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FOUNDING MEMBERS:

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

PAST PRESIDENTS:

Jim Timbes- NOV 2000- DEC 2001	Bob Smith- DEC 2001- 2003
Mickey Timbes- DEC 2003-2004	Jim Langley- DEC 2004 -2006
Joe Spooner- DEC 2006-2008	Jim Langley- DEC 2008- 2009
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July 10, 2011

Members
River Cities Model A Ford Club

Subject: Abbreviated Newsletter

Dear Members:

At our last Club Meeting, the Editorial Committee for our Newsletter reminded us that they had volunteered on a temporary basis to Publish our newsletter for six months and the six months were now up and we needed another member to volunteer to continue this endeavor.

As of last Thursday I received the official resignation of the Committee. We are grateful to Jim Langley and Bob Smith for publishing the Newsletter for the last six months. These members have always contributed to our Club in multiple ways serving in many capacities. Now is time for someone from the membership to step forward and assume this position.

As I feel that the newsletter is "the glue" that keeps the club together, I have created an abbreviated Newsletter. This Newsletter can be found at our Club Website which is now up and running. The website is: www.rivercitiesrunningboard.com. We will not send out by mail or email a copy of our Newsletter until we get another Newsletter Editor.

A copy of this letter will be send by email to all members having an email address and by mail to those that do not have an email. This matter will be discussed in depth at our Board Meeting and Member Meeting.

The best always,

Al Lugo
President
River Cities Model A Ford Club

The President's Corner..



Hope you all had a great 4th of July weekend. We thank all service members and those that served before them. May we always remember that liberty is not free.

Our last Board Meeting was at our new location the Overlook Room at the Burger King on 2033 Wynnton Road, Columbus. Members enjoyed the location, and the food. The next Board Meeting will be July 15, 2011 at 9:00 AM. All members are invited to attend.

Thank you to Jim Langley for his presentation on his very interesting book. When you read his book it is very hard to stop. You can purchase this great book from Jim if you are interested. Our next Program will be on Health and Wellness, presented by Mike Moyer.

We continue to receive some great suggestions and we are acting on many of these. Many of these great ideas will be implemented in the future.

The club has submitted the information for the Model A Museum brick. It is thru the effort

of Clubs and members, that this museum dream will become a reality. I encourage all of you to become members of the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. in order to help the foundation continue to keep the history of the Model A Ford alive.

Remember our next tour (we will tour in modern cars!) will be on July 23, 2011, to the Muscle Car Museum in Alexander City, AL. We will meet at 9:15 AM at Glenwood School in Phenix City, leaving promptly at 9:30 AM. We will tour this very interesting Car Museum and then go for lunch at a local restaurant. Any member that has not signed up please notify Al at once since, we need to have an accurate headcount for the restaurant.

See you at the meeting,

AL

"BUSINESS IS NEVER SO HEALTHY AS WHEN, LIKE A CHICKEN, IT MUST DO A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF SCRATCHING FOR WHAT IT GETS."

Henry Ford

(Quote Provided by Joe Spooner)

River Cities Model A Ford Club - Meeting Minutes - June 16, 2011

The regular meeting of The River Cities Model A Ford Club was called to order at 6:35pm on June 16, 2011 at the Woodsman of The World Lodge by President Al Lugo. He then led the group in The Pledge of Allegiance. The blessing was given by Joe Spooner and all proceeded to the buffet.

Present:

Paul and Mary Nelle Singer, Bob Smith, Dick Noxon., Glen Williams and Cindy, Al Lugo, Howard Ruddick, Bobby and Connie Penny, Don and Evelyn Carlisle, Joe and June Spooner, Bob and Bettie Jackson, Mike Alexich, Neil La Clair, Jim Langley, John and Rickie Robertson, Russell Lester, Gary and Sheila Collins, Sharon Webb.

Al Lugo introduced Bobby Shackelford as a visitor who has a 1930 Model A Ford.

The minutes of the previous meeting which were not included in the last newsletter release due to technical difficulties, were read by Sharon Webb. Corrections were noted to the reference of Café 431 and to the name correction of Howard Ruddick. The minutes were approved with these corrections.

Treasurers Report:

The treasurer's report was read by Bettie Jackson and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Al Lugo reported that the club was well represented Sunday, June 5, 2011 at the Pine Grove United Methodist Church on Highway 29 in Beulah, Alabama, for the memorial service for George and Ann's grandson, Shane Hyde who died unexpectedly.
- Al Lugo reported that at the board meeting it was decided that the 3 lines on the Ford Museum Brick should read: River Cities (line 1) Model A Ford Club (line 2) Georgia/Alabama (line 3)
- The tour to the tag barn at Jim Langley's has been postponed due to the severe heat. It may be rescheduled for the fall (possibly November)

New Business:

Deadline for submitting an application for the club's scholarship has been set for July 20 and should be turned into Connie Penny. We received a card from the Timbes who are on a 6 week RV tour out west. They are having a great time and will be returning next month. Car shows coming up are: Oct 1 the LaGrange Car Show, Oct 29 the Buena Vista Car Show. Other noteworthy events are: Modern Car Tour July 23, 2011 to the Muscle Car Museum Alex City, Alabama. We will be leaving at 9:30a from the Glenwood School. Please sign up by next meeting. August 13, 2011 we plan on traveling to Tucker Ga. For the Georgia Chapter Model A Swap meet / Cofer Collection. Sign up by the July meeting. The International Model A Day is September 10, 2011. The next "Workshop" will be October 8 at Bob Jackson's garage on "Brakes according to Henry Ford". The July board meeting will be Friday July 15, 2011 at the Burger King on 2033 Wynnton Road at 9:00am.

Suggestions from the box:

- To have the program right after the food so presenters can present and leave if necessary then have the business part of the meeting (Al agreed to begin this process starting next meeting)
- Consider having a "swap meet" sometime during the year for the club socialize and share parts. (perhaps open to the public as well)
- Have non-competitive events using our Model A's at possibly a local high school and charge the public a small admission.
- Set up an antique car "show and shine" with a tour of historic houses as a means of community outreach.
- Conduct a survey of the members to determine why they attend the club meetings, what they would like to continue or discontinue and what direction they see the club going towards.

Reports from Committee Chairpersons:

Programs: John Robertson stated he had to make some changes in the schedule of programs and has Jim Langley presenting tonight concerning his new book and tag barn tour.

Newsletter: Due to technical difficulties the minutes were not included in the newsletter and it was sent out in the mail. The members were reminded that their needs to be a designated editor for us to be able to continue to get the newsletter out. There were no other committees to report at this time.

Program: Jim Langley presented a very detailed program on the arrival of the automobile in the local area beginning as early as 1903. He challenged us with a little pop quiz on local folk lore and spoke of the growth and development of some of the local car dealerships. He had with him copies of his newly published book "From Mules to Muscle Cars" for members to purchase for \$25. The presentation was very informative!

50/50 DRAWING: The winner was Linda Miller.

Mike Alexich in his efforts to help a friend move found 2 items he wished to present in honor of 2 of our members. The first was a large sign from Creg's Auto Parts which read "Joe's Garage" which he presented to Joe Spooner. The second was a horn from a Model T which he presented to Paul Singer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm **Minutes submitted by: Sharon Webb**

JOIN US!

NEXT MEETING: July 21, 2011-6:00PM (EASTERN) Our next meeting will be at Woodmen of the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

July 21	Club Meeting
July 23	Tour (Modern Cars) to Alex City, AL Muscle Car Museum
August 5	Board Meeting- 9:00 AM Burger King, Wynnton Road
August 13	Tour (Modern Cars) GA Chapter Model A Swap Meet & Cofer Auto Collection, Tucker, GA
August 18	Club Meeting
September 2	Board Meeting
September 10	International Model A Day
September 15	Club Meeting

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thru Way
Every 2 nd Tuesday	El Carrizo on Whittlesey Blvd.
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli
Every 4 th Tuesday	Fudruckers
Every 2 nd Saturday	Opelika Home Depot
Every 4 th Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)

NATIONAL:

Nov 30- Dec 4, 2011 MAFCA National Awards Banquet

Announcements

MEETING LOCATION AND PROGRAM

Our Club Meeting will be on **July 21, 2011** at the **Woodmen of the World Lodge**, in Phenix City. Located on Highway 80 West, across from Piggly Wiggly. (Distance from the Walgreen's/CVS intersection to the meeting location is 2.2 miles). Food will be catered and will cost \$10.00 per person. Our program will be presented **by Mike Moyer**. He will present on **Health & Wellness**.

OUR NEXT TOUR

Our next tour will be in modern cars on **July 23, 2011 to the Alex City AL Muscle Car Museum**. We will meet at **9:15 at Glenwood School**, leaving promptly at **9:30**. If you have not signed up do so at the meeting or call Al Lugo.

SIGN UP FOR SWAP MEET TOUR

At the July Meeting we will be signing up for the **GA Chapter Model A Swap Meet Tour** (in modern cars) to be held **August 13, 2011 in Tucker, GA**. We will be able to see the **Cofer Automobile Collection** there. More information at the meeting.

UNDER THE WEATHER

The following members were recently in the hospital:

Frieda Moyer
Friederike Robertson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The Club would like to wish the following club members a **very happy birthday**:

July 20- Pat Langley
Aug 4- Nancy Palmer
Aug 9- Joe Carter
Aug 10- Linda Miller

And a **very happy anniversary** to:

July 23- Louie & Gloria Willett
July 31- Patsy & Larry Phillips
Aug 2- Donnie & Debbie Morrison

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