



Model A Club News

June 2012

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Message

Hello, Members.

It looks like May was a busy month for many of our members. But first I hope everyone had a very good Memorial Day.

We started off with a trip to Emory for the Founders Day Parade with 14 members and 8 Model A's.

Three days later some of us were off to Terrell to start of Nursing Home Week. This was a good visit for us. The people there were great and active. The karaoke music and songs by a 82 year old Cowboy could not be beat.

The next day brought us to Edom for breakfast with 17 members and 8 Model A's . After breakfast, Bill Lee led us to the Historic Aviation Memorial Museum in Tyler. Here we were met with open arms by volunteers who led us on a guided tour. This is one great museum. After spending about 2 hours in the Museum it was time for lunch.

The restaurant in the same building set up tables for us in the lobby where we all enjoyed a good lunch. Thank you Bill and Sandra for a great experience.

Two days later some of our members were off to the Malakoff Nursing Home, we could not make this trip, I had a grandson getting married.

We then finished the month with the Polka Fest Parade in Ennis. This is still the best parade in our viewing area , 11 members and 5 Model A's will attest to this.

Remember the Texas Tour next month June 14-16.

By the way all these trips this month that Virginia and I made were with the comfort of a new air conditioner that I just installed in time, coooool.

Our next meeting will be June 5th at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points. Hope to see everyone there.

Walt

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Minutes of meeting

May 1, 2012

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

Eighteen members were present, with two members driving their Model A to the meeting.

Walt welcomed everyone and asked for any additions or corrections to the previous minutes. Chuck Sportsman motioned to accept the minutes as written. Bill Lee seconded the motion

Bill Wittner, Treasurer, presented the financial report for the month of April.

Sunshine Report: Shorty is in Mother St. Francis about to have an operation on damaged vertebrae. Bob Beck having problems with recent surgery. Dennis Powell had nasal problems; determined to be a wire left in the nose from a surgery many years ago. He is improving.

Birthdays: Lois Estes, Don Dyess and Shirley Dyess. Happy birthday was sung to Lois, being the only one present.

Walt gave a report on the Tech Session at the Mabank High School Automotive class on April 12. There was good interest shown by the students.

Walt reported that the groundbreaking on the Model A Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan happened as planned.

Planning for the International Model A Ford Day needs to get off the ground. Bill Lee agreed to get involved and help with club contacts.

Bill Lee suggested that our Third Wednesday Breakfast will be held at the Edom Bakery and Grill in Edom at 8 AM. Following breakfast, we will drive to the Historic Aviation Memorial Museum at the Old Pounds Airport in Tyler. After a museum tour, we will have lunch at the Skyline Cafe at the airport before returning home. If you are going, meet at the Eustace square at 7AM.

The Ennis Polka Fest and parade will be held on May 26.

Walt reminded the group that the annual Ladies Appreciation Day get-together will be held again this year at Bill & Nancy Wittner's home on May 12 at noon. A sign-up sheet for food items was on the table.

The raffle was won by Walt with ticket #116577.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Lee, seconded by Billy Carpenter.

Bill Wittner, Secretary/Treasurer

**Happy
BIRTHDAY**

Birthdays in June

Charles Seabourne 06/19

Virginia Hellebrand 06/23

Bill Lee 06/24

Wanda Bell 06/27



Happy Birthday

Sunshine Report – Sue Capps

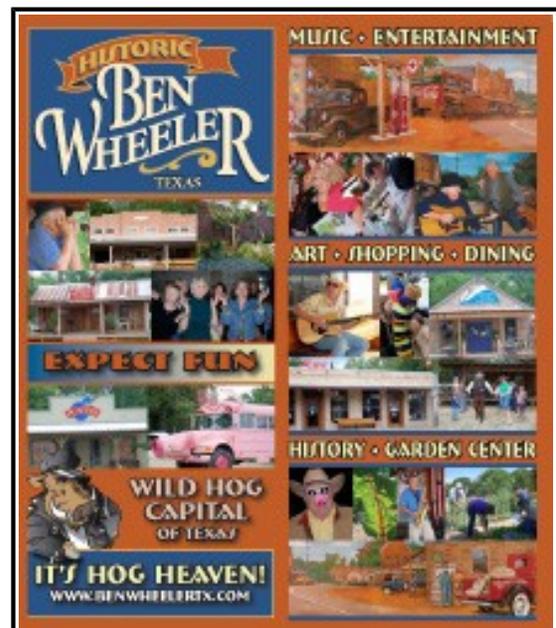
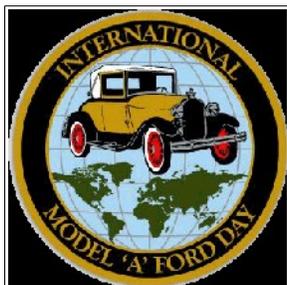
Sue and Bill have been consumed this month taking care of Shorty. Latest word is that he is progressing well and, knowing Shorty, champing at the bit to get back in the A.

Bill

Don't Forget!

International Model A Day 2012

September 22 - Ben Wheeler



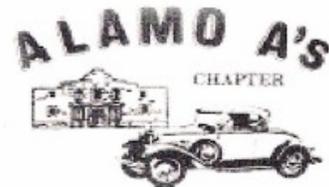
Coming Events

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JUN 05, 2012 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Tx. Tire kicking starts at 5:pm, meeting starts at 5:30 pm.

JUN 08-10, 2012 -- Lewis Auto Swap Meet - Held in First Monday Trade Days, Hwy 19- Canton Tx.

JUN 14-17, 2012 -- 49th Texas Tour - The 2012 Texas Tour will be held in Marble Falls, TX, hosted by the Alamo A's. The host hotel is the LaQuinta (830) 798-2020 and the alternate hotel is the Holiday Inn (830) 693-0707. Marble Falls is located near Lake LBJ and Lake Marble Falls. It is described as a neat shopping town for antiques and collectibles. Let's have a good representation at this Texas Tour!



49TH MODEL "A" FORD TEXAS TOUR
JUNE 14-17, 2012
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Registration form: <http://www.alamomodela.com/registration2012.pdf>

JUN 16, 2012 -- Eustace Pioneer Days - Annual Eustace Pioneers Day Parade, line up at 9 am. parade starts at 10 am.

JUL 03, 2012 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Tx. Tire kicking starts at 5:pm, meeting starts at 5:30 pm. *Note: This meeting may be superceded by our ice cream social/dip and dip*

AUG 07, 2012 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Tx. Tire kicking starts at 5:pm, meeting starts at 5:30 pm.

SEP 04, 2012 -- CCMAFC Meeting - Held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Tx. Tire kicking starts at 5:pm, meeting starts at 5:30 pm.

SEP 13-16, 2012 -- Southwest Swap Meet - Wise County Rodeo Grounds in Decatur. Sponsored by the Dallas MAFC.

SEP 22, 2012 -- International Model A Day - Ben Wheeler - Another big get-together in Ben Wheeler with clubs and folks coming from all over north Texas. More info later.



MODEL A MUSEUM UPDATE

June 2012

"It has now been a month since groundbreaking, and as you may already know from watching maffi.org day-by-day, the structural steel is mostly complete and before long the sidewalls will be going up. We have paid one major payment for the construction (it included the cost of buying the steel building)".- Stan Johnson, President MAFFI

"It is hard to believe, but 1 year from today (May 19, 2013) will be our Grand Opening of the Museum. I hope all of you are watching the progress on maffi.org. They have pretty much put up all the structural steel. They have also installed the bottom plate for the outside walls all around the building. The ceiling electric has been roughed in and there are straps installed to hold up the ceiling insulation. The steel wall studs, insulation rolls, and roof galvanized panels are on site." - Jerry Morrissey, MAFFI Trustee

"Hi All, I wanted to let you all know that I just got back from Beller's Museum with the first load of MAFFI's cutaways (not including the chassis cutaway). They are now at my shop and the Calumet Region members will be restoring them over the next several weeks for museum display when we take possession of the building." - John Marshall, MAFFI Trustee

How exciting are these comments from MAFFI Trustees as the work on the museum building begins and our thoughts turn to what is going to go inside of the museum?! It seems incredible that we could have come so far in so short of time, especially after waiting for so long. There are still great needs and we are grateful for the continued brick orders and donations that have come in to support the museum. We are still in need of funds. Many of your clubs have shown the DVD of what the museum may come to look like. If you can contribute in any way, talent, time or treasure, please contact a MAFFI Trustee. Looking forward to seeing you at the Oshkosh or Marquette meets this summer.

There was an article in a local paper regarding The Gilmore site. Please look at

<http://www.freep.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2012205200482>

MAFFI Trustees



Emory Founders Day



Watching the parade

On May 5, several members of the club traveled to Emory for the Rains County Founders Day parade and celebration. Our cars were a big part of the parade, and we were feted to a great barbeque chicken lunch prepared and presented by the local firemen.



A neat old firetruck



Eatin' is what we do!

Common cleaner—to poisonous gas

(Editor's note: The following story first appeared in American Iron Magazine in August 2009 and is reprinted with their permission. It is a cautionary tale worth repeating.)

By Brew Dude

How simple it is to get in trouble. After seeing and reading so many warning labels, we tend to ignore them. We buy chemicals and sprays, thinking, "How can this be so bad, healthwise, if I'm buying it over the counter?" Here's how a small whiff of smoke almost did me in.

I had a rush job to do, welding four diesel tanks. I had to patch where they were pitted by road salt corrosion. Normally, I spray a little carb cleaner on the spot I'm going to weld, wipe it off, and then preheat the area with an acetylene torch to get rid of any solvents. The carb cleaner I usually get was sold out, so I got a can of brake cleaner and went through my usual routine. And, to be safe, I had opened the shop door and turned on the exhaust fan.

Things began to happen

I started TIG-welding and had no problem, at first. But, when I started welding across a really pitted area, I found a couple of drops of cleaner lurking in a deep dimple. As I came close to the cleaner, a small puff of white smoke popped up, and I almost passed out. I made it outside and sat for awhile in the fresh air.

After about 10 minutes, I went to the computer to check the warnings on the brake cleaner can I had used. That's when my whole left side started shaking for about 10 to 15 minutes. I later learned I was having a seizure.

The warning

Once under control, I read the can's warning: "Vapors may decompose to harmful or fatal corrosive gases such as hydrogen chloride and possibly phosgene."

After reading about hydrogen chloride, I researched phosgene. The active chemical in the brake cleaner is tetrachloroethylene. When this chemical is exposed to excessive heat and the gas argon (used in MIG and TIG welding), it produces phosgene. Phosgene gas can be fatal with a dose as little as four parts per million—basically, a

single small puff of smoke. Symptoms can be delayed 6 to 48 hours after exposure. Phosgene poisoning has no antidote, and if you do survive, you'll likely have serious, long-term effects.

The aftermath

My breathing still was hard a few hours later, but I felt a little better, so I didn't go to a hospital. The chlorine taste and smell were still strong. About midnight, I started coughing, and my chest began hurting, but I thought this would pass after a night's sleep.

The next day, the symptoms worsened, and my kidneys began to hurt. I drank lots of liquids and cranberry juice. For 4 days, I felt OK—sometimes. After that, I was in a lot of intermittent pain and was weak and tired. I had bouts of constipation, and my urine darkened and had an offensive odor.

Nine days after the poisoning, I lost all balance. I was confused and could hardly talk. At the emergency room, I exhibited low O2 level, out-of-control sugar levels, and I was hurting badly in my entire chest. I was put into ICU.

My kidneys probably had shut down for those first four days. My lungs were damaged, so I had to be on O2 as well as insulin to keep my sugar in check. Since there is no antidote for phosgene, I could only try to rest and hope to get better.

I underwent a battery of tests, and the MRI showed fluid in my sinuses and a buildup of fluids near my brain. The phosgene had scarred my sinuses, which then became infected. The doctors said I was lucky to have made it.

After 4 weeks, I may have emphysema and chronic bronchitis, as well as pancreas damage. I use nasal medicine and an inhaler, and the insulin, having little effect, was replaced with stronger medicines. In addition to severely scarred sinuses, my olfactory nerves are compromised, and I still smell and taste chlorine.

Why am I telling you all this?

I hope my story will save someone from an easily avoidable severe illness or even death. Cleaning sprays commonly found in bike shops and stores across the country can be just as dangerous if improperly used. Read labels and warnings! Research the chemicals you use. Even if nothing has happened before, you may not be lucky the next time.

May Wednesday Breakfast



On Wednesday, May 16, several members gathered in Eustace and traveled to Edom where we enjoyed breakfast at the Edom Bakery and Grill. The “east enders” joined the group in Edom. It seems that eating together is a big part of the enjoyment of this club!



After an enjoyable gathering for breakfast, the club then drove to the Historic Aviation Memorial Museum located at the old terminal at Tyler Pounds Airport. We were given an escorted tour of the museum and the aircraft displays by museum volunteers, several of which were WWII veterans. It was a wonderful experience being able to talk with them and share experiences.



And after the tour, lunch at the Skyline Cafe.



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Did you ever wonder...

How does the guy who drives the snowplow get to work?

Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?

If con is the opposite of pro, is Congress the opposite of progress?

If they squeeze olives to get olive oil, how do they get baby oil?

O x y m o r o n s

Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?

Why is the third hand on a watch called the second hand?

If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words?

Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?

Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?

Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?