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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 2017-2018

The best way to develop ideas is through YOU, fellow members. This can be done through teamwork, and interpersonal skills. Simply “shooting the breeze;” helping each other solving problems will produce many good ideas for our club. Got a Suggestion, SPELL IT OUT....



SEE YOU on that back road...

Jim ...

JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 18, 2019-6:00PM
(EASTERN) Our next Club Meeting will be at Woodmen
of the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

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| April 5 | MATTS |
| April 6 | Mt. Zion Church Car Show |
| April 6 | Calvary Christian School Car Show |
| April 12 | Planning Meeting |
| April 13 | Annual Lafayette Day Car Show@ Fort Valley Haven High School |
| April 18 | Club Meeting |
| April 20 | New Site Car Show and Swap Meet, New Site, AL |
| May 5 | MATTS |
| May 10 | Planning Meeting |
| May 16 | Club Meeting |
| May 18 | East Alabama Old Car Club Car Show |

CRUISE EVENINGS

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| 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) |
| 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:

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| October 6-10 | MAFCA National Tour, Kanab, Utah |
| December 2-5 | MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Claremont, CA |

River Cities Model A Ford Club

Club Minutes

The March meeting of the River Cities Model A Club met March 21, 2019 at the Woodman of the World building members present were: Chris and Kathy LaClair, Mark Smith, Wayne Kennedy, Pat and Mark Gamble, June and Joe Spooner, John Robertson, Tom and Sharon Ellis, Howard Ruddick, Jim Langley, Bob Smith Smith, Mary Nelle Singer, Dick Noxon, Mickey Timbes, Bill Shirley Bob and Connie Penny and new members John and Sherry Gilson.

President Jim Langley called the meeting to order and led the group reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Joe Spooner gave the blessing and we proceeded to the buffet.

The sunshine report concerning members who are having health problems including Mary Ann and Russell Lester. They both are continuing to improve.

Planning committee recommended that we give our annual donation of \$100.00 to the MAFFI A Museum. After a discussion motion by John Robertson and second by Howard Ruddick motion was approved unanimously by attending members.

Minutes from February meeting were approved by a motion from John Robertson and second Wayne Kennedy.

Treasurers report was given by Dick Noxon and was approved by a motion by Bob Smith and second by John Robertson. An audit of the bank account was conducted by Bob Penny and Al Lugo after February meeting. No corrections or changes were made.

Please check your newsletter for future road trips or car show. A Car show from the previous weekend was reported our club had two trophy winners. Mark Smith and Dexter Walden both won a trophy. Congrats to both.

Joe Spooner gave our program and he reminisced about some of the adventures he and high school friends had concerning the cars of the 50's. It was enjoyed by all!! Thanks Joe. Joe also shared a week-end trip he and June and gone on with Central A's. They had gone on places around the Childersburg area and Sylacauga.

Our newest member Sherry Gilson won the ticket drawing for the free meal in April. Congrats to Sherry!

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Connie Penny

Secretary.



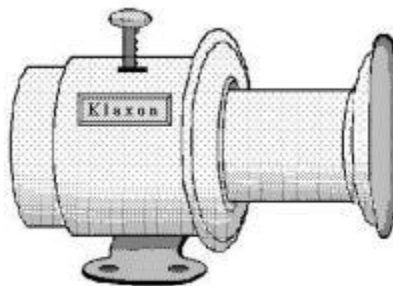
MARKING THE WAY / Main street to Meadow Lane to Park Avenue. We take navigating named roads for granted-but it wasn't always that simple. In 1912, leaders of AAA in Michigan set out to attend the Indianapolis 500. To keep the group together, the caravan's lead car dropped confetti to mark the route. Unfortunately, the wind scattered the confetti, and the cars following the wind-tossed paper trails ended up scattered as well. But the predicament sparked an idea: William Bachman, the caravan's leader, developed a system of painting colorful bands on telephone poles to mark the way to different destinations-with each route a different color. The first poles were painted three years, leading to the first route-marking system in Michigan.

ANNIVERSARIES



APRIL 28- Lee & Becky Coxwell

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APRIL 16- Connie Penny

APRIL 26- Sharon Webb

APRIL 27- Joe Spooner

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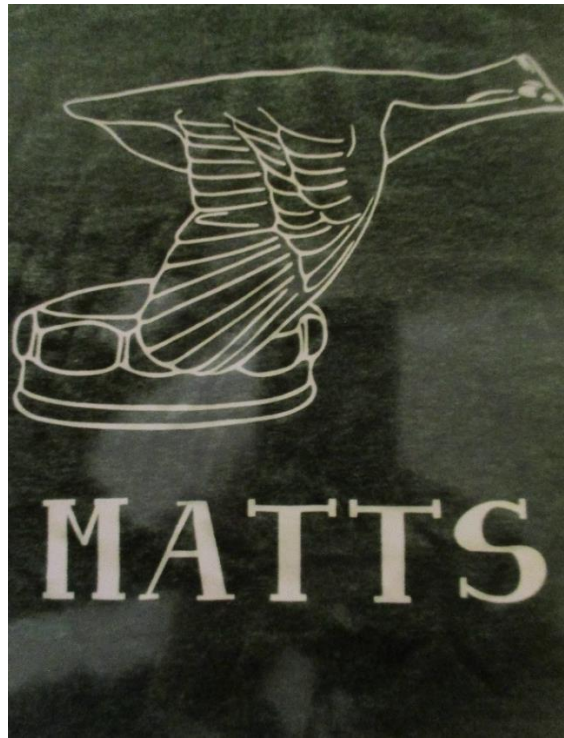
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MODEL A TINKER TIME SHOP

Photos by Howard Ruddick

Rain and a local traffic accident did not deter our group from meeting at Bobbies shop. We knew hot coffee, doughnuts, and fellowship waited. Joe Spooner brought a gas tank from which he had been unable to remove the gas gauge. Al Lugo brought a special wrench to do the job.



Larry Farrar and Billy Quick waiting for the meeting to start.



Bob Smith and Dick Noxon.



Joe Spooner raises a point.



Model 'A' gas gauge components and tools to remove gas gauges. Al Lugo's special tool is in the photo's center. It has a long handle for gauges that are stuck and difficult to break loose and remove.



The gas gauge to be removed.



Studying how to remove the difficult gauge.



First try! **No Cigar!**



The tool slipped off! It was not flat enough for a good grip. This 60,000 lb. press was used to completely flatten the tool for a better fit.



Now we are ready.

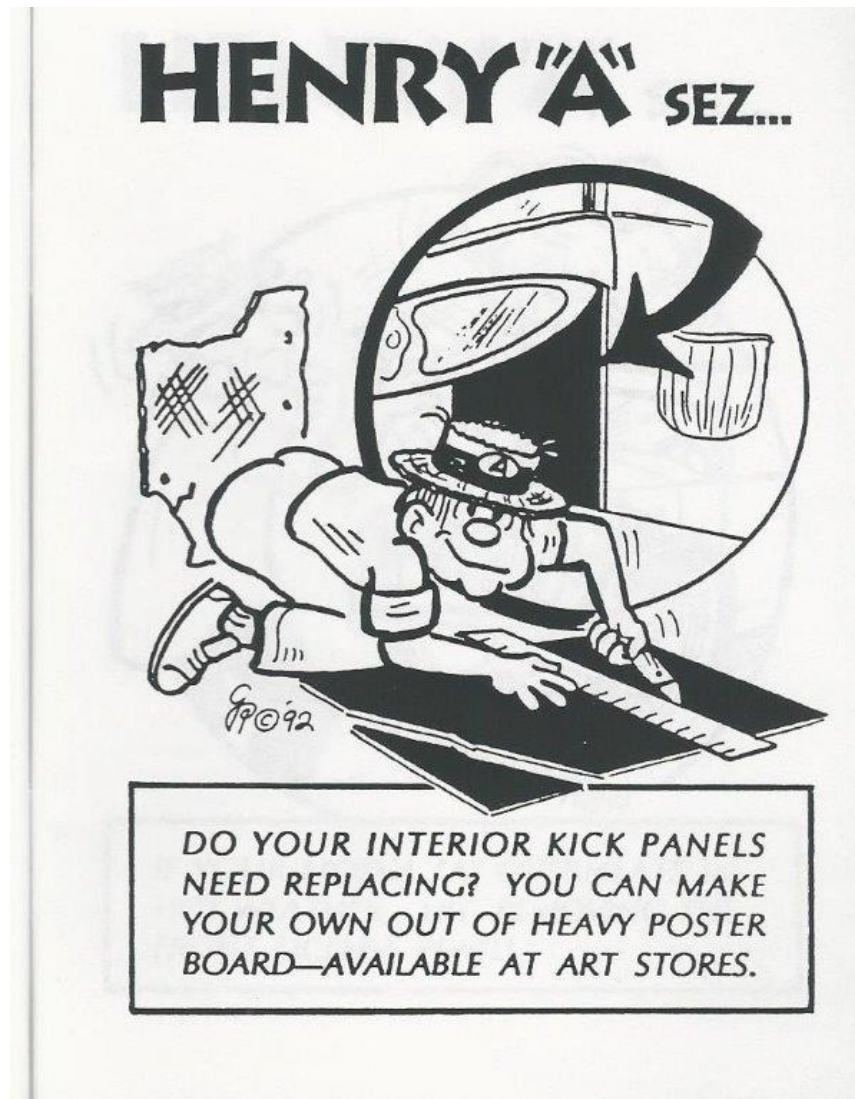


How many Model 'A' enthusiasts does it take to remove a stuck gas gauge?

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.

TECH TIP...

Provided by Al Lugo



NOTE:

These tips appeared in the booklet: "Henry "A" sez: 20 tips and tricks for the Model "A" owner", compiled and illustrated by Gene Patrick. I purchased the rights to publish this when I was in my Club in Texas so I was able to use in club newsletters.

Central Alabama Model A Ford Club invite

The Central Alabama Model "A" Ford Club will conduct a swap meet Friday June 14 and Saturday June 15, 2019 on the grounds of the Moore & Davis Nursery, 13804 US 80, Shorter, AL. (Near Victory land) From I-85 you take exit 22 (Shorter), onto 80 east continue 3.5 miles to the Moore Davis Nursery located on the left. Members of the River Cities Model A Club are invited to attend and also setup and sell Model "A" Ford parts (See flyer attached). There will be limited indoor spaces (10 X 30) \$20 each and a large number of outdoor spaces: (10 X 30) \$20 each and (10 X 100) \$30, the larger space will accommodate a truck, trailer, along with tables and a tent. There will be self-contained vehicle spaces available for a charge of \$30. Set up will be Friday June 14, 8 to 12 noon. Swap meet hours will be Friday 1 to 5 p.m. and Saturday June 15: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lunch will be available Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For additional information contact Paul M Majerick (334) 312-3029 or email paulmajerick@aol.com

DIRECTIONS TO THE MOORE DAVIS NURSERY:

From I-85 North: Take Exit 22 (Shorter), onto 80 east continue 3.5 miles to the Moore Davis Nursery located on the left and park in the designated parking area.

From I-85 South: Take Exit 22 (Shorter), onto 80 east continue 3.5 miles to the Moore Davis Nursery located on the left and park in the designated parking area.

What's new at the Museum?



The museum has recently been gifted with a very early - A-1276 - Light Delivery Model A by the family of Ron Rude from Quincy, CA. This is a very unique vehicle.

The May-June 2012 issue of the Model A News featured the Rude Early Delivery as part of the coverage of the MARC National Meet in San Diego. The vehicle has very low mileage, has several very early features and will be a great addition for the Museum. Mr. Rude's son has also forwarded all the files and information that his father accumulated so we will have a complete history of the restoration and other details.

Make every effort to attend this year's Model A Day on September 21st to see this and many other "Unique & Original" cars that will be featured. For more information on Model A Day, contact Jerry Morrissey: jertrudy@sbcglobal.net.



Col Sanders

I wonder if he is delivering a Chicken Dinner?