



**Willamette Valley Chapter**  
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Model A Ford



Club of America



SALEM, OREGON

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Restorers Club

**Next General Meeting, Heritage Center (Mission Mill), 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Card Room, Salem, OR**  
**Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 pm**

<b>President</b>	Gary LeMaster	<b>Historian</b>	
<b>Vice President</b>	Bob Myers	<b>Sunshine</b>	Ginny Giesbrecht
<b>Secretary</b>		<b>N.W.R.G.</b>	Tom Morrison
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	Lee Hardy	<b>Programs</b>	
	Fred Lissner		

**Swap Meet Committee** Lew Garrison, Gary LeMaster

**Newsletter Editors of the Month**

<b>January</b>	Hardy
<b>February</b>	Hardy
<b>March</b>	Hardy
<b>April</b>	Hardy/LeMaster
<b>May</b>	LeMaster
<b>June</b>	LeMaster
<b>July</b>	
<b>August</b>	LeMaster
<b>September</b>	LeMaster
<b>October</b>	LeMaster
<b>November</b>	
<b>December</b>	

**Board Meeting Dates after the General Meetings**

<b>January</b>	<b>21</b>	Annual Banquet
<b>February</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>March</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>April</b>	<b>5</b>	
<b>May</b>	<b>3</b>	
<b>June</b>	<b>7</b>	
<b>June</b>	<b>17</b>	Swap Meet
<b>July</b>		
<b>August</b>	<b>2</b>	
<b>September</b>	<b>6</b>	
<b>October</b>	<b>4</b>	
<b>November</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>December</b>	<b>8</b>	President's Luncheon

**Gary's Gab**

We had a great luncheon for Tom and Verna at the Big Little Roadhouse on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup>. There was a large crowd and Tom and Verna were very appreciative of the turnout. See the article within. October 6<sup>th</sup> is the seminar on the Model A trip across 5 continents ending at the MAFCA convention that year, taking place at the NW Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum (NWVCMM). Then on November 17<sup>th</sup>, the Albany Swap Meet takes place. The President's luncheon is on December 8<sup>th</sup> at the NWVCMM in Brooks. October is the month we start selecting Officers and Board Members for 2019. We will be asking members to step up and fill these positions. We need a Vice President, Secretary, three Board members and a Historian. In addition, we need your ideas for next year's programs and tours. It's going to be a busy fall. I hope to see you at these events.

Gary

Some material printed in this newsletter may have been borrowed from other publications. We wish to thank other clubs for sharing their newsletters with us. We are happy to share our articles and other information publication in their newsletters.

**For information about the club, please contact Gary LeMaster 503-393-6069**

## Minutes of the Willamette Valley Chapter Model A Ford Club of America Board of Directors Meeting Held September 6th, 2018

The September 2018 Board of Directors Meeting was held after the General Meeting. Again the primary discussion was about the low attendance to the General Meetings. We discussed the people required for seminar on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October. Finalization of the help needed will take place at the General Meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gary LeMaster, President.

### Cars For Sale

**1930 Ford Deluxe 4dr Phaeton** - Washington blue with Straw w/w wheels and pin striping. Restored over 15 years ago in excellent condition, runs well with excellent top. 6 volt with alternator. Hardened valves, new heavy duty radiator, and equipped with seat belts. Clear Oregon title. \$25,000. Contact Lew Garrison at 503-931-6072 or [lewscars@gmail.com](mailto:lewscars@gmail.com)



**1930 Model A Station Wagon. Model 150-B.** This car was built from scratch with mostly donated parts over the last five years. All the wood was hand crafted like the original in my shop. It has a rebuilt engine, transmission, differential, new tires, turn signals, seat belts, and new upholstery. It only has 200 miles on it since completion one month ago. Runs great! \$30,000. Tom Morrison, Salem 503-364-3090 or 503-559-9797.



# A RACE AGAINST TIME...



Imagine the buzz back in 1982. Judi McMillin Richter and some other intrepid drivers would be attempting a trip in their Model A Fords—a trip that could have been right out of a Hollywood movie. Wini Carter, a journalist for the Renton Reporter in Washington, reported that the cost per car would be an estimated \$19,000 (\$49,619 today)! 50 people had signed up, but the high cost kept all but eight people and four cars in the “Race Against Time!”

On **Saturday, October 6th, at 1pm**, the Willamette Valley Model A Ford Club presents Judi McMillin Richter at a special afternoon presentation. Come listen to Judi talk about her and fellow adventurers' experiences of 1982 at the [Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum](#) at Powerland Heritage Park in Brooks, Oregon. Judi will be sharing a special slide show of her photo collection along with memorabilia that chronicled her around the world journey of almost 40 years ago!

Admission to Judi McMillin Richter's presentation is \$5.00 at the door.

For more information, contact [Bob Myers](#). **Please reply with RSVP.**

**The Willamette Valley Model A Ford Club thanks the Northwest Vintage Car and Motorcycle Museum members for their hospitality!**



## **Tom & Verna Morrison**

Thirty members of our club met at the Big Little Roadhouse to wish Tom and Verna well on their move to Arizona. We had a great meal with equally great fellowship. Tom made it a point to come to each table to talk about old times, trips, tours and general items. The club presented them with gag gifts for their use in Arizona. Tom received a stethoscope with a plunger end for trouble shooting car problems. He promptly checked his heart and found everything OK. Verna received a walking stick with a trowel at one end for gardening and a wine glass at the other end to enjoy her favorite beverage while in the garden. Of course, this would not be complete without the bottle of wine attached to the stick. We also presented them with a plaque with the following caption. Everyone had a great time.

## **Tom & Verna Morrison**

For forty-one years of dedication and fellowship within the Model A hobby. Tom has unselfishly shared his expertise and knowledge with both members and non-members of the club as a mentor and teacher. He has been one of the first to lend a hand to anyone having a problem with their Model A. Verna has worked tirelessly organizing social events, tours, overnight lodging and in support of our annual swap meet. Together, this couple has been a moving force within our club.

Thank you, you will be missed.

Willamette Valley Model A *Ford* Club

## **The Importance of walking**

Walking can add minutes to your life. This enables you at 85 years old to spend an additional 5 months in a nursing home at \$7,000 per month.

My grandpa starting walking five miles a day when he was 60 years old. He's now 97 years old and we don't know where the hell he is.

I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

The only reason I would take up walking is so that I could hear heavy breathing again.

I have to walk early in the morning, before my brain figures out what I'm doing.

I joined a health club last year, spent about 400 bucks. Haven't lost a pound. Apparently you have to go there.

Every time I hear the dirty word 'exercise', I wash my mouth out with chocolate.

The advantage of exercising every day is so when you die, they'll say "Well, she looks good doesn't she."

If you are going to try cross-country skiing, start with a small country.

I know I got a lot of exercise the last few years ... Just getting over the hill.  
We all get heavier as we get older, because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.  
Every time I start thinking too much about how I look, I just find a Happy Hour and by the time I leave, I look just fine.

## **Albany Indoor Swap Meet**

Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Linn County Exposition Center  
Albany Oregon

Gates open 8:00 am Free Parking \$5 General Admission (on sale 7 am)(children under 16 Free)  
Old cars, car parts, vintage clothing and memorabilia  
Breakfast and Lunch available

### **Prepaid Vendors Only – Set up Time**

Friday night 5 pm – 8 pm  
Saturday allowed in 7 am  
Two vendor passes with each space purchased

10x10 spaces in HEATED buildings.....30.00  
10x18 UNHEATED space in ARENA AREAS.....30.00  
CAR CARROL in Building #2.....30.00  
(Drivable cars only – NO trailers)

FOR RESERVATIONS

Glen Osborn 541-928-1218  
5430 Winn Drive NW  
Albany, OR 97321

Questions and information: [albanyswapmeet@comcast.net](mailto:albanyswapmeet@comcast.net)

RESERVATION DEADLONE – NOVEMBER 7, 2018

## HOW TO CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU'RE OLD AND DON'T MOVE FAST ANYMORE

George Phillips, an elderly man, from Meridian, Mississippi, was going up to bed, when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light, but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" He said "No," but some people are breaking into my garden shed and stealing from me. Then the police dispatcher said "All patrols are busy. You should lock your doors and an officer will be along when one is available."

George said, "Okay." He hung up the phone and counted to 30.

Then he phoned the police again. "Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I just shot them." and he hung up.

Within five minutes, six Police Cars, a SWAT Team, a Helicopter, two Fire Trucks, a Paramedic, and an Ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence, and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said to George, "I thought you said that you'd shot them!"

George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

(True Story) I LOVE IT!

Don't mess with old people

## ***Upcoming Events and Tours!***

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| Oct 4  | Thur | General Meeting 7:00 PM<br>Mission Mill, Card room 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor  |
| Oct 6  | Sat  | Judy Richter – 5 Continent Tour Slide<br>Show 12:30 pm, NW Vintage Car &<br>Motorcycle Museum, Powerland Heritage<br>Center |
| Oct 8  | Mon  | Model A Breakfast, Sybil's Restaurant<br>2373 State Street, Salem, OR, 8:30 am  |
| Nov 1  | Thur | General Meeting 7:00 PM<br>Mission Mill, Card room 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor  |
| Nov 12 | Mon  | Model A Breakfast, Sybil's Restaurant<br>2373 State Street, Salem, OR, 8:30 am  |
| Nov 17 | Sun  | Albany Swap Meet, Linn County<br>Exposition Center, Albany OR, 8 am   |
| Dec 4  | Thur | General Meeting 7:00 PM<br>Mission Mill, Card room 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor  |
| Dec 8  | Sat  | President's Luncheon, 11:00 am NW<br>Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum  |
| Dec 10 | Mon  | Model A Breakfast, Sybil's Restaurant<br>2373 State Street, Salem, OR, 8:30 am  |



**The Connecting Rod**  
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