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Potluck brings members out of hibernation



*Above, left: Jack Kubik braved the wintry road conditions bringing his Model A to the January 22 potluck at the Rabbit Run Recreation Center in Lexington.
 Left: The chow line experienced no shortage of food or appetites.
 Above: Arthur and Kim Hollis, John Yates and Burt Nation were among those who enjoyed the fellowship.
 Below: After the crowd left, Bob Lykins and Delmer Dalton assumed the role of janitorial staff.*

2013 national meet update

With the selection of several committee chairs, we are making progress on plans for the 2013 meet.

We encourage all club members to attend the next planning meeting on Sunday, February 13, at Rabbit Run Recreation Center, 1920 Ft. Harrods Drive, Lexington (the same location as the January potluck). Some of the items to be discussed are the time schedule for events, raffles, and solicitation — among others. We also will finalize the name and logo for the meet, and discuss the progress with selecting a site for the mandatory tour.

We need your thoughts, ideas, and even constructive criticism to make this the best meet ever. Hope to see you there.

— Jack Kubik



All aboard for Danville train exhibit Feb. 26

“Clickety-clack down the track” will be your one-way ticket for everything from model trains to hobo life February 26 as we visit “All Aboard,” a train and railway exhibit at the Danville Community Arts Center.

Plan to meet **Tammy and Danny Godbey** at the Arts Center on the corner of West Main and Fourth streets in Danville at 10 a.m. If you’re driving from Lexington, **Herman Butler** will lead a group from Turfland Mall, departing promptly at 8:45 a.m. Admission is \$6, or \$4 for children, students, and seniors.

The exhibit runs all day and takes about 90 minutes to go through at a leisurely pace, so don’t worry if you arrive a little later. It fills every space of the facility with trains, railway culture, and historic photos — and even a

rail simulator. Several hands-on exhibits make it a perfect trip for kids. The building would look great with a line of Model As parked in front, and Danny and Tammy are working on getting reserved parking for a photo op.

We plan to eat lunch in a private dining room at Off Broadway, a newly renovated restaurant in an old church building a block away from the center. You can walk there, or the restaurant has plenty of parking. Tammy and Danny have taste tested and report that the food is great and menu prices are comparable to Cracker Barrel. There’s also a small antique store in the building.

Questions? Call Tammy at (606) 669-0298.

Treasurer’s report

Take a look at the mailing address panel on the back page of this newsletter. If there’s an asterisk (*) by your name, you’re not on record as having paid your dues for 2011. Time is running out. Please send me your dues as soon as possible to avoid missing any issues of *Checkmark*. — **Mike Tearney**

Thank you

Thanks for the planter and your kind words in honor of my mother, Katherine Bartlett. They were deeply appreciated. — **Janet Scott**

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Tech tip: The many uses for WD-40

by *Walter Brumfield*
with help from the Internet

Before you read to the end...do you know the main ingredient of WD-40? *Don't lie and don't cheat.*

I had a neighbor who bought a new pickup. I got up very early one Sunday morning and saw that someone had spray painted red all around the sides of this beige truck (for some unknown reason). I went over, woke him up, and told him the bad news. He was very upset and was trying to figure out what to do — probably nothing until Monday morning, since nothing was open. Another neighbor came out and told him to get his WD-40 and clean it off. It removed the unwanted paint beautifully and didn't harm the truck's paint job.

WD-40, or Water Displacement #40, began from a search for a rust preventive solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. Created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company, its name comes from the project that was to find a water displacement compound. The team was successful with the 40th formulation; thus, WD-40.

The Convair Company bought the product in bulk to protect their atlas missile parts. Ken East, one of the founders, says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you. Try some of these uses, and you'll be amazed.

WD-40 uses:

1. Protect silver from tarnishing.
2. Remove road tar and grime from cars.
3. Clean and lubricate guitar strings.
4. Give floors that 'just-waxed' sheen without making them slippery.
5. Keep flies off cows.
6. Restore and clean chalkboards.
7. Remove lipstick stains.
8. Loosen stubborn zippers.
9. Untangle jewelry chains.
10. Remove stains from stainless steel sinks.
11. Remove dirt and grime from the barbecue grill.
12. Keep ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.
13. Remove tomato stains from clothing.
14. Keep glass shower doors free of water spots.
15. Camouflage scratches in ceramic and marble floors.
16. Keep scissors working smoothly.
17. Lubricate noisy door hinges on vehicles and in homes.
18. Remove black scuff marks from the kitchen floor (open a window if you have a lot of marks).
19. Remove bug guts before they eat away the finish on your car.
20. Give a children's playground gym slide a shine for a super fast slide.
21. Lubricate gear shift and mower deck lever for ease of handling on riding mowers.
22. Rid rocking chairs and swings of squeaky noises.
23. Lubricate tracks in sticking home windows, making them easier to open.
24. Spray an umbrella stem to make it easier to open and close.
25. Restore and clean padded leather dashboards in vehicles, as well as vinyl bumpers.
26. Restore and clean roof racks on vehicles.
27. Lubricate and stop squeaks in electric fans.
28. Lubricate wheel sprockets on tricycles, wagons, and bicycles for easy handling.
29. Lubricate fan belts on washers and dryers and keep them running smoothly.
30. Keep rust from forming on saws and other tools.
31. Remove splattered grease on stove.
32. Keep bathroom mirror from fogging.
33. Lubricate prosthetic limbs.
34. Keep pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell).
35. Remove all traces of duct tape.
36. Some people spray it on their joints to relieve arthritis pain.
37. Florida's favorite use is to clean and remove love bugs from grilles and bumpers.
38. New York state's favorite use is to protect the Statue of Liberty from the elements.
39. Spray on live bait or lures to catch a big fish. (Chemical baits are prohibited in some states.)
40. Take the sting out of fire ant bites.
41. Remove crayon marks from walls.
42. Remove spots after accidentally washing and drying a tube of lipstick with a load of laundry (saturate the lipstick spots with WD-40 and re-wash).
43. Spray on your Model A distributor cap to displace moisture and allow the car to start.

P.S. The basic ingredient is fish oil.



A Ford Model A coupe is among the cars parked on Main Street in Georgetown, Ky., in this 1944 photo from the archives of Kentucky Utilities Company.

Events calendar

- ✓ **February 26** — Tour to the Danville Arts Center to view historic railroad photographs by O. Winston Link (**Danny and Tammy Godbey**). See details elsewhere in this issue.
- ✓ **March 12** — Tour to Richmond for lunch and a visit to the Hummel Planetarium.
- ✓ **April 16** — Tour to Harrodsburg for lunch at Eddie Montgomery's Steakhouse and a visit to the antique mall.
- ✓ **May 13-15** — Three-day, two-night tour to Ashland, Ky. area (**Grant and Jennifer Baker**).
- ✓ **June 11** — Picnic with Louisville Model A Club in Finchville, (Shelby County) Ky.
- ✓ **July 9** — (*Date changed*) — Picnic at the home of **Kenny and Kris Brake** in Irvine, Ky.
- ✓ **July 16** — Keeneland Concours, Lexington.
- ✓ **August 13-14** — Overnight tour to Clifty Falls (Indiana) State Park (**Bruce and Linda Bailey**).
- ✓ **September 3** — Potluck lunch at the home of **Walter and Judy Brumfield** in Nicholasville, Ky.
- ✓ **Oct. 15-16** — Overnight tour to Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park (**Carl and Ramona Goodwin**).
- ✓ **November 12** — Lunch at Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park.
- ✓ **December 10** — Annual Christmas luncheon and general membership meeting.
- ✓ **January 28, 2012** — Potluck social at Rabbit Run Recreation Center in Lexington.