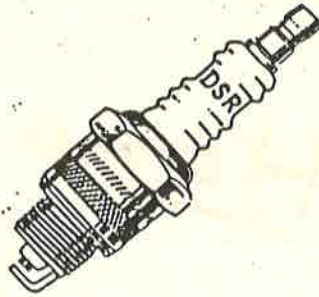


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NEWSLETTER OF THE
DEEP SOUTH REGION
A.A.C.A.



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March 17 - Sunday outing
Arts & Crafts at Fairhope.
Meet at the battleship at
12:00 noon.

March 23 - Rummage Sale at
the club house. Be there
with your "stuff" @ 7 A.M.

March 28 - Meeting - In the
club house at 951 Forest
Hill @ Zeigler at 7:30 P.M.

The SPARKPLUG is non-profit and published for the information of our members and friends. Deep South Region meetings are held once each month on the fourth Thursday at 7:30 P.M. at the A.A.C.A. club-house at 951 Forest Hill Drive at Zeigler Blvd. The SPARKPLUG will be mailed the weekend before each meeting. Annual dues are \$10.00. This includes wife membership if she is a National A.A.C.A. (or joint) member. National dues are \$15.00 single and \$19.00 joint (husband & wife). Membership is required in the National A.A.C.A. if you are a regional member.

OUR FEBRUARY MEETING

President Lloyd Crowdus opened our February meeting on the 28th at 7:35 P.M. in the DSR club house with 55 present. Our acting Chaplain, V. T. Hopkins, gave the invocation. Visitors introduced to the membership were Mike McAdams and Tom Siegwald of Godfather Pizza. New members introduced were Les and Janet Yoder, Paul and Frieda Lanier, and George Goff. On

our sick list, Lucille Langham has flu, Don and Jan Hartman have gone to Kansas to visit Don's seriously ill father, Faye Polk's grandson fell and cut himself badly, Joel Tanner's father fell and broke 4 ribs, and his mother suffered a heart attack, Gloria Rothenburg's mother is seriously sick, and John Butler's father died of a lingering cancer.

Jeanie Dobbs received a card of thanks from AACA headquarters for a job well done on a membership list. Treasurer Katherine Harper passed out DSR financial reports for the month. Activity Coordinator Cecil Nettles thanked the Pages for a very fine and interesting outing, and thanked all that participated. He also announced the coming Fairhope Arts & Crafts on Sunday 17th, and the rummage sale at the club house the following Saturday, March 23rd. Prez Lloyd appointed Peggy Moseley and Ray Harper to take lead of the rummage sale. Show chairman, Ray Harper, told us more details of the coming DSR show on May 11th and asked us to support the neighboring clubs that will be having shows soon. He reminded everyone of the donation tickets and asked support in the sale of these tickets.

There was discussion on getting a new company to silk screen our club logo on our shirts. Les Yoder suggested the club get its own silk screen.

Visitor Mike McAdams requested a display of cars for the grand opening of two Godfather Pizza parlors in April and May. The members agreed.

Lloyd thanked Herb and Reba for their donation of the blinds we have on the club house windows and thanked the many members that have contributed their time and money. The Prez told us of the many faithfuls that worked hard on projects including the installation of the new ceiling put up last Tuesday with Geary Polk leading the crew.

Lloyd asked for a show of hands on how many plan to go on the 12th annual DSR tour into Louisiana. 12 couples responded.

Ernie gave a report on the building committee meeting held on February 21st. The report is in this SPARKPLUG.

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APRIL

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April 25 - Meeting - In the
club house at 951 Forest
Hill Drive at Zeigler Blvd,
at 7:30 P.M.

April 27 - Saturday outing.
Meet at Pinebrook Shopping
Center at 2:00 P.M. for an
afternoon run. Don Lillehay
leading.

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Lloyd then read a letter from Tom Reese, National V.P. of Regions about the DSR club house. More on this later in this SPARKPLUG.

The Mystery Photo in the February SPARKPLUG was identified as Randy "Boo" Moseley.

Serving refreshments at this meeting were Peggy Moseley, Arline Eschete, and Debbie Stacey. At our coming March meeting volunteers to serve refreshments are Nell Few, Janet Yoder, and Barbara Short.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 and everyone sang "Happy Birthday" to Linda Page. The refreshment ladies had a big birthday cake ready and our loyal legion of lively lads and lovely lasses lined up to leisurely lunch on Linda's lucious large layer-cake and lap up loads of lucious legal liquids!

NEW MEMBERS:

We want to welcome new members, Les and Janet Yoder, George and Jean Goff, and Dale and Betty McLaney into the Deep South Region.

Les and Janet Yoder are spending the winters in Mobile and summers at their home in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The DSR feels the Yoders are old friends as they have visited with the DSR many times. They live in Irvington, Route 2 Box 106 and their telephone number is 1-957-6523. They own a 1928 Ford coupe, a 1939 Mercury coupe, a 1957 T-Bird, a 1961 Corvair, a 1962 T-Bird, and a 1965 Ford Galaxie convertible they acquired from Ron and Karen Dollar.

George and Jean Goff are also well known to the DSR. The Goffs live in Mobile 36608, telephone 633-9568, address Route 11 Box 398. They own a beautifully restored 1931 Model A Ford coupe.

Dale and Betty McLaney, our newest members, live at 3058 Belmont Street in Mobile 36606, with their son Jason. The McLaneys own a very nice 1969 Chevrolet Impala. Their telephone number is 479-0823.

All of the above members have been approved for membership by the executive board and we, in the DSR, are all very happy to have these fine people with us. We hope to see them often at our future meetings and outings. Welcome to the Deep South Region, folks!!!!!!

Your editor wrote a short article to the "MET GAZETTE", a Metropolitan Owner's Club monthly publication, about our coming DSR show on May 11th. We are very happy that their editors saw fit to put it into last month's issue of the magazine. Maybe we'll get a few more "Mets" in the show this year!!!!!!

SPECIAL MET CLASS FOR MOBILE SHOW MAY 11

Ernie & Eugina Youens

Metropolitans are getting popular in Mobile, Alabama! The first Met to join the Antique Automobile Club of America's Deep South Region in Mobile was the red and white 1958 coupe bought by our president, Lloyd Crowder (2960).

Lloyd and his wife enjoyed the little car so much that other members wanted to share in the fun. So, we now have eight restored Mets in our region and plan a Special, Exclusive (!) Metropolitan Class at the Deep South Region Annual Antique Car Show on May 11th. Three trophies will be awarded to Mets.

The AACA Deep South Region invites all Met owners to come our way to the show in Mobile, and we Met owners in the Region hope to have a big turnout of Mets. This may even start a trend toward special Metropolitan Classes by other antique car clubs and regions.

Come join us for the show on May 11th! For information, write or phone our show chairman, Ray Harper, 6630 Santos Drive West, Mobile, AL. 36619. (205) 661-5017.

NAMES

In compiling the new roster, we found a little interesting trivia. Did you know that in the DSR we have 5 Bills, 5 Roberts, 4 Dons, 3 Rays, and 2 each of Charlies, Eds, Franks, Georges, Harolds, Johns, Rons, Vernons, and Winstons. Of our girls, although in some cases they spell their names a bit different, we have 4 Jeans or Jeanies, 3 Barbaras, 3 Bettys, 3 Katherines, 3 Marys, and 2 each of Fays, Frances, Karens, Lauras, Lindas, Lucilles, Nells, and Peggys. Of our Prez and the DSR First Lady, you may be pleased to know that there ain't but one Lloyd and one Lycyle! And I suppose I'll have to add the same goes for one Ernie and one Eugenia!!!

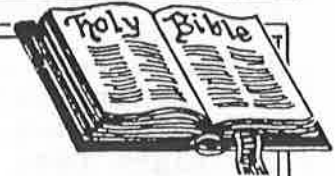
THE MOST DISAPPOINTED PEOPLE IN THE WORLD ARE
THOSE WHO GET WHAT'S COMING TO THEM!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We regret to notify you of the death of Judge John Butler's father in Andalusia, Alabama last month. Mr. Butler had a cancer for the last several years and his health had slowly deteriorated. He bought and kept John's 1926 Model T Ford for him when John was only 10 years old. Our sincere sympathy is with John, Shirlee, their sons, and the Butler families on their loss.

We also sadly inform you of the death of Keith Hadden's father, Mr. Charles B. Hadden, on March 15th. Mr. Hadden had been with the Mobile City Lines for 30 years before his recent retirement. Our heartfelt sympathy is with Keith, O Gatha, and the Hadden families.

FROM OUR ACTING CHAPLAIN - V. T. HOPKINS:

INVENTORY TIME



Most of us realize that there comes a time in our lives when we must take inventory or give an accounting for our every action as we trod this earth.

This accounting we write of today is not of physical or monetary gain, but of knowledge and wisdom and their use while we live.

God gives 34 passages concerning how man makes a fool of himself. God does not make a fool of any man. Man makes a fool of himself. The word fool means "deficient in intellect".

Space does not permit looking into all of these passages, nor does it allow us to expand on them, but we do know when they apply to us.

1. "The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God". Ps. 14:1. 2. "I (God) said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly". Ps. 75:4. 3. Fools despise wisdom". Pr. 1:7. 4. "Fools die of want of wisdom". Pr. 10:21. 5. "The fool shall be the servant to the wise". Pr. 11:29. 6. "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes". Pr. 12:15. 7. "A companion of fools shall be destroyed". Pr. 13:20. 8. Fools make a mock of sin". Pr. 14:9. 9. "The folly of fools is deciet". Pr. 14:8. 10. "Every fool will be meddling". Pr. 20:3. 11. "A fool walketh in darkness". Ecl. 2:14. 12. "Ye fools". Mat. 23:17.

I hope that none of our members will take offense to these writings, however, I am quick to admit that I am not smart enough to write them of my own vocation, and that I must rely totally on the word of God. The scripture quoted here is from God's word, and I believe it!

"Ole Hop"

SICKNESS AND ACCIDENTS OF MEMBERS:

Don Hartman's father has been in the hospital at his home in Kansas with respiratory problems. His condition isn't good as he has only 12% of his lungs still active. He has also had 3 heart attacks since his confinement and one just before entering the hospital. The Hartmans went to Kansas recently to be with him, but have now returned.

Lucille Langham's father is also having lung problems, and like Mr. Hartman, is still just hanging on. We certainly wish the best for both of these men and hope for a speedy recovery for them both.

Geary Polk is at this writing in Springhill Hospital with severe pneumonia. Geary is slowly improving, but we all sure miss him and his leadership in the club house construction. We all sure want him home and back in circulation again soon!

Another good club house worker, Ray Faust, has recently been unable to get out because of a very painful boil near his shoulder. Ray has been going to a doctor and is doing much better now, although there is still a little infection. We will sure be glad to have Ray up and about again!

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"Sickness & Accident of Members" continued from page 3 -

LaVerne Hopkins is improving very much from her surgery and recently went to Memphis to visit her sister. While she was there, Ole Hop made a trip to Texas sightseeing and visiting relatives, but he got a bit sick and came home. He is doing OK now. We are all thankful that both he and LaVerne are doing so well.

Joel Tanner's father who recently fell and broke several ribs is recovering nicely and his mother, who had a heart attack, is now able to get up and walk about and generally doing well. We are all certainly thankful for the improvement both have shown.

Gloria Rothenburg said her mother, who has recently been very sick, is doing as well as can be expected. She is 93 years old and in a nursing home.

Arline Eschete, last month had surgery on her left foot. It has healed enough so that she can get about rather well on it and this past week had the right foot operated on. This surgery was to relieve nerves that made walking uncomfortable for her. Arline is doing well and walking although her foot is still bandaged and a bit sore. We are all glad for her that this is all over and that she can look forward to active walking in comfort.

We just received word that Gavin Edwards' oldest sister, Eva Parden, died on Friday, March 22nd near Lucedale, Mississippi. Gavin's youngest sister, Darseline Thompkins, of Alaska also died this past December 20th. Our deepest sympathy is with Gavin, Gladys, and the Edwards families on their losses.

Hop presented a plan for a small "Chaplain's Table" to be placed in the club house at the last building committee meeting. He has it completed and it has a Bible on top with other Bibles being offered to anyone who will take and read them. Next time you are in the club house, notice the very nice little "Chaplain's Table". It is located near the front doors and is quite attractive.

Also in the club house are shelves on the wall behind our podium that were built and installed by Les Yoder. We plan to place club won trophies and other memorabilia on it. Les, one of our newest members, is quite active in helping the DSR in all our projects. He also placed reflectors at the club driveway so it would be easier to see at night. Les and Janet are planning to move back to their native Michigan next month and we in the DSR will surely miss them. They will be returning to Mobile in the fall.

Col. U. S. and Peggy Large are the proud grandparents of a new granddaughter. Victoria Lane Large was born this past November 20th, the daughter of Sterling and Lisa Large. We feel sure the Colonel will present her with her own Model A when she gets her drivers license.

Don and Jan Hartman are also proud grandparents. John and Gail Hartman have a new son, Keith Allen Hartman, born on March 12. Can't you just see ole Don smiling and wondering which of the many antique cars that he has, that he will present to little Keith --- and then on his first birthday start teaching him to drive it!

Art and Doris Griffin have acquired the much sought after 1935 Buick convertible formerly owned by Bill and Nell Owen. Art is really "on the ball" in getting these very nice classic automobiles!

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM THE PREZ: April is the month everything gets greener, lawns, trees, gardens, and the I.R.S.



"LET'S ALL COME ALIVE FOR THE DSR IN '85"



In answer to a letter from National A.A.C.A. V.P. of Regions, Tom Reese (letter in last month's SPARKPLUG), we sent slides made by Geary Polk, and the letter below along with some photos to be shown and read at the A.A.C.A. seminar, which was held in Philadelphia on February 9th. Tom said the presentation made a good impression at the seminar. The letter he wrote to us is reproduced on page 6 of this SPARKPLUG, telling of the presentation.

Tom Reese
V. P. of Regions
Mound, MN 55364

Deep South Region SPARKPLUG editor
Ernie Youens
January 28, 1985

Dear Tom,

Our President, Lloyd Crowdus, requested that I answer your letter of Jan. 7 requesting information on how we acquired our club house, as I have been keeping records on the work for our newsletter, SPARKPLUG. Hope this is satisfactory. We had planned to see if the national magazine, ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE would be interested in the story, so please feel free to give them this letter if you'd like.

On the Deep South Region's annual week long tour in July of 1983, we spent two days of sightseeing in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. The Stones River Region there hosted us to a very fine meal at their own club house. It was great! That set the Deep South Region members afire! At that time our meeting place could accommodate only about 50 people and we were often exceeding that. We had to have our own club house! With a very limited treasury and income, we first had to get a piece of real estate at a real bargain. Leasing property from the city of Mobile seemed a logical step so after several months of looking, discussing locations with Mobile's mayor, the Hon. Lambert Mims, an A.A.C.A. member and old car buff himself, we finally located a "lost and abandoned" two acre tract of city property that was partly grown up with underbrush but in a very nice neighborhood and adjoining Mobile's Municipal Park. How lucky could we get? After many months of constant effort by our president, Lloyd Crowdus, we finally acquired the two acres with the kind assistance of Mayor Mims, for 20 years at \$1.00 per year with an option of another 20 years.

Now to get a building! While many of our members worked enthusiastically clearing off the exceptionally beautiful lot, several members were busy trying to locate a suitable building. An old kindergarten wood frame building with no interior supporting walls was located and acquired for \$500.00. It was an ideal club house! With a grand total of \$4100 to invest, we learned that to move the building the 3½ miles to our lot would cost approximately \$3000. Too much for our budget, considering the need for a foundation, electrical, water, sewer, and gas connections, plus renovation of the building. Our president, with his untiring efforts, made a plea to the moving contractor, explaining that the club only had \$1000 that we could possibly put into moving the building. Mr. Cliff Fauver, the house moving contractor, who is also an antique car lover, (who isn't?) only smiled and agreed to the \$1000, which was actually well below his own cost involved.

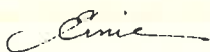
With the building on the lot, all utilities connected, the building renovated using club member's labor, with new paneling, ceiling, reworked rest rooms, and an added on full length front porch and a 15'x36' patio in back, we had spent about \$7000. To overcome this deficit the DSR members donated odds and ends from their homes to support two huge rummage sales which brought in over \$1400. This, along with donations by our members, put our club house fund "over the top" and out of debt!

On January 24 the DSR held its first meeting in the new but unfinished club house with 67 members present. It was an enthusiastic meeting and everyone seemed very proud of the accomplishment! Although the meeting began at 7:30 and ended at 9:00, most members sat around drinking coffee and cokes and enjoying each other's company until after 10:30 P.M.

This spring we plan to have a grand opening of the club house with a ribbon cutting, hopefully by Mayor Mims, and a barbeque. We will invite all neighboring antique car clubs to attend and help us celebrate. We would like very much to have any A.A.C.A. official join us in this. (This will be a "dry" celebration, as we have agreed with the city to not have alcohol on the property in order to obtain it.) Our DSR annual show has already been planned elsewhere on May 11, 1985, but we intend to hold our show and awards banquet at the club house in the spring of 1986.

The only absolute requirement of any region or chapter planning on building a club house is enthusiastic, working members. A supportive newsletter to spur them on is also necessary. Contrary to what many believe, the Deep South Region does not have any financially well off members capable of supporting such an undertaking as this except by very small gifts. To be sure, we have made mistakes that we now know how to avoid, but with the careful and considerate leadership and congenial fellowship of our members, we have overcome all obstacles. We in the Deep South Region are all proud of our accomplishment!

Yours very truly,


Ernie Youens

Ray Harper, our 1985 Show Chairman, has a print out computer that he is really using to all of the DSR's advantage in the coming show. He used it to print up the show brochures and has recorded all past show participants of the 1984 Show plus the people that attended the neighboring club's shows. The computer prints the names and addresses of all these people and he is mailing each of them a brochure! So far we have run over 900 brochures through the club's copy machine! If anyone doesn't know about the DSR's Second Annual Show, it's their own fault. The word has sure been spread around!!

PLEASE NOTICE!

Ray has requested that all members of the DSR that possibly can, please register their cars and get their banquet tickets at the meeting Thursday nite. He needs to know how many to plan for at the show on May 11th. Registration fee is only \$5.00 for all your cars if you register now, and only \$8.00 for banquet tickets!

Remember, the Glidden Tour this year will be in the Smokey Mountains and sponsored by the A.A.C.A. East Tennessee Region, on Sept. 15-20. We hope that the DSR can be well represented.

The recent paper drive the DSR had was a "semi" success. A lot of our folks brought their old newspapers and magazines. We sold them for \$27.00, much less than we had anticipated. We will again try it this month but if it doesn't pay off, we will quit. PLEASE BRING YOUR PAPER AGAIN TO THE MEETING!

CLUB HOUSE NEWS:

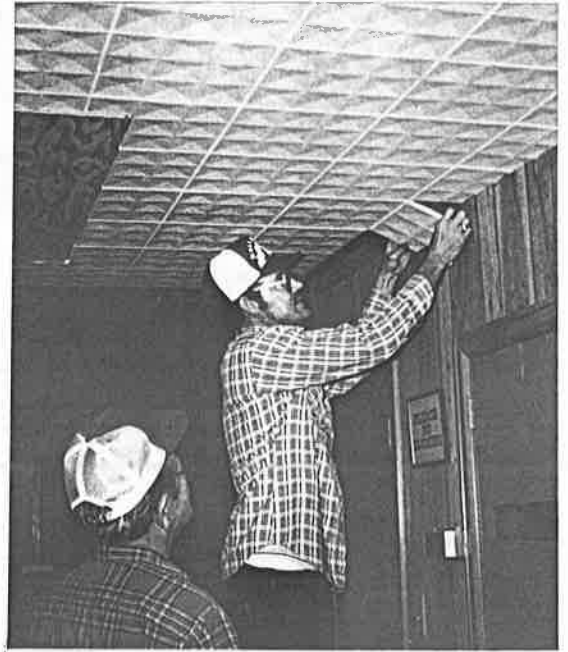
On Tuesday evening, February 26th, a group of workers met at the club house and began installation of the ceiling. Our leader, Geary Polk, had everything laid out for us, and the first row of ceiling tile up when we arrived. The entire ceiling was in place by late Tuesday night and Wednesday we had most of the crown moulding up. Les Yoder had made trophy shelves, Hop had built a "Chaplain's Table" with an open Bible on it, and Larry Martin has the kitchenette wall cabinets and one floor unit complete and installed. Ray Harper has made "NO SMOKING", "NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES", "EXIT", and security phone numbers signs, and put them up.

Les Yoder installed two reflectors at the driveway entrance to be used until we get the wheels up. They have really helped as our drive is hard to see, especially at night.

Bud Moseley is working on the club logo sign in front of the club house and lights for the sign have already been installed.

On March 2nd, Ernie installed the ceiling light fixtures that Bill Dobbs restored and on March 23rd installed two ceiling fans which the club had purchased earlier.

Our DSR club house construction is coming right along. Lloyd will soon be calling for another building committee meeting to decide on further priorities.



GEARY POLK CAREFULLY INSTALLING CEILING TILE UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF "OLE HOP"!!!!!!!!!!!!

FAIRHOPE ARTS & CRAFTS:

We had a very nice turnout of cars and members on the annual Fairhope Arts and Crafts, and Dogwood Trail on Sunday afternoon, March 17th. There were 27 of our DSR member's antique cars plus several moderns with 76 of our people there! The parade into the downtown area was very short this year, but very nice. The 5 Dogwood Trail Girls in the ante-bellum dresses were very beautiful in the open antiques. After the parade, our antique cars were put on display at the Fairhope Civic Center until 3:00 P.M. Don Hartman had a bit of tough luck on his way over to Fairhope from Loxley to join us. He was driving his 1929 Lincoln when the clutch burned out. He had to go back home and get his modern car. As usual in Fairhope, the crowds were very enthusiastic, well behaved, and supportive. The Fairhope newspaper, as usual, fouled up again with a very nice write up about the DSR, but with the wrong picture! It seems that they just can never quite get things in order! It makes you wonder what they would say if we wrote up a nice article about Fairhope with a very nice picture of Bay Minette or Loxley! But be that as it may, we all had a great time, the Fairhope folks are just great, and we always enjoy our outing over there. (Wonder what mistake the paper will make in 1986?) After our members enjoyed the sights, the oohs & ahhs at the Arts and Crafts, the hot dogs, cokes, and cotton candy - plus the pleasant conversation with the folks there, we all got together at 3:00 for our departure. Patrolman David Hepler assisted us in the traffic and we all drove to Guy and Barbara Short's home in Daphne for some of the most delicious refreshments you've ever eaten! As the Shorts always have! The number of our members present for refreshments kinda surprised Barbara, but she accepted everything in her stride! Many thanks to the Shorts for a very pleasant refreshment stop, the grand finale of a perfect day! Those of you that fail to come out on these outings are missing out on real DSR fun and fellowship!

IF YOU CAN'T SEE THE BRIGHT SIDE, THEN POLISH THE DULL SIDE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Notice the page number, 8½! This is a first for the SPARKPLUG. The reason is that we just have too much news this month! To print and mail a full sheet extra would cost the DSR about \$20.00 -- that we don't have. 5½ sheets are all that the post office will send for 22¢.

THE PREZ SEZ: What a nice show of cars Sunday for the parade at Fairhope. It is just great to see a group like the D.S.R. support their Club. Would like to thank Barbara and Guy Short for their hospitality shown to the club at their home in Daphne after we left Fairhope on our way home. Just a great group of people to be associated with.

Lloyd

PLEASE NOTE!!

The new 1985 DSR pictorial roster is being printed. If you haven't yet given us a picture of yourself, please send one to me right away! Several members have not given us a picture and everyone likes to see pictures in the roster. It helps everybody identify one another. Especially new members, and we sure have been getting a lot of them lately! A snapshot, polaroid, color or black & white. A light background is always best for printing. Please help us out!! Send it to Ernie Youens -- 625 Second Ave. -- Saraland, Alabama 36571.

CARS FOR SALE:

Joel Tanner has a 1949 Chevy panel truck for sale for \$200, 343-6728.
Darwin King in Lucedale has a 1969 T-Bird for \$2000. See Herb for info.
Marvin LaCoste has a 1959 T-Bird for sale in good condition. 601-255-9294
John Russ has a '54/'56 Plymouth for sale. 661-2699
Somebody had a nice Datsun PU for sale but I can't remember who. Call me.

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Condie Langham has an outing planned for May 4th. There will be a parade in Loxley at 10:00 A.M. followed by a display of cars. This is for the benefit of the A.R.C.B.C. Mental Retardation Center in Loxley and we want as many DSR members as possible to attend. Please mark your calendar. More information will be in the next SPARKPLUG, but please keep the date open -- Saturday, May 4th, at 10:00 A.M.

And don't forget the meeting this coming Thursday night, March 28th, at 7:30 P.M. at the club house. There is important business and information we need -- like how many plan to attend the DSR show, how many plan on the banquet, we need your ideas on the club house and other things concerning the DSR. BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR (if you haven't already got one in the club house) and hear the important news of how the rummage sale made out! Guess who the mystery photo is in this SPARKPLUG! To cap all the good things off, we will have some very excellent surprise refreshments following the meeting!!!!

WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR YOU AT THE MEETING THURSDAY NITE!

YOU WILL BE IN FOR A PLEASANT SURPRISE!

THE PAGES OVERNIGHT OUTING:

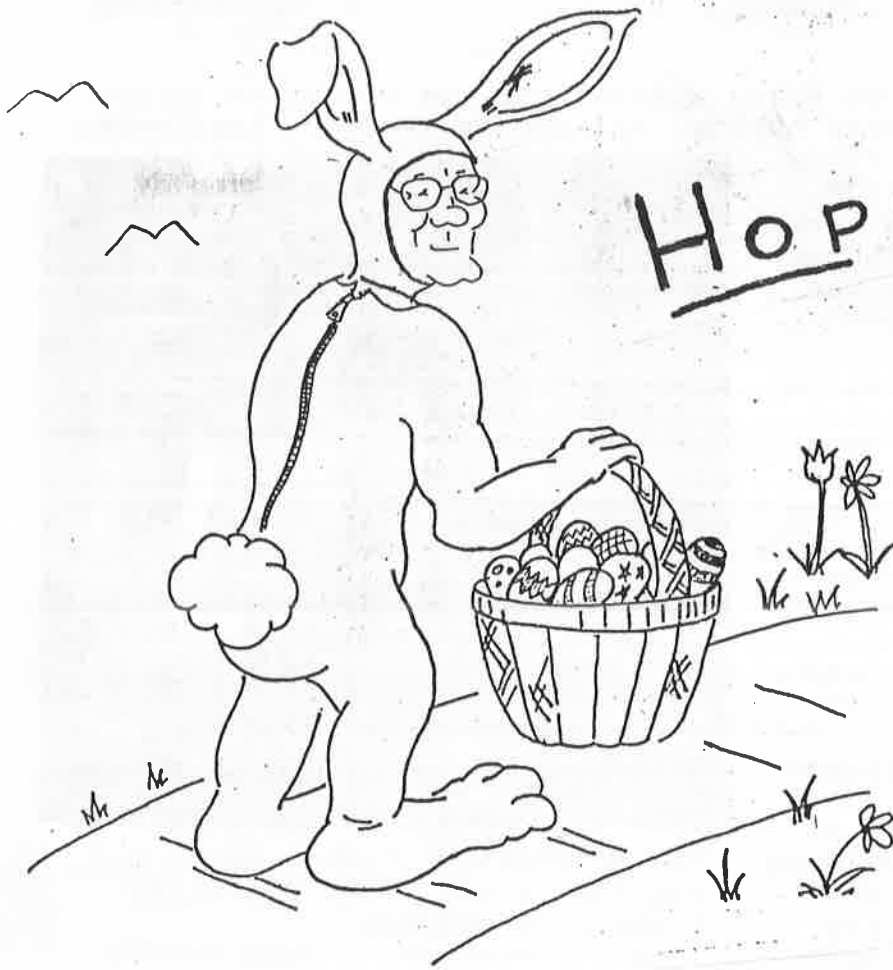
Our overniter to the Pages at Kiln, Mississippi was really an interesting, fun filled, and very active outing, enjoyed by everyone that went. A few of our members went over Friday, February 22nd and the rest early Saturday morning, the 23rd. In all there were about 150 people attending, including 27 from the DSR. We were all at the Page's home by 10:00 Saturday morning. Bob and Dan Mashburn of the Magnolia State Model T Ford Club, had a 185 lb. pig on the barbeque grill, preparing it for our evening meal. After visiting the folks there from other clubs, we all headed for the Buccaneer State Park on the Gulf of Mexico for a picnic lunch. Then after lunch, the Pages had a rally planned. It was most interesting, requiring a "pilot and a copilot" to read the rally sheet and give directions. I'll guarantee it kept you both busy! There was a point on the sheet where you could "chicken out", but only a few did. Sadly, we were in that small group as my co-pilot, Eugenia, lost her voice and I could no longer hear her give the directions from the rally sheet. When all the participants got back to the Pages, Linda announced the winners. First place went to Randy and Lou Harding of Jackson, MS. Those winners from the DSR that completed the run were - in 3rd place, David and Jeannie Hepler, - 4th place, Marien Brent and her copilot from Jackson, - 7th place, Ray and Katherine Harper, - 8th place, Lloyd and Lycyle Crowdus, - 9th place, Bud and Peggy Moseley. 10th place was a tie between Cecil and Lucille Nettles and H. D. and Jeanette Lowe. By that time, the Mashburn brothers had the barbequed pig done to perfection and everyone there dove into one of the finest meals ever!! It was really something to remember!! The only thing anyone could possibly find fault with is the fact that the Mashburn brothers aren't in the DSR! With full stomachs, satisfied, and happy, everyone headed for the motel or their motorhome for the night. I understand some of our "night owls" were up until the wee hours.

Sunday morning those that spent the night in motorhomes or camp outs at the Pages, were treated to a delicious breakfast prepared and served by Linda. The others at the motel ate breakfast at near-by restaurants. In both cases, it was most pleasant and everybody enjoyed the fellowship! After breakfast at the motel, everybody sang "Happy Birthday" to H. D. and David presented him with the barbequed pig's tail! At 10:00 A.M. Sunday, we all met again at the Resort Inn Motel and the Pages took us to an antique mall in Waveland, then to a private museum owned by the Flicks. Mr. Roland Flick, nearing his 80th birthday, has the largest collection of antique tools, mainly automotive, and other automobile memorabilia we had ever seen! Mr. Flick has been in the automobile business all his life and still has much of his original equipment. He was, and still is, an excellent repairman. His son, Roland Flick, Jr, a Ford Motor Co, engineer himself and his wife, did an excellent job of introducing us to his father and they graciously showed us around the museum, and answered any and all questions! By this time, it was getting late and those of us from the DSR had to head homeward.

We all bid the Pages farewell and headed to Mobile, arriving here about 5 P.M. Those that missed this outing MUST have had a good reason! It was most outstanding. Many thanks to the Pages for their excellent planning and for inviting the DSR!!!!!!



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