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President's Memo

Hello Members,

Hope everyone is staying well.

This is the time to get those cars in good condition for touring. Our first tour of 2022 will be a day tour to Palestine, TX. Walt has been wanting us to see the Braley Hardware Store which is housed in an old school building. There are other interesting things to see and do while we are in Palestine. It should be a great day of touring! Be sure to look at the Upcoming Events page for details.

It is so good to have some new members join the club—Fredye and Barbara Quain and Dorothy Moore. We hope to have some good times with them.

*Happy Model Aing,
Chuck Cheshire, President*

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NAME AND PURPOSE

This club shall be known as the Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club, a non-profit organization, hereinafter referred to as the "Club."

The purpose shall be to maintain, preserve and restore the vehicle known as the Model A Ford (1928-1931) and all things pertaining to the Model A Ford, including literature, historical and technical information.

MEMBERSHIP

Application for membership shall be made in written form. Applications shall be filed with the Secretary and accompanied by dues for the current year.

RESTRICTIONS: All members of the Club shall be restricted to members of either the Model A Restorers Club or Model A Ford Club of America national clubs. Members may be accepted without ownership of a Model A Ford; however, no member shall be permitted to hold office unless said member has owned a Model A Ford within the six month period prior to the official election date.

DUES

The annual dues shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year. Dues are for the calendar year. The annual dues shall include member and wife and shall be payable before February 1st. Any member may be suspended by the Treasurer for non-payment of dues at the expiration of thirty (30) days from February 1st.

MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the members of this Club shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month unless said day shall fall upon a legal holiday, in which case the meeting date shall be established by the Board of Directors.

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The Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club (CCMAFC) was formed in 2002 in Henderson Co., Texas. The club's meetings are held at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points, Henderson Co., Texas near Cedar Creek Lake.

Charter Members:

- John and Wanda Bell
- Jim Bellah – deceased
- Bill and Sue Capps
- O. V. and Lorene Cliver deceased
- S. D. "Shorty" Johnson – deceased
- Olin Lewis – deceased
- Ola Powell – deceased
- Gene Tregre – deceased



A MAFCA Chapter



MEETING MINUTES

Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club Monthly Meeting - January 4, 2022

Chuck Cheshire called the meeting to order and led the pledge.

We were very pleased to welcome Fredye and Barbara Quain as new members. They had looked at cars last summer and finally decided to buy one they had liked from the Capps.

Last month's minutes were accepted by a motion from Carolyn Vick and Spencer Pennington.

The financial report was read and accepted by Spencer Pennington. We sang happy birthday to Anna and Jody.

Everyone thought reserving the library for next year's Christmas party was a good idea. The space has worked out well and this year the librarian waived the rental fee since we donated our unwrapped children's toys to their toy drive.

Upcoming events: A trip to Palestine is being planned for March or April. Spencer Pennington is working on a tour. Walt and Anna Hellebrand have a bluebonnet tour mapped out. Walt will wait until bluebonnet season gets here to set a date.

Tech sessions: Spencer needs to pull his steering column.

Walt, Bob and John had an interesting repair story. Walt's car would die immediately when he tried to start it. They tried everything and couldn't find anything problem. Finally in frustration Bob insisted they drain the gas tank. Problem was solved when they noticed Walt had put diesel instead of gas when he used a can he had in the garage Breakfast:

We will have breakfast at McClain's in Seven Points on January 18th. Next month we will try the Dairy Palace in Canton. Meeting was adjourned with motion from Carolyn and Jody.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Carpenter Secretary/Treasurer



ERA

Model A Era Quiz

What was the most special feature of the Ford Model A?

What medical wonder drug, found in moldy bread, was discovered in 1928?

What was the starting price of a 1928 Ford Model A, and in how many colors was it offered?

What invention was installed in the White House in March, 1929?

Where did Henry Ford get his idea for the assembly line?

(Answers on page 7)



Sunshine News By Lou Carpenter




O.V. Cliver passed away on Sunday, January 23, 2022. He had turned 97 on December 25. Funeral was held in Cross Roads on Friday, January 28.

Bob Letchworth's surgery has been put on hold. His last tests looked so good they have decided to just keep an eye on him for now.

Harris fell in the house last week and hurt his other shoulder. He said it is causing him a lot of pain, but he is taking Advil and says he will be fine. He is making plans to build a roadster.

Emma and Gerald are both fine but staying in as much as they can.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ed Cliver	2/10
John Shore	2/12
Gena Nelle	2/14
Joann Cliver	2/18
Wallace Kemp	2/21



Hello Everyone,

Welcome to February 2022. We are hoping to have more tours and activities this year beginning with a day tour to Palestine in March. Look for details in this newsletter. This is also the 20th Anniversary Year for the club. We will have a party probably the first Saturday in November. More details to follow.

Nancy Cheshire



Era Historical Tidbit

Ford introduced the Model A in October of 1927 as a 1928 model. The very first Ford Model A was sold on December 2, 1927. By February 4th of 1929, 1 million examples had been sold, and by July 24th, 2 million. It began with just two body styles but by 1930, Model A sales hit 3million with 9 body styles available. The 1930 and 1931 models, known as Improved A's, came with a stainless steel radiator cowl and headlamp housings. *From corporate.ford*



April 24, 1931

Top 10 Reasons to Own a Model A

**from the Script A News-Editor*

10. Your feet stay warm in the summer.
9. You can cook while you drive.
8. Beer cans come in handy for making shim stock.
7. Gas leaks are no cause for alarm.
6. All your other worries go away when driving a Model A.
5. You can honk your horn all you want without receiving any sign language.
4. No wiper blades are needed even in the heaviest rains.
3. What other car could tell you when it no longer wants its fan blade?
2. One can speed through town past a police officer and all he will do is shake his finger.
1. U-turns are possible anytime, anyplace, anywhere.

THE SECOND MONTH · 2022

FEBRUARY

February comes from the Latin word februa, which means “to cleanse.” The month was named after the Roman Februalia, which was a monthlong festival of purification and atonement.

PRESIDENTS' DAY 2022

IS THIS HOLIDAY CALLED PRESIDENTS' DAY OR WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY?

Although the holiday is most often referred to as “Presidents’ Day,” the observed federal holiday is officially called “**Washington’s Birthday.**”

Neither Congress nor the President has ever stipulated that the name of the holiday observed as Washington’s Birthday be changed to Presidents’ Day. Additionally, Congress has never declared a national holiday that is binding in all states; each state has the freedom to determine its own legal holidays. This is why there are some calendar discrepancies when it comes to this holiday’s date.

SO, WHY IS WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY COMMONLY CALLED PRESIDENTS' DAY?

In a sense, calling the holiday Presidents’ Day helps us to reflect on not just the first president, but also the founding of our nation, its values, and what Washington calls in his Farewell Address the “beloved Constitution and union, as received from the Founders.” Additionally, Abraham Lincoln’s birthday is in February (on the 12th), so by calling the holiday “Presidents’ Day,” we can include another remarkable president in our celebrations as well.

Today, many calendars list the third Monday of February as Presidents’ Day, just as quite a few U.S. states do, too. Of course, all of the 3-day retail store sales are called “Presidents’ Day” sales, and this vernacular has also been influential in how we reference the holiday.

WHEN IS PRESIDENTS' DAY?

Presidents’ Day is observed annually on the **third Monday in February.** In 2022, Presidents’ Day will be celebrated on Monday, February 21.

PRESIDENTS' DAY HISTORY

Historically, Americans began celebrating George Washington’s Birthday just months after his death, long before Congress declared it a federal holiday. It was not until 1879, under President Rutherford B. Hayes, that Washington’s Birthday became a legal holiday, to be observed on his birthday, February 22.

Washington’s birthday was celebrated on February 22 until well into the 20th century. In 1968, Congress passed the Monday Holiday Law to “provide uniform annual observances of certain legal public holidays on Mondays.” By creating more 3-day weekends, Congress hoped to “bring substantial benefits to both the spiritual and economic life of the Nation.”

Today, George Washington’s Birthday is one of only eleven permanent holidays established by Congress. One of the great traditions followed for decades has been the reading by a U.S. senator of George Washington’s Farewell Address in a legislative session, which remains an annual event to this day.

FEBRUARY HATH 28 DAYS • 2022

WHEN IS GEORGE WASHINGTON'S REAL BIRTHDAY?

Although the federal holiday is held on a Monday (the third Monday of February), George Washington's birthday is observed on February 22. To complicate matters, Washington was actually born on February 11 in 1731! How can that be?

George Washington was originally born when the Julian calendar was in use. During Washington's lifetime, people in Great Britain and America switched the official calendar system from the Julian to the Gregorian calendar (something that most of Europe had already done in 1582).

As a result of this calendar reform, people born before 1752 were told to add 11 days to their birth dates. Those born between January 1 and March 25, as Washington was, also had to add one year to be in sync with the new calendar.

By the time Washington became president in 1789, he celebrated his birthday on February 22 and listed his year of birth as 1732.

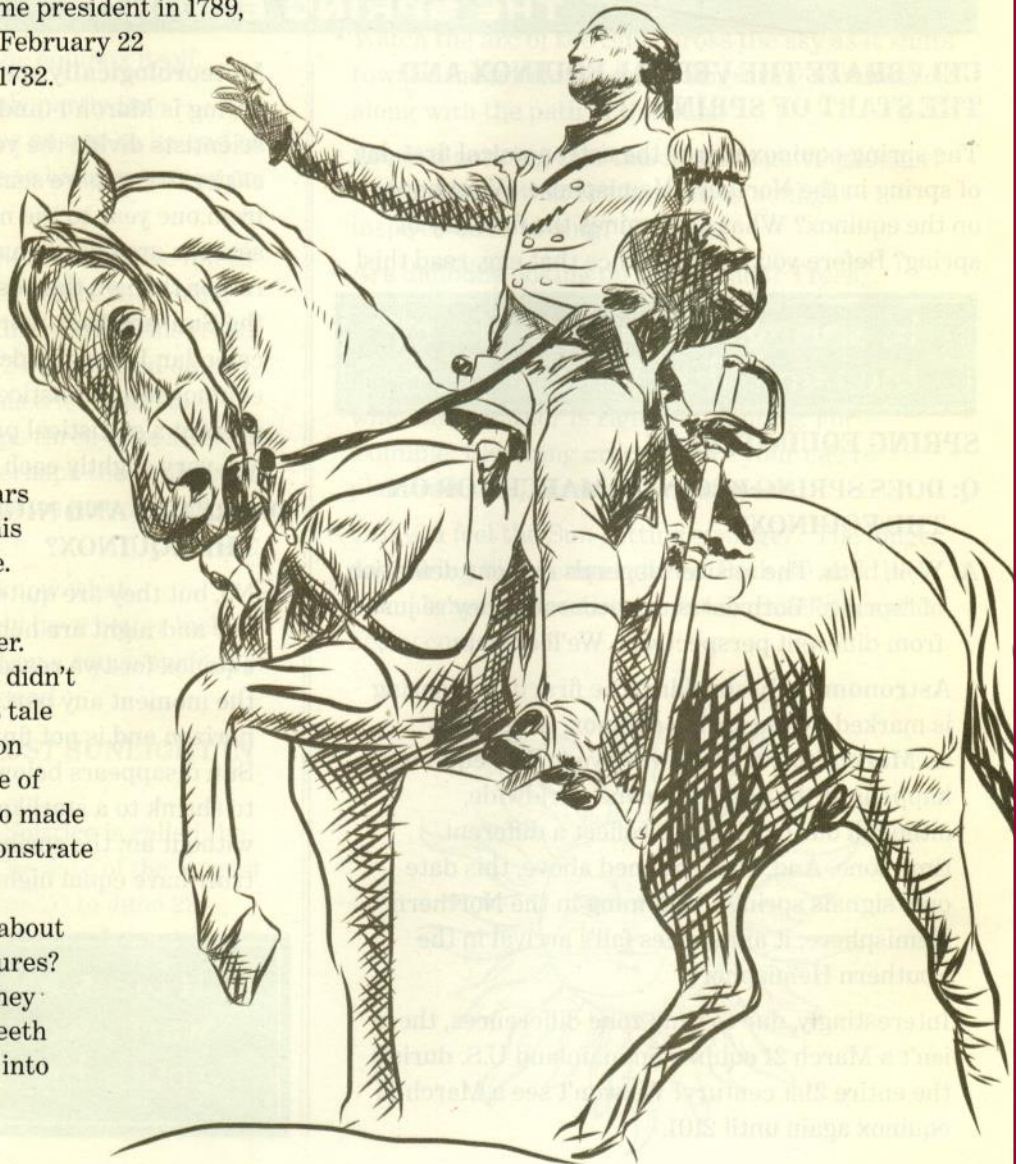
To summarize, Washington's birthday changed from February 11, 1731 (Old-Style Julian calendar), to February 22, 1732 (New-Style Gregorian calendar).

MYTHS ABOUT WASHINGTON

Legend has it that George Washington chopped down a cherry tree when he was 6 years old and, when confronted by his father, said, "I can not tell a lie. I did it with my hatchet."

Well, we can not tell a lie, either. Washington didn't say this; he didn't even chop down the tree! This tale was in fact concocted by Parson Mason Weems (1759–1825), one of Washington's biographers, who made up the story in hoping to demonstrate Washington's honesty.

This tale is not the only myth about Washington. His wooden dentures? They weren't made of wood; they were made of hippopotamus teeth that had been filed down to fit into Washington's mouth.



CLUB NEWS



The club met for breakfast at the recently reopened McClain’s Restaurant in Seven Points just a hop skip, and a jump from our monthly meeting place at the Dairy Queen. We sat in the back room which was quiet and made visiting easy. A good group of regulars attended. Our newest members, Fredye and Barbara Quain were present, and we had a new member, Dorothy Moore, join the club. Dorothy is a friend and neighbor of Julia Waterman. She wants the club to bring their cars sometime this spring to share with school children at her home.

Unfortunately, no pictures were taken as our wonderful secretary (you were missed) was not present. Also the newsletter editor forgot to take pictures. It was good food and the service was good. A place to go again!

At the January meeting it was decided that we would have our **February breakfast at the Dairy Palace in Canton, Texas. The date is February 16.**



Day Tour Saturday, March 26

Braley’s Hardware in an old school building

Museum for East Texas Culture

Art Tracks Sculpture Tour

Davey Dogwood Park—
Dogwood Festival

and more.



Bluebonnet Tour in April

Plan on attending the Bluebonnet Tour in the latter part of April.

More details in March Newsletter and on Mass Mailer



20TH ANNIVERSARY

OF

THE CEDAR CREEK MODEL A
FORD CLUB

PLAN ON ATTENDING THE

PARTY ON

THE FIRST SATURDAY OF

NOVEMBER (NOV. 5)

START COLLECTING PICTURES AND ITEMS
TO SHARE AT THE CELEBRATION



Technical Tips

Jim's Tech Tip



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Trailer Incidents

I have a car hauler trailer that comes in handy for some events far from home. I keep it in a storage yard away from the house.

There was an "incident" in the storage yard a few months ago and no one on the scene had any contact information to call me about it. I learned about it several weeks after the fact.

After that happened, I made up a weatherproof sticker with my phone number and name on it and attached it to the trailer.

After doing this, I have been thinking that this information would also be helpful any time I park the trailer somewhere while we are off driving the Model A at an event.

This might help you avoid a big hassle with your trailer. (We can hope.)

Have a Model A Day! Jim

Model A Gas Tank

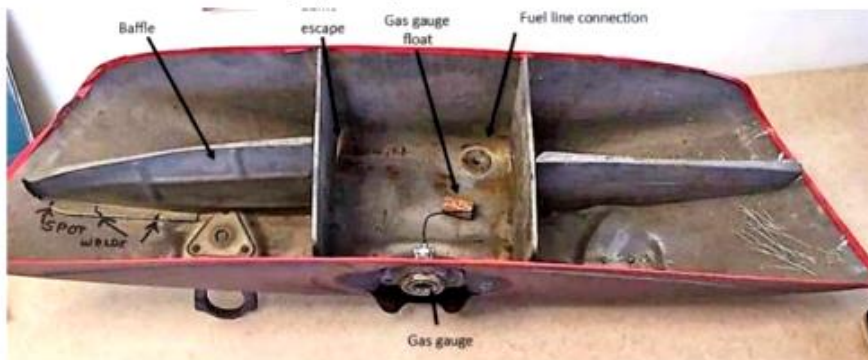
By John Lorch Taken from an article in The Dashboard

Are you curious what the inside of your Model A gas tank looked like? Probably not, unless you are a Model A nerd like me. The tank sports a series of baffles that restrict the gasoline from sloshing around. If the baffles were not there the gas would accumulate toward the left side of the tank when you made a right turn and starve the carburetor, and then, the opposite when you turned the other way.

If your fuel level was low and you accelerated or braked hard the same thing might happen. The fuel would move back on acceleration and forward on braking. Model T's were often seen backing up steep hills when their fuel level was low for this very reason.

The escape slots at the bottom of the baffles in our tanks allows the gasoline to move slowly between the chambers and seek a uniform level when you fill the tank. The gas gauge operates by a cork float (neoprene if you are into the high-tech replacements) and connects to the display window through a wire lever and weighted indicator.

Model A's are ingenious by their simplicity and here is just one more example.



Found in the February 2022 *RoadRunner* of the Northwest MO Model A Ford

Answers from page 3

Safety glass in the windshield, penicillin, \$385 for a roadster -4 colors, phone, meat-packing houses and a grain mill conveyor belt

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Hello Fellow Model Aers,

I'd like to tell you about the great success we are having with our social media initiatives. The latest news revolves around our Technical Director, Ed Tolman. Ed and Paul Shinn of YouTube Fame have teamed up to create a technical help email to provide a quicker source of answers to your questions. You can send your requests to modelatechquestions@gmail.com. We have established a team of experts to help provide the answers to your questions. If you are enjoying Paul's YouTube Channel, I'd like to invite you to subscribe to receive notices of the next show. You can do so at www.paulshinn.us.

Our Facebook Page, Model A Ford Club of America continues to grow. We have been running very well under the direction of Happy Begg, our MAFCA Board Liaison, with Michael Eisenbise and Jay McCord as the Administrators. We are very happy to announce the addition of Melanie Whittington as the newest member of our admin team. I would like to encourage you to check this out. We have a fun topic of the day and would like to see you post pictures of your cars and projects.

I would like to thank you all for the work you put in to make your Chapters and MAFCA the strong club it is. I urge each of us to do what we can to promote the Model A Hobby. We are attracting many new members. Here are a few things you can do to help us retain these new people. Each new member needs a mentor-friend, a job or responsibility in the club and the good fellowship of the members. I am so grateful of those who have guided me through my Model A Adventures. Remember that The Model A Ford Club of America is a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford vehicle as manufactured from 1928 to 1931.

Happy Motoring, *Jay McCord*

Model A Ford Club of America

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 - 2 people with breakfast \$ 109 YO is filled.
 - 3 people with breakfast \$ 119
 - 4 people with breakfast \$ 129

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This "MAFFI Liaison Letter" was sent to you as your club's MAFFI Liaison. It is our hope that you will share it at your club's monthly meeting. If you are no longer the MAFFI Liaison for your club, please notify me at the email listed below with the name and email address of the new Liaison.
 Marsha DuBreuil, MAFFI

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Event Calendar

FEB 1, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
FEB 15, 2022	Breakfast at Dairy Palace in Canton, TX	
MAR 1, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
MAR 15, 2022	Breakfast	
MAR 26, 2022	Day Tour to Palestine, TX	
APR 5, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
APR 19, 2022	Breakfast	
MAY 3, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
MAY 17, 2022	Breakfast	
JUN 7, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
JUN 12-17, 2022 ...	MAFCA National Convention/Texas Tour, Y.O. Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, TX	
JUN 21, 2022	Breakfast	
JUL 5, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
AUG 2, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
SEP 6, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
OCT 4, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
NOV 1, 2022	Meeting at the DQ in Seven Points	
DEC 3, 2022	Christmas Party at Mabank Library	

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(2/22/22) falls on a
tuesday so we'll be
able to call it 2's day.

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