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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!

Wow! This month blew by fast! I have been bust working on my shop and before I knew it Thanksgiving was here!

My brother Scarecrow came up and I talked him into running a Turkey Trot 5K at Daingerfield State Park. We had a good time and met some pretty awesome people there! See? You go into a calorie deficit, then you can eat more at Thanksgiving dinner. It's a genius concept, right?



Speaking of Thanksgiving, we are blessed. I am sure we can all look and reflect in things to be thankful for. As we head into December, we'll be thinking about the season of giving. A few years ago, we decided that we were making enough money to provide the Christmas meal to club members. As long as we make decent money, we continue that. Make sure to let Chana Gail know you if you plan on making it to the Christmas party/meeting so she can let the Red Dome know how many will be there. Members are free and you pay for any guests you bring.

I hope to see everybody at The Red Dome in Quitman on Saturday, December 13th at 12:30 pm! We will announce the 2026 Board of Directors that we voted in at our last meeting!

Be safe traveling to spend time with loved ones. And may God bless you this holiday season

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!



Autumn Trails Model A Club Minutes of the November 9, 2025 Meeting

Venue Oak Ridge Marina

Call to Order was at 1:26 PM. There were twelve members present, and President Tex Willis was presiding. We were all welcomed to Oak Ridge, and there were no guests

Birthdays and Anniversaries Birthday greeting were given this month to Carolyn Hunziker, Tex Willis and Nate Rominger. There were no reported anniversaries for this month

President: Tex Willis
Vice President: Gary Gray
Treasurer: Vicki Clark
Secretary: Rebekah Yeager
Webmaster: ChanaGail Willis
Newsletter: John B. Yeager III
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Sunshine Report Pending a checkup Glen Clark will be anticipating a second knee replacement at the beginning of December



Treasurer's Report Vicki Clark reported that we have \$ [REDACTED] in the account. The reporting on Autumn Trails was as follows: income (swap meet [REDACTED], cars [REDACTED] and BBQ [REDACTED] for a total of [REDACTED]. Expenses were ([REDACTED] and BBQ [REDACTED]) for a total of [REDACTED]. Subtracting expenses from income gave a profit of [REDACTED], of which [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] 5 went to Autumn Trails. Our final intake was [REDACTED]

Door Prizes Gary Gray received [REDACTED] for driving his A and Chana Gail Willis and Rebekah Yeager won [REDACTED] each

Old Business

- Autumn Trails Report
 - 28 spots were sold at the flea market, less than in the last couple of years however with the weather forecast we had anticipated a drop
 - There were 45 Model A's who took part in the parade
 - Tex was commended for the Sunday tour and rest stop at the Willis home. It was well-attended and a beautiful day for a drive

New Business

- Elections
 - After a period of discussion, a motion was made by Glen Clark to re-elect the current officers, and Gary Gray seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote
 - The officers for 2026 will be: President Tex Willis, Vice President Gary Gray, Treasurer Vicki Clark and Secretary Rebekah Yeager
 - Jana Icenhower will continue to report on Sunshine Matters and John Yeager will continue with the Newsletter
- Gary Gray reminded everyone of the Quitman Christmas Parade to be held on December 6th. People are invited to drive Model A's in the parade
- The Christmas Party meal will be at the Red Dome on Saturday December 13. Booking will be made by Chana Gail Willis. Look for specific details/invitations to come
- Chana Gail would like to try a marketing venture next year. She proposed that all cars entering the parade should be given the chance to participate in a draw. Entry would be \$10 and one car would be selected at random to win the prize (amount dependent on how many cars enter; e.g., if 100 cars entered, \$1000 would be the prize; it would be open to both A's and moderns). This would be used as a marketing exercise to try and encourage more cars to register and take part in the parade. Glen Clark proposed that Chana Gail be allowed to run the campaign, and a decision made whether it should carry on after statistics are viewed. (NB this year 45 Model A cars and 47 other old cars took part in the parade). The motion was seconded by Steve MacLaird and passed
- January's meeting will be at the Oakridge Marina on January 11th. Plan to "eat at one" with the meeting following the food

The meeting was closed by general consensus at 1:51 pm

Rebekah Yeager, Secretary





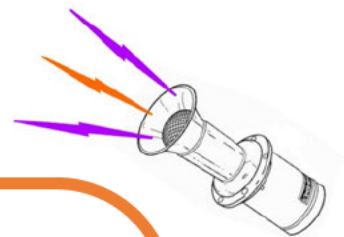
December

BIRTHDAYS

Pam Parrish
Glen Clark
Patsy Crow
Bruce Witwer
Rebekah Yeager
Pete Manconi

ANNIVERSARIES

Chuck & Denise Pounds
Ben & Carolyn Hunziker
John & Rebekah Yeager



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*

Find more ethanol-free gas stations at www.pure-gas.org

Calendar of Events

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

2025

- December 6 Quitman Christmas Parade
- **December 13** *Autumn Trails Christmas Party (See info below)*

2026

- January 11 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting* (Oak Ridge, 1 pm lunch, followed by meeting)
- February 8 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- March 8 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- March 21 Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- April 12 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- April 18 Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- May 10 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- May 23 Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- June 11-14 63rd Model A Ford Texas Tour (Hosted by Ft. Worth, Mineral Wells)
- June 14 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*
- June 21 Classics and Coffee Cruise-In, 8-10:30 am, Quitman
- July 12 *Autumn Trails A's Club Meeting*



Please join your fellow club members at the

Christmas Lunch

LOCATION

**RED DOME SMOKEHOUSE
619 MAIN ST
QUITMAN, TX**

DATE/TIME

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2025 AT 12:30 PM

**RSVP BY DEC 6 BY TEXTING CHANA GAIL OR TEX OR BY EMAIL TO:
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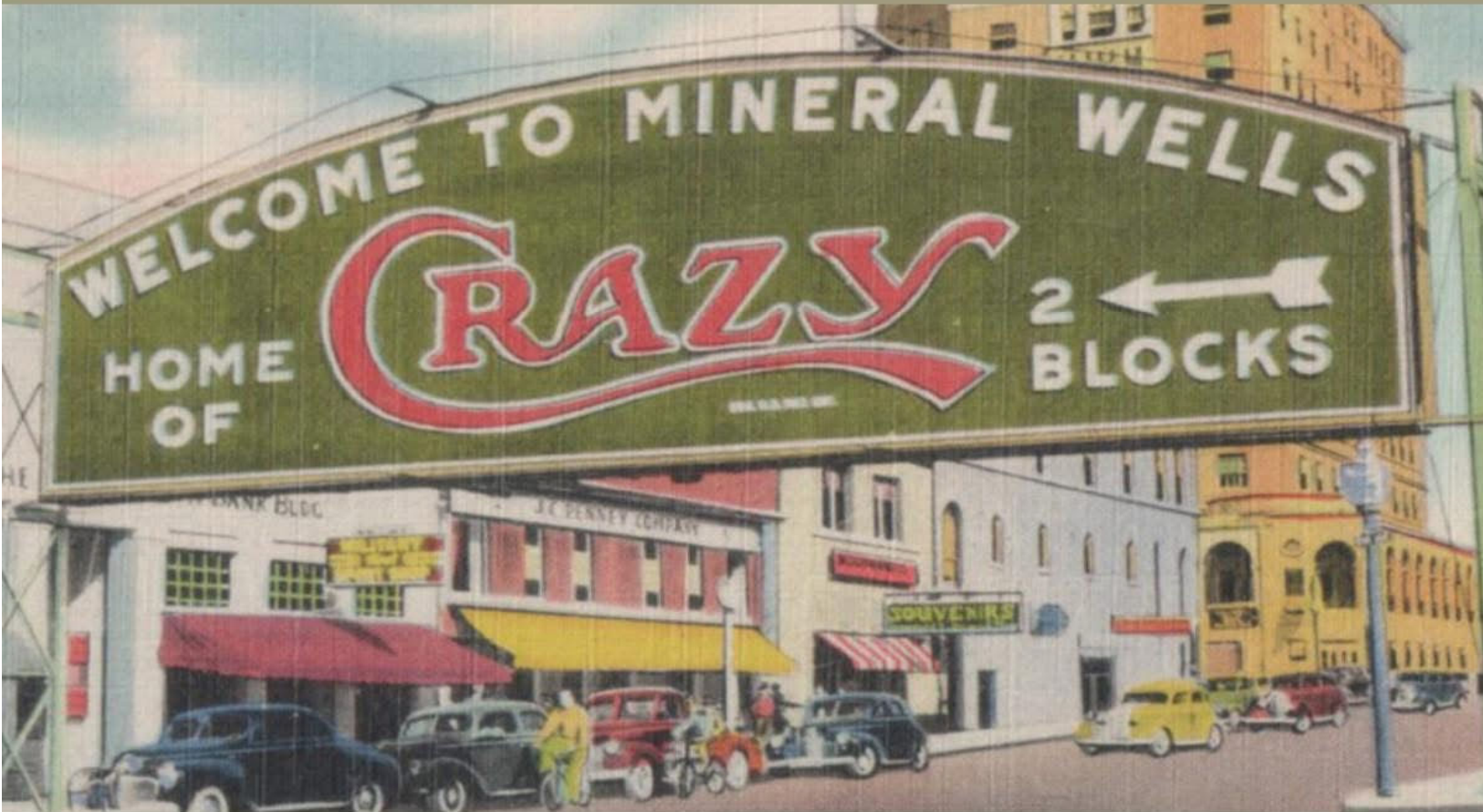
63rd MODEL "A" FORD TEXAS TOUR

Hosted by the Fort Worth Model "A" Ford Club



THE
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WATER | HOTEL

June 11-14, 2026



Host hotel & event venue: 940-325-4605

THE CRAZY WATER HOTEL

Promo code: MODELA2026

- DBL QUEEN: \$170
- QUEEN SUITES: \$150 - \$180
- KING SUITES: \$170 - \$190
- 2 BEDROOM SUITES: \$190
- KING HOSP. SUITES: \$300
- PRES. SUITE: \$350

"Suite" style rooms include a full kitchen & living area

-DISCOUNTED RATES ON WEDNESDAY FOR EARLY BIRD ARRIVALS

-RATES ARE PER NIGHT + TAXES & FEES

Other lodging: Red Lion Inn

940-325-7829 \$115/night + taxes & fees