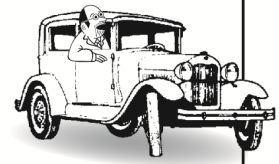
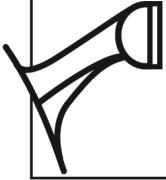


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Upcoming Club Events:

Our November 5th meeting will be held at Chiquilla's Mexican restaurant on 428 Ash St. starting at 5:30 p.m.

Next meeting: December 3rd at Wheatland Village Board Room starting at 5:30 p.m. Catered Dinner

Nov 11, Veterans Day

Coffee Group- Thursdays at Don Gibbard's and meets at 9:00 a.m. unless other-wise noted



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Hat Rock Invitational 2024

The October Annual Tri-Club Tour to Hat Rock State Park in Oregon was a fun day with great weather for the event. The Walla Walla Sweet A's, Pendleton Blue Mountain A's, and the Columbia Basin A's were joined this year by the Volcano A's out of Vancouver WA. In all, we had 13 Model A's from the four clubs attend. We shared a picnic lunch with some potluck dishes and Jim Smootz cooked up hot dogs in a creative display of Dutch oven cooking.



We traveled through Athena and the wheat fields of Eastern Oregon and then down into the Columbia River basin. It was a relaxing view of the region. Harry and Barbara Buckwalter and their grandson met us at the park.

The Volcano A's came a day early and spent a short time before the lunch touring Harry's collection of cars and trucks. After lunch some of us had a meeting with Jack Remillard concerning the 2026 National Meet in Pendleton. We took time to take some pictures before we left for home.



The Volcano A's ended up leaving one behind due to electrical problems. Thanks to the Buckwalter's' for hosting an overnight and Bill Geurts for helping with the troubleshooting. The next day Gary was on the road headed for Vancouver.



President's Message

November 2024

The year is fast disappearing on us! It seems that we just rang in the new year 2024 and now it is time for winter holidays and colder weather. When it comes to Model A club activities, don't forget the annual Veterans Day Parade on November 11th, which is on a Monday this year. We will publish the meeting and staging information when we get it. There will also be several Christmas light parades that will be hosted by Walla Walla and other municipalities.

The annual Christmas party will be held December 3rd at Wheatland Village. We will discuss the details at Tuesday's meeting. Also, at the Tuesday meeting, we will be nominating officers for 2025.

Lastly, as it now gets dark earlier and with more rainy weather, please remember to drive safely.

Bill Geurts

Veterans Day Parade

This year's Veterans Day parade will take place on Monday, November 11th, in Walla Walla. Staging will be as usual along Alder St and the many side streets from 5th west. When we have exact placement and a number, we will let you know. This is generally a cold parade so bundle up and bring blankets. The parade starts promptly at 11:00 a.m.

Oil your horns! It is embarrassing when they squeak instead of honk.



Meacham for Lunch

On a beautiful October morning five Model A's and their owners made their way up old Cabbage Hill highway past Immigrant Springs and into Meacham to a quaint little restaurant and community store for lunch. Ten of us had a great time sight seeing and enjoying the fall weather. We were joined by Glen Rohde from the Blue Mountain A's. After lunch we checked out the history of Meacham and then on our way home we stopped at a seldom seen view point overlooking the Squaw Creek area of the Blue Mountains. The 120 mile round trip took most of the day with NO breakdowns! All had a great time and the food was excellent!



MEETING MINUTES, OCTOBER 1, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Bill Geurts.

New members and visitors: None

Officers Present: President Bill Geurts Vice President Dave Wirth Secretary/ Treasurer Kathy Kopf

Board Members Present: Steve Plucker, Nonda Gibbard Jeannie Plucker - Past President

Board Member Absent: Dave Baughman, Ron Johnson,

Minutes: Don Gibbard moved to accept the minutes with the date correction from 10/16 to 10/19 for Hat Rock Joint Tour. Second Debbi Bethel Motion Passed

Correspondence: Enduring A's Swap Meet (Flyer) in November and Restorer Magazine

Treasurer's Report: Don Weaver moved to accept the treasurer's report. Second Debbi Bethel Motion Passed.

Third Wednesday Lunches

- Pop-Up Tour October 10, Meacham Oregon meet at Plaza Safeway 10:00
- October 16, Gas Up Bring a lunch, meet at Plaza Safeway 9:30 November 20, Denny's at 11:30 check out for possible meeting location
- December 19, skipping because of the holidays

Reports: Tom Carlyle reported on Wheeling Walla Walla, there were five cars from the club and Barbara Birt received a Judges Choice Trophy. Don Gibbard reported on the NWRG Tour there were no breakdowns and the rubber chicken was not given out. More information in the newsletter sent out October 1, 2024.

It was reported that Dave Baughman took his car to the Ft Walla Walla Truck Show.

December 3, 2024 Christmas Party. Nonda Gibbard asked how much the total dinner cost should be, Marty Bray will be putting a menu together for the discussion at the November meeting. The club will pay \$10.00 per person the same amount the club paid last year, per person cost \$30.00 for a total dinner per person of \$40.00. Discussion on gift exchange was tabled until the November meeting.

Hat Rock Joint Tour with Columbia Basin and Blue Mountain

A's also the Volcano A's. Plan on bringing lunch. Please watch for Email with further information.

Coffee on Thursday at Don Gibbard's house. Tuesday at Dave Kopf's garage (heated). Please watch your text messages for changes, if you do not receive a text and would like to receive a text contact Don Gibbard to have your name added.

Don Gibbard reported the NWRG Tour in 2025 will be in Grant Pass, Oregon Everyone should go even if you do not take your Model A. National Tour in 2026 will be in Pendleton Oregon,

Shop Updates: Tom Carlyle, Don Gibbard, Steve Plucker, Dave Wirth, Barbara Birt and Don Weaver.

Raffle: Dale Hoffman \$18.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Kopf - Secretary

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dave Baughman	Nov 2		
Greg Hoffman	Nov 10	Happy Anniversary!	
Don Weaver	Nov 12		
Gene Petersen	Nov 23	Jim & Barbara Beard	Nov 14
Kelly Cowden	Nov 27		



2024 Calendar Dates October - December

Meeting Dates

November 5

December 3 Christmas Party – Wheatland Village

3rd Wednesday Lunch Location

November 20 Denny's Walla Walla

December 19 Skip Holidays

Other events:

Veterans Day Parade November 11, 2024

Weekly Coffee Days 9:00 am

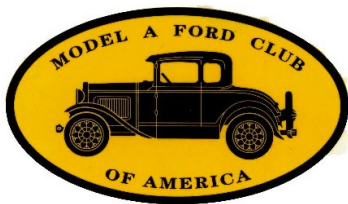
Tuesday Hank 1315 S 3rd

Thursday Don 1345 University

Please watch for text messages regarding changes.

It's election time!

It is time again to think about our officers for the coming year. We are always looking for strong leaders and people willing to step up and serve. If you are interested in being an Officer or Board Member please contact Bill Geurts. If you are contacted and asked to fill a spot on our roster of officers, please consider saying Yes. Any volunteer club is only as good as its leadership.



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Brookdale Pop-up Car Show



The Model A club was invited to display our cars at Brookdale Retirement Village on Dalles Military Rd. The residents were encouraged to view the cars and we visited with many of them and heard their stories. Since we were together for coffee on a Tuesday, we decided to drive over after coffee and spend an hour or so with the residents. We met several of the staff and because the facility has been undergoing remodeling, we took time to tour the building and check out some of the remodeled rooms. Who knows, this might be our next home! Cookies were served and we all had a good time.

Annual Holiday Party and meeting Dec. 3

This year's Holiday Dinner will be held in the Board Room of the Wheatland Village at 1500 Catherine ST, beginning at 5:30. The room is on the second floor and there is an elevator or stairs. The price will include the tax and gratuity. Our cost is \$30 and the club is paying \$10 per person for total of \$40.00. You won't find that kind of deal anywhere else in town!

If you are available to come early, we do need help setting up the room. Val will have decoration and could use help setting up. We hope to start setting up round 4:00pm. Also, we would appreciate everyone helping clean up afterwards which doesn't take long when we're all helping.

We will have pitchers of water available to drink, but if you'd like to bring a bottle or two of wine or sparkling cider (like we usually do) we thank you. Several members will be bringing a dessert so don't over eat and not have room for the sweets!

Because it is a residential place, please ONLY use the parking spots available for visitors. There should be plenty of curb parking. We hope to have more information at our November meeting.