

The Running Board

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President's Memo

Good day to you,

The month of April was a busy one for us. Thanks Walt for planning the Blair car collection Tour. It was well attended and the Blairs were fun to meet. The Bluebonnets looked great this year. There were lots of friendly animals at Sugar Ridge Ranch too. Everyone who attended the Guys and Dolls performance seemed to enjoy the show. The cast had fun taking pictures with the cars.

We have more opportunities coming this month for fun and fellowship. Bring your Tour ideas to the monthly meeting. Even a nice country drive to your favorite restaurant can be a Tour.

Jonathan Vaghy
President

**April Showers bring May flowers
Welcome to the Merry Month of May!**



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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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A MAFCA Chapter



MAFFI

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



MEETING MINUTES

Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club Monthly Meeting –April 4, 2023

Our meeting opened with Johnathan Vaghy leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Johnathan asked if everyone got the minutes and if there were any revisions that needed to be made. They were accepted by Walt and Herman.

The financial report was given and accepted by Carolyn Vick and Jody Letchworth.

The Vicks requested that the email they are currently using be changed.

We sang Happy Birthday to Walt. He said this is his second 39th birthday.

Chuck and Nancy Cheshire were back from MD Anderson at Houston and attended the meeting. Nothing has been decided about Chuck's tongue yet. No one brought up any old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Walt reported Mr. Eason the Mabank High School shop teacher is planning a car show at the school. It will be May 5th from 8AM to 6PM. They will be serving Hot Dogs and Hamburgers.

Ed Cliver wants to sell all OV's remaining car parts. They are at OV's house in Payne Springs. Call Ed to arrange a time to check the parts out.

April 8th a trip to Wills Point is planned to go visit Bob and Janette Blair. After enjoying the car collection we will have lunch at the Lumber Yard in Edgewood.

Friday April 14th is our annual Blue Bonnet Tour. We will meet at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points at 10AM. After the tour we will gather at Don Jose's for Mexican food.

On April 16th a trip is planned to Athens to see Guys and Dolls at the Athens Performing Arts Center. Anyone driving a Model A will have a reserved spot. After the play the cast will come out and have photos taken with our cars.

Jonathan is updating the calendar on our club website on a regular basis. Now you can always look and see what the club has lined up for the future.

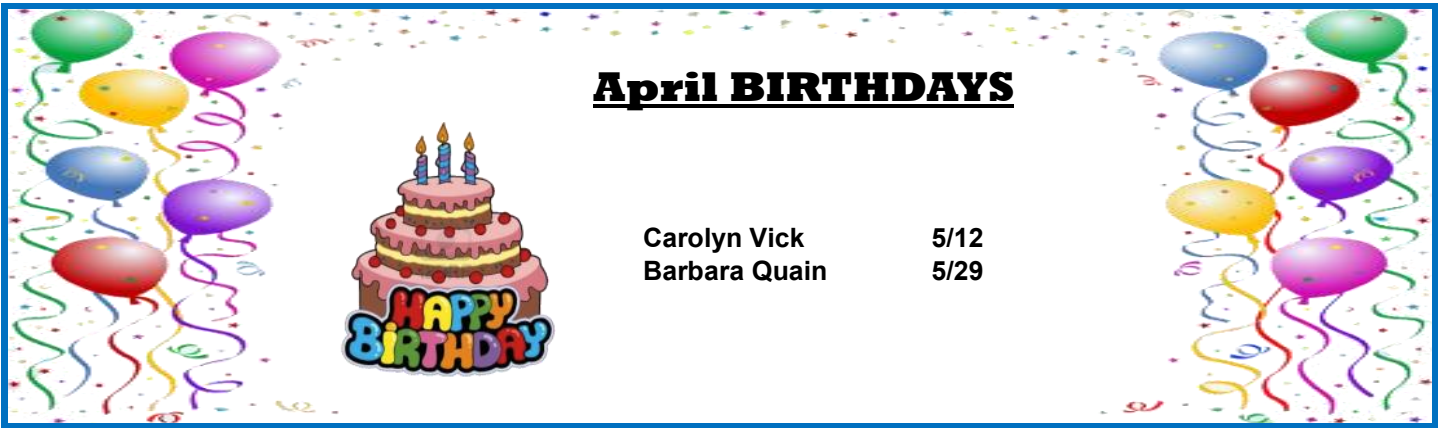
Cedar Lake Nursing Center has invited us to bring the cars on April 12th from 11 to 1. The Tyler Azalea Trail was mentioned but it was decided with so much already planned it would be best to wait until next year. The British Flight Museum will be May 19th. We will meet at Bob's house to begin the tour to Terrell. Kerens will have a car show April 22nd at 10AM.

Bob won the raffle. It brought in \$40. A motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn and Spencer.

Respectfully submitted, Lou Carpenter Sec./Treas.



1. What is the birthstone for May?
A. Emerald B. Ruby C. Sapphire
2. When do people in the United States celebrate Mother's Day?
A. The first Sunday in May B. The second Sunday in May C. The last Sunday in May
3. When do people celebrate International Hamburger Day?
A. May 2nd B. May 15th C. May 28th
4. According to a wedding superstition, you should not do what in May to avoid "ruining the day"?
A. Move to a new house B. Get married
C. Travel
5. What spring flower officially represents the month of May?
A. Carnation B. Lilac C. Lily of the Valley D. Tulip
6. What New York landmark opened on May 1, 1931 and was the tallest building in the world at the time?
A. Sears Tower B. World Trade Center
C. Empire State Building D. The Statue of Liberty
7. What holiday is celebrated on the last Monday in May in the United States?
A. Memorial Day B. Independence Day
C. Labor Day D. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
8. What does May Day celebrate?
9. What festival in May celebrates Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla?
10. May was originally called Maius, after the Greek Goddess of what?
11. May is a month-long appreciation of what type of BBQ-favorite and fast-food regular in the US?
12. How many days are there in May?



From the Editor

Well, May has arrived as well as the flowers. Haven't the wildflowers been beautiful. The blue bonnet pictures were gorgeous. Hoping the weather will be good to us in May for more driving tours.

Chuck and I will be gone for most of May so enjoy the gatherings without us.

Nancy Cheshire

A decorative border of black stars runs across the top of the text area. Below the text, there is a small cartoon illustration of a woman with brown hair in a bun, wearing a purple shirt, sitting at a desk and working on a computer. A monitor and keyboard are visible.

Sunshine News

By Lou Carpenter

Gerald Phariss is still not doing well.
Chuck Cheshire is seeking treatment for precancerous cells on his tongue.

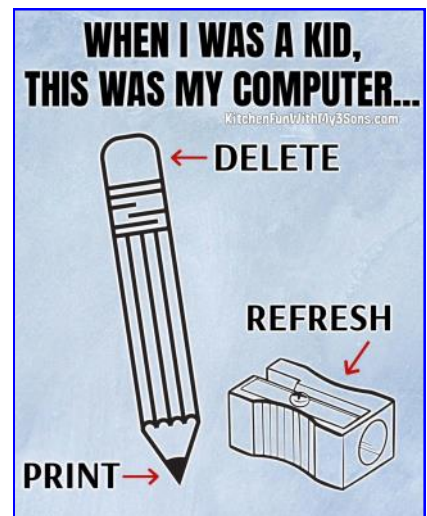
Please keep them in your prayers!

A bright yellow sun with a smiling face, radiating rays, positioned to the right of the text.

Breakfast at McClains on April 18

Twelve members enjoyed breakfast at McClain's before traveling to Kemp to see the jail.

Though it is the first event pictured it was the last event for the month of April.



After breakfast trip to Downtown Kemp. Jody Letchworth and Kathleen Vaghy tried on Lou's hat. Bob Letchworth tried to break into jail.



Quite a unique and small jail!

April was a big month for events.

After a club meeting on April 4, the touring season began with the Tour to the Blair Collection in Wills Point on Saturday, April 8th.







Lunch at the Lumberyard

Next came The Bluebonnet Tour to Ennis on Friday, April 14th.





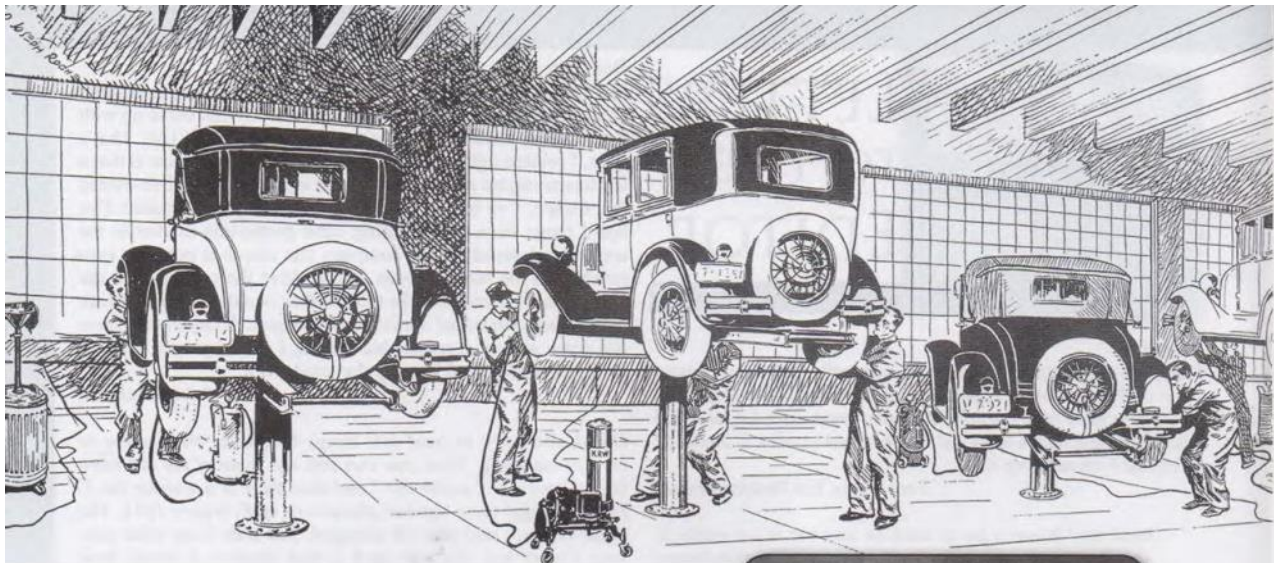
Five Model As and twelve club members drove the Ennis Bluebonnet trails. It was a beautiful day with gorgeous bluebonnets. The highlight was the visit with the Clydesdales and the donkey. Then off to lunch at a Mexican restaurant.

Next the club attended a performance at the Henderson County Performing Arts Center on Sunday, April 16.

Nineteen club members attended the local performance of "Guys and Dolls." Afterwards the cast members had their pictures taken with the cars. Then the group headed to Cotton Patch Restaurant in Athens for dinner.



Historical Tidbit



K. R. W Service Station Equipment for Ford Dealers

By Tom Endy, Westminster, California

K. R. Wilson tools are a significant part of the history of the Ford Motor Company. Today, KRW tools designed for use with the Model A Ford have become a collector's item. The company manufactured hundreds of different tools to make accurate and important repairs to the Model A Ford. Kirke R. Wilson began designing and selling automotive tools to the Ford Motor Company in 1918. He continued to design, perfect and manufacture Ford service tools and directed his marketing to Ford dealers through direct mail advertising and displays at auto shows. In 1920, Wilson opened a factory in Arcade, New York. The new plant consisted of a machine shop and a foundry. In 1921, he developed the KRW combination machine that revolutionized the methods then used for rebuilding Ford engines. The machine became indispensable to Ford dealers. From 1923 to 1927, the company continued to expand to include a number of new buildings and additional employees.

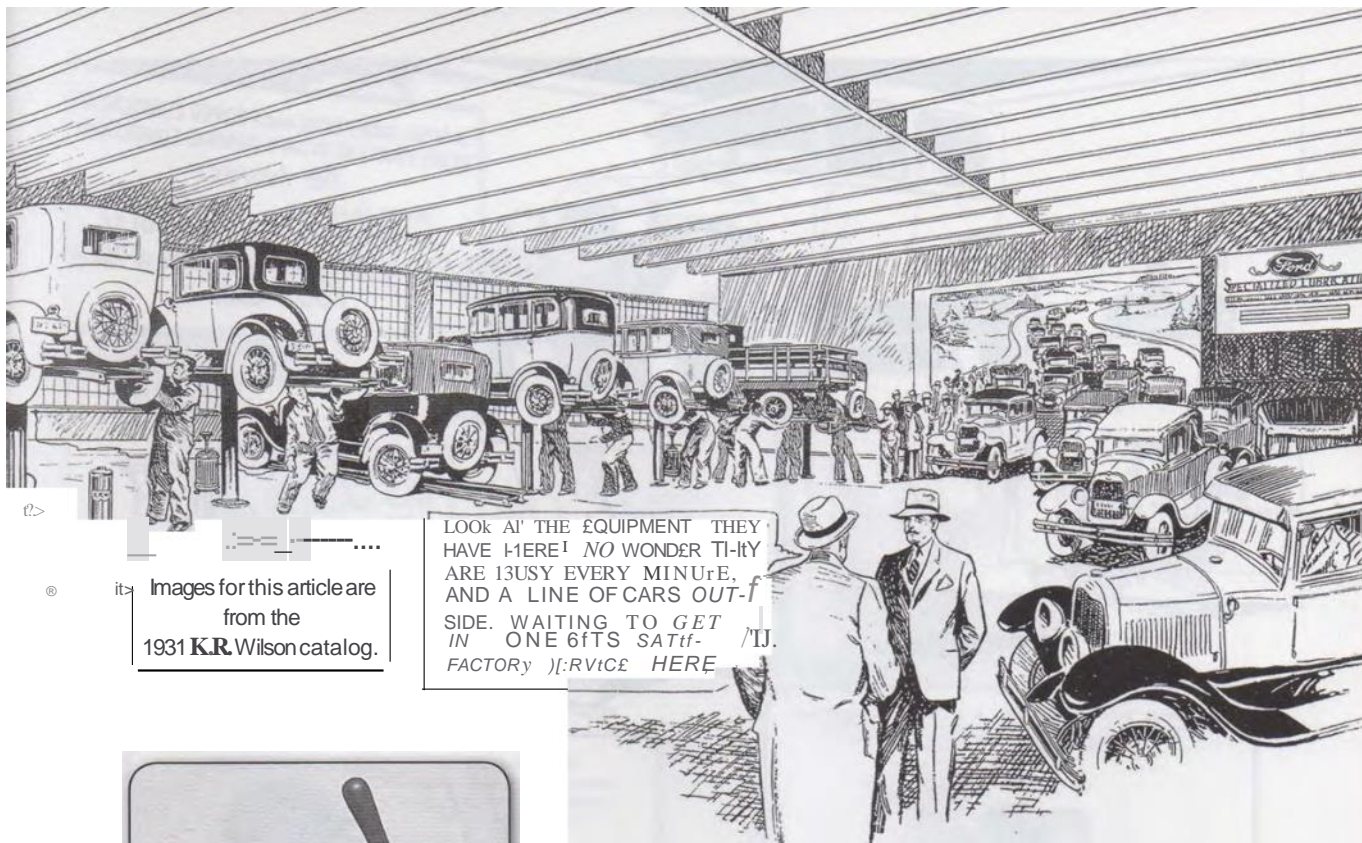
Throughout the 1930's, Wilson continued to develop new tools and expand his business. During WWII he designed and produced tools used to manufacture armaments for the war effort. Mr. Wilson died at the age of 59 in 1948. His brother Frank continued the business until it was sold in 1957. The new owners incorporated it into other businesses and the name K. R. Wilson faded into history.



K. R. Wilson in 1931



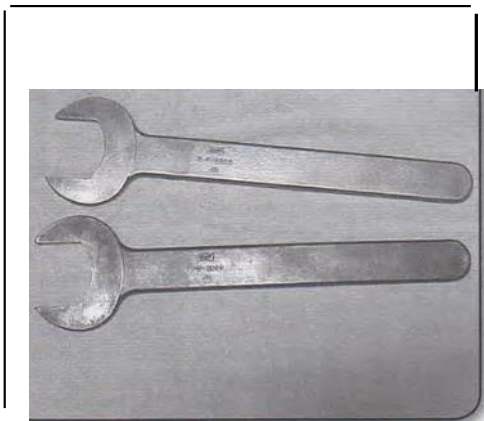
KRW Model A rear axle bearing racepuller



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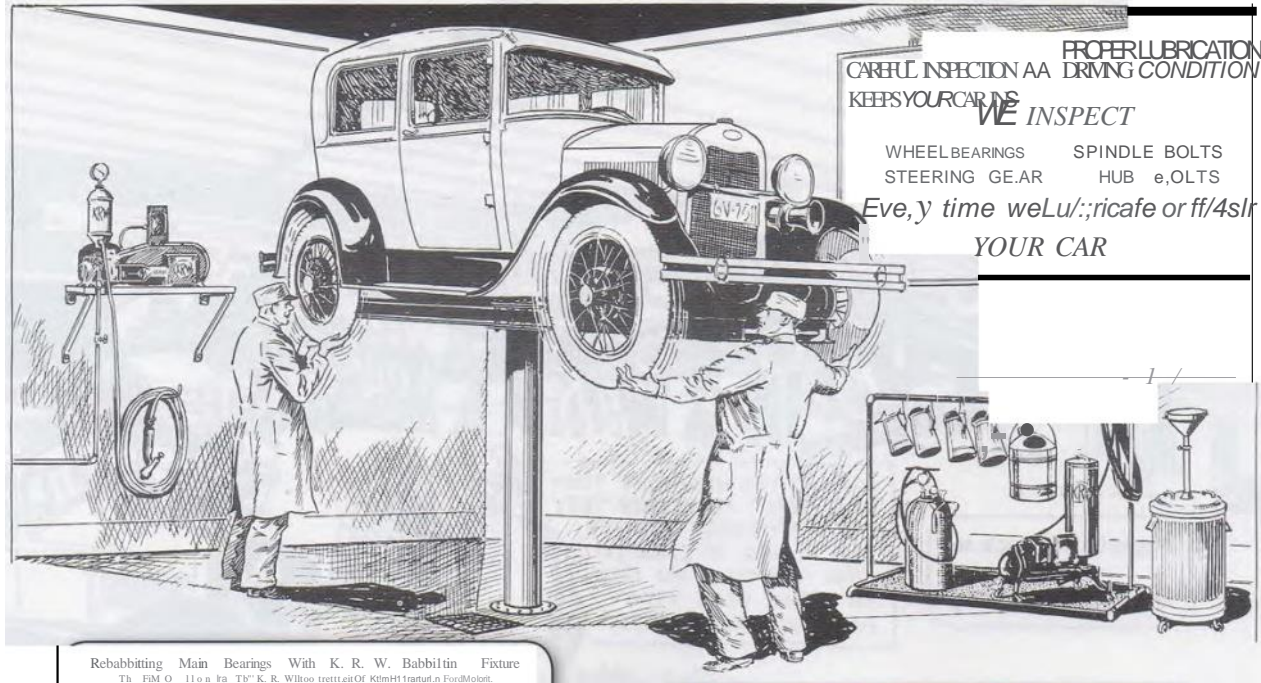
KRW Model A multi-disk clutch alignment tool.



KRW Model A pinion nut wrenches.



KRW Model A engine stand.



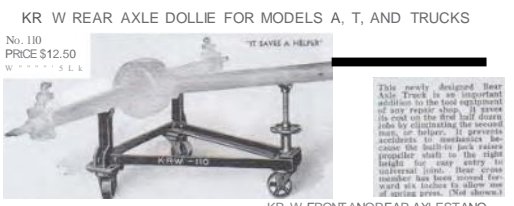
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Author Tom Endy is the editor of the Victoria Association newsletter, The Bustle, for the past 17 years. We publish four newsletters a year; January, April, July, and October. Each year I try to come up with a theme for the entire year. This year, 2011, the theme is about tools for use on a Model A. The Victoria Association has a membership of about 270 members including 20 foreign members and is the sponsor of the Model A Ford Youth Scholarship.

Technical Tips

Henry's Anti-theft System

by Tom Endy

Horse thieves and car thieves have one thing in common, they have to be quick about it. If the project is going to take some time they will move on to a better prospect. Henry came up with a unique anti-theft system for the Model A. Though it is not fool proof, it is time consuming, and it is thus not that easy to hot wire a Model A Ford.

The ignition system on a Model A is very simple. Battery power is applied directly to one side of the primary of the coil through a black wire attached to one of the wing nut terminals on the firewall. The red wire from the other primary side of the coil sneaks its way into the terminal block opposite the black wire, but is not connected to anything inside. Instead the wire runs up to the dash panel and connects directly to the ignition key switch.

When the key is switched off (the pop-out pushed in) there is no electrical connection made to the coil. In addition the arm side of the switch is connected direct to ground when switched to the off position. The ground prevents someone from going inside the distributor and successfully connecting a hot wire because the points will have a ground on them and the hot wire will not work.

A wire is connected to the arm side of the ignition switch and runs down through an armored cable to the distributor delivering battery voltage to the ignition points. The cable is very tough and there is no way you can cut through it with a hack saw. On the end of the armored cable is a threaded coupler that screws into the distributor housing. In order to thread (or unthread) the connector, the distributor has to be removed from the engine. And before you can do that you have to unbolt the head bolt nut clamping the cable to the number 8 stud.

The only way you can hot wire a Model A is to unbolt the clamp from the number 8 stud, unbolt the locking nut on the side of the head, remove the distributor from the head and while holding it in your hands, unscrew the distributor from the armored cable. Some type of wiring device would then have to be inserted inside connector boss of the distributor to make electrical contact and have a length of wire attached with a clip lead on it.

The distributor would then have to be reinstalled in the head and the clip lead attached to the low side of the primary of the coil after the existing wire has been removed. All this will take some amount of time, providing you have the right tools with you and know which is the low side of the coil.

There is, however, a down side to Henry's anti-theft system. It has a tendency to fail now and then and leave you stranded unable to start the car. The wire inside the armored cable can become disconnected or short out. The switch itself can become defective and lose the connection, or short out. In many cases the malfunction is intermittent and it is difficult to determine what is causing the problem.

This is where an ignition bypass cable comes in handy. It is the same device a thief would use if he wanted to hot wire and steal the car and had plenty of time to do it. The cable is made up from a discarded pop-out cable. What is needed is the connector portion that screws into the distributor. A wire with a clip lead is attached to the other end.

When a pop-out cable or ignition switch failure is suspected. Remove the existing cable as previously described and screw the bypass cable into the distributor and attach the clip lead to the coil. The car should then start. In order to shut the engine off you have to remove the clip lead.

Most modern day Model A hobbyist who do a lot of touring carry a bypass cable and do not connect the armored cable to the number 8 stud. The clamp is discarded and a spacer is put under the number 8 nut to compensate for the longer stud. Removing a head bolt nut while out on the road is not a good idea. It can allow the head to warp and dump water into the oil pan.



Ignition bypass cable

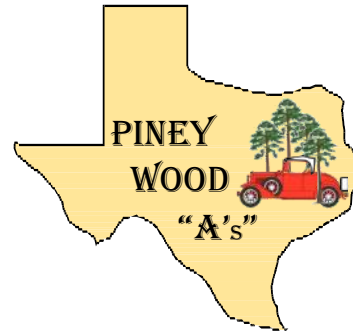


Texas Tour 2023

June 15-18, 2023

Huntsville, Texas

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 Check-in time 3:00PM

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
 148 I-45 Huntsville, Texas 77340
 All Rooms @ \$119

Phone: (936) 295-4300

Hampton Inn, Next to Fairfield Inn (alternate hotel)

Phone: (936) 439-5228

Main Event Center

Walker Education Center Located in the Sam Houston Museum Park
 1402 19th Street Huntsville, Texas 77340

Planned Events

Short driving tours (Friday) Grand Tour (Saturday)

Interested in the Friday Dinner Fashion Walk? Contact Perry Jones at jones_perry@hotmail.com

Car Games Great entertainment

Points of interest: The Home of Sam Houston (next to event center), Prison Museum, Military Museum, The statue of Sam Houston, and others.

Trailer parking available

See Registration Form for Registration Fees



60th Annual Texas Model A Ford Tour Registration Form

Huntsville, TX | June 15-18, 2023
Hosted by The Piney Wood Model A Ford Club



**Please Note - To ensure adequate facilities, service, and food,
we cannot give refunds after May 31, 2023**

Registration Fee: \$125 per adult (\$135 after May 15, 2023) *No charge for children under 18 years*

Name(s) of attendee(s):	Adult	Child	Dinner Fashion Walk ¹ Participant (✓)
_____	\$ _____		
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Club Affiliation: _____	TOTAL	\$ _____	

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

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Model A Year: _____ Body Style: _____ Will you have a trailer? Yes No

Registration check-in and hospitality room located at the Fairfield Inn will be open Thursday, noon to 5:00 PM. This registration includes Thursday Welcome Party, Friday evening meal, Saturday Grand Tour lunch, and Saturday Closing Banquet. The Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening meals will be at the Walker Center located in the Sam Houston Museum Park, 1402 19th St, Huntsville, TX. **Late registration** will be Friday morning 8:00-9:00 AM. Trailer parking will be available.

If you have special dietary requirements, contact Frank DeLucia at (281) 797-0026.
¹Friday Dinner Fashion Walk - Contact Perry Jones at jones_perry@hotmail.com

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Accommodations: Please mention *"Texas Tour or Piney Woods"* for special rate

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

Visit: www.pineywoodmafc.com for more information

NATIONAL CLUB NEWS

2023 MAFCA National Tour

"Backroads to the Classics"

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July 16-21, 2023

Hosted by Southeastern Touring Group

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2023 MARC National Meet

July 30th- August 4, 2023

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THURSDAY NIGHT 6:30PM AFTER THE GRAND TOUR



MAFFI Newsletter Minute



Model A Days are set for Friday and Saturday, September 15-16 this year. As always, it will be held at the Gilmore Museum Complex in Hickory Corners Michigan. It is not too early to book your hotel.

Information for the Host Hotel is available at the following location:
Ford Model A Convention Block 2023
Delta Hotels Kalamazoo Conference Center
2747 South 11th Street Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009:
1-269-375-6000

Last Day to Book: Tuesday, August 22, 2023
\$129.00 USD per night (These rates are available from September 11-18, 2023.)

MAFFI Model A Days Events and Registration forms are available now on the Gilmore Website or by searching, "Gilmore Car Museum/Ford Model A Days". To participate in some activities this year you must preregistration by September 1, 2023.

Charles M (Mike) DuBreuil
MAFFI Trustee/Secretary

2023



Event Calendar

- MAY 2, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- MAY 16, 2023 ... Breakfast at ?
- JUN 6, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- JUN 15-18, 2023 [Texas Tour in Huntsville, Texas](#)
(info & registration form on pgs. 15-16)
- JUL 4, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- AUG 1, 2023 ... Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- SEP 5, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- OCT 3, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- OCT 14, 2023 ... Select Theater in Mineola Tour—planned by Tex Willis
- OCT 27-29, 2023. Autumn Trails in Winnsboro (stew on Friday night)
- NOV 7, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points



Forget World Peace, Use your Turn Signal.



The Problem with Political Jokes is They sometimes Get Elected.

Irony—the Opposite of Wrinkly

Answers from page 3—1. A. 2. B. 3. C. 4. B. 5. C. 6. C. 7. A. 8. Halfway point between the spring equinox and the summer solstice 9. Cinco de Mayo 10. growth 11. hamburger 12. 31

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