

# MISSISSIPPI STREET ROD ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

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### **BITS & PIECES**

I was contacted by Bubba and Grady, my two adopted pig nephews( or is it nephew pigs) who live with Les Rude in Long Beach. They wanted me to invite all of you down to the Biloxi Beach for their Bubba Nationals rod run next weekend. If you haven't made your reservation, call the Biloxi Beach motel at 388-3310. This is a pre-'59 show. Among other things, they will have a band both nights. I can't wait for "Dr. Rock and the Interns" to cut loose on "When the Saints Go Marchin In" and seeing all those crazy New Orleans folks go wild. Join us there for a sure-fire weekend of fun. We're going down Friday morning if any of you want to bunch up and go.....A couple of weekends ago we attended three events in one weekend. Saturday morning we drove over to Monroe for the fourth annual Ole South rod run. The Howells, Siffords, Round ones, and Purser families were there also from MSRA. Charlotte won the goofy golf game trophy. Kim's car won a trophy. Miss Earle won the ladies prize. And MSRA got the club participation trophy. We left there and came home, went to the Classic Chevy's cruise that night at Byram, and then took off early the next morning to the Queen City rod run in Meridian. Don and Sandy also made it over there for that one. They had over a hundred fine cars.....The next weekend was raining and we all stayed home. Bo Laird did make it up to the Tupelo rod run to represent MSRA, but the rest of us just didn't get to make it for one reason or another. We'll catch up on it next year.....Twelve MSRA cars attended the Classic Chevy Super Cruise at Byram's Sonic Drive in. Joe, Steve L., Sammie, Gene, Kathy, Brian, and Wayne won car trophies. Our family, as well as Joe & Lois Thomas had three generations of street rodders there. Our grandson Josh and Joe's granddaughter won the kids twist contest. They had no idea what the twist was but they ad libbed it. Sonic gave away a Little Mr. and Little Miss Sonic trophy. Josh's name was drawn and his eyes got big as saucers. That was one happy little boy-and his granddaddy enjoyed it a bunch, too. He carried that trophy everywhere he's been since he won it. This wonderful family participation is what makes street rodding unique and special from all other motorsports.....Wayne Thomas, The Creels and Round ones rode down to Grand Gulf to join the Vicksburg bunch in their annual hamburger burning last Sunday. Since he got his car going, Wayne has been to everything. He even visited the car show at Southern Speed for a little while Saturday.....The Clinton Christmas parade is Saturday morning, December 7 at 10 a.m. As usual, we'll meet at the Metrocenter McDonalds about 8:30 for coffee; and pull out for the parade launch site in Clinton at about 9. Any Street rods from other clubs in the area are welcome to come ride with us. I understand some of the Ole Brook cars are coming to Clinton to ride with us. After the Clinton parade, they plan to ride to Hattiesburg to a "Toys for Tots" car show there. You are invited to join them and make a day of it. Also the Christmas parade in Brookhaven is Thursday night December 5. T-Tommy invites us all to that one. Check with him for details.....Charlie & Susat Murray attended the Cruisin' the Coast events on the gulf coast. He says the car count wasn't what they expected, but the cars and entertainment were fine.

### **GARAGE SCENE**

We spent a couple of hard days helping Joe put a top on his new shop. It was just he and I with Critter supervising. I was handing plywood decking up through the rafters to him on top of the shop. A sudden wind gust caught us one time just after he pulled a piece of the paneling up, and Joe almost took off like a hang glider. Then later, he needed to saw off a piece of the plywood. He threw the sheet of plywood across the back end of his trailer which was sitting there in the yard. He couldn't reach all the way across the 4 X 8 sheet with the skillsaw, so he crawled up on

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JAN 31-FEB 2 5th Annual Winter Rod Run at Diamondhead

APRIL 25-27 15th Annual Dixie Street Rods run at McComb Ramada Inn

**JUNE 13-15 19th DIXIE RUN at HOLIDAY INN in JACKSON**

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**TUESDAY CROOZDAY SCHEDULE**

**November 5 Hudgey's on Daniel Lake Blvd.**  
**November 12 Jerry's Fish House in Florence**  
**November 19 Punchy's on Raymond Road**  
**November 26 Sonny's Bar-B-Q on highway 80**  
**December 3 Western Sizzler in Pearl**  
**December 10 Pasquale's Pizza on Lakeland Drive**  
**December 17 Scottie's Restaurant on Terry Road**

**This winds up the cruisin' season for 1996**

**FOR SALE**

New Sunbeam portable gas grill in box, w/propane bottle. Sell for \$55 Darryl Allen 601 373-5387.

**FOR SALE**

Chevy heads ,882 casting, 194 valves, fresh valve job, new springs, guides, etc. \$200  
Also 2500 watt Coleman generator \$300. Sammie Howell 601 922-9140

**NEXT CLUB MEETING**

The next MSRA club meeting will be **Sunday November 17**. Here's the plan as it stands now. We'll meet at the Crossgates Exxon on Highway 80 at about 10:30. At 10:45 we'll pull out to cruise on highway 80 to Pelahatchie Lake to the lodge there for a hamburger cookout. We did this last year and had a really good time cruising over with the rods in one big group. If you can't make it this early, feel free to come join us at any time during the afternoon; we've got the place reserved all day. After the eating, we'll have our regular club meeting and nominations for club officers for next year will take place. Please come join us for this next-to-last meeting of the year. And more important, call Sammie with a head count of how many in your family will be coming so that we will have enough hamburgers for everyone. The club will provide burgers, you will need to bring side dishes or desserts and your own drinks.

Til next time  
Drive carefully

*Jack*