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**The River Cities Model "A" Ford Club permanent address is:
P.O. Box 342, Columbus, GA 31902**

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
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*Dan Palmer
Dan Diener

Bob Smith
Al Lugo
Lawrence Farrar
Bill Buck

Bobby Penny
*Robert Jackson
Bettie Jackson
(*Deceased)

PAST PRESIDENTS:

Jim Timbes- NOV 2000- DEC 2001
Mickey Timbes- DEC 2003-2004
Joe Spooner- DEC 2006-2008
Jim Timbes- DEC 2009-2010
Paul Singer Dec 2013

Bob Smith- DEC 2001- 2003
Jim Langley- DEC 2004 -2006
Jim Langley- DEC 2008- 2009
Al Lugo- DEC 2010-2012

Presidents Corner

It's hard to believe June is here already! Where did the first half of the year go?

To kick off 2014 Bobby Penny invited all RCMAFC members set aside the first Friday every month to enjoy a little MATTS (MODEL A TINKER TIME), no formal meeting, just come to his shop to visit or Tinker with your car.

The first trip was to Montgomery to attend a Les Andrews Seminar with the Central A's. Then Jim Langley and Sharon Webb started us off with a Breakfast at Callaway Country Store and the Jack Frost Tour through Pine Mountain Valley. Barbara Ruddick captured it all with another great Smile Box. FOP pancake breakfast followed by Jordan H.S. Car Show where Bobby Shackelford picked up a Best of Show for his '31 Coupe. Robin Jackson Gaylor invited RCMAFC to the More Miles to Go restaurant to show her appreciation of the Dr. Dan Palmer Scholarship awarded her to help support her Nursing education. The Glenwood school C.S netted Trophies for Don Carlisle, John Robertson, Al Lugo and Harry Williams. Next was the East Alabama Ole Car Show where Al Lugo, Paul Singer and Don Carlisle picked up Trophies. Next came the Barbour Motor Sports Tour Joint with Central A's. In May, Al and Lizbeth hosted another Al's Garage Seminar on Horns and Plugs with Joe Spooner and Jim Langley presenting. Barbeque lunch followed, yum! Columbus Police Dept C.S. found Glen Williams gathering Peoples Choice and Top 25 with his Red '48 Ford F1 pickup. Paul Singer and Jim Langley met the 1929 Ford Trimotor airplane in Paul's 1930 Model A at the Columbus Airport. The Eufaula Times newspaper ran a picture of Wayne Smith with his '28 Fourdoor at the Eufaula C.S. while Harry Williams with his '31 Coupe and John Robertson with his '06 Vett won Top 25's at Fort Benning C.S. Next was the West Point Dam Tour hosted by Howard and Barbara Ruddick, another great Tour. Barbara followed up with a wonderful Smile Box featuring the Trip.

Thanks to all who worked so hard to make it happen for YOU,

Paul

JOIN US!

By AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: June 19, 2014-6:00PM
(EASTERN) Our
next meeting will be at Woodmen of
the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in
Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

June 6	MATTS Gathering
June 13	Board Meeting
June 19	Club Meeting
June 21	Covered Bridge Tour
July 3	MATTS Gathering? (Thursday- may change)
July 5	Independence Day Celebration at Singer's
July 11	Board Meeting
July 12	Tour to Private Car Museum in Opelika
July 17	Club Meeting

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Tuesday	La Pareja Mexican Restaurant (towards Waverly Hall)
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli
Every 3 rd Thursday	Harley Davidson on Williams Road
Every 4 th Tuesday	BoJangle's on Schomberg Road
Every 5 th Tuesday	Stevie B's Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Saturday	Opelika Home Depot
Every 4 th Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Every Sunday AM	IHOP Airport Thruway

NATIONAL:

June 21-27, 2014- MARC National Meet, French Lick, Indiana

July 14-18, 2014- MAFCA National Convention, Puyallup, Washington

December 3-7, 2014- MAFCA National Awards Banquet

Q: *What car used the first successful series-production hydraulic valve lifters?*

Answer at end of the News Letter



SCHOLARSHIPs

If you have a family member who would like to apply for the DR. DAN PALMER SCHOLARSHIP now is the time to begin planning. Bill Shirley has the applications, contact him for what you need. The completed application should be back into Bill's hands by April 2014. The absolute deadline is July 1st.

"When everything seem to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it"

— Henry Ford

River Cities Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes for May 16, 2014

President Paul Singer welcomed all visitors and members to the May 16, 2014 meeting of the River Cities Model "A" Ford club. President Paul Singer led the group in the Pledge of Alliance and club member Joe Carter led the group in prayer. All proceeded to the buffet.

Members present were: Bob & Connie Penny, Mickey & Jim Timbes, Wayne Kennedy, Joe Carter, Paul & Mary Nell Singer, Bob Smith, Dick Noxon, Jim Langley, Al Lugo, John Robertson, Bill Shirley, Howard Ruddick, Russell Lester, Joe & June Spooner, Bettie Jackson, Lee Coxwell and Sharon Webb.

Minutes were approved from April meeting by motion by John Robertson, and second by Howard Ruddick.

Joe Carter gave the treasurer's report.

Reminder that persons wishing to apply for the scholarship should submit applications by July 1, 2014.

New Business: Jim Langley and Al Lugo were appointed by President Singer to a nominating committee.

Program:

Joe Spooner gave a great slide presentation on the Tour in Texas he and wife June went on last month. The pictures and presentation were great and enjoyed by all.

Upcoming tours were discussed.

Meeting was adjourned

Connie Penny
Secretary

NATIONAL MODEL A MEET FOR 2014

French Lick, Indiana

Sunday June 22nd to Friday June 27th

Grandeur in the Hills of Indiana

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French Lick Host Hotel \$129

West Baden Hotel \$179

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Discount Code: 0614 MAR

www.2014marcmeet.com

Almost all the old folks are gone who would call the accelerator the 'foot feed.' Many today do not even know what a clutch is or that the dimmer switch used to be on the floor. For that matter, the starter was down there too.

"It has been my observation that most people get ahead during the time that others waste"

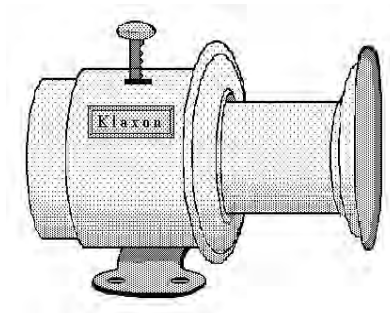
— **Henry Ford**

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES



JUNE 16- William & Renate Shirley

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



JUNE 3- Russell Lester
JUNE 9- Toika Whitaker
JUNE 15- June Spooner
JUNE 25- Barbara Ruddick
JUNE 27- Mike J. Durfy

Fellow Regional Model "A" Ford Clubs

October 16-18 8th Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour
Montgomery & Prattville, Alabama.

The 8th "Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour" will be conducted as a hub tour from the Montgomery and Prattville Alabama area's with visits to attractions in the central part of the state.

Thanks - Paul Majerick Central Alabama Model "A" Ford Club, Activities Director. Telephone (334) 312-3019 email paulmajerick@aol.com

2014 National Tour

The Model A Restorer's Club (MARC) National Tour will be held from Sunday September 21 to Wednesday September 24th 2014 inclusive.

The National Tour will be based in Cary, North Carolina one of the cities within the famed Triangle comprised of Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 21, 2014

11:00 am – 4:00pm	Tour Registration at Hilton Garden Inn, Lobby
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Welcome Party – Carolina Pig Pickin' at Montague Lake

Monday, September 22, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
7:00am – 5:00 pm	Tours
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
8:00 pm	Drive-In Movie - Raleigh Road Theater, Henderson

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tours
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Wednesday, September 23, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton

7:00 am – 5:00 pm
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Grand Tour to Carthage 100 Years of Progress Show
Farewell Banquet – Hilton Garden Inn

For more information go to the TarWheel A's web site
www.tarwheela.com OR CONTACT:

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HORN'S and SPARK PLUG'S WORKSHOP... By Al Lugo

On May 10, 2014 the River Cities Model A Ford Club held our first workshop of the year. This time the topic was "Horn's and Spark Plug's"

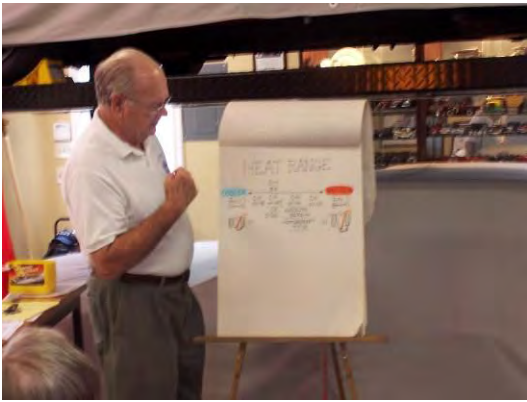
Members met at Al Lugo's garage and Jim Langley served as the instructor for the Horn Seminar, and Joe Spooner served as the instructor for the Spark Plug seminar. They both gave us a superb presentation that included history, how the horn and different spark plugs work and information and how to properly test and adjust them.

Members participating were Sharon Webb, Joe and June Spooner, Dick Noxon, Bob Smith, Jim Langley, Paul and MaryNelle Singer, Tommy Ellis, Neil LaClair, John Robertson, Joe Carter, Louie Willett, Howard Ruddick, and Al and Liz Lugo.

After a good lunch from "Countries" BBQ, the Horn were adjusted on Sharon's and Paul's car.

Join us in other workshops in the coming year....





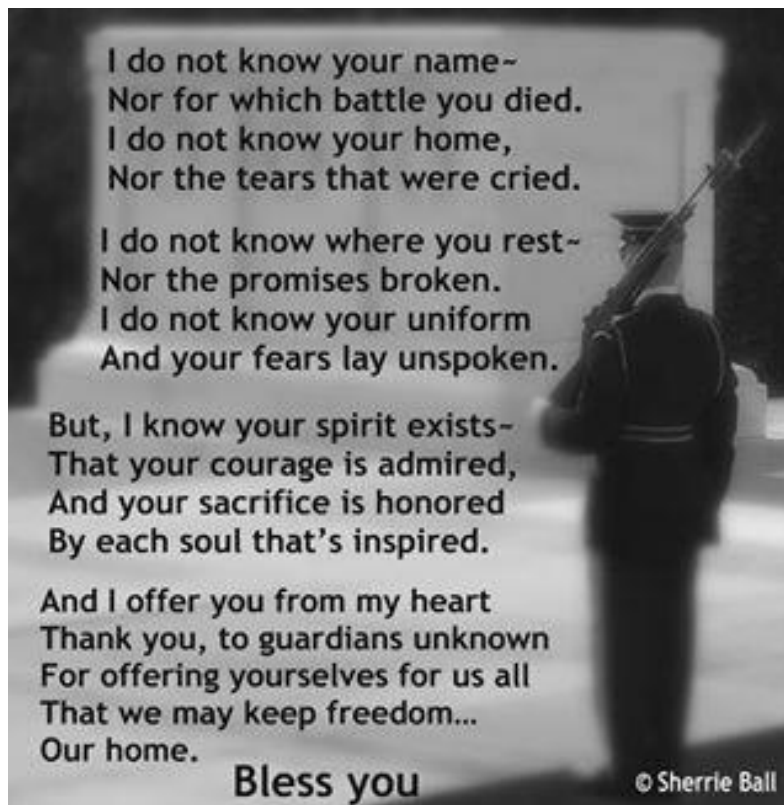
All photos provided by Al Lugo.



Photo by Sharon Webb

OK, Grandma said, let the clutch out slow, give it a little gas and use my mirror. (whats a mirror?)

At the May 2014 Sergeant Majors Assn. Annual Car Show, two of our members took home trophies. Harry Williams took home a trophy for being in the top 25 and also best upholstery with his 1930 Model A Coupe and John Robertson took home one of the trophies for his 2006 Corvette.



Here's a phrase I heard all the time in my youth but never anymore - 'store-bought.'
Of course, just about everything is store-bought these days. But once it was bragging
material to have a store-bought dress or a store-bought bag of candy.

The V-8 Era

By the beginning of the 1930s, the four-cylinder engine used in the Ford Model A was outshone by the six- and eight-cylinder engines used in competitors' automobiles. The Ford Flat-head V8 was long in development, but once a design was chosen, the engine came to the market with remarkable speed. Henry Ford's son Edsel was charged with designing the 1932 model Ford, and the new car's sleek styling made the Model A seem boxy and antiquated by comparison. The design was refined throughout the 1930s, but even today, the 1932 Ford is considered by many to be the epitome of hot rod style.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1931 Deluxe Roadster, owned by the late Robert (Bob) Jackson, River Cities Club. Restored and a trophy winner many times. Nothing needed for pleasant miles of touring. All you need is the key. Contact Betty Jackson:

jonanabray@aol.com

706-329-8935 (c) 334-298-3935

Located in Seale, AL



For Sale:

Interior garnish mouldings for a 2 door sedan, asking \$40.00

Contact Lee Coxwell @ (334)-329-9807

For Sale:

1981 El Camino, \$2,000 or best offer, please call Lydia Mckee 762-822-2151.



For Sale:

From Benny Bohanan, I just got in a really neat 1930 Model A Ford Tudor for sale in the shop. It is a really nice car with a quiet smooth running engine, and dependable hydraulic brakes. Condition of the car is super nice and would really make someone a great driver. I have the car listed on Craigslist, and lots more pictures can be seen at <http://atlanta.craigslist.org/nat/cto/4494934616.html> Price is \$13,500 I know this car would make someone a really good car at a good deal.



*A: The 1930
Cadillac 452, the first
production V16*