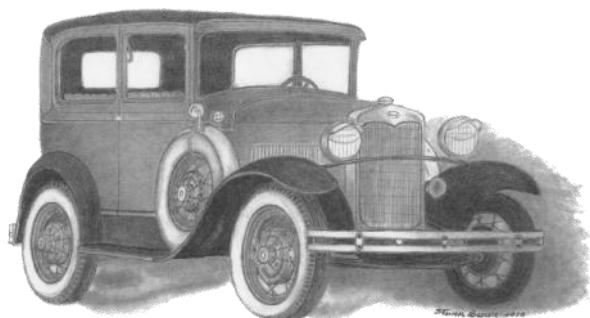


Shade Tree A's News



ABOUT THE SHADE TREE A's

<http://www.shadetreeas.org>

The Shade Tree A's is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile. Shade Tree A's annual dues (\$65) include membership in the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA, \$40) and a subscription to *The Restorer* Magazine. Members are also urged to join the Model "A" Restorers Club (MARC, \$38) which includes a subscription to *Model "A" News*. The club also is a member of MAFFI, the Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc.

Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at Richard Dunevent's garage, 4338 Owens Road, Evans, GA. Meetings begin at 7p.m. and are followed by refreshments.

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Submissions for the December issue are due by November 28.

Sketch 1930 Model A Tudor Sedan
Steven Brown

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT AN A

Rachel d'Entremont, Editor

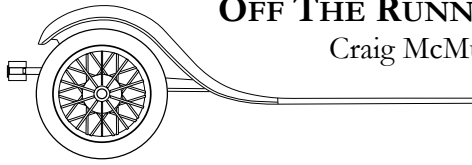
Something about a Model A brings out the nicest qualities in people.

For the second time in the past year, I spent time walking up and down the street searching for a part that fell off the car.

Last spring it was one of the prop knobs from my Roadster convertible top. I heard a "thunk" when I was driving down the street but didn't realize what I'd lost until a couple of days later.. My #1 son, Brian, and I walked up and down the street, kicking leaves and looking through storm drain grates, with no luck. An acquaintance started searching, too. The next morning, a total stranger came to the door with a car part in hand (unfortunately not ours) which he'd found after hearing of our loss from his neighbor. Weeks later I was asked by a City road maintenance worker if I'd found the part...he'd heard about it from someone else who saw us searching and he had been looking, too. It turns out the knob I lost was the wrong knob for my car anyways.

A couple of weeks ago I went to fill the car with gas. I filled the tank, hopped in the car, and drove off, not noticing for about 1/2 mile that the gas cap was missing. I pulled over, looked down at the running board, and experienced that sinking feeling I get when I know I've done a really not-smart thing. I returned to the pump, explained to an acquaintance that I'd lost the cap, and when I didn't find it, I parked the car on the side of the road and started walking. Imagine my surprise when I came back to the station about 30 minutes later and found the guy still searching; not only that, he'd gotten people who worked there to search, too. (This time the story has a happy ending and once I ventured farther into the weeds at the side of the road, I found the cap.)

I'm sure these people had better things to do with their time than search for car parts and while they probably would have made a token effort if I'd lost something from my Honda, I believe it's the Model A (and not my charm & beauty) that really brings out the best in people.



OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Craig McMullin, President

Over the next few months, the Shade Tree A's will have many opportunities to travel as a club to local parades, area tours, and other seasonal community events. The holiday season is an especially exciting time of the year and your participation is always encouraged. These short duration trips are excellent to test and get comfortable with your Model A either after minor repairs or a major overhaul. Hope to see you all at the next function.

I would like to take this opportunity to communicate with our newer members. If you have been in the club less than 2 years, I encourage you to attend as many functions as possible and, by the way, this is a good time of the year to do it. I know it can be difficult joining an organization and getting to know new people and, for some, finding a way to fit in. Then there's the anxiety of "what if my car breaks down – how embarrassing and what would I do." Don't worry – we've all been there and you would be surprised at all the help and friends that you gain quickly through the experience. It also lets some of the old-timers get to know you as well. So jump in, be active, and have fun because that's what it's all about.

Have a safe trip,
Craig

NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 14 at 7 pm at Richard's Garage.

REFRESHMENT SCHEDULE

November 14: Vanover, Krosting, S. Smith, Holley & Richardson, (Coordinator is underlined)

December 10: Dinner meeting (Saturday)



SHADE TREE A'S MEETING MINUTES

October 10, 2011

Vice President, Jim McPherson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Several members were fined for no name badges.

There were 39 members present.

Welcome new member, Fred Thielke of Augusta.

Dates were given for October birthdays.

A motion was made by Larry and

Tony to accept the minutes as written in the August newsletter.

Barbara Bryant is recovering from surgery.

Richard Dunevent gave the Treasure's report.

No news from National Director, Eric, who was out of town.

Thanks to the newsletter staff: Rachel, Brian, and Michael for doing a good job.

Future events can be found in the newsletter, please participate.

The technical program by Jim McPherson with help from Jim Dover, Sheila McPherson, and Larry Komp was interesting.

Great refreshments were provided by (George -Mike-William Gordon) and Larry Duvall.

The meeting was adjourned with everyone having a good time.

The next meeting is November 14th, 7PM at Richard's Garage.

Respectfully submitted
Doug Wilson, Secretary

CLUB MEETINGS

The Shade Tree A's regular meetings are the second Monday at 7:00 pm @ Richard's Garage located at 4338 Owens Road, Evans GA

The graphics on pages 2, 4, & 13 were created by Brian d'Entremont of the STA Newsletter Tech Support Department.

TECH TIP - MOTOR OIL REVISITED

Jim McPherson

Additional information is available on the value of ZDDP (zinc) in motor oils, this time from an engine rebuilder. In engines with a flat tappet camshaft, like our Model A, camshafts can be ruined in the first few minutes of operation. They need maximum lubrication during this time while the lifters mate to the cam. During break-in, the engine must be run between 1800 to 2400 RPM for 20 to 30 minutes. Do not let the engine idle any what-so-ever during this time. This keeps the oil splashed onto the cam lobes. Change the engine RPM frequently. It is important for the engine to start as soon as possible. Turning the engine by hand, or excessive starter spinning will result in wiping the assembly lube from the cam lobes. While this information is general, and not specific for our Model A engines, it is good advice for the initial starting and break-in of our engines.

It is very important to use a motor oil or additive that contains ZDDP. The current "SM" oils do not contain sufficient amounts of ZDDP (600-800 PPM) to protect your rebuilt engine, especially during break-in. Do not use oils with less than 0.14% (1400 PPM) ZDDP, and 0.16% is best. Do not use a synthetic oil for break-in, even if it contains ZDDP. Rotella, other diesel oils and Valvoline VR1 Racing oil are better than "S" rated car oils, but do not contain 0.14% ZDDP. Do not use "SA" through "SE" rated oils. We have discussed it and many of you are using Classic Car Motor Oil in your Model A. It is produced by the Indiana Region of the Classic Car Club of America and D-A Lubricant Co. to contain the optimum amount of ZDDP and oil additives for our engines. The information presented here is from Carolina Machine Engines in Johnston, SC, which now sells correct oils and additives for break-in and everyday use and Classic Car Motor Oil. THANKS to Don Cerefin for supplying the information for this Tech Tip.

RICHLAND CREEK OLD FARM DAYS

Jim McPherson

The Shade Tree A's will attend the Richland Creek Old Farm Days on Saturday, November 5th. We will leave from the closed Hardee's on Hwy 25 and I-20 at 8 o'clock and tour to Johnston for breakfast at Gary's before going to the farm. Model A's are admitted free. We will display our cars along with other antique cars; tractors and implements; and hit and miss engines. Enjoy the tractor pulls, exhibits of Collie dogs herding sheep, operating farm equipment from the past, and operating trades from days long gone.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR TO HOPELANDS GARDENS IN AIKEN

Mark your calendars for Thursday, December 15 when the STA's will dine on pizza in downtown Aiken and then head to Hopelands Gardens for a walking tour through 1.5 miles of lighted pathways and holiday displays with over 100,000 lights. We will be allowed to park the A's on the grounds.

THE DIPSTICK

Where you can learn from the stupid thing others do and save yourself the trouble!

- ♦ When you take the gas cap off to fill the tank, do NOT set it on the running board; set it on the floor INSIDE the car. Then when you notice the gasoline splashing onto the windshield, you won't have to walk through knee-deep grass searching for the cap!

PHOTOS & MORE

Visit the club's website to find all sorts of stuff. You can access STA newsletters from January 2006 to the current issue. There are links to other club's newsletters, links to parts catalogs, lists of available sewing patterns, lists and photos of member's cars, a place to sell your Model A stuff, and photos from most of the club events from 2006 to the present. <http://www.ShadeTreeAs.org>

OFFICER ELECTIONS

CHRISTMAS PARTY

After the Board of Directors discussed the options for a Christmas Party and the increased cost of previous venues, the McMullins generously offered their home for the December 10 party. The club will provide the ham and turkey and the members will bring the sides and desserts. For those unable to prepare something, you may make a donation toward the extras. The festivities will begin at 6 o'clock with dinner at 7. There will be a gift swap and entertainment. Details to come so save the date.

STA "BUSINESS" CARDS

STA's has cards which include our meeting time/place, our web address, and a space for you to fill in your own name. These are available for you to give to prospective members. You may pick up a few at the next meeting to keep in your wallet or your car.

MAFCA NATIONAL BANQUET

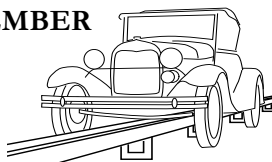
This year the Sonoma A's will be hosting the MAFCA National Banquet in Santa Rosa CA November 30-December 4. They have planned meetings, bus tours, walking tours "Hubbly Races", an awards banquet, and more. For more information, visit the web site at:

http://www.sonomamodela.com/mafca_2011

FROM THE NOVEMBER

ASSEMBLY LINE

Happy Birthday to



- 3 - Margaret Towe
- 5 - Mary Jones
- 12 - Harriette Flanagan
- 14 - Bobby Markwalter
- 17 - Walter Smith
- 18 - William Gordon
- 22 - Tom Hitt
- 24 - Paula Gay
- 25 - James Beck

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THE 23RD ANNUAL OLIVER HARDY FESTIVAL PARADE OCTOBER 1ST IN HARLAM, GEORGIA

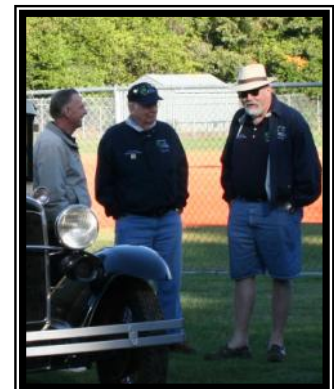
The weather couldn't have been more beautiful for a parade. Three cars from Aiken, one from Appling, and one from Martinez traveled to Harlam, Georgia for the Oliver Hardy Festival parade. We started on a wide highway packed with spectators but once we turned the corner the road narrowed and was lined with vendors; we were literally driving right through the crowd and moving so slowly (when moving at all) that it was easy to carry on extended conversations with the spectators.

The STA's had what had to have been the worst place in the parade- immediately following

the Shrine club go carts. Eric, driving the lead car with Tom riding shotgun, had to judge how far back they needed to be to allow the go carts to do their routine; he also needed to keep pushing them along or we would never have gotten to the end. Tons of candy had been thrown into the road by previous participants and since the kids, and adults, had been delayed from retrieving it by the go-cart ballet, as soon as they passed, the candy-seeking mob took to the streets, some coming right between the moving cars. I see now why some parades have banned the throwing of candy.



Jim Dover in his bowler was the closest to an Oliver Hardy look-alike that I got. We were at almost the very end of the parade.



ANNUAL STEAK COOKOUT
J. STROM THURMOND DAM AND LAKE, AT THE SC RECREATION AREA

October 15, 2011



After a rainy beginning to the week, the weather cooperated for the annual steak cookout with clear skies and pleasant temperatures.

At least 12 Model A's and a '61 Rambler made the trip to the Below the Dam picnic area for a late-afternoon picnic. The Lamb family towed in a huge grill and managed to cook about 50 steaks with little or no waiting. As usual, Shelia managed to organize everything perfectly. If you ended up with silverware that isn't your, please bring it to the next meeting so we can match it up with its family.

Many folks who passed through the park stopped to look at the cars and take pictures.



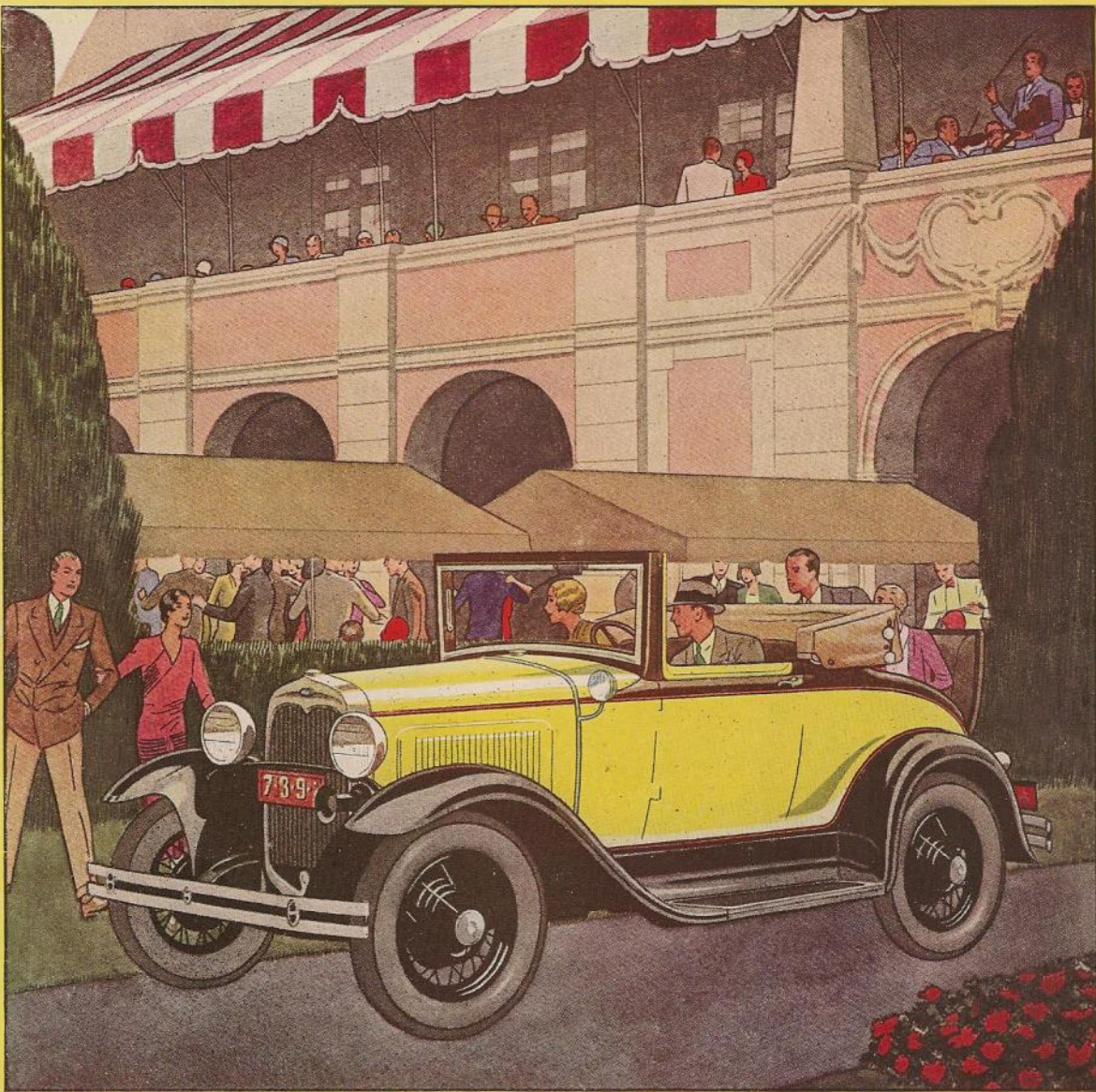
MILLER'S BREADBASKET BLACKVILLE SC

On Saturday October 22, six cars from the Shade Tree A's traveled to Blackville SC (after a brief stop at the Springfield Flea Market) to meet members of the Low Country A's of Charleston, SC; the Palmetto A's of Columbia, SC; and the Old 96 District A's of Greenwood, SC for lunch at Miller's Bread Basket. The weather was great, though a bit nippy at 8 am in an open car!

About 30 Model A's occupied almost all of the downtown parking stalls and we pretty much took over the restaurant/antique store/gift shop.



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NON-ETHANOL GAS

To find gas stations that carry non-ethanol gas, visit <http://pure-gas.org>, click on the state at the bottom of the page, and scroll down to find a particular city (listed by mailing address). You may add stations that are missing or remove stations that no longer carry non-ethanol.

SMALL WORLD

On the way to the annual steak cookout, the Aiken group stopped for a "pit stop" and were approached by a gentleman who said he came over to reminisce. He introduced himself as Bruce Sauls, son-in-law of longtime members Bob and Billie Jones. He is married to their daughter Debra.

EDGEFIELD CHRISTMAS PARADE –

Sunday, November 27th

The Shade Tree A's will be participating in the Edgefield Christmas Parade this year on Sunday, November 27th. For those interested in traveling together, we will plan to leave the old Hardee's parking lot on Highway 25 at I-20 Exit 5 in SC at 1:30 p.m. We will caravan to Edgefield and have a late Sunday lunch before the parade at Bob's Café off the town square. We have eaten at Bob's numerous times and he will be serving his regular buffet. Line-up will be at 3:30 p.m. with the parade at 4:00 p.m. Line-up is on Columbia Road (Hwy 23), right pass Oakley Park Mansion, somewhere in front of Craig and Theresa McMullin's house. Downtown merchants will be open from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

MIKE'S AFFORDABLE RAFFLE FOR A 1930 TUDOR SEDAN

Enter the annual raffle to win a Model "A". A very solid running car up for grabs, a great restoration project. All-original interior still in car. Winner must collect the car from Maysville, GA. All proceeds will go to the Wounded Warrior Project. Pictures and information can be found on the Mike's Affordable website at www.mikes-affordable.com

The drawing will be December 31 2011.

NEWS FROM UNDER THE SHADE TREE

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers.

- ♦ George Gordon recently brought his Christine home from a several-day stay in the hospital.
- ♦ Tina Neitzke continues to have health concerns.
- ♦ Barbara Bryant is recuperating from shoulder surgery.
- ♦ Linda Krosting had to miss the cookout because of illness.
- ♦ The mother of Cheryl Lamb died recently.

If you have items of interest to the club, such as illnesses or celebrations, please send them to me at Newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org for inclusion in "News from Under the Shade Tree".

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND DUES

If you haven't paid your membership dues, now's the time. You should have received your MAFCA Membership Renewal form in the mail in August; if you didn't, contact Tom or Pat Roberts.

The MAFCA dues are included in your Shade Tree A dues of \$65.00. Make out your check for **\$65** payable to "Shade Tree A's", complete the MAFCA renewal card and get them both to Tom Roberts no later than **December 1**. You may also mail your payment to Tom.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Pat & Tom Roberts are in the process of updating the roster. If you did not check your roster information at the meeting, please e-mail them with your name and birthday, spouse's name & birthday, address, phone & cell phone numbers, e-mail address, model and year of car(s), and the year you joined. (membership@shadetreecas.org)

STAS CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 10TH AT 6:00 P.M.

This year's club Christmas party will be at the home of Craig and Theresa McMullin at 425 Columbia Road in Edgefield, SC. The McMullins have hosted several club parties and this is another one you don't want to miss! This Victorian home, built in 1899, will be decked out in holiday attire, full of holiday music, and awaiting your arrival to enjoy good food and great fellowship.



Happy hour will begin at 6:00 p.m. and plans are to eat around 7:00 p.m. The club will be supplying the turkeys and hams and everyone else will need to bring a dish. Please sign up at the next meeting or RSVP to Theresa at 803-637-3790 or 803-480-0126.

We will also be exchanging gifts, so EVERYONE needs to bring a wrapped gift of less than \$10.00.

The party theme is, of course, holiday attire. For those interested, era clothing is perfect attire for this party setting.

Directions will be included in the December newsletter.

MODEL A RALLY AND HILL CLIMB GREENVILLE, TN

Brenda and Anne's Adventure 9-29-11 to 10-1-11
Anne Neely-Beck

Thursday, September 29, was a beautiful fall day to start a Model A trip. Loaded the Coupe and started on our way. Unfortunately I had poison ivy and I was not a real happy camper. Off we went up 441 and we stopped at the Dillard House for lunch since I had never been there; it was very good. Then onward we went through North Carolina taking US 23 then NC 209 and 208 into TN. NC 209 was an adventure for the Model A, winding, curving, and hilly and we decided not come home this way! When arriving at the host hotel, the beautiful General Morgan Inn, we found lots of Model A friends including Chris Brown and the Prince's from the STA's. Next we went to the Hospitably Garage and viewed some neat cars, a general store set up and then we had our welcome dinner complete with hot dogs and sausage from the hot dog man and his hotdog cart. Friday morning started off with a tour of Andrew Johnson's tailor shop and house then off to the city car museum for a barbecue lunch and of course more great cars to look at! Next we toured the Nathaniel Greene museum which was a real treat; it was housed in an old school building. After the museum Abbie, Brenda, James and I did some exploring then off to a private car collection that was pretty amazing. There were buildings filled with rare cars and the biggest collection of John Deere tractors I have ever seen. Next a drive through the beautiful TN countryside to a restaurant called the Farmer's Daughter which served family style and had the most awesome food. We Model A people do know how to eat! Saturday was Hill Climb day and Brenda and I decided to skip it and make our own tour. We gassed up the Model A and took off; imagine the stares we got, two women in a Model A! We were following the quilt trail which was having an open house that weekend. We arrived at the llama farm which had one of the quilt pieces painted on their barn. We got to pet the llamas and were shown how the fur was spun and woven. Next we went on a detour to Davy Crockett's birthplace. Brenda and I enjoyed it but were disap-

pointed that the information center was not opened. Lunch was next then we were off to find another quilt square. Yes, we found it but the owner was not participating in the open house because she had rented her facilitates out for a wedding that day; well she invited us to the wedding but we did not stay. The next 20 minutes or so we were looking for our next quilt square which we never found and it was getting late in the day so we got our bearings and I drove us back to Greenville. The banquet at 6:00 that night was very nice and that is how Brenda and I found out who won the Hill Climb and where Abbie placed. Ron Kelly from TX was King of the Hill, there was no Queen this year and Abbie came in #4 in his division. It was nice to meet and greet old friends of the East TN Model A Club who put on a great Hill Climb.

Other photos from the Beck/Prince adventure, submitted by Abbie Prince & Anne Neely-Beck, are on the STA website under club events .



VINTAGE VISIONS

Anne Neely-Beck

Charming Knitted Togs for the Kiddies

Needlecraft November 1929, featured two outfits one for a boy and one for a girl that could be knitted "in so little time". Guess that was so because the outfit was smaller than a grownup's and so it took less time to knit. I just taught myself how to knit this pass summer so knitting patterns interest me. What I really liked about this article was that it shows "real" kids from 1929; that is always nice as many of the era magazines just have drawings and very few "real people." Of course blue was chosen for the boys' outfit and pink for the girls' outfit. Imagine that!

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or each time you turn, until
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bind off. Make the other
leg to match.

Sew up the legs to where
the decreasing began, and join
the two parts neatly, back
and front. Crochet a cord
of the blue yarn and draw
this through the ribbed band
at the top to tie in front.

**FOR "Little Miss Wini-
fred,"** four years old,
who certainly appears ex-
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charming ensemble, as well
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harder to make ready for
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Introducing Miss Winifred

row knit 18, cast on 22
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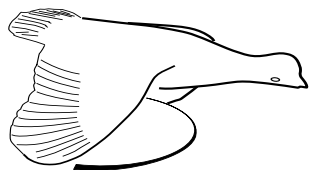
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NUTS AND BOLTS

- ♦ “Zipper”-type plastic bags are great for keeping parts together. If you want bags smaller than the sandwich size, check the bead section of the craft store or craft department of the department store.
- ♦ If you have a tip to share, let us know at newsletter@shadetreeas.org.



LOOKING AHEAD

CLUB EVENTS

—November—

- 5 Richland Creek Old Farm Days
- 14 Shade Tree A's Meeting
- 27 Edgefield Christmas Parade

—December—

- 3 Graniteville Christmas Parade
- 10 STA Christmas Party
- 11 Aiken Christmas Parade
- 15 Christmas Light Tour—Aiken

—January—

- 1 New Year's Day Breakfast

NON-CLUB EVENTS

—November—

- 18-20 Moultrie, GA Swap Meet

MODEL A MUSEUM NEWS

Loukie Smith, MAFFI Trustee

It's an exciting time for the Model A Museum – ground can potentially be broken in the spring of 2012. Between now and then the Model A community needs to finish raising the design and construction money needed. The fund raising target is based on the \$75/sf actual cost of the Franklin Museum which is across the street from the site of the Model A Museum. Using that cost, the available funds are less than the amount needed. The choice may soon be to delay the construction to raise more money, or reduce the building size to match a level of funding more within reach. The original target was a building 12,000 sf (150' x 80'). This resulted in a fund raising goal of \$900,000 for the construction phase but the current museum fund is now \$730,000. One solution is to reduce the building to 137' x 80' or 10,960 sf. The estimated cost for this smaller building is \$822,000.

Two major fund raising initiatives are underway. The first is the sale of engraved walkway bricks. Clubs and individuals are encouraged to buy their own \$150 piece of the museum, choose a 60 character message to have engraved on the brick, and have their own legacy, or a memorial to a friend, at the Model A Museum forever.

The second initiative is to encourage Model A'ers to match the offer of a generous Model A'er who has offered to donate \$50,000 if five other donations of \$50,000 are made. The donations can be made by individuals, clubs, businesses, or combinations of up to four donors per \$50,000. The donations can be made in two increments, the first in 2011 and the second in 2012. For example four individuals could each donate \$6250 in 2011 and again in 2012 to meet the challenge.

Another effective way to increase the available funds is for every individual and every club to donate what they can. One person has calculated that if everyone who owned a Model A would donate the cost of 5 gallons of gas, it would put the museum over the top – it would *top off the museum tank*. Please do your part to help preserve the Model A and its era. Send tax deductible donations to Model A Museum Fund, PO Box 95151, Nonantum, MA 02495. More info at MAFFI.ORG.



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