

PUBLIC VERSION

NEXT MEETING 10/13/2024 AT 1 P.M. THE LOCATION IS AT
CLARK'S HOUSE ; CALL 903 - 816 - 33 ZERO 3 FOR ADDRESS



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

From Club President Errol Barber

Hello Everyone! I'm your President! No not Joe. My name is Errol.

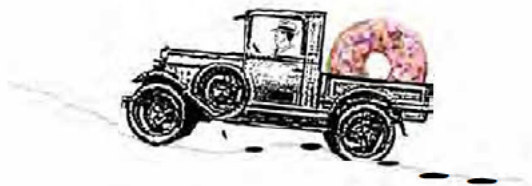
I sure have missed being with you this Summer, sounds like it has been a good one for you. I regained my Texas citizenship last week upon our return to Mineola and I have had a Whataburger and some Tex Mex to try to get back in the groove.



Many thanks to Tex for handling the meetings, etc., while I have been away. I know how he hates to be the center of attention in a front of a crowd!

Next up is all the Autumn Trails activities and I sure hope you are making plans to be part of them. Our club has a long history with the celebration and may be the biggest part of the activities including the massive parade, swap meet at the City Park and capped off with our Awards Banquet Saturday night, October 26, 2024.

One of the fun things to do is help set up the swap meet the Thursday before (October 24). Meet up is at 8:30 a.m. at Winnsboro (TX) City Park, 900 Wheeler Drive. It's a great time to bond with your fellow club members and there are DONUTS! So, make plans now to be there: you never know WHO you might see...



Autumn Trails Model A Club Minutes of the September 8, 2024 Meeting

Venue Oak Ridge Marina

Call to Order was at 1:20 pm. There were 16 members present and Vice President Tex Willis was presiding

Birthdays and Anniversaries Special greetings were given this month to Harold Black, Joe Harding, Scarecrow Willis, Vicki Clark and John Icenhower who all have birthdays; and the Blacks and the Willis' who are celebrating anniversaries.

President: Errol Barber
Vice President: Tex Willis
Treasurer: Vicki Clark
Secretary: Rebekah Yeager
Webmaster: Chana Gail Willis
Newsletter: John B. Yeager III
Illustrator: Amy Yeager

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Sunshine Report Nothing to report

Treasurer's Report Vicki Clark reported that we have [REDACTED] in the account



Door Prizes ■■■ to John Yeager and ■■■ each to Tex Willis and Bob Gray

Old Business

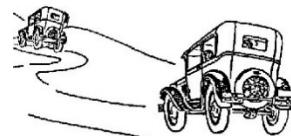
- September 28th Tour with Ken Parker – Ken has arranged a multi-stop historical tour following along part of the route of the Old Shreveport to Dallas Road. We will meet at Whataburger Mineola, at 9:00 for breakfast, followed by a 9:30 departure for the second assembly point about five miles west of Mineola on 80 at the junction with FM 1253. We will gather in the old parking lot and then Ken and Elvis Allen, historian, will lead us on a multi-stop tour at various places of interest. Halfway through we will take a break to use the facilities in Grand Saline. Bob Gray reminded us that it is the Salt Festival and that various streets will be closed so it was decided to stop at a gas station instead of the Salt Palace. After several more stops we will arrive at the Lumberyard Cafe where we will eat lunch. After lunch members will make their own way home

New Business

- A thank you letter from scholarship winner Jackson Rice was shared with everyone
- On September 17, The Union Pacific “Big Boy” train engine will be stopping for about 45 minutes in Big Sandy. There will be a special parking area close to the train for up to five Model A’s, first come, first serve. There will be food trucks around and the mayor said they were expecting about a thousand people

Autumn Trails

- Vicki has ordered 75 radiator badges
- BBQ is booked for 125, tickets will be \$25 each. So far there have been 8 sold
- Jana Icenhower will purchase and bag the cookies for dessert
- This year we will give award cups for the oldest and youngest licensed drivers, the best hard luck story, and the farthest driven model A. It was decided to drop the oldest in attendance category as it is most often the same person as oldest driver
- Jana Icenhower, Chana Gail Willis and Rebekah Yeager will be the Ima Willis Award committee
- Tex Willis, John Icenhower and Glen Clark will form the John Willis Award Committee.
- There will be the Friday Stew. Jana Icenhower proposed a ■■■ donation to Gail to help with costs. It was seconded by John Yeager and approved
- Rebekah Yeager will purchase the mums to be used as decoration and door prizes
- John and Rebekah Yeager will lead the Saturday PM tour
- Tex Willis will lead the Sunday am tour there will be a stop at the Willis homestead
- Set up will be on Thursday the October 24 starting at 8:30 am. Vicki will call Elaine to discuss flags and metal detector. After a rest, the men will help get the hall ready for the BBQ dinner



- Rebekah Yeager will be in charge of the hall while Vicki Clark deals with the flea market vendors
- Anyone spending money on the club’s behalf please make sure your receipts are turned into Vicki before the BBQ so that she can get the accounts reconciled ASAP

The Scholarship committee met before the meeting and proposed the following:

- Going forward the scholarship will be kept within Wood County with all school districts in Wood County being included each year
- Applicants will need to have at least a 2.5 gpa, and present a 300-word essay about why they would make a good recipient of the award
- Like to see the award going to students entering the field of mechanics in some way
- A scholarship of ██████ should be awarded annually as long as the club has a balance in the bank of over ██████
- Rebekah Yeager proposed that these be agreed to, this was seconded by Gary Gray and approved by the members

The meeting was adjourned by general consensus at 1:57 pm

Submitted by:

Rebekah Yeager, Secretary

Area availability of Ethanol-Free gas

Duko Oil Co.	950 E Lennon Dr, Emory
Kim’s Convenience	1020 E Lennon Dr, Emory
Beckat Oil & Fuel	115 W Front St, Mineola
Murphy USA (Walmart)	131 NE Loop 564, Mineola
Young Oil (Chevron)	116 N Newsom, Mineola
Jackson Oil Company	310 W 15 th St, Mount Pleasant
The Minnow Bucket	3035 Hwy 154, Quitman
Lake Quitman Marina	1450 CR 1416, Quitman
Fisherman’s 1 Stop	7933 W FM 515, Quitman
Murphy USA (Walmart)	1760 S Broadway, Sulphur Springs
Winkle Oil Co.	301 W Carnegie St, Winnsboro

Ethanol: In modern cars, it’s fine. But in your Model A, it’s terrible.

Howard Eckstein, *The Restorer*

**Autumn Trails
Model A Club
Weekend
October 25-27, 2024**





October

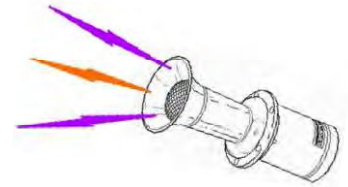
BIRTHDAYS

■ Kathy Witwer

ANNIVERSARIES

■ Clarks

■ Poes



For Sale

1930 Model A Roadster Deluxe - \$25k

Email modelaforsale@abernathy.com for details. Serious inquiries only. Bill Abernathy



For Sale

My Dad has died and he always did the car show. He had a 1930 to sell and we want it to go to a good home. Please call 318-230-4606. John Gayle



DATES

March 16th	August 17th
April 20th	September 21st
May 18th	October 19th
June 15th	November 16th
July 20th	(Food & Toy Drive)



FREE

Breakfast Snacks & Coffee

50/50 Drawing

Great Door Prizes

CLASSICS & COFFEE 2024

Mark your calendar for the 3rd Saturday morning each month beginning in March for the **FREE** "no registration" Classics & Coffee Cruise-in in Hogg Park in Quitman, Texas from 8:00-10:30 am.

Rain will cancel the event, check our website: lakecountryclassicscarclub.com our Facebook page or call 805-340-6520, 903-312-3499 or 910-478-8723 for updates

Sunshine Report



Ann Zene Cathey **November 12, 1937 – September 26, 2024** **Emory**

A memorial service for Ann Zene Cathey, a long time Autumn Trails member, will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 12, 2024, at the Emory Church of Christ, 715 W. Lennon Drive, Emory, Texas. The family will receive friends during a visitation prior to the memorial service beginning at 12:45. A private family burial service at the Quitman Cemetery will follow.

The full obituary can be found at: www.wilsonorwoskyfuneralhome.com



Downtown Winnsboro, post 1932, looking south on Main Street at the corner of Locust. The Ford Dealership on the left was opened in 1908 and their showroom was on the second floor.



Touring the Trails on the Dallas-Shreveport Road Historic Parkway September 28, 2024



Early one Saturday morning, sometime in September, a gaggle of Model A folks from the Autumn Trails Model A Club gathered at the local Whataburger in Mineola for breakfast and the beginnings of the Old Dallas to Shreveport Highway Tour. Me thinks there were about ten of us. Some were eating breakfast and others stayed in the parking lot kicking tires. After our fill of eggs and bacon and coffee (and the guys outside had told enuff tall tales) it was “Start your Engines” time.



We proceeded out the lot, around the loop and west on US 80, across the Sabine River to the top of the hill to the Old Grocery Store on FM 1253. There we met another gaggle of Model A folks from the Cedar Creek Model A Club and our official tour guide Elvis Allen. Elvis is a Texas historian and an expert on the history of the Old Dallas to Shreveport Highway.



For the next 2½ hours Elvis led us thru some Van Zandt County back-country, some paved highway, some semi-paved (Van Zandt style), and some not-so-paved road along the what was left of the old original highway.



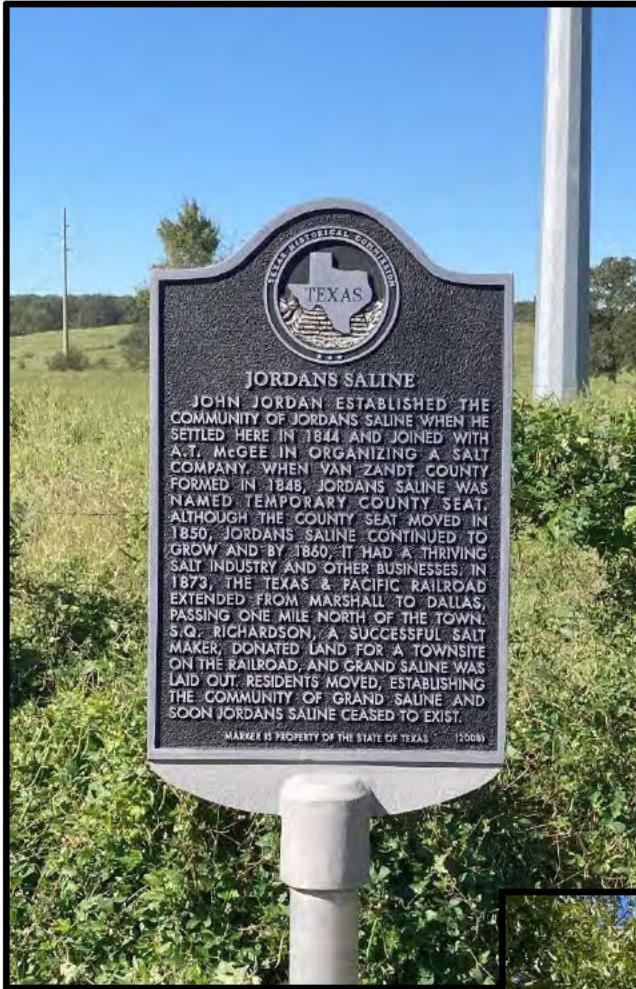
We passed through what was left of towns like

Providence



Sand Flat





Jordans Saline



Poletown

We stopped at some of the official Historical Markers for a lesson of its history and photo ops.



We ended up at the Lumber Yard Café in Edgewood. By the time we got to the café only four Model A's and two modern cars were left in the parade.



Thank You Elvis Allen for being an exceptional Tour Guide.

“Wanted to thank your club for inviting us to join you for the tour this year. Elvis was a great guide. He really had some interesting stories about the old road. An outstanding IMAD outing.”
–Lula Carpenter, Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club

Narrative by Ken Parker. Pictures by John & Rebekah Yeager, Lula Carpenter, Ken Parker and Vick Clark



Received from Jackson Rice, 2024 recipient of the Autumn Trails Model A Club Scholarship

Calendar of Events

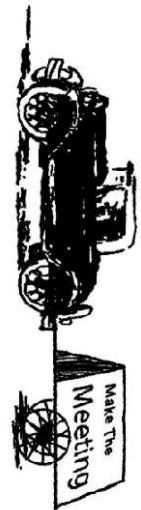
Autumn Trails A's Club Activities in Italics **All events subject to change**

2024

- **October 13** *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting, 1:00 pm, Clark Residence*
- October 19 Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *October 24 Autumn Trails Weekend Setup*
- *October 25-27 Autumn Trails Swap Meet*
- *October 25 Autumn Trails Stew*
- *October 26 Autumn Trails Antique Car Parade (ft. Model As)*
- *October 26 Autumn Trails Saturday Tour*
- *October 26 Autumn Trails BBQ/Banquet*
- *October 27 Autumn Trails Sunday Tour*
- *November 10 Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- November 16 Classics and Coffee Cruise-in, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- *December 8 Autumn Trails A's Christmas Party (Venue TBD)*
- December 11-14 National Awards Banquet, Salt Lake City, Utah

2025

- *January 12 Autumn Trails A's Club 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 62nd 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)
Send all correspondence to AutumnTrailsMAC@outlook.com



**66th Annual Winnsboro Autumn Trails
Parade, Tour and Dinner
October 24-27, 2024
Registration Form**

Please remit by October 7, 2024

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 7, 2024	\$10.00	_____	_____
	After October 7, 2024	12.00	_____	_____
Dinner	No. Persons	Price per Person	Total for Dinners	
	_____ Adults	\$25.00	_____	
	_____ Children (under 12)	\$10.00	_____	

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 7, 2024.

**AUTUMN TRAILS – WINNSBORO, TEXAS
FLEA MARKET & TRADE DAYS SWAP MEET
OCTOBER 24-27, 2024 CITY PARK**

Space Limited – First Come First Served

Make Checks Payable & Mail to:

**Begin Set-up Thursday Oct 24 1:00pm
No electric hook-ups
No Water Connections available
Limit 4 Trade Days/Swap Meet
Food Vendors
Swap meet—Friday, Saturday, Sunday
RAIN OR SHINE! ☺**

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PLEASE MARK ALL CATEGORIES THAT APPLY:

() Flea Market () Antiques () Food/Beverage () Other

**Three Days!! Hours: 8-5 Friday & Saturday & 9-4 Sunday.
Row "B" is the first row and is a single row. No back-to-back on "B"
Spaces are approximately 15'x 25'**

_____ @ \$40.00 _____ Flea Market, Trades Day & Swap Meet Booth City Park

_____ @ \$50.00 _____ Food Concession – no electric

TOTAL Amount _____ Please enclose check or money order with reservation request.

Business Name _____ Phone _____

Owner's Name _____ Cell _____

Address _____ email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Note:

***No refunds due to weather**

***No refunds after October 7, 2024**

***Guaranteed lots must be prepaid**

***Spaces must be paid for before set up**