

The Scuttlebutt

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Club

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Well, the holidays are here, where has the year gone?

The past several months have flown by. I want to take this space to thank all of the officers for the time and support they have given me, and the hard work they do to keep this club running as smoothly as it does.

We have had some fun tours, our participation has been great. We have also lost some friends, long time members.

Lets keep them and their families in our thoughts this season. As we wind down the year, I want to say good luck to our incoming officers.

I look forward to another great year driving our trusty Model A's down the backroads. Thank You and Merry Christmas.

John

Tech Meeting There is no December Tech meeting. Enjoy the holidays with your famly

2017

There were about 30 people attending the November meeting and election of officers held at Masseys Pizza in Grove City. Prior to the restaurant starting an evening of rather loud trivia, election of officer for the 2017 year were held.

Officers for 2017 are:

President Monroe Harbage
Vice President Richard Baker
Secretary Ellis Kauffman
Treasurer Jaci Rohner
Technical Director Rick Lindner
Region Director Jim Zimmer
Newsletter Editor Shirley Doherty



December Birthdays Happy Birthday to

9 Roseann Harbage15 Mike Doherty31 Barbara Marshall31 Shirley Doherty

2017 Calendar

January Technical Meeting/Dinner

Date: Wednesday January 4, 2017

Place: Der Dutchman 445 S Jefferson Ave, Plain City

Time: 6:30 PM

Come and discuss upcoming activities for the new year, enjoy fellowship, good food and get out of the cold.

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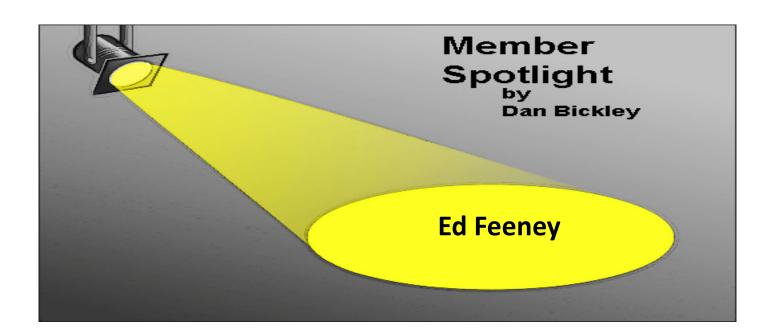
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The Scioto Model A Ford Club spotlight is shining on Ed Feeney for the month of December. Ed and Karen have been married 49 years and are the proud parents of Kristy, Paul and Michael as well as 4 wonderful grandchildren.

Having graduated from Chartiers Houston High School in Washington, Pennsylvania, Ed went on to earn a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh.

Ed's career began as a draftsman at Koppers in Pittsburgh designing and building steel mills. In 1972, Ed became the Chief Engineer for Liberto Corporation where he stayed for 42 years. As time went on, Liberto was bought out by Emerson Electric. Ed advanced to President of Emerson in 1990 and retired from Emerson Network Power, a 6 billion dollar world wide corporation, as Chairman of the Board in 2012.

Ed joined our club in 2014 after finding a 1931 Model A pickup for sale in a farmer's front yard on a trip to Lake Erie. He is in the process of personally restoring his pickup from the frame up. I can't wait to see it on the road!

Staying busy while enjoying retirement is Ed's main objective. He loves to spend time with his 4 grandkids, is a master at woodworking and indulges in his Model A restoration project, all at the same time.

Thanks Ed for being a member of our club and your dedication to "Henry's Lady"!

Veterans Day Parade

I'm impressed by guys that can still fit in their uniforms.





National Underground RR Freedom Museum, Cincinnati



The club received a donaton of \$100 from Mike Duffey. He gave us this because all the help he received from Rick Lindner on his Model 'A'. Thanks Mike.



Membership dues for the Scioto Model 'A' Club are due. Still only \$25.

Mail dues to: Jaci Rohner, 7083 ST RT 142 West Jefferson, Ohio. 43162

Let's try for a record of having dues paid by the January Tech meeting.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

It's that time a year when the officers are putting together a schedule of fun and interesting activities for 2017. We are always looking for new ideas of places to visit and things to do.

How about stepping up and volunteering to coordinate an event. It's not that hard. Do you know someone with a nice collection of cars or signs? Do you have a friend with an interesting collection of unusual items? Are you aware of an interesting museum or home we haven't visited?

If you are aware of them, all it takes is a phone call or visit to set a date. Then, decide a route to get there, enjoying the scenery along the way. Add a stop for lunch. (Some little out of the way restaurant along the way with sufficient seating.) Not difficult at all.

Call or email Monroe Harbage, 614-879-5716 or roseannharbage@yahoo.com and volunteer to take a month.

Fun Stuff——More strange car trivia

Griffith (1930). Produced in San Diego CA, it had 3 wheels, 1 in front and 2 on the sides. The suspension worked on rubber-band principles, and most of the parts originated from the motor bike.

Johnson—There were at least 7 people named Johnson who built an automobile. Nicholas and James Johnson of Philadelphia, ca 1828 are cited as probably America's first automobile accident, being unable to stop, jumping a curb and running into a house. The auto of TJ Johnson of Pelican Rapids MN (1912) was cited in the local paper as "the funniest looking contraption in the shape of a home-made automobile." It was a conglomeration of gasoline engine, binder and mower wheels, sundry gears. Ugly as it was, it was driven from Pelican Rapids to Sharon ND (a distance of 141 miles today,) in only 2 days using only 11 gallons of gas.

Jones—With a common name like Jones, at least 10 cars were under that name. Joseph Jones of NYC (1889) invented the speedometer when he couldn't tell his wife how fast he was driving. (He also invented the Jones taximeter.) It made him rich and famous.

Kennedy—(1898-1903) CW Kennedy made an electric car. He was an electrical engineer and was principally responsible for the storage batteries that he invented for the car.

Moore—Of the 7 or so cars named Moore, the one built 1906 in Walla Walla, WA was labeled a "protest car." The Moore was built for a single reason: to force Eastern automobile manufacturers to supply the state of Washington with cars that had a track which would conform to the standard width of that states roads. The 60" width in Washington was 5" wider than the rest of the country. They succeeded.

Morrison—(1935)-- Buchanan, MI. William Morrison's car included safety features such as a spare wheel arranged so that it would absorb impact from a rear-end collision and a gas filler cap that had to be opened from inside the car.

Preston—In 1936 Ben Preston, a mechanic from Wichita Kansas, built a roadster composed of salvage parts from 25 wrecked cars. Some belonged to gangsters.

Scott—Of the 6 cars called Scott, the 1897 built by RP Scott of Cadiz OH had a unique feature. *The Hub* stated "If vicious dogs run at the carriage, by a hose attachment a quart of boiling water can be turned on them."

Sweeney (1901)--Marion OH. As reported to *The Motor Age,* "has been tested to 20 miles per hour and is working tolerably satisfactorily."



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