



# Model A Club News

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**Clarence D. Johnson**  
3/25/1923 – 12/18/2014

Clarence – David – Shorty – by whatever name we knew him, we were all enriched by him and will miss him.

Go with God, Shorty, He has an A there that needs your attention!

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## Shorty

Clarence D. Johnson, known to many as Shorty the Model T and Model A man was born on March 25, 1923 to James Heron and Barbara Winters Johnson in Winfield, Texas, the oldest of six children. In 1950, he married Lydia Bertha Poldrack, the love of his life in Aransas Pass, Texas. They had two daughters, Carolyn Sue, Deborah Ann and one son, Christopher Daniel.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, son, two brothers, James H Johnson, Jr., known as Buddy, Clovis Alton Johnson and one sister, Francis Ann Johnson McFatrige.

He is survived by daughters, Sue Capps and husband, Bill of Mabank, Texas, Debbie Wallace and husband, Tom of Alvin, Texas. Two sisters, Opal Dean Hunter and husband, Jack of Vidor, Texas and Gladys Ard Coleman of Kerens, Texas.

Grandchildren Brooke Lynn Wallace of Alvin, Texas, Kevin Wayne Capps and wife Peggy of Houston, Texas, Darin Eugene Capps and wife Marrieta of Conroe, Texas.

Great grandchildren Jacob, Joseph and Emily Wallace, Krystal Dawn Stout and husband Jimmy, John Rocky Tower, Kristopher Wayne Capps, JJ Capps, Donna May Capps and Dianamarie Bea Capps.

Great great grandchildren Jennifer Dawn Stout, Eavy Cheyene and Hunter Payton Tower.

Many cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of Model T and Model A friends across the United States. He served in the United States Army from 1942-1946 in England, France, Germany, Austria and Scotland as an army engineer constructing runways for the WWII aircraft.

His life long passion was his love for the Model T and Model A hobby. He knew them well and everything about them. He was a wealth of information and had an amazing memory. He was called a walking Model A manual. He purchased his first Model T in 1937 at the age of 14 for \$7.50. After his military duty, he purchased his first "strip down" Model A. He built and sold several Model T's from scrap parts.

He was a founding member of the Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club and served as tour director with his special Model A friend, O. V. Cliver.

He was a member of the Model T Ford Club of America and the Model A Ford Club of America. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends and good Model T friend, Dale Hill, as well as many friends of the Greater Houston Model A Restorers Club.

He passed away on Thursday, December 18 at the age of 91 on what would have been his mother's 114th birthday.

**Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club**  
**December 6, 2014 Minutes**  
**LakeRidge RV Park**

President Jody Letchworth called the meeting to order at 11:35am. Welcoming everyone and led in the **Pledge** to the flag.

Chuck Sportsman made the motion to **accept the minutes** as published in the newsletter. Billy Carpenter seconded the motion..motion passed.

The **treasurer's report** was given by President Jody as written by Sue Capps. Chuck Sportsman made the motion to accept the financial report as read. Billy Carpenter seconded the motion. Motion passed all voted in favor of acceptance.

**Sunshine report:** President Jody read the sunshine report as written by Sue Capps. Shorty is presently bedridden and having trouble speaking. Walt's daughter was diagnosed as being cancer free now and has a sixth great grandchild..the third this year. Julia Waterman will have hip replacement surgery on January 8th. Teen Shore is scheduled to have surgery on her wrist January 12. Jody will have cataract surgery on January 8th.

**Birthdays:** five club members have December birthdays, Chuck Sportsman, Teena Shore, and O V Cliver were present. Jody led the Happy Birthday song.

**Upcoming Events:** December 13th Christmas parade in Malakoff. Lineup time is 9:00am.

Jody announced that she has received **two new applications** for new memberships from Larry and Rodney Nelson of Kaufman.

**New Business:**

President Jody announced that 2015 dues are now due.

Monthly breakfast was set for Tuesday, December 16th at The Kitchen Table.

President Jody asked everyone to begin thinking about IMAD Day 2015 asking for suggestions.

The 50/50 raffle for December was won by Sue Capps for \$50.

Door prize drawing winners were Jody Letchworth, Lou Carpenter, Harris Lege, Walter Hellebrand, Billy Carpenter...some were suspicious of fraud :-)) for officers and board members only, so Billy Carpenter asked that they draw again for his door prize. O.V. Cliver, Bill Capps, Danny Hempel and John Shore were winners.

Chuck Sportsman made the **motion to adjourn**. Ed Cliver seconded the motion..the meeting adjourned.

The **buffet lunch** was delicious as usual and was enjoyed by all.

The **Chinese Christmas gift exchange** went well. Chuck Sportsman and Billy Carpenter picked the most sought after gifts and had to choose again three times.

There were 21 members present.

Submitted by Bob Beck

## Coming Events

For more information visit: [www.CedarCreekAs.org](http://www.CedarCreekAs.org)

**JAN 06, 2015 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen Seven Points. Tire kicking 5:00pm. Meeting 5:30pm

**FEB 03, 2015 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen Seven Points. Tire kicking 5:00pm. Meeting 5:30pm

**FEB 19-22, 2015 -- Decatur Swap Meet** - First major swap of the season.

**MAR 03, 2015 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen in Seven Points. Tire kicking and visiting at 5pm. Meeting begins at 5:30pm

**MAR 19-20, 2015 -- Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet** - Thursday March 19th and Friday March 20th, Grady County Fairgrounds. World's largest early Model A and Model T Auto Meet.

**MAR 28, 2015 -- Tractor Pull/Car show Cowboy Church** - Annual tractor pull/car show at the Cowboy Church in Athens on the loop.

**APR 07, 2015 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen in Seven Points. Tire kicking at 5pm. Meeting begins at 5:30pm

**APR 30-MAY 03, 2015 -- Pate Swap Meet** - Texas Motor Speedway, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

**MAY 05, 2015 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen in Seven Points Tire kicking at 5pm. Meeting at 5:30pm

**MAY 23, 2015 -- Ennis Polka Fest Parade** - 49th Annual National Polka Fest, Parade, Food, Czech Bands.

**JUN 11-14, 2015 -- TEXAS Tour in Beaumont, TX** - Texas Tour in. Beaumont, TX

We also have our monthly "Wednesday Breakfast" (which usually occurs on Tuesday!) but the date and location each month is set at the club meeting.

**If you know of an event not listed on the website calendar, YOU can enter it! Just login, bring up the calendar and go to the "Enter Event" link at the top.**

**Please contribute, don't always leave it to only one or two folks to do it all.**

### Birthdays in January

Happy  
**BIRTHDAY**

Bill Capps	01/02
Ray Cundiff	01/05
Joe Creecy	01/06
Jody Letchworth	01/13
Billy Carpenter	01/16
Tonnie Hemphill	01/30



Happy Birthday!

# Membership Renewal Time

### President's Message

It is very hard for me together my thoughts this evening. Let me start by saying I hope every one had a good Christmas, and everyone will have a Happy New year. If you are traveling have a safe trip where ever you are going weather far or near.

It seems like months since we had our club Christmas party on the 6th. If I remember correctly there was 21 members that attended.

On the 16th 11 members and one guest (Virginia's son) met for breakfast at the kitchen table. I apologize for not remembering his name.

My heart is still heavy with the loss of Shorty. This has been a rough year for our club with the loss of Brooks, Ola, and Shorty.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the 6th of January for our monthly meeting at the DQ. Lets not forget that dues are due.

See you there.

Jody

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

CCMAFC 2014 Christmas Party  
December 6, 2014





# FOR SALE

Sue Capps wants to sell her '30 red Deluxe Roadster. If you're interested, please contact her at 214-616-5813 or via e-mail at [CarolSueC2014@gmail.com](mailto:CarolSueC2014@gmail.com)



Also, Charles Seabourne wants to sell his 1930 Coupe. Please contact him at 903-288-2037 or by e-mail at [cseabo@aol.com](mailto:cseabo@aol.com) (The e-dress may be an old one.)

## Thoughts

Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.

Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.

Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.

When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.

No one is in charge of your happiness but you.

What other people think of you is none of your business.

Time heals almost everything. Give time time.

However good or bad a situation is, it will change.

Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.

God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.

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