

# Rumbleseat Review

**May 2017** 

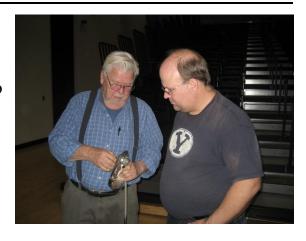


## Beehive A's - The Model A Ford Club of Northern Utah

### **Prez Message**

Greetings, my friends...

May is a month when we are reminded to look to our past and remember those who have gone before us. Memorial Day is May 29th. We will look back and remember those who have served in the Military or those who have known or loved someone who served our country...it is a time of remembrance of the sacrifices of others.



Ray and Dave in serious discussion

I work for Family Search, so I tend to "look to my past" quite a bit, but not just my past however to the past of this Great Country--my ancestors, my friends, and all those who have come before me.

Also, this month, on May 10, there will be a celebration of the Driving of the Golden Spike up at Promontory. They will trot out the old Steam Trains, and hold a celebration of the great accomplishments of those who forged the uniting of the East and West Coasts via the railroad. It is a great reminder of what we can accomplish as a country.

Which kind of makes what we do so important. We, as Model A owners, preserve and restore history for future generations. We don't get paid for it, in fact, it costs us all a lot of money and time. But it is a labor of love. A way that we can honor some of the great accomplishments within our country,

and one of the families that made it possible, the Ford family.

Here, in the month of May, I hope we all take the time to appreciate and remember our ancestors, the accomplishments of this Great Nation, and many of those who helped make America such a great place, and then do our part to help keep it that way: Get out and Drive your 'A.' We will have a great opportunity to do just that as we head over to the Eilander/Stoker home, in North Ogden, for our next Club Meeting on May 8th @ 6pm. Please come join us! I understand there will be lots of good food, and good friends! Dave.

# Pics from the April meeting





Handicapped? The Pitkins!! Not so!!
Perhaps it is their 'A' coupe!





# 3 Out & About

Randy Christiansen volunteered to be our club's ambassador to MAFCA. Our condolences go out to Randy Ropelato and family for the recent passing of Randy's dad. Do consider signing the pass around sheet for a tech talk or provide the refreshments at one of our meetings. Randy Ropelato passed around a sign up sheet indicating an interest in a Durango tour for next year. Ray Wheelwright explained the questionable A's points that may be purchased and suggested to always to buy quality. Dean Murray explained and showed us his complete collection of Utah licence plates...and many thanks to him also for providing his upstairs business rumpus room for our last meeting.



How Sweet: Ray takes Mary out to lunch for Mother's Day.\*

\*From the cartoon "Are we there yet" precursor to the "Pickles" cartoons.



#### **Club Calendar Events**

May 8: Club meeting at the Eilander/Stoker home. 5:30-6:00 p.m.

13: Oakley Diner tour-meet at the Maverick/Hwy 89. 9:30 a.m.

19-20: Utah Valley University. Car show and swap meet.

June 3: RC Willey Car Show. 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM 4045S. Riverdale Rd.

9-11: 4 Banger 400 tour of South Eastern Oregon, Baker City–LeGrande area. Boise A's sponsored. Dennis Thompson liaison.

23: West Haven car show 5:30-9:30 p.m.

17: Swap Meet at Autoliv Parking in South Ogden.

23-25: Antique Power Show, Wallsburg, Ut.

July 4: Layton City 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration Parade.

15: Show our A's and 'T' assembly. Craig Berry sponsor.

24: Ogden Pioneer Days Parade.

29: Stags car show, Plain City park.

August 10: Under the Stars Car Show. Clinton City ball park.

21: Idaho Solar Eclipse Tour, Soda Springs to Irwin, Ida.

26: Kaysville Cool Cars & Cones car show.

Sept. 9: Peach Days Car Show. Brigham City.

7-17: Utah State Fair. Model T assembly. Doug Jenkins sponsor.

16: Swap Meet at Autoliv Parking in South Ogden.

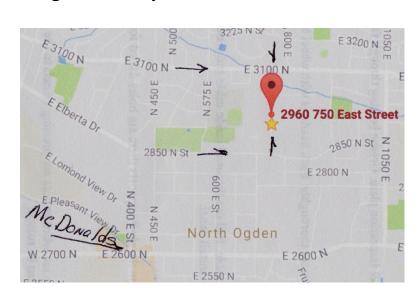
24 - 29: MAFCA National Pacific Coast Highway tour.

December: Annual club officer installation and dinner party at Maddox.

Other: Salty A's--Ely NV., Car games, and youth involvement.

## **Club Meeting for May**

Monday May 8, 5:30>6:00 p.m. at the home of Karen/Rudi Eilander 750 E. 2952 N. North Ogden, Ut. Food & drink provided Bring a lawn chair



# Signs by Dan Smith

You have seen the Smith beautifully restored licence plates owned by Dean Murray. Dan Smith restorer of licence plates.

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#### **MAFFI** Newsletter Minute

The Gilmore Auto Museum which is the campus where the Model A Museum (MAFFI), near Kalamazoo, MI. is located, received nearly 400,000 donated automotive patents, dating from 1790, for their Museum's Research Library. And Dear Model A Friends and Supporters of the Museum,

We will be ordering bricks at the end of May for installation at the museum before 2017 Model A Day. If you have been thinking about ordering a brick 'In Memory' or 'In Honor' of someone near and dear to you, or if your club/region doesn't have a brick at the museum with its name on it, now would be a great time to do it. Each brick is \$150 and the form can be found at <a href="www.maffi.org">www.maffi.org</a>. Don't forget to send the check and form to our new address. MAFFI, P O Box 28, Peotone, IL 60468-0028. Loukie Smith MAFFI President



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Available May of 2017
MAFCA announces a
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available May of this
year, The Coupe Book.
This book has over 180
pages of information
taken from more than 50
years of articles from
The Restorer magazine.
Specifically published
for the Model A Ford
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should be without this
book in their library.

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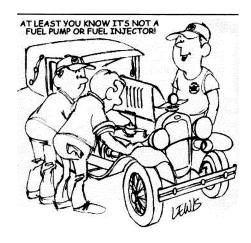
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#### HOW TO DETERMINE YOUR REAR END RATIO

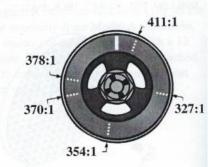
Here's one way to find out the ring and pinion ratio in your Model A. Park on a flat surface with several feet of clear space in front. Remove all four spark plus. Put a chalk mark on a rear tire at 6

o'clock as shown. Mark the front of the crank pulley at 12 o'clock. With the help of a friend, and the transmission in high gear, push the vehicle forward and watch the mark on the crank pulley. Count the number of times the mark on the pulley reaches 12



o'clock and stop when the tire mark is at 6 o'clock again. Note the position of the mark on the crank pulley. The mark you made will be at approximately the area of your gear ratio as shown.

With 411:1, the crank pulley will have made 4 1/8 revolutions.
The crank pulley will have made three complete revolutions, then a little past 3/4 of a turn with a ratio of 3.78:1 (standard).



Submitted by Dan Ritt, Mt. Arab, Ohio Illustrated by Dick Lewis, Lawrenceburg, Indiana

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**PS/Quote:** Just before I die, I'm going to swallow a bag of popcorn kernels. My cremation is going to be EPIC!









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