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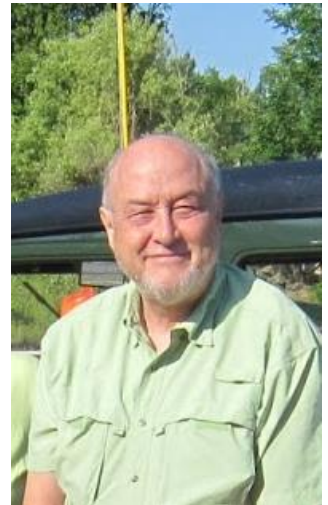
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The President Speaks:

Thankfully, the bitter cold weather has taken a break. It has been very cold in my garage and I decided to hook up my battery charger to give my car a boost. Hopefully, that will last until March when it will be time to start the Tudor for 2018 tours.

The January club meeting was also the annual Installation dinner. Thank you to all the members that braved arctic cold to attend. Many thanks to Nan ,Robyn and the other ladies that helped set up and serve the tasty food from Mel's. The 2017 Hard Luck award went to myself. Apparently , breaking a rear axle may be the decision easy.

After many years of faithful service to the club, Joyce Croci has turned in the meeting coffee pot. Thank you Joyce. Can we get a volunteer to take over the job ?



This in turn reminds me that we are in dire need of an Oilleak editor. Doug is President of MAFCA and we are really imposing on him to be our editor at the same time.

We will have a special meeting to create the 2018 Tour Card the end of February. Please think about type of tours you want and where you want to go. More news to follow.

It would be nice to restart the Annual Tour Clinic. Does anyone have an area were we could hold it ? Were would need an inside area that we could darken for head light checking and adjustments and an outside area with a hard surface to be able to jack up cars for wheel alignment checks.

Craig Martin has volunteered for the 10th year to run the club's Winter Blahs flea market. Craig need volunteers to help set up,run, and take down the market. Please think about what you can do to help out Sunday March 25TH

Stay warm and safe. Happy Valentine's Day

Happy Motoring

Andy Adams



Sunshine

Grace Doyle
(Gdoyle95@aol.com)

A sympathy card was sent to Debbie Stokinger for the passing of her father.

Get well cards were sent to John Jacobson and Bob Simonelli.

If you know of a member who needs a little cheering up contact me.

Coming Events

(Tours Start at Sudbury Grange unless noted)

Feb 06: Regular club Meeting

Feb 17: Model Engine Show Waltham 10 - 4 at Charles River Museum, Admission \$10/Seniors \$5

Mar 04: MARCOM Flea Market Norfolk 7:30-11:00

Mar 06: Regular Club Meeting

Mar 25: Winter Blahs Flea Market Maynard Elk

TL= Tour Leader * On your own, go directly to location.

MINUTEMAN HISTORY

by Art Callan

FEBRUARY 1983 35 YEARS AGO

Pizza tour to the Union House.
Restoration film--White Post Restoration, Virginia.
New members- BuckySilvestrone, J Moran,
E Giovanella.

FEBRUARY 1993 25 YEARS AGO

Snowy night for meeting. Only 45 attend.
Long-Range Steering Comm set up to guide club in future.
Tour Dir, Ed Newman, outlines touring season.
Tech Talk--Front End by Jack S and Art C.

FEBRUARY 2003 15 YEARS AGO

Joyce Croci takes over as "Coffee Maker".
Plans for Tour Comm meeting and 9th Annual Winter Blahs.
New Steering Comm: Jo Johnson, G Tallone,
W Champagne, A Callan.

ARTIE-FACT

Q1--What car was the first production V-12?

Q2--When were seat belts first used in a motor car?

Q3--If US automobile owners collectively had a favorite flower, what would it be?

(Answers): 1--Packard 1915 Twin-Six

2--1902 Baker Electric Streamline Racer

3--Car-nation

Minuteman Model A Ford Club

Treasurer's Report
DECEMBER 2017

Income:

Donation	\$ 10.00
Member Dues	525.00
Holiday Party	<u>240.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 775.00

Expense:

Oil Leak Printing	40.00
Holiday Party General	1724.37
Holiday Party Table Décor	8.97
MAFCA Insurance	75.00
Miscellaneous	<u>10.00</u>
Total Expense	\$ 1858.34
Net Income	- \$ 1083.34



National Organizations: If you are not already members of the following organizations, consider joining them.



Model A Ford Club of America (mafca.com)

Membership dues \$50/year



Model A Restorers Club (modelarestorers.org)

Membership Dues \$45/year



Model A Ford Foundation (maffi.org)

and the Model A Ford Museum \$25/year

Secretary's Report

Minutes of the Minuteman Model A Ford Club January 2, 2018 Installation Dinner

Location: Memorial Congregational Church Sudbury.

The meeting was held at the Memorial Congregational Church on Concord Road in Sudbury with approximately 44 members in attendance. Meeting opened at 7:35 PM by outgoing President Tom Zapala.

Tom opened the meeting by thanking all the elves who helped in organizing the wonderful dinner tonight which was provided by **Mel's Commonwealth Café**.

Joyce Croci has been our Hospitality Manager for years and the club is now looking for someone new to step into the role, if you are interested please see Andy Adams or Harold Samuels.

Thank you Joyce for your service throughout the years.

Tom reflected a bit on the past year; thanked all who helped in conducting the great tours and other club events.

Tom then presented **Craig Martin** with the **President's Award**, a plaque thanking him for his service to the club for leading tours and running the **Winter Blahs Flee Market** for the last **10 years**.

Tom then played a slideshow of club pictures he called 'A Walk Down Memory Lane' accompanied by period music. It was a nice time to remember our current and past friends.

Tom presented the **Hard Luck Trophy** to the 2017 recipient:



Andy Adams

As you may remember Andy made it to within two miles of our hotel destination on the Maine Fall Weekend Tour. Unfortunately and without notice his rear axle snapped and Andy's return ride was on the back of a flatbed. Not to worry; Andy obtained an axle from Clyde Kelton and several members of the

club met at Harold Legge's garage and quickly replaced the broken axle.

Tom turned over the gavel to incoming President Andy Adams and also presented him with a framed three dimensional Model A ad from a 1929 issue of Harpers Bazar. This wonderful piece is signed and passed on to the incoming president each year for display in his/her home. Tom also welcomed incoming VP **Harold Samuels**, Treasurer **Barbara McElhiney** and Secretary **Rick Gadbois**.

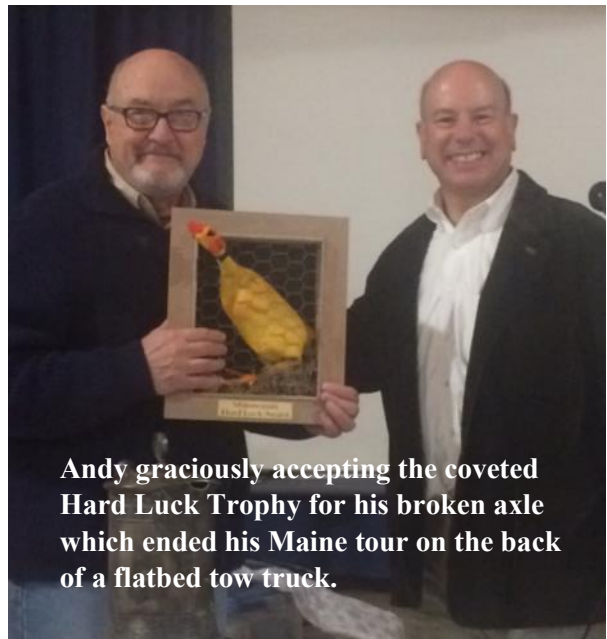
Outgoing president Tom (in no hurry to drop the mic) presented a second **President's Award** to **Doug Linden** for his continued effort as Editor Pro Tem of the Oil Leak Newsletter and for all the many many many things he does for the club.

Refreshments volunteers for the next meeting; Dick Graham, Andy Adams, and Peg Michalak.

Incoming President Andy thanked Tom for leading us through a great year.

Meeting was officially closed at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully, Rick Gadbois—Secretary



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Welcome New Members

Nan reports one new member this month:

Jack & Linda Quilty

30 Vernon Road

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1930 Deluxe Coupe

Welcome them to the club



Craig Martin accepts the President's Award from Tom Z for his efforts chairing our Winter Blah's Flea Market for the past 10 years

Jim's Tech Tip



WINDSHIELD CLEANING

A film builds up on glass with time as you drive, especially on the windshield. About once a year it helps if you give the glass a very thorough cleaning. I use a paper towel with a LITTLE lacquer thinner on it to remove the film. You will see the black slime on the paper towel as you go. (Obviously, don't get the thinner on your paint.) Then follow up with a good glass cleaner. My favorite cleaner is called "Sprayway Streakless Glass Cleaner"; it has no ammonia. I know WalMart stocks it, other stores probably do, too. It really gets the glass clean and shiny.

Have a Model A Day

Jim Cannon,

MAFCA Technical Director



The new year near! Time to renew your 2018 *MEMBERSHIP*

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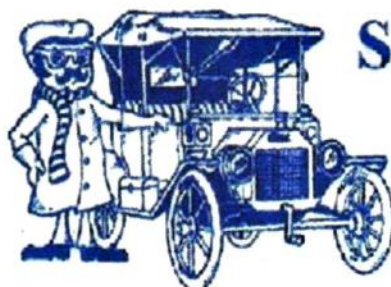


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REMINDER

Our February meeting will return to normal activity. We will make plans for our upcoming Tour planning meeting and will hear about our annual flea market plans. What kind of Model A projects are you working on? How about sharing with us at the meeting.



Monthly Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the Month at the Memorial Congregational Church, 26 Concord Rd in Sudbury. Meetings start at 7:30 PM, preceded by "Tire Kicking" at 7:00 PM.