

# Flag Day Truck Ride in a Model A



Charles Keno has restored a vintage Model A truck (1 ton), which has been in the Keno family since 1935. The truck was purchased by his parents, Roger and Nettie [Smallwood] Keno. It was the mainstay for hauling grain and livestock from the Keno Grain and Livestock ranch until 1946, when it was replaced by a 1937 Chevrolet 1 1/2 ton truck. It hauled livestock to the Old Union Stockyards in Spokane. It hauled wheat and peas (90 bushel loads) to Fairfield; doing business with Farmers Alliance Warehouse, Associated Seed Growers (ASGRO), Admas Seed Company, and the Inland Empire Pea Growers Association.

The restored and modified Model A will be in the 2010 Fairfield Flag Day parade, commemorating the Smallwood family, the Keno family, and their heritage in the Rock Creek Valley. After the parade the truck will be on display near the Museum. A brochure will be available, telling about the truck and early history of the Rock Creek Valley and its settlers. The cost of the brochure will be a Donation to the Fairfield Museum.

**Included with the brochure will be a ticket for a ride in the truck! The 6 mile round trip ride will begin at the Museum, going east of Fairfield on the East Bradshaw Road, with a narrated panoramic tour of the Rock Creek Valley. It will be a fun tour!**

