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*****Next Club Meeting is Feb. 8, 2007 at 6pm at Golden Corral on Lakeland Drive*****

RODDIN' AROUND

I cruised down to Pensacola, FL to the Rod Run Reunion with Rounman's bunch and with Leon & Cheryl Gifford. The weather was cold on the way down, but turned out very nice once we got down there. This was on Thanksgiving Day and the car show followed throughout the weekend.

CLINTON CHRISTMAS PARADE

On Saturday, December 2nd a small group (4) gathered at the McDonalds in Clinton and then cruised to the staging area together for the parade. Vic's Mercury, Jim's '38 Chevy, Joe's '41 Chevy, & my '40 Chevy were there. But even with the small number of cars, we still had a good time in the parade.

MSRA CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Sunday, December 10th we had the Christmas Party at the Raymond Lake Lodge. They have done a very nice job of re-doing that place after the hurricane got through with it.

SO YA SAY YA WANNA CRUISE?

We are planning some very nice places to visit this year as a club + friends that will join us. The 2007 Garage / Project Tour will be on Saturday, January 20, 2007. Get ready to see some of the neat cars either being built or that have been built in this area. Here's what has been planned:

- 8am Meet at the Flying "J" in Pearl, MS off of Hwy 80 for breakfast.
- 9am Go to Keith's off of Hwy 471 and see his British cars.
- We are changing up the schedule a bit because some folks were sick.
eat lunch somewhere
- 1:30pm Jim Saville's '38 Chevy Conv. project. (see picture)
- 2:30pm Carl Westerfield's '33 Ford Coupe project.
- 3:30pm Bill Echol's Shop.

Just mark this date on your calendar as busy the whole day and come eat breakfast with us at the Flying "J" and follow us to see some neat looking cars!



2007 STATEWIDE PLANNING MEETING

The Statewide Planning meeting on January 6, 2007 at the Barnhill's on County Line Road. 80 people packed into that room and we went through the entire calendar of events for this area. If you need a car show to attend during the year, you should have no problem picking out several to go to. After lunch, some awards were handed out including Street Rodder of the Year and it went to Lonnie Cox. After that and after his wife, Brenda, told a story of when they were dating, she didn't get to see too many movies and such as she would come over to his house and they would work on his cars, (how do you follow that??) Lonnie was inducted into the MS Street Rod Hall of Fame. Then Chicken Willie gave another Hall of Fame award to George Poteet. Jack Brown and Randy Wilson and others presented Chicken with a Hall of Fame award + a plaque with the words on it saying that he was the Best NSRA Rep and to make sure he didn't get tired of carrying that plaque around with him, they gave him a jacket with it printed on it.



MORE THINGS PLANNED FOR THIS YEAR:

Like I said earlier, we are planning on cruisin' each month somewhere as a club. In February, after the Dixie National Rodeo Parade on Feb. 10th, we will eat lunch at Paul Westwood's and then we are planning somewhere to go afterwards. For March, we will cruise up to George Poteet's place and see his collection on March 10th. Several ideas were mentioned at the January 11th meeting like: Since there are several cruise nights in the area, we may set it up to where we would meet somewhere and cruise around for an hour or so and then cruise in to the cruise-in; The Tupelo Auto Museum would make for a good cruise to location also. The Hot Rod Magazine Power Tour starts off up North and ends up coming through Memphis and Little Rock where it ends this year, would be neat to cruise up to Memphis and ride the last leg of the tour or go between the two cities and watch them go by. So get you street rod and fill up the tank and let's go cruisin' this year.

A MISSISSIPPI POWER TOUR??

Eric brought this subject up at the planning meeting and it's an idea that we had to do our own tour mainly inside the state, but it may go outside a bit. It was amazing how many folks were thinking about doing the same thing. So several of us will put our heads together and come up with some ideas and you will hear more about this later on. I first had an idea to go from one event to another that would be on two consecutive weekends, but that maybe too costly to enjoy.

EVENT LIST FOR 2007

<http://www.ms-sra.org/msra/2007.pdf> is the path to the file where you can find car shows and events all around this area.