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President's Message

January is here, Christmas with all of its celebrations, family get togethers, and parties are finished. Now we don't have much to do besides getting those T's serviced up and repairs finished. Not too far in the future we will want to get the cars out on the road.

In the past, we have mostly thought up tours or other special events to get together once a month. Wouldn't it be fun to get a call from a friend to meet them for a cup of coffee or some ice cream, or get together to drive over to see the progress on Dave's latest project? I know that Jim and Bill have done activities like that in the past. Mike Porter has said that he enjoys just taking a car out for a short drive in the countryside and I have joined him on one occasion.

A few years ago, I started a website for the club, but have more or less ignored it during the past year. The Carbon County T's as well as the Puget Sound club have been using Facebook to communicate with

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each other. Maybe we should decide on a way to better get word to each other when we would like to get out and do something spur of the moment. Now, we don't have to drop the well planned out special tours, but there are advantages to last minute activities. We could get some more social time with club members other than at the scheduled meetings. Our cars could be seen by the public more and possibly arouse interest in new members.

That last thought brings up one more subject. Our club has been diminishing in size over the past years. Do we need to plan some activities to invite the public to share interest in these wonderful old machines? The Boy Scouts at the Reata Springs Church would like to see our cars and learn more about them. That was a result of the 100 year birthday party for Daisy. I would like to have an event at a popular park in the Tri Cities area this year, it could be a picnic for us and a "Model T Rodeo" to show off driving skills, give driving lessons to the wives and others, etc. Or we could sponsor an "All Fords" picnic like I remember Bill talking about at one time.

Come up with your own ideas; share them at our next meeting on January 24. I look forward to a chance to discuss what we would like to do for this coming year. A trip to Ritter Hot Springs early summer is in the plans, as well as a late summer trip to the San Juan Islands. All on board for another fun year "driving in the slow lane!"



Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas! Did this guy leave anything special for you?

Birthdays in January

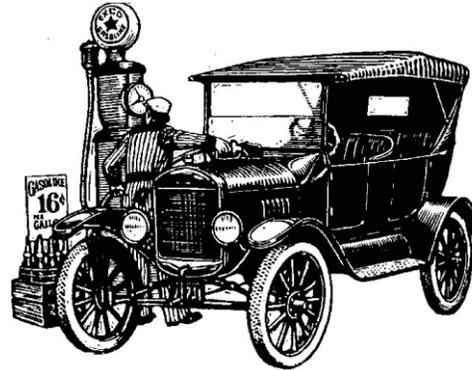
Faye Barnes 1/8

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No Anniversaries in January



Coming Events

- January 24** Annual Dinner Meeting and Officer Installation. Applebee's 606 N Columbia Blvd, Kennewick at 1PM.
- February 18** Monthly Meeting at the Reata Springs Baptist Church, 7 PM.
- March 17** Monthly Meeting at the Reata Springs Baptist Church, 7 PM.
- April 1-3** MTFCA Annual Meeting, Boise, Idaho hosted by the Western Idaho Model T Club. Advertisement in the Nov/Dec Vintage Ford, registration form and information available online at: www.westernidahomodeltclub.com
- April 21** Monthly Meeting at the Reata Springs Baptist Church, 7 PM.

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

December 20, 2015

Meeting was called to order by President Dale Peterson at 1:15 p.m. at the Country Gentleman Restaurant in Kennewick, Washington. Fourteen members and one guest were present. The meeting opened with the flag salute.

Minutes: The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report showed an opening balance of \$802.94, with dues income of \$100 and expenses of \$82.00 for our post office box rental, for a balance carried forward of \$820.94. Members accepted the report as presented.

Old Business

- Members in November had agreed to ask the Reata Springs Church to provide the name of a needy family which the club wished to donate to as a Christmas gift. The pastor of the church said they serve many families throughout the year and suggested that if the club wished to make a gift, they should make it to the Reata Sprigs Benevolence Fund. A donation box was set up at the meeting for this purpose.

New Business:

- The 2016 slate of officers was presented to the club. Nominees are Dale Peterson, president; Jim Elenbaas, vice president; Lynda Carraher, secretary; Mike Porter, treasurer; and Dave Ottem, board member. There being no nominations from the floor, Mike Tesky moved that the slate be adopted as presented. John Carraher seconded, and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be in January, date and place to be announced. The meeting will include installation of the officers for 2016.

Adjournment: Jim Elenbaas moved for adjournment and Mike Porter seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m., followed by the gift exchange.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynda Carraher, Secretary

Club Roster: It's time to update our club roster. This goes out to our club members and is not published or printed any other place. The information historically has included member names, birth and anniversary dates, phone number, email, and address. Another bit of information we enjoy seeing is a listing of the antique cars that each member owns. Next month Lynda will be putting the current roster together. Review your information from last year's roster and give any changes to Lynda at the January dinner meeting, or mail/email to her at: lyncarr1944@gmail.com.

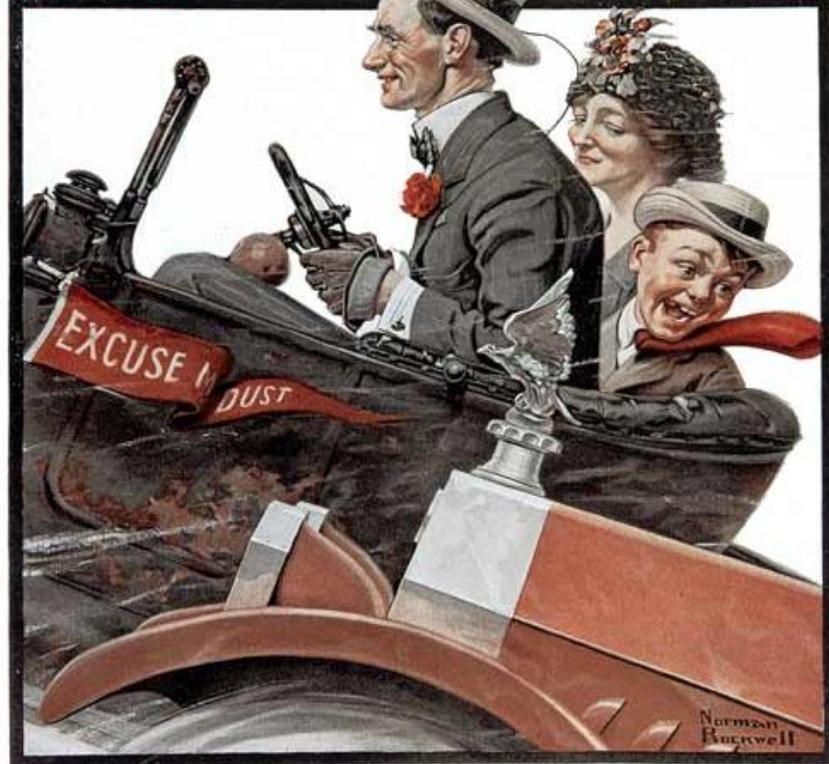
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