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# RIVER CITIES MODEL "A" FORD CLUB

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## FOUNDING MEMBERS:

*Jim Timbes	Bob Smith	Bobby Penny
*Mildred Timbes	Al Lugo	*Robert Jackson
*Dan Palmer	Lawrence Farrar	*Bettie Jackson
Dan Diener	Bill Buck	(*Deceased)

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Jim Timbes DEC 2009-2010	Al Lugo DEC 2010-2012
Paul Singer Dec 2012-2014	Joe Spooner DEC 2014-2015
Jim Langley Dec 2015-2017	Sharon Webb Dec 2017-2018
Jim Langley Dec 2018-2019	Al Lugo Dec 2019-2020-2021

From the President...



July 2021

**M**any members attended the visitation and Funeral service for our dear member Mickey Timbes. Mickey and Jim Timbes were both Club's founding members and past Presidents of our Club. I have never met a person that would not agree that she was one of the sweetest persons they knew. We will not forget you, Mickey.

**T**he June meeting was attended by 15 members since several members were out of town. The program included a video of a store in Canada, established in 1909 and closed in 1963 when the owner died, with everything left like it was when the store closed.

Thank you to Bryan Chin for also showing us the photos taken during the Paul Singer Memorial Tour and recent visits to his garage by other Model A Clubs. Remember to write the date of our next Club Workshop at Al's Garage. The Workshop will be September 11, 2021. The topic selected is Lubrication, which is something every Model A needs.

**"DURING PAUL SINGER MEMORIAL TOUR II"**



Photo by Al Lugo

**“JIMMY AND LEE WIN AWARDS DURING SMITH STATION PARADE AND SHOW”**



Photo by Krystal Napier

**“PARICIPATE, DRIVE, HAVE FUN”**

**See you on the road,**

**AI**



## **River Cities Model A Ford Club**

The June meeting of the River Cities Model A Club was held at the China Buffet on June 17, 2021.

Member's present were Mary Nell Singer, Joe Carter, Bob and Connie Penny, Dick Noxon, Al Lugo, Steve Inabit, Lee and Krystal Napier, Joe Spooner, Brian Chin, Bob Smith, Susan Peters and Skipper Barfield and Scott Singer.

President Al Lugo called the meeting to order and after the Pledge of Allegiance and Blessing by Joe Spooner members proceeded to the buffet.

Al Lugo welcomed all members. There were no visitors present.

Under the weather. Larry Farrah is cleared to have his surgery on the end of June.

Tom Ellis is suffering with back issues. Rickie Robertson is recovering at home. After the meeting it was learned that Mickey had passed away that day. Details will follow on services.

Having no corrections to the minutes as printed in the newsletter, they were approved by a motion by Bob Smith and second by Scott Singer.

Treasurer's Report. The report was approved as read by treasurer Dick Noxon, by a motion from Scott Singer and second by Joe Carter.

Old Business: President Al Lugo thanked Brian China for hosting a visit to his garage during the Paul Singer Memorial Tour. He also thanked Bob Smith for organizing a great tour route. It was reported we had 22 members present at our May Meeting. Al also thanked Mark Smith for his great program in May. We had 5-7 members attend the Scumbugs Car Show on May 30th. There is still a need for a program in October and November. If interested, please contact John Robertson.

New Business: A change in our by-laws {Article 10} to change the names of our Presidents award to be called the Jim Timbes Award and the Spark Plug Award to be called the Jim Langley Award. It was also suggested that a minimum of \$50.00 be spent for the awards. Motion past with a motion from Scott Singer and seconded by Bobby Penny. It was also decided to meet again at the China Buffet for our July Meeting on July 15th. President Al Lugo suggested that members start thinking about a Christmas fundraiser. It was tabled for now. Al is sending some great photos from club members to MAFCA soon. A new Roster should be forthcoming.

Program: President Al Lugo presented a great video on a store that was closed in 1963 in British Columbia that has all original items in store intact from that year. It was remarkably interesting. Thanks Al.



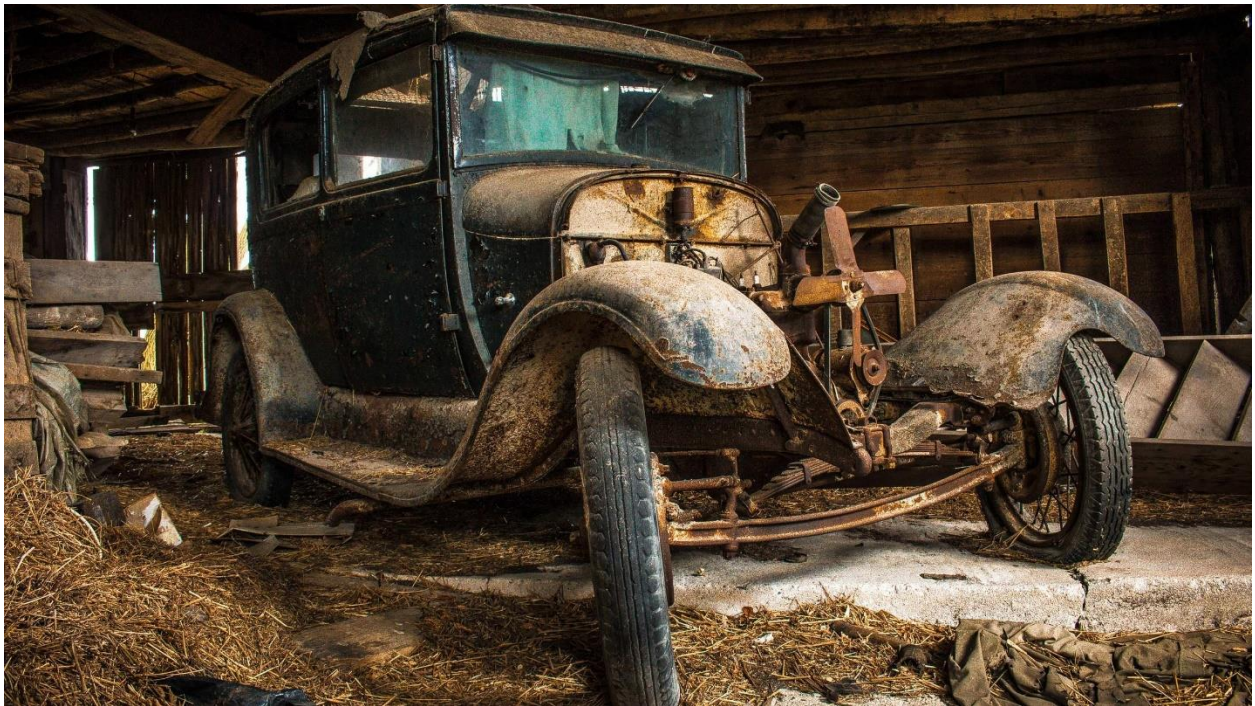
Tour: There will be a breakfast tour to Ruth Ann Restaurant on Saturday June 19th. Members to meet at 8:15 Eastern time.

Coming Activities, check your newsletter for future events including, July 3 Matts

July 15. Club Meeting. Program by Brian Chin July 17 Club Tour, July 30 Henry's Ford Birthday

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned by a motion from Scott Singer and second by Bobby Penny.

Submitted by Connie Penny, Club Secretary



A true Barn Find.

# JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, July 15, 2021-6:00PM (EASTERN) Our next Club Meeting will be at Buffet City at 2401 10<sup>th</sup> Street, in Phenix City.

## COMING EVENTS

July 3	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
July 15	Club Meeting (Program: Bryan Chin)
July 17	Club Breakfast Tour
July 30	Henry Ford's Birthday
August 7	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
August 19	Club Meeting (Program: Robert Wharam)
August 21	Club 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)
Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Opelika Home Depot Cruise In
Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Phenix City Home Depot Cruise In
Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Last Saturday of month	Opelika Cruise In at the Tracks
Every Sunday AM	IHOP Airport Thruway

### NATIONAL:

June 20-25	MAFCA National Tour- North Conway, New Hampshire
December 2-5	National Awards Banquet, Fort Worth, TX

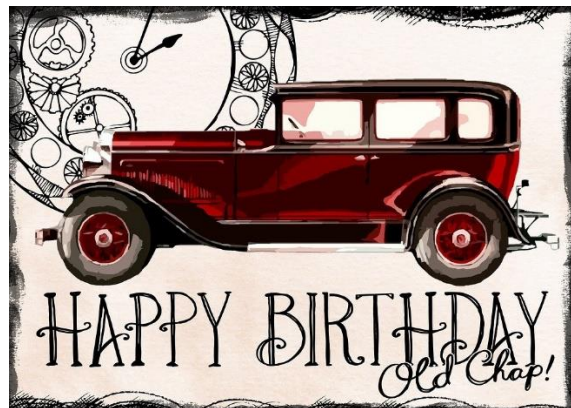
## ANNIVERSARIES



**July 1<sup>st</sup> Steve & Teresa Inabinet**

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> Joe & Donna Carter**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> Mark & Laura Smith**



**July 3<sup>rd</sup> John Robertson**

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Mary Singer**

**July 11<sup>th</sup> Dick Noxon**

**July 13<sup>th</sup> John Gilson**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> Lisa Farrar**

**July 28<sup>th</sup> Laura Smith**



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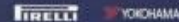
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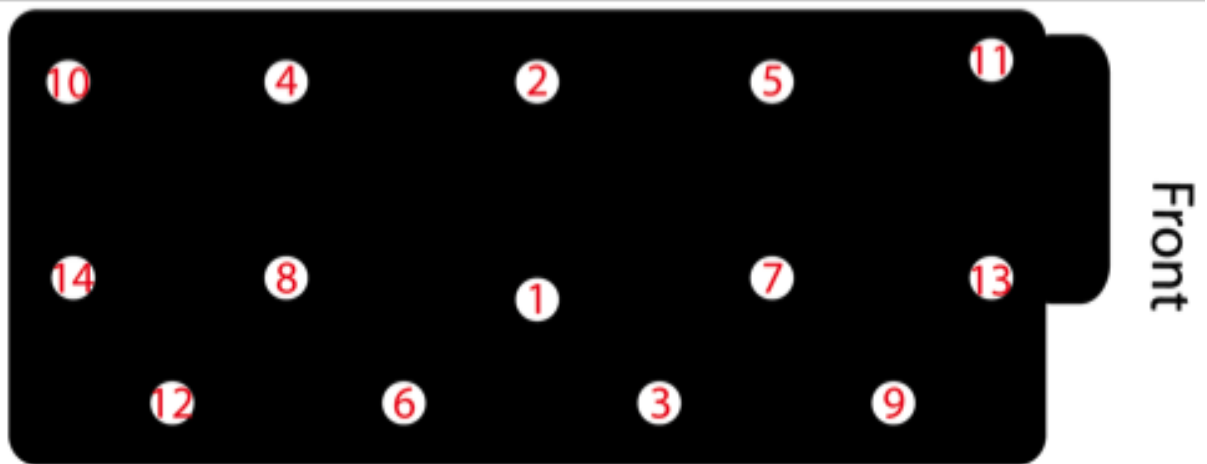
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- Model A No. 1 rolled off the production line on Oct. 20th, 1927, but the public didn't see the car until Dec. 2nd, 1927.
- The "Model A" Tool kit included with each car had the following items: Adjustable wrench, 2 open end wrenches, 2 tire irons, jack, pliers, screwdriver, tire pump, grease gun, ...
- A The new Model A Tudor Sedan sold for \$495.00 with the Fordor bringing \$570.00 F.O.B. Detroit.



Headed West



Ford even had Ships.

Provided by Mary Singer





## Ford AA Express truck



A classic Ford truck is not that rare of a sight as they are popular and well cherished, but this oddball long wheelbase truck is certainly an uncommon sight. With production beginning in January of 1931, and ending in February of 1932, the Ford AA Express truck with the 197-A body is a rare and strange looking truck for sure. With a 157" wheelbase, this truck was not made for tight city streets.



Another load of trucks on its way