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All mail should be sent to the River Cities Model A Ford Club address above. Matters concerning the newsletter should be sent to the editor to insure timely publication.

FOUNDING MEMBERS:

*Jim Timbes	Bob Smith	Bobby Penny
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Jim Langley Dec 2018-2019	Al Lugo Dec 2019-2021
Tommy Ellis Dec 2021-2022	Bryan Chin 2022-2023

The January Drive Chain: Presidential Ramblings

We had a wonderful January with terrific attendance at events. Twenty-three members came to our first dinner meeting in the 2023 New Year. We returned to the Woodsmen of the World Lodge with Robert catering our dinner. A very short business meeting ensued followed by a Tremendously Informative and Interesting Program by David Pascoe on Hershey's Fall AACA car swap meet and corral. Please join us October 2-6 of this year and attend with other RCMAFC members this once in a lifetime Car Guy Event. A good time was had by all socializing before and after the program. On the Saturday after the meeting, we drove to the Savoy Automobile Museum located in Cartersville GA, about a 2.5-hour drive. On display at the museum, we saw four early Fords: 1) a Replica of the GA Tech Wreck Model A; 2) a Fast Brass Era Model T Speedster; 3) a Fordor Slant Window Model A Car outside the museum that you could sit in; and 4) a 1932 Ford V8 truck. For those of you who missed the trip we will plan on having a program showing the many cars that were on display.

February promises to be another fun month. Please plan on attending the MATTS meeting at 9am on the first Saturday of the month (February 5). Our club meeting will be on Thursday, February 18 at 6pm. Bob Smith, a long-term member of the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) will talk about the AACA museum in Hershey PA, a must see on any Hershey trip. We have a planned Model A tour to Carl Cupp's garage to see his collection (February 18). Thanks to Ronnie Pagan for arranging this trip. It has been a long time since anyone has seen Carl's collection, which certainly has grown since.

Please remember to point out to me any trips/tours that you would think might be interesting to club members. Also if you would like to take on a program or presentation at a club meeting on your favorite car or interesting subject, This would be greatly appreciated.

Bryan Chin, President

River Cities Model A Ford Club

The January meeting of the River Cities Model A Cub was held January 17, 2023 at the Woodman of the World facility. Members present were Joe Carter, Mary Nell Singer, Cathy and Robert Wharam, Krystal and Lee Napier, Angie Blauch, Jimmy Napier, John Gilson, Mark Smith, Steve Inabet, Susan Peters, Skipper Barfield, Joe Spooner, Scott Singer, Tommy and Sharon Ellis, John Robertson, Dick Noxon, Al Lugo, Keith Dixon, Bob Smith, Bob and Connie Penny and President Brian Chin. We had 2 guests: Scott Conkel and David Pascoe.

President Chin opened the meeting by welcoming members and our guests. He announced the birthdays for January and anniversaries. Bill Shirley was the only member mentioned who is recovering. One of our former members - Joy Whitaker passed away since our last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Richard gave his report which was approved by motion by Al Lugo and second John Robertson. An audit will be conducted by Al Lugo and Tommy Ellis and the report will be presented at the February 5th planning meeting.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as written in the December meeting by a motion from Al Lugo and second by Joe Carter.

Registration of RCMAFC and Mafca were confirmed by Al Lugo that we have 31 members who have renewed their membership.

The January 12th modern car tour is to the Savoy Museum at Cartersville, Ga. Members will leave from the Steak and Shake near Bradley Park at 8 AM. Members who are interested will meet at the Waffle House at 7:00 The Museum has several exhibits. They are Fast Brass, Fabulous Fins, Microcar, Savoy Collections, and Built for a Crisis.

Look in the newsletter for future events and car shows.

Program: David Pascoe gave a terrific program on the Hershey, Pa. The Car Guys Mecca. David had gone to the Hershey Car swap and recommended this exciting car swap. The event will be in October but members should strongly consider this event and make hotel/motel reservations and air reservations if you would like to fly. President Chin has his reservations and is encouraging members to attend.

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Connie Penny

Club Secretary

JOIN US

BY AL Lugo

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 16, 2023-6:00 PM
(EASTERN) Our next Club Meeting will be at Woodmen Life
Lodge on Highway 80, in Phenix City.**

COMING EVENTS

February 4	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
February 16	Club Meeting (Program: Bob Smith: The AACA Museum at Hershey
February 18	Tour: Carl Cupp Garage
February 25	Jordan Car Show
March 4	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
March 4	Glenwood Car Show
March 16	Club Meeting (Program: Bobby Penny: Collecting License Plates: Bobby Penny
March 18	Tour: Rural Telephone Museum, Lunch at Mennonite Restaurant
March 18	March to End Hunger Car Show

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Tuesday	Culvers in Phenix City
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli (Close to Sears)
Every 4 th Tuesday	Country's at Main Street Village
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
Every 4 th Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Last Saturday of month	Opelika Cruise In at the Tracks
Every Sunday AM	IHOP on Veterans Parkway North

NATIONAL:

April 14-16	MARC Membership Meet, Bay City, Michigan
July 16-21	MAFCA National Tour, Indiana/Michigan
July 30-August 4	MARC National Meet, Hamilton, Ohio
September 15-16	MAFFI Annual Model A Days, Hickory Corners, Michigan
November 30-Dec 2	MAFCA National Awards
Banquet	



February 6th Bill & Lanette Hooper
February 10th Mark & Pat Gamble
February 14th Bobby & Connie Penny
February 28th David & Sharon Laney

BIRTHDAYS



February 3rd Robert Wharam
February 14th Jimmy Napier Sr.
February 16th Howard Ruddick
February 16th Sharon Laney

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"Members met at Bobby's shop on January 7, 2023"



"Bobby talking about the benefits of owning LesAndrew's book, our Model "A" repair bible"....



"Bobby also talked about the wealth of information found in MAFCA Technical books. All of these can be found in our Club's library" ...



"Bill Hooper discusses the initial problems he had starting his Model "A" pickup project and how filing the points took care of the problem" ...



“Scott Singer shows the broken starter Bendix spring that recently failed in his Cabriolet” ...



“Bobby shows the 2023 Calendar he created and he then presented it to members that attended MATTS “...

You see what you are missing by not attending MATTS? Join us at our next MATTS on Saturday, February 4, 2023!



We had a group of five meet for breakfast at Waffle House, then went to Cartersville to connect up with the other members of our club at the Savoy Museum. In total we had Scott & Lisa, Bob Penny, Al, Mark, Robert, Bob, Brian and his two friends from Auburn.

Now the Fin collection was pretty neat, mostly cars we might have seen growing up back in the day.



The brass cars were very old and set up for racing, then the Micro cars were just so tiny it was surprising anyone would fit in one. Ha. In the permanent collection was a '56 Continental, '57

Corvette, '59 Edsel, '32 Buick, '34 Airflow, '37 Cord, '48 Chrysler Woody Sedan, '54 Darrin.

GM sent some brand new, right off the assembly line cars from the 70s. '71 Vega, '75 Cosworth Vega, '76 Chevette. Then there were a Pinto, Gremlin, and a Pacer. A couple had the window sticker still on, mileage read less than a 100 miles on them.

Roving Reporter,
Bob Smith



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