

#### SHADE TREE A'S NEWSLETTER

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#### On the Cover

Get Ready! The Shade Tree A's Economy Run is just around the corner. Frank Knapp fills up at the end of the 2017 Economy Run.

# 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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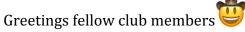
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# OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Matt Barrett - President



I have always heard "never say never". I have never wanted seat belts in my '30 Tudor Model A and I swore I would never put them in it. Well..... one day my son, Eddy, joined me on one of our tours to Thomson, Georgia. When he got in the "A", he had a bicycle helmet with him just in case we'd got into a head-on collision. That threw me over the edge, so I am now the proud owner of a pair of lap belts. At least now you can get them in colors that coordinate with your interior 🙄

GOOD NEWS!!! I received a call the other afternoon from Butch Morgan, a member of a club near Atlanta. It seems that their club wants to come to our mileage tour with 10 of their Model A's! We look forward to their participation and hope that most of our Club members will drive their cars to the mileage tour in September as well.

If you ever need help with an issue with your Ford, don't hesitate to contact a fellow Club member for help. We are always here for each other.

I know I sound like a broken record, but I once again, want to encourage each and every one of you to get out and drive the "old clunkers" rain or shine, hot or hotter on the back roads of our town. It is not how many miles per gallon but how many smiles per mile that count!

Your President Matt Barrett

# **MEETING MINUTES**

June 11, 2018 Richard's Garage Recorded by: Frank Knapp – Secretary

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree A's was held June 11, 2018 in the clubhouse meeting room at Richard Dunevent's garage. President Matt brought the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 PM. Twenty members and guests were in attendance.

Our "Name Tag Penalty Collection Cup" received one donation demonstrating the STAs net worth continues to increase!

Two guests, Charles Durant and Frank Harrell, were introduced and welcomed by members.

Jim Dover, as usual, related an interesting and funny story about his cousin Harold. According to Jim, Harold was a farmer who charged different "stud fees" for various animals raised on his farm. After giving this further thought, I'd rather not continue with the story in this venue. I'll just say "ya'll should have been there!" Another good one Jim!

Nothing was offered under "Show & Tell".

#### Treasurer's Report:

Substituting once again for our Treasurer, Dan Perla reported there has been no activity in our account since May and we remain financially strong!

Two motions were made from the floor. One to accept the May Minutes as published in *The Newsletter* and the other to accept the Treasurer's Report. Both motions received a second and passed by unanimous vote.

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# **MEETING MINUTES**

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National Director, Jim McPherson reminded the group of the upcoming Palmetto A's Swap Meet. A 'flyer' was made available with complete details. He also passed around the latest edition of *The A Preserver*, a monthly newsletter published by The Model A Foundation.

Our Newsletter Editor, Robbie Jones, was not able to attend but reported via Facebook that his mother, Billie, was recuperating well after leg and hip surgery. Good news!

There were no items discussed under Old or New Business.

Technical Program:

In lieu of our usual technical program, the first half of a movie entitled "*Famous Americans of the 20th Century*" featuring the life of Henry Ford and narrated by Will Rogers, Jr. was shown thanks to the efforts of our Webmaster, Dan Perla. The second half will be shown at our July meeting.

Also, Dan offered a "special thanks" to Stuart Smith for his generous donation of his more modern movie/slide projector. Thanks to Dan's "blood, sweat, tears and computer expertise" he made the install and had everything working by meeting time!

Thanks Dan and Stuart for your contributions!

After the movie, everyone present was treated to another Gordon family "banquet', prepared once again by "Chef Misty Hooker"! Everything from turkey and ham sliders, pimento cheese sandwiches, pickle wraps to strawberries and cream for dessert. WOW, what a spread! Thanks Gordons and especially George!

In the absence of any further business, neither urgent or otherwise remaining, President Matt adjourned the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted Frank Knapp, Secretary

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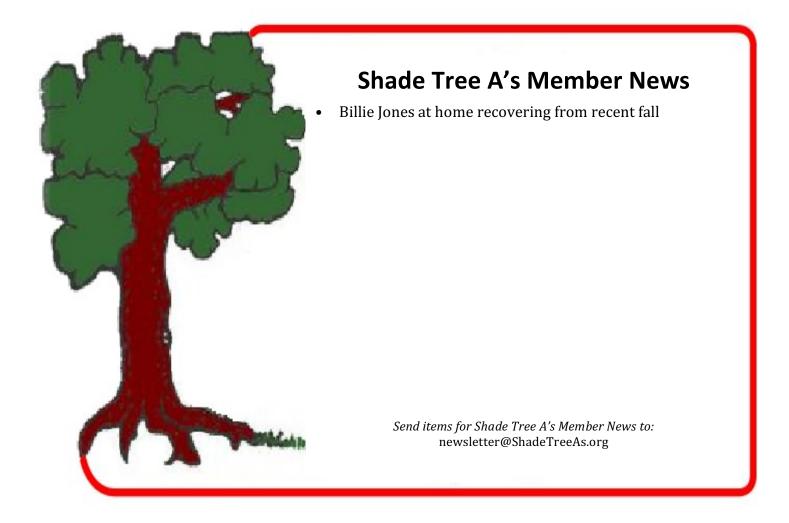
# LOOKING AHEAD

Club Calendar				
July				
9	Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program – Movie "The Story of Henry Ford" - Part 2)			
August				
11	Model A Swap Meet, sponsored by the Georgia Chapter of MAFCA, at Cofer Stable of Thoroughbreds, 3702 Lawrenceville Hwy, Tucker, GA			
16	Annual dinner at Sconyer's Bar-B-Que, 6:30 PM in the "Big Room" upstairs			
<u>September</u>				
10	Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program – TBD)			
14-15	Swap Meet and People's Choice Car Show, Smith and Jones Antique Auto Parts, West Columbia, SC			
22	Shade Tree A's Fuel Economy Tour, meet at Evans Towne Center Park at 10:00 AM			
22	International Model A Ford Day			
	TBA - To Be Announced			



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# **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 <u>vp@ShadeTreeAs.org</u> or 706-513-7619

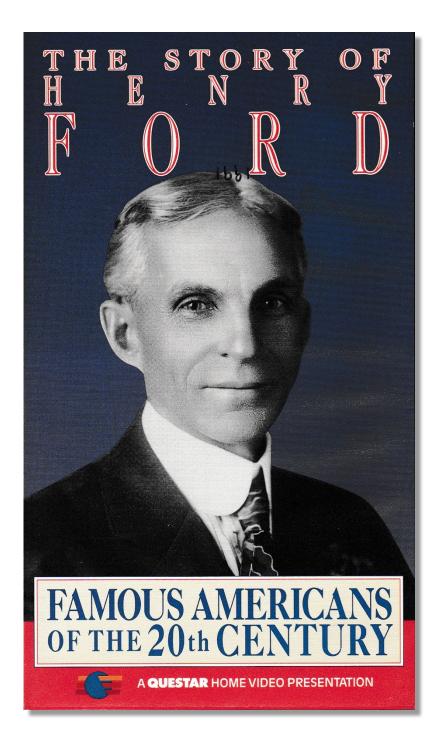
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# **Featured Movie**

The movie, *The Story of Henry Ford*, will be shown as the technical topic in upcoming monthly meetings. Part 1 was shown in June. Part 2 will be shown in July.



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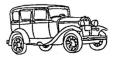
#### 13th Annual

#### ALL Model A & Model T

#### SWAP MEET & PEOPLE'S CHOICE CAR SHOW

at

Smith & Jones Antique Auto Parts 60 Wisconsin St. West Columbia, SC



sponsored by

Palmetto A's of South Carolina

Friday, September 14, 2018 8am to 5pm Swap Meet Saturday, September 15, 2018 8am to 3pm Swap Meet & Car Show Vendor Space: Early registration: \$15/one day \$25/two days \$20/\$30 at the gate Car Corral: \$10 for two days Palmetto A Members - Free Vendor Space \$2 Door Prize Tickets Food Concession 50/50 **Contact: Dick Fraser** dickfraser@earthlink.net 803-622-7582

Vendor Sign Up Form

Name:			
Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone	email		

Will you be arriving and setting up on Thursday, Sept 13? Are you primarily a Model A or Model T vendor?

Please mail this form along with a check or money order made payable to: Palmetto A's of SC--- 113 Ian Dr. Leesville, SC 29070

By participation in this event and signing this form I/we agree to hold harmless The Palmetto A's of SC Model A Club, Smith & Jones Antique Auto Parts and any of the members or agents thereof, in the event of accident or injury to any participant, person or group.

Signature

Date

# ANNOUNCEMENTS Shade Tree A's

#### Celebrate



With an

# Invitational *Fuel Economy* Tour Saturday September 22<sup>th</sup>, 2018

#### **Activities**:

Saturday morning centralized start at Evans Towne Center Park – 10:00 a.m. Country side tour of back roads and bridges, approximately 90 miles

Catered lunch at <u>Below Dam South Carolina Recreation Area</u>, South Carolina Winning vehicle awards and presentations

#### **Tour includes**:

2018 MAFCA International Model A Day Patches Catered lunch to be provided at the end of the tour. Cash Prizes and Trophies for  $1^{st}$  through  $3^{rd}$  place Bragging Rights

#### **Details**:

Please return the attached confirmation with payment prior to August 15 to: Kent Carruthers 6942 Moontown Dr. E. Appling, GA 30802 706-564-7304

# Nothing could be finer than touring in a Model A with other MAFCA Members

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#### **Participants and Attendees:**

Assembly will be at Evans Towne Center Park at 10:00 a.m. Please have your vehicle fueled and ready to travel.

Rest facilities are available at the park.

Vehicle mileage for calculations will be taken from "Google Maps" supplied route. Odometer recording will not be required. A "Maps" GPS file will be included.

Shade Tree A Touring Guidelines will be required to be followed, and reviewed prior to commencement.

This is a Tour to view the outstanding scenery, topography of the Savannah River area, and share Model A comradery. Safety is paramount.

End point for the Fuel Economy Tour will be Pollard's Corner. Nonethanol fuel is available. Participating vehicles will have fuel topped off by official designee for all cars.

Tour will conclude at the Below the Dam Park for lunch and presentations. Results will be recorded and tabulated. All decisions are final. In case of ties, driving skill of "closest to the plunger" will determine winners.

It is the pleasure of the Shade Tree A's Model A Club to invite everyone to share this opportunity with other lovers of Henry's creation.

Rain day will be Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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Names:	Number of Guests:				
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Email address	Deliev Number				
Insurance Company	Policy Number			Τ	
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Vehicle Registration/Full Participation				-	
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Participant fee includes lunch and patch		Qty	@15.00	+	
		Total			
Make Checks payable to:				<u> </u>	
Kent Carruthers					
receipts will be provided 706-564-7304					
700-304-7304					
Rain Day will be September 23, 3018					
No refunds will be given 4 weeks prior to I					
No liability is assumed by organizer or the	sponsoring organization.	Participa	tion is		
Voluntary and is in good faith.					
Signature:					

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# THE SHADE TREE A'S – THIRTY YEARS AGO

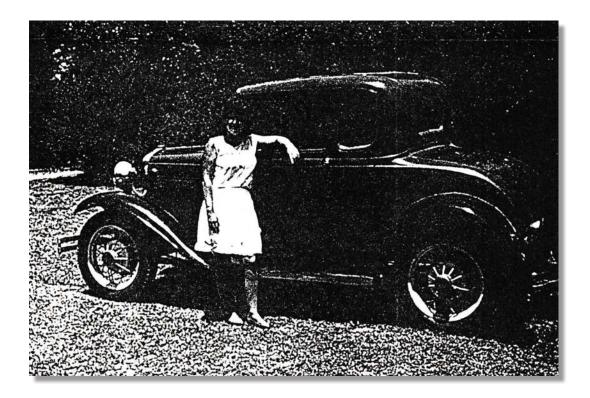


The 1985-2005 Shade Tree A's newsletters are now available on the Shade Tree A's website. They can be accessed via the same "button" as the other newsletters, but they are password protected. The same password used to access the member roster is used to access the newsletters. Thank you Dan Perla for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

The July 1988 issue of the Shade Tree A's Newsletter discussed a recent trip to Maggie Valley. Also mentioned was an upcoming article about the Shade Tree A's in the Augusta Chronicle featuring Club member Gary Stroebel. The following Flea Market Law was also provided:

After searching for a part for months and finally buying it at a Flea Market for much more than it is worth, the identical part will be found at the next vendor's booth at half the price, in better condition.

The front cover of the Newsletter featured the photo below and proclaimed that the Lambert's "actually" drove their Model A and that the car was in "shock" and overheated!



# **Classified Advertisements**

Deadline for submittal - 20<sup>th</sup> of the month - Send submittals to <u>newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org</u>

# **Paid Advertisements**

