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# Presidents Corner

Welcome Members!

WOW! What a productive month we had! It started off with the last water pump MATTS meeting on June 1. Then on June 9<sup>th</sup> we all got together to put together the water pumps we have been working on at Al Lugo's garage Workshop presented by Bobby Penny and Jim Langley. Tremendous hands on learning experience. Then a group of us met up with the Central Alabama Model A Ford Club on a tour to Auburn/Chewacla State Park on June 16, 2018. It was great having a picnic meal, swapping stories and admiring all the beautiful cars.

The MATTS team is looking at the next area of focus and has hinted that it will be a real experience! Looking forward to keeping our cars rolling by having these opportunities to problem solve our individual car issues.

REMEMBER you will gain so much from participating in our events not only from expertise but fellowship as well!

See you in July!

Sincerely,

Sharon Webb



# JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

**NEXT MEETING: Friday, July 20, 2018- 10:00AM (EASTERN)**

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

## COMING EVENTS

July 6	MATTS
July 13	Planning Meeting
July 20	Club Meeting (Friday 10:00 AM)
July 21	Tour to Idle Hour Park, Phenix City
August 3	MATTS
August 10	Planning Meeting
August 17	Club Meeting (Friday 10:00 AM)
August 18	Breakfast Tour

### CRUISE EVENINGS

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

### NATIONAL:

Nov 27-Dec 1	MAFCA National Awards Banquet- Tucson, Arizona
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# **River Cities Model A Ford Club**

**June 15, 2018**

**June meeting was held at the Woodmen of the World Lodge, Phenix City, Alabama.**

**Members attending were Bobby and Connie Penny, Jim Langley, Dick Koxon, Al Lugo, John Robertson, Bob Smith, Howard and Barbara Ruddick, Paul and Mary Nelle Singer, Sharon Webb, Joe and June Spooner, Bill Shirley and Joe Carter.**

**Meeting was called to order by President Sharon Webb followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and grace by Joe Carter.**

**Sunshine Report: Jim Miller Kevin Adams, Neil LaClair, Russell and Mary Ann Lester, are members to be kept in our thoughts and prayers.**

**Old Business: May Club Minutes were approved by members. The treasury report by Dick Noxon was also approved by Members.**

**Next MATTS meeting will be July 6, 2018.**

**Thanks to Al and Lizbeth Lugo for hosting the water pump restoration workshop. Jim Langley will present a work shop on restoration of a license plate on Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Members are reminded to submit any tech tips to the newsletter.**

**Al Lugo gave a program on the Den Hartogh Ford Museum in Hillegom, Netherland.**

**New Business: Upcoming programs July, Paul Singer (Henry Ford),**

**August: Show and Tell, September: Jim Langley (Surprise), October: Bryan Shane.**

**Club questionnaire to all club members about our club functions and your expectations out of your membership.**

**Tours: Sunshine Drive, Idle Hour and Moon Lake park July 21, 2018. September 22, Uptown Columbus, International Model A Ford Day Viewing of Cars. MARC annual meeting at Dearborne Michigan.**

**Meeting adjourned,**

**Minutes respectfully submitted**

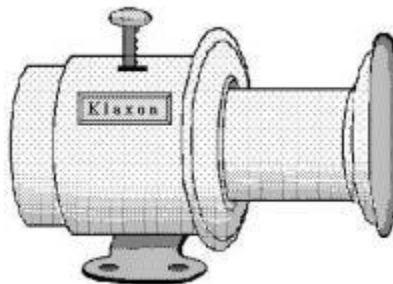
**Mary Nelle Singer  
Secretary**

## **ANNIVERSARIES**



**JULY 3- Joe & Donna Carter**  
**JULY 23- Louie & Gloria Willett**

## **BIRTHDAYS**



**JULY 3- John Robertson**  
**JULY 4- Mary Nelle Singer**  
**JULY 11- Dick Noxon**  
**JULY 20- Pat Langley**  
**JULY 22- Lisa Farrar**



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**Model A's on Broadway. I need a count of how many of you are going to bring your Model A's down to Broadway on September the 22<sup>nd</sup> for the International Model A day. The sooner the better. Maybe we could get some other clubs to bring their cars? Bill Shirley**



**Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July to all**

# WATER PUMP WORKSHOP...

By Al Lugo

On June 9, 2018 the River Cities Model "A" Ford Club held our fifteenth workshop. This time the topic was "Rebuilding the Model "A" Water Pump".

Hope you can join us in September for a License Plate Restoration Workshop.

All photos provided by Al Lugo.

Members met at Al Lugo's garage and Bobby Penny served as the instructor, giving us a superb presentation. Jim Langley also covered the history of the Model "A" Water Pump.

During previous MATTS (Model "A" Tinker Time Shop) members took old pumps apart, sandblasted and painted the castings in preparation for the workshop. At the workshop most members rebuilt their pump using a leakless water pump kit.

Members participating were Bobby Penny, Jim Langley, Joe and June Spooner, Dick Noxon, Bob Smith, Howard Ruddick, Joe Carter, Paul and Mary Nelle Singer, Sharon Webb, Mark Gamble, Jason Conry, Larry Farrar and two guest, Bill Quick and guest and Al and Liz Lugo.

After the presentation members got busy rebuilding the water pump under Bobby Penny's supervision and later members had a good catered lunch from "Countries" BBQ.





By Howard Ruddick

**Come join us on the first Friday of each month at Bobby's shop. We offer hot coffee, doughnuts, a chair, and fellowship as we learn about how we can keep our Model 'A's on the road.**

**We met on a clear Friday morning at Bobby's to plan the final assembly of the Model 'A' water pump parts.**



**These castings are ready for assembly.**





**Bobby is discussing assembly plans with Jim and Joe.**



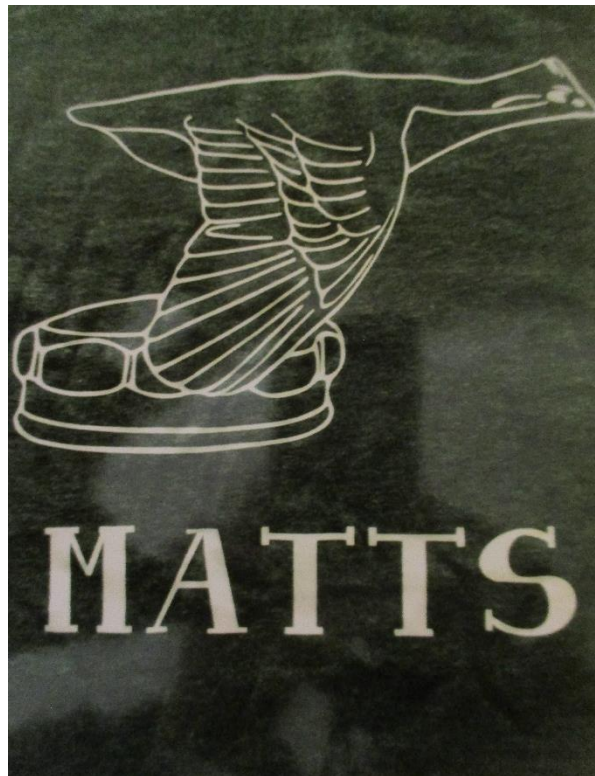
**Neil is joining us.**



**Dick brought in a 7-tooth steering column from his '28 Sports Coup to see if the slack in the gear box can be reduced.**



**Al and Billy are learning how to make the adjustments from Joe.**



**Our Clubs 2018 calendar logo. Thank you, Bobby Penny.**

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# TECH TIP CORNER

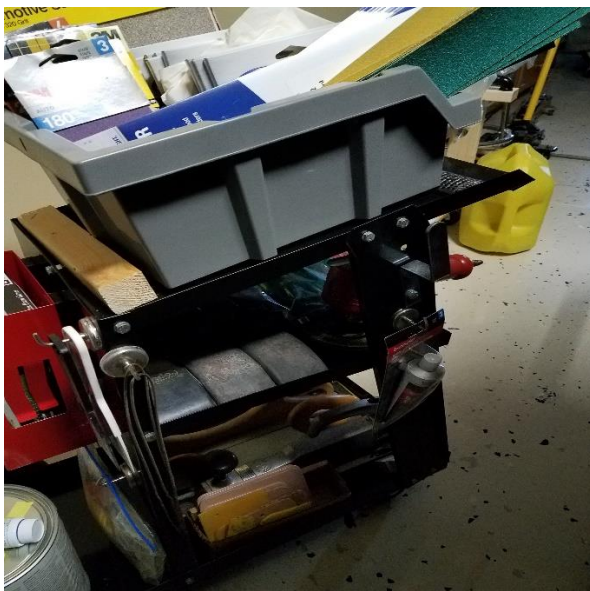
## TECH TIP

By Al Lugo

(Photos by Al Lugo)

## SANDING CART...

As we get older we learn to do our work smarter instead of harder. While replacing my welding cart, I found myself wondering what to do with the old cart. Since I am faced with sanding many parts for my 30 Model "A" Station Wagon and 28 Tudor project, I had the idea to house all my sanding and filler items in this rolling cart. Now I have all I need in one place and can "roll the cart" to the job. This cart includes eye and respiratory protection, all grades of sanding papers, sanding blocks, air tools for sanding, body filler, body filler mixing pad, spreaders and all needed to start and complete any sanding job.



Off the record, many of us know how expensive prescriptions are now. Have you ever wondered what they did in the days gone by, taking care of various things when the Model A was dominating the roads? The following are a few of the things they did.

1. Rub Castrol oil on your aching joints. Works wonders for arthritis (stiffing and swelling joints)
2. Have cramps in the legs or arms. Try a shot glass of pickle juice.
3. Constipated? Eat a very sour pickle.
4. Another trick for fighting arthritis is a shot glass of "Tart Cherry juice" R.W. Knudsen is one brand. It is cheaper to buy the concentrate version.

More to follow in future news Letters.