

APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April Fools a' coming, you're the biggest fool a' running...

Thursday, April 6th, Beaver Chapter Board Meeting 7PM at Bob's Red Mill Boardroom, 13521 SE Pheasant Ct. Milwaukie, Oregon.

Portland Swap Meet, April 7-9th at the Expo. If you signed up for duty see the club duty list in the March newsletter or your packet.

Tuesday, April 11th, Beaver Babes event changed plans, see page 8 for all the details...



Wednesday, April 19th, Beaver Chapter Membership Meeting 7:30PM at 15711 SE 90th, Clackamas, OR. Guys seminar will be on Ignitions by Mike Worthington; ladies will meet separately to talk about "girly" things.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Ray Horton	3 rd
Anne Humble	3 rd
Mike Popiel	5 th
Joyce Murk	6 th
Joe McCann	8 th
Peppi McDonald	10 th
Mary Proffitt	11 th
Chuck Lawrence	21 st
Eileen Ross	23 rd
Jan Jones	26 th
Tanya Johns	28 th
Barbara Whitworth	28 th
Larry Peters	30 th
Fred Kroon	30 th

Saturday, April 22nd, Club Tour

We will tour to the Amphibious Forces Memorial Museum to view the USS LCI (L). This large Landing Craft Infantry ship was commissioned in September of 1944. The LCI (L)-713 is the last remaining LCI (L) in its original WWII configuration. Tour details and sign-up sheet will be available at the meetings. Meet at the Oregon City Shopping Center at 9:30 for a 10AM departure. For additional information contact Andrew Jackman.

Sunday, April 23rd, Corvallis Swap Meet, 7AM at Benton County Fairgrounds, \$3 admission fee.

Beaver Chapter's Club Booth at the Portland Swap Meet is in Hall D, stall number 4261. It's a good place to sit down for a few minutes or you can help out by sharing about our club with potential new members that wonder by. The Northwest Regional Group has a meeting on Saturday at 4PM in Hall E in one of the meeting rooms in the Lobby. Come see what the regional has planned.

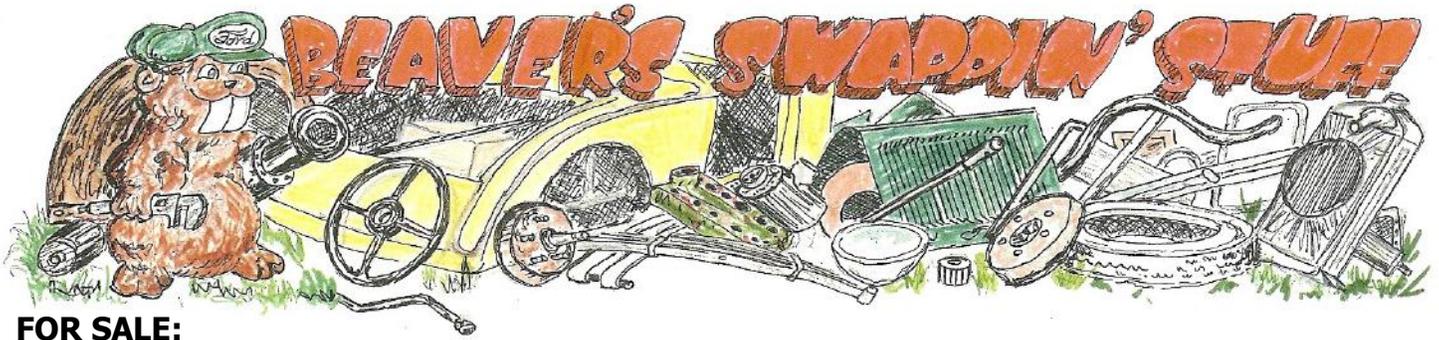


"SEE THE BAY IN YOUR MODEL A" It's not too early to sign up for the Northwest Regional Meet. It's in Coos Bay in June. Check out the MAFCA calendar website for information and the registration form. Let Bill Henderson know if you are going and want to tour together.

Check out this former gas station that's been turned into a home:

<http://www.metaspoon.com/gasoline-station-home-transformation?>

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FOR SALE:

1930 Model A Sport Coupe, good condition, \$17,500 Dave Miller 503.636.8847

Model A pickup splash apron & running boards. Randy Selvester chipdaleusa@yahoo.com

1931 Victoria, very nice, new paint, overdrive, \$32,000 Pam McClafin 503.778.0434 or email pammac31@gmail.com30

Gas tank/lined, rear end assembly. Rich 503.267.6678

1928-29 Radiator shell - chrome, very nice, \$125.00 Ray Horton 503.333.5266 oldbooks@iinet.com

5 - 16" wire wheels & 5 - 17" wire wheels, \$50 each. Ed Schroeder 503.655.4311 or email EdwinSchro@comcast.net

Eastwood Dual Voltage Powder Coating System, brand new, never out of the box \$100.00 Eileen Ross 503-913-5036

WANTED:

Left drivers door for a '31 Tudor. Ken Saner 406.370.8203

1928-29 Hood. Bill Jabs 971.235.3804

30-31 Rumble lid. Stan Symanck 503.476.4946



NEW MEMBERS: Left is Chris Riedener 7740 Hyland Way, Beaverton, 97008, 503.754.5605 email is chris.j.riedener@gmail.com 1930 3 Window Fordor Town Sedan

Right- Heather & Brent Abney 9608 NE Skidmore St. Portland 97220. H- 503.252.3317, cells (B) 503.544.0111, (H) 503.545.1395 1929 Truck. Welcome!



Someone once told me not to bite off more than I could chew. I said I'd rather choke on greatness than nibble on mediocrity.

Mystery Model A Part:

Submit your guess at the club meeting; one guess per member; first correct guess drawn will win a prize.

(Last months mystery part was a shifting indents and spring that fit in the transmission; these parts keep the transmission from slipping out of gear.)





**BEAVER BABES
ST. PATRICK'S
TEA PARTY**

Thirteen ladies enjoyed tea hosted by Jeanie Adair on Saturday, March 11th. With an Irish theme, we had shamrock scones, ate tea sandwiches like Cheesy Reubens, and cucumber; and desserts were kiwi cake sandwiches, minty shamrock cheeseball on Irish shortbread, chocolate cheesecake and pinch-me-not mini cupcakes. Ladies present were Chris Irwin, Paula Benham, Cathy Blunt, Lori Symank, Marlynne Pugsley, Linda Downs, Patty Sondenaar, Dixie Wyllie, Eileen Ross, Pat Fiedler, Patty



Brost, and Barbara Henderson.

David did a fine job of keeping our tea pots filled, and serving.



My wife agrees that I do indeed lead a "dog's life". The way she puts it though is, "He comes in with muddy feet, makes himself comfortable by the fire, and expects to be fed."

BEAVER TALES

THE GULPULATOR

If to be happier is what you need;
To make your A have even more speed;
Buy my new Gulpulator!
Get rid of that old Zenith carburetor!
I need the money, an expensive hobby to feed!



A young couple had been married a short time when the husband finally got up the nerve to say to his wife, "I wish you made bread like my mother." His wife looked him in the eye and replied, "I wish you made dough like my father."

BEAVER CHAPTER MINUTES OF CLUB MEETING March 15, 2017

President Richard Starkweather opened the meeting at 7:30 and Steve Bee led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion was made by Art Pugsley and seconded by Ray Horton to accept the minutes of the February meeting as printed in the Ahooga News.

Guests and visitors were introduced. Heather and Brent Abney are new members with a 1929 AA Flatbed. Chris Reidener made his second visit and he has a restored 1930 Fordor.

Two Swap Meet Committee members visited and gave a short talk about the do's and don'ts of performing Swap Meet duty.

Amanda Uthe won the name tag drawing.

Richard reported the board had discussed a change to the general meeting format. This was to have a Social hour starting at 6:30 with refreshments at 7:00 pm and start the meeting at 7:30 and go straight through no breaks. Discussion of both pro and cons followed.

Bill Henderson wants to compile a list of members attending the NW Regional Meet at Coos Bay this June. If you are going contact Bill.

Andrew Jackman gave a brief highlight of Saturday's tour to a glass blowing demonstration in Washougal Washington. The tour will be approximately ninety miles round trip.

Amanda made the treasurers report.

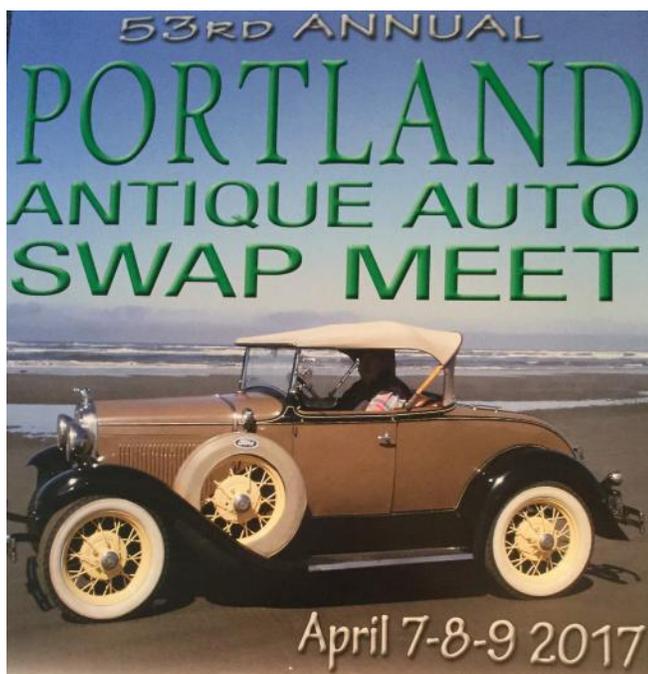
Ray Horton would like input on options for the Past Presidents Tour. He plans to go to Hood River but motels are \$200+ per night.

Sunshine: Don Schiller is still very ill. Tim Woodman is in the hospital in Phoenix, he has meningitis and viral pneumonia. Mary Wohlgemuth fell, had a hospital stay, is home making a recovery.

Mary McConnel sent word that we need volunteers for refreshments in May, July, and September, please let her know if you can provide refreshments.

After break Bob Erickson won the Mystery Part contest. Lori Symank conducted the raffle. Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm to be followed by a ladies seminar on fashion and the guys had a discussion on early Model A's.

Respectively submitted by David Adair (acting Secretary for Pat Fiedler who was absent)



When Pat restored our 1929 Fordor, he found an interesting inscription on one of the pieces of wood. Our's is a Briggs body meaning the frame is wood. I had purchased the new wood kit from Bill Barlow in Bend for Pat for Christmas, knowing that he was planning on retiring the following Spring. When he was taking the body apart, the piece of wood between the windows on the passenger side had an inscription of KKK on it. The car had been built in Cleveland in 1929 right at time of the KKK. The first owners lived in North Carolina; the second owners in Bend, Or. We are the third owners. We saved the piece of wood which has a special place among Pat's collection of granite ware. ~Patty Brost

Minutes of Beaver Chapter March 2, 2017 Board Meeting

Present: Ray Horton, Ted Downs, Dick Thorne, Jeanie Adair, Andrew Jackman, Dale & Pat Fiedler, Amanda
Guests: Bonnie Starkweather, David Adair and Rich Simpson. President, Richard Starkweather called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The February minutes were approved

SWAP MEET – Dick showed the 2017 poster and gave Volunteer Info Packets to the Board Members. It was moved and seconded that prior to the Swap Meet, our club give 2 sweatshirts to Tom and Chris Irwin in appreciation for the use of their car on the advertising poster. The poster represents our club well. Motion was passed. Dick will advise when the sweatshirts will be available for sale. Dick was asked to submit a suggestion to the Swap Meet Committee stating that we would like the clubs to be in a central location and easier to find. Our booth location is 4261 – Hall D.

GENERAL MEETING FORMAT – There was some discussion to change the General Meeting Schedule. Social hour from 6:30-7:30, Snacks and/or desserts set out at 7:00. General Meeting begins at 7:30 followed by a seminar. There will be no break. People would purchase their raffle tickets during the social hour. Discussion will continue at the March General Meeting. Ted suggested we try a 2 month trial.

RAFFLE – Suggestion was made to: 1. Half of raffle prizes should be car-related 2. 25% should be gift certificates from suppliers. 3. Add 50/50 raffle 4. We should use the Chinese Raffle method – putting buckets for tickets in front of each prize so a person can use their tickets to win the prize of their choice. Richard will ask Lori's opinion and ask for further discussion from the membership at the March General Meeting.

TOURS – Andrew Jackman: The Annual Bowling Tour was enjoyed by all (cost: \$163.66). This year is was part of the Tour budget. Next year it will be a separate event budget item. March 18th Glass Blowing Tour; April 22 – Dual Tour with the V-8 club – Amphibious Forum Memorial Museum on Haydn Island where will see the Landing Craft Infantry (USS LCI).

We need someone to lead a tour in May and June. In June Andrew wants our Club to be part of MAFCA'S Hundred Thousand Mile Tour. Each club has one day to add mileage to this event.

PAST PRESIDENT'S TOUR – Due to the popularity of Hood River during the month of September, Ray is having difficulty finding suitable lodging. He may have to change the destination. More information at a later date.

MEMBERSHIP -

MEMBERSHIP SOLICITATION CARD – Sample of cards were shown to the Board. Dale reported that MAFCA dues are FREE to new members through October 2017.

CLUB INVENTORY – A current list was presented to the Board.

OTHER - Ray Horton felt our budget is too detailed and complicated and suggested that we continue the discussion of simplification of our budget process in the Fall. Jeanie suggested we all review the bylaws before the next board meeting and submit any changes to the board at that time. The approved changes will be presented to the Membership at the April General Meeting. Ray suggested we also review our job descriptions. The microphone situation has been resolved.

SEMINARS (Reported by David Adair) - Steve Arndt, author of Roads less Traveled, will speak at the beginning of our June meeting. (Limit: 15 min.) March – Early Cars by David Adair; April – Ignitions by Mike Worthington. April 24th @ 9:00 – Seat Belt Work Party at the Fiedlers. David needs information – Does anyone know how to install seat belts in 1931 Slant Window Sedan?

Meeting adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Fiedler, Secretary

The Southpaw Automotive Company

Like many people in the old car hobby, I enjoy rummaging around the back shelves of junk stores, visiting old car dealerships, exploring small towns left behind by time, and burrowing through garages at estate sales. About eight years ago I was driving through the Alvord Desert region (that's another story) when I was attracted by a small handwritten sign on a back road between Fields and Harper which read, "Ranch barn sale 3 miles", with an arrow pointing the way.

Sometimes you can find old tools or even parts - or cars! - in these pioneer barns, so off I go. Down the bumpiest, dustiest, washboardiest unpaved road in eastern Oregon, I'm sure. It might have been part of the original Oregon trail.

You can see for a long distance in this territory, so I spied a barn and small white house about ten minutes before I actually got to it. There was nothing else in sight in any direction, and the place looked deserted, and I was beginning to think this was a waste of time. Who knows how long that sale sign had been up? And besides that, I hadn't bought any gas since Burns, and the tank was getting low, and the nearest gas (maybe) was Fields, back about 25 miles.

I proceeded anyway, and as I pulled up an old fellow came out of the house and greeted me like a neighbor. I inquired about the sale, and he said he still had a few things in the barn. That sounded promising.

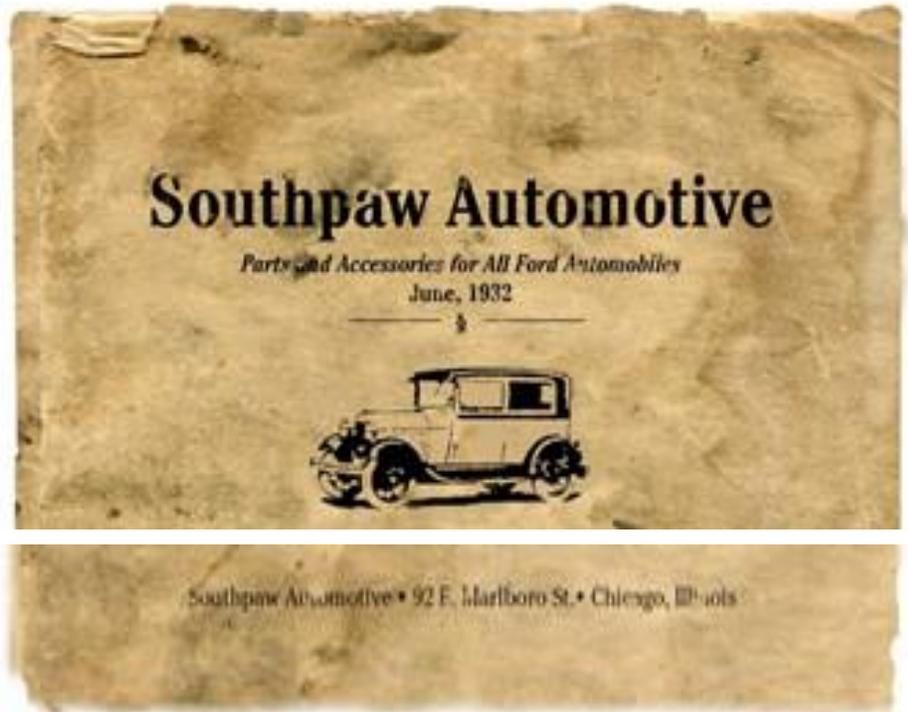
But once the door opened, it was quickly apparent this sale had been going on for some time. There was almost nothing left, if there had ever been anything in the first place. A few rusted items on a table, a broken lamp, and a... wait a minute. A dirty book! No, not that kind. This was a well used catalog with the title:

Southpaw Automotive
Parts and Accessories for All Ford
Automobiles
June, 1932
Then at the bottom an address in
Chicago, Illinois

Whoa Nellie! I carefully thumbed through it as nonchalantly as I could, and noted illustrations of lights, horns, heaters, fenders, gaskets, and some stuff I've never seen before, along with item lists and prices. All items seemed to be for Model T and Model A. "How much?" I sez. "A dollar," he sez. I don't haggle.

There being nothing else to see, I made my excuses and bid adieu to the old gentleman. As soon as I'm out of sight of the farmhouse, I pull over to more closely examine my new prize. Oh my stars. Head gasket - 25¢. Replacement headlight lens - 75¢. Original Heinze wiper motor - \$3.00. Accessory wiper arm mechanism to add a passenger side wiper -\$1.00. "Cigar lighter for your new Ford" - \$1.00. Radio (RADIO!) \$32.00. Clock - \$9.50. Wouldn't it be great to find these things now at those prices!

I flip to the back of the book, and there's still a "How to Order" page. *"Send check or money order. No stamps please. Allow 4 weeks for delivery."* (continues on next page)



Southpaw continued:

I'm thinking, what would happen if I sent in an order, for, say, a pair of fender lamps, \$5.00? Or a Sport Light! Only \$10.00 in the catalog. Oh-oh. Here's an Owen-Dyneto wiper motor, "For 1928 Tudors and Coupes". \$4.00. What if I sent \$4.00 to Southpaw at their 1932 Chicago address, with an order for a new wiper motor? I chuckle to myself. But my brain gets fevered. I can't stop thinking about this, all the way home. I almost forget to get gas. By the time I get back into John Day my gauge is reading EMPTY or less.

It's nearly midnight when I finally pull into my garage, but I am completely obsessed with the idea of ordering the wiper motor. My wife wakes up long enough to say hello, and I retreat to my little study, copy the order form out of the catalog (I'm not going to cut this out!), write a check for \$5.50 (\$4.00 for the wiper plus \$1.50 shipping and handling), and seal it all in an envelope.

Next morning on my way to work, I drop it at my local post office, just to make sure it gets sent as soon as possible. Four weeks for delivery. This will be interesting. I can hardly wait.

(To be continued next month) ~ Ray Horton



MARCH TOUR

Andrew and JoAnn Jackman lead the tour to a glass blowing shop in Washougal. There were fifteen hardy souls who endured the rain, with two Model A's driven, both by the Worthington's. Gene Scott was the lucky winner whose name was drawn and he got to try his hand at blowing glass; choosing his own material to create a beautiful vase. Several members had lunch after the demonstration at Heller's restaurant in Washougal.

My Model "A" Ford is a bust
Some say it's a pile of rust
But say what they will
When I head up a hill
I leave them behind in the dust.

BEAVER TALES





1929 PARIS FASHIONS

What striking Model A era ensembles these are!

The black outfit would be rather plain if not for the yellow, white and black print used on the top, scarf and as trim.

The second dress has used the fabric horizontally on the skirt. The skirt has groups of narrow pleats. The top has been designed with the fabric going diagonally across the front.

Both jackets are very plain in style and unstructured. The detail is in the use of fabric on these ensembles. ~ by Jeanie Adair

APRIL BEAVER BABES

PLANS HAVE CHANGED!

Patty Brost had a fall and spent some time in the hospital so we'll save her scheduled outing for another time...

So instead we'll just have a ladies lunch time. Please join us on Tuesday, April 11th at 11:30 at the Old Chicago located at 10300 SE Washington St. That's off 205, a few blocks past Mall 205 on the right as you head east.

Remember all ladies are welcome, come enjoy some girl time!

MAFCA Website Fashion Articles

Ladies, have you checked out the fashion articles on the MAFCA website lately? The newest Era Fashion Article is titled "Cloche Hats with Flair and Style" by Diann Easton. The article is well done and informative. At the end she lists a bibliography with a couple websites you might also like to check out. When you have time click on the many Past Articles - there is a wealth of information for you to learn more about Model A era fashions. A new article is published every two months. We have the MAFCA website in our "favorites" as we like to check the "A of the Day" each morning. I also check the "What's New" button to keep up with the latest info from the national MAFCA club.



How I Refuel My Model A

By Lynn Sondena

I will start with some information about gasoline. It is highly volatility which means it can vaporize easily. It is a class 1 flammable liquid which means it has a flash point below 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The gasoline vapors can ignite fast causing an explosion; therefore, the Federal Government has initiated the retail gasoline dispensing safety act. This act sets forth the rules for refueling a vehicle. I will only cover the most important rules. Do not re-enter your vehicle while refueling. Static electricity can be created causing the gasoline to ignite. It also states that metal objects can't be inserted next to the fuel nozzle. Metal on metal can conduct electricity or cause a spark igniting the gasoline. Now, you probably won't get caught using metal, but the down side is that if you cause the explosion you are held liable for the damages. Harley Davidson motorcycle dealers sell a nozzle boot fork that holds the vapor recovery boot away from the nozzle. It is made of nylon which is non-conductive and safe to use. Also, to note, is that gas cans must be filled on the ground so they are properly grounded.



Photo 1

When I refuel my A's I use a drip bib (photo 1) which my wife made using a scrap piece of Naugahyde upholstery and left over fender welting. Next I insert my gas tank extension (photo 2) into the Model A fuel tank.



My extension is made of PVC schedule 40 pipe. It does not conduct electricity and it is light weight so if it is dropped onto the fender no damage is done. Metal gas tank extensions can be used on the fuel tank because the vehicle is grounded. The PVC fitting is a one piece adaptor of 1 1/2 inch pipe to threads. I also added an O ring for a tighter fit. The O ring is 3/16 inch thick x 1 1/2 inch inside diameter. It is a tight fit on 28-29 Model A's and can be threaded into the 30-31 Model A's. The cost is about \$5 with the pieces available at most hardware and plumbing suppliers. This works good to hold the vapor recovery boot in place, and fill the tank full. I have been using this set up since 2004 with no problems!

No matter what happens,
where you go, or what you do,
always remember:
No one can take the fire out of your soul,
the stars from your eyes,
or the passion that's within your heart.
Those things belong to you, always.



Presidents Column

Signs of spring are showing up in spite of all the rain. The increased daylight hours due to "spring forward", I surely enjoy.

Let's get those Model A's stated up and checked out. In your **Resource Handbook** is a section "Model A Ford Lubrication & Periodic Maintenance". If you use this check off guide when you do your periodic maintenance, you will be sure to check all those important areas that can cause you problems "down the road". Usually when doing maintenance, issues are discovered and repaired, that will make your car more enjoyable and safer to drive.



If you run across issues during your periodic maintenance that you are unsure of, contact one of the SWAT Team Members: (Special Work and Tools). They will help you take the next step.

Now that we are hopefully getting some good weather, it is time to think about taking your Model A on a tour. There are some important guidelines that each Member needs to review before joining a tour. In the Beaver Chapter Membership Roster 2017 on pages 40 & 41 are the **Touring Rules**. It makes the tours safer and more enjoyable if we follow these guidelines.

The March tour to Jack Lorangers' hot glass studio was a great success as reported by Gene Scott the winner of the raffle. I have heard many good reports about this tour and we owe Andrew Jackman a big Thank You for leading it.

The Portland Swap Meet is April 7, 8, 9, and the duty rosters have been filled out. Be sure to get to the Duty Office early so that you will be at your station in time. Remember the penalties for the club are serious for any of our stations that are not manned. We cannot afford "no shows"!!!!

We have a Beaver Chapter booth at the swap meet. It is located In Hall D stall number 4261. Please spend some time at the booth and meet people. You will find chairs there, and it is a good place to take a break. Put on a smile and join the fun.

Richard Starkweather – President

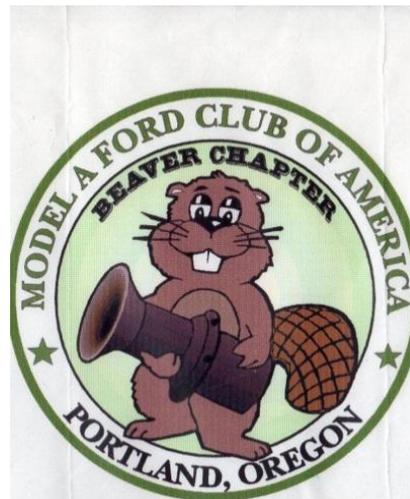
TINY TIP: Question - Timing: I cannot detect a detent in my timing gear with my timing pin. A recent overhaul which replaced the timing gears must have overlooked this provision. Anyway it seems I will have to locate the TDC of cylinder #1 manually through the spark plug hole. my question... which cylinder is cylinder #1? I cannot find any reference to cylinder designation in any of my literature. is #1 next to the fan or next to the firewall? thanks for clarifying.

Answer: #1 cylinder is the front cylinder behind the fan. The detent in some of the timing gears is not very pronounced. With #1 piston at the very top of the cylinder, insert the pin in the timing gear cover and then use the fan blade to move the crank back and forth (may need to tighten the fan belt) to locate the detent. It sometimes helps to grind a sharper tip on the pin to help locate the detent. Hopefully your timing gear was installed in the correct position with the crank gear.

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. A \$5.00 late fee charged after January 1st for renewals.

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.

Make check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit membership application to the Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send them to Dale Fiedler, PO Box 428 Sandy, OR 97055.

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."

MAFCA dues are \$40.00. Mail to: MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress Ave., La Habra, CA 90631.

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Articles and contributions for the newsletter is encouraged and will be used as space and time permits. **The deadline is the fourth Wednesday of each month unless announced otherwise.** Correspondence should be sent directly to the Editor: jadadaja@msn.com or mailed to 895 Hazelwood Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045. Other newsletters may reprint article as long as credit is given to the author and *The Ahooga News*.

Beaver Chapter Web Site: <http://beaverchapter.shutterfly.com/>

Refreshments for the club meeting:

April - Pam McClafin and Terry Findley; **May, July and September need volunteers!**



The Ahoooga News



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This 1931 Victoria is owned by Beaver Chapter Member Bob Hugo

April Fools have come and past, you're the biggest fool at last.

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