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The Autumn Trails Model A Ford Club Newsletter • Winnsboro, Texas

## *From Club President Tex Willis*

Greetings and Salutations fellow Masters of Model A Mechanics and Damsels of Fashion and Design!

Happy New Year! When January rolls around, the holiday season is over and we are all working hard not break those New Years Resolutions. The past few years, I have kept all of mine, and I'll keep them in 2025. Simple resolutions:

- 1) Don't get drunk
- 2) Don't do no illegal drugs
- 3) No wild women

So, like I said, I have made these and kept them for quite a few years now. I got this tip from my daddy, Uncle Bob. Ya know... set achievable goals!



The December meeting wasn't a meeting at all, it was a Christmas dinner with no club business, except for one item. The Club picked up the tip for the waitress, so I thought I'd announce that, although we could have gone over December birthdays and Anniversaries. We'll do that in November this year!

Speaking of tipping, the Club paid for the meal again! A huge "Thanks" to everybody that showed up to help set up the Trades Day in October. That is where the club gets money and for quite a few years now, the Club has paid for the Christmas meal. Keep this in mind come October and Autumn Trails!

We'll see ya at Oak Ridge Marina Sunday (January 12)! Before winter hits us full on, remember to check your antifreeze levels in your Model A's. For those that don't, let me know when you want to have a "change a head on a Model A" workshop and we'll make that happen!

Keep your grease fittings lubed, air in your tires, and by all means, remember to turn your gas valve on before you pull out of the gas station!

-Tex Willis

**NEXT MEETING: January 12, 2025  
Sunday 1 p.m. dutch lunch, meeting to  
follow: OAK RIDGE MARINA  
2949 TX-154, Quitman, TX 75783**



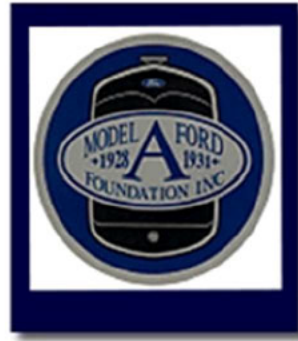
## Autumn Trails Model A Club Minutes of the December 14, 2024 Meeting

*No Club business was conducted at the December meeting. Members simply enjoyed a meal of their choice at the Red Dome, and had a good time visiting.*

### 2025 Officers

President: Tex Willis  
Vice President: Gary Gray  
Treasurer: Vicki Clark  
Secretary: Rebekah Yeager





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*Contributed by  
John Icenhower*

The Model A Museum will be closed from January 1 through 26, 2025 for expansion demolition and the Gilmore's renovations. The first half of the month, the wall between the current Model A museum and the expansion is coming down so exhibits and vehicles have to be moved. The 2nd half of the month, the Gilmore grounds will be closed because Gilmore is redoing flooring. Everything should be back open beginning January 27, 2025.

This month I'm sharing the President of the Model A Ford Foundation's message:

*Dear Model "A" Owners and Hobbyists,*

*Thank you for your continued support of The Model A Ford Foundation Museum, located on the grounds of The Gilmore Car Museum. Through your membership and donations, we have been able to establish a world class museum exhibiting displays of vehicles, era fashions and memorabilia associated with the Ford Model A.*

*The Model A Ford Foundation is in the process of expanding our museum another 8,400 square feet. This expansion will allow several more vignettes, a Learning Center Garage, and restrooms to be added for your enjoyment. The Foundation's income primarily comes from annual membership dues, the selling of museum items such as bricks, proceeds from our annual Model "A" Days and from club and individual donations. We ask that you consider giving an additional gift to help us support The Museum. Your gifts allow us to continue supporting our hobby with one of the best museums anywhere in the world.*

*All of us associated with the Model A Ford Foundation wish you and yours well this Holiday Season. Thank you again for your generous donations.*

*Best Regards,  
John Begg, President*



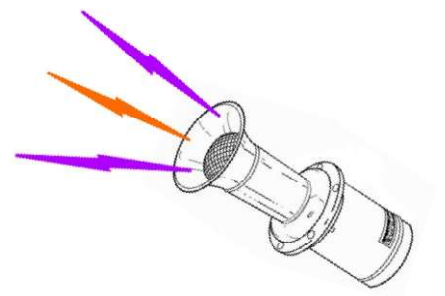
# January

## BIRTHDAYS

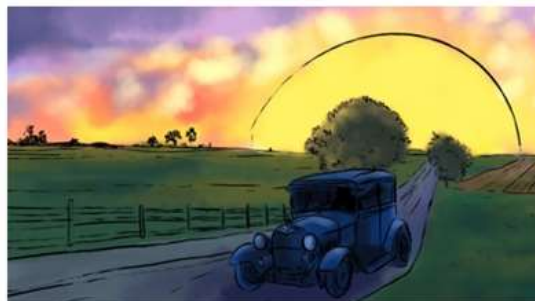
- Dan Parrish
- Ben Hunziker
- Cassie Buck

## ANNIVERSARIES

- Barbers



# Sunshine Report



I will be doing the Sunshine for ATA this year. If you have a need please share it with me.

Rebekah Yeager says she's on two feet now. She'll be wearing a boot as she needs it (or when she rides in the model A).

John Icenhower and Glen Clark will have knee replacement surgery in January.

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# Calendar of Events

*Autumn Trails A's Club Activities in Italics* **All events subject to change**  
2025

- **January 12** *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting* (Oak Ridge, 1 pm lunch, followed by meeting)
- *February 9* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- *March 9* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **March 15** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *April 13* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **April 19** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *May 11* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **May 17** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *June 8* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **June 12-15** 62<sup>nd</sup> Texas Tour (Hosted by Lone Star MAFC, Giddings)
- **June 15-22** 2025 MAFCA National Tour (Hosted by Dallas MAFC, Virginia)
- **June 21** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *July 13* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **July 19** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *August 10* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **August 16** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- **September 13** International Model A Ford Day
- *September 14* *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- **September 20** Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman



Dash Lite welcomes all input to include corrections, letters, Model A "Tips and Tricks," original articles and classified ads (pictures accepted)  
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Join us for a laid-back and lovely time in rural central Texas. Explore the patchwork of cultures and communities that make our state great.

Registration opens in January 2025

## Lodging

Reservations available beginning November 1, 2024

Say "Model A Texas Tour" when you call.

### Best Western

2161 E. Hempstead  
Giddings, Tx 78942  
(979) 542-5000

or

### Super 8

4002 E. Austin  
Giddings, Tx 78942  
(979) 542-9666

or

### Executive Inn

3556 E. Austin  
Giddings, Tx 78942  
(979) 542-5791

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