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Meeting: Church of the Nazarene - 16850 NE Fourth Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA - Second Monday of Month - 7:00 PM Guys breakfast meeting every Wed. (7:00am) at Hockinson Café, 219 NW 20th Ave, Suite 100, Battle Ground, WA Guys lunch on Fridays (11:30 am) at Benny's Pizza & Café on 4219 St Johns Rd NE, Vancouver, WA

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Articles and contributions are encouraged and may be used as space permits. The deadline for all articles is the 20th of the preceding month. The Volcano View is a monthly publication of the Volcano A's Chapter - MAFCA E-mail all proposed articles to: rrusunen@comcast.net.

Photo of Month



Olson's 1929 Phaeton





President's Note December 19, 2014



Here is just a quick note to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I am looking forward to next year filled with new adventures and surprises as our Model A's lay resting in their garages waiting for the oil to warm up and let us lead them down the road.

Happy New Year! **Jerry**

Committee Chairs

Community Service: Open
Garage Workshop: Tom Pagel
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Annual Membership Dues

Reminder!

Club DUES for 2015 are due - now \$20.00. If you have paid disregard this notice. Any delinquent member shall be in default of our by-laws by the January meeting and may not receive a copy of the Club Directory and Monthly Newsletter.

Send your check for \$20 to:

Volcano A's PO Box 970 La Center, WA 98629

Does your husband misbehave
Grunt and grumble
Rant ad rave
Shoot the brute some
Burma-Shave

Front Page Photo: Don & Romona Olson's 1929 Phaeton getting a good look at the engine.

Volcano A's General Membership Meeting Minutes December 8, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: 7:50 pm by President Jerry Lane.

Jerry reported that Lynn Mattingley is our new Vice President;

Sherry Rusunen is the club's new Secretary.

TREASURER: Linda Willey gave the treasurer's report.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Sherry Rusunen reported we donated over 3200 pounds

of food to the Food Bank this year - a new record!

OLD BUSINESS: Still have just a few tickets left for the Snyder head.

NEW BUSINESS: Time to make reservations for the regional meet in Walla

Walla this summer. June 23-27th.

AWARDS PRESENTED: Hard Luck Award to Eddy and Terri Pitts

Mr. & Mrs. Model A to Bob and Sherry Rusunen

Member of the Year to Jerry Lane

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned by Jerry Lane.

Respectfully submitted by Becky Blick.

Ford Motor Company History

<u>Part 5 - Henry Ford II Takes Over</u>

September 21, 1945, marked a turning point in the Ford empire. Henry Ford, who had been in charge, and who had been allowing the ex-bodyguard Harry Bennett to take a major role in running the company, finally stepped down. Ford had been suffering paralytic strokes. Henry Ford II took over as President and at all levels of decision making. Clara Ford and Mrs. Edsel Ford had forced the decision, and within minutes after Henry Ford II were in office he got rid of Bennett. Getting rid of Bennett's men in the empire took time, and with old management in shambles, post-war machinery needing reconversion, and post-war strikes (none at their own plants) the new President took bold steps. He gathered around him a new team and formed new policy. Henry Ford II picked men like Robert McNamara of the Harvard School of Business and a group called the "Whiz Kids" to place Ford back in a position of automotive leadership.

Henry Ford died April 7, 1947.

Source: Reprint from www.fordmotorhistory.com/history

Happy Anniversary

8 Ken & Myrna Viles

Happy Birthday

- 1 Larry Cox
- 4 Becky Blick
- 5 Frank Emerick
- 5 Ken Berg
- 5 Jim Ulrich
- 8 Frank Mayer
- 11 Andrea Lehman
- 12 Raymond Neilsen
- 13 Louise Berg
- 16 Jerry Lane
- 21 Linda Willey
- 22 Greg Weast
- 29 Michael Blick

Refreshments

<u>January</u>: Sherry Rusunen & Linda Willey

February: Pat Dusenberry & Lynn

Mattingley

March: Becky Blick & Dian Lane

April: Marylan Kelly & Nancy Wooldridge

<u>May</u>: Open <u>June</u>: Open

July: Carma Huset & Patty Sondenaa

August: Club Picnic & Open

<u>September</u>: Sandra Guyot & Open <u>October</u>: Joyce Swartz & Open

November: Dianne Earnest & Roberta

Emerick

December: Club Potluck Dinner & Auction

Volunteer Needed!

Community Service Director Position.

Factory Foto of the Month



1928 40-A Standard Roadster



Trivia Knowledge Question
Which rising young star from the movie
"Rebel Without a Cause" died in an
automobile accident in 1955?

See answer to above question on page 11.

NW Regional Meet 2015



Now is the time to get excited about this summer's Northwest Regional Group Convention

hosted by the Walla Walla Sweet A's. Plan to spend your time experiencing the unique culture of the Walla Walla Valley, with its rich historical heritage and diverse agricultural environment. Nestled in the foot hills of the Blue Mountains this area sports the best Sweet Onions on the planet and is also home to over a hundred wineries many with International Award Winning Wine. There is plenty to keep you busy.

Best Speeding Excuse Ever

This may be us someday, or maybe we are already there!

When asked by a young patrol officer "Do You know you were speeding?"
This 83-year-old woman gave the young officer an ear to ear smile and stated:
"Yes , but I have to get there before I forget where I was going."

The officer put his ticket book away and bid her good day. Makes perfectly good sense to me, doesn't it to you?

Note: Periodically some materials printed in our newsletter may have been borrowed from other club newsletters. We thank other clubs for sharing their newsletters with the Volcano A's. Also, when sources are known they will be included.





1931 Fordor Sedan, doctor making a house call, notice the double whitewalls!

(Above 2 pictures are reprints from The Script "A" News, December 2014)

Checkout this web site



pure-gas.org

The list of ethanol-free gas stations in the U.S. and Canada

Header from the MAFCA Website

MAFCA President's Page - Dan Foulk - December 2014



Here we are in December and my time as your National President is drawing to a close. Since I have been on the board for four years, my time there is done, too. I only recently became familiar with the term 'Deferred Maintenance' - my house and yard are crying out for it! Maybe now I'll have a little more time.

This week we will be heading out to Arkansas to attend the National Awards Banquet in Little Rock. My first trip to Arkansas was forty-nine years ago. Why do I remember it so well? It was the year after I got married. I was going to Arkansas to meet some of my wife's relatives. Many times since then we have been back and it is always enjoyable. Forty-nine years ago, the front porch was much more of a family gathering place than it is now. Thank you television and air conditioning for spoiling that! I asked my wife's cousin why everybody waved when you drove by.

His answer was that they figure you are from here and left and are now back for a visit, or you have kinfolk here. He was right.

MAFCA is in good shape financially. We end this year with a slight profit. We are blessed to have an Office Manager who spends MAFCA's money like it was her own. Sandra Aguirre and her staff keep us all on the straight and narrow as a club. We don't know how lucky we are to have them. It is not illegal for a "Not for Profit" organization to make a profit. What is required is that the profit be reinvested back into the organization. This year, we repainted the building and made the bathrooms as ADA-compliant as possible in an old building. In our case, this involved installing grab bars in the bathrooms and insuring that the toilets were the correct height to meet ADA compliancy (they already were). Most of the work was done by volunteers under the tutelage of Dave Vestal; we are much indebted to Dave for all the work he does. Last year, we installed a new air conditioner and a new front door. Our building is probably one of best maintained in the entire area. So, you can see we are reinvesting the money.

I could not begin to list all the people who have helped me this year. The nice thing about being President is there are eight other board members you can go to for advice. Thank you, Board, for being there for me! Most of all, thank you MAFCA members - you are the BEST!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me at president @ mafca.com. My home phone number is (661) 393-2795 and my cell phone is (661) 303-1114.

Information

The Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. (MAFCA) is a California non-profit corporation and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles as manufactured from 1928 through 1931.

MAFCA's members are dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and enjoyment of Ford vehicles of that era. MAFCA is the largest club in the world dedicated to one make of automobile. Volcano A members are urged to join the Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. Visit the MAFCA website for a membership application. Dues are \$40 yearly and include a subscription to <u>The Restorer</u>.

Events

Central California Regional Group Jamboree

April 10-12 Santa Maria, California

Host: Santa Maria A's

Northern California Regional Group Roundup

May 22-25 Sacramento, California

Host: Capital A's

MAFCA National Tour - 2015

June 7-12 Lobsters & Lighthouses of Maine

Host: Pine Tree A's

Northwest Regional Meet - 2015

June 23-28 - Walla Walla, Washington

Host: Walla Walla Sweet A's

Model A ERA Clothing Fashions



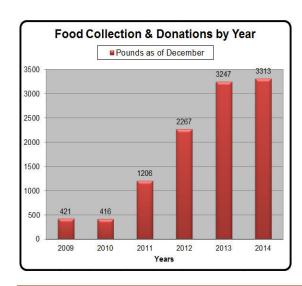
Source: Phillip Lenssen at vintageadbrowser.com

New Ford Town Car Ad



Source: Ford Model A Advertiing on Pinterest

December 2014 Community Service



Our Food collection for Dec. totaled 237 pounds!!!!!

Absolutely amazing!!! This brings our year- end total to....."drum roll"......3313 pounds!!!!!!!! That beats all the past years!!! Thank you all so much!!!

I am leaving the position of Director of Community Service a little sadly, but after 6 years, I am sure there is some other club member who can bring some new ideas to the position and continue our very successful monthly food collection. It is a very humbling position. I thank you all for your participation in all of our activities and services. You made me look good!!! So, please, think about the position...someone suggested Co-Chairs or a Director and an assistant. Please consider all possibilities. Again thank you all!!!

Sherry Rusunen

Technical Notes

"A Tale of Two Clutches"

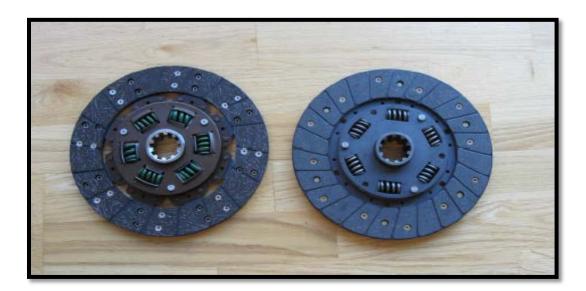
By John Carlile

This is about Model A clutches, not the two club members (you know who I mean).

Eddy and Terry Pitts, Lynn and Marilyn Elvestrom and Diana and I were returning home from Tillamook, Oregon, in our Model A's when we stopped at a light in Clackamas, Oregon. Eddy had attempted to downshift his Mitchell overdrive to slow for the light. He made it to neutral, but it would not engage in low. He found his clutch would not disengage. We pushed his 30 Tudor into a nearby gas station. After taking the ladies home in the remaining Model A's, we hooked up my trailer to Lynn's Expedition and gave Eddy's Model A a ride to my shop. I spoke to Jerry Lane about the symptoms and he had the same thing happen to his Model A some years before. He said a spring in his clutch plate had come loose and lodged between the plate and the flywheel. Jerry said there had been a clutch manufactured in the past under the name "Nova," which captured the springs so they could not come loose. It appeared the Nova clutch was no longer available. After digging through my huge pile of "too good to throw away stuff," we found a like new Nova clutch plate. The springs on this clutch were caged so they could not slip out and cause trouble. We put the Nova clutch in Eddy's car and all is well.

Eddy, who has many years of experience as a procurement manager, did some detective work and found the Nova brand had been purchased by a Baltimore Maryland company who still made clutches. He called our good friends at Bratton's Antique Auto Parts in Mount Airy, Maryland, and sure enough, the springs in the Model A clutch they sell has caged springs just like the Nova.

I don't know how common this failure is. These are the only failures I know of, but in the future when I replace a clutch, I will replace it with one with caged springs. See photo: caged springs are on the left.



(Reprinted from the Cowlitz Valley A's Newsletter, October 2014)

Annual Christmas Pot Luck and Auction at the Lane's

Many thanks to Jerry and Dian Lane for hosting this great event! The North Fork Museum facility, fabulous food and companionship shared by all members were just wonderful. If you were not able to attend, then you missed a great time. Also, the holiday gift auction generated over \$930 for our Club. Here are some pictures from the event.



To see more pictures visit the Touring tab on our website at www.volcanoas.net .

Volcano A's 2014 Club Awards

Hard Luck



Eddy & Terri Pitts

Member of the Year



Jerry Lane

Mr.& Mrs. Model A



Bob & Sherry Rusunen

Hard Luck Awardee Response

Thanks to the club for the recognition with the awarding of the hard luck award. Of course, this is not an award one sets out to seek. Hopefully, from our incident others have learned something as we have about better clutches for our Model A's.

There should be some kind of recognition for those who come to our rescue when we breakdown. One of the benefits of belonging to a club like the Volcano A's, is meeting and developing relationships with people who share like interest for these cars. Some members go above and beyond in being a club member and come to the rescue of those of us who have the hard luck of breaking down.

Terri and I are very indebted to John Carlile, Lynn Elvestrom and their wives in our rescue. They not only loaded up our luggage and us and got us home, but they went back with a trailer to retrieve our car from Oregon where it broke down. Beyond that John and Lynn began tearing into the car before I was even able to get down to John's to help. However, I was able to get there to help pull the pressure place to see the clutch damage. The next day, I volunteer at the local hospital and by the time I get home at noon my car is fully repaired and delivered back and sitting in my driveway at home. Though John claimed he wanted it out of his garage, I think there was more to it. I think these guys like helping others and I've seen them help many others over and over again. John and Lynn are two guys with a lot of class who don't go around looking for recognition. But, a big thank you to these guys who were a big blessing to me.

Eddy

The Venice Police Fill up with Purr-Pull Gasoline in Los Angeles



Purr-Pull gasoline looked just like it sounds - it was purple - and being a premium grade of fuel, part of its name came from the fuel's good pulling power. Its slogan was: It will make a motor purr on the hard pull. According to the book, Little Giant of Signal Hill, the fuel was a mix of casing head and manufactured gasoline colored with a purple vegetable dye. The United States Refining Co. produced it, and it was sold at Signal Products Stations. The casing head portion of the mix came from the Signal Hill Oil Field in Signal Hill, California.

In these photos taken during 1930, you can see three members of the Venice, California Police Department posing with their vehicles. Shown are a 1930 *Model A Ford Coupe* and a pair *Henderson* KJ Streamline model motorcycles. The two-wheelers produced between the years of 1929 and 1931 were powered by 40 h.p. straight four-cylinder engines and were capable of reaching 100 m.p.h. Note the small airplane ornament that has been installed on the front fender of one of the motorcycles.

Source: Photo courtesy of theoldmotor.com

Answer to trivia question: James Dean

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