such a valuable and rare collection. What a great experience.

We had over 200 Model A's attend and our swap meet area had to be extended behind the Cadillac Museum to accommodate the number of vendors. With the weather perfect for the entire weekend, attendance set a new record. We hope you will make plans to visit the museum in the future and join us for the 2019 Model A Day which will be September 21, 2019.

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

*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

**October 11, 2018**

The monthly meeting was opened by the president Larry Campbell and attended by Blaine and Bev McGillicuddy, Mike and Linda Porter, Bruce Clark, Marshall and Sharon Hauck, Jan and Mara Jackson, Tom Eldhardt, Mary Fraser and Rick and Janet Budzeck. The minutes from the September meeting were approved with a motion and the treasurer's report was provided by Blaine.

**Correspondence:** Mara reported she received an e-mail from West Richland inviting our club to participate in the Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 10th. Mara stated she completed the registration form and hand delivered it to West Richland Chamber, where she needed to sign a liability waiver. Mara also received a 'thank you' from Jay and Jeannie Day from Santa Clara, California, who won the Chukar Cherries basket our club donated for the national convention in Nevada.

**Sunshine:** Bev stated no cards were sent out.

**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. Club members approved going to Sterling's in Queensgate for lunch after the parade; Jan and Mara will make a reservation.

Rick and Janet are working on a possible tour of Goose Ridge Winery and will let members know if it can be arranged.

Mary volunteered to co-chair a progressive dinner sometime in January and asked for assistance, to which Sharon offered to help.

Jan and Mara shared they will be going to the MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Tucson, Arizona.

**New Business:** Marshall reminded those present that nominations for club officers will be held at the November meeting and the election of officers will take place at the brunch on Saturday, December 8th.

Blaine suggested our club's annual donation to the Baptist Church be raised from \$200.00 to \$300.00. After brief discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed approving the new amount.

**Projects:** Jan finally received the new radiator for his Model A and Rick shared that Tom helped him install the new turn signals on his Model A. Mary shared a short paragraph on how to use the 'Lizzie Cooker', which could be used in era times to cook a meal on a Model A radiator.

**Announcements:** Larry announced the names of those celebrating birthdays this month and thanked Jan and Mara for providing the refreshments.

Janet shared a couple of stories of people who receive food from our canned goods donations. Members were encouraged to help attain our club goal of bringing 100 pounds of food by the end of this year.

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

**Respectfully submitted by Janet Budzeck, Secretary**

# **1931 DELUXE ROADSTER**

## **PREVIOUSLY RESTORED/UPDATED 2015**

### **Engine**

Built by Stan Vermile, Grass Valley, CA  
Engine sleeved to standard  
Domed pistons  
Counter weighted and balanced crank  
Crank drilled for high pressure oil  
Insert bearings, main and rods  
Modified V-8 oil pump  
Snyder 6-1 high compression head  
Full flow oil filter  
Adjustable lifters  
Adjustable cam end play  
Leak-less water pump  
V-8 clutch  
Thermostat  
B-Carburetor  
Intake manifold bored to B-Carb dimensions  
60 Amp, 6 volt alternator  
Float A Motor mounts  
Radiator pressurized with recovery

### **Drive Train**

Mitchell synchromesh transmission  
Mitchell synchromesh overdrive  
378/1 ring and pinion

### **Top & Interior**

Upholstery, side curtains, top boot cover, car cover

### **Brakes**

Hydraulic restored to new  
Front- 1948 backing plates with new style drums  
and new separate hubs  
Back- 1939 backing plates with original restored rear  
drums  
Emergency Brake system- Cling

### **Steering**

Ford F100 steering box

### **Accessories**

Turn signals with hazard flashers  
Twin fender mounted spare tires  
Quartz head lights  
Oil pressure gauge  
Water temperature gauge  
Aries moffler  
Optima battery  
Heater  
Stone Guard  
Flying Quail  
Twin Side Mirrors  
Electric Wiper Motor  
Luggage Rack with Trunk  
Vintage License Plate  
Deluxe Wing Windows  
Fuse Panel with built-in Flasher  
Electric Fuel Shut-off valve  
K&N Rechargeable Air Filter

If sold in Washington, the license plate goes with the car. If sold to out of state, I keep the license plate.

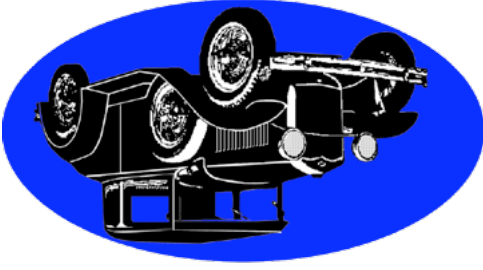
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