



TERRY FINDLEY'S 1929 SEDAN DELIVERY

The quest for my Sedan Delivery actually started in the early 60's when I purchased a 1930 Tudor Sedan. I had seen only a few Sedan Deliveries in my, then, short life but it has always been a dream of mine to someday acquire one and be able to restore and/ or rework the car so that it would be both roadworthy and dependable. (The rest of the story continues on page 10)

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BEAVER CHAPTER PORTLAND, OREGON

The Beaver Chapter is a non-profit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile. Membership is open to all people with a sincere interest. Members will be asked to volunteer a minimum of three hours annually to fill the club duty roster of the Portland Swap Meet.

Meetings: The third Wednesday of each month except December, 7:30PM at the Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th, Clackamas, OR 97015

The Beaver Chapter memberships commence on January 1st or on the date paid and expires on December 31st.

New memberships received after November 1st are valid for the following year. Beaver Chapter dues are \$10.00 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse member.

Dues are payable to the Beaver Chapter Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send them to Anne Humble, Membership Coordinator, 16764 SE Hagan Rd., Happy Valley, OR 97086.

By-laws Article III, Section 2 states: "Membership in the national club (MAFCA) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of the Beaver Chapter."

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PRESIDENTS COLUMN

I led a few club members on a short tour on Saturday, June 20th, to a senior assisted living center in Milwaukie. The tour is described later in this newsletter. I find many of the people I meet in these elder care facilities to be humorous, winsome, interesting, well traveled, and altogether enjoyable company, and that was true of this occasions also, and I wanted to share some personal reflections on the event.

Most of the folks I met there were in their late seventies

to early nineties, and likewise most of them had some memories to share of their experiences in a Model A. They were for the most part stories we have all undoubtedly heard several times in the course of our own Model A travels, whether near or far. They included tales of cross country trips during the Depression; long-ago high school dates; mechanical troubles; first cars; learning to drive in a Model A; and so on. It still surprises me how often a lady of advanced years will come up with a twinkle in her eye and relate (with little reservation) how much fun she once had on a back country road in a rumble seat.

It all got me thinking about what it is about these cars that makes them so popular even today, not just with those of us who are fortunate to own one (or two, or three, or ...), but with people whose ages span multiple generations.

I think it is safe to say part of that popularity, certainly among those who are older than 75, is founded in those personal experiences and remembrances. But I think there is a nostalgia attached to the Model A, a yearning for a perceived simpler time, to which people of all ages and stations in life are susceptible. And too, because of the longevity and ubiquity of the Model A, there is a common history that is fun to share with others.

Someone once said that Americans are nostalgic for a time that never was. But the case of these Fords, the relationships are personal, the nostalgia is well founded, and the affection is born of real events in a time that really was.

When we take our Fords out and meet and talk to strangers about our cars, or spend an afternoon on a tour with our fellow club members, we are imparting experiences to others and at the same time building a store of memories that someday we can look back on with factual reminiscences. And perhaps, as we sit in the shade in our senior days, and are visited by the next generation of Model A owners, we can tell our own stories of the fun we had in a Model A.

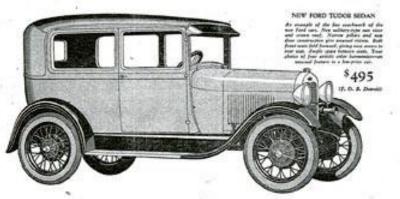
These are the good old days, right now.

-Ray Horton, President

Points to Ponder... When a cheese gets its picture taken, what does it say? ... Why are a wise man and a wise guy opposites?

ATTENTION GUYS:

I usually save this page as a designated "tech" page. My files are empty! How about YOU writing an article for this page?



First Pictures of the New Ford Car

Get complete details TOMORROW at Ford salesrooms

For several years we have been working on the new Ford car. For weeks and months you have been hearing rumors about it. For the past few days you have been reading some of the details of it in the newspapers.

Whatever you do tomorrow, take at least fifteen minutes to get the full story of this new automobile.

You will realize then that it is an entirely new and different Ford car, designed and created to meet modern conditions —a car that brings you more beauty, speed, quiet, comfort, safety, economy and stamina than you ever thought possible in a low-price car.

Automobile history will be made tomorrow, for the new Ford is not only new in appearance and performance... it is new in mechanical design. Many features of it are exclusive Ford developments. Some are wholly new in automobile practice. Its low price is a reflection of manufacturing improvements and economies that are as epoch-making as the car itself.

Nineteen years of experience in building 15,000,000 automobiles are behind the new Ford car and have counted in its making. Resources unmatched in the motor car industry are its heritage and its birthright.

The Ford policy of owning the source of raw materials, of making virtually every part, of doing business at a small peofit per car, has cut many dollars off the price you would ordinarily have to pay for a car like this.

So we say to you—learn about this new Ford car tomorrow. Compare it with any other car in the light-car field for beauty of line—for comfort—for speed —for quick acceleration—for flexibility in traffic... for steadiness at all speeds ... for power on the hills... for economy and low cost of up-keep... for its sturdy ability to stand up under countless thousands of miles of service.

Then you will know why tomorrow will be remembered as one of the greatest days in the entire history of the automobile industry. . . . Then you will know why the new Ford car will be your car.

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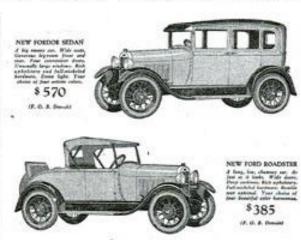
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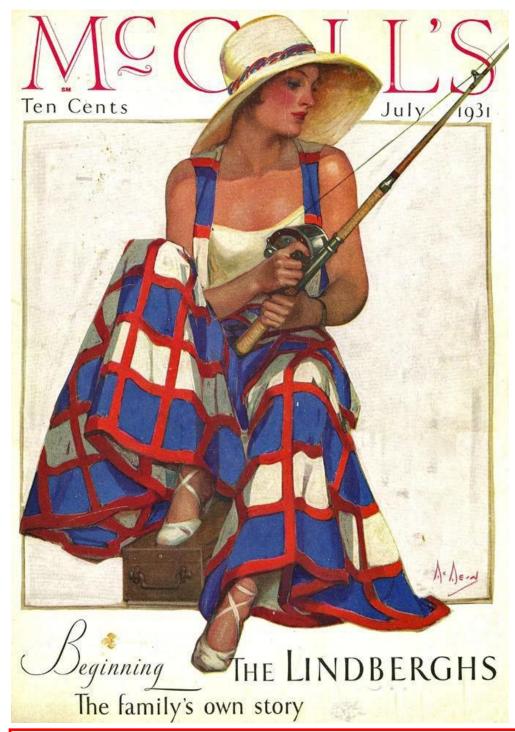
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Not only do the Model A era magazines provide a nice assortment of era fashions on their pages, but the covers are also lovely. They give us insights to the fashions and the lifestyle of an earlier time in our history.

This July 1931 issue of McCall's shows a lady fishing. She is dressed in patriotic red, white and blue beach pajamas, with probably swimwear underneath it. These beach pajamas have the very wide flowing width on the trousers that were popular in 1931. Notice her large brimmed hat that provides shade from the sun, and white sandals that complete her attire. ~ Jeanie Adair

ARE WE THE ONES WITH DEMENTIA?

I was checking out at the local Wal-Mart with just a few items and the lady behind me put her things on the belt close to mine. I picked up one of those dividers that they keep by the register and placed it between our things so they wouldn't get mixed. After the girl had scanned all of my items, she picked up the divider, looking it all over for the bar code so she could scan it. Not finding one she said to me, "Do you know how much this is?" I said to her, "I've changed my mind, I don't think I'll buy that today." She said "OK" and I paid her and left. She had no clue what had just happened. But the lady behind me had a big smirk on her face as I left!

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Beaver Chapter Board Meeting, June 04, 2015

Attending: Ray Horton, Jim Patrick, Lynn Humble, Jeanie Adair, Jim Van Lente, Mike McLaughlin, Dick Thorne, Richard Starkweather and Guests Mary Wohlgemuth, David Adair, Bill Henderson, Barbara Henderson, and Bonnie Starkweather.

Ray Horton welcomed the Guests. The minutes of the May Board Meeting were approved.

Reports: Treasurer: No report as Amanda Uthe was unable to attend.

Vice President: Jim Patrick reported about the June 20th tour to a retirement center in Milwaukie. Jim asked for approval of \$5 each for members attending, to help offset lunch costs. This was approved. Mike McLaughlin reported that the Past Presidents Tour will be to Newport, and that Jim and Rose Shaw are helping with the plans.

Swap Meet: Dick Thornes reported that we were assessed a \$1,000 penalty for people not showing up for swap meet duty. Ray Horton and Mike McLaughlin will follow up. The options for filling the Reservation Position for the Swap Meet have been reduced to two: find a volunteer to fill the position, or hire someone to fill it. We still need a Beaver Chapter volunteer to fill the position vacated by Tim Woodman, as Swap Meet Representative.

Editor: Jeanie Adair nothing to report.

Membership: Anne Humble was not in attendance as she sustained a serious ankle injury, and will require some time to recover.

Member at Large: Lynn Humble reported that we have five new couples that have joined our Chapter.

Beaver Babes: Jeanie Adair reported that the next event will be announced when arranged. No discussion has been held yet, on the question of them helping with the Annual Banquet.

Past President: Mike discussed the New Member Team that will meet with new members to discuss club information, and see what help they may need. Mike McLaughlin, Mike Worthington, Art Pugsley, Pete Smiley, and Tom Irwin were mentioned as members of the team. They will be divided into geographical areas. It was pointed out that Anne Humble as Membership Coordinator needs to be integrated into this Team. A discussion was held, and the idea of going back to the year 2000, and approaching people that have drifted away, to find out why they lost interest may be beneficial. It was suggested that New Members be introduced at the General Meeting more than once, to help people to get to know who they are. Bill Henderson reported that he and Barbara were not going to lead the Christmas Potluck. We need to find volunteers. Bill reported that they will help the New Volunteers to get them started. This will be discussed at the June general meeting. Bill has volunteered to take over our Chapter News for MAFCA. He is running for a Board Position with MAFCA, and is asking for ideas and help to win the position. David Adair pointed out that it is necessary to vote for only one candidate, and that being Bill, otherwise the vote will get diluted.

Old Business: Jeanie Adair presented revised language for the Annual Banquet Dinner Policy. The President needs to be added to the language. The proposal was well received by the Board. The proposal will be presented at the June General Meeting.

Mike McLaughlin discussed the proposed language should the Club ever be dissolved. A letter was read from Greg Edwards presenting his thoughts on this issue. It will also be read in the June General Meeting. After some discussion it was decided to present the issue at the General Meeting for a vote. 1.) Do we want dissolution language? 2.) Let the Club decide on which charities the assets would go to. It was pointed out that by giving the assets to charities, there would be no incentive for members to want to dissolve the Club.

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Mike McLaughlin went on to propose that the "Widows & Widowers" proposed policy be dropped. The proposal was voted on by the Board, with the result that the dropping of the proposal passed with one no vote.

Mike went on to discuss NWRG, and they are still having a hard time getting a Chapter to undertake the next event. Some changes may be occurring in the car judging restorers class, and the biannual scheduling of the event is being discussed. The 4th of July picnic was discussed. A duty signup sheet was circulated, and will be circulated at the June General Meeting. Six cones are needed for the car games, and David Adair agreed to provide them. David Adair asked if we could hold off on the raffle for the September meeting as his Guest Presenter will be on a tight schedule. It was further discussed that we should look at the raffle and determine if the members want to continue it. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Richard Starkweather

JUNE TOUR TO THE SPRINGS

by Ray Horton

On Saturday morning, June 20, six Model A's and one modern iron met at Matthews Memory Lane for the start of our tour to The Springs, an assisted living facility in Milwaukie. After a half hour of admiring the amazing vehicles at Matthews, we moved next door to Beez Holgate Station Café for burgers and milkshakes. Bees is a Betty Boop themed restaurant, with traditional drive-in fare and fun atmosphere.

After lunch we took a leisurely and short tour through southeast neighborhoods and past Bob's Red Mill, arriving at The Springs about 1:00. There were a few other fine collector's cars already present for the enjoyment of the residents, and for a couple hours we showed off our A's and talked with folks as they shared their interest in and memories of Model A's in their youth. It is always surprising and entertaining to hear ladies in their 80's and 90's describing "those warm summer evenings on country backroads in a rumble seat."

Tour attendees were: Bill and Barbara Henderson, '31 Victoria; Ron Forehand and guest, '30 Tudor; Andrew and JoAnn Jackman, '29 Roadster; Richard and Bonnie Starkweather, '31 Coupe; Patty and Chris Brost, '29 Fordor; Bob Moore, 31 Roadster; Ray Horton, '29 Business Coupe; Steve and Sharon Fancher, modern iron.

WORK PARTY - BALANCE YOUR WHEELS AND TIRES

July 25th, 9 AM at Bill Jab's 27525 SE Starr Rd, Eagle Creek, 97022. You must bring your own jack stands and lug wrench. Bill has a static or bubble balancer. The club will provide weights. Call David Adair for details or if you have questions and also to sign up, 503.655.3189.

June 17, 2015 Minutes of the Beaver Chapter Club Meeting

President Ray Horton opened the meeting at 7:30pm. Tex Lindquist led the pledge of allegiance. Mike Stephenson was welcomed and has rejoined our Club. Mary Wohlgemuth's daughter Diane Galvan and J and Dixie Wyllie's grandson Landon Comella were welcomed as guests. The minutes of the May meeting were approved. The name tag drawing was won by Dave Miller. Several items were available for the raffle including chocolates, wooden car, car care products, rack for hanging baskets and more. Bill Henderson, running for a MAFCA Board, informed the Group that he has a Campaign Manager as David Adair has agreed to help his campaign. Those from our Club attending the NW Regional in Walla Walla June 23-27th are being asked to be Staff Members and talk to attendees about voting for Bill. It was again pointed out that to support Bill, only one candidate should be voted for. We need a Northwest Representative. The July 4th Pancake Breakfast signup sheet was passed around. The Past Presidents Tour signup sheet, scheduled for September 18, 19, & 20th, was passed around. Details will be in the next Newsletter. Ray presented, in Mike McLaughlin's absence, the proposed language for Article 14 in the Club bylaws. It is language to address the possibility of the Club being dissolved in the future. Ray explained that a vote would be taken to determine if the membership wanted dissolution language. Secondly, if that vote was positive, then a second vote would be taken on a proposal addressing where the assets would go. Greg Edwards guestioned if we had a guorum for a vote, and it was determined that we did. Much discussion was held, and various members gave their position both for and against the bylaw addition. The vote was taken and there were a total of 5 votes in favor, so the proposed language was turned down. Mike Worthington presented information on mentoring new members, and the New Member Resource Handbook. Ray Horton complimented the work that this Group of Members is doing. Ray Horton reported that the \$1000 "no show penalty" for the Swap Meet continues to be investigated. He will contact the Swap Meet Chairman Dave Van Winkle. A volunteer is needed to lead the Christmas Pot Luck. Bill and Barbara Henderson will help the new volunteer get started. Andrew Jackman reported on the Stockton, CA group that will be on a tour and in our area on September 4th. If you would like more information, contact Andrew. Ray reminded that elections of Officers for the Club will be held this fall. There were no tips and leads. Ray Horton will be leading a Tour on June 20th to a rest home in Milwaukie, details in the June News. Amanda Uthe gave a full financial report. Anne Humble reported that she sent out an e-mail to those that have not paid their 2015 dues. Jeanie Adair reports that there will be no Mystery Member tonight, as she does not have any photographs, and there will not be a Mystery Part either. She needs photos of people and cars!!!!. Still need a representative to fill Tim Woodman's position representing our Chapter at the Swap Meet. Jim and Shirley Strutt donated some period clothing that was available at the meeting. Jeanie asks that you send a thank you note if you take some of the clothing. Need a Chairperson for the Annual Banquet. There has not been any discussion of the Beaver Babes on the Annual Banquet. Eileen Ross reported that Ken and Kay Cavitt have both been diagnosed with lung cancer. Both of them were at the meeting and were in good spirits. Historian Patty Brost brought a 2006 and 2007 Scrapbook. She thanked Ray Horton for some interesting tours in the past, including one of the City of Portland restrooms. He had done some research on each one and it was guite interesting. The Membership Drawing was not won, as Bonnie Starkweather did not have her Membership Card with her. Ray thanked Tim Brost for providing the snacks and Ted Downs for providing the drinks. The Raffle was held and Ray Horton adjourned the meeting at 8:45pm. The seminar, Model A maintenance 2nd presentation, was cancelled due to technical issues.

Richard Starkweather, Secretary.

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal." ~Henry Ford



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NW REGIONAL MEET IN WALLA WALLA

There were 41 Beaver Chapter members who attended the meet. Pam McClaflin won a 1st place in the Original category in fashion judging and an Award of Excellence in car judging.

Bill Henderson won an Award of Excellence <u>and</u> the Best of Category for Original in fashion judging. The

Adair's granddaughter Ailee Pardi also won a 1st place in fashion judging in the Model A Era Image category, she also entered the



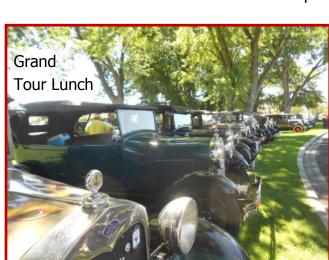
Mike Mears teen driving contest and won \$250 for 2nd place. This is a great way to get the teens involved.

Those entering their Model A's in the Restorers Class Evaluations were: Terry Findley, LeRoy Benham and Bill Henderson. Jeanie Adair was Chief Fashion Judge for the meet and Patty Brost and Barbara Henderson were judges. David Adair was Chief Judge for Car judging and Tom Irwin was a judge. Fred and Jeannette Kroon participated in the Hubley Derby. David and Jeanie Adair won 1st place in one of the car games. Amanda Uthe was the Model A parts supplier. Barbara Henderson, Chris Irwin and Cathy Smiley had era fashions for sale at the Fashion Boutique.











TERRY FINDLEY'S 1929 SEDAN DELIVERY (The rest of the story from the front cover)

I don't look on Craig's list very often but one Saturday night in January of 2014 something had told me to check and see if there was a Sedan Delivery for sale. To my surprise I found just what I had always wanted, a 1929 Sedan Delivery for sale! Now I had purchased several Model A's in recent years and had gone as far as Garden Grove, CA for a 1929 Closed Cab Pickup that was in pieces. But to find my Sedan Delivery just 10 miles from my house was simply incredible.

The man I purchased the car from said that an older man and his son had purchased the vehicle in Colorado about 20 years ago. Their intent was to restore the car and then use it in their machine shop business. The body was repaired and painted and the engine had been "gone through". Other than that nothing had been done to the car. Then, the father passed away and the son had lost interest in the project and rolled the delivery back into the corner of his machine shop and covered it up.

Years later the son sold the car to the person I purchased it from who replaced some of the wood framing inside the car and upholstered the insides and put a fabric top on it. At this point he decided to sell the car. He placed it on Craig's list and I was the first person to inquire about the car. I drove the car and bought it the next day. Only then did I find out that the Sedan Delivery hadn't been registered since 1944! I thought this would be a problem to register the car with the Department of Licensing but everything went smoothly.

Being a commercial vehicle, the Delivery had a 4:11 rear end which made it difficult to keep up with tour members on day trips, so I installed a Mitchell overdrive to help compensate for the low rear end gears. I quickly found out that the driver can't see behind or to the right-hand side of the car so I installed a rearview camera for safety. I also wanted to have a sign painted onto the sides of the vehicle and decided to have Paul Comeau of Vancouver, WA paint the signs and pinstriped the car. Just in Time Delivery just sounded right to me so that's the sign I had painted on the sides.

Well, over time I seemed to be having a lack of power from the engine and had been advised to change to a high compression head. I took the advice and bought a high compression head from Snyder's, convinced that this new head would solve my lack of power issues. Well, after removing the old head I discovered that there were major problems with the engine. I made the decision that I couldn't use the new head on the engine so I was able to borrow an engine from Art Pugsley while I had an engine built that would be able to meet my needs. While awaiting my new engine I was able to attend the Salem Carousel tour led by David Adair. During this first "real" tour with the Beaver Chapter in my Delivery my car was "christened" with champagne, what a treat! I can't think of how I'd be able to participate in so many activities if it weren't for the support and encouragement of so many terrific Beaver Chapter members. I took "Just in Time" to her first cruise-in on May 30th and to my great surprise and delight was awarded a trophy. I'm liking this hobby!

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the kind of stories I'd like to get to print in our newsletter! How about it—does your car have a story <u>you</u> could share with the club?

I think every car has a story to tell! JA



Rebuilt Model A distributors, bead blasted, new bushings, new drilled shaft, new cam, modern points. Ready to install, \$75 Tom Irwin 503.538.5227 or irwintc@outlook.com

WANTED:

Want to rent an enclosed car trailer. David Brost 503.970.7054

Set of 4 19" tires, new or good used. Loren Hegar 503.653.5379

More pictures from the NW Regional Meet:

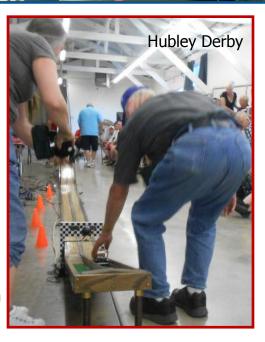


Fashion Luncheon



The Barnett's lost an engine not far out of Portland, Terry Findley had a clutch go out, the Adair's had a flat tire and Kay and Marlin Binder had to replace a coil. Other than the hot weather it was a fun, nice meet!

Thank you Walla Walla Sweet A's!



Mary Shaye Brost in an original era dress at the banquet.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Saturday, July 4th - Beaver Chapter's Pancake Breakfast at 2310 NE 10th, Ridgefield, WA 98642. We will start serving breakfast at 9AM until 11 or when the pancakes are gone. Come enjoy car games, visiting and seeing all the collectibles.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Frank Rohrer	1^{st}
Bert Uthe	4 th
Richard Murk	6 th
Jim VanLente	7 th
Jim Patrick	8 th
Rayburn Mitchell	13^{th}
Jordon Beller	13^{th}
Mary Shaye Brost	15^{th}
Dick Thornes	16 th
John Barmore	18 th
Ken Lauderback	21 st
Diana Hudson	23 rd

Beaver Chapter Board Meeting will follow the Pancake Breakfast after we've eaten, played car games and cleaned up the kitchen, everyone is welcome to stay for the meeting.

Wednesday, July 15th Beaver Chapter General Meeting 7:30PM at 15711 SE 90th, Clackamas, OR - remember to wear your name badge.

Sunday, July 19th, Concours d' Elegance in Forest Grove, 8:30-4:30PM

July 25th, Work Party at Bill Jabs, sign up with David Adair 503.655.3189 (see pg.7)

July 25-26th, Brooks, OR NWVC & MM Steam Up - also repeats August 1-2nd.

August 1st, 50th Anniversary of Portland's HCCA club, Guy W Talbot State Park near Latourll Falls. You are invited to share the car hobby with them, they request a ball park number of attendees the first week of July. Call Edward DeVito 503.622.0404 or email him at Edward@woodstockparadox.com Barbeque begins at noon. Drive your Model A.

August 9th, All Ford Picnic at Champoeg State Park, 8239 Champoeg Rd NE, St Paul. \$5 park entry fee and \$5 show entry fee, bring a lunch and picnic under the oaks.

At the August General Meeting Beaver Chapter holds a mini swap meet in the parking lot prior to the meeting. Guys bring your junk - oh, I mean treasures to sell. Swapping starts about 6:30 PM, so come early to sell or buy! The ladies can set up Model A era fashions for sale inside the meeting room. There will be ice cream sundae's and floats served to cool us all off. The club meeting will start at 7:30.

REMEMBER TO HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU AT THE MEETINGS!