

# THE HOT BABBITT NEWS

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Newsletter of the Sis-Q A's, Yreka, California

November, 2023



**First Pictures of the New Ford Car**  
Get complete details TOMORROW at Ford salesrooms

NOTE THESE FEATURES:  
Beautiful one-line body lines  
Choice of four colors  
32 to 40 miles per hour  
Remarkable maintenance  
40 to 45 mpg  
Four-wheel brakes  
Standard wheel gear shift  
Handicapped wheel attachment  
30 to 35 miles per gallon of gasoline  
Shield and protection for radiator  
Digital fuel economy and reliability  
Optional accessories  
All new drive shaft  
New and improved steering  
New and improved suspension  
New and improved brakes  
New and improved lights  
New and improved tires  
New and improved body  
New and improved interior  
New and improved engine

**FORD MOTOR COMPANY**  
Detroit, Michigan



**Modern Automobile**

Five years ago—three years ago—no car would have been impossible to produce such a really fine car at such a low price. It is possible today only because of the development of new machines, new manufacturing methods and new production economies that are as remarkable as the car itself.

The Ford Motor Company did not set out to manufacture a new car at a certain figure. It decided on the kind of a car it wanted to make and then found ways to build it at the lowest possible price.

Every purchaser shares the benefits of the established Ford policy of saving or controlling the source of raw materials, of selling millions of cars at a small margin of profit and of constantly giving greater value without greatly increased cost.

As Henry Ford himself has said: "We make our own steel—we make our own glass—we make our own coal. But we do not charge a profit on any of these items or from these operations. Our only profit is on the automobile as a whole."

There are good and substantial reasons, therefore, for the enduring quality that has been built into the new Ford car and for its low price. When you know the joy of driving the new Ford—when you see its outstanding performance under all conditions—when you study its reliability and low cost of up-keep—you will know that it is not just a new automobile—but just a new

**FORD MOTOR COMPANY**  
Detroit, Michigan



**Put the Ford Truck on your pay-roll**

Ford platform bodies and dump bodies are used extensively in highway building, general construction and excavation work. In addition, Ford dump bodies are used for hauling coal, coke and garbage.

## Siskiyou County Museum Family Fun Day



The Sis-Q A's displayed a few Model A's recently at the Siskiyou County Museum, in Yreka, for the Fall Family Fun Day. The museum provided free admission to the public, and the outdoor museum had demonstrations and some hands-on projects for children.

The Siskiyou County Museum building, one of fourteen museums in the county, has two floors of high-quality interpretive exhibits on county history, and boasts an excellent research library. The outdoor museum features several old buildings, as well as agricultural and industrial equipment, all tied together with a meandering pathway.

The Sis-Q A's, of Siskiyou County, California, is a chapter of  
The MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA



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**The Model A Ford Club of America is a non-profit corporation of California and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile as manufactured from 1928 through 1931**

## Mark Your Calendar

**Monday, November 13 – Lunch and Monthly Business Meeting, 11am**  
**Natalee Thai, 105 E. Miner Street, Yreka**

**Saturday, November 25 – Yreka Christmas Parade, 11am**



## I've been thinking...

I'm sure you've noticed a flurry of activity lately, and maybe you're caught up in some of it. Just about everywhere I look I see firewood being stacked into sheds, patio umbrellas getting taken down, garden hoses rolled up, and stuff being covered with tarps. Almost every day there are columns of smoke from burning piles of yard trimmings and raked-up stuff. Each sunrise comes a little later, each sunset a little earlier, and some mornings have been quite frosty, as falling leaves continue to pile up. Winter is slowly creeping in.

If you store your Model A outside or in an unheated garage, and use plain water in your cooling system, it's probably time to think about draining it off for the year. If you use an anti-freeze coolant check the strength with a hydrometer anyway, so you can rest a little easier on those cold nights.

Last month's Family Fun Day, at the Siskiyou County Museum, was enjoyed by everyone. The Sis-Q A's and the CHVA brought several vehicles to share with the public. The morning began with a great view of the solar eclipse from the museum sidewalk, and after things returned to normal, we all enjoyed wandering around the indoor and outdoor museums. As usual, I discovered things I hadn't noticed before. The blacksmith demonstration attracted quite a crowd, and I too was fascinated by watching steel being heated to an orange glow, then hammered, twisted, and shaped into useful items.

Recently, while looking back through some old Sis-Q A's rosters, I noticed that we have about half the membership we had at our peak. Being a small club, with a small budget, has many challenges. At our October business meeting, we had a lively discussion about the future of our club, and few of the questions posed included: What are the advantages and disadvantages of remaining a MAFCA chapter? Can we operate with cash or without any funds at all? Might we simply evolve into an informal group of Model A friends, who gather periodically for lunch and a drive?

Just like everything else in this world, I guess we need to ask – just because something *is* a certain way, does it need to *remain* that way? I'm open to options. With or without a formal club structure, I expect us to continue to support one another as we all face changing needs, abilities, and expectations. We will continue this conversation at the November business meeting, and I encourage you to attend and contribute your thoughts on the topic. - RG

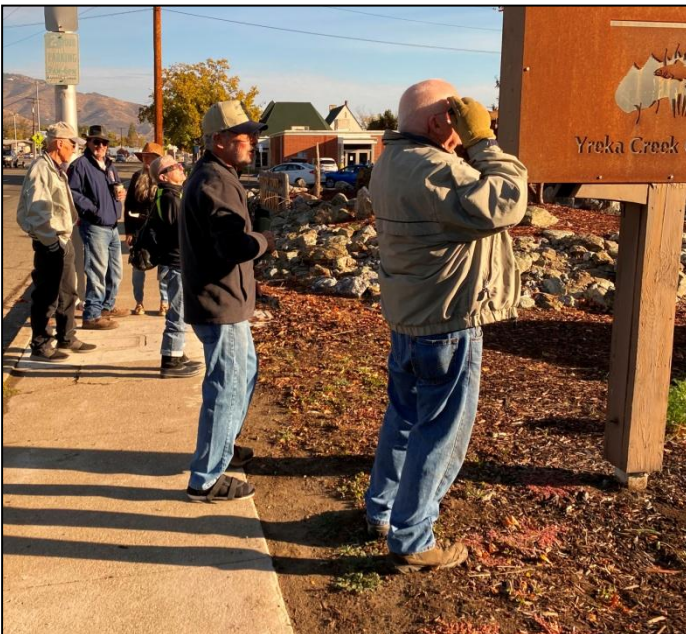







**Above, right:** Our Model A's are featured on the first page of the Siskiyou County Museum's Fall newsletter. (submitted by Mike Spiess)

**Below:** In the cool of the morning, and with the help of special lenses, the Sis-Q A's take advantage of clear skies to marvel at the solar eclipse.









**Friends of the Siskiyou County Museum**  
Fall 2023 newsletter

### Museum Family Fun Day A Huge Success!

Best one yet, with an estimated 400 visitors! Clockwise from right: Siskiyou Art Council's Art Cart; schoolhouse fun with the stereoscope; 4-H Petting Zoo; vintage cars and YFD vintage fire truck & historic cars. Thanks to all the people that made it happen, including our fabulous museum volunteers. See you next year!

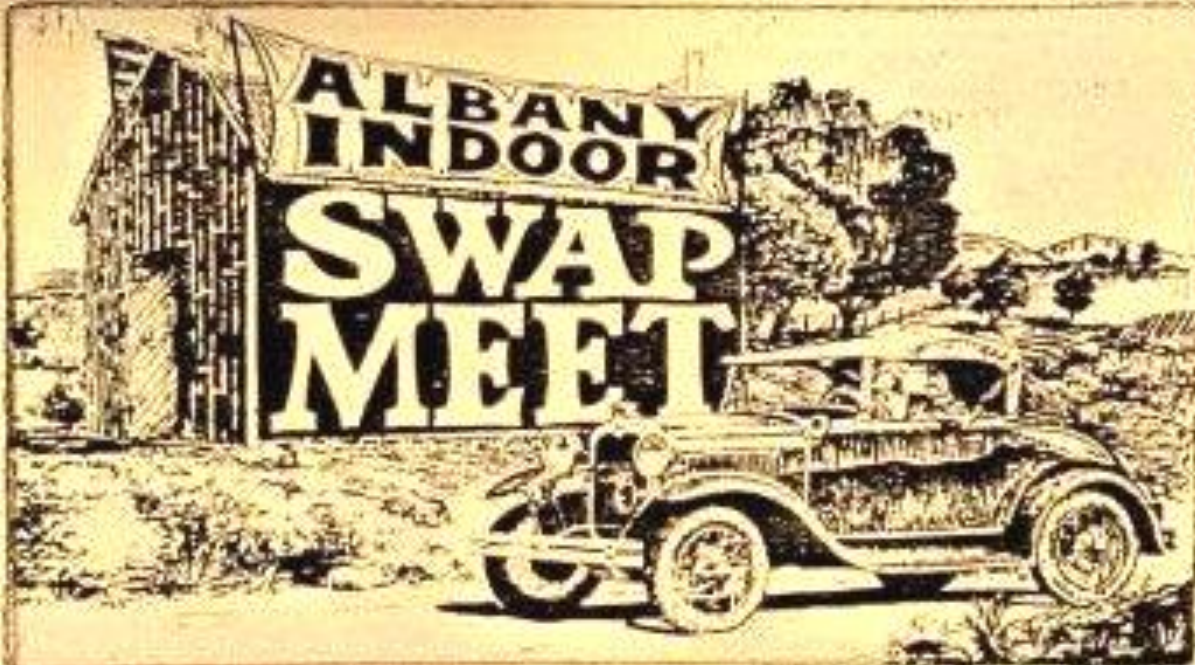





**Siskiyou Stories:**  
Sat., Nov. 18, 1 pm:  
*Wildfire History of Siskiyou County*  
with Jay Perkins

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Museum open Tue - Sat 10 am - 3 pm







SWAP MEET CONSORTED BY THE ENDURING GAS CHAPTER MALCA - ALBANY, OREGON

## Saturday November 18, 2023

Linn County Exposition Center  
Albany, Oregon

Easy access from I-5 Freeway Exit 234

14 Acres of Free Parking

\$5 General Admission – Open 8 a.m.

(General Admission Tickets on sale at 7 a.m.)

Breakfast & Lunch Available

Easy access into buildings for unloading or

Selling right from your pickup

Old cars, car parts, vintage clothing & memorabilia

**ALL SPACES INSIDE.....\$ 30.00**

(Including Cars for Sale)

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(after September 1)

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We'd most certainly  
like to wish You  
a very Happy Birthday!

**Mike Spiess, Nov. 11**  
**Marie Green, Nov. 13**  
**Nancy G., Nov. 19**  
**Linda Ellison, Nov. 20**  
**Brian Favero, Nov. 29**  
**Eileen Mace, Nov. 29**

### **Sis-Q A's Business Meeting, October 9, 2023**

The meeting was called to order following lunch at Natalee Thai, in Yreka. Members in attendance were: Mike Spiess, Rich and Pam Gabrielson, Bob and Ann Noel, and Richard and Nancy Giordanengo.

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** Rich Gabrielson made a motion (second by Pam) to approve the September meeting minutes as printed in the Hot Babbitt News. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ann gave a detailed report of the club's finances. All bills are paid. Mike made a motion (second by Rich Gabrielson) to approve the report. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** No old business to report.

**New Business:** Due to continuing concerns of bank charges, a discussion was had about alternatives, including the pros and cons of operating without money or with cash only. This led to the topic of decreasing club activity, due, in general, to a decreasing and aging membership, which led to a discussion on the club's future, with several possible directions suggested. An appeal will be made for interested members to attend the November meeting to give their input.

Due to rain, the Hunter Orchard tour was rescheduled for October 22.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Ann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Nancy Giordanengo