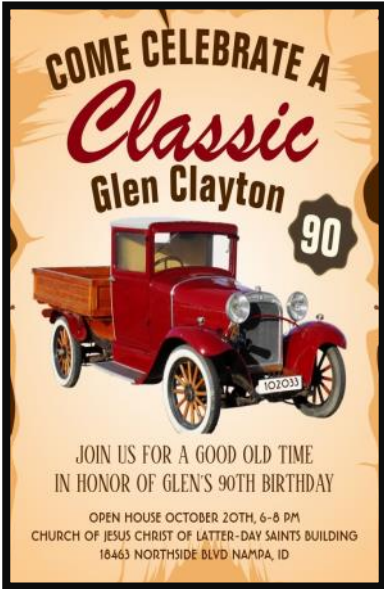




THE RATTLE 'RAG

TREASURE VALLEY MODEL A
FORD CLUB OF AMERICA



**Happy 90th Birthday
Glen Clayton**

Treasure Valley Model A Club members gathered with his family and friends to celebrate Glen's birthday. Those who attended were treated to pies and other delicious desserts.



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NOVEMBER 11 EVERY YEAR IS RECOGNIZED AS VETERANS DAY IN THE UNITED STATES

We honor all who have served or are serving in our Armed Forces. Thank you for protecting our country and our freedoms.

Boise celebrated Veterans Day with a parade downtown on November 4, 2023. For the second year in a row TVMAC member, Rob Harris, had the honor of driving Governor Brad Little in his 1930 Tudor Sedan at the beginning of the parade, right behind the Grand Marshal's car.

Rob purchased his car, "Lizzy", from Betty Maxey a few years ago. At that time he promised Betty he would continue the tradition of entering her in parades and car shows. He has won several trophies and plaques for his shiny, well decorated car.



Rob is a Veteran, who served in the U.S. Army from 1976 to 1979.

2023 TVMAC Officers

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

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

DECEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Club Meeting	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27	28	29	30
31 NEW YEARS EVE						

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: Christmas Party
 December 14, 2023, Bob's Restaurant & Lounge, 1411 Shilo Drive, Nampa, Idaho 83687 Dinner at 6:00 p.m., Short Meeting after dinner.
Christmas Party: December 14th,
 Prepaid \$12 per person, Tell Arlan your entry choice (ham or turkey) when you pay for dinner.
Polar Bear Run: January 1st.
 Watched for details from Howard Little.



Final FFF at DQ
 Judi Ornellas reports that whoever arrived first at the Meridian DQ moved tables into an L shape to accommodate the 20 members who came to enjoy the last FFF of the year. She also says there were at least 9 Model A's in the parking lot. A great group to visit with!



This location was large enough to accommodate our group of 20 with plenty of room for other patrons. Folks stayed to laugh and share stories.



MorningStar Car Show



This event at MorningStar Senior Living was a result of Arlan Potts responding to an email on our website wondering if we would be interested in doing a car show this fall. The event was organized by Lindsey Ferfig, Director of Community Relations at MorningStar.

It was a beautiful but chilly fall afternoon. There were 12 Model A's, 1 Model T, and 1 MG. The MG owner had a relative or friend living at MorningStar, so that's how he knew about the car show.



We enjoyed music, meeting residents, visiting with club members, and the refreshments provided by MorningStar. Those treats included root beer floats, pumpkin pie, and hot chocolate. Lindsey was one of the "cocoa ladies". There were numerous toppings for your hot chocolate.

Arlan mentioned that Lindsey had never been to a car show. Gary even took one of the residents for a ride in his Model T. What a treat for that nice gentleman!



More Car Show Pictures

Pictures and information courtesy
Judi Ornellas





Our Lady A's Plan Self Defense Class

Stephanie and Elaine are working together to organize a Self Defense Class for those in our group who are interested.

If we get at least 10 Lady A's to commit to attending the two hour class the cost will be significantly discounted to \$25 per person.

We will try for a weekday afternoon in February. Stay tuned for more details.

SUSAN WINKLER NEEDS HELP, PLEASE

Susan has developed a vision problem and can no longer drive her Model A.

First she needs someone to drive her car for at least 25 more miles so she can winterize her brand new engine, Of course, whoever volunteers to drive her car must be experienced in driving a Model A.

Second she needs someone to teach her daughter, Tory, how to drive her Model A. These lessons will probably take place next spring, after the winter weather is over. Thanks in advance for your help!



Thanksgiving List:

- 1) Spend \$200 on groceries
- 2) Take 2 days to prepare dinner with all the fixings
- 3) Dinner is eaten in 30 minutes or less
- 4) Take 5 hours to clean it all up

INSTEAD OF CLEANING MY HOUSE, I WATCH AN EPISODE OF "HOARDERS" AND WOW! MY HOUSE LOOKS GREAT.

I THINK I NEED PROFESSIONAL HELP: A CHEF, A MAID AND A HOUSEKEEPER SHOULD DO IT.

CONGRATULATION SAM STONE!

Sam Stone's photograph of his Model A is on the cover of MAFCA'S Restorer magazine's current issue. This is the second time one of Sam's photos has been on their cover!

This picture was taken in the Owyhee desert about 1 o'clock in the morning and is very distinctive because the headlights shine straight off the page. Congratulations Sam!



WHY DO WE CALL IT A 'RUMBLE SEAT'?

Nader Muaddi, who owns an upholstery shop, says Auto Upholstery shops that work on a lot of antique cars know that a “rumble seat” is a reverse trunk lid that opens to reveal a hidden bench seat in many old-school roadsters. But where did the term come from? I always assumed that the rumble seat got its name from being situated right above the mufflers, where a sporty roadster would unleash it’s rumble. Right?

Well, not so much. As it turns out, the term actually predates dual exhaust pipes. In fact, it predates cars altogether.

The “rumble seat” stems from the era of horse-drawn carriages. Back then a rumble seat was merely an uncovered seat frame attached to the back of a horse carriage that was intended for slaves or servants. This allowed rich folks to keep the help out of their leather-trimmed cabins and show them off as a symbol of their wealth.

The rumble that came to define the seat was caused by its location above a live axle with 40” wooden rims and no suspension. Combine that with several galloping horses pulling the carriage over rocky dirt roads and you can imagine how jarring the experience must have been.

After automobiles were introduced and gained popularity, the term “rumble seat” disappeared for many years. However, it reemerged when automakers started hiding bench seats in roadster trunks - which were situated right above noisy exhaust systems, which also caused a rumble.

It’s worth noting that some Americans also call a “rumble seat” a “mother-in-law seat” — which makes sense, because honestly, who hasn’t fanaticized about stuffing his mother-in-law in the trunk?

Although automakers no longer make rumble seats, the legacy continues to this day. They are the predecessors to your SUV’s fold away third-row seat.

The Hog Ring.com, September 2016.



UPCOMING TOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Model T Club invites TVMAC members to join them to enjoy the Christmas Lights drive through event at the Western Idaho Fairgrounds parking lot. They will meet December 2, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. to enjoy hot cocoa (bring your own cup with lid) and drive through the display while listening to your car radio at 6:30 p.m. After the Christmas Lights display they will go to Shari's for dinner.

Buy your tickets well ahead of December 2nd to be certain you get in the 6:30 p.m. event. The restaurant will also need a head count for dinner. Check your email for an email from Arlan Potts dated November 2 for more information or contact John Adamson for answers to your questions.

POLAR BEAR TOUR: Watch for plans for our annual Polar Bear Tour on Monday, January 1, 2024. Howard Little will be heading this tour.

4 BANGER 400 TOUR: Bob Mather is planning this tour and says the dates are July 22-23, 2024. One route will start in McCall, through Warm Lake, overnight in Stanley and end up back in McCall. Another route starts in Boise, goes to Warm Lake, over night in Stanley, and end up back in Boise. Lunch would be at a lodge in Warm Lake. Stay tuned for more details from Bob.

SMOOTH RIDERS TOUR: (Put on by the same group who did the Rough Riders Tour a couple of years ago) May 31-June 2, 2024. Tour will go from Walla Walla to Clarkston, Washington. Among other activities they are planning a Jet Boat trip in Hells Canyon. Jeff Caldwell is the contact for more information.

TREASURE VALLEY MODEL A CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

We will celebrate Christmas with our annual Dinner Party on December 14th at Bob's Restaurant beginning at 6:00 p.m. This is our usual date, location, and time as the monthly meetings.

Dinner will be your choice of Ham or Turkey with salad, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll, and dessert. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Please send your \$12 per person and entrée choice to Arlan before November 30, 2023.

Gift Exchange - If you wish to participate bring a wrapped gift. The limit is \$10. If you are a man bring a man gift. If you are a woman bring a woman gift.

Toys for Tots - If you wish to participate bring an unwrapped gift for a child. Toys will be delivered to an agency who will get them to the Marines.

Quilt Raffle - Tickets will be sold until just prior to the drawing. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

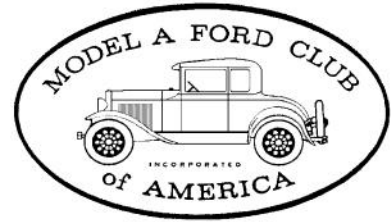
The Treasure Valley A's is a Model A Ford automobile club located in the Boise area of Idaho. We are dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Fords from 1928 through 1931 by the Ford Motor Company. Membership is not limited to owners and is open to anyone interested in preserving 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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