

# GAMTRA NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

Spring keeps trying here in Piedmont Carolina. It'll be warm a few days then cool for a few. And the rain sneaks in a couple times a week. Warm temps are forecast for this week & there's some already itching to get a garden started. Already seeing some snake posts on Facebook, so they're out and about. And I've already had my first 'skeeter bite, so that cold weather at Christmas had no effect on them. Get out & enjoy the sunshine and moderate temperatures before the heat and humidity get here. Have fun and be safe!

Several shows on the agenda this month. April 7&8, Glory Days Antique Engine and Tractor Show in Yadkinville, NC. April 14&15, Classic Antique Power Farm Heritage Days in Benson, NC and Tractors and Trains Days at the NC Transportation History Museum in Spencer, NC.

Lots of car shows & Cruise Ins getting started in the area, here's a few. April 15, Car & Truck Show at the Hickory American Legion Fairgrounds in Hickory, NC. April 29, Westside Cruisers Spring Swap Meet and Cruise In in Lincolnton, NC. BrightStar Cruisers every Friday evening at the BrightStar Drive In in Mt Holly, NC.

Once again, y'all help me out with these local engine, tractor and car show dates. Also, if you know of any 'out of the way' junk or antique stores or other places the folks in our group may be interested in let me know, I'll put it in the newsletter.

Our Swap Meet was a 90% washout last Saturday. We did a ride thru about 9:00 & saw a few people there bravely challenging the elements but for the most part it was a no go. We'll try again next year!

Just got word that we've lost another longtime GAMTRA member. Clay Paysour passed away Monday at GMH.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 6 @ the Citizens Resource Center in Dallas @ 6:00. This is another 'bring your own supper' meeting. It's time to make plans for the BBQ in June and we need to congratulate Shelby Hovis on winning the 'Prettiest Combat Boots' award at the Redneck Games last weekend!

If you've got anything you'd like printed in the newsletter or need to update an address or just need a shoulder to cry on give me (Reggie) a call at 704-263-2980. I

carry this phone with me all the time but if I happen to be inside a metal building it sometimes won't go through. Keep trying till you get me!

Every night, Harry goes out drinking. And every night, his wife yells at him. One day, one of her friends suggests that she try a different approach. "Welcome him home with a kiss and some loving words," she says. "He might change his ways." That night, Harry stumbles back home as usual. But instead of berating him, she helps him into an easy chair, puts his feet up on the ottoman, removes his shoes, and gently massages his neck. "It's late," she whispers. "I think we should go upstairs to bed now, don't you?" "Might as well," says Harry. "I'll just get in trouble if I go home."

Thought for the day from Rev Stone. If someone asks what you do for a living, reply "I'm a lunatic." They won't ask any more questions and tend to become quite standoffish.