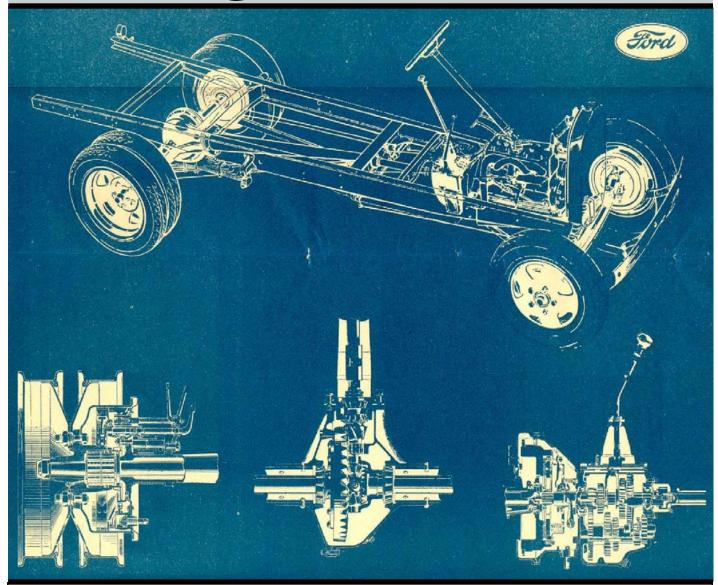
'A'oogah Newsletter



The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club - February, 2009

Three-quarter floating axle-shafts

With the three-quarter floating construction, the axle-shafts serve only to turn the wheels without carrying any of the weight of truck or load. Notice the large roller bearing. The truck weight is transmitted from the axle-housing through this roller bearing directly to the forged steel wheel hub.

The axle-shafts simply transmit the power of the engine to the wheels, a task for which they are especially designed, with their tensile strength of 180,000 pounds per square inch. The result is tremendous strength, reliability and long life.

Spiral bevel gear rear axle

Notice that the pinion-shaft is straddle-mounted; that the pinion is between roller bearings. This construction minimizes deflection in the propeller-shaft caused by a tendency of the pinion to force itself out of place, under load.

Abnormal strains in the steel shaft are thus eliminated, wear is reduced, and reliability added. On the inner face of the housing, there is a bronze thrust-plate which gives additional support to the ring-gear back of the point where it meshes with the pinion, insuring constant, perfect mesh.

4-speed transmission

Four speeds forward provide abundant power to climb steep grades with capacity loads, and ample speed to save time on street and highway. The transmission gears and shafts are of chrome-alloy steel, heat-treated for hardness.

Seven ball and roller bearings are used in transmission and clutch, minimizing friction and prolonging the life of these parts. There are more than twenty of these anti-friction bearings in the Ford truck chassis. In high gear, the entire drive, from engine to wheels, is carried on ball and roller bearings.

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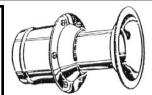
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Interested in joining our club? We would like you to join. Dues are only \$25.00 per year.

For all the information about what our club has to offer please call our membership director.

Members are recommended to have membership in the Model A Ford Club of America or the Model A Restorer's Club.



President's Letter

Dear Membership,

Winter is getting old. This cold Minnesota weather make me yearn for the idyllic Model A touring days. I see images of a bright June morning that typically showcases our Model A pancake breakfast and mystery tour. There are is the memory of a farmer walking out to get the mail only to be interrupted by a gaggle of Model A's passing by. I can savor the smell of freshly cut alfalfa as the tour loops its way to Wisconsin Rapids. I can feel the warmth of the summer sun as it appears to move over head from east to west, as we tour into the hinter-lands of Minnesota. I can hear the sounds of birds as they celebrate their existence as spectators to Model A's as they pass by. When the birds stop there is the rustling of aspen leaves as they applaud our arrival. Then there are the honks and thumbs up as cars pass by. There is the colorful image of early morning fog competing with the brilliant morning sun with the victor being a glorious morning stage for our Model A's as they climb out of a large river valley in White Water State Park. As a club member it doesn't take long before my brain becomes overwhelmed with vivid memories of Model A times gone by.

One can deliberate on and on about the activities that surround the Model A but the key to it all are the people, the club members. The car, the Model A is the venue. The membership is the heart and soul. Together they make this fraternity alive and vibrant. It takes both to make memories. It takes the membership's willingness to step forward and volunteer to set up and run these activities, the clinics, the banquets, the tours, the socials, that in the future become the Model A memories.

As we prepare to celebrate our clubs 50th A nniversary in 2010 each club member will have opportunities to make new experiences with the Model A. Our club's elected leadership will encourage members to step forward and volunteer a Model A experience that will provide future memories for these cold bleak Minnesota winter days.

We need help in the following areas:

'A' oogah Newsletter editor, Immediate help needed, training is available.

Clinic presenters / host for both women and men for 2010.



Coffee social hosts 2009 and 2010

Progressive Dinner team 2009 and 2010

Manifold Dinner lead 2009 and 2010

Banquet help 2009 and 2010

Tour leaders 2009 and 2010

"Ideas" all the time anytime!

To volunteer please contact you elected leaders. For planning a "Calendar Event" in either 2009 or 2010 please contact our club's "Event Coordinator" Roger Welch.

The February 17th Business Meeting will be held at 7:30 pm. One item will dominate most of this meeting and that will be the budget for 2009 and projected financial concerns for 2010 50th Anniversary year.

Warmest Regards,

Vince Smith

Legion Lunches

On the second Wednesday of the month a group of Club members meet for lunch at the New Brighton American Legion and on the fourth Wednesday of the month we meet for lunch at the Wayzata American Legion.

The time is around 11:30 AM and anyone from the Club is welcome. If you need directions, call either Neal Anderson (Wayzata) or Larry Erickson (New Brighton).

Articles for the Newsletter

Remember if you host an event and you want an article in the up coming Newsletter. It must be submitted by Monday of the last week of month.

If you have any address or e-mail address changes please notify us so we can update our records. We want to make sure you receive your newsletter and important club notifications! If you do not receive your newsletter notify the editor immediately!

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting: The 20 January 2009 Board Meeting was called to Order at 7:30 P.M. by President Vince Smith

Board Members Present: President Vince Smith, Past President Doug Portlance, Vice President Larry Erickson Treasurer Al Thuening, Jr. Board Member John Fenske & Secretary Alice Eckhoff

Members Present: Eldon & Joan Frisk, Phil Eckhoff, Jack Portlance, Jerry Schilling, Roger Welch, Ray Bragg, John Roehl, Jack Fortman, Phil Zins, & Al Frederick

Last Months Minutes: A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes of the 18 November 2008 meeting. There was no meeting in December due to inclement weather.

Treasurers Report: A motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report for December 2008.

A Motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report for January 2009

Membership Report: Alice Eckhoff reported for Darrel Liepold that there are 5 new members:

- Galen & Carol Graham 1929 Std Cpe 20227 East Bethel Blvd East Bethel, MN. 55011-9733 763- 434-1945
- Al Malachowski 1931 Pickup 16930 Eleventh Ave N Plymouth, MN. 55447 763-476-4517 Cell 763-245-1321
- 3. Pius & Sarah Eigenmann 1929 Tudor 4570 Ithaca Ln N Plymouth, MN. 55446 763-553-9911 piuseg@comcast.net
- 4. Thom & Linda Boche 1929 Tudor 5085 Isle Ave N.
 Lake Elmo, MN. 55042-9400 651-770-2370 thomboche@aol.com
- 5. Lyle & Karen Oestreich 1928 Spec 11896 Co Rd 30 SW Coupe Howard Lake, MN. 55349 320-543-3054

Historian: Paul Gran gave a detailed report on the periodicals on file. There is one complete set of The Restorer, Model "A" News and A'aoogah Newsletters. There is a 2nd set of each that is 70% complete. There are approximately 152 extra copies. A motion was made and approved to make these available to members at no cost to fill the gap in their collection. If there are remaining issues they are to be sold on e-bay.

Paul noted that there are 33 photo albums containing pictures of club activities from 1962-1992. We would like a volunteer to locate and organize photos from 1992 to the present.

A motion was made and approved for Paul to list the items in his possession and have them printed in the roster.

A motion was made and approved for Paul to purchase a file cabinet as storage space is limited at this time..

Sunshine Lady: Cards were sent to Tom Wesenberg (falling on ice and having surgery) and to John Galatowitsch. (knee surgery)

Activities Coordinator: A motion was made and approved to have an Activities Coordinator. Roger Welch volunteered for this position. Anyone wanting to hold an activity please contact Roger. This position is for 2 years and will be alternating with the Sr. Board

Member Position. And will be directly responsible to the current Senior Board Member. A detailed job description will be in the Presidents book and a short description in the Roster.

Clinics: Ladies have no clinic in Jan. and the men's clinics are going well.

50th **Anniversary:** Larry Erickson reported there have been 2 planning meetings and 12 committees have been formed with leaders. This will be a 2 day event. Tentative dates are July 17th & 18th, 2010 or August 7th & 8th 2010. The next meeting will be April 25th. Location is still to be selected for the event.

Swap Meet: Al Thuening stated that the swap meet will be held one day October 4th, a Sunday, with set-up on October 3rd. Workers will receive a certificate for the steak fry and pancake breakfast in lieu of a Banquet. A Financial Report is to be made to the Club.

Bylaw Ballots: The revisions passed and Doug Portlance did the necessary paperwork to file the changes with the State.

Newsletter: Doug Portlance has resigned as Editor of our newsletter. A motion was made and passed to issue a scaled down version with requirements of Presidents letter, secretary's report, commercial advertising, coming events, & ladies clinic article. This will be in multiples of 4-8-12 pages. Kinko's now prints and mails the newsletter. If no one volunteers there will not be a Newsletter. Training will be given.

Tabled Items: Motions were made and approved to table the following:

- 1. Up-date OVERHAUL MANUAL, expenses, distribution etc.
- 2. Discussion of Budget for 2009
- 3. Spark Plug Award Plaques
- 4. Calendar of events approval

Service Advisors: Phil Eckhoff reported that John Roehl gave a clinic on alternators & LED light use, but not halogen headlights. In the last issue of Model "A" Times there was an excellent article on halogen light conversion kits. It also stated there is a 6 volt halogen bulb that can be obtained from Harris Automotive that will fit into an "A" reflector socket with no modifications. It can be adjusted the same as the original bulb. 1-800-639-3083

Specially Parts Supplier: C.W. Moss 1-714-639-3083

They also haves a complete line of "A" Parts.

A person for doing upholstery, cars only, no Model A kits is: Jennie Melgaurd 651-308-2346

55 Alive Driving Class: Please submit any questions relating to this class to Verne Palmberg before the 19th of Feb.

CHECK OUT THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Meeting Adjourned: 8:57p.m.

Secretary Alice Eckhoff

Special thanks to Rog Anderson for supplying the Model A ads on the cover of the monthly Newsletter!

CLINIC 1-22-08

By The Ghost of Henry Ford

A cool evening by Detroit weather but this evening's clinic brought out about 63 members to hear Mr. Tom Wesenberg and Mr. Neal Anderson the subject, "BRAKES". Mr. Dale Pomerleau started the evening with announcements which included one new member and one guest. Mr. Doug Portlance spoke how he sandblasted, straighten and powered coated his Ford Model A wheels. Mr. Bill Robinson shown an old hoist and Mr. Ray Bragg displayed a number of small model cars that dealers gave out during the model year, he said that his father always gave him one for Christmas each year. Mr. Eldon Frisk showed tools way or may not have been Ford Model A. Mr. Dave Gerold showed a tool he made to turn the cam shaft (A-6250) while setting the valves. Mr. Vince Smith explained the small flat wrench (A-17015 and A-17016) that I placed in every tool kit for the Ford Model A.

Mr. Neal Anderson by explaining the order of brake work, jack the car off the ground and check the overall condition of all visible brake components. Check the brake rods (A-2499) for wear especially in the area of the brake rod spring (A-2503) contacts the rod. He also showed the wear areas on the brake cross shaft assembly (A-2485) and noted how to replace the end bushings (A-2477) making sure to correctly replace the brake cross shaft end arms in there position and rivet to the shaft. While working on the brakes you must check the slop or loose play in the brake pedal (A-2455) and bushing (A-7508-B).

Remove the wheels from the drums and check the front drum (A-11055) and rear drum (A-1115) standard inside measurement for the service brake area is 11.000" dia. And cannot be more that 11.120" the standard inside diameter of the emergency brake area is between 9.620" to 9.630". A good idea if you are using original drums is to add brake drum bands which help keep the drum in round and dissipate heat from the drum.

Mr. Anderson explained how to replace the brake shoe lining (A-2021) and the correct way to rivet, trim and file the ends of the lining. The roller track brackets must be measured and if worn built up with weld or replaced. The front brake roller track measurement is 1 5/16" and the rear roller track measurement is 1".

Mr. Wesenberg explained brake floaters I did not use these at the plant, but some of your members are using this to equalize the service brake action. The emergency brake lever (A-2705-AR, A-2780-AR and A-2780-F) were mention and the date of use. He explained how to restore the lower end of the lever handle assembly. Mr. Wesenberg stressed the importance of keeping each brake shoe with its drum after it is honed to fit. He showed both the early non-adjustable brake rod (A-2499-AR) and the adjustable brake rod (A-2499-B).

The assembly of the rear backing plate (A-2211-B) was explained and the grease retainer assembly (A-1175) which is important to correctly assemble. Mr. Wesenberg also noted not to over grease the rear wheel bearing (A-1225)

Both Mr. Anderson and Mr. Wesenberg stressed the importance to remove all slop in the break system an noted the front brake lever (A-2084-C) must face 15* forward. Inflate all five tires to 35 lbs. or the tire rated pressure.

Mr. Art Doucot brought the treats for the break and Mr. Neal Anderson and Mr. Steve Barnacle served coffee and juice. The next clinic will be presented on February 19, 2009 and the subject will be "55 Alive, panel discussion on driving questions" presented by Mr. Verne Palmberg and Mr. Warren DeMuth. At Ford I all wise stressed safety in the plant and on the road, that's why your Ford Model A has safety glass in the windshield. Mr. Harry Bennett must return me to Dearborn to celebrate when we formally dedicated the Ford Airport in Dearborn in 1925.

My quote of years ago, "You can't build a reputation on what you're going to do".

Henry First.

H. Ford The Rouge Dearborn, Michigan



January 2009 Clinic in Pictures

Tom Wesenberg and Neal Anderson going over various components of the Model A braking system. The clinic was well attending with a guests from the "Lady Slipper A's" from Rochester, MN & a member of a Tennessee Region as well.



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February 14, 2009

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ATTENTION TCMAFC MEMBERS

For many years our club has maintained a collection of Restorer and Model A News magazines for the benefit of our membership. Presently, our collection is up to date and we also have a large selection of duplicate dates. If you are missing some magazines from your personal collection and wish to replace them with club duplicates, if available, contact Paul at 952-934-3773 or E-mail him at pdgran@msn.com beginning Feb 19, or later. Your request list will be recognized on a first come, first served basis. A maximum of 10 magazines per member has been decided, and there is no cost to members for this service.

Magazines that are no longer useful to members will be gratefully accepted and added to the club's supply of duplicate dates for redistribution as indicated above. If you have some to donate, call Paul at 952-934-3773, before Feb 19, to arrange pick-up.

Regards,

Paul Gran—Club Historian

Interesting websites by Gary Anderson

http://www.ahooga-graphics.com/upload6/BeachA1.jpg

http://www.hfha.org/fordfakes.htm

http://www.thehenryford.org/collections/collections.aspx

http://www.gwcmodela.com/bodyphotos20aug.htm

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http://www.mat.fi/project1929fordmodel-a.htm

http://www.viewsofthepast.com/topics/images.htm

http://www.170amodela.com/Safety_First/Safety_First.htm

http://fordbarn.com/aforum/messages2/435775.html

http://hom.cogeco.ca/~deuceguy/Model A Scans Main.htm

What does being the Editor of the TCMAFC Newsletter require?

The newsletter traditionally was quite an undertaking but not so much any more. Our club now has a relationship with FedexKinkos which has reduced both cost and decreased the work load of the newsletter 50 percent. The new editor with label and e-mail lists as well as a saved file of this newsletter in MS Publisher 2003, MS Word or MS Works as a template. The process is simple, all one needs to do is copy and paste new items received into the template newsletter then save it with a new name.

The editor needs to then e-mail or bring the saved newsletter along with the spreadsheet of mailing labels to Fedexkinkos and they do the rest. In other words no folding, stapling, inserting, or buying postage as to be done by the editor anymore.

Te Board is in the process of locating a new editor. Doug Portlance will assist with getting the person up to speed as soon as a volunteer is found. If you would like to help out contact any Board Member.

January 2009 Women's Clinic

We did not have a January clinic, but we are having one in February where we will be making lap pads for the New Brighton Nursing home. I have all the material we need. We will be tying them like the other throws we do.

March clinic's will be decided later. It will be on dish towels or Cindy Pomerleau. gift packages. The April clinic on hats will be given by Sandra and Susan of Twins' Treasures They specialize in Period jewelry and hats from Victorian, Nouveau, Deco, and Cocktail to Modern. I do not know how many Era hats they will have or if they can help us find what we need. I hope to see you at the February clinic it should be a good time.

Best wishes!

Goan Frisk Women's Clinic Coordinator

The Market Place

For Sale: For better lights, horn and starting, call John Roehl at 763-427-9185 and get yourself a 6 or 12v Model A Alternator.

For Sale: COMPLETE Rebuilt Model A Engine for sale. Head, Pan, Front cover, Front pully, valve cover etc. New Babbit, valve guides, pistons, rings, pressurized center main, reground crank, new babbit rods, resurfaced block. This is not a overhauled engine. If you want a high compression Head to flaten out the hills we can do that too. Every part is New and ready to install in your Model A. Call Bruce Remington at 952 925 1005

For Sale: Model A engine complete with head, water pump etc. Driven 10,000 miles. \$1200 ready to start up. Call Paul Weibel at 651 488 8418

For Sale: Model A parts / Tools contact Dick Punchard at 952-888-1079.

For Sale: Now is a good time to repair or replace your tired engine. I have fresh rebuilt blocks on hand for exchange or bring me your block. Engines will be rebuilt with all new parts inside including: New inserted rods, insert bearing mains, stainless valves with larger intake valves and one piece guides. Optional counterweighted crankshaft with lightened flywheel; all dynamically balanced is available. I will assemble the components you choose, add your external parts and run it in for 2 hours on my engine stand. Dave Gerold 952-290-3630 or dbgerold@pclink.com

For Sale: Model A Ford pickup box with tail gate, \$ 400.00 Call Dick 763-786-6918 Circle Pines, MN

For Sale: Model A Ford Generator w/ cutout \$70, - Zenith Carb type 1 \$270, - 19inch tires (3) –FREE—good for moving your Project around Call Bob Adamek 320-396-3645 Braham, MN

Wanted: a jack and foldable handle for my 1930 model A 2dr also owners manual Dick Herman 1-507-283-2412

FREE 19" 4 Garfield tires for roll around or special project use only or test driving. Dale 763-421-4681

Wanted: Model A Ford contact Robert Gates at 763-263-3427 judygates@netzero.net

Wanted: 1931 Model A license plate with a "T" on it for a pickup. Call Bruce Remington at 952-925-1005

Wanted: 2 pair of 1931 Deluxe Roadster wind wing brackets. Contact Marvin Johnson at 715-259-7866 call collect or e-mail



In Memory of Gary Tatro

I want to express to the family on Gary Tatro our clubs heartfelt condolences on his passing on December 30, 2008. Gary was not a current member but many of us recall his passion for the Model A Ford and attending club events before moving to Texas.

Warmest Regards,

Vince Smith



Coming Events: 2009

Feb 14, 2009

Men's clinic is in Rm Lunch Room at the front of the school—Women's clinic will be in the lounge by the Lunch Room & Board meeings in Room 208 at BCHS

At the monthly clinics there will be a spot for posting "WANTED" & "FOR SALE" items. please bring your posting with you to the clinic ready for viewing.

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Feb 17, 2009	Monthly Business Meeting—7:30 to 9 pm Brooklyn Center High School Room 208
Feb 19, 2009	$Men's\ Clinic\7\ pm\ to\ 9\ pm\55\ Alive\ Discussion\ /\ Questions\ by\ Verne\ Palmberg\ /\ Warren\ DeMuth\See\ page\ 5$
Feb 19, 2009	Women's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm in the Lounge — making lap pads for a nursing home.
March 17, 2009	Monthly Business Meeting — 7:30 to 9 pm Brooklyn Center High School Room 208

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Coffee Social at the home of Art & Diana Doucot — See page 5 for details

March 19, 2009 Men's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm — Carburetors by Jim Peters / Dave Gerold / Bruce Remington / Richard Darling

March 19, 2009 Women's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm in the Teachers Lounge — Gift things by Cindy Pomerleau

April 21, 2009 Monthly Business Meeting—7:30 to 9 pm Brooklyn Center High School Room 208

* April 23, 2009 Men's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm — Transmissions by Phil Zins

April 23, 2009 Women's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm in the Teachers Lounge — Hats by a hat lady.

May 19, 2008 Monthly Business Meeting— 7:30 to 9 pm Brooklyn Center High School Room 208

May 21, 2009 Men's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm — Radiators by Al Frederick / Gaz (Russian Model A) by Jerry Plagge

May 21, 2009 Women's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm in the Teachers Lounge — Dish towels by Alice Eckhoff.

June 2009 Pancake Breakfast & Mystery Tour (to be announced).

June 2009 Monthly Business Meeting & Pot Luck dinner (to be announced).

July 2009 Monthly Business Meeting & Pot Luck dinner (to be announced).

August 2009 Monthly Business Meeting & Pot Luck dinner (to be announced).

September 2009 Men's Clinic — 7 pm to 9 pm — Winter Storage (to be announced).

* Note this date is not the 3rd Thursday of the Month — * Note Room 226 for men's Clinic.

Special thanks to Steve Barnacle, Eldon & Joan Frisk for providing refreshments at Clinics and Board Meetings.

New Club Event Coordinator position

Roger Welch as accepted the new club Event Coordinator position. Roger is the contact person for all "Calendar Events".

The Event Coordinator will do the following:

- A. Type the activity (Tour, Social, Banquet, Picnic, etc..)
- B. Date and Time of the activity.
- C. Person / persons spear-heading the activity (Contact person)
- D. An estimate of the cost to the club for this activity.
- E. An estimate of the personal cost for each participant.
- F. Other significate details (Address, Phone Number, Email Address, etc.)



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