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On the Cover

Children line the street to watch the Shade Tree A's in the Gracewood Christmas Parade. More photos on page 8. Cover photo by Syble Henderson

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



At this time of year, I reflect on those things that I am grateful for in my life. One of these things is my association with the great folks of Shade Tree A - folks who are dedicated to driving and restoring Model A Fords. From our officers and board members to EVERY one of you - our members - I thank you. These two years of membership in Shade Tree A have heightened my love for these cars. Again, I thank you.

Our Club has had some successes and a few failures but the trajectory is going in the right direction. Our Christmas party was definitely a success. Everyone in attendance had a great time. Pictures are on the STA.org website. If you were unable to attend, plan on being there next year - you'll be so glad you did!!

January 1st at the Cracker Barrel next to I-20 is our Club's next time together. Be there between 8:00 and 8:30 AM. If you drive your A, you get "extra credit"

Our other event in January is on Saturday the 12th. The Aiken Model A Ford Club has invited us to join them on a tour to Blackville, S.C. for lunch at Miller's Bread Basket, weather permitting. They plan to leave from Aiken at 11:00 a.m. from the corner of Lauren's Street and Barnwell Avenue. Anyone who would like to tour from Augusta to Aiken, please meet at my house (611 Scotts Way, Augusta) no later than 9:00 a.m. We will leave for Aiken promptly at 9:30 a.m. I'll let you know if the Aiken Club cancels due to the weather.

See you on New Year's morning!!

Your president, Matt Barrett

MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2018 Jack Shepard's Country Store

There was no December meeting and, therefore, no meeting minutes this month due to the annual Club Christmas Party at Jack Shepard's Country Store.

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

January

- 1 New Year's Day Breakfast at Cracker Barrel, I-20 and Belair Road, 8:00 AM
- Aiken A's tour to Blackville, S.C. for lunch at Miller's Bread Basket. Depart Matt Barrett's house (611 Scotts Way, Augusta) promptly at 9:30 AM. Meet the Aiken A's in Aiken at the corner of Lauren's Street and Barnwell Avenue at 11:00 AM for departure to Blackville.
- Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage
 (Technical Program Powder coating presented by Jimmy Rivers of JRPW Racing)

February

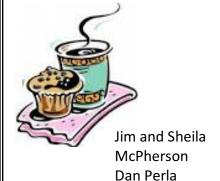
11 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program TBA)

March

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

TBA - To Be Announced

January Refreshments

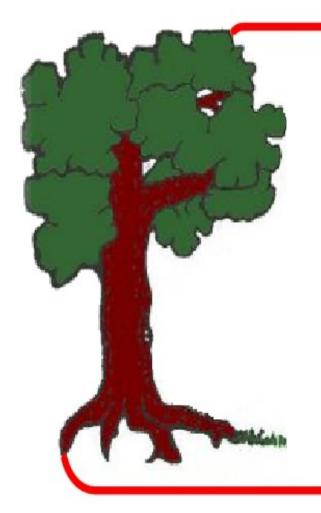




January Birthdays

- 7 Mary Griffin
- 14 Carrie Horner
- 24 Ed Griffin
- 29 Heidi Carruthers
- 31 Jack Horner
- 31 Janet Neumar

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Shade Tree A's Member News

Send items for Shade Tree A's Member News to: newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org

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?

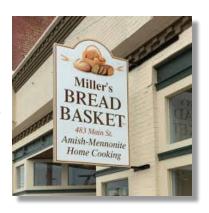
Do you want to volunteer to present a technical program?

If so, contact Darrell Henderson at vp@ShadeTreeAs.org or 706-863-1673

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Lunch at Miller's Bread Basket

The Aiken A's have invited the Shade Tree A's to join them on a tour to Blackville, SC for lunch at Miller's Bread Basket, weather permitting. They plan to leave from Aiken on Saturday, January 12 at 11:00 AM from the corner of Lauren's Street and Barnwell Avenue. Anyone from the Shade Tree A's who would like to tour from Augusta to Aiken, please meet at Matt Barrett's house (611 Scotts Way, Augusta) no later than 9:00 AM. We will leave for Aiken <u>promptly</u> at 9:30 AM. Matt will let everyone know if the Aiken Club cancels due to the weather.



Saturday Menu

Meats: Chicken dressing, fried chicken, meatloaf, pepper steak

Sides: Mashed potatoes, rice, mac-n-cheese, garlic potatoes, sweet potato soufflé, carrots, green beans, cabbage, collard greens, Harvard beets, manager's choice vegetable, brown gravy, stewed tomatoes

Salad Bar: Lots of fresh veggies, chicken salad, broccoli salad and a special salad

Bread: Homemade butternut, cinnamon raisin, white wheat, garlic onion and cheddar cheese

Desserts: Homemade pies, cakes and cobblers!



Dues Time Has Passed!

If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so by the January meeting. The Newsletter mailing list will be updated soon to reflect the current roster.

Hurry up so you don't miss out on Club news and activities.

Dues are \$25. Checks should be made payable to Shade Tree A's and can be mailed to Richard Dunevent or brought to the January meeting.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS New Year's Day Breakfast





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 8:00 AM for good food and fellowship.





RECENT EVENTS

Gracewood Christmas Parade

Photos by Syble Henderson











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Shade Tree A's Christmas Party

Photos by 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 January 1989 issue of the Shade Tree A's Newsletter took on a different format from that used in 1988. The new look is "boxier" with feature articles and announcements contained within boxed areas. The January 1989 Newsletter was also pretty short, only one page. But a quick look ahead shows that this format didn't last long; subsequent Newsletters went back to the prior format and longer length.



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