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P.O. Box 342, Columbus, GA 31902**

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Matters concerning the newsletter should be sent to the editor to insure timely publication.**

FOUNDING MEMBERS:

***Jim Timbes
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Dan Diener**

**Bob Smith
Al Lugo
Lawrence Farrar
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**Bobby Penny
*Robert Jackson
*Bettie Jackson
(*Deceased)**

PAST PRESIDENTS:

**Jim Timbes NOV 2000-DEC 2001
Mickey Timbes DEC 2003-2004
Joe Spooner DEC 2006-2008
Jim Timbes DEC 2009-2010
Paul Singer Dec 2012-2014
Jim Langley Dec2015-2017**

**Bob Smith DEC 2001-2003
Jim Langley DEC 2004-2006
Jim Langley DEC 2008-2009
Al Lugo DEC 2010-2012
Joe Spooner DEC 2014-2015
Sharon Webb Dec 2018**



Presidents Corner

Happy New Year !

I thought I would continue with the Presidents Corner as I transition into my new role in the club as President. This year holds a lot of promise and excitement as we continue to grow as a club. Our last club meeting was very festive with good food and fellowship. I plan on continuing this tradition and hope to meet the expectations of the club in my new role, but I will need your support. It takes each of us to make us a great club that carries on our Mission:

To unite in a central organization, all owners of Model A Fords who are interested in preserving and restoring the automobile in a manner to attract prestige and respect within the community, and it shall further be the purpose of this club to help these owners become better acquainted, encourage and maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship, sociality and fair play through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation.

I am ready to take on the challenge. Are you?

Sharon Webb

NOTICE OF CLUB MEETING TIME AND DATE CHANGE

During the December Club Meeting members voted to change the Club Meeting to the third Friday of the month at 10:00 AM (EASTERN), at the same location. Robert will be serving a brunch during the meeting. This change will start Friday January 19, 2018. This will make it easier for members to attend, avoid heavy traffic and night time driving. It is our hope that this will also increase our attendance to the Club Meetings and more members driving our beloved Model "A" s to the meeting, Al

JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: Friday, January 19, 2018-
10:00AM (EASTERN)

Our next Club Meeting will be at
Woodmen of the World Lodge, on
Highway 80, in Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

January 5	MATTS
January 12	Planning Meeting
January 19	Club Meeting (Friday 10:00 AM)
January 20	Breakfast Winter Tour
February 2	MATTS
February 2-3	Moultrie Swap Meet
February 9	Planning Meeting
February 16	Club Meeting (Friday 10:00 AM)
February 24	Jordan Car Show

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Tuesday	Jim Bob's (By Hobby Lobby)
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli (Close to Sears)
Every 4 th Tuesday	Country's on Broadway
Every 5 th Tuesday	El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant (Stadium Drive, Phenix City)
Every 2 nd Saturday	Opelika Home Depot Cruise In
Every 3 rd Saturday	Phenix City Home Depot Cruise In (Starts March 18)
Every 4 th Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Every Sunday AM	IHOP Airport Thruway

NATIONAL:

June 24-29	MAFCA National Convention Reno-Sparks, Nevada
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River Cities Model A Ford Club

Meeting Minutes

December 21, 2017

Attending the meeting were Bob Smith, Mickey Timbes, Dick Noxon, Jim and Pat Langley, Joe and June Spooner, Paul and Mary Nelle Singer, Tom and Sharon Ellis, Bobby and Connie Penny, Al and Lizbeth Lugo, Jason and Tiffany Conry, Mark and Pat Gamble, Sharon Webb, Joe and Donna Carter, Neil LaClair, Skipper Barfield and two guests, Susan Peters, and Sara Barfield.

President Jim Langley called the meeting to order, members gave the pledge of allegiance, prayer was given by Paul Singer and members proceeded to buffet dinner.

Sunshine Report: The Watkins were holding their own, Wayne Kennedy recovering from a car accident, Louie Willett is recovering from surgery.

Old Business: The November meeting minutes were approved. Joe Carter gave the treasury report which was approved by members.

MATTS: Meeting will be January 5th.

Christmas poem honoring our veterans read by Al Lugo.

New Business: Installation of Officers for 2018. President- Sharon Webb, Vice President- Al Lugo, Secretary- Mary Nelle Singer, Treasurer- Dick Noxon, Joe Spooner installed new officers.

Outgoing President Jim Langley was presented the retiring Presidents Quail trophy by Al Lugo.

Bobby Penny proposed to change our monthly meeting to the third Friday of each month at 10:00am(est), breakfast will be prepared by Margie. This change was discussed and approved by members, beginning on the January 19, 2018 club meeting. Bi-laws will be amended to reflect the new schedule.

Dick Noxon presented the Road Runner Trophy to first place winner Jason Conry for driving 3405 Miles in a Model A, second Place was Paul Singer at 1967 Miles, third Place was Joe Spooner at 1463 Miles. A total of 8079 Miles were driven by club members in 2017.

Members brought toys for children to be donated to the Salvation Army.

Tours/Activities: Paul Singer reported a tour is planned on January 20th. Members are to gather at Saint Marks United Methodist Church parking lot on Whitesville Road at 10:00AM and depart for the Cricket's restaurant in Pine Mountain for brunch at 11:00AM.

The game of Bingo was played with each member winning a prize.

Meeting was adjourned by Jim Langley

Respectfully submitted

Mary Nelle Singer
Secretary

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

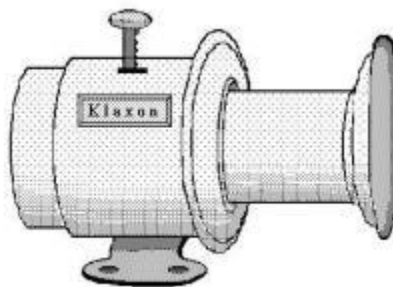


JANUARY 3- Jim & Pat Langley

JANUARY 15- Burton & Maxine Williams

JANUARY 17- Larry & Lisa Farrar

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



JANUARY 24- Mike Alexich

JANUARY 27- Darlene Adams



Photos by Howard Ruddick

Again, we had a good turnout for our December MATTS get together on a beautiful December morning. We drained the coffee pot and enjoyed fellowship and doughnuts.



Bobby announced the next workshop at Al's Garage will be on Model A water pumps. He has been accumulating water pump castings to have at the workshop. Bobby said if anyone wants a rebuilt water pump to order a rebuild kit and bring it to the workshop. You will be able to build your own water pump. The workshop date will be announced when set.



Al Lugo demonstrated how to remove a Model A hood: After removing all fasteners, fold the hood into a “gull wing” shape. Slip your arms into the gull wing openings and lift directly upward.
Note: Removal of the front bumper gives easy access to the hood and removes a trip hazard. Hood removal by two people ease the job and minimize risk of injury or damage to the hood.



Jim Langley examines a replica “Traffic Light Finder” from the 1950s.



Thanks to Larry Farrar's wife Lisa for baking and sending us Divinity. Yum, Yum.



Dick Noxon and Jim Langley in discussion.

Joe Spooner reported he has found the cause of the occasional sharp bang in his 1930 DLX Coupe. The noise was caused by the muffler and tail pipe support bracket.

Come join us on the first Friday of each month at Bobby's shop. We have hot coffee, doughnuts, and lots of fellowship. We will find a parking place, chair, and coffee and doughnuts for you!



Joe Spooner introducing the Clubs New President, Sharon Webb



Paul and Al delivering the Club Donated Toys to the Salvation Army

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MAFFI Newsletter Minute

New for the 2017 Model A Day at the Model A Museum was the offering of a lapel pin showing the featured vehicle, a 1931 AA Standrive Milk Truck owned by Roger and DeeDee Kauffman. Prior to Roger's passing he was well known as the Technical Chairman for MARC and wrote the "Technical Questions" article for "Model 'A' News". DeeDee generously loaned this wonderful vehicle to the museum. To honor Roger and to start a new tradition, the pin was created. This pin is offered in a limited quantity and can be ordered for \$7 each (shipping included)

You can send your order to:

Suzan O'Neale

477 Beaver Pond Way

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Please specifying the quantity and include a check payable to MAFFI.

There will be a different pin in 2018, so watch out for it and come to the museum to purchase your limited edition pin. More information will follow.

Suzan O'Neale

MAFFI Trustee

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