



Model A Club News

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Message

This past April was a busy month for our club with most being active in one way or another.

As you all know, Bill and Nancy Wittner and Virginia and myself, left Wednesday morning, April 6th for our Natchez Trace Tour.

Everything started well until the second night. Right after arriving in Grenada, Miss., Bill suffered a mild stroke or what they call a TIA.

Everything at that time was put on hold with one thing in mind, getting Bill back on his feet. Everything went well there at the hospital.

Virginia and myself were not certain as to our plans at that time. When talking to Bill and Nancy they insisted we continue with our tour.

On April 9th I heard we had four members with their A's visit a gentleman in Tool to help celebrate his 80th Birthday. Great job guys.

April 13 brought you to tour the Arc Ridge Dogwood Trail in Ben Wheeler with Brooks Gremmels. Again a good turn out with 13 A's. I don't remember the head count, but I think it was 22 members. Thank you Brooks for the great day and a fine picnic.

Next was our Mabank High School Tech session. We had 11 members with 9 A's and one Model T. Arriving at 8 am and staying until 2:30 pm. A lot of interest was shown with the cars and the running motor brought by Bill Capps, a block and many other related parts.

Capping off the month was cruise night at the Dairy Queen. What a great month, lets do it again.

See everyone at our next meeting May 3rd.

Walt

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Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club

Minutes of meeting
April 5, 2011

President, Walter Hellebrand, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM in the meeting room at the Seven Points, Texas Dairy Queen. Walt led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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There were twenty-one members present and seven Model A's driven to the meeting. Two new members, Jody and Bob Letchworth joined us. Four guests were present; Wallace Kemp, Roy Ellis, Gigi Henderson and Andy Jones.

Walt welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for any additions or corrections to the previous minutes. Since none were offered, Joe Creecy motioned to accept the minutes as written; Bill Lee seconded the motion.

Secretary/Treasurer, Bill Wittner presented the financial report for the period ending March 31, 2011. Total income for the month was \$223. There was \$50 in raffle expenses. Tool Fund balance was \$100 and the Tour Fund balance was \$80.

Sue's Sunshine report: Danny Hampel fell in the parking lot at Kemp because of a blood chemistry imbalance. Shirley reports that he is getting cranky, so he must be getting better.

There are five member birthdays in April; Bob Harris, Walt Hellebrand and David Beck. Happy Birthday was sung to all.

Brooks Gremmels invited the club to his Arc Ridge Ranch game preserve near Ben Wheeler to see the dogwood trees and his antique and classic car collection. Bill Lee volunteered to coordinate this tour on April 13. Walt announced that Edom & Ben Wheeler are having Arts Weekend every weekend this month.

In May, we have the Emory Parade on the 7th. Leave the lake area around 7:30AM to get there in time for donuts and coffee. Lunch will be provided. Also on May 7 will be the car show in Mabank.

Walt and Bob Beck have setup the tech session at the Mabank High School on April 20, starting at 7:45AM. Plan on spending the day with the automotive classes.

Ladies Appreciation day will be celebrated again this year on May 14 at the Wittners. The men of the club prepare and serve the food to the ladies. Mary and Bob Harris will host the July 4 "Double-Dip" party at their house. The actual date will be confirmed at the May meeting.

Joe Creecy announced that the Canton Antique Tractor Show will be held again this year. The clubs attendance is doubtful.

Bill Wittner announced that there are a number of Restorer magazines available to members, furnished to the club by MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of America). Members are urged to join MAFCA; the magazine is one very good reason.

Harris Lege won the raffle with ticket number 115692.

There being no other business, Walt asked for a motion to adjourn. Joe Creecy so motioned and Bill Lee provided the second. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Bill Wittner
Secretary/Treasurer

Sunshine Report – Sue Capps

Danny Hampel was in the Athens hospital for a week following a fall in the parking lot at Kemp. His sodium level has been low.

Charles Seabourne's mother, who is 90 yrs old had a heart attack and two stints..She is doing well, back to her sewing business, gardening and LIFE! Her secret --"never stop--keep going".

Bill Wittner had an emergency on the second afternoon in route to the Natchez Trace tour. He had emergency surgery and had to miss the tour. So glad that Walt and Virginia were with them to help out. Bill and Sandra Lee took the motorhome to bring Bill, Nancy and the A home safely.

Ola Powell may have to have chemo. He should find out soon.

Jim Bellah just got out of the hospital. He had pneumonia. He goes back to MD Anderson in Houston for a check up next week. His meds are compromising his immune system.

Della Powell's mother is having chemo for leukemia. Della is also taking chemo following her breast cancer surgery.

Bill Capps does not have a hole in his heart. He has a flap and it does not require surgery.

Our members have many needs--please keep them all in your prayers.

2011 Texas Tour

Registration is open and since the hotels are rapidly filling, you need to get the two forms filled out and in right away. They are in this newsletter, or you can get them at

<http://www.CedarCreekAs.org/Calendar/EventInfo/Registration.pdf>

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If a deaf child signs swear words, does his mother wash his hands with soap?

What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

How do they get the deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?

**Happy
BIRTHDAY**

Birthdays in April

Don Dyess 05/11

Shirley Dyess 05/17

Happy Birthday



Coming Events

For more information visit: www.CedarCreekAs.org

APR 28-MAY 01, 2011 -- Pate Swap Meet - Texas Motor Speedway in Fort Worth

MAY 03, 2011 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, TX. Tire kickin' starts about 5:00 PM; meeting starts at 5:30 PM.

MAY 07, 2011 -- Emory Founders Day Parade.

MAY 07, 2011 -- Cedar Creek Lake Car Show - Car Show and Kiwanis Krawfish Boil. Mabank Pavilion. 8AM to 2PM

MAY 08, 2011 -- Mothers Day

MAY 14, 2011 -- 3rd Annual Ladies Appreciation Day - The ladies of the club do so much during the year for all of us. So, once a year, the men "prepare the food", serve it and clean up after on Ladies Appreciation Day. It is held at the home of Bill and Nancy Wittner, starting with a noon barbecue lunch with the trimmings. Directions: From Malakoff, go right on Loop 7 at Athens. Exit at FM2494 and turn right. Go one mile and turn right on Blossom Lane. Follow Blossom to the end of the road, going through a gate to get to the house. Do not turn right at the pond!!

MAY 28, 2011 -- Ennis Polka Festival - Parade starting at 10AM. This parade has the largest attendance of any parade you will see in this area.

JUN 07, 2011 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, TX. Tire kickin' starts about 5:00 PM; meeting starts at 5:30 PM.

Brooks Gremmels' Arc Ridge Ranch



Natchez Trace Tour

A recap of our tour. But first would like to thank Bill and Nancy for the outstanding job they did on routing out the most scenic roads on the entire trip.

Day-1 Leave from Athens continue onto Longview through Marshall then into La. heading toward Magnolia Ar. for the night. Total 205 miles.

Day-2 Morning saw us heading East toward Greenwood, Ms. and then into Grenada, Ms. 172 miles.

Day-3 Leave Grenada toward Calhoun City, Ms. into Pontotoc, Ms. to Smithville, heading into Alabama, passing through Muscle Shoals and arriving at Florence, Al. 172 miles.

Day-4 A short drive to Franklin, Tn. Arriving at the Host Hotel, the Marriott Cool Springs Hotel. 105 miles. We then checked in with tour personal, received our packet, visited the swap meet and raffle room. Met with many MAFCA members sitting around enjoying the afternoon with some good tire kicking. Five charter buses left at 5pm for The Grand Old Opry. We stayed at hotel.

Day-5 Left hotel for Don Meadows Model A and T collection, this is a private collection consisting of over 100 cars, without a doubt the largest collection of parts ever assembled by one man, all since 1987. That evening was the kick-off dinner with well over 300 people in attendance. A few good speeches and a barbecue dinner, all went well. It was announced that the tour was represented by 33 states and 3 countries, Canada, The United States and Texas.

Day-6 We were on our own to start down the Natchez Trace to Tupelo, MS. Lots of stops for sightseeing, many historical places of interest, at times we drove by our selves and then by hooking up with groups. 190 miles.

Day-7 We met at the Tupelo Automobile Museum for a group picture at 8am, having 220 Model A's in the parking lot. After viewing all the cars in the museum many went to Elvis Presley's Birthplace. Next we headed south on the Trace to French Camp for lunch, a couple of log cabins made into a gift shop and restaurant seating about 40 to 50 people. We made it there in time for lunch with close to 180 Model A's behind us, close to about a 2 hour wait to eat, well worth it. Now onto Canton, MS. 150 miles

Day-8 First visiting the historical town of Canton. A drive down the Trace brought us to the Windsor Ruins and the Mount Locust Historic House. That evening we met at the Vidalia Convention Center on the shores of the Mississippi River for our final dinner. 120 miles.

Day-9 Head for home and our own beds. A GREAT TOUR. 325 miles to go.

WALT and VIRGINIA

**How it all
started for
Bill and
Nancy**





And, sadly, how it ended.

Pictures from the Poor Boy Tour



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Thought Provoking Statements:



Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

You're never too old to learn something stupid.