

# THE SULLIVAN TRAIL A's NEWS

*"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."*

- Henry Ford



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**Sullivan Trail A's Meetings:**

- Monthly
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday September - June
  - 7pm
  - United Methodist Church  
1034 W Broad St  
Horseheads, NY
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**Bessie Love (and her chic friends)**  
American motion picture actress who achieved prominence mainly in the silent films and early talkies.

- 1928 -



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# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S GARAGE

Jerry, Beverly, and I will be working with Nathan Reimer to resurrect our Sullivan Trail A's web site over the next month or two. At the March meeting we were given the green light to proceed with bringing the web site back to life with Nathan's expert help. With us taking a direct role in managing the web site we should be able to keep the site current with up-to-date photos and other information that will be of interest to Club members and anyone around the world who looks for and finds us on the Internet. We will welcome any news items including photographs that our members would like to put up on the site.



We're getting closer to our **Homer Memorial Tour** the weekend of May 21 & 22. If you haven't made an overnight reservation at our 'host hotel,' the Penn-Wells Hotel in Wellsboro, I suggest you make your reservation ASAP as we'll be competing for rooms with another car club the same weekend. There are other accommodations in Wellsboro if you prefer to not stay at the Penn-Wells Hotel. Feel free to contact me, Mark or Carole Harth, or Ginny Bruckner for reservations help.

If you want a Sullivan Trail A's magnetic sign please let me know, I'm ordering the week of March 21<sup>st</sup>.



All for now, Jim

## **Minutes of the March 8, 2016 Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 7PM by President Jim Morris. Twenty-one members were present.

- Motion to accept Secretary's report by Steve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don. Motion carried.
- Treasurer reported financial data. Motion to accept Treasurer's report by Jerry, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry. Motion carried.
- Discussion regarding maintaining website through Nathan Reimer. Motion by Jerry for the club to retain Nathan for the initial transfer and setup of the site. Amended by Bob Personius to add \$100 of the cost from the club and anonymous donors will contribute balance up to \$647.00. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill. Motion carried. The yearly cost to maintain the site will be \$47.00 after the initial setup. Nathan will work with Mike Horning to migrate the web site to Nathan. Jim, Jerry and Bev will be trained on submitting items to the web site to keep it current.
- The May 21 & 22 tour to Wellsboro was discussed. Some members will meet at the Classic Café in Elmira (Southside) at 9AM on the 21<sup>st</sup> for breakfast and then drive to Galeton to the Lumbermen's Museum. Don reported that he had driven the route and found it would be a nice trip. The Tioga Central Railroad does not start running until Memorial Day. Anyone still needing to make reservations at the Penn Wells Hotel or the Penn Wells Lodge can call them at 570-724-2111(hotel) or 570-724-3463(lodge). **It was reported that there will be a BMW tour there at the same time.**
- Jim will order magnetic signs for cars at the price of \$25.00 for large (11"x14") or \$17.00 for small (8"x11"). Please let him know as soon as possible if you would like one.
- Discussion regarding Club patches and clothing. Steve reported that Mike Jones of AACA was his contact for clothing items at his previous Club. He also said Staples does some items.
- It was decided that the 50/50 proceeds will be paid to the winner and the Club. Motion by Bev to have the Club receive 50% of proceeds and the winner to receive the balance. A donation "bucket" will be placed with the refreshments and those partaking can donate toward the expense of the refreshments, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob. Motion carried.
- Delicious refreshments for the March meeting were provided by Mark & Carole. April refreshments will be provided by Margaret Schoonover. Ginny will provide refreshments for May. 50/50 raffle for March was won by Ginny.
- Rich brought in a head puller he made. Anyone wishing to use the puller can contact him and he will be glad to loan it to them.
- **There will be an auction at the April meeting with all proceeds going to the Club.** If your item is not sold you must take it back home with you! Bill was volunteered to act as auctioneer.

Motion by Don to adjourn at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Bev Harding, Secretary

## Upcoming Events

### 2016

- May 21/22, *Homer Memorial Tour* to the **Pennsylvania Lumber Museum**, an overnight in Wellsboro, PA, there will be several hotels/motels to choose from. The **Penn-Wells Hotel** in Wellsboro is the informal 'host' hotel. Mark and Carole Harth obtained reservation information from the **Hotel**, see meeting minutes for details. The **Hotel** has plenty of rooms available so if you'd like to stay in this 1869 remodeled **Hotel** call now for reservations: **1-570-724-2111** Feel free to contact Mark or Carole, who spoke with Hotel owner Dave Cox about the Club's stay, for more information about accommodations (available rooms, meal options, etc.). 863-899-7089 or [bearfarm14818@gmail.com](mailto:bearfarm14818@gmail.com)
  - The **MARC 2016 National Tour** will be held in Newburgh, NY from September 19 to September 22. See MARC's 2016 calendar here: <http://model-a-ford.org/calendar/> and for the Tour here: <http://theflyingquail.weebly.com/national-tour-2016-hosted-by-hvmarc-inc.html>
  - **MAFCA** Calendar for 2016-17 can be found here: <http://www.mafca.com/calendar.html>
  - **Stay tuned for a full listing of local/regional events in 2016**
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### Kellogg's Rice Krispies First Appears On The Market In 1928

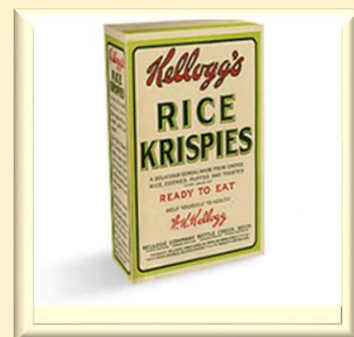
Rice Krispies (known as Rice Bubbles in Australia) is a breakfast cereal that was created by Eugene Mckay for the Kellogg Company, later marketed by Kellogg's in 1927 and released to the public in 1928.

Rice Krispies are made of crisped rice (rice grains that are cooked, dried and toasted). The kernels bubble and expand forming very thin and hollowed out walls that are crunchy and crispy. When the cereal is exposed to milk or juices, the walls tend to collapse suddenly, creating the famous "Snap, crackle and pop" sounds.

In 1963, The Rolling Stones recorded a short song for a Rice Krispies television advertisement. Rice Krispies cereal is widely known and popular with a long advertising history, with the cartoon characters Snap, Crackle, and Pop touting the brand. They are also an important ingredient in Rice Krispie bars and squares made by combining the cereal with melted marshmallows.

Since 1928, parents and children have been lending an ear to the cereal bowl to hear the familiar sounds of the famous 'Talking Cereal.' This year, Kellogg's Rice Krispies celebrates 80 years of delivering magical moments to breakfast tables everywhere.

Rice Krispies cereal quickly became a family favorite, delighting millions of Americans with its simple and delicious taste. When Rice Krispies entered the market in 1928, everyone noticed the distinctive noise the toasted rice cereal made in milk -- and an idea for the company's first (and longest lasting) spokes characters was born. ***Snap! Crackle! & Pop!*** first hit the front of cereal boxes in the 1930s and have continued their Kellogg career in advertisements ever since.



**Source:** <http://blog.spiceandspoon.com/cereal-boxes-then-now>



# The Sullivan Trail A's News

*Do you know ...*

... who the first Ford dealer was?

Billy Hughson was born in Buffalo, NY, in 1869. Lured by tales of the Wild West, he went that way to seek his fortune. As head of Hughson & Merton machinery parts supply company in San Francisco, he traveled to the 1902 Chicago bike show in search of new products.

Henry Ford, who had not yet founded his now-famous company, was there to demonstrate what looked like a four-wheel bicycle, his version of the horseless carriage. In those days, early auto makers attended bicycle and machinery shows in search of prospective dealers. Ford saw one in Hughson, who, in turn, was enthralled by Ford's product, pitch and vision.

Not only did Ford tell Hughson about his plans for a horseless carriage; he also asked the young bicycle parts manufacturer from San Francisco to help sell them.

Hughson agreed, and in the summer of 1903 -- about the time the Ford Motor Co. was founded -- he spent \$5,000 to acquire 12 Model A cars. That made him the first Ford dealer.



Hughson was enthusiastic, but the inventory sat unsold in a San Francisco warehouse for

three years. People weren't ready for the complex machines that needed mechanics to operate them. Cars were being sold in the Midwest, but Hughson was struggling on the West Coast.

Then disaster struck. The 1906 San Francisco earthquake left hundreds dead and injured, and the city was in dire need of help. Hughson was confident that his fleet of automobiles could help rescuers. He, along with five other men, fought their way through the rubble of collapsed and burning buildings to the Market Street garage where his cars were stored. They drove six of the cars to safety. The six remaining cars were destroyed. Hughson turned his six cars over to the

Red Cross for ambulance work. The rugged little Fords performed admirably, climbing steep hills where other vehicles failed. Moreover, the cars were handy because they could travel where horses wouldn't.

"Horses were afraid, whereas the machinery just chugged along," Ford historian Robert Kreipke once told *Automotive News*. "These newfangled machines could go places that horse and buggies couldn't."

After the earthquake, business picked up in San Francisco, and Hughson was called Mr. Ford Dealer around town. Hughson died at age 100 in 1969; his dealership remained in operation until 1970.

Sources:

<http://wardsauto.com/news-analysis/fords-1st-dealer-1st-met-henry-bike-show>

<http://www.autonews.com/article/20091109/RETAIL/311099744/hughson:-an-early-believer>



The Willaim L. Hughson Co. sold this 1903 Ford Model A, which was among the very first Ford Motor Co. cars sold. A representative from Hughson's dealership is pictured behind the wheel. - See more at: <http://www.oldcarsweekly.com/news/hobby-news/first-with-ford#sthash iTQzTlOt dnuf>



## Auction Next Meeting April 12!!!

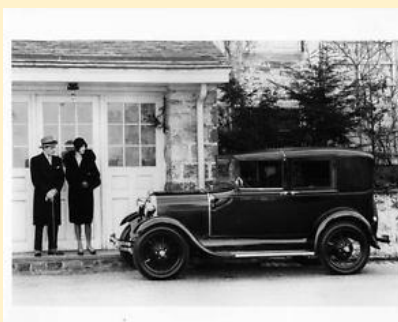


Bring your valuable parts to sell to the highest bidder .. all proceeds to the Club!

Bring clean items, no dirt/grease/foul odors!

Take home all unsold items for your next personal garage sale!

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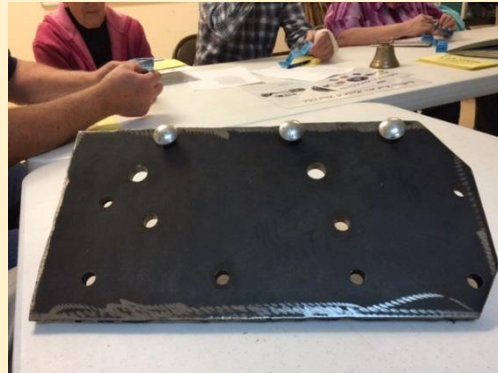




### ***From our very own Rich Phillips: How to remove a stuck head***

I saw a fixture online and made my own version of it. First I bought a piece of steel 16 inches long and 8 1/2 inches wide and 1/2 inch thick. Then I took an old head gasket and laid out the 11 holes for 1/2-13 bolts 6 inches long. I then drilled these holes in the plate. The plate could not be any longer because of the housing for the water pump. Now I needed to drill two holes for the sparkplug holes on number 2 and number 3 cylinders. I used the adapters for lifting the engine that came with eye bolts. Taking the eye bolts out and screwing two 3 inch set screws upside down into the sparkplug hole adapters i could then put some 1/2 -13 bolts into the plate and positioned them over the studs in the head so the set screws were touching the plate. I tapped the plate with a hammer marking the location for the holes for the two sparkplug adapters. After drilling these two holes out to 3/4 inch. my plate was finished. I then got 11 bolts 1/2-13 by 6 inches long and two 4 inches long. The two short bolts go through the plate and with 4 washers on each bolt screw into the two adapters in the number 2 and 3 cylinders. The other bolts go through the plate and with a nut on each bolt sit on top of the 7/16 studs in the block. Adjusting all bolts so the plate is parallel to the parting line. I used carriage bolts because they are softer than the studs and are also threaded all the way up. And I used 1/2 inch bolts so they would sit on top of the 7/16 studs. Now holding the nuts with an open end wrench and turning the top flat under the bolt head, I turned each bolt 1/4 turn each and my stuck head came right off.

Before I started this I drained the cooling system and removed the fan belt and the upper radiator hose. Also the spark plugs and the distributor and the nuts on the studs. Any questions I will be happy to answer. Rich.



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***Breakfast at the Classic Café in Elmira, NY Saturday morning May 21 on the Homer Memorial Tour:***

**Web page:** <http://www.visitclassiccafe.com/>

**Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Classic-Cafe/106327804530>



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Magnetic Sullivan Trail A's MAFC signs are available, let Jim know if you want one or some. Two sizes, 8.73" x 11.48" (11.25" x 8.5") & 11.48" x 17.58" (17.3" x 11.2") Small \$17, Large \$26, price includes postage. Ordered from Vistaprint.



**Let Jim know if you want to order, deadline for ordering is Saturday March 19, 2016**



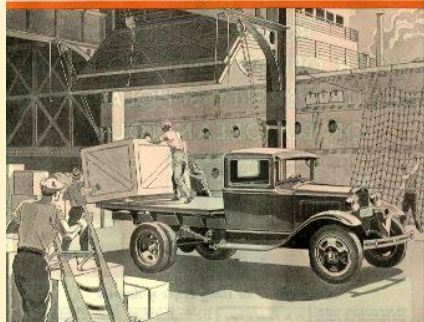
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Jim!!

This is your space if you'd like to use it! Let your Editor know....

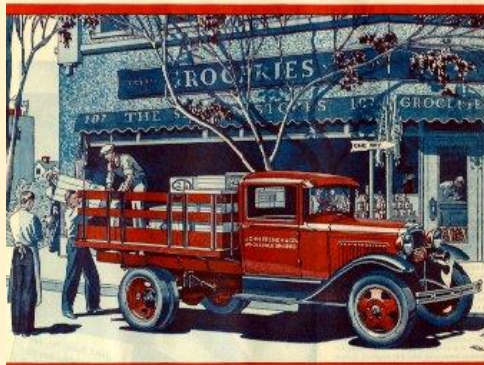
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