



THE RATTLIN RAG

TREASURE VALLEY MODEL A
FORD CLUB OF AMERICA



Legacy of Love

Debra and Duane Clayton

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No matter if you are 2 or 102 you can appreciate the love and hours of hard work put into restoring an old Model A car. When you look at the pure, unadulterated joy on the faces of the grandchildren and great grandchildren of Glen and Wilda Clayton, you know there is something special about grandpa's collection of Model A and AA Cars.

Glen even courted the love of his life in a 29 coupe. It must have worked, that handsome young man and his beautiful bride have celebrated 70 years together. Glen's dream was to restore enough A and AA cars and trucks to be able to take his whole family on wonderful joyous adventures. For nearly 50 years, since the mid-1970s when Glen began his lifelong hobby and passion, there have been 'Man Trips' traveling and camping with 4 generations of Clayton men. Countless parades, with many family drivers, has brought joy to the faces of numerous children and adults alike, as well as awards and blue ribbons. Family Reunions with generations driving and riding in Grandpa's cars. Even 'Lady Trips' where daughters in law and granddaughters have become certified Model A drivers. (continued pg. 4)

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Tours in August and September

PTOMAINE TOUR / MANIFOLD TOUR:

August 19 - Meet at Hightower's at 9:15 a.m., departing at 9:45 a.m. Tour will be about 60 miles with lunch (from the package you cooked on your Manifold) and last about 3 1/2 hours. More information on pages 8 and 9.

71st ANNUAL MCCALL/NEW MEADOWS TOUR:

September 1-4 - Base is the New Meadow's Heartland Inn with activities in and around McCall. Arrive as early as possible on Friday to participate in many great activities, including a social evening at Lardo's. Saturday is the tour to Roseberry with a stop at Charlie's Garden and spaghetti dinner at the Heartland Inn. Sunday is the parade and car show in McCall. Monday depart the beautiful mountains for your home. Questions? Contact Lora Eggen and Gary McNary.

NORTHWEST REGIONAL MEET, VICTORIA, B.C.

September 18-22 - Call Rob Spofford if you are going so you can coordinate travel plans.

2023 TVMAC Officers

- President: Rob Spofford
- Vice President: Elvin Hightower
- Secretary: Lora Eggen
- Treasurer: Arlan Potts
- Membership: Arlan Potts
- National Rep: Jim Borchers
- Sunshine Committee: Joanie Calhoun
- Lady A's: Stephanie Stapleton
- Newsletter: JoAnn Blout

CONSTITUTION TOUR in EAGLE, IDAHO:

September 23 - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Farmer's Market. The City has given us space to park about 18 Model A's and a Booth to promote our Treasure Valley Model A Club. This celebrates the signing of the U. S. Constitution in 1787. Craig McClintock is organizing this activity and has great ideas based on his extensive research. Watch for more information. Plan to volunteer your help and bring your Model A.

PATRIOT DAY:

September 10 - Car Show at Valley View Retirement Center, 10:00a.m. - 1:30 p.m. No entry fee but limited space. Call 208 327-1055 to reserve your spot. BBQ, Raffle, and family entertainment. Contact Jim Borchers for more information.

Deadline for pictures, stories, flyers, current events, etc. in next month's The Rattlin' Rag is: **Monday, September 18, 2023**
Please email to JoAnn Blout

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1 FFF McCall Tour	2 McCall Tour
3 McCall Tour	4 McCall Tour	5	6	7	8 FFF	9
10 Patriot Car Show	11	12	13	14 Club Meeting	15 FFF	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 FFF	23 Eagle Tour
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



Above pictures are FFF at Arby's August 4th.



Rob and Connie: FFF at Carl's Jr.
Report they were there alone due to HEAT.

Local Events:

Mechanics Garage:

Hightower's Garage: call Elvin to schedule the day and time to get expert help with your project.

Next Club Meeting

September 14, 2023, Bob's Restaurant & Lounge, 1411 Shilo Drive, Nampa, Idaho 83687 Dinner at 6:00 p.m., Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

August Ptomaine Poisoning Tour

Save the date: August 19, 2023

Fast Food Fridays in August

August 18: Arctic Circle, 3108 Cleveland Blvd, Caldwell

August 25: Sonic, 4936 N Linder Rd, Meridian

September 1: Carl's Jr, 1212 12th Ave Rd, Nampa

September 8: Tin Roop Tacos, 1750 W McMillan Rd, Meridian

September 15: Arctic Circle, 145 S Plummer Way, Star (hard to find)

September 22: Sonic, 1535 S Celebration Ave, Meridian

September 29: In N Out Burger, 3520 E Fairview, Meridian (Open?)

Meet at 6:00 p.m. for a meal or dessert and an opportunity to socialize with other Club members. (Ladies — No cookie.m.ng or Dishes

PTOMAINE POISON TOUR

Ron Mahan is leading the August "Ptomaine Poison Tour" on August 19th. Plans include meeting at Hightower's Shop at 9:15 a.m. and leaving at 9:45. Using back roads we will drive toward Melba, on to the Snake River Scenic Drive, then head to Lake Lowell for our lunch. After lunch we will wonder back to Hightower's and then home. The tour should be about 60 miles and last about 3 1/2 hours, hopefully in the cooler part of the day.

For those who don't know what a "Ptomaine Poison Tour" is, the idea is to AVOID food poisoning while cooking your meal on the Model A Ford manifold. See recipes and instructions on pages 8 and 9.

LEGACY OF LOVE (continued)

Glen and Wilda have been members of the Treasure Valley Model A club for a long time, taking many trips and adventures with lifelong friends. Often the club would visit Nursing and Retirement homes, taking the residents on a joyful journey to the past. One visit to 'Glen's Toy Box' and you will no doubt see how serious this lifelong hobby is. Each family member seems to have their favorites. Even little 3-year-old Finn will adamantly let you know which one he prefers.

At 90 years young, Glen is still living that dream. To date he is working on numbers 21 and 22 with grandsons Seth and Tyrone, imparting his many years of knowledge. He has restored enough Model A and AAs to be able to be passed down to each grandson in the family. A True Legacy of Love.



NELSON'S PICKUP RESTORATION PROJECT

Many years ago Marilyn and I traveled to Wenatchee to look at a Model A 1930 pickup.

The owners had named the pickup Harley, which was my grandfather's name. My dad was born in 1930 and his first car was a Model A, so we bought the truck and brought it home.

The pickup needed a lot of body and mechanical work, so it became a long project to make it reliable and presentable. During the rebuild process, with the help of Glen Clayton and Elvin Hightower, we rebuilt the differential and installed a Mitchel overdrive. At a later date I added a motor and transmission.

In March I finally loaded up the chassis and body parts and hauled it to Elvin's shop. We began to put the body onto the frame with help from Rob Spofford. After a lot of work, the body was installed and we were ready to fire it up. It started immediately and sounded perfect!

New upholstery is being worked on in a shop in Emmett and should be done soon. We have had a lot of family and friends recently, so the remaining things that needed finishing were delayed, but we hope to have it on Club drives this summer.

I would like to thank everybody who showed up at the shop to help with the project. The long list includes Elvin, Rob, Glen, Norm, Jeff, Sam and Hal. There were a few others that I am sure I failed to recall. I would especially like to thank Elaine for her patience while we worked in the shop and took Elvin away from his projects.

I did learn that with the help of friends this huge project was made much easier. Thanks everybody for your many hours of assistance.

Chuck Nelson





Story and Pictures provided by
Chuck Nelson.
We are looking forward to seeing
your beautifully rebuilt pickup on
our club tours and activities!

We would love to share the story
of your Model A's rebuild or
restoration.
Send your story and pics to JoAnn.





THANKS TO MEMBERS WHO ARE MECHANICS

Susan Winkler is one of a few of our Lady A's who owns and drives her own Model A. She and her daughter Tori participate in our tours and activities. When cars develop mechanical problems our Lady A's ask for help from our TVMAC men. Susan wants to give a huge THANK YOU to the men who recently traded out her engine! She mentioned Elvin, Rob, Chuck and Lou but knows others helped too, She apologized for those names she forgot.

Every woman's dream is that a man will take her in his arms, throw her into bed and clean the house while she sleeps.

August

PUNOGRAPHY

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity.
 I can't put it down.
 Why were the Indians here first?
 They had reservations.
 What does a clock do when it's hungry?
 It goes back 4 seconds.
 How does Moses make his tea?
 Hebrews it.
 Class trip to the Pepsi factory.
 I hope there's no pop quiz.
 Energizer Bunny arrested:
 Charged with battery.
 Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
 I did a theatrical performance about puns.
 It was a play on words.
 PMS jokes are not funny. Period!
 Broken pencils are pointless.

EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60 —

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface where you have plenty of room on each side. With a 5 lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, then relax. Each day you will find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer. After a week, move up to 10 lb potato bags. Then try 50 lb potato bags, and eventually try 100 lb potato bags in each hand and hold your arms straight out for a full minute. (I'm at this level!) Once you feel confident at this level, put a potato in each bag...



Triple wrap each food package in aluminum foil.

Use enough foil to completely enclose the food, with enough left over to fold a flat seam the full length and across the ends of the package.

Then do it two more times. Seal each layer tightly.

Secure the foil-wrapped packages firmly to the exhaust manifold where the cooking heat will be the greatest using baling wire. You should already have plenty of wire in your tool box.

USE GLOVES to place the package and also for turning your package when required.

Cooking times are approximate so check you food before eating to assure it is done.

The engine block itself doesn't get hot enough to boil water but the manifold can easily top 400 deg.

Warning:

Do Not allow packages to interfere with the accelerator or distributor controls.

Do Not allow packages to short out your spark plug wires with the foil.

Install and turn packages only while the engine is off.

Finally, too much liquid can be a problem. Foil wrapped packages make a fine custom cooking vessel, but the owners manual does not provide instructions for basting the engine block.

Remember this method of cooking is more like braising than boiling or baking. The food is cooked in the hot juices or liquids inside the foil packages and not seared or baked on the manifold.

Enjoy and have fun cooking with your new cooking utensil.

Manifold Cooking Recipes

Hobo Stew

Punch a hole in the top of a can of soup or stew. Place the can on your manifold and leave it there for 30 minutes. Open the can and eat. Some crusty bread goes good with this delicacy.

Blackened Road Fish

1 lb. Firm white fish such as sole or halibut.

Spices of your choice, i.e. Cajun, Italian, etc.

Cover fish on both sides with spices, place on foil and cover with butter. Wrap tightly.

Cook about 24 minutes per side.

Rattle snake steak

4 tsp peppercorns

1 small strip steak 3/4 lb.

Crush the peppercorns with a mallet, tire iron or jack handle. Spread them over both sides of the steak pressing them in with your fingers. Cook for about 1/2 hour on each side.

More Recipes

Hot Dog Surprise

Hot dogs

Cheddar cheese or your choice

Bacon

Slice the cheese into hot dog length fingers. Cut a deep slit in each wiener and stuff a finger of cheese in. Wrap on the diagonal, like an old bias ply tire with the bacon. Seal in foil

These are great to stuff into those odd parts of the engine where you can't easily fit a turkey.

Cook 45 minutes until the cheese is melted and bacon is done.

These are very healthy and will only strengthen your vascular system.

Your could add a salad or slaw but why ruin it.

Roadkill Stew

1/4 lb meat, your choice snake, skunk, rabbit what ever you find. Cut into pieces.

3 vegetables of choice, i.e. potatoes, onions, carrots, etc cut into 1/2 " pieces

salt and pepper

Mix together and put into foil wrapped package. Place on the manifold and drive 1 1/2 hours turning once.

Playing chicken

2 chicken breasts, boned and butterflied

olive oil

1 green pepper

1 red pepper

1 yellow pepper

cilantro, optional

pepper and salt

At home. Pound each breast until thin. Slice peppers thinly and saute lightly in oil. Lay an assortment of peppers on each breast adding a few sprigs of cilantro and season. Flop each breast over in half to form a neat package and wrap separately in foil.

Cook 1 hour turning once 1/2 way.

Model A Pups

Sausages or Hot dogs

mustard

hot dog buns

Select those thick juicy sausages such as Polish, Brats, or Dogs with cheese in them.

Smear butter on foil and place sausages, as many as you can eat. Spread a little of the mustard over them and wrap tightly. You could also use Ketchup or salsa in place of mustard.

Important you wrap them tightly so the brown well. The butter also helps release them from foil.

Cook 1 to 1 1/2 hours.

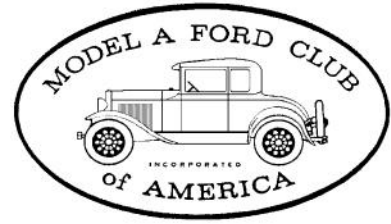
The Treasure Valley A's is a Model A Ford automobile club located in the Boise area of Idaho. We are dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Fords from 1928 through 1931 by the Ford Motor Company. Membership is not limited to owners and is open to anyone interested in preserving the memory of our past and the great impact that Henry Ford made upon the world with his Model A.

The Treasure Valley A's have had a long history in the city of trees. Many of the club's members have spent most of their lives here in the area. The club was formed around 1963 and its membership consisted of only eight couples and a few cars. Since then the club has grown to well over a hundred and thirty and is one of the most active antique car clubs in the state.

We would love to hear from you or even better, stop by our next event.

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