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JANUARY BANQUET IS AN ICY NIGHT

“It was a dark and stormy night”, living up to it’s usual reputation for the date we choose.

Here’s an excellent shot of our entertainment, the Strolling Strings of Central Valley, who did make it out to play for us in spite of the weather.

We had very few cancellations, and a good time was had by all who could attend.

Our outgoing officers and banquet hostesses worked together to produce charming awards in the form of clocks made from vibrator coils.

The Hard Luck Trophy finally filled this year, leaving 2004’s victim it’s last. Oh, woe is John Wyman who became that lucky man.



The Rendezvous Room lends itself to this event.



Wow! Who’s this gang? It must be a trio of hard core party planners. Don’t call them out unless you’re packing cans of *RedWhip* in each hand and you’re prepared to use them. Betty Patterson, JoAnne Jepperson and Cheri Storey excelled as usual. We thanked them repeatedly.



WHO YA GONNA CALL? OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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Dues are \$20 per year.

All correspondence should be directed to the mailing address.

Ads for Ford parts and cars wanted and for sale and submissions only should be sent to the editor via email or snail

mail.

Cartoons, "how to" articles, good examples of Fords in literature, excellent photos in small format, and original reports are all good ideas for submissions. Always remember that brevity is a necessity. Deadlines for submissions is always the 20th.

Your roster chairman is looking for a few good update forms. Your treasurer is always looking for money. Don't let these guys down. January is over with this issue and February is here. Get those updates filled out and returned at the next meeting.

Your Prez is looking for a Safety and Seminars Chairman and a

Road Cleanup Straw boss. Interested in either of these illustrious careers? Step right up and sign in at the meeting. I'm sure you will not be turned away.

In the meantime, we'll be expecting the programs guy to have something for our valentines, so you'd better be there and see just what he has up for this special event.



Golly, are we off to a good start. As a club, we have already had a couple events, including our banquet and ever popular and growing "New Years Day Tour". As I recall, a total of thirteen T's showed up for that event, and a good time was had by all. Let's keep up the enthusiasm and keep the Ts running hot all year long. Rick Carnegie is our new tour chairman and Tom Carnegie has volunteered to do meeting programs again. Both Jean and Charlie Almeda volunteered to continue doing their duties. Thank you guys/ gals and thank you everyone for your contributions. Hope to see you all Feb. 4th *Mike Robison,* Your Prez

The Naps of Polly Sleepyhead

An early feature of the machine age was the cartoon page—this is a very early 1906 Hearst Sunday special feature



No.1 -Polly was sitting out by the rabbits' cage watching the bunnies nibble carrots. The day was warm and it was all she could do to keep from going to sleep. **No. 2** -All at once she heard the chit, chit, chit of an automobile, and soon was surprised to see her friend the Joker, seated in a brand new machine. He took off his hat, and, bowing profoundly, said to her:- "come take a spin with me, my dear, to Shadow Land, the fair, And you may see the Bunny Plant that grows so rankly there." **No. 3**—Polly readily agreed, and lost no time in scrambling in beside the Joker. She then noticed a very peculiar thing about the driver. The smoke was puffing out of his tall stove pipe hat !! The joker observed the interest his driver seemed to excite in the little girl and said:- "A very able chauffeur, he. Here, Chit-chat, you should know Miss Polly, who to Shadow Land with us intends to go." **No.4** - Chit-Chat arose and, turning, bowed very low to Polly; indeed, so low did he bow that his stovepipe hat was tipped to a level with the occupants of the rear seat and the force of the draught from the crown sent them flying out of the car. Fortunately they were not hurt. But the Joker was so vexed that he soundly berated Chit-Chat for his carelessness. **No.5**— Once again they took their places in the car, and soon they were merrily bowling along the lane that led to Shadow Land, entirely forgetful of the mishap that had so lately befallen them. **No. 6**—In an incredibly short space of time they arrived at their destination and dismounted from the automobile. Then the Joker motioned in the direction of some odd looking plants directly before them and said:- "Ah, there's the Bunny Plants, my dear; go pull one. At the root, you'll find, if I am not at fault, a lucky rabbit's foot." **No.7**— Polly, remembering the incident of the Catnap Tree, went forward as directed with some misgivings. But she was a brave little girl, and as soon as she had arrived resolutely reached out to grasp a leaf of the Bunny Plant. **No.8** But the moment she touched the leaf a most extraordinary thing happened. The Joker and Chit-Chat laughed long and loud, but — **No. 9**—Polly wakened with a start. "Beppo" shouted she, "go' way! Don't you see you are making the rabbits break out?"

NEW YEAR'S DAY TOUR 2005

We met at Albertson's at 11:00 am for the start of a low temperature tour. We had a very nice turn out of about 45 T Club members, which included thirteen Ts, a New Buick and Packard that were only about 50 years old, and a few modern cars. We drove to the Old Country Buffet and had food and fellowship to warm our bodies and hearts. Tom Carnegie led an after meal tour of 7 hearty T's South on Dishman Mica and Turned right through the tunnel onto Madison road. They then turned onto a side road and up an icy hill to test the T's climbing ability. It turned out to be a great adventure. Hopefully Tom will share the story at the next meeting. They drove south on Madison to Elder Rd and then west to the old Palouse highway where the South Hill folks headed home and the Valley folks reversed direction and went home. Thank you everyone for your turnout and enthusiasm Carol and I are looking forward to next New Year's day tour.

Carol and Gene

From leaving Albertson's parking lot to the wild woods, fortified by plenty of food...



Our new photographer, Jillian did a great job of capturing these photos of T's behaving badly. As it turned out, sometimes T's will go up slippery hills and sometimes they won't but it's fun to try.

The weather on New Year's Day, however, can do whatever it wants. While it began bright and sunny, it ended with a snowstorm. Fortunately, everybody got home in time. Hate Spokane weather? Just wait an hour or two. You may miss what you last had.

WHITELEYS IN PRINT AGAIN

I just happened across this little document and I thought it should be included. It's seldom that this pair smiles at the same time in the same place.

I think that the event was certainly something to smile about, considering what a wild pair these two have always been. It's amazing that they both have lived long enough to achieve this milestone!


Should I detail just the accidents that I know Glen has gotten into? I'm tempted. No—I won't do it. Both their daughters are doing fine and are glad they have all of us to keep an eye on them.

All our love and congratulations! Many more—we'll all help any way we can.

CHRONICLE

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ANNIVERSARIES



Glen and Hazel Whiteley
SPOKANE

Glen and Hazel Whiteley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 28 at Rendezvous Events.

Hosts for the event were their daughters and son-in-law: Sally and Mike Mungaray, Brea, Calif.; and Susan Whiteley, Kathmandu, Nepal.

Other hosts included their granddaughters, Anastasa Mungaray and Alexandra Mungaray, both of Brea, Calif.

The couple were married Dec. 25, 1954, in Walla Walla.

MORE CELEBRITY FOR T'S

Most of us know Grant Lundin, but our newer members probably have never had an opportunity to get really acquainted with him. Now is your chance to get his whole early life story in a single reading.

Grant has become a published author. This month's *Nostalgia Magazine*, a local publication that digs up regional stories of long ago, ran a lengthy piece written by Grant.

It tells all about his boyhood in our area, early logging practices with horses and then Model TT Fords, and his life in general.

You can get to know one our

oldest members and most interesting local magazine in one sitting.

I'm not about to plagiarize the story for you, but I will tell you how to get your own copy and how to subscribe.

To buy a copy, take yourself to the Valley Mall and into Barnes and Noble. There you will find them for sale. Hastings also sells them. While too late for this edition, you can subscribe at:

Nostalgia Magazine;

1703 N. Normandie; Spokane, WA 99205

Ford's Model TT Truck of Many Uses



The lead picture from 7 page article by our own Grant L.

Can you remember the first Burma Shave Sign you ever saw? How old do you think you were? I can't be sure, but I know that I had just learned to read and was delighted to have something on which to practice during the long drives my parents took each summer. They would drive the current family vehicle from our house in Phoenix, AZ to my Grandmother's house in Salt Lake City and then on to Maybelle, Colorado, and back to Phoenix. Boring.

What I couldn't know at the time was that I was enjoying the last decade of those little red and white signs. What began in 1927 as a brilliant advertising strategy to capture the attention of the passengers of the slower autos on the older narrower roads was no longer proving effective at higher speeds along the sides of the superhighways. One late sign set summed up the dilemma perfectly "Slow down pa/ Sakes alive/ Ma missed signs/ Four / And five / Burma Shave".

Sales were starting to level for the family-owned company and in 1963, they sold it to Philip Morris Inc., who folded it into their safety razor division, leaving the former owners, the Odells, in charge as managers. It was the Odells who made the decision to remove the nearly 35,000 individual signs without further delay. Since the signs stood on rented land and had to be maintained or they would become an embarrassment, from an advertising standpoint, if they fell into default or decay, it was determined that crews would pull them down as fast as was possible. By the end of the year, they were gone except for sets given to friends and celebrities and a set that was donated to the Smithsonian.

As a final irony, the removal of the signs generated as much publicity for the product as the signs ever had. The entire nation mourned their passing. Well into the television age, the Odells made appearances on every talk show with their favorite sets of signs and told their story of the product from its homespun beginning in 1925 and the idea of the signs in 1927, reinvigorating sales for the very old product. The fanfare surrounding the museum donation was nothing short of a phenomenon. Of course the set chosen was apocryphal: "Shaving brushes / You'll soon see 'em / On the shelf / In some / Museum / Burma Shave".

OK, you've been thinking hard, but you still can't remember. I remember sets in western Wyoming, Utah, and Colorado particularly but not what they said. It has been too long, but they accomplished their mission—I do remember the product—Burma Shave.

I'll help you out. Here's some of the best I might have seen because they were West Coast:

1959: The draftee/ Tried a tube/ and purred / well whaddy know / I've been defurred/ Burma Shave

1959: Drinking drivers / Nothing worse/ They put / The quart / Before the hearse / Burma Shave

1960: Angels / who guard you / when you drive / usually / retire at
55 / Burma Shave

1963: Don't lose / Your head / to gain a minute / You need / Your
head / Your brains are in it / Burma Shave

During their heyday, the Odells were unable to generate enough jingles, so they came up with the idea of a contest. They invited people to write their own and submit them, the winners to receive \$100. They were absolutely flooded. They had unknowingly created the first consumer survey, but all they wanted was a break from writing jingles. There was a "give no offense" rule that eliminated a lot of good ones (that we'd probably use today). The pile was sifted and sifted again until the final winners were chosen. "The other woman / In his life / said "Go back home / and scratch your wife" was vetoed





Your continued support of the National club is a big part of our clubs success as well as the key to cheap insurance. Please take the time to join or renew your membership.

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Calendar

Feb. 4	Regular Meeting
Feb. 19-20	Puyallup Swap Meet
Feb. 26	Show No Shine
March 4	Regular Meeting
March 19- 20	Almost Spring Swap Meet
March 31- April 3	Portland Swap Meet at the PIR
April 1	Regular Meeting

Dinner at China King at 5:30 ish regular meeting to follow at 7:30. Don't forget your roster updates if they're not done. Millwood Town Hall on N. Argonne as usual.

Calendar Details

The most important thing to note is that the swap meets have come to save us from the winter blues. The first two are also the closest. The Early Bird and the Almost Spring are both just over the hill in Puyallup in February and March, respectively. Just follow the freeway systems to the fairgrounds and you're there. These are both

basically one-day affairs like Spokane, but they'll do to blow out the cobwebs and get you ready for the mighty Portland meet in April. (Put on your walking shoes. - yes, there is a song with that title.) Don't look down your nose at these— everybody else has cabin fever too. They're good meets for one day at least. Take your trailer. Empty or full. (That's the positive attitude.)

FOR SALE: (Tacoma) Restored 27 T Roadster or will trade for A Sedan of equal value. \$12,900. George 206-842-0340

FOR SALE: (Whittier, CA) Mint Stock 27 Roadster with new top. "parade ready. \$9,200. OBO John 562-665-0714

FOR SALE: 1919 Roadster (CA) starter, water pump, Ruckstell, new top and uph. Prof. rest. In '88. \$11,000 OBO Larry 714-231-7259

LARGE SUMMER TOURS OUR CLUB WILL BE HOSTING

Those that are email challenged need to be aware that tour preparations are underway for the Fourth of July Tour and the Memorial Day speedster run. Committees are forming or have formed and can use volunteers. Check with Charlie or Jean Almeda e-mail at modtman@yahoo.com or phone at 509-448-2506 to see what you can do for the Fourth Tour. Check with most anyone with a speedster about work on the speedster run (there will be a lowland tour also). Jim Patterson or Gene Kicha would be good ones to ask.

If you think that July and September are a long ways away... time seems to fly when there's extra work please get involved.

WANTED: 1955-56-57 Chevy Rear Hydraulic Brake Parts. Wheel Cylinders, Shoes, etc (all internal parts), for adapting to my Speedster, (don't need backing plates or drums). Also looking for 46-47-48 Ford Hydraulic Brake parts for the front, backing Plates, Drums and all internal parts.

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Fender Chatter

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