Rogers Spreads Christmas Cheer at the Tree Farm:

In case you have missed it, Tom Rogers, his wife Sherry and Dan Betts have created an amazing Christmas Tree farm just outside of the bustling town of Cave Junction. For them it is more of a labor of love and amazing side hobby than a method of paying the bills. When you go out to cut your perfect tree there, you will be greeted by Tom in his colorful jester’s hat and his bubbly warm demeanor. Tom naturally kickstarts the holiday magic. “A lot of people don’t seem as happy at Christmas now.” Tom says. “When they leave here, they leave with a smile. The kids like it and we want them to have fun.” And fun it is! You can either take a short stroll through the woods on nice trail to find your native tree, or go out to the field and cut a well-groomed work of art. Once you return with your tree, Sherry kindly awaits you in the warm, cozy shed offering hot cocoa and other treats. As you warm up by the woodstove visiting, you might notice some of Tom’s handywork; LED chandeliers made of Model A Ford Rims and wreaths hanging on the wall also made of discarded old rims. “If you have any old, unsafe rims, you can make yourself a lamp or Christmas wreath. They make great hose hangers too,” says Tom.

Their farm is full of ingenuity and charm, well worth the drive for us valley kids. Thanks, Tom, for all your hard work spreading cheer throughout the year rain or shine and sharing your kind spirit with everyone!
We had a great time at the Installation Banquet with 55 attending. The Silent Auction was a big success and a lot of fun. There were 25 items, some of which generated heated bidding contests, good-natured, of course! The bids totaled $281 which went to the club treasury. Many thanks to Mary O'Cain, whose donations prompted the idea for the Silent Auction, and donors Bill Hallows, Dale Waldron and Mike McKey. And thanks also to Bill and Dale for organizing the auction. It was such a success, we'll discuss doing it again next year at the meeting.

Our January 29 Last Tuesday get-together was a real treat! Eleven members braved the dreary and chilling fog for a rousing discussion of various Model A topics. Three Coupes in the parking lot were in full view of 6th Street traffic, and they attracted two passersby who came in to chat!

Mike McKey has been working out the details for the Dunsmuir Tour, May 17-19. Tour information was emailed on the 21st and motel info on the 28th. It is all backroads except a four to five mile stretch near the border. Give Mike a call if you have any questions.

I would like to see if there’s any interest in doing a spring shakedown cruise in April after it warms up a bit. It would be a local short run, maybe 20 miles, to make sure everything is running smoothly. We’ll discuss it at the meeting.

We’re headed to VS Custom Hats, 216 E Pine St, Central Point after our meeting this month on the 9th. Don’t miss out, it’s an amazing place!

John
Tour Schedule – from Tom Rogers

February 9 – The Hat Shop; 216 Pine Street, Central Point, OR. Come and see how they are made at his new location. This is an interesting and rarely seen art of hat making!

March 9 – Gary Peterson’s Tractor, Auto and memorabilia collection; Grants Pass, OR.

Upcoming Events Information Bulletin

Rogue Valley to Dunsmuir, CA Tour: Start thinking about this great multi-club, 3-day tour on backroads from the Rogue Valley to Yreka the first day, then on to Dunsmuir the second day. Dates for this tour are May 17-19, 2019. Enjoy the scenery on backroads through various mountain and farm lands. See the Scott Valley, Etna, and Dunsmuir, where history abounds and good times await traveling with your friends in an old car, or your modern! Reasonable hotel reservations can be made thanks to Mike McKey. Look for the information and room rates emailed you or attached and be sure to mention you are part of the Henry's Lady tour.

The upcoming 2019 Oregon Tour: The Oregon Tour is to be headquartered out of Cottage Grove, Oregon this year. This is designed as a “keep it simple tour” intended to keep expenses down. We have a great time touring, meeting new people and seeing different parts of Oregon on the back roads that most do not see. We have Model A's, T's Horseless Carriages and a few modern cars. The whole idea is to have fun. We have children as well as old folks, so it is a nice blend of people. Applications should be out in January for the July 11-14 event. Stay tuned for more details to come!

Last Tuesday Social (February 26): Join us for our monthly social get together. We are getting together just to get the Model A’s out of the garage, chat, kick tires, etc. You can have lunch, a snack, or just come and visit. We always have a good time! Last month we changed our location to the Dairy Queen at the north end of town, just past Les Schwab Tires on Sixth Street. The address is 1674 NW 6th Street. No need to RSVP, just come if you can!

2019 Tour Schedule: Tom Rogers has agreed to be our tour coordinator again for this next touring season. He would greatly appreciate any ideas for tours and assistance coordinating those logistics. If you have a great idea for a tour and can help our club see new things or provide a benefit to the community and local businesses through display of our old cars, let Tom know so he, you and the club can work to pull it together for a fun time to be had by all. Tom’s home number is on the second page of this newsletter. He’d be happy to hear from you. Let’s brainstorm and have a great summer tour lineup!
**Henry’s Lady Photo Gallery:** We have a lot of new folks with cars in the club recently. Our club webmaster would love to include a photo of your car for the photo gallery. Simply submit a photo to Rick Black at webmaster@henryslady.org. Include who’s car it is, the year and body style. It’s a nice collection of pictures for others to see and enjoy on the web. To see what is already posted, go to: [http://www.henryslady.org/photos.html](http://www.henryslady.org/photos.html)

**Annual New Year Banquet**

Henry’s Lady Members had a great turnout this year to the Grants Pass Golf Clubhouse where we all ate a great meal and socialized with one another. This year members held a silent auction where items were donated to the club in order to find new uses and create funding towards the club’s greater good. It was a double win! Also, the swearing in of new officers was held. Past president Bill Hallows did the swearing in of returning officers, John Firth (President), Kitty Waud (Secretary), Nancy Firth (Treasurer) and to Dale Waldron, our first-time officer in the position of Vice President. Congratulations to you all and thank you for your contributions to the club!

Also prior to the banquet, at the business meeting, the “Lucky Loser” raffle was held, where winners were Kitty Waud, winning a new muffler clamp courtesy of Aries Muffler, and Bob Fleischman who won a new lower radiator tube also courtesy of Aries Muffler. We also held a raffle for those who renewed their membership on time. Jerry Schulte was provided with one year free club membership! Congratulations and thanks to our generous donor!

**Club Apparel and Name Badges**

All members are encouraged to wear chapter jackets, hats and name badges to identify us to new members and the public. For name badges, contact Membership Chairman Chuck Green at 541-471-9214. Club hats can be purchased at monthly meetings and are $10. Henry’s Lady window decals are also now available for $1.50.

Although club members currently have many different styles of jackets and shirts, they all use the same logo. Our colors are maroon and tan. You can choose any style or color combination you wish. Our screen printer, Body Cover Design, will print our logo on any of the many types and styles of apparel they carry, or on your new shirt or sweatshirt purchased elsewhere. They are located at 420 SW H St in Grants Pass or give them a call at (541)471-1504.
Henry’s Lady History
A SHORT HISTORY OF OUR CLUB  
BY: NANCY FIRTH
Most everyone with an interest in Model A’s is familiar with the book Henry’s Lady, by Ray Miller. Henry’s Lady Chapter was named after that book.

George and Darleen Stoker moved from Oceanside, California to the Illinois Valley about 30 miles south of Grants Pass in 1980. They soon joined the Caveman Vintage Car Club (CVCC) in Grants Pass, but at that time there was not a Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) chapter in this part of the state. As they reminisced about their friends and happy times with the Palomar A’s, they decided to form a new MAFCA chapter in the Cave Junction and Grants Pass area. It didn’t take Darleen long to come up with a name. Henry’s Lady seemed the perfect choice because on the cover of the book is a photo of their 1929 phaeton with George as the driver of the car and Darleen in the seat behind him. The passengers were their friends Doc and Meredith Morton, also of Palomar A’s. The picture was taken going 35 mph passing by their home on the Skyline Drive in Oceanside.

Before too long, George and Darleen’s friends from California came up to visit. Several liked it so well they also bought property in the Illinois Valley and became charter members of the Henry’s Lady Chapter. The charter members are: George and Darleen Stoker, Richard and Dorothy Allen, Steve and Pauline Currie, Jim and Nancy Quinlan, and Art and Nancy Stradley. Richard Allen and Steve Currie are current members, both widowed, still living in the Carlsbad, California area.

The chapter was chartered in 1983, and soon after that Darleen became ill and later passed away. For sentimental reasons, George didn’t have the heart to get the MAFCA chapter off the ground. He later moved out of the area, but before leaving, he asked some of his CVCC friends who owned Model A’s to fulfill his dream of making Henry’s Lady an active Model A club. So, in 1988 we started meeting informally. In 1993, after having been asked to host the 1996 NW Regional Meet, our first officers were elected, and bylaws were adopted.

The 1996 meet was a great deal of work, but it was a huge success and a very rewarding undertaking. We had a core group of about 25 people, many of whom had never attended a regional meet, who planned the various activities that took place the third week of June in that year. The entire club membership, which was around 45 couples at that time, came out in force to help with the various activities. We had about 225 registrations, which equates to roughly 450 people and around 200 Model A’s roaming around Grants Pass for the better part of a week! People came from as far away as Vancouver, British Columbia and San Diego, California.

In 2013 we celebrated 30 years as a MAFCA chapter and received a Chapter Longevity Award at the NW Regional Meet in Bend that September. We truly have a lot to celebrate as we drive our beloved Model A’s as much as we can, promote their restoration and preservation, and continue to enjoy our wonderful community of Model A friends!

Editor’s Note: I asked Nancy to put something together on the history of the club for our 30th anniversary and as usual she did a great job. I'm sure the club will still be around in another 30 years and Nancy will probably be there to write that history too. After all, she was there (with John) in 1988 for those informal meetings. I figure she was about 7 at the time. ~ Mac MacDougall  2013

Henry’s Lady Meeting Minutes
Henry’s Lady’s Business Meeting of 1/12/19

Call to order @9:30 AM  Welcome Gary Peterson’s guest Bill Andrews and members Mary O’Cain, Ann Tarski, Mary Anne Kightlinger and Joeann Murphy whom we have not seen in a while.

John thanked all the past committee chairs and officers.
Signup sheets circulated for 2019 refreshments. Hats & decals for sale
Birthdays and Anniversaries acknowledged.
Secretary's report motion to accept minutes as published by Art Peary & sec by Jerry Schulte.
Treasurer's report motion to accept by Kitsy Wikkerink and sec by Bill Hallows.

Sunshine:
Vito Maurantonio is in the hospital and Chuck Green had recent hip surgery. Lou Murphy is in Noble Heights foster home now. Jim Martin passed away on December 12. The family is planning a celebration of life, date to be determined.
Newsletter still needs articles. Thanks to Todd for such a great job.
Librarian: Art Peary gave a tech talk on a company that does quality work. It is called Renters Corner. He knows the website if you want it.
2019 Tours are still in the making.

Old Business: none

New Business:
1. Recognition of the Mike Wing memorial contribution to MAFFI was received. Jim Martin passed away. There was discussion whether the club should continue to make memorial contributions of $25 to MAFFI (according to our bylaws) or join with Rogue Valley A's to donate a brick in his memory. Grace Peary made a motion to continue as previously. Dave Williams seconded the motion and all agreed to continue our previous commitment.
2. The Great Race is coming to our area June 26. It will stop overnight in Grants Pass on June 26, leaving from Riverside, Calif and heading to Tacoma, Wash. Larry Fuller mentioned they will drive right by their house and they might host a barbeque if the club is interested. This race involves all types of cars. There is a request for volunteers to help with this event. Herb suggested we invite Jon Bowen to our next meeting to explain what is needed. John will do this.
3. Mike McKey offered information about a tour to Dunsmuir. This will take place May 17-19. The group will meet in Grants Pass and travel to meet with the Medford group. Then they will head to Yreka. All meals will be on your own. This is a tour on the old hwy and they plan to see the railroad museum. Mike will ask the Rogue Valley model A club, and the Siskiyou Model A club & the Redding Rambling A's to join the tour. Let Mike know if you are interested.
4. The first weekend of June is a yard sale in Scott Valley, California.
5. In July there is a Model T Oregon tour out of Cottage Grove. All cars should be pre 1932. Grace asked about if applications are needed for this and the Dunsmuir tour. Mike will look into and share next month.
6. Kitsy made a motion to pay our $10 NW Regional Group annual dues and $75 to MAFCA for chapter liability insurance. Bill Hallows sec and all were in favor.
7. Nancy shared that of the 59 in our club, 39 paid their dues by December 31 and that is a big improvement. Those 39 will be entered in the drawing today for free 2019 membership.
8. Jerry Schulte thanked the club for the participation in the annual Josephine County Historical Society Christmas event. Cindy English also expressed appreciation from JoCoHS.
9. John asked for help with the audit committee. Bob Fleischman volunteered.
10. Mileage program now has Dale to keep track of and he will submit end of the year. Lucky Losers drawing: Bob Fleishman won a radiator pipe. Kitty Waud won a muffler clamp. Thanks to Joe Davis who donated both items.

Drawing for free Henry's Lady membership for a year was won by Jerry Schulte. 50/50 raffle collected $31, $16 to winner Steve Hodges and $15 to club treasury. 43 members were present.
Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM all driving out to the golf club for annual banquet and installation of new officers. Respectfully submitted, Kitty Waud, Secretary
A card was sent via Pam from Henry’s Lady to Bob Hughes wishing him well. Chuck seems to be getting around some and should be at the meeting. Please call Pam Green at 541-471-9214 if you know of someone in the club who could benefit from our thoughts and prayers to get through illness or adversity. We will respect the need for privacy. Our desire is to help without being intrusive.

**2018 Refreshments**

February – Tom Rogers
March – Bob and Wanda Fleischman
April – Bill and Mary Hallows
May – Dave Williams
June – Volunteer Needed
July – Volunteer Needed
August – Vern and Dotty Pearson
September – Steve and Jackie Hodges
October – Mike and Debbie McKey
November – Bob and Kelly Perry

**Birthdays**

Mary Anne Kightlinger 2/8
John Addison 2/10
Ray Franze 2/10
Dotty Pearson 2/11
Todd Calvert 2/11
Marianne Peterson 2/13
Bill Hallows 2/21
Roger Huffman 2/24

**Anniversaries**

Ed & Cindy English 2/1/63
Rick & Dana Black 2/14/82
Mike and Paula Stitt 2/15/14
Bob and Rusty Wall 2/27/57

Best Wishes Everyone!

**Technical Tips and Advice ~**

Following are a few clips from the Ford Bulletins. Enjoy!

Model A Fuel Mileage Dreams:

Thirty miles to the gallon were built into the Model A Ford at the factory and, while the “old grey mare” may not now be all she used to be; it is still possible for some Model A owners to get over 20 miles to the gallon in level country and over 15 miles to the gallon in hilly country.

Tests by the Ford Motor Company (in 1930) of a Tudor Sedan and a full passenger load of 750 pounds, under conditions met by the average driver, showed:

32 miles per gallon at 15 miles per hour
29 miles per gallon at 25 miles per hour
28 miles per gallon at 30 miles per hour
22 miles per gallon at 40 miles per hour

![Fig. 539. U. S. Tire Pressure Gauge](image)

To meet individual preference both Schrader and U. S. tire pressure gauges are furnished. These gauges are guaranteed for accuracy. Model A recommended tire pressure shown on gauges. Either make $1.50.
Model A and B Distributor Prices:
Original = $120 No Core = $170
Modern = $110 No Core = $160

Model A Body Style Quiz
1. What body style included white wall tires from the factory?
2. Which body style was not made in a Ford plant?
3. Which models do not have roll-up windows?
4. Which style had landau irons?
5. Which body style had an oval side window?
6. What closed-car body style does not have a sun visor?
7. What style or model sold the most?
8. How many doors does a Victoria have?
9. How many years did they make the Model A?
10. Which models have a black radiator shell?

Classified Ads:

FOR SALE: 1931 Town Sedan.
1931 late slant windshield 4-door sedan has a $3000 balanced Model C engine, overdrive 1956 Ford Pickup steering, alternator. Updated mechanical brakes, restored 20 years ago excellent driver. Asking $22,500 or best offer. Contact: MEL TAORMINO, Grants Pass Oregon Mobile: 541 472-8057 Home: 541-761-5950

FOR SALE: 1925 Model T 4-door sedan
Asking $12,000. See attached flyer attachment for details. Contact Jim Ryan @ 916-988-3932 or email jkryan15@comcast.net

WANTED: If you have spare parts to sell, need parts or would like your car listed in the newsletter, please contact the newsletter editor with a descriptive email. Also, the webmaster can list parts on our website under “Haves and Wants”. ~Thanks

MODEL ‘A’ PROTOTYPES

First Pictures of the New Ford Car
spray paint details
TOMORROW at Ford salesrooms

This early 1928 Fordor Sedan was shown at the Industrial Exposition in New York. It features a celluloid visor, cowl vents, and a more intricate pin striping pattern on the body and hood.

This 1930 Coupe prototype was never put into production. Notice the longer-than-normal door and the absence of windshield visor and quarter windows, features that eventually appear in the 1932 Ford Deluxe Coupe.
COMING EVENTS

Did you renew your membership for 2019?

February 9th – Business meeting (9:30) and Tour to the Hat Shop in Central Point

February 26 – Dairy Queen Social Event

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