



# Model A Club News

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## President's Memo

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Hello, all;

This month has flown by for me, especially this last week. My kids from Calif. were here for the family reunion. They left yesterday, it sure has been quiet today.

The club started out the month by participating in the Enchanted Oaks parade on the morning of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Four cars and 8 members were there, if my memory is correct Walt received the best model A award. It was a fun parade.

Then later that afternoon 14 members and 1 guest met in Ben Wheeler for a monthly meeting, and the memorial services for Brooks. Four model A's made it. Walt and Virginia's A over-heated several times on the drive over and once on the way home.

On the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16 members meet for breakfast at the Kitchen Table. Then on the 17<sup>th</sup>, nine of us made it to Cruise Night at the Dairy Queen. It was good to see Danny. Shirley was not there, she was home doing payroll. It was a little rainy that evening and we were the only cruisers there, We had a good time.

We have had several members that have been very sick, and Julia was to have hip surgery. I have been out of touch with everybody this last week. Hope every one is o.k. and will see you at the meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Hope Bill and Sandra have had a good and safe trip.

Jody

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**Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club**  
**Minutes of July 4, 2014**  
(Meeting held in Ben Wheeler)

President Jody Letchworth called meeting to order at 4:05 pm.  
John Shores brought a guest. 18 members present & 3 model A's.

**Sunshine Report:**

Danny still sick. Oxygen goes down in low 70's every night.  
Ola has not make a lot of progress. Doctors say probably not much improvement can be expected.  
Shorty: About the same. He can sit up for a short while.

**Old Business:**

IMAD day questions from Sandra about tables & trash. Chuck says tables will be available and trash cans & trash bags also will be provided.  
Meat will be smoked at no charge for labor. Will be brisket, pork, sausage.  
Chuck reported other clubs not contacted yet but mailed 3 page letter on July 3th to other clubs.  
A copy of the letter was passed around for viewing.  
Walt reported tents are lined up.

Sandra has checked on cost of food items at Sams.

5 pounds potato salad	feeds 16	\$5.08
2 pounds cold slaw		1.98
jar pickles	56 count	4.88
jalapenos	52 count	3.97
jug ice tea	feeds 16	2.28

Walt stated he already has plates & napkins. We need to check on silverware.

Bob Beck said 300 patches are in and cost is \$410.50

Walt said tents are \$120 for 2 he has ordered. Chuck reports cost of meat estimated at \$400 to \$500 depending on head count and band \$400.

Discussion next was on people that will be needed to help.

It was decided to set up to set up tents Friday morning when it will be cooler. Walt in charge of picking up tents.

Following are people volunteering for:

Car games: Walt  
Registration: Sandra & Billy Carpenter.  
Parking: Bill Lee & Ken  
Serving food: Jody & Lou  
Raffle tickets: Bob & Gigi

Water was brought up. Cost for 40 bottles will be \$3.98.

Sandra has tablecloths for serving tables. Jody suggested buying a pack of serving utensils. Sandra suggested everyone bring their own. Nothing was decided.

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## July Minutes - Continued

Jody will check with Sue to see if any silverware left from last year.

### **New Business:**

Breakfast was set for July 15th at Kitchen Table at 8AM.

6 month fifty fifty drawing. Billy Carpenter's name was drawn.

Walt made motion to adjourn meeting at about 5:45PM. Billy Carpenter seconded.

Submitted by Lula Carpenter standing in for Sue Capps.

## Editorial

### Wallace Kemp

Each of us has been confronted with a situation where we wanted to help, but had no idea what to do. I felt that way when I received Bill Lee's request for help with this month's newsletter. I had not had much contact with members in two months and had not attended the last meeting on the 4th of July. The reason for my not being there lies in a tradition.

For over 20 years, the 4th of July celebration has been a main event at our house. Attendance once soared over 50, but this year the total was down to a dozen. In the early years, we had enough teenagers for two softball teams. Those memories are great; the stacks of wet towels and swim suits, the emergency room trips and sacks of trash, take a back seat to the loving thoughts of tired little ones sleeping and the cool, evening boat rides to watch fireworks on the lake.

But why did the attendance drop? It is the natural change of times....the beauty of children becoming adults; the establishing of new families, new interests, new responsibilities. But a part of that lies in ourselves. Nancy and I have lost some of the drive and energy, so we are not as much "fun" as hosts as we once were. In those early years, we wanted to play and shoot fireworks and join in all the fun. This past 4th, my focus was trying to adjust to hearing aids, and my back really did hurt.

It seems that all Model A clubs and the two National clubs are struggling with the same issue. The young people move on to other interests and raising growing families. The core membership is aging and with aging, the energy ebbs. Most of all, because we are a mature organization, we endure the physical loss of members and that loss erodes enthusiasm...and hurts so deeply. The 4th of July honored one of our key members lost forever, and we have another member and close friend so tragically ill.

It's tough to be enthusiastic, to be a good host, to spend the time and energy to keep an organization going ... but we still are an enthusiastic group. It just takes more effort but we are all willing.

Best wishes!

wk

**Happy  
BIRTHDAY**

### Birthdays in August

Rodney Henderson	08/10
Lillian Parker	08/14
Dennis Powell	08/15
Sherry Beck	08/23
Gigi Beck	08/29



**Happy Birthday!**

### **Club Activities – July**

Photos by Lou Carpenter, Bill Lee



**Enchanted Oaks Parade – lineup**



**July club meeting in Ben Wheeler,  
Brooks Gremmels' memorial**



**Walt over-heating on the trip over.**



**Tuesday breakfast at the Kitchen Table**

## Sunshine Report

Sue Capps

Ola Powell is in Kemp Healthcare Center on hospice.

Shorty Johnson is doing better..getting stronger day by day.

Danny Hampel is recovering from pneumonia

Adron Neil is taking radiation treatments.

Bob Beck is having kidney stone treatment.

Jim Blakeney is better. He was having some issues with his new pacemaker.

Teena Shore is having some medical problems and was in the hospital.

Our prayers and thoughts are with Dennis Powell..

Walt Hellebrands daughter is taking treatments for cancer.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "I don't want to know a man's religion; I want to know how he treats his dog."

I have always valued that quotation, and while it is as true today as in Lincoln's time, I would add another line. "...and I want to know what his Favorites are on his computer." This view of a man's soul was not available to Lincoln, but I think he would have agreed that what someone reads is an indicator of his character.

My list of Favorites is short, but I start everyday with a review of the National Weather Service radar and forecast, and then I check out the Jalopy Journal and the Model A forum, The Ford Barn. Now I am interested in all the subjects that develop on this forum, but more importantly, I like the personalities that each of the participants develop in my mind. There are some participants that raise truly clueless questions, but others raise detailed engineering observations which are complete with complex formulas. I appreciate these learned minds but they lose me after the first equation.

And there are the caustic wits on the keyboard who are a constant pen in the flesh...picking at both the engineer and the novice...trying to draw blood and eliciting others to pick at the wounded victim. If you read this forum or any other, for that matter, you will see the same personalities.

But your list of Favorites tells a lot about who you are. Are you pleased with this window into your soul?

wk

## IMAD Planning

The July meeting saw a lot of discussion of IMAD, identifying areas of concern, getting volunteers to assume responsibility. Here is a list. **Please look this over carefully. Find the areas where YOU have (been) volunteered! Be prepared to add your name to the list, to help someone already identified, or to take over an item.** Please come to the club meeting Tuesday and fill in the list, or contact Jody or Chuck or Sandra or ... SOMEONE ... and let them know.

**Barbeque** – Chuck

**Side-Dishes** – Sandra and others, buy at Sam's, prepare as needed

**Tables/Chairs** – Chuck

**Car Games** – Walt

**Raffle. 50/50 tickets** – Bob and Gigi, Gloria

**Registration** – Sandra, Billy Carpenter

**Parking** – Ken Parker, Bill Lee

**Food (serving, etc)** – Jody, Lou

**Tents** – Walt and Wallace

**Erection Friday morning** – Walt, Chuck, Bill, Bob, John, Harris

**Cups/plates** – Walt

**Table cloths** – Sandra

**Plastic Ware -**

**Napkins/paper towels -**

**Ice -**

**Ice chests -**

**Beans** – Jody

**Serving Utensils/platters/trays**

**Tongs for meat -**

**Spoon/scoop for salad and beans -**

**Forks for pickles/peppers/onions -**

**We badly need someone to be gathering the door prize items. It will look awfully bad if there are only one or two things to put out! And a single WORTHWHILE item for a final drawing, reminiscent of the quilt from Nancy Kemp a couple of years ago or the one from Lou last year.** Should we consider budgeting some money to make a run to Harbor Freight to buy as many small/neat things as we can afford to give away?

We also need to discuss the club's donation to the event. We have had some from the other clubs. In years past, every club kicked in \$350. We probably need to do the same.

## Coming Events

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

**AUG 05, 2014 -- CCMAFC Meeting** -- Dairy Queen. Seven Points. Tire kicking 5:00pm.  
Meeting 5:30pm

**AUG 07-09, 2014 -- Lewis Auto Swap Meet** - Held in First Monday Trade Days Pavilion.  
Hwy. 19 Canton TX.

**AUG 21, 2014 -- Cruise Night at the Dairy Queen.** - Seven Points. 5-8pm Cool cars...food  
and treats!

**SEP 02, 2014 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen Seven Points. Tire kicking  
5:00pm meeting 5:30

**SEP 13, 2014 – IMAD** - International Model A Ford Day - Ben Wheeler

**SEP 18, 2014 -- Cruise Night at Dairy Queen** - Seven Points. 5-8pm - After tonight only  
one more cruise night....please join us....

**OCT 07, 2014 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen Seven Points. Tire kicking  
5:00pm. Meeting 5:30pm

**OCT 09-11, 2014 -- Lewis Auto Swap Meet** - Held in First Monday Trade Days Pavilion,  
Hwy 19 Canton, TX.

**OCT 11, 2014 -- Dairy Queen Annual Car Show. Seven Points** - Please join  
us....Humane Society Benefit for the Animals

**OCT 16, 2014 -- Cruise Night At the Dairy Queen** – Dairy Queen Seven Points. 5-8pm  
LAST ONE....Be there!

**OCT 24-26, 2014 -- Autumn Trails Winnsboro** - AutumnTrails weekend in Winnsboro, TX

**NOV 04, 2014 -- CCMAFC Monthly Meeting** - Dairy Queen Seven Points. Tire kicking  
5:00pm. Meeting 5:30pm

**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.**

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2014

10a.m. - 3p.m.

Historic Festival Grounds, Ben Wheeler, TX



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## TOOL DEFINITIONS

**SKILL SAW:** A portable cutting tool used to make boards too short or cut a straight line that results in an angle.

**BELT SANDER:** An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs. Can also be used to race other belt sanders.

**WIRE WHEEL:** Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, "Oh sh\*t." Will easily wind a tee shirt off your back and grind the threads off pot metal or threaded items made of softer metal or brass.

**DRILL PRESS:** A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

**CHANNEL LOCKS:** Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

*(To be continued)*

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