

# TRINITY Valley News

May 2006

Monthly Newsletter of The Missouri Valley Region, Model "A" Restorers Club, Saint Louis Missouri  
Dedicated to the appreciation, enjoyment and preservation of the Model "A" Ford since 1959

## President's Corner

by Terry Yount 636.532.0005

Eleven adventuresome members of the St. Louis Club attended the Marc National Membership Meet in Lexington, Kentucky recently. Our group consisted of **Jeff Buckley, Terry Oberer, John Guzman, David (Spanky) Stukenbroeker, Dave and Louise Smith, Bert and Alice Schott, Bob and Nell Austin** and myself. It was the first out of town National Meet that I had ever attended and now I can say, it will not be my last. I enjoyed (while riding with Spanky in his restored 1929 Ford Town sedan) the trip to Keeneland Race Track. You must check this place out, by logging on to [www.keeneland.com](http://www.keeneland.com) on their web site.

New to our monthly meeting will be a swap meet. You may bring a Model "A" related item to display on the back table for sale to other members who may purchase them. There is one catch! You must donate 10% of the sale to the club's treasury. All sales must take place at the 50/50 break or at the end of the meeting and not before. Also anyone having a problem with their Model "A", please contact me so I can address this issue with the club or possible garage tour to correct the problem.

**Brian Ziegler** is scheduled to do a member profile at our next May meeting. Just a reminder to make a note on your calendar, that our July 4th meeting has been changed to July 11th.

Please inform me if you have any new comments, so they may be addressed. ATTENTION: Ladies and Youth night will be June 6, 2006 at the church. Barbeque prepared by your President. Door prize for that lucky one and prizes throughout the evening. A professional clown will keep us entertain with balloons etc. To top off the evening, a four-piece Band playing Bluegrass and some violin fiddling. Please sign up for this evening of fun and games or call me at H-636-532-0005 to attend in order that I can determine the amount of meat to prepare. A short fifteen minute meeting is also included on this night of fun.

Look for our upcoming events, which our tour committee has been planning. On the road to recovery, **Jim Ruth** had a second surgery and will be released soon. Our thoughts are with the **Mike Rowle's** family upon the recent passing of **Mike's** father.

It's time for the trivia question of the month called "Stump the Club".

When was the first Ford truck built and offered to the public? Also what type of engine and the list price?

God Bless Drive them Model A's



**Next meeting: Tuesday May 2, 2006 - 7:30 pm**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church - 820 Lockett Road Kirkwood Missouri**

## February Minutes

by Cheryl Preston 314.353.4592

The April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting was called to order by President **Terry Yount** at 7:31pm. **Terry** gave the answer to the trivia question. **Henry Ford** promised a \$50 rebate in July 1914 to anyone who purchased a Model "T" from Ford. Members **Jerry** and **Brenda Anton** from Cedar Hill attended the meeting. The **Anton's** are the owners of 3 cars in various stages of restoration. Visitor-turned member by the end of the meeting- is **Winkie Anderson** from St. Charles. **Winkie** is the owner of a 1929 Ford Tudor. The minutes from the last meeting were approved. The 2006 Roster of Members is available for pick up at the meetings. **Dayna Cogorno** gave the treasurer's report.

**Phil Ierardi** and **David Fronczak** gave out information on tours to the **Daniel Boone** home and the Family Picnic. **Phil** has to step down from his duties as tour director and **Jack Rehagen** volunteered to assist **David**. The first tour for the summer is Sunday, June 11 at the **Daniel Boone** home. The second event for the summer is an Old Fashioned Family Picnic at Love Park on July 9. People games and car games are scheduled for entertainment.

**Phil Ierardi** would like members to write a "car story" for the newsletter. Included in the article should be a history of the car, why you bought the car, and a photo of the car. Send your article and photos to **Phil**. Also, send **Phil** a photo of your Model A for the Club's Photo Book of Member's Cars. The Ladies and Youth Night is Tuesday June 6. Members whose last name begins with A-M should bring a side dish and members with last name beginning with N-Z should bring a dessert. A four piece band has been hired for the evening.

Eleven members attended the National Membership Meet in Lexington, KY along with 3 Model A's and 3 modern cars. Those in attendance gave a brief description of their adventures. **David Smith** enjoyed seeing the horse farms and stables. **Bert Schott** enjoyed the tours of Lexington, the race-track, Shaker village, and artisan village. **Bob Austin** enjoyed the ice cream social and music and also the tour of the textile mill. **Terry Oberer** enjoyed the banquet on Saturday evening and the entertainment—the Moron Brothers. **Jeff Buckley** displayed photos from the meet and enjoyed the fellowship with members from other clubs. There are also rumors of **David Stukenbroeker** making

repairs to a car at a gas station and **Terry Yount's** bed being short-sheeted.

Winners of the 50/50 were **Irv Carrol** and **Ray Harmann**. Winners received \$18 each. **Ray Harmann** was also the winner of a set of jumper cables but he graciously declined another prize. **Jerry Anton** won the jumper cables.

For the Technical Seminar, **Terry Oberer** coached the women in assembling a carburetor. The carburetor was assembled with no spare parts by **Brenda Anton, Nell Austin, Dayna Cogorno, Janet Finnerty, Pam Mulhall, and Cheryl Preston**. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

## April Technical-Assembling a Carburetor

Our ladies listened to **Terry Oberer**, learned and re-assembled the carburetor successfully, and without any extra parts. Great job ladies. The participants are **Brenda Anton, Nell Austin, Dayna Cogorno, Janet Finnerty, Pam Mulhall, and Cheryl Preston**.



## Member Update

Tanning sessions (radiation) end 1 week from today. One Doctor is not happy with weight change this week (-7 lbs. from last week). Sore throat makes oral intake unpleasant, but we intend to pass through this last week without skipping days or prolonging this by even 1 day. **Jim Preston**

I am feeling much better each day. Start Chemo soon, should do the trick. Back to my little old self soon. **Jim Ruth**

I am responding well to physical/occupational therapy, with more hand & arm strength evident daily. I have been denying pain medication, I am committed to "stay the course". It is, however, going to be very lengthy journey to return to full health. Thank you all for your cards and letters. I am definitely "all there" mentally and emotionally, and undoubtedly on the road to a full recovery. **Loraine Haines**

# 2006 MARC Membership Meet Lexington Kentucky



## Upcoming Events 2006

by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201

A comprehensive listing of "events of interest" is on our [www.modelclub.org](http://www.modelclub.org). [ModelAclub@charter.net](mailto:ModelAclub@charter.net)

**Apr 30** Sun, River Port Swap Meet

**May 2** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO

**May 7** Sun, Regular Annual Safety Check - Car Doc  
**Mark Schenberg** 314.991.2277(Article Herein)

**May 21** Sun, Washington Car Show—Family Fun  
**David Stukenbroeker** 314.221.1444(Article Herein)

**May 28** Mon. Scott Joplin Ragtime music festival  
**David Stukenbroeker** 314.221.1444(Article Herein)

**Jun 6** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO \*\*\* **Ladies Night** \*\*\*

**Jun 11** Sun, Tour to Historic Daniel Boone Home  
**David Fronczak** 636.394.5883 (Article Herein)

**Jul 17** Sat, Route 66 State Park Picnic  
**Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201 (Article Herein)

**Jun 13-17** Petit Jean Mt.AR Swap Meet

**Jun 26-30** 2006 National Meet, Grand Rapids, MI

**Jun 28** Wed, Great Race in St. Louis, Eads Bridge  
**Rick Hermann** 573.358.1467

**Jul 9** Sun, Old Fashion Family Picnic & Games  
**David Fronczak** 636.394.5883 (Article Herein)

**Jul 11** Tue, Regular Monthly Business Meeting-  
7:30 pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 820 Lockett Road, Kirkwood MO (**2nd Tuesday**)

**Jul 23 or 30** Sun, 13th Annual Start Up Party  
**Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201 (Article Herein)

**Sep 11** Sun, Delmar Gardens Display  
**Joan Winters** 636.532.0150

**Sep 16**, Sat, Mid Missouri Model "A" Round-Up,  
Jefferson City **John Wilkinson** 573.642.5133

**Oct 7** Sat, Trinity Church Display  
**Terry Yount** 636.532.0005

## The Model "A" Psalm

### From 1928 Wellston High Memory Book

The Ford is my Master; I shall not live in peace. It maketh me to lie in both mud and dust; it leadeth me in the paths of grease.

It restoreth my license dues; it leadeth me in the paths of shame and disgrace for its names' sake.

Yes, though I go through the dark shadows of night, I know thou art with me; jolting of thy springs maketh me ache. Thou preparest a string of bills in the presence mine creditors; thou annointest my head with oil; my wrath runeth over.

Surely if this thing follows me all the days of my life, I will dwell in the house of the insane forever.

## Route 66 State Park Picnic

by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201

The Route 66 park in Eureka, MO is sponsoring an old fashioned picnic, Saturday, June 17, where we are invited to display our restored cars with no registration fee. Highlights include live music, a bull whip show, chainsaw art, kite demos and other fun things. Food and beverage will be available. For more information contact **Don Fink** or **Michelle Neubauer**, Route 66 State Park, 97 N. Outer Rd, Suite 1, Eureka, MO 63025 ( I-44 Lewis Rd Exit #266) Phone 636.938.7198, [Route.66.State.Park@dnr.mo.gov](mailto:Route.66.State.Park@dnr.mo.gov) The first 150 registrations will receive dash plaques. Registration information will be at the May meeting.

## We Have A Start Up Car!

by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201

Thanks to our newer members **Joseph** and **Pamela Mulhall** we have a 1928 Special Coupe for our Start Up party to be held either July 23 or July 30. The subject car is named "**Pez**" like the candy. The car belonged to **Pamela's** Father, **Elmer Deutsch** who had planned to restore it prior to his passing in 2003. He had the car since the very early 1970's which is the last time that it ran. The car is in somewhat rough shape with no fenders and some partial attempt at wood replacement and is missing its lights but it is on wheels and the engine does turn. The car's name, "**Pez**" is **Pam's** choice as the **Pez** candy was her Father's favorite candy to give out to the kids while she was growing up.

The party date will be firmed up within a week and will then be announced. The party will start at 11 am with food being served at 12:30. After eating and socializing, we will work on the start up car. Once the car is started, we will then do a driving tour of the area with a new route planned. A sign up sheet will be available at the June and July meetings. It is required that we get an accurate head count to adequately plan our food requirements.

## Web Site

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444

As our web site comes back up for renewal, I would like to have our members look at it and let me know what you want to see on it. Over the next month, I will get the calendar updated and photos of our events posted. The banquet is already there.

Please review it and email me some of your ideas. We have not had any major changes in a long time. On the links page, let me know what links you want to see, even if you do not know the URL, I will find it.

## 1930 Model "A"

by **Bob & Nell Austin 636.933.0887**

On a spring day in 1972, I went to Sears to get a set of shocks for my 1951 Chevy pick up. The man behind the counter said, I have a 1946 Chevy pick up. During the conversation, I told him I have always wanted a Model "A" Ford but never took the time to look for one. I remember when I was 5 years old and thought how much I liked my Grandfathers' 1931 Tudor. He reached under the counter



for the phone book and said he knew of one for sale. He dialed the phone and handed it to me. I made an appointment to see it the next day.

It was very dirty after spending nine years in a barn in southern Illinois and it had no upholstery inside. He found it near Elgin Illinois setting beside a barn in 1958. He was telling me about all the work he had done to it before his heart attack. It was a 1930 Fordor Briggs Body. I asked him to start it up. There is no battery in it, he said. I told him to call me when it runs. The next day he called. It sounded great! I said, I will buy it, but you have to deliver it. About an hour later, he pulled in my driveway with his truck, tow bar and Model "A".

I cleaned it up, painted the wheels apple green, and put new tires on it.

Next was to join the Alton Antique Auto Association, MARC, and two national clubs in search of information on how to restore my Model A.

I spent the next two years asking questions, attending car shows, and buying parts at swap meets.

In October 1973 I went to Hershey Pa. with several club members and decided now is the time to restore the car. I dissembled the car down to the frame in two weeks with labels and tags on jars and parts. I spent the next 3 years rebuilding parts and putting it back together again.

Our daughter, **Julie**, was married in 1989 and wanted to ride to church in the Model A. I told her I would have to touch up the paint first. I repainted half the car. **Terry Oberer** was the chauffeur.

We have enjoyed a lot of good times with the Model A, parades, picnics, shows, club activities, and two national meets. The car has appeared in a movie, King of the Hill, and photos in a national magazine and two books Original Ford Model A by **Jim Schild** and The Legendary Model A Ford by **Peter Winnewisser**.

After 34 years, **Nell** and I still enjoy club activities and the Model "A" Ford.

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## Special Summer tours

By **Dave Fronczak 636.394.5883**

**Phil Ierardi 314.692.2123**

Your tour committee has been working very hard on some special tours for the summer. These are over and above our regular running events (see Calendar of Upcoming Events). Two special tours have been firmed up and will take place in June and July. We will need an accurate head count for each of these tours. Sign up sheets will be at the May, June and July meetings or please call **Dave Fronczak** or **Phil Ierardi**. The new tours are:



1. June 11, Sunday, Tour to the Historic **Daniel Boone** Home and Boones field Village.
2. July 9, Sunday, Old Fashion Family Picnic is back with "People Games" and "Model "A" Games".

More information on these tours will be provided over the next few newsletters and at our meetings. Mark your calendars now so you will not miss out on the fun.

## Safety Check—May 7th

by Mark Schenberg 314.991.2277

Our annual safety check will be held again at the Car Doc shop in Westport Plaza starting at 10:00. **Terry Oberer** will show us how to adjust motor shims. This is a simple but critical procedure. **Jeff Buckley** will provide the test subject for us. As usual, oil change is encouraged, just bring your oil or any other parts you may need. Front end alignments can be checked, brakes inspected and other simple procedures to get the car on the road and be safe.

Per tradition, we will have hotdogs, chips, soda and AB products. Signup at the May meeting or call me.

## Scott Joplin

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444

On Monday, May 29th (noon until 5pm) we will be having our Ragtime Rally and Street fair to celebrate ragtime. I was wondering if your car club would be interested in showing off your cars at this event. We are blocking the streets of Samuel Shepherd and Beaumont and the cars could be parked along there. **Scott Joplin's** music was popular around the turn of the century, and I would love to have your group bring a little more history to the event. Please have someone call for more details or if I have contacted the wrong person. Thank you so much.

The concert is in the lot that is surrounded by those two streets. We will have 5 major ragtime acts as well as winners of various youth competitions playing throughout the day. Other organizations will also have booths/ areas set up including the fire department, police department, friends of Scott Joplin. The neighborhood is fine, but will be extra safe because we will all be out there too. Signup sheet will be at the May meeting or call me.

## Washington MO Car Show

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444

In years past, we have taken a tour to the Washington MO car show. This is a great event. The event is Sunday May 21<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a wine tasting event along with lots of crafts and games. The church in the area has many games and events along with some great food. There are always many great cars to see, plus the trophies are at least three feet high! You can play volleyball, enjoy beer booths and music. You can do what I do, relax under a shade tree and watch people. The river is three blocks away along with a quaint park. Sign up at the May meeting or call me.

## Easter Show

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444

What a wonderful, sunny, and bright day. All this in spite of our weather forecasters telling us of hail and thunderstorms. We had ten cars. Our club members who represented our club were **David Egertson, Frank and Honora Eppert, David and Mauri Fronczak, Phil Ierardi, Lance and Joyce Klingemann, Don McCallie, Ron Berkel and Lee Majors, Bert Schott and David Stukenbroeker**. Other club members I ran into or saw their cars were **Rodrick Cunningham, Tom Luebbert, Jim and Myrna Schild, Mark Westhoff, Larry and Madi Hassel, Dave and Louise Smith, and Brendan Westhoff**. I did not stay for the awards, so I do not know how anyone faired. The show seemed smaller this year. There were some of the favorite standbys there, like the Stanley Steamer and the various GTO's from the 60's. There was a VW camper, all set up and ready to go. The top had a pop-up tent with netting, a sink; pull out bed and other camping comforts. There were Rolls Royce, Cadillac, Lincolns and much more. I think the Buick Club had the most participation with 25. We did not participate last year, due to not having 10 or more cars. See Page 7 for pictures.

## MARC Membership Meet

by David Stukenbroeker 314.221.1444

Another great meet. They just seem to get better each year. Again, **John Guzman** provided a comfortable spot for relaxing by his RV. **John** loves his popcorn. **Terry Yount** started us off with some beer, but the Born on Date police (**Jeff Buckley**) confiscated them and replaced them with a "Fresh" set. **Terry Oberer** made a small mint off the sale of his "stuff". **Alice Schott**, always ready and prepared, practiced the time change on Friday night, for Saturday morning. Poor **Bert**, but they were ready. **Bob Austin** was always trying to take my picture, probably because I take his. **Nell Austin** was always spotting me with my camera and pointing it out. **Dave and Louise Smith** were the quiet ones, as **Louise** was not feeling 100%. We missed **Jim Ruth**, due to it being too soon after the two artery stents and **Bob and Kathy Taylor**, because **Bob** got stuck at work and just could not leave. He is very important, as at my job, at mine, people always ask me to leave. **Bert Schott** treated us to breakfast and **Terry Oberer** treated us to lunch on the way home. Thank you guys. View some of the pictures on page 3 and you will see **Nell** pointing me out and **Bert** showing us how to put gas into a Model "A" and **Alice** making sure he does it right. We had good representation of our club at the meet. Our next meet is in Grand Rapids in June.

# 2006 Easter Car Show/Display



**New Members**  
Winkie & Frada Anderson  
Arthur & Mary Shaw  
Jack & Carol Dolde (Welcome Back)

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*Wanted/For Sale or Trade*

*by Terry Oberer 636.677.7201*

**FOR SALE:** 1930 Deluxe Roadster, Coca Cola red w/ black fenders, Le Baron Bonney int. & top, dual side mnts w/tire covers. Tan trunk w/rack & heavy duty canvas car cover. Fully rebuilt steering w/needle bearings & oil seal. New wiring, brake system w/Bratton cast iron drums & rblt backing plates, leakless water pump, steering arm balls w/Teflon inserts. < 25 miles completely rebuilt engine by **Charlie Gavisk**. \$19,000. **Warren Meyer**, 636-519-9066

**FOR SALE:** Lots of good used mechanical parts, brake, engine, trans & rear end parts available. New 5.50x18 Garfield BSW 4PLY nylon tire '32 Ford \$50  
**Terry Oberer** 636.677.7201

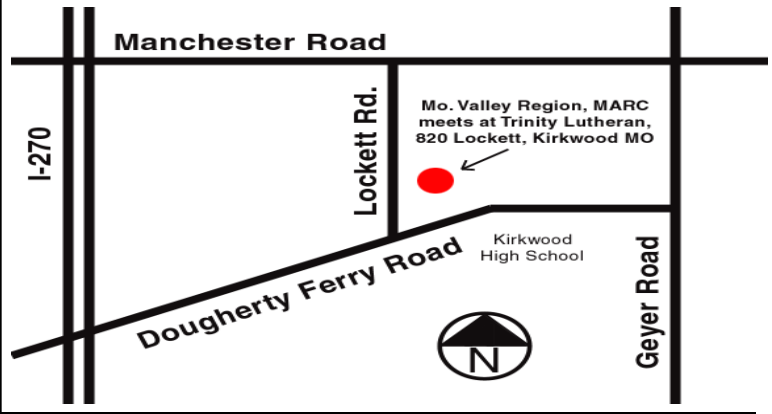
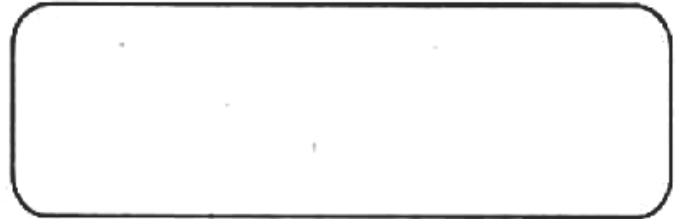
**FOR SALE:** 1930 Ford Dlx Coupe w/Rum. seat. Rblt chassis & drive train, engine. 6v alt, new wiring & turn signals. \$8995.00 **Ray Harmann** 618.791.0979

**FOR SALE:** Totally Restored 1929 Murray Fordor. Incredible. Extra parts. Full description, call **Hal Heidbrink** 636.926.3530 halbarb@charter.net

**FOR SALE:** 1930 Coupe. New paint Elkpoint & Kewanee Green, Apple Green wheels w/new white wall tires, New Lebaron Bonney Interior. Asking \$14,000  
**Alice Williams** at 502-327-6546 (Louisville)

**FOR SALE:** Heavy duty radiator, tested at 4.5psi for 30 minutes. Cost new \$470.00, selling for \$300.00  
**Dave Smith** 314.895.3416

## First Class Mail



## Mo Member says:

Things I gotta do:

- 1) Submit a newsletter article
- 2) Attend a tour
- 3) Bring a sweetie to Ladies Night
- 4) Attend our May events
- 5) Give Phil a profile on your precious Model "A"

