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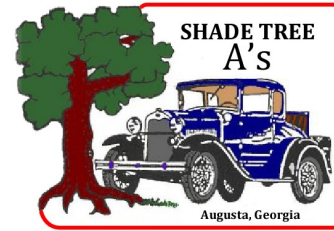
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On the Cover

Shade Tree A's members relax at the Lincoln County Pioneer Days festival. More photos on page 10.

SHADE TREE A'S MODEL A CLUB



The Shade Tree A's Model A Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile. Shade Tree A's annual dues are only \$25. Members are urged to join the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA, \$50 annual dues) and the Model A Restorer's Club (MARC, \$45 annual dues) to enjoy the benefits of these national organizations including their respective magazines: *The Restorer* (MAFCA) and *Model A News* (MARC). The Shade Tree A's club is also a member of MAFFI, the Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc.



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OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Matt Barrett - President

Greetings fellow club members 🤠

Our club tour to the Lincolnton Pioneer Days was a great success. Seven STA Model A's arrived and returned to Augusta without a "roadside technical session." Pictures are on the Facebook STA page and will be on our Club web pages soon. If you missed this tour, you need to get your car running and find the time to join us next time.

Last time I checked, we had forty people signed up for our Christmas party. We will eat at 7 pm, so arrive early to mingle at Jack Sheppard's old store, 539 Chamblin Road, Grovetown, Ga. We will have a great meal with all the fixings, so hope to see you there. Dan Perla sent an email with directions. Also look for two green lights that flank the store's driveway.

All those who plan to participate in the City of Gibson, Georgia Christmas Parade tour please meet at Richard's Garage on Saturday December 1st at 8:30 am and will leave promptly at 9:00 AM. So don't be late for a very fun time.

This year has gone by extremely fast and I would like to thank all our members for making our Club so great.

See you soon,

Happy Holidays!!!
Your president
Matt Barrett

MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2018

Richard's Garage

Recorded by: Frank Knapp – Secretary

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree A's was held November 12, 2018 in the clubhouse meeting room at Richard Dunevent's garage. President Matt gaveled the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 P.M. Twenty-two members were in attendance. There were no guests.

As usual, several members contributed to the Name Tag Collection Cup.

On a sad note, President Matt related Richard Dunevent's nephew had recently passed away and Andrew Morse's mother remains in serious condition. He asked all to remember them in their thoughts and prayers.

Treasurer's Report:

In the absence of our treasurer, Dan Perla reported a computer problem with Region's Bank prevented him from downloading our current monthly statement. He did indicate several more members had paid their annual dues and was hoping more will be forthcoming. If not, our treasury balance will not be sufficient to cover pre-payment of Christmas Party catering. Should that be the case, a transfer from our money market account will be needed to cover and avoid penalties.

A motion was made from the floor to accept the October Minutes and November Treasurer's Report. That motion received a second and passed by unanimous vote.

MEETING MINUTES

continued

National Director, Jim McPherson reported he has received our MAFCA renewal notice and mentioned a new Model A "scrapbook" now available.

Our Newsletter Editor, Robbie Jones, had no news to report but continued urging members to send pictures for publication. He also reminded everyone to use vertical format, more suited for publication. The entire group offered Robbie a huge "Thank You" for his excellent work on our newsletter.

Nothing was offered under Show & Tell

Under Old Business:

Plans for our upcoming Christmas Party were also mentioned. It is definite we will return to Jack Shepherd's excellent facility at 539 Chamblin Rd. Grovetown on Friday December 14th at 7:00 PM. All were urged to arrive early due to possible Xmas traffic. Look for 2 green lights at driveway entrance.

Also discussed were two upcoming events. The Gracewood Parade and the Lincolnton Pioneer Days Tour.

Under New Business:

President Matt announced the Slate of Officers as recommended by our Nominating Committee and asked for any other nominations from the floor. There being no further nominees, the following officers were elected by acclamation.

President: Matt Barrett

Vice President: Darrell Henderson

Treasurer: Richard Dunevent

Secretary: Frank Knapp

National Director: Jim McPherson

Board of Directors: Dan Perla and Stewart Smith

Kent Carruthers opened a discussion concerning next year's National Model A Day activities. Everyone agreed we need to explore different formats such as a Poker Run, extended tour on Saturday with a dinner Friday night just to mention a few.

Also discussed were other tours including the Social Security Run and a possible return to Abbeville. Dan Perla stressed the importance of planning and advertising next year's events as early as possible. National Model A Day was deemed most important.

Technical Program:

Video provided by MAFFI entitled "The GAZ Model A Ford". This excellent slide show reviewed the history of the Russian Ford Assembly Plants from beginning to end. Most interesting were the various changes in body styles and conversions made for Russian military use during WW2. Just in case you missed it. GAZ stands for Gorky Automobile Zavod (Plant).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM after which everyone enjoyed refreshments including ice cream, cookies and soft drinks provided by Richard Dunevent, Andrew Morse and Henry Jones. Thanks guys!

MONTHLY MEETING TIME & LOCATION

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

LOOKING AHEAD

Club Calendar

December

- 1 Graniteville Christmas Parade, meet at Richard's garage no later than 9:00 AM
- 9 Aiken Christmas Parade, Theme: Fairy Tale Christmas, line-up at 1:00 PM, parade at 2:00 PM
- 14 Shade Tree A's Christmas Party at Jack Shepard's (see page 8)
- 14 Christmas Open House, Bentley's, Maysville, GA

January (2019)

- 1 New Year's Day Breakfast at Cracker Barrel, I-20 and Belair Road, 8:00 AM
- 14 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage
(Technical Program TBA)

February (2019)

- 11 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage
(Technical Program TBA)

TBA - To Be Announced

December Refreshments



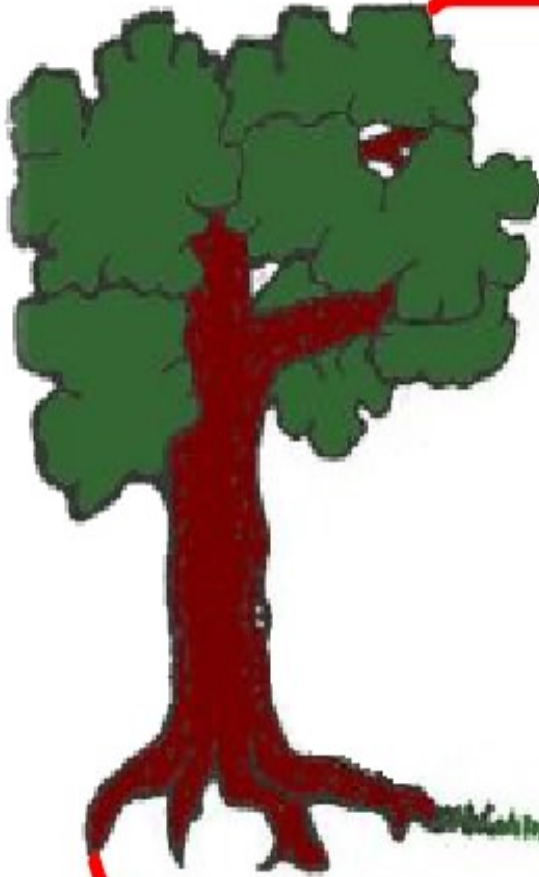
None this month
due to the annual
Christmas Party



December Birthdays

- 1 Barbara Bryant
- 1 Robbie Jones
- 4 Sharon Howell
- 5 Calvin Carruthers
- 7 Tonya Gordon
- 7 Joe Holley
- 13 Richard Dunevent
- 15 Lisa Smith
- 16 Frank Knapp
- 17 Eric Shogren
- 21 Jim Mason
- 26 Ann Claiborne Christian

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Shade Tree A's Member News

- Richard Dunevent's nephew passed away recently. Please remember Richard and his family in your thoughts and prayers.
- Andrew Morse's mother also recently passed away. Please remember Andrew and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Monthly Technical Program

Got an idea for a technical program for presentation at a monthly meeting?

Got a topic you would like discussed during a monthly technical program?

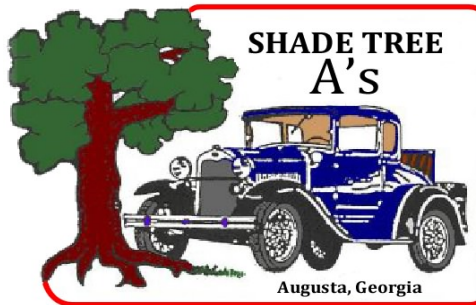
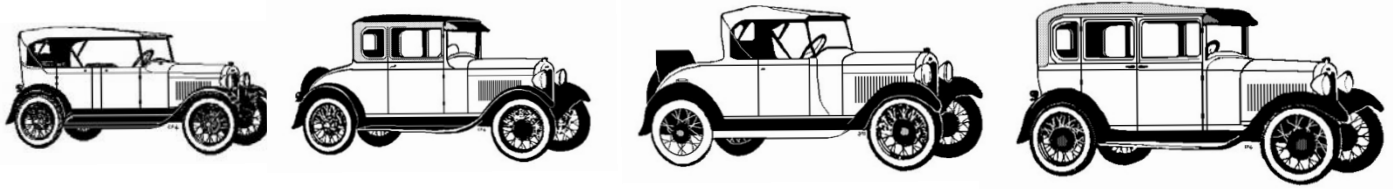
Do you want to volunteer to present a technical program?

If so, contact Mike Gordon at vp@ShadeTreeAs.org or 706-513-7619

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Gibson Parade

The Gibson parade tour will leave Richard Dunevent 's Garage on Saturday December 1st no later than 9:00 AM. Please have your car fixed up for a Christmas parade. Looking forward to seeing you there. Parade starts at 1:00 PM and on the way there we will stop and eat some very good BBQ.



It's Dues Time!

If you haven't already, please pay your Shade Tree A's dues. Dues are \$25. Checks should be made payable to Shade Tree A's and can be mailed to Richard Dunevent.

Dues to the national organizations should be sent directly to their offices.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shade Tree A's Christmas Party

Friday, December 14, 2018

7:00 PM

Jack Shepard's Country Store

539 Chamblin Road, Grovetown, GA



Just a couple of the Christmas cards available from the Model A Ford Club of America.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Year's Day Breakfast



***HAPPY
NEW
YEAR!***

Join the Shade Tree A's for our annual New Year's Day breakfast at the Cracker Barrel near the I-20 and Belair Road interchange (460 Park Way Drive, Grovetown, GA). Be there by 8:00AM for good food and fellowship.



RECENT EVENTS

Lincoln County Pioneer Days Festival

Photos by Syble Henderson and Matt Barrett



THE SHADE TREE A'S – THIRTY YEARS AGO



The 1985-2005 Shade Tree A's newsletters are now available on the Shade Tree A's website. They can be accessed via the same "button" as the other newsletters, but they are password protected. The same password used to access the member roster is used to access the newsletters. Thank you Dan Perla for scanning these and posting on the website.

The December 1988 issue of the Shade Tree A's Newsletter had an abundance of illustrations and even a Model A Wordfinder game. A Christmas themed illustration of Jim and Sheila McPherson's house graced the front cover of the Newsletter. A unique illustration of a Model A coupe (maybe) depicted the various responsibilities of club members. Go to the Shade Tree A's website and check it out.



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