

The Running Board

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President's Memo

Greetings,

I want to thank everyone who made the trip to Ford's Garage. I know it is challenging to drive in Dallas traffic. We had a great time at the restaurant. The management and wait staff took care of us very well.

This month we will celebrate International Model A Day. I am planning to have a picnic. I hope the weather will start to cool off a little. Plan to discuss the details at the next meeting.

Don't forget to vote for the National Board of Directors of MAFCA. There is a ballot in your membership renewal packet.

See you then.

Jonathan Vaghy,

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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





MEETING MINUTES

Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club Monthly Meeting -August 1, 2023

After opening our meeting Johnathan Vaghy led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no guests present or any new members to introduce.

Johnathan asked if there was anything in last month's minutes that needed to be corrected. The minutes were accepted by Carolyn Vick and Walt Hellebrand.

The financial report was given and accepted by Walt Hellebrand and Kathleen Vaghy.

We had no one with a birthday present this month.

There was no new business to discuss.

UPCOMING EVENT: On Friday August 25th we are carpooling to Plano to enjoy lunch at the Ford Garage. It is about an 80 mile trip.

There were no requests for tech sessions.

BREAKFAST: We will meet at McClains in Seven Points on August 15th for our monthly breakfast.

The raffle brought in \$30 dollars. Anna Hellebrand was our winner for this meeting.

Meeting was adjourned with a motion from Carolyn Vick and Walt Hellebrand.

Respectfully submitted,
Lou Carpenter Sec./Treas.



Anna Hellebrand with
her raffle prize



1. What is important about the first Monday of September?
2. Can you name 1 of the 3 birth flowers of September?
3. What is the birthstone for September?
4. Where does September get its name from?
5. What is different about September compared to every other calendar month?
6. What happens more on a September day in the US than on a day in any other month?
7. What family members do we celebrate in September?
8. On 19 September 1920, what American business location was bombed?
9. What was the first US city to receive a subway in September 1897?
10. The US constitution was adopted on a September date in 1787. What was this date?
11. In September 1966, what was raised to \$1.40?
12. Who was the only president of the United States to have been born in September?
13. How many days are there in September?
14. And, has September always had that many days?
15. What kind of moon can you expect to see in September?

Answers on last page.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Holmes	9/2
Sue Capps	9/4
Lou Carpenter	9/8
Sandra Lee	9/10
Janice Rogers	9/11
Spencer Pennington	9/15
Gerald Phariss	9/16
Jack Winter	9/16
Pat Westbruck	9/22



From the Editor

Hello Everyone,

Well, it has cooled some, and we are thankful for that and also the ones who saw rain. Good Model A weather is beginning!

Well, we hope to see you at the meeting on Sept. 5. It has been awhile and we miss you all.

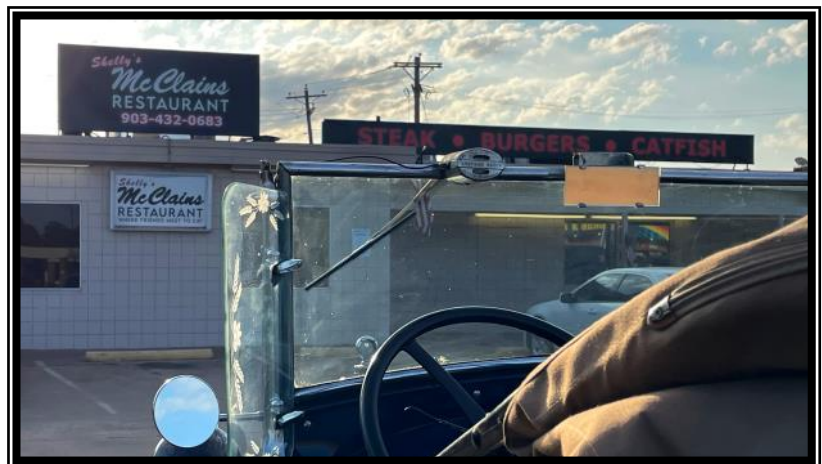
If you have any interesting Model A stories, please send them to me with pictures. Would love to put some in the newsletters.



Nancy Cheshire

Breakfast at McClains on August 15

Bob Letchworth drove his roadster with the top down because of the good weather that day.



A happy hungry group!

Sunshine News

By Lou Carpenter

Haven't heard any news from anyone.
 Hope that means all are doing well.
 Let us know.
 We care about you!



FORD'S GARAGE DAY TOUR

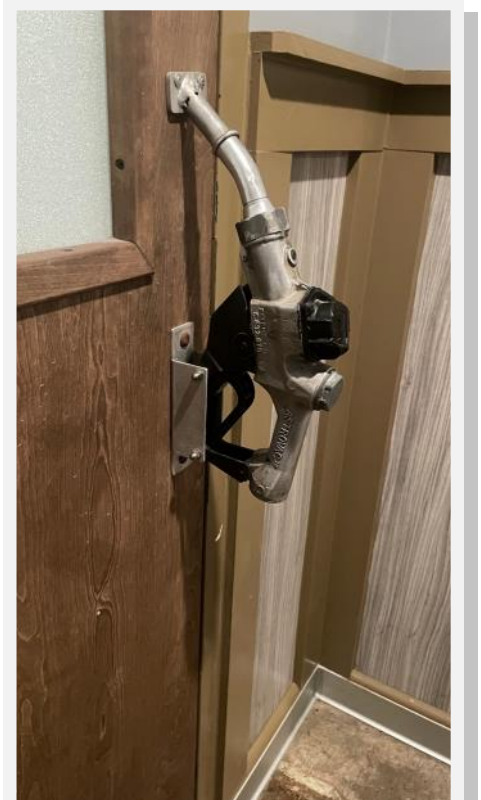


Seventeen club members visited Ford's Garage Restaurant in Plano, TX on August 25.





Good Food and Great Time Together!



Historical Tidbit

What things were invented between 1928—1931?



1928

Scottish biologist Alexander Fleming discovers penicillin.

Bubble gum invented by Walter E. Diemer.

Jacob Schick patented the electric shaver.

1929

When first created in 1929, 7-Up (7 ounces of “Bib-Label Lithiated Lemon-Lime Soda”.) contained the mood-enhancing drug lithium citrate and did so until it was removed from the formula in 1950.

Times New Roman is a modified version of Times Roman, a font created in 1929 for the British newspaper The Times. It was designed by Monotype to be used by rivals at Linotype on their typesetting machines.

Pine-Sol cleaner was invented.



1930

Scotch tape patented by 3M engineer, Richard G. Drew.

The frozen food process patented by Clarence Birdseye.

Wallace Carothers and DuPont Labs invent neoprene.

The "differential analyzer", or analog computer invented by Vannevar Bush at MIT in Boston.

Frank Whittle and Dr. Hans von Ohain both invent a jet engine.

Otto Frederick Rohwedder of Davenport, Iowa, United States, invented the first single loaf bread-slicing machine.

Two brothers Joseph and Paul Galvin teamed up with William Lear, a radio parts owner and Elmer Wavering, an audio engineer and installed their first model of a car radio into a Studebaker in May of 1930.



1931

László Bíró first exhibits his ballpoint pen, in Budapest.

George Beauchamp invents the electric guitar.

John H. Sharp of Chicago files the first patent for a torque wrench.

Technical Tips

from the bench

by Chris Wickersham

Keeping the Engine Compartment Clean

After putting a lot of work into a restoration or even if you have just cleaned and detailed the engine and other under hood components of your Model A, you want to keep it that way. It is easy to keep the engine area looking its best if your Model A was restored as a show car and rarely driven but how about those of us who often drive our cars and participate in long distance tours. One area that is especially a problem is the left side of the engine where the oil fill and breather tube are located. Normal blow-by and oil droplets from the oil fill tube can wet the driver's side of the engine including the water inlet tube and hoses, wiring, firewall, pedals and floor boards. The starter is one component that is especially susceptible to being coated with a film of oil. Not only does the oil make a mess and collect a lot of dust and dirt but oil can detourate the radiator hoses and electrical wiring insulation. So, in order to keep the engine area of our Model A's clean and presentable, we can either routinely clean up the oily mess or try to reduce the amount of oil that is expelled from the oil fill and breather tube, and direct what is left out of the engine compartment in a manner that keeps everything cleaner. So how do we do this?

First, let us take a look at the evolution of the Model A oil fill tube. The Model A oil fill tube performs two functions. First it provides a means of adding oil to the engine and second, it provides a means for the engine to "breathe". All internal combustion engines must have a way to allow excess products of combustion that may pass by the rings (blow-by) to exit the crankcase and allow fresh air to enter the crankcase. The Model A oil fill tube was designed with internal baffles that were supposed to only allow fumes to escape but trap and return any oil droplets back into the crankcase. This original arrangement proved less than satisfactory and the baffles received two re-designs to attempt to reduce the amount of oil droplets that were allowed to exit the engine. The

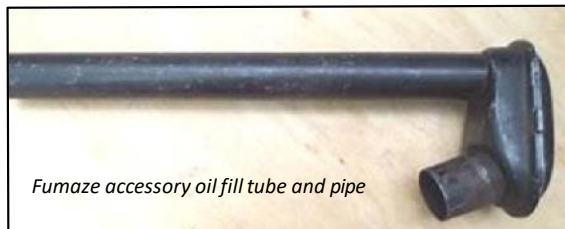
improved baffles did help some but the problem still persisted.

Soon after the Model A was introduced, accessory manufacturers offered many "fixes" for the oil droplet, blow by problem. Different design oil fill tube caps and special baffles or screens that went inside the tube claimed to prevent this from happening while other designs incorporated a pipe or flexible tube that directed the fumes and droplets down and to the rear of the engine compartment.



Accessory oil fill cap with flexible vent hose

The Fumaze accessory oil filler is the one that I like best. It has a handy cover that can be opened to add oil to the engine and a pipe that directs the fumes and oil vapor down and to the rear of the left engine splash pan. This helps to keep most of the droplets and fumes out of the engine compartment and definitely keeps the left side of the engine compartment much cleaner. These "fixes" all help to a degree, none completely solve the problem.



Fumaze accessory oil fill tube and pipe

The engineers at Ford were well aware of this ongoing problem so as part of the design upgrades for the 1932 Model B engine, the oil fill tube was made substantially larger with a much more sophisticated baffle design. While not perfect, the Model B oil fill tube is much better at controlling oil droplets while still allowing the engine to properly breath. The Model B oil filler tube and cap is a direct replacement for the Model A. At this time, they are not being reproduced so you will need to **look** for a good used one

In summary, to control the oil droplets coming from the oil fill tube, be sure the oil fill tube is in good condition and all the baffles are in place. The later design oil fill tubes work better than the early design. Accessory fillers with a separate vent tube will help reduce the mess in the engine compartment. The Model B oil fill tube and cap is the best solution to control blow-by and keep oil droplets from making a mess in the engine compartment.

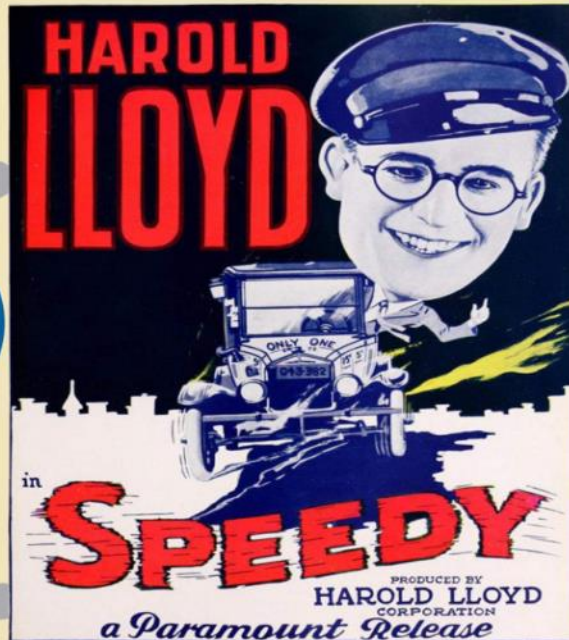
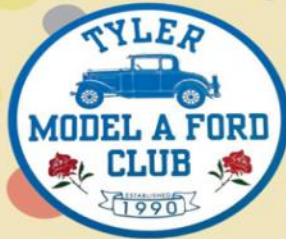
Tech Tip

If you are cleaning a used oil fill tube, DO NOT use a bead blaster or a sand blaster. The sand or glass beads will get into the baffles and are almost impossible to remove. Glass beads or sand can do major damage if it gets into the crankcase. A good way to clean the inside of a used oil fill tube is to immerse it in solvent for a day or two and then wash out with dish washing detergent and hot water. This may have to be repeated several times if the tube is excessively dirty.

Let Jonathan Vaghy know if you plan to attend and also if you plan to drive a Model A.

The Tyler & Autumn Trails Model A Ford Clubs invite you!

Tour Historic Select Theater
- Texas' oldest continuously-running theater -
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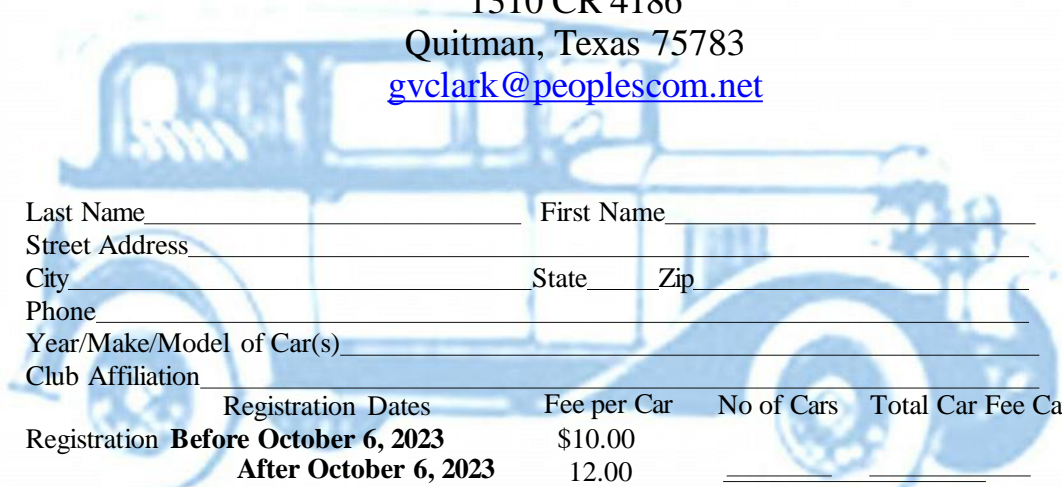
Model A Ford Clubs Registration Form

Parade (10 a.m.) Dinner (5 p.m.) October 28, 2023
Tours, Swap Meet, All Activities: October 26-29, 2023

Please remit by October 6, 2023

Please send this form along with your check payable to:

Autumn Trails Model A's
 Vicki Clark
 1310 CR 4186
 Quitman, Texas 75783
gvclark@peoplescom.net



Last Name _____ First Name _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Year/Make/Model of Car(s) _____
 Club Affiliation _____

	Registration Dates	Fee per Car	No of Cars	Total Car Fee Car
Registration	Before October 6, 2023	\$10.00	_____	_____
	After October 6, 2023	12.00	_____	_____
Dinner	No. Persons	Price per Person	Total for Dinners	
	_____ Adults	\$20.00	_____	
	_____ Children (under 12)	\$8.00	_____	

TOTAL ENCLOSED FOR CAR REGISTRATION AND DINNER \$ _____
 Dinner will consist of BBQ Brisket, Sausage, Beans, Potato Salad, Tea and Dessert

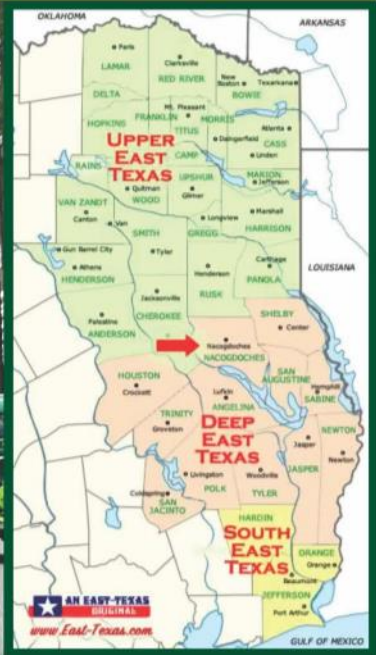
You may pick up your registration at the Stew on Friday night or at the door at the BBQ on Saturday. Please note: there will be no carry outs at the BBQ. No refunds after October 6, 2023.



JUNE 13-16, 2024
61ST TEXAS TOUR
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 breakfast included
 (pets allowed with fee)
 20 rooms blocked
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NACOGDOCHES

Oldest Town in Texas

- Stone Fort Museum
- Old University Building
- Stephen F. Austin University
- Sterne-Hoya House
- Durst Taylor House
- Fortney House
- Visitor's Center Museum
- Millard's Crossing Historic Park
- Nacogdoches Railroad Museum
- Historic Homes
- Artist Jeffie Brewer
- Shopping, Dining

Registration, Hospitality, Silent Auction, Fashion Judging and group events will be at the Fredonia Hotel/Convention Hall
Nancy Cheshire, Tour Chairperson – nmcheshire@yahoo.com
Co-Chair Heather Anderson – heathertx90@gmail.com

See more info at dmafc.com/texastour2024. Registration will begin in October.

NATIONAL CLUB NEWS

MAFFI Newsletter Minute

MAFFI Model A Days, September 15-16, 2023: The planning is complete for this years' Model A Days. The theme for this year is "Open Cars". There will be a special gate access to Model A parking. A two-day swap meet is planned. You will be able to "Ride-the-A" around the Gilmore campus in a Model A car, AA stake bed truck and/or maybe even a Model A school bus. There will be a Model A driving school for those who have registered for this activity. A catered dinner with a tour of the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary as well as a tour of the Kellogg Manor House is planned, (these require registration). Seminars will include a fashion seminar; a technical seminar-The ABC's of the Model A Engine; a touring seminar-Road-Trip 101; and a special guest speaking on the Great Race. There will again be a MAFFI sales table. (It is requested shirts be pre-ordered to be sure your shirt in your size is available.) The Henry Ford Heritage Association will be in attendance. A Jazz Band will perform. Some special rate rooms may still be available, although they are filling up. All of this is happening at Hickory Corners, Michigan. For more information and registration procedures, visit the MAFFI web page. Come visit, what a way for Model A folks to end the summer season for 2023!

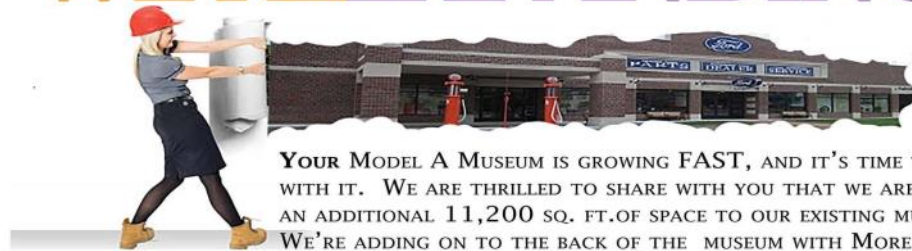
Happy motoring, *Mike DuBreuil*,

MAFFI Board of Trustees-Secretary



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SHORTLY WE'LL SHARE WITH YOU HOW YOU CAN BECOME A VITAL PART OF THIS EXPANSION, AND MAKE THIS EXCITING GROWTH FOR **YOUR** MODEL A MUSEUM BECOME A REALITY.

VISIT US AT MAFFI.ORG

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The NEW Model A Days
2-Day Swap Meet
Fashion, Seminars,
Driving Class & MORE!
September 15 & 16, 2023 9-5pm

The Gilmore Car Museum
6865 W. Hickory Road
Hickory Corners, MI 49060

Celebrating The "OPEN A'S"


Technical Seminars, Fashion, Hall of Fame Induction
Join us for dinner and a tour of the
Kellogg Manor House & Bird Sanctuary!
Friday Night*

Host Hotel Info: Delta Hotels by Marriott, 2747 S. 11th St.
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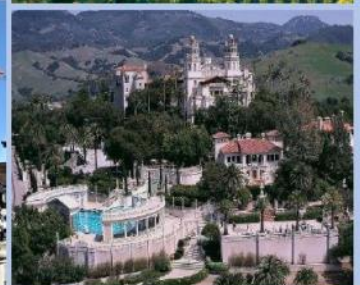



For event info & seminars 615-604-7423, Katie Herrick
 Swap Reservations and information Mark Maron 847-302-7900
 *Requires PRE-Registration

2023 National Awards Banquet
 Nov 30th - Dec 3rd
 Santa Maria



Join us at the Historic Santa Maria Inn in Santa Maria, California. Explore all the Central Coast has to offer! Visit Hearst Castle! Visit Solvang, Danish Capital of the US! Hope to "See Ya in Santa Maria"


ROUTE 66
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 New Mexico 2024

MAFCA 2024
National Convention
June 23 - June 29

Ruidoso, New Mexico

2023



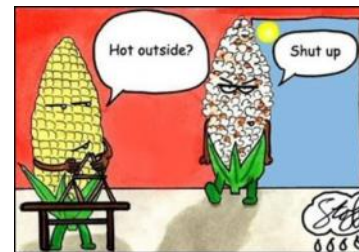
Event Calendar

- SEP 5, 2023 Meeting at the Dairy Queen in Seven Points
- SEP 9, 2023 International Model A Day
- 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
- DEC 2, 2023 Christmas Party/Meeting at the Mabank Library
- JUN 13-16, 2024 . Texas Tour in Nacogdoches, TX



Every man serves a useful purpose: A miser, for example, makes a wonderful ancestor. *Laurence J. Peter*

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to Somebody Else. *Will Rogers*



Answers from page 3—1. Labor Day 2. Aster, Morning Glory, Forget-me-Not 3. Sapphire 4. The Latin word 'Septem,' which means 7 - as it used to be the 7th month of the Roman calendar. 5. It is the only month to be spelled with the same amount of letters as its calendar month: 9. 6. Babies Born 7. Grandparents 8. Wall Street 9. Boston 10. Sept 17 11. Minimum Wage 12. William Taft 13. 30 14. No, it had 29 15. Harvest Moon

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