



# THE SQUEAKS

## PINEY WOOD MODEL A FORD CLUB

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### MOTTO

To promote and stimulate  
the preservation, restoration,  
and maintenance of the  
Model A Ford automobile.

### QUALIFICATIONS

Any person sincerely interested in the  
Model A Ford automobile and the  
purpose of this club shall be eligible  
for membership as an active member.

# From the President's Desk

By: Dan Kundts

Dear Model A Friends,

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone! November is finally here. I hope everyone had a chance to participate in at least one of the tours this past couple of months. The weather is starting to turn so get that last bit of mileage recorded and enjoy the great drives.



Our regular club meeting will be November 15h. I want to thank Jim and Kathy Hartzog for their hospitality in hosting the meeting. We will be voting on our officers and committee members for 2026. Nominations for board members and officers is always welcome and we will be collecting recommendations up to the last minute. Please reach out with your nominations or if you are willing to volunteer for a position. Our board of directors will take your information. Please contact them before our next meeting so we have an updated list to review. Do not worry about the position. All of us are still here and willing to help. Remember to contact Joyce Perkins and RSVP for the PWA Christmas Party. The party is on December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Walden Yacht Club and it's just around the corner. The deadline for signup is December 1<sup>st</sup> so don't wait. You don't want to miss out on a great event. A special thanks goes to Joyce for organizing this event.

If you haven't already paid your club dues, its time again. We are hoping to have all the dues collected by the end of the year to help us with tour expenses. Please plan to bring your \$25 to the club meeting.

The Tomball Holiday Parade is approaching fast on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Make a note on your calendars. Another really fun event followed by a club lunch at Goodson's in Tomball. Stay tuned for more detailed information.

If you have never attended the Katfish and Eggnog luncheon you have missed another fun event and good food, Dec. 10th

Get your Model A on the Road!

**Dan**

# Minutes of the Meeting

By: Joyce Perkins

Piney Woods Model A Club  
Meeting: 11.15.2025  
Held at: the home of Jim and Kathy Hartzog

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM, by President, Dan Kundts

Opening Prayer was provided by member, Dan Kundts,

**Pledge of Allegiance led by Dan Kundts,**

**Opening Comments provided by President Dan Kundts: \_**

- Thanks to Jim and Kathy Hartzog for hosting the November Club meeting at their home.
- Dan reminded all members in attendance that 2026 membership dues are due by 12/31/2025.
- Robert Bullard; shared update on Elaine's pending knee surgery scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> and ask for thoughts and prayers for her thought this journey from the Model A family.



**Minutes** from the Club Meeting held on 10.14.2025, were provided to members in October 2025, Newsletter for review. No corrections or comments were received from attending members. Motion to approve minutes was received from Jim Blaszcak and seconded by Marilyn Hitchcock, All were in Favor, Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Frank DeLucia provided details of the October 2025 Treasurer report with the account monthly beginning balance, provided details of the credits added in the month, and all debits to the account for expenses paid in the month with providing the ending balance as of end of October. Motion to approve Treasurer report was received from Rick (Doc) Poth and seconded by Larry Perkins, all was in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Frank DeLucia, Treasurer, made a recommendation to move the club's bank account currently held at Woodforest Bank to Chase due to some account issues Frank experienced with Woodforest. Frank will close the account when all outstanding checks for the year have cleared, and a new account will be opened by the Treasurer at Chase Bank. Frank will notify all Board Members when the signature card is available at Chase for signing and each Board member will need to go to the Chase Bank to sign the account card. Robert Bullard made a motion to accept the recommendation to close the account at Woodforest and open a new Club account at Chase Bank, motion was seconded by Ruth Van De Bogert all in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Frank also spoke of the recommendation for the Board Members and Officers to make a motion for the club to make annual donations to the Children's School lunch program for \$500.00, and MAFCA Youth program scholarship program for \$100.00 and MAYR youth program for \$100.00. Motion was received from Rick (Doc) Poth and seconded by David Van de Bogart, all in favor and motion passed unanimously.

**Events:** Troy Walling provided details of the upcoming events:

Tomball Annual Holiday Parade will be held on November 22, 2025, starting at 10:00 AM with all attending with a Model A will meet at the usual place by 8:30 due to pending road closures at 9:00.

Rain or Shine. Lunch will be at Goodson Café in Tomball immediately following the parade.

12.06.2025: 8:00 – 9:00 PWA Breakfast at the Magnolia Diner at 18423 FM 1488 G. Magnolia TX 77354

12.10.2025: 3:00 – 4:00 in Conroe Annual Catfish and Eggnog at Vernon's Kountry Katfish on

12.10.2025 at

12.13.2025 Annual Christmas Party 11:00 – 2:00 Walden Yacht Club 13101 Melville Dr. Montgomery, Tx 77356

Report provided by Joyce Perkins: Christmas Party Reservation sheets were available for all those who needed one. Several turned completed forms with payments to attend. Final head count must be delivered to the country club by 12.1.25. Confirmed the singing quartet that was there last year for this year. David Teale volunteered to take Christmas Pictures for members attending.

**Sunshine Report:** was presented by Dan Kundts for November 2025, with Birthdays and Anniversaries.

**National News:** No updates were provided

**Fashion News:** No report

**Newsletter:** Troy provided a report and encouraged those that attended the Winnsboro Tour to send pictures.

**Toolbox:** No Report was provided

**Library:** No Report was provided

**Mileage:** No report was provided

**Club Apparel:** No Report Provided

**50/50 Drawing:** was not held at the meeting.

**Rubber Chicken:** No awards were presented.

**Meeting Break** No Break was taken in the meeting

**Technical:** Technical was held by Bob Hitchcock and David Teale for the men on Steering Box repairs along with operation of a Borg Warner Overdrive.

Kathy Hartzog provided the women with instructions on making bows for the holidays.

**Adjournment:** meeting concluded around 11:00.

Respectfully Submitted by Joyce Perkins, PWA Secretary

Successful Model 'A' clubs have one  
common ingredient. They have mem-  
bers that will plan events and volunteer  
to assist in running the organization.

It's a necessary ingredient.



# November Events 2025

By: Troy Walling

## Autumn in Winnsboro A Magical Time of Year

As the days get shorter and shorter and the nights get cooler and cooler something magical is about to happen in Winnsboro: Autumn Trails! The festival began when a few friends gathered on a cool, crisp October morning in 1958 to enjoy the beautiful fall foliage in the area on horseback. What started that Sunday morning 65 years ago can only be described as legendary.

October 24-26



Welcome to East Texas! While most anytime of year is a good opportunity for a day-cation, or stay-cation, it seems fall and Autumn Trails is a favorite time of year to take one of the rural roadway driving tours ~ with Winnsboro serving as the gateway to the Piney Woods of east Texas.

We look forward as Autumn sneaks in with cool, crisp mornings to break the hot and humid summer weather, heralded in with Autumn Trails activities in and around Winnsboro each October.

The self-guided driving tours map covers beautiful portions of the official State of Texas Forest Trails, winding roads and rolling hills framed by the towering pines and hardwood trees turning beautiful colors and leaves start falling, including the canopied roads of Peckerwoods Flats and the lake areas of Wood and Franklin Counties.

Thanks to the following members of the PWA for representing our club at the 67th Annual event. Robert and Elaine Bullard, Ron and Susan Cherry, Larry and Joyce Perkins, Fred Scheifer, Doc Poth, and Ellen Bennett







**To see the video of the Peckerwood Flat drive, see the link below**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/r/1BJPLdUbJb/>



## Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025



Another great turnout for our monthly breakfast meetings



## Monthly Meeting at Jim and Kathy Hartzog's home

### November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Thank you to Jim and Kathy Hartzog for offering their home for our monthly meeting. Their hospitality was outstanding. They symbolize what makes our club great. It's a community of friends who have common interests.

Bob Hitchcock and David Teale share the difficult task of presenting a technical at each meeting. Even after many years, they somehow come up with something interesting each month.  
Thank you





# Tomball Holiday Parade

November 22, 2025



The 60th Annual Tomball Holiday Parade is one of Tomball's biggest traditions, drawing families from across the area to line Main Street for floats, marching bands, and holiday characters. This year's milestone theme, "A 60 Year Celebration: Christmas Through The Decades," invites entries to decorate in styles from favorite eras, creating a colorful mix of nostalgia and holiday spirit.

Spectators bring chairs and blankets, grab coffee or hot chocolate from nearby shops, and settle in for two miles of smiles as the

parade winds through Old Town Tomball. With free admission and parking, it's an easy way to kick off the Christmas season close to home.

It is estimated that 40,000 people attend each year.



This year, the earlier rains prevented many people from showing off their cars. However, we had 9 cars and 29 people in attendance. As always, fun was had by all. I always enjoy the smiles of all the young people who ride in the parade.







Each year, people decorate their cars with new and old-time classic themes  
As always, smiles are everywhere.







Hey!! The parade is starting. Let's get this show on the road.  
Next Stop! Goodson's Cafe









## A Moment in Life



The first photo is the front page of the business section of the Tulsa World newspaper.



The second photo is of Susan Cherry at 8 years of age.

So, the story:

Susan's father, Mack Hennington, requested approval to attend an oil show in Tulsa, Oklahoma from his employer but it was not granted. He decided to play hooky and attend anyway. He had no idea that his 8-year-old daughter's photo would wind up on the front page of the business section of the newspaper with a caption that gave his name and that he attended the show.

Thank you, Ron Cherry

Caption below photo  
Giddyup Black Gold

## Bonnie's Bits of Yesteryear

Bonnie Penfield

### Depression Thanksgiving Pies

While Depression-era meals may not have included some of the ritzy and glitzy items that people in better-off economic times enjoyed, that's not to say that they weren't still tasty. In fact, there's one dessert recipe from this time period that actually surprisingly deli-



cious - **Water Pie**. I know, it sounds a little ridiculous, but the pie is made precisely as it sound. It uses water as the prime ingredient.

The era forced home cooks to get creative, using whatever they could to make comforting meals for the family. Commodities like sugar, eggs, and milk were challenging to obtain or too costly. Thus, many families had to make do by getting maximum mile-age from the foods they already had in their pantry, fridge, and freezer. The water pie was a recipe born from this circumstance.

The pie is incredibly simple and involves using a pie dough, sugar, cubes of butter, some flour, vanilla extract,

and water. The pie filling becomes custard-like after baking, similar to the scrumptious fillings of traditional pies!

Another Depression pie can be made with Ritz crackers, becoming a Mock Apple Pie. This pie is made by using crushed-up Ritz crackers with sugar and other ingredients and seasonings as the pie base.

The result is a flaky pie with a delicious filling that oddly resembles the same consistency and flavor as actual apple pie. To this day, the mock apple



pie is still one of Ritz's famous recipes. The pie is a perfect staple for any household. But, even by today's standards, it can be a cheap alternative (even by today's standards) to grace the kitchen table.

- Greater Baltimore A's

**IF A DEAF CHILD SIGNS SWEAR WORDS, DOES HIS MOTHER WASH HIS HANDS WITH SOAP?**



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Whose Piney Woods car was spotted by the Houston Area Car Spotters/



Happy Thanksgiving to each of you.

# 63rd MODEL "A" FORD TEXAS TOUR

Hosted by the Fort Worth Model "A" Ford Club



THE  
**CRAZY**  
WATER  
HOTEL

**June 11-14, 2026**



**Host hotel & event venue: 940-325-4605**

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The 2027 Texas Tour will be held in Canton, hosted by Cedar Creek A's

The 2028 Texas Tour will be held in Marble Falls, hosted by Alamo A's

The 2029 Texas Tour Location TBA hosted by Piney Wood A's



# MAFCA History

The club traces its origins to October 1955, when a small group of Model A Ford enthusiasts from the Los Angeles area came together to form a social club for Model A owners in Southern California. Initially named the **Model A Restorers Club of Southern California**, its activities were focused on the Los Angeles region.

On September 23, 1957, the club was officially founded as the **Model A Ford Club of America** (MAFCA) in Glendale, California, and was incorporated on October 21, 1957.

The launch of its publication, *The Restorer*, in May 1956 helped the club gain nationwide recognition. As the magazine grew in popularity, the club expanded beyond Southern California and took on a national presence. In 1957, it was reorganized and renamed, allowing other Model A clubs to join as affiliated chapters. Since then, **MAFCA** has chartered over 250 chapters across the United States and internationally.

Today, the **MAFCA** is the world's largest car club dedicated to a single automobile make. As a nonprofit organization, **MAFCA** is committed to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford. Membership is open to anyone with a genuine interest in these objectives and who meets the qualifications outlined in the club's By-Laws.

## MAFFI Minute November 2025



Winter is approaching here in the Midwest, and the museum is still rapidly working on new and updated exhibits! Darwin Schafer donated a really special unrestored and fully original 1930 De Luxe Delivery (130) which was originally used by a funeral home for flowers. This will be used during Model A Days to demonstrate corn shelling since it has a power take-off system for a belt (though personally, I might try and sneak an ice cream maker on it!).

Andrew Oliver of Connecticut won the sweepstakes on the 1928 Phaeton, and Kris Wilson of Missouri won the rebuilt engine.

Now that the trustees have had a chance to go over the numbers for the 2025 Model A Days, it looks like it was a great success thanks to all our hobbyists who came to support the museum. There are plenty of ways to get involved with helping and still plenty of ways to donate to the museum between the My-A-Program, Brick Memorials, and even regular donations. As we get towards the Holiday Season, this is something great to keep in mind, especially for your local club.

Keep on motoring!

John Grossheim, Trustee and Secretary of MAFFI

Submitted by Donna Lewis



# *Piney Wood Model A Ford Club*

## *Christmas Party*



**Come Join the Party!**

We'll have food, it'll be fun, and there will be surprises, all in one place.

**Saturday December 13, 2025**

**11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

Place: Walden Yacht Club  
13101 Melville Dr.  
Montgomery, TX 77356

Cost: \$45 per Club Member  
\$50 per Guest

Dress: Christmas Attire

The Menu will consist of:

- Chicken & Filet Duo
- Small Roasted Potatoes
- Vegetable Medley
- Dinner Roll
- Dessert
- Ice Tea & Coffee

Cash Bar Available

Please List all attendees

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
	Total \$ _____

Please mail this reservation form and your check made payable to Piney Wood Model A Ford Club to:

Joyce Perkins  
11787 Mockingbird Hill  
Conroe, TX 77303

**Reservations will also be accepted at club meetings. All reservations due by December 1, 2025**



## Piney Wood Model A Ford Club (PWA) Membership Application

One Year Family Membership **\$25.00**  
Renewal dues are delinquent after December 31<sup>st</sup>

Membership is open to anyone who owns, drives, or just appreciates the Model A Ford. PWA recognizes any year, make or model of the Model A Ford from 1928 to 1931. Membership in the *Model A Ford Club of America* (MAFCA) is REQUIRED to become a member of PWA in accordance with our by-laws. Every member of PWA enjoys the same rights, including the right to vote and to hold office in PWA.

PLEASE PRINT

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_ Dues being paid for year \_\_\_\_\_ (January 1 – December 31)

New Member ( ) or Renewal ( ) Renewing members, what year did you join PWA? \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phones: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (spouse) \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 18 years of age:

Names \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

What is your MAFCA member number? \_\_\_\_\_ --required for PWA membership

Are you a member of any other automobile clubs?

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

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Model A's Owned: YEAR, MODEL, BODY STYLE, CONDITION\*

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

\*Condition: O=original, R=restored, B=being restored, M=modified, A=apart

Loanable tools available (ex: spring spreader, engine hoist, hub puller, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

Make Check Payable to: **Piney Wood Model A Ford Club**

Mail to: Ron Cherry  
1719 Chestnut Ridge Road  
Kingwood, TX 77339  
832-392-4653



# What's on the Calendar?

By: Troy Walling, Tour Coordinator

## 2025 PWA Calendar of Events

Jan 11	Monthly Breakfast at Lynns Table in Spring
Jan 15	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque (Changed)
Jan 22	Ladies Luncheon Magnolia Diner at 11:30 am (Rescheduled due to weather)
Jan 23	Ladies Night Out 7:00 pm Magnolia Diner at 7:00 pm (Rescheduled due to weather)
Jan 25	Annual Safety Check at Copperfield Automotive (Rescheduled) Replaced with a tour to Bush Library in College Station
Feb 1	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Feb 8-9	Annual Sweetheart Tour to Madisonville, TX
Feb 11	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Feb 22	Annual Safety Check at Tom Bragaw's Garage Followed by Lunch at the Creekwood Grill. <u>Rescheduled due to the weather</u>
Feb-26	Ladies Luncheon, Magnolia Diner at 11:30 am
Feb-27	Ladies Night Out 7:00 pm Magnolia Diner at 7:00 pm
Mar 1	Montgomery, Texas Historical Trail Game
Mar 8	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner
Mar 11	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Mar 22	Annual Safety Check at Tom Bragaw's Garage Followed by Lunch at the Creekwood Grill
Mar 28-30	Poor Boy Tour in Schulenburg, TX
Apr 8	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Apr 12	Breakfast at Magnolia Diner in Magnolia
Apr.16	Ladies' Luncheon 11:30 am Lambeau's Sport Bar & Grill 13131 Louetta Rd. Cypress, Texas
Apr.17	Ladies' Night Out at 7:00 pm Lambeau's Sport Bar & Grill 13131 Louetta Rd. Cypress, Texas
Apr 19	Runaway Scrape Tour San Felipe, TX.
May 3	Fly-In at Pioneer Flight Museum in Kingsbury, TX.
May 10	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
May 13	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
May 17	Tour to Pickett House in Woodville, Texas

Jun 7	Monthly Breakfast at Big Bear Diner, Shenandoah, Texas
Jun 10	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Jun 12 -15	Texas Tour in Giddings, TX
Jul 8	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Jul 12	Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner in Magnolia
Jul 19	Tour to Newman's Castle in Bellville, Texas
Aug 9	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse in Tomball
Aug 16	Annual Ice Cream Social and Monthly Meeting
Sep 6	Monthly Breakfast at Black Bear Diner in Shenandoah
Sep 9	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Sep 13	Tour to Fort Parker near Groesbeck, TX
	International Model A Ford Day
Sep. 24	Ladies Luncheon at Gringo's
Oct 4	Car and Truck show at Rose Hill Methodist Church
Oct 11	Monthly Breakfast at Whistle Stop Cafe
Oct 11	Heritage Museum in Conroe (Rescheduled to April 2026)
Oct 14	Monthly Meeting at Valley Ranch Barbeque
Oct. 24-26	Autumn Trails Weekend, Winnsboro, Texas
Nov 1	Monthly Breakfast at Harris County Smokehouse
Nov 15	Monthly Meeting (Saturday) at Jim and Kathy Hartzog's home
Nov 22*	Tomball Holiday Parade
Dec 6	<b>Monthly Breakfast at Magnolia Diner</b>
Dec 10	<b>Annual Egnog and Katfish Event (Vernon's Kuntry Katfish)</b>
Dec 13	<b>Annual Christmas Party at Walden Yacht Club</b>



**Please Note.**  
**Time to renew your membership in both MAFCA and the  
Piney Wood Model A Ford Club.  
PWA annual fee is \$25.  
This will ensure that you will continue on the PWA membership list**



## Early Paint of Model T and Model A Fords

Henry Ford used lacquer paint for the early Model T but switched to a quicker-drying, oven-baked enamel for a short period, starting around 1914.

He returned to using lacquer in 1926, when he switched to a faster-drying, nitrocellulose-based pyroxylin lacquer, allowing for different colors after the all-black era ended.

Early use: Before switching to the all-black, mass-produced method, early cars were painted with lacquer, which required up to 20 coats and took a month to complete.



The black-only era: Around 1914, Ford switched to an oven-baked "Japan Black" enamel that dried in about an hour, reducing the painting time to around four hours.

This was possible because the high heat of the oven would alter the pigments of other colors, leaving only black and very dark hues available.

The return to color: When Ford introduced a new model in 1926 and moved away from the single all-black color, he transitioned to a new type of lacquer called pyroxylin lacquer, which allowed for a wider range of colors.

Date: [July 18, 2024](#) Author: [Automotive American](#) 0 Comments

The history of American automotive paint is a fascinating journey that mirrors the evolution of the automotive industry itself, reflecting technological advancements, changing consumer preferences, and environmental considerations.



## FORD MODEL "A" MECHANICAL TIPS

### ***How to Cure Backfiring & Overheating***

*(From the Tulsa, Oklahoma Chapter MAFCA)*



### **How to Cure Backfiring**

Back firing is usually caused by the condenser failing, or the points may not have sufficient gap. Make sure they are set at .018 to .020". Make sure they are not burnt.

Backfiring can be caused by intermittent firing of the ignition system or very lean fuel mixture. If the car has been setting for a while, the carburetor float valve may be sticking. Clean the float valve good and set the float level. Backfiring due to intermittent ignition can be caused by a frayed wire on the bottom side of the distributor plate . . or .. by intermittent connection of the ignition switch.

#### **Potential Solutions:**

Check point setting first.

Replace condenser next (unless you are using modern points). Make sure the condenser you buy is the right length, some are too short. Make sure that it is good quality.

Check that the carburetor float valve is operating correctly.

Sometimes the pop out type ignition switches get intermittent. As a last resort, replace the ignition switch/cable.

Check the GAV to make sure it is not set too lean

### **How to Deal with Model A Overheating**

There are several things that can cause a Model A to overheat. The main cause is usually the radiator. First you can check to see if your radiator has 3 rows of tubes. Some of the older replacement radiators had only 2 rows. That will not provide sufficient cooling. If the radiator is old and has been in the car a long time, the fins of the radiator become loose and cannot dissipate the heat. Also, if the radiator is old calcium deposits in the radiator will reduce the cooling efficiency of the radiator.

Like many Model A owners we had to replace a radiator as once we got the car over 40 MPH it would get hot. The radiator had 3 tubes but only 6 fins per inch (normal) plus the flow rate was quite slow. The new core that was put on has 12 fins per inch plus they are crinkled to provide maximum cooling surface area. Replacing the radiator along with slowing the rate of flow (installed a Thermostat) stopped the overheating on our "A".

**Other potential causes of overheating:** First make sure the timing is set correctly. Then make sure nothing is blocking the front of the radiator, like a license plate. If you have a new engine, it will sometimes run hot until it is broken in. There are several books and articles that have been written that will tell how to correctly set the timing. A blown head gasket can also cause overheating. Check for bubbles in the water at the filler neck. This may indicate a blown head gasket. Running your car too lean (Gas Adjustment Valve, GAV) can also contribute to your motor running hot. In hot weather there can be many contributing factors.



# Sunshine Report

By: Ron Cherry Sunshine Reporter



Jackie Walne	12/2
Linda Patterson	12/4
Beckie Endebrock	12/6
Jeff Boyles	12/8
Terry Pate	12/15
Carla Zulinski	12/23
Doc Poth	12/23
Mitzi Shaddix	12/28
Ronald Costello	12/30
Frank McCurry	12/31



Steven & Gretta Nestle	12/1
Jim & Kathy Hartzog	12/3
Ashley & Lisa Griffin	12/6
James & Leona Campbell	12/12

**FOR SALE**

This beautiful 1931 Slant Window Fordor is ready for viewing.

It has AC, 4-speed Overdrive, B engine and many other extras to make Touring a great experience. Along with the car comes with many extra parts.

Please Contact Pat Moore at 281-468-7257 or Email at [Pat2101@verizon.net](mailto:Pat2101@verizon.net)



Check this one out.



## FOR SALE: 1930 MODEL A FORD TUDOR SEDAN



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Same owner last 40 years. Comes with some new spare parts.  
Asking \$21,500.

artshaddix@gmail.com 713-553-6178.

### Restored 1931 Texas License Plates



\$500

If interested, please contact Art Shaddix at  
713-553-6178 or Jashaddix@yahoo.com



The plates were restored around 2012 (I don't recall the exact date).

Will Consider any reasonable offer.

My contact information is:

Mike Stone

Cell: 832-561-4551

E-mail [mls\\_arabia@yahoo.com](mailto:mls_arabia@yahoo.com)



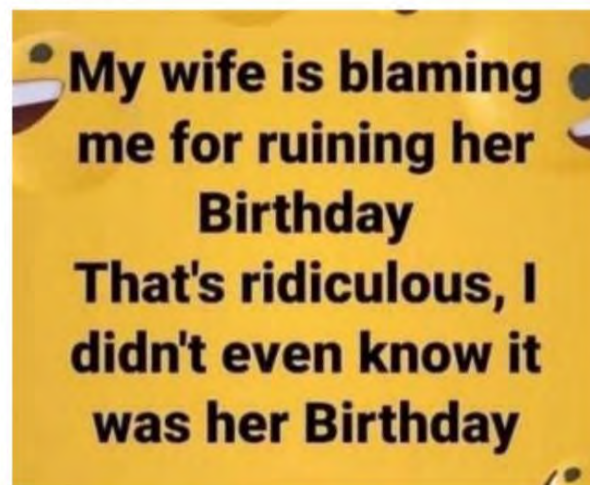
### Geriatric Truths from Suzanne Curtis —

"Everything seems to slow down with age, except the time it takes cake and ice cream to reach your hips." - Elizabeth Taylor

"When your friends begin to flatter you on how young you look, it's a sure sign you're getting old." - Mark Twain

"You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks." - Dennis Quaid

"There's one advantage to being 102, there's no peer pressure." - Adam & Eve



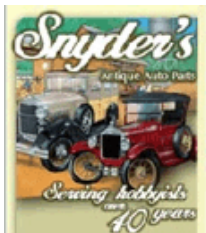


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# The International Order of the Rubber Chicken

By: Frank DeLuccia, Chairman of the Board

## The International Order of the Rubber Chicken Rules, Regulations and Other Silly Stuff



At a meeting of the International Order of the Rubber Chicken Society (IORCS), the following rules and silly things have been agreed to and enacted upon. The infamous Rubber Chicken is to be fun and full of frivolity. The purpose of these rules is to provide consistency and fairness for those persons desiring (or not) to acquire the scandalous Rubber Chicken.

### Rule #1

If your car causes an unscheduled stop while on tour.

### Rule #2

If, while on a tour, you delay the group from leaving on time (except for bringing donuts & coffee).

### Rule #3

If, after meeting with the group, you have a trailer (or modern car) problem, causing the others to stop alongside the road or be delayed. (aka: the Fred Rule)

### Rule #4

If during any tour, you call another tour member to "help, aid, assist, tow, repair or suggest what 'might' be the problem", which causes him/her to stop whatever they are doing. (Fred Rule #2)

### Rule #5 Passing the chicken on. Procedures on how to give the chicken away.

Rule #5-a: To pass the chicken on to another, the current chicken holder must be on said tour.

Rule #5-b: While broken down on the side of the road, it is NOT advisable to hand over, throw to or put the chicken inside the broken-down car or it's owner or driver. Nor is it advisable to stand alongside any broken-down car taunting the car's owner with the chicken. It is also not advisable to have a photo with you standing next to the broken vehicle giving a thumbs-up jester (Dorothy Rule). Injury for violating these Rules is at the current chicken holder's own risk.

Rule #5-c: It is appropriate to pass the chicken at any meal once faces have turned from red and steam is no longer venting from ears - Or - At any chapter meeting - Or - If the new recipient requests it (while on the side of the road).

### Rule #6

All chapters should name their chicken. It is most appropriate to name the chicken after a member so deserving because of the regularity or quantity of times he/she has had the honorable chicken bestowed upon him/her.

### Rule #7

Out of respect, the Rubber Chicken shall be honorably retired once it's head or both legs have fallen off.

### Rule #8

Each chapter should appoint a Colonel Chicken whose job shall be to determine all disputed matters. His/her word is final and not open to debate.

### Rule #9

Lifetime Achievement Award. The Rubber chicken shall be permanently given to he/she who runs their Model A out of gas while on tour (known as the Pruett Rule of "Don't worry, I have plenty of gas".) This is not debatable! Note: an appropriate rubber chicken Mardi-gras necklace may be given in lieu of the original rubber chicken.

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