

Shade Tree A's News

MAKING PLANS

Rachel d'Entremont

Since early March I have been dealing with the details of settling my Dad's estate. Dad was very thoughtful and meticulously kept an up-to-date Trust Agreement and Will. Even with the best preparation, there are always loose ends that need to be tracked down and tied up. As much time as this has taken, it's been a "piece of cake" compared to Mom's estate. She died with three totally different unsigned Wills. Fortunately (for me) my youngest brother got to deal with that one!

This process got me thinking about my own not-so-up-of-date Will. It was drawn up in 1999 when I still had minor children which was my main concern. Now they are adults and my focus has shifted from concern for their care and support to making sure that they are not stuck putting their lives on hold to deal with the remnants of mine.

I contacted a great young attorney and had him put together a Trust Agreement and a Will including all of the other associated documents laying out my preferences. And if you have only a Will, or, heaven forbid, no plans, you might want to check with an attorney to make sure that your assets are adequately protected. A Trust Agreement can be structured to protect your assets and avoid the probate process.

One of those documents is titled a "Catch-All Assignment" which places everything not otherwise designated into my Trust. I'm fortunate that my children are good friend, not just to me but also to each other and I can leave the division of my property in their hands.

One thing I have designated specifically is my Model A. Brian has put so much time and effort into its restoration that I feel that it's his as much as mine.

I find it so sad when I hear of people having

to sell something that is meaningful to the family because people can't agree on who should have it or how it can be shared. I know of one family which sold the beach house they all loved because there was no agreement on who should own it and the heirs could not agree to share ownership. And I heard of siblings who sold a beautiful antique dining room set that their son/nephew would have loved to have because the Will specifically said to sell it at auction and split the proceeds. How sad.

Back to the Model A. According to my attorney, there are two easy ways to make sure it goes where I want it to go. 1) specifically designate the intended recipient in a Will (and possibly a trust), and, 2) have it retitled to belong to you OR the intended recipient (not AND, but OR). This way, it passes directly to that person as the surviving owner.

So, a BIG thank you to my Dad for his love, all he's done for me, and for leaving his plans so nice and neat.

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.

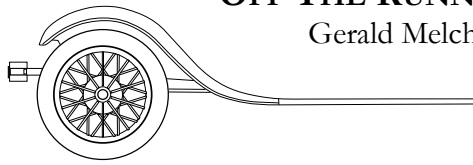
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Sketch 1930 Model A Tudor Sedan
Steven Brown

OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Gerald Melchiors, President



June 2014 Presidents Message

Here it is June! The year is half over and we're in the midst of summer already. Funny thing is though, it seems like we missed a season. With the cool spring we've had this year, several folks have mentioned that it seems like we went directly from winter to summer with no spring and, working outside a lot, I don't know that I can disagree with them.

Lois and I are looking forward to the Shade Tree A's Abbeville Opera House tour next month. When we went on a similar trip with the club several years ago it was very enjoyable. The drive to Abbeville was very pleasant, just right for a Model A, and the hotel, play, and meals were excellent. All in all, it was a delightful, refreshing weekend outing with Shade Tree A's friends.

Along with our Abbeville Opera House tour, we have several parades and displays on the agenda as well. Note that our August meeting will be our annual dinner meeting. It is tentatively scheduled for 6:00, Thursday, August 14th at Sconyer's BBQ. Be sure to read your newsletter for more details on this and other events as we go into the "Summer Schedule".

Our Shade Tree A's meeting this month will feature Andrew Morse presenting part III of his program on "Old Time and Current Body Repair and Painting". I have had many favorable comments from club members about parts one and two of the program, especially from Shade Tree

A'ers interested in doing some, if not all, of the body work on their cars. Many members were amazed when Andrew took a heavily damaged Model A fender and virtually within minutes had it roughed back in shape, ready for final finishing. With the cost of replacement parts hovering around the stratosphere these days, this information is not only interesting but very useful as well. Be sure to thank Andrew for sharing his knowledge and talent with the club. We are fortunate to have members like Andrew who put as much effort into Shade Tree A's programs and activities as they do. The viability of our club is, and continues to be, dependent on us to support and participate in as many club functions as we can.

Remember..."A busy Model A is a happy Model A". See you at the meeting.

Gerald Melchiors

NEW TOP



Dan Perla has found an easy answer to the high cost of a replacement top.

MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2014

President Gerald Melchiors called the meeting to order at 7pm.

A very good turnout of 58 members and guests were present, including John and Sherry Schroen. ID violation fines were collected from 3 members. No illnesses were reported, but all welcomed Abbie Prince back from his long recuperation. Jim Dover provided us with his laugh of the day. An announcement and show of hands identified 8 May birthdays.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved and Richard Dunevent gave the Treasurer's report.

The President complemented the good and thorough articles in the Newsletter and reminded us that Rachel is always eager for Newsletter copy material.

Show and Tell reviewed progress on current restoration projects and included circulation of 2 hefty (as in giant!) carburetors from early 20's autos.

Under old business, high school prom season flourished with Model A's by Dinkins, Dunevent and d'Entremont providing Photo-shoot fodder for Great Gatsby prom themes; STAers were in attendance at Boshear's Car Display and Johnston Peach Blossom Festival; Walker Crosby outlined how MAFCA liability insurance functions relative to Club-sponsored events and one's own liability insurance; George Gordon was presented a MARC Mileage Award by Robbie Jones.

New Business: Greg Jones passed out circulars detailing the Abbeville Opera House Tour and mentioned additional items of interest regarding the hotel and weekend plans. Story Line: Act now if you plan to attend..... Newsletter will carry more details; latest parade schedule will also be in the May Newsletter.

Tech Program: Andrew Morse described and demonstrated in vivid detail the tools, materials, and technique used in patching and restoring damaged/eroded body metal. This was the second of a 3-part program that will conclude next month on how to prep and finish coat the final product.

Meeting adjourned to refreshments served by the May team.

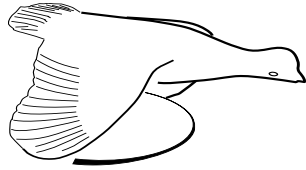
Respectfully submitted,

Don Cerefin, Secretary

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LOOKING AHEAD

CLUB EVENTS

- June 9– Monthly Meeting
- June 21-Trenton Peach Festival Parade, 9:30 line up
- July 4- Gilbert Parade, leave Aiken 7:30 am
- July 12 & 13-Abbeville Opera tour
- July 14—Monthly meeting
- August 14 (Thursday) annual dinner meeting, 6:00

OTHER MODEL A EVENTS

- August 9 –Swap meet at the Cofer Collection
- Oct.16&18 -Sweet Home Alabama Tour

REFRESHMENTS

June: Prince, H. Jones, Dinkins, Wilson

July: Dunevent, Richardson, McCain , Neumar

Aug: Dinner Meeting

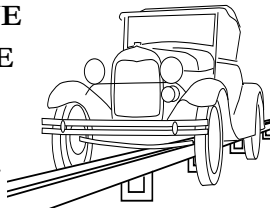
Sept: The Gordons

Oct: Cerefin, ,(G. Jones), Jackson

Nov: Roberts, d'Entremont, Crosby

FROM THE JUNE ASSEMBLY LINE

- 4 - Donna Markwalter
- 4 – Billy Hughes
- 7- Charles Howell
- 9 - Don Neal
- 20 - Tom Roberts
- 25 - Bob Collier
- 30-John Dirksen



JIM DOVER'S 90TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

May 3



The Gordon family hosted a picnic to celebrate the 90th birthday of Jim Dover. There was a great turnout of both club and non-club friends.

NEWS FROM UNDER THE SHADE TREE

- ♦ Anne Neely-Beck is feeling better after a long recovery from surgery.
- ♦ Dotti Shogren is on the mend after surgery.
- ♦ Walker Crosby received the Allstate Premier Agency designation in May.

If you have news to share, let me know at newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org

STILL AROUND AFTER ALL THOSE YEARS...

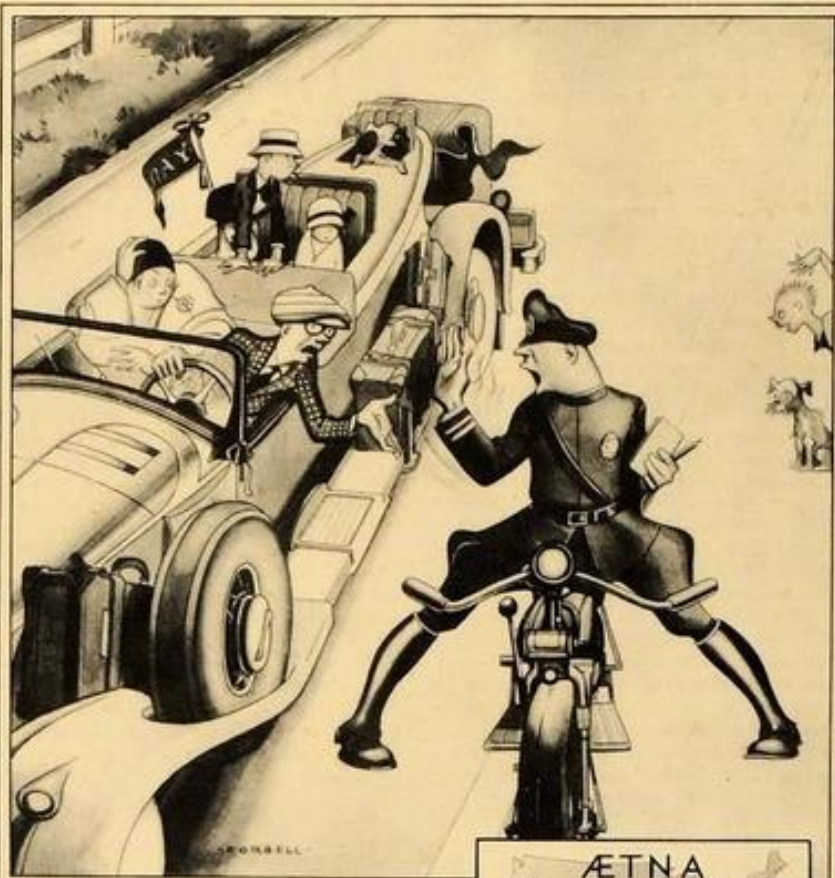
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VINTAGE VISIONS

Anne Neely-Beck



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3237 Charming Costume Slip- remember ladies, we would have made our slips back then.

2524 Dashing Pajama Ensemble- perfect for the days on the Georgia coast.

132 Marvelous Undies - oh yes, we would have made them, too.

3495 Morning Wash Frock- to do our daily chores around the house.

3464 Daytime Dress- we could actually wear this one out of the house.

602 Decidedly Slimming Dress - yes, I would definitely have needed that one!

MAY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

May 12

The May meeting returned to the former 7pm- Monday time. Torrential rain discouraged any lingering outside and only a few made the trip the their Model A's.

Andrew Morse presented the second part of his three-part series on body restoration techniques. He shared information on body filler and the different types of epoxies including when each is appropriate.

Walker Crosby gave a report on the information he received from



MAFCA regarding Club insurance. He stressed that car owners are responsible for the insurance of their own cars, and that the MAFCA policy is for the protection of Club officers and the club itself. The MAFCA policy is secondary to the coverage of individual cars. Official events of the Club are covered and MAFCA does not need to be notified in advance of Club activities. He reminded those present that we really don't know how good the coverage is until we file a claim.



JOHNSTON PEACH BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

May 3, Johnston SC

Unlike last year when rain kept many participants away, this year's Peach Blossom Festival was on a perfect day. Five cars made the 44-mile (round trip) drive from downtown Aiken to Johnston and back without a hitch.

As is usually the case, the parade itself was secondary to the beautiful drive to and from and the chance to visit with other Club members.



A PIG, A BICYCLE, AND A 1929 MODEL A FORD SEDAN

Keith Lewis

In 1933 my good friend Les Bradford, an 11-year-old farm boy, from Spanish Fork, Utah, (pronounce that "Fark") wanted a new Schwinn bicycle. The bicycle he had picked out cost a whopping \$32.00. Since there were no funds in the family coffers with which to buy a bike, Les would have to earn the money himself. Being a farm boy, Les' father gave him a Weiner pig to raise and take to the county fair. If the pig could win a blue ribbon Les could sell it for enough to buy a new bike. In December of 1933 Les obtained a 12-pound Weiner.

For the next nine months Les cared for and nurtured his pig. "I cared for that animal just like it was a family member and a friend", he said. "I was determined that she was to be a prize animal. I nurtured her to win the blue ribbon at the county fair! I named her Bacon".

The annual county fair opened on Sept 15th 1934 and ran until the 29th. The pig judging was on the 26th. Les bathed and brushed her, "until she looked her best", he said. Bacon was judged on her degree of muscling, structure and soundness, and her degree of leanness and underlying quality. She won first prize, a blue ribbon as the best of show. She weighed 281 pounds and Les sold her for \$40.00!

Les and Bacon's parting was emotional. "I sort of loved that Sow and hated to part with her, I had kind of made a pet out of her." But Les was a farm boy and wanted to buy that new bicycle. Bacon and Les parted ways. Besides, Les could not take Bacon home again and for good reason. "My mother put her foot down and said, "That animal is not being re-transported home again!"

In order to get Bacon to the Fair Les loaded her into the family car— a 1929 Model A Ford four-door Sedan. It took a good bit to get Bacon loaded between the front and rear seats. They tugged and shoved and lifted and wrestled until Bacon was wedged into the car. Her snout was pressed against the window on the driver's side and her rump was tight against the other door. "I ended up rolling down both door windows. Her snout

stuck out the drivers side and her tail hung out the other," Les said.

Bacon was agitated and upset and on the 25 mile ride from the farm to the fairgrounds; she "s--t on the rolled-down window and the pig s--t ran down inside the door! My mother was very upset!" It took Les two days to disassemble the back door, remove the window glass and clean "the pig s--t out." There was just no way that Bacon was going to return to the family farm. "My mother laid down the law."

That 1929 Ford remained the Bradford family's mode of transportation until 1938. "It wasn't too bad when the weather was dry", Les said, "but when it rained you always got a hint of Bacon's presence.

Les Bradford got his Schwinn and he rode it like the wind for years afterward, until he entered the army in 1943.

*Keith has been a STA
member since early 2012
and is a frequent contributor
to the newsletter.*



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

May 24, Aiken SC

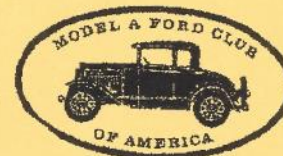
Twelve Shade Tree A cars participated in the Aiken Memorial Day Parade. Many continued on to Mi Rancho's for a late lunch after the parade. There wasn't much shade for the Shade Tree folks; fortunately there was a patch just large enough ...



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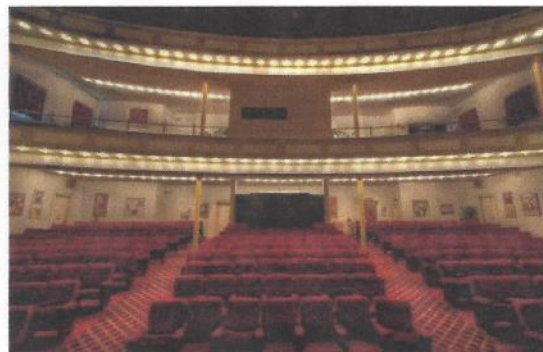
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 - ♦ 1929 transmission with chrome shifter. I ran this transmission 2 years before going to a 36 transmission in my blue speedster. \$150.00
- Abbie Prince - prince77@comcast.net

FOR SALE

Inspected by Eric Shogren

1930 Fordor (Murray Body). Well done older restoration. Interior shows a little sun fading in the rear window, but otherwise is in excellent condition. An inspection underneath revealed no rust and generally clean car. The engine is strong as are the brakes. The car has a 12 volt system, Ryan Overdrive and Air Conditioning. There is also an opening for a manifold heater, so adding heat would make this truly a year-round car. The doors close with a nice solid sound and are true. The owner has had it for 3 years and it's time to pass it on to another Model A enthusiast. The car has definitely been built for touring. Contact Bill Miskey at (803) 648-5901. Asking \$18,500. Additional photos on the STA webpage.



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