Shade Tree A's News



IT COULD'VE BEEN WORSE

Rachel d'Entremont

Saturday May 25 was a busy day for some of the STA members. Twelve cars and about 20 people represented the Shade Tree A's in the Aiken Memorial Day Parade, 6 cars and 13 people went from the parade to lunch at Duke's Bar-B-Q between Aiken and New Ellenton, and 4 of those cars and 9 people finished the day at the Redcliffe Plantation's Spring Fling in Beech Island. The weather couldn't have been more perfect for the parade or the car display at the Redcliffe State Historic Site where we lounged on the plantation-house porch in rocking chairs while enjoying refreshing drinks and dessert.

Between the parade and the lunch at Dukes, I made a speedy trip home to change into a Model-A -Era outfit for the Redcliffe display. I quickly got into my dress, heels, and vintage jewelry; picked up my vintage purse; locked the house; hopped in the car and started up the driveway. Just as I got to the end of the driveway, I remembered I didn't have a phone. I never leave home in a Model A without a phone.

So I hopped out, quickly walked to the front door and was just about to open the door when I heard the sound of a car coming down the gravel driveway.

I never wear high heels but discovered that I indeed can run in them— not that I knew what I was planning to do once I got to the car. I made it to the car but decided not to try and hitch a ride as I watched the car back into the wheeled trash can and the wheeled recycling can which in turn plowed into the Dogwood tree.

Fortunately the car chose the trash can as target rather than my 2011 Honda with only 7000 miles on it!

I was a little shaky (not sure if it was from running in high heels or watching my driverless car) when I got in and tried to remove the car from the now trash-can-strewn garden. I started the car up and it would not move. I turned off the car, put it in gear, AND applied the emergency break before going to check on the problem (I may be stupid but I generally learn from my mistakes). I thought I was going to have to dismantle the ivy-covered wire fence but it turned out that only thick ivy was holding me back.

It could've been ugly. Instead, I passed the bumper test without a scratch, went back and got my phone, and arrived at Duke's for lunch with the gang.

The moral of the story...always take the time to shut down the car properly and leave it with the car in gear and the emergency brake applied.

It could have been worse, my neighbors could have been looking out the window!

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 generally 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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> Sketch 1930 Model A Tudor Sedan Steven Brown



Here it is, Memorial Day and I'm still wearing a coat. Sort of an odd year for us here in the south but the delay in getting the really HOT summer temperatures is not entirely unwelcome, especially if one drives a Model A.

What a lot of things going on for our club. We have a display at an elementary school, a 40th anniversary celebration for the Shade Tree A's (complete with ice-cream sundaes), a display at Redcliffe Plantation, a Memorial Day parade, the Trenton Peach Festival, and on and on. It certainly can make one proud to be a member of an organization that gives so much back to our local communities.

I continue to receive positive comments about our technical seminars, both in content and presentation. This is due to many club members putting in a lot of time and effort to continue to improve the quality and enjoyment of our programs and meetings. Special thanks our club members, Dan Perla, who has invested many hours of his time in researching the most cost-effective means of refining our media presentations and Richard Dunevent who is constantly making improvements in our meeting area. If you have comments, or you have ideas that you think would improve our club, do not hesitate to bring them up to either myself or one of your board of directors. Discuss any technical subjects that you would like to see covered with our vice-president, Greg Jones. He has done an outstanding job on the programs so far this year and is always open to suggestions. Fresh ideas are what keep our club viable.

We have always been fortunate to have members who put as much effort into making our club work so well. Our newsletter, website, programs, tours, and events are all things done by club members to help make the Shade Tree A's the outstanding club it is. With these kind of people supporting it, the Model A Ford will be around, and thriving, for another 40 years. As members, we need to

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support and participate in as many club activities as possible.

Remember..."A busy Model A is a happy Model A".

See you at the meeting.



MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

May 13th, 2013

President, Gerald Melchiors called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

A few members were fined for no name badges.

There were 40 members present

New member and visitors included Jeff Dowling, William Rogers, and Fred Thielke.

See the newsletter for May birthdays.

There minutes were written by Jim McPherson and approved.

The ill members, Linda & Kurt Kosting and Frankie Dunevent were all at the meeting.

Richard Dunevent gave the Treasure's report.

Several items were displayed for show and tell.

National Director gave no report.

Rachel needs the articles for the newsletter for which she is doing a great job. Thanks Rachel!

Old business and past events can be found in the newsletter.

New business and future events will be in the newsletter, please read and <u>PARTICIPATE</u>.

Thanks again to Greg Jones for donating a media projector to the club which we are using and improving.

Doug Wilson showed a technical DVD on changing a tire on a Model A with improvements from other members.

Refreshments were provided by Andrew Morse, Stewart Smith, Robbie Jones, Ralph Neitzke, and Alan Stewart.

The next meeting will be at Dunevent's garage on June 10th, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned with everyone having a better than usual snack.

Respectfully submitted, Doug Wilson, Secretary

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES

May 16th, 2013, 6:45 PM

President, Gerald Melchiors, called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Frankie and Lois fixed dinner for the board, which was great...

There was a discussion about protocol and guidelines for displaying cars for schools and other groups.

We discussed visual media improvements and approved \$150.00 for Dan Perla to purchase materials to upgrade our projector.

Parades were discussed and you should be getting a calendar on them.

We are working on the August 8th dinner meeting and October steak cookout and we will let you know.

Please check and sign up on the refreshment list in any open month.

The June meeting will be our 40th anniversary, so be ready.

The activity calendar was discussed and we have changed some events, so see the newsletter.

There were a lot of discussions on attendance at club events and parades. Please increase your participation.

The next BOD meeting will be announced. Please read the newsletter often to remember the right dates for activities.

Respectfully submitted

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Wilson, Secretary

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Please take a look at our Shade Tree A's newsletter sponsors. Your business card could be here, too; contact Craig to arrange it.

PHOTOS ON THE WEB

There are additional photos of club events on the STA web site. Past newsletters are also posted on the site.



LOOKING AHEAD

CLUB EVENTS

June 10 STA's 40th Birthday Party!

• June 15 Trenton Peach Festival

July 4 Gilbert ParadeJuly 8 STA meeting

August 8 Tentative date (Thurs) STA din-

ner Meeting -no Monday meeting

NEWS FROM UNDER THE SHADE TREE

- Rosalind and Don appreciate all of the prayers, cards, and visits as Don recovers from his broken leg and other complications after his fall on the Outer Banks tour.
- Michael Gordon, who became the Club's first "Youth Honorary Member" in July 2008 has now graduated Evans High School. Congratulations, Michael!

Contact the newsletter if you have news to share.

STA'S 40TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The June 10th Club meeting will be devoted to celebrating the Club's 40th birthday. We will be sending a photo of our cars/party to *the Restorer* so we need as many cars as possible to really show off our Cub. The evening's program will include photos and stories of Club events and activities so come prepared to share. If you have any particularly great photos to be included in the slide show, please send them to Dan, the webmaster, as soon as possible.

The evening's refreshments will be ice cream sundaes so have a light dinner before you arrive.

OTHER EVENTS

- Aug 10—Cofer Collection & Swap Meet
- Sept 28 -Picnic at Raven Rock
- October 17-19, 2013 -Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour along the Gulf

REFRESHMENTS

June: Ice Cream Sundaes (Lois Melchior

& Frankie Dunevent)

July: Mason

Neal Jones, G McMullin

August: Dinner Meeting

September: Turley

Collier Smith, W Sutherland Richardson

FROM THE JUNE ASSEMBLY LINE

- 1 Jim Smith
- 4 Donna Markwalter
- 4 Billy Hughes
- 9 Don Neal
- 10 Donna Brannan
- 20 Tom Roberts
- 22 Eloise Young
- 25 Roger Dozier
- 25 Bob Collier

ROAM AROUND GEORGIA

Jim McPherson

Eighteen years ago, the Atlanta Region of the Horseless Carriage Club started an antique car tour, Roam Around Georgia. This year the tour roamed to LaGrange, GA. We took the backroads, stopping in Barnesville for lunch at the Garden Patch, a favorite meal stop we learned about last year. The Thursday afternoon tour was to West Point Lake for a BBQ dinner, driver introductions and the presentation of tour banners. The Friday Medicare Tour was to Warm Springs, GA and the Little White House with FDR and Eleanor there to greet us and answer questions. During the night Friday, many of us were awakened by thunder and rain. And rain it did. The Social Security Run for Saturday was rained out, a first for this tour. The Saturday tour to Williamson, GA and an antique airplane museum was cancelled. Our lunch was brought in and we played games during the afternoon. Between thunderstorms, some ventured out to view local historic homes. The banquet theme for Saturday night was dress as your favorite character, and characters were plentiful. The hard rains continued Sunday morning, delaying some return trips home. Abbie and Brenda Prince and Jim and Sheila McPherson participated in this tour.



More photos can be found on the Shade Tree A's website

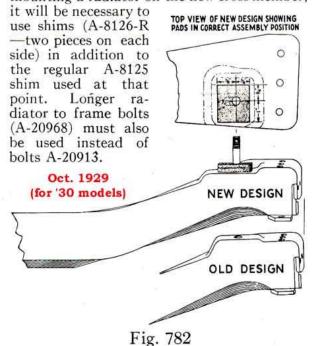
NUTS AND BOLTS

- First aid for burns: yellow mustard! Apply liberally and wrap with gauze or paper towels for a couple of hours (*The People's Pharmacy*)
 http://www.peoplespharmacy.com/2011/01/10/cold-yellow-mustard-relieves-burn/
- When filling the gas tank, be careful not to lose the gasket on the filler cap; it can shrink and fall out of the cap.
- Instead of Teflon tape for places where it will come in contact with gasoline, use High Density PTFE Pipe Sealant/Tape (Yellow Gas Line Quality)

FRONT CROSS MEMBER

A change has been made in the front cross member on both the car and truck. The new style cross member has a slight depression at both ends where the radiator bolt extends through the member. Old style cross members were embossed at those points (see Fig. 782).

To compensate for this difference when mounting a radiator on the new cross member,



THE JOHNSTON PEACH BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Johnston SC, May 4 Rachel d'Entremont



Cool weather and the threat of rain kept the crowds small and the parade short at the Johnston Peach Blossom Parade. The poor weather kept most of the Model A's away too.

Three cars came from Aiken and one from Edgefield. Those participating were Pat and Tom Roberts, Craig McMullin, Don Cerefin with a guest, and Rachel d'Entremont.

Although it rained in Augusta, Johnston remained dry through the end of the parade.

At the end of the parade, a police officer told me to "take off like you just robbed a bank - I won't do anything". I don't know if he wanted to see how fast the Model A could go or if he thought I was stupid...I remained well within the downtown speed limit.





LIBRARY NEWS

Don't forget to about the club library located at the bottom of the stairs at Richard's Garage. We have several new books.

PHOTOS & MORE OF THE WEB

Dan Perla posts photos of club events and copies of the newsletter, current and past, and much more on the club's website: www.shadetreeas.org.

TENTH ANNUAL "A" PICNIC AT RAVEN ROCK STATE PARK

Hosted by the Fayetteville Region Model A Club

Please put this one on your club's schedule. September 28th (the last Saturday in September). This is going to be a great picnic for all you Model A people. As in the past, we ask that you bring a picnic lunch and some to share (family reunion style). Bring drinks, no alcoholic beverages allowed. Our club will provide paper plates, forks, spoons, cups, napkins, etc. We will have door prizes and a 50/50 drawing.

For a little extra fun, this year the theme for the picnic will be HILLBILLY. So dress your Model A's up in their best hillbilly attire. Also dress yourself up as Hillbillys. Be creative with your food and drink. Sorry, no moonshine. The HILLBILLY thing is completely optional. We want you there regardless.

We look forward to having the best picnic ever. So plan to attend and have a great time.

Any questions, call Nick Lean 910-624-1188

NEWS LETTER ON THE WEB

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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

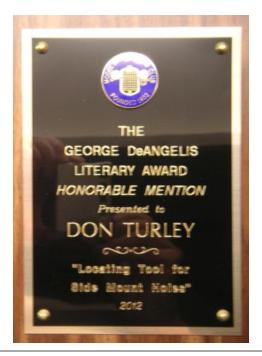
From the May 22 Aiken Standard

E. Walker Crosby receives Aiken Award

The Aiken Award Program has chosen Allstate Insurance Company - E. Walker Crosby as the premier service agency for the 2013 Aiken Awards in the insurance classification. Each year, across the greater Aiken area, the Aiken Award Program chooses only the best local businesses. The Aiken Award Program focuses on companies that have demonstrated their ability to use various marketing methods to grow their business in spite of difficult economic times. The companies chosen exemplify the best of small business; often leading through customer service and community involvement.

40 YEARS WITH MARC

Don Turley recently received his 40-year pin for MARC membership. This will be Don's 22nd year as a Judge of Blue Ribbon cars.



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VINTAGE VISIONS

Anne Neely-Beck

NEW SWEATER BLOUSES IN THE SMARTEST OF MODES

Needlecraft Magazine June, 1931 has the "New Sweater Blouses" to knit.

The Juniata is simply charming, lace-like and dainty in soft green and just the garment for summer wear.

The Geraldine is different but quite lovely.



The Juaiata



The Geraldine

HOT DOGS ANYONE?

Jim McPherson

Penny Pinson started Hot Dog Day to give area Model A Clubs a chance to get together for fellowship. With his passing, the Model A Club he helped found, the Old 96 District Model A Club, has continued Hot Dog Day in his memory. This year, Hot Dog Day was held on Saturday May 11 at Emerald Farms in Greenwood, SC. Emerald Farms consist of a pavilion, a lake, a train ride, a general store and a variety of animals, but they may be best remembered for their products made from goat milk. This year, Dan Perla, Richard Dunevent and Jim and Sheila McPherson attended.

Other photos are on the website at www.shadetrteeas.org





MODEL A'S ON VACATION

Jim McPherson

On Monday April 22nd, five couples from the Shade Tree A's climbed into their Model A's and headed for the Outer Banks of North Carolina. We traveled over 1,200 miles during the next week. All Model A's returned home safely and without incident. Unfortunately, Don Neal fell and broke his leg. It is good to report he is doing well.

Each of us left our homes and headed for Newberry, SC. From there we took the northern route, North of Columbia, on the real backroads of South Carolina. We stopped at small towns along the way. By the end of the first day we were in Whiteville, NC. Tuesday we met up with Alan and Sharon Stewart outside Jacksonville, NC. Coming from South Georgia, they took the coastal South Carolina route. We spent the second night in Beaufort, NC. Here we started our costal seafood experiences, eating in historic beachfront restaurants. Wednesday morning we drove to Cedar Island to catch the ferry to Ocracoke Island. We arrived at the dock where Blackbeard was hung, and spent the night in Blackbeard's Lodge, built in 1936. We enjoyed leisurely drives on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore and visited the Cape Hatteras lighthouse. Happy Hour was at the Topless Oyster Bar. We enjoyed Beaufort so much we decided to return there Thursday night. We had planned to drive, and stop when we saw something interesting, and this freedom allowed us to return to Beaufort Thursday night. But the return ferry ride was not as pleasant. Large ocean waves were rolling in, and came crashing onboard the ferry, giving our Model A's a saltwater bath. Friday we began our return home. After a short drive, we decided to return by the southern route, South of Columbia. We arrived home Saturday afternoon.

This tour was initiated by Sam Mason, and we have her to thank for a great experience. Those participating were Jim and Sam Mason, Don and Rosalind Neal, Alan and Sharon Stewart, Richard and Frankie Dunevent, and Jim and Sheila McPherson.







AIKEN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Saturday, May 25, Aiken SC

We had 12 cars and 21 people at the parade. The weather was fantastic and the crowd enthusiastic.













REDCLIFFE PLANTATION

May 25, Beech Island, South Carolina



The Shade Tree A's were right at home under the beautiful, huge shade trees. Four cars and 9 people attended the "Spring Fling". Members were given free passes for future tours of the plantation house as a "thank you" for displaying the cars.









MAY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Rachel d'Entremont

Around 45 people attended the May STA's meeting where the Club's newly improved audio-visual equipment was put to use twice.

The lights were dimmed and photos of a 1200-mile trip taken by several members to the Outer Banks of NC were projected on the wall. Sam Mason narrated. Efforts to get the Model A's out of the sand on the beach were well documented as was the ferry trip.

Recent and upcoming tours and display opportunities were discussed followed by a video showing how to change a tire. Several tricks were demonstrated including using talcum power to ease maneuvering the inner tube inside the tire



and using a plastic garbage bag as a "lubricant" in getting the tire onto the rim. Also suggested was sanding the rough edges of the new tire so the inner tube doesn't get damaged and lining the inside of the rim with duct tape.





Thirty years apart: 1960and 1930.

WHAT IS IT?





This was passed around at show 'n tell at the meeting. Anyone know how it was used? Contact the newsletter editor with information.

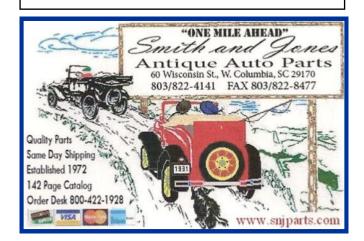
THE CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Navy blue Shade Tree A's hats for \$12.00. See Richard or Frankie.

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