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President's Message

By Jon Stevens

Hi Everyone! Well, our 2nd annual "Show and Shine" Car Show was held on Saturday April 19th at the Market Place II Shopping Center (the new Beall's shopping center) in Nacogdoches. The weather for this event was just fantastic and we had a very good turnout. The following club members brought cars to the event: Corbitt & Elizabeth Baker, Leonard Benton, Travis Chandler, Pat & Vicki David, Larry Gast, Robert Grogan, Wayne & Isabel Hardy, Forest Meador, Felix Muckleroy, Willie Partin, Mark Randel, James Sanders, Wendall Spreadbury, Robert Stanaland, James Standley, Jon & Sherry Stevens, Ken & Merry Thompson, and Gary Wallace. Also, DETR members Joe Ellis, Mike and Billie Tollett, and Cecil Sparks came by just to see if we were doing it right! This new location for the show provided a lot more people coming by to check out our fine vehicles on display. Most members enjoyed lunch at Fuddrucker's or Wing Stop, both of which were within short walking distance from our cars.

As I said in the last newsletter, the time for the Deja Blue Car Show will be here before we know it! At the Show and Shine on Saturday I noticed several members of the planning committee working on details for the upcoming Deja Blue Car Show in June. The planning committee will have its first meeting on May 12th and our goal is the same as last year. Get it done by not overworking anyone and being sure to have a little fun in the process! Thanks in advance for your support.

Our next Club activity will be a Mini-Tour and picnic at Ratcliff Lake on Saturday May 17th. The car club will pay for your parking and provide fried chicken and drinks (iced tea and water) for the event. DETR club members are asked to bring their

favorite side dishes and/or desserts. We will meet at Lowe's parking lot at 10:00am on Saturday, May 17th and we will caravan out to Ratcliff Lake.

Ratcliff Lake is a very beautiful place and we had a great time at the picnic last year. So even if you don't have an old car to drive, bring the whole family and join us there. We will be calling members for a headcount—we need to make sure we get enough chicken for everybody! Don't miss this one! Hope to see you there!

—Jon



DETR club members' cars were lined up like Radio City Music Hall Rockettes at the April "Show and Shine" event. The weather was beautiful and the event drew many spectators who admired our antique cars. The next event is a Mini-Tour to Ratcliff Lake on May 17th, where we will enjoy a picnic lunch. Be sure to mark you calendars!



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2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 17th** Mini-Tour and picnic at Ratcliff Lake.
- June 14th** The Annual Deja Blue Car Show.
- July 19th** Mini-Tour and lunch to 7th St. Café, Cushing
- Aug 16th** Bring a Dish Dinner at New Hope Church.
- Sept. 20th** Covered Dish Dinner at Woodmen of the World.
- Oct. 25th** Mini-Tour to the Sassafras Festival in St. Augustine.
- Dec. 13th** Christmas Party at Ralph & Kackoo's in Lufkin



Forest Meador and his beautiful Model A Pickup joined in the festivities. Note the fine woodwork on the bed!

Scenes from the second annual DETR April Show and Shine



Dr. Mark Randel shows off his 1955 Buick Roadmaster. Lookin' good, Mark!

Corbitt Baker proudly displays his 1984 Series IV Excalibur Phaeton. Corbitt's car always draws lots of attention wherever it goes!



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2008 SWAP MEETS AND CAR SHOWS

What:	Where:	When:
Joe P. Collins Memorial Open Car and Truck Show <i>www.dpsmustang.com</i>	WalMart parking lot, Lufkin, TX	May 3rd
1st Annual Galveston Island Cruise and Car Show (409) 201-4191	Moody Gardens Hotel, Galveston Island, TX	May 8th through May 11th
3rd Annual Miller Grove Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show <i>www.mgfdtexas.com</i>	Miller Grove, TX (just 50 miles east of Dallas on I-30)	May 24th
17th Ever! Bluebonnet Open Rod Run <i>mikeine@aol.com</i>	Central Park, College Station, TX	June 14th through June 15th
5th Annual Cruisin' Kirbyville Car and Bike Show (409) 201-4191	Memorial Parkway Hwy 96, Kirbyville, TX	July 18th through July 19th
4th Annual Show n' Shine Car Show <i>www.longviewcarshow.com</i>	Maude/Cobb Convention Center, Longview, TX	Aug 9th

Rusk Rotary Club's Antique Auto Show!

Friday, July 4th, 2008

Parade at 10:00am! Air Force Fly-Over!

Pre-Registration: \$15.00 Day of Show : \$20.00

Lots of vehicle categories, including:

**Mayor's Choice, Sheriff's Choice, Chief of Police Award,
30's and older, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s,
Best of Show, Street Rods, Pre-WWII Trucks,
Post-WWII Trucks and more!**

*Just mail in your name, address, phone number and e-mail,
along with the Year, Make and Model of your vehicle to:*

Rusk Rotary Club, P.O. Box 324, Rusk, TX 75785

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Birthday Greetings!

DETR Members with a birthday in April:

***Bill Ferguson,
Isabel Hardy,
Leon Hutchison,
Virginia Reneau,
Becky Standley,
and Mike Stroup***

Happy Birthday!



Meet DETR member Robert Pritchett and his 1930 Model A Roadster. After looking for a long time, he finally found the “roadster of my dreams.” Robert just had to go to Illinois to get it! When he finally got there, it was everything the owner said it was. This Roadster replaces the 1930 Model A Coupe Robert had before, he said because “my wife said I could only own one car at a time.” Fortunately, he sold the coupe to his son! He says they often get the two cars out together and they both enjoy them immensely. Looking sharp, Robert! We have received many other pictures of DETR members and their cars and we will be displaying them right here in the upcoming months—so stay tuned!

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