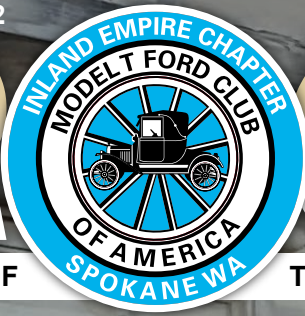


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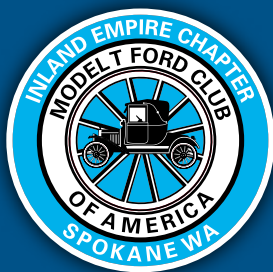
THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB



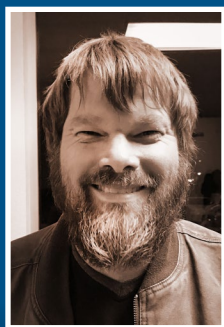
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- Membership Renewal Time

LIZZY LOVES ALL SEASONS - JUST DRIVE WITH  
**WARM THOUGHTS**



# General Club Info



**President**  
Ralph Brevik



**Vice President**  
Jim Elenbaas



**Secretary**  
Janice Hutchinson



**Treasurer**  
Karma Roth

## National Clubs

We are the **Inland Empire Chapter** (Spokane) of the MTFCA and the MTFCI



## Correspondence

Please direct club correspondence to the club mailing address:

**IEMTFCA**  
PO Box 11708  
Spokane Valley, WA  
99211-1708

## Dues

The yearly dues are \$20 per year from an individual or family and due by January 31st of each year. Please renew your membership or join the club as a new member. We look forward to seeing you!

## Submissions

All items to be published are **due before the 20th** of the month. Please send photos, articles and anything else for the newsletter to [fenderchatter@gmail.com](mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com)

## On the Cover:

Myron Richardson's Coupe on the set of "1923" in Nov 2022.

- Photo by Jeff Hipp

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## A Message From Your Club President:

This is my last report. I want to thank everyone for giving me this opportunity to run the Club. I hope that I made a difference and left it better than I got it. I think that Larry will do a great job and continue to lead the club to better things. We also still have events going on this month, like the Soup Party, U-High Christmas Parade, and the Banquet in January. We need donations for the banquet silent auction, so let Matt or myself know if you have anything. Happy motoring —Ralph



# Meeting Minutes

## Minutes for the Friday, November 3, 2023 Meeting

President Ralph Brevik called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and thanked everyone for coming. There were no new members or guests.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as printed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Treasurer's Report:** Karma Roth distributed the financial statement. She reminded everyone that dues for 2024 are now payable. A motion was passed to authorize Karma to transfer money from the savings account to the checking account as needed to pay bills. A motion was passed to reimburse Janice Hutchinson for the renewal of the website domain name registration and to reimburse Nan Robison for supplies. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

There was discussion about charging \$20 per year for members to receive a printed copy of the *Fender Chatter* each month. Also discussed was possibly raising the dues to cover increasing expenses for postage, meeting space rental, and post office box rental. The amount of dues is specified in Article VII, Section 4 of the By-Laws. If we want to change the dues we will need to follow the procedures to change the By-Laws. Tom Carnegie requested that a report be prepared showing the per capita expenses for club members. Karma will prepare this report and the subject was tabled until this can be done.

➔ **Vice President:** Jim Elenbaas had nothing to report.

➔ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie reports that the only cards sent were those listed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Tours:** Nan Robison reports that there were no tours since the last meeting and there are none scheduled in November. There are a few events coming up in December. Breakfast with Santa is on December 10 at the Hauser Lake Fire Station from 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Driving your Model T to this event will get you a parking spot right in front of the station. On December 16, University High School is having a Parade of Lights – more information about this at the December meeting. The 26th Christmas Soup Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 17th at Mark and Janice Hutchinson's house beginning at 3 p.m. We are also working on a possible New Year's Day tour.

➔ **Library:** Brooks was not at the meeting and there was no report.

➔ **Badges:** Bill Barr was not at the meeting and there was no report.

➔ **Annual Banquet:** The banquet will be on Friday, January 5th at Opportunity Presbyterian Church. The cost is \$25 per person. Checks should be made out to IEMTFCA and given to Karma at the December meeting or mailed to club. We are looking for donations for the silent auction. Please bring these to the December meeting if you can. If you prefer to bring them to the banquet directly, please contact Matt Hansen or Ralph Brevik to let them know what you are bringing.

➔ **New Business:** Elections were held for next years officers and the results are:

**President: Larry Mann**

**Vice President: John DeJong,**

**Secretary: Janice Hutchinson**

**Treasurer: Karma Roth**

Mark Hutchinson thanked Susie Carnegie for being a "treasure" in our club. Her cards are a real pick-up when someone needs one.

There was discussion about the need to have 50% of our paid membership also be members of the Model T Ford Club of America in order to qualify for their liability insurance. This insurance does not provide automobile insurance for individual members, but protects the club if it is sued related to an incident that occurs during a club-sanctioned event. It was questioned what benefit members of the MTFCA receive, which would be the Vintage Ford subscription and being able to advertise cars for sale in this national magazine. We are also a chapter of the Model T Ford Club International, which provides the same type of liability insurance to its member chapters without the 50% membership requirement. Club officers would still need to be members of the MTFCA for us to remain as a member chapter. We will have more information about this at the next meeting.

➔ **Wednesday Night Dinners:** We are still going to dinner on Wednesdays except on the third Wednesday of the month and on the week of our monthly meetings because we go to dinner on Friday that week. If you have a place you would like to go, contact Ralph.

➔ **Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch:** Tom was asked if he is still opening for us for Tuesday nights and said of course we are.

➔ There was no **Tech Talk** this month, but there was a **Show & Tell:** Montana Barnard brought in a pair of 1913 license plates made of leather. He is giving them to Mike Stormo, who has a 1913 to put them on. Jim Elenbaas is looking for a pair of cars originally from Clarkston, Washington, that were issued 1913 leather license plates with consecutive numbers in March of that year. If you know of anyone with a 1913 that used to be or still is in Clarkston, please let Jim know.

Myron Richardson added that before 1912 there were no "plates" issued by the state – the license number was painted directly onto the car fender or painted onto homemade "plate" of whatever material the painter had available. In 1912 the first state-issued license plates were produced in Washington – like Montana's 1913 leather plates. The first steel plates were produced in 1915 with a 1916 expiration date.

➔ Scott Colgrove won the 50/50 drawing and many people took home door prizes – either a lottery ticket or a dozen eggs donated by Nan Robison's chickens.

Ralph adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Thank you all for coming!

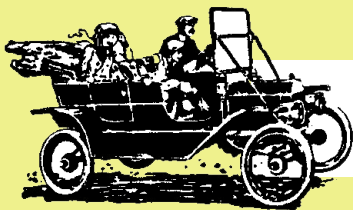
Respectfully submitted, Janice Hutchinson, Secretary

For more tour or event details: check the [club website](#), [club Facebook page](#), or watch your e-mail.

## The next regular club meeting is - Dec 1.

The monthly meeting begins at 7:00 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA.

**Back at the Church, same place as pre-Covid.**



**NOTE:**  
Dinner venue is subject to change at last-minute due to capacity. Check your email for any change prior to joining us.

# Seen, Heard and Shared

## Trunk or Treat!

Nan Robison and Karma Roth attended a Trunk or Treat on Oct 30 at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church on Pines Rd.



Photos provided by Nan Robison

# Seen, Heard and Shared

## Light 'er Up!

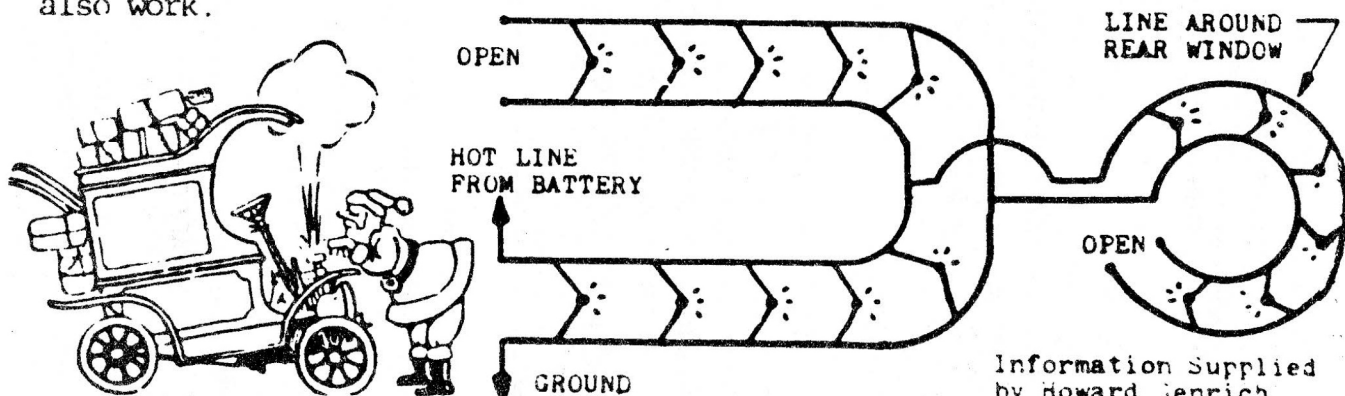
Back in the 1990s, and before, our club would have Christmas lights tours. We would attach a string of x-mas lights around our Model Ts and go on a tour (yes, in the snow at night) to see neighborhoods with pretty holiday light displays. Kind-of a mini parade of our own. The lights on our cars were mostly powered by the car's battery, or an extra battery on-board. Below is a diagram from a 90s *Fender Chatter* on how to convert a string of lights to DC power. It was usually long enough to go around the top (roadster?) and around the back window. —Jeff

From Seattle's "T Oiler"

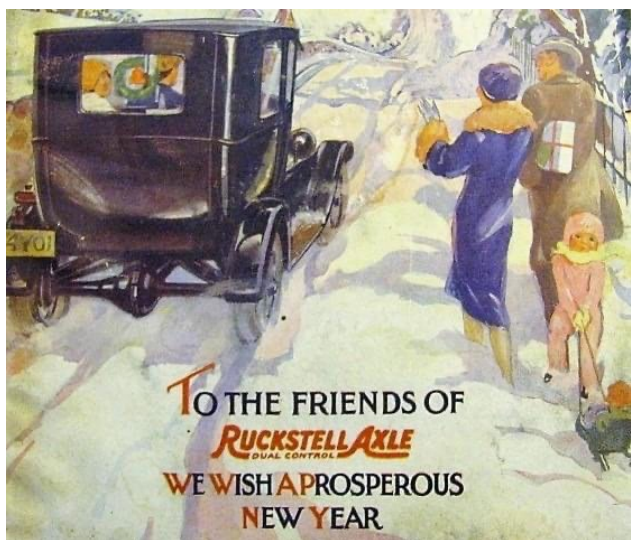
### CHRISTMAS "T" LIGHTS

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED:** A 30 light set of the 110 volt miniature (3/4") bulbs on a loop cord, about 30 ft. of two color bell wire or plastic coated lamp cord, two alligator clips, electric tape, and wire strippers help.

**PROCEDURE:** Splice light wires in parallel on the main line. Staggering the attachment points helps eliminate any possible short. The number of lights possible is dictated by the capacity of the main line used. 12 volts merely gives a brighter light than 6 volts. Flasher lights will also work.



\* - YOU MAY NEED 2 OR 3 BULBS ON EACH CROSS SECTION DEPENDING ON LIGHT BULB VOLTAGE.



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# Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

## Events Calendar

- Dec 1** **Spokane T Club Meeting**
- Dec 10** Breakfast with Santa Benefit - Hauser Lake, ID
- Dec 16** U High Parade of Lights 4pm [paradeoflights.net](http://paradeoflights.net)
- Dec 17** **T Club** - 26th Holiday Soup Party at Hutchinson's
- Jan 1** **T Club** - 26th Annual New Year's Day Model T Tour
- Jan 5** **No T Club Meeting** (Club Banquet, tickets required)
- Jan 5** **T Club** - Annual Officer Installation Banquet (see below)
- Feb 2** **Spokane T Club meeting**
- Feb 16-17** Early Bird Swap Meet - Puyallup, WA
- Mar 15-16** Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet-Chickasha, OK
- Mar 16-17** Almost Spring Swap Meet - Puyallup, WA
- Apr 5-7** Portland Swap Meet - Portland, OR
- May 3-4** Central Alberta Swap Meet - Red Deer, AB CA

**NOTE:** These events are subject to change - the info is what we know of at the time of publication - please confirm for yourself before travelling to, or attending any events.

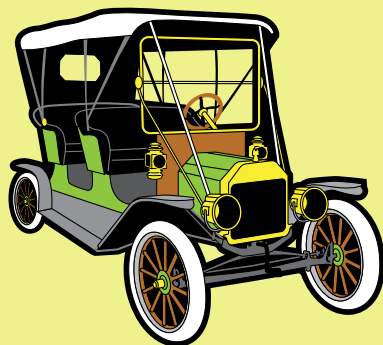
## 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Soup Party!!!

It's the holiday season and that means it's Soup Party time (our 26<sup>th</sup> one)!!! Plan to come to Mark and Janice Hutchinson's house on **Sunday, December 17th at 3 p.m.** for soup, bread, and other goodies. No need to bring anything – consider this a break from holiday cooking. And yes, we call this a tour, so there will be ice cream! We love to see Model T's, but they are optional. In the past, we have put Christmas lights on our T's for a drive around, we have visited the Conservatory at Manito Park, and last time there was a game table in the basement. Any ideas for activities this year are welcome! If you need directions, or have any other questions, see us at the December meeting (we will bring maps) or give us a call (see *Club Roster*).



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Last-minute notices, fun stuff, lots of photos, links, etc.

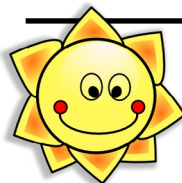


## Nan's Nibbles

**Dec:** Everyone bring a goody to share!

**Jan:** See you at the T Club Banquet!

**Feb:** Rebecca Hutchinson & Janice Hutchinson



## Sunshine Report

- Get Well Card to Joe Swanson

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting or in the next newsletter ~Susie Carnegie

If you know of a club member in need of some cheer - please let Susie know.

If it's stated in this newsletter that you were sent a Sunshine card, but never received one in the mail, please let Susie know. We don't want anyone left out.

## 37<sup>th</sup> Breakfast with Santa Benefit

**Proceeds will benefit Tommy, a 4 year old from Hayden, Idaho with cancer.**

**December 10 from 7am to 1pm at the Hauser Lake Fire Department, 10728 North Hauser Lake Road in Hauser, Idaho**

A donation of \$3 per person or \$15 per family will get you breakfast including eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, and more! Try your luck at amazing raffle prizes! If you want to miss the line, get there early or late.

**If you can, bring your Model T. There will be special parking for Model T's in front of the fire station. - Myron Richardson**

Info: <https://hauserfire.org/category/events/>

## GET YOUR T CLUB ID BADGES

If you are a new Spokane T Club member and need a club name badge, or need a replacement, please contact Bill Barr.



**🔑 Newsletter Note:** The digital version of this newsletter has been created as an interactive PDF. All web and email links should work in desktop, mobile & tablet browsers. **However**, on Kindle devices, it is viewable, but interactivity is disabled until Amazon and Microsoft fix this issue.

## Tours and Activity Reports

Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club website Calendar of Events for the latest activities at [spokanemodeltclub.com](http://spokanemodeltclub.com) or our Club Facebook page [f Inland Empire Model T Club](https://www.facebook.com/InlandEmpireModelTClub)

**For tours or events, contact Nan Robison or Matt Hansen, Carla Carnegie**

## Model T Show, Tell and Share

### Model T Aftermarket Items and Accessories



**STAR TOOL COMPANY MODEL T TRANSMISSION BANDS TOOL.** Made in Indianapolis, this is an all-in-one tool to compress the three transmission band ears (pre 1926) to aid in adjusting the pedal nuts, washers, springs, etc. It gives you an extra hand to help keep from dropping small parts deep into the transmission.

The handles press down and lock as the jaws compress. I've tried it, and it works surprisingly well. It Measures 9 1/4" long and the Jaws are about 4" wide - made of cast iron.

You find these around swap meets now-and-then. You can find them online for a lot more \$\$\$.

I think it's fun to collect Model T related items - a legitimate part of the hobby. Above is just one of the interesting items that I have, and thought I'd share. I hope you find them interesting too. — Jeff Hipp

Please [email](#) us photos of your favorite aftermarket T items and a brief description for sharing in future issues of this newsletter.

# For Sale • Wanted • Misc.

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website [spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php](http://spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php)

**For Sale: 1923 ROADSTER**

The previous owner of this Model T told me that it's a 1923 and the engine is a 1925. I have not verified this information. Engine turns over but I haven't started it since I bought it. The only thing I did with it was to roll it off the trailer and into the garage. Please reach out with any questions you have, I'll do my best to answer. **Has a Ruckstell.** \$6400 Tim Kinkeade, Moscow, ID 208-310-1048 [Tim.kinkeade@gmail.com](mailto:Tim.kinkeade@gmail.com)



**For Sale: MODEL T MOTORS 1913-1927** Various conditions, **Liquidation Sale - Make me an offer! Take one or all!** Harvey Dunham 509-218-1437.

**For Sale: 1926 MODEL T TOURING CAR**

Rebuilt engine and transmission, Ruckstell rearend, Z head, Rocky Mountain brakes, excellent interior and top, new battery, runs great, tires in great shape(5) wire wheels, turn signals, will include 1926 plates, \$10,500 - Matt Hansen Cusick, WA 509-998-9927



**For Sale: 1924 MODEL T DOCTORS COUPE**

Ruckstell axle, Rocky mountain brakes, Z High compression head, 6 volt alternator, New custom radiator, New Optima AGM battery, All new safety glass, New interior upholstery, 1924 Wn Washington license plate, Turn signals. \$12,000. Norman Warren, 13012 N Mill RD, Spokane WA 99208. 509-466-9125

**For Sale: 1915 T FORD CENTER DOOR**

Basket Case: Solid body with fairly good wood, 4 new fenders, new aprons and boards. Early motor that will run. Nice headlights and side lights. No radiator or early wishbone. No Title. \$3,500 for all Dave Butcher 509-290-3541

**Wanted: VAPORIZER THROTTLE ROD** (the one that goes over the top of the engine). Does anyone have an extra they don't need, or want to sell? Contact Jeff Hipp [hippstah1@gmail.com](mailto:hippstah1@gmail.com).

WE NEED YOU TO PLEASE **SHOW YOUR CLUB PRIDE!**



As a member of the **Spokane Model T Club ID Badge/ Button!** If you do not have one, please contact Bill Barr.

**Spokane Club Jacket or Club-branded T-shirt.** Order from [saturdaynightinc.net](http://saturdaynightinc.net) (a local Spokane Valley company), they have our club logo on file, and have a great selection of quality items to choose from.

## Mark Your Calendars - January Banquet

The annual Officer Installation Banquet will be on **January 5, 2024, 6:00pm at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church (same place as our monthly meetings).**

**Catered by Smokeridge BBQ** with ice cream sundae bar for dessert. Tickets will be \$25 per person, and will be available at the November 3 meeting or by contacting Matt Hansen. **Ticket Purchase Deadline is December 15th - Please RSVP** so we have an accurate count and enough food. **(All tickets must be paid in advance,** no tickets will be available at the door).

Or send a check for the banquet to the Spokane T Club: PO Box 11708, Spokane, WA 99211 - *make it out to IEMTFCA*, or mail to Matt Hansen (see club roster for address). We will have door prizes and a silent auction of various items. This is not a big fundraiser, just fun to outbid the next person. If you have any items to auction, please let Matt or Ralph know.

We look forward to seeing everyone there! —Matt



## Tuesday Nights at the Ranch

Come on out on Tuesday evenings around 4:30 pm with your T parts that need to be worked on. Also join us **after** for dinner at McDonalds.

[antiqueautoranch.com](http://antiqueautoranch.com)

**Note: Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.**



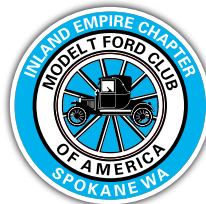
# Membership Application & 2024 Roster Update Form

If you have already renewed for this year, please pass this form to someone who also shares our interest of the Model T Ford. You do not need to own a Model T to be a club member.

**REMEMBER, DUES ARE DUE By January 31!**  
 Please fill out all of this form NOW whether you have changes or not, and return with your 2024 Club dues (\$20/family).  
 Include your up-to-date email, phone number, and all other info, please. *Thanx!*

**Due Jan 31** of each year, or join as a new member now, please complete this form and mail with your dues of \$20.00 (make check out to "IEMTFCA":

**IEMTFCA**  
 PO Box 11708  
 Spokane Valley, WA 99211-1708



PLEASE fill out all of this form, even if nothing has changed, and mail in or give to Karma.

Note: Our bank now requires any checks to the Spokane T Club must be made out to "IEMTFCA".

➔ **Any Changes since 2023?: Yes / No** (if "no", please still fill in all of your info below, thank you)

➔ **Your Information:** Date Application Paid / Sent \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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➔ **Model T's Owned:**

**R** = Restored, **U** = Unrestored, **O** = Original, **PR** = Partially Restored, **BC** = Basket Case

Year	Body Style	Condition
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Please update this form and send with your check payable to the Spokane Model T Ford Club, P.O. Box 11708, Spokane, WA 99211-1708. Annual dues are \$20.00 per household per year. If more than 5 Model T's are owned, please list them on the back of this form. **You are encouraged to join the national clubs**, the Model T Ford Club of America or the Model T Ford Club International, for \$40.00 / year - Mail check directly to the appropriate national club. Six full-color bi-monthly magazines with world-wide distribution are included with each national membership.

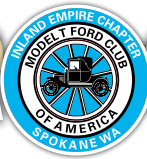
**National MTFCA Membership:** (check, credit card, Paypal) [mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm](http://mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm)

**National MTFCI Membership:** [modelt.org](http://modelt.org)

You may also download this as a PDF from our club website and print out:

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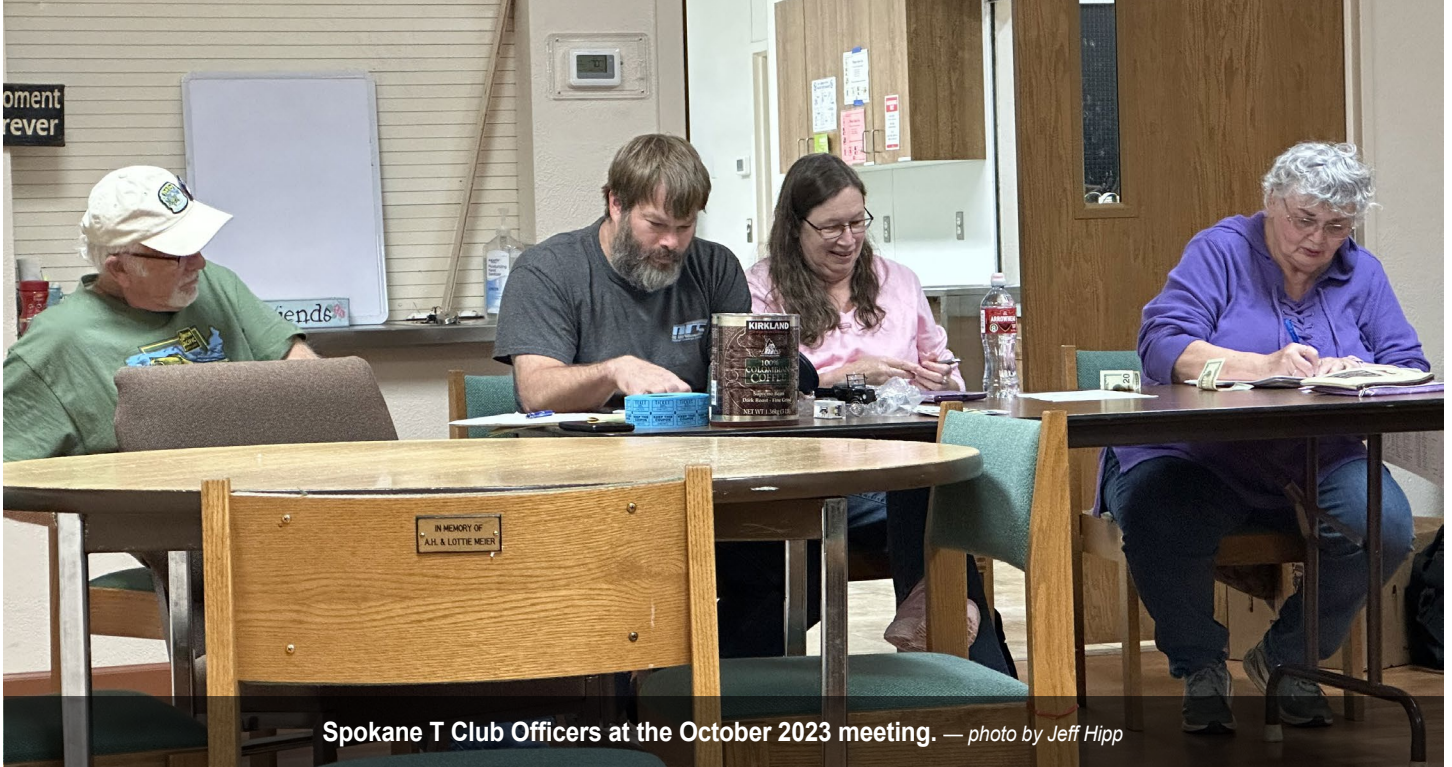
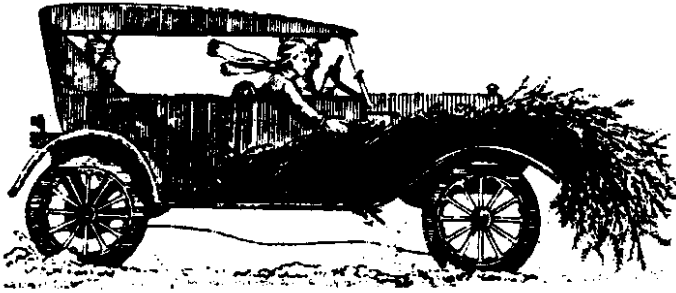
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Spokane T Club Officers at the October 2023 meeting. — photo by Jeff Hipp

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