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## June 2007

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**\*\*\*Next Club Meeting is June 13, 2007 at 6pm at Golden Corral on Lakeland Drive\*\*\***

### RODDIN' AROUND

It's June and that means it's about time for our Dixie Rod Run on Father's Day Weekend. I have been busy traveling to a bunch of car shows recently. Back in March, I went to the Boy Scout car show in Byram, then the next weekend I visited the Big River Classic Chevy Tri-5 event that was in Vicksburg. Then I went to Jackson, TN to the Bunny Run. After that came the small 1<sup>st</sup> annual show in Vicksburg that was put on by the Vicksburg Vintage VW Club. In May, I went to the Blue Suede Cruise in Tupelo, then to the Big River Classic Chevy event at O'Reilly Auto Parts in Clinton. Then to Pelahatchie, MS and then to Springfield, MO for the NSRA Mid-America Street Rod Nationals. Like I said, been traveling a bunch! In the middle of all of that I became the Regional Rep for Mississippi of Cruisin' Style Magazine.

### BOY SCOUT CAR SHOW

This event was on March 24<sup>th</sup> had over 80 at it. It was a very successful show and the scouts were able to buy the gear they wanted.

### BUNNY RUN

Went up to this event on April 13<sup>th</sup> and had a good time even though the weather was cold and rainy. Woke up one morning and the wind chill was 29 and the temp was in the 30's, cloudy and misting rain. Had 373 registered. They moved the awards program inside on Sunday morning and then during that, the sun came out and the sky cleared. I went back out to my '40 Chevy to get some Dixie Run flyers to hand out (folks had their windows up on Saturday with it raining off an on). While I was at my car, some of the host club members were riding around the parking lot looking for a candidate for their "Unfinished Award" and they spotted my car. They asked me how much more did I lack on my project and the first words out of my mouth was "about 2 years worth of work". They told me not to go any where that I had just won the award! My Mom and I had gone up to this event two years before. We stay with some friends that used to live in Vicksburg. This time, my niece, Amy, went with us.

### VICKSBURG VINTAGE VW CLUB EVENT

This was on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and it was their first open show. I was on call with the work cell phone, so I stayed close to home and went to this one. There were about 30 cars there. Mostly VWs with a handful of Mustangs and three street rods (mine, Donnie's, & Ronnie's). We had fun and helped out a good cause (money raised went to help abused children).

### BLUE SUEDE CRUISE

Went to Tupelo May 4<sup>th</sup> for this event and there were 651 registered at it. This event is growing every year. The idea behind things is to get the cars out in the city as you either do the poker run and/or the stops that if your number is drawn, you can win \$500. The swap meet has grown over the years also. I picked up some headlight buckets for my car there. Saw some very nice rides there.

### BIG RIVER CLASSIC CHEVY – O'REILLY AUTO PARTS

This one took place on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and there were 42 at it. The parts store even fed us lunch.

### PELAHATCHIE, MS

This event was called the Crooked Creek Car Fest and it was on May 19<sup>th</sup> beside a park and on the city streets. (Bennie, I'm supposed to tell you that they parked my '40 Chevy by the railroad tracks.) This one was put on by the Mid-State Rodders, a club made up of 4 guys that drive Model A's. It was their first event and they would have been happy if about 45 cars had shown up.....well over 80 showed up! My nephew, Tim, was with me on this trip.

### MID-AMERICA STREET ROD NATIONALS

Went up to Springfield, MO for this event on May 24<sup>th</sup> and there were 2,160 registered at it. After we got into town and checked into the hotel, we went to pick up our registration at the host hotel. Then we went to the open house at Grizzly Industrial, Inc. I won a shop stool there. On Friday morning, we went to the fairgrounds to the car show. Found us a spot on the grassy area near some trees and we put up our tents. I was there with Donnie Cool and his son Schuyler in their '40 Ford Pickup, Sandi & Earl Brewer in their '37 Chevy Pickup, and my nephew, Matthew, was with me in my '40 Chevy Sedan. I saw Paul Adams riding around the grounds in his Buick with Paul Westwood, Chuck Bryant, and Larry Bryant. Donnie won a Super Prize at the event. It rained up there, but it really turned out to be a nicer weekend weather wise than what we expected by what we saw on the forecast beforehand.

## **EVENTS**

At the end of June, first of July the 2<sup>nd</sup> Nashville Nationals put on by Goodguys will be. Who want's to go to this event? I went last year without my street rod. This year, I'm driving it. There is a group that will be coming up from New Orleans that will come through the Jackson area. Karl Brindell (unclekarlb@aol.com) is our area rep for Goodguys and this is what I received from him about the trip: "We will be "Navagitin" through Jackson, MS on Thursday morning June 28th. It is my intention to leave the metro New Orleans area around 5:00 AM. Without unforeseen problems we should arrive in Jackson near 8:00 AM then South Memphis near 11:15 AM and Nashville by 2:30 PM. Registration is open until 5:00PM on Thursday. The cost to participate in the run is \$25.00 - cash or check made payable to Goodguys.

This fee entitles you to the BBQ welcoming party held the evening of the 28th. The fee includes a T-shirt which commemorates your "Navagitin" experience. If you and/or any one in your group is interested in participating please e-mail me a mailing address so I can send the proper forms for completion to be mailed to Mr. Bill Goodwill, National Rep."

## **DIXIE ROD RUN #29**

June 15-16, 2007 is the dates of the event. Club members will gather at Bennie & Mary Boggs' to stuff goodie bags and such at 2 pm on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Then our regular monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> because we will be setting up the tents on Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. The fun starts on Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Sleep Inn on Lakeland Drive in Flowood. Club members need to bring a case of water and their food item for the meal that evening. Memory Lane Band will be playing some 50s & 60s Rock n Roll Friday night. Saturday morning the event continues until that afternoon.