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On the Cover

The Shade Tree A's enjoy a picnic lunch in Parksville, South Carolina.

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 🤠

All of our club members were touched by the death of our long time member Jim Dover. We all enjoyed his excellent sense of humor and his jokes that were a staple at all our meetings. Jim was a member of our armed forces in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He will be sorely missed.

If you weren't able to join our tour and picnic to Parksville, SC you missed a great time. We met at Wife Saver on Furys Ferry Road, snagged some takeout and proceeded to Parksville for a delicious lunch. Home from there.

We have another new member to announce: Brett Shirey. He will inherit the pickup truck that some of our long time members will remember belonged to Monroe Wade. Brett's wife is Monroe Wade's niece and so the pickup truck will remain in the family. Welcome to our club, Brett !!🚗!!

This Saturday, October 3rd, we will have a tour and picnic to Waynesboro, GA. We will meet at the BiLo parking lot at 10:30 on Peach Orchard Road at Rosier Road. This address is about a mile South of I-520 on Peach Orchard Road. You can bring a picnic from home or you can pick up a meal from a fast food restaurant. There is a park about 2 blocks from the Waynesboro Hospital where we will picnic. Looking forward to a beautiful day with lots of sunshine and fun 😊 Hope to see you there with your "A".

Also, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we have been unable to have our regular monthly meetings for most of this year. Therefore, your board has decided to waive the dues for 2021. So if you have paid your dues for this year, you are set until 2022.

Your President,
Matt Barrett

MEETING MINUTES

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated social distancing requirements, the September 2020 meeting of the Shade Tree A's was cancelled; therefore, there are no meeting minutes.

MONTHLY MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at Richard Dunevent's garage, 4338 Owens Road, Evans, Georgia. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM and are followed by refreshments.

LOOKING AHEAD

Club Calendar

October

3 Shade Tree A's tour and picnic to Waynesboro, Georgia. Meet at 10:30 AM at the BiLo parking lot at Peach Orchard Road and Rosier Road about one mile south of I-520 on Peach Orchard Road. Bring your lunch or pick up a meal at a local fast food restaurant.

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

November

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

December

TBA Shade Tree A's Christmas Party - **Cancelled**

TBA - To Be Announced

October Refreshments



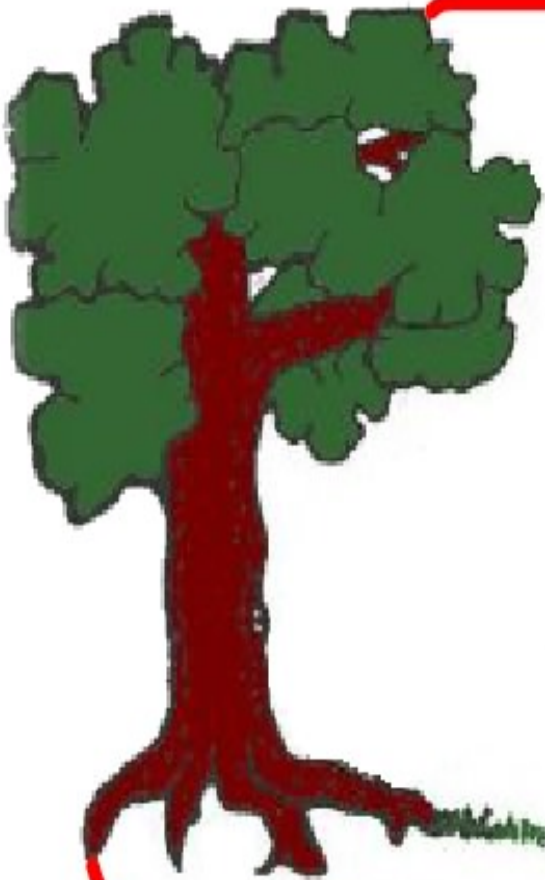
MEETING CANCELLED

October Birthdays



- 2 Leslie Holley
- 3 Shelby Deitz
- 5 Anne Neely Beck
- 7 Syble Henderson
- 8 Suzanne Gordon
- 8 Jim McPherson
- 14 Andrew Morse
- 17 Leta Jones
- 25 Sheila Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Shade Tree A's Member News

- Long time Shade Tree A's member, Jim Dover, passed away September 5, 2020. Jim will be greatly missed. He never failed to have a joke ready to tell at every Shade Tree A's meeting.
- To the best of my knowledge, all members of the Shade Tree A's are faring well during the COVID-19 pandemic. Let's keep it that way and continue to practice social distancing and other recommended protective guidance. Unfortunately, I am personally aware of several people who have family or friends that have or have had this virus. Even more unfortunate, I am aware of several who succumbed to this disease. So please take this seriously and be safe. - Ed.
- Robbie Jones moved his Daddy's 1936 Ford Tudor to his house to finish its restoration.

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



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In Memory of James N. Dover

1924 - 2020

(The following obituary and the article on the next page were published in the *Augusta Chronicle*)

Martinez, GA—CSM James Norman Dover, US Army (Ret), beloved husband of the late Hildegard Dover, entered into rest on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at the residence of his son, Josh. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at the Bellevue Mausoleum Chapel. Entombment will follow the service. Mr. Dover, a native of Clover, SC, was a 27-year veteran of the US Army. He was a paratrooper who served in Europe during World War II, as well as serving two tours in Korea and two tours of Vietnam. He retired with the rank of Command Sergeant Major. After his retirement, he started a new career as founder and operator of Expressway Imports. He is survived by his children, James Dover (Mary Ellen), Joshua Dover (Rebecca), and Richard Dover (Susan), his grandchildren, Julie, Teresa, Stuart and Evan, and his brother and sister, Robert Dover (Caroline) and Alice Robinson. He was preceded in death by his wife, Hildegard, and his daughter, Diana Joan Peters.



If so desired, memorial contributions may be made to Encompass Hospice, 37 Varden Drive, Aiken, SC, 29803 or to the Shriners Hospital for Children at www.shrinershospitalforchildren.org. The family will receive friends at Platt's Funeral Home, Belair Road Chapel on Friday evening, September 11, 2020 from 6:00 until 8:00 PM. Please sign the guestbook and send condolences at www.plattsfuneralhome.com. Sign the guestbook at AugustaChronicle.com/obits.



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Evans veteran Jim Dover recalls D-Day invasion 75 years later

By Jozsef Papp

(Published June 5, 2019 in the *Augusta Chronicle*)

Jim Dover served 28 years in the Army, a time that spanned World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

Dover was only 18 in 1943 when he enlisted as World War II dragged on in Europe and the Pacific. He joined the paratroopers, and a year later he would be at one of the most important days in history and a tipping point in the war.

Thursday marks the 75th anniversary of D-Day, the invasion by Allied troops on the beaches of France on June 6, 1944. Dover, now 95, went to Europe in 1944 when his training was completed. He was part of the 101st Airborne Division and one of the thousands of American troops that landed in Normandy on that day.

"We jumped out of one plane called a C47, a cargo plane. It had one door to jump out of," Dover said. "The plane was set up, it had a bench down each side. There (was) 12 seats for 12 men on each side." He said he remembers too much about that day. He was on the left side of the plane and was with the first group of 12 men to jump. The plane was supposed to go over the drop zone, group one would jump, then it would circle back and the second group would jump. However, the plane never circled back. "It was shot down," Dover said.

On the ground, the paratroopers assembled and formed two rifle squad and a machine gun squad before starting to fight. Dover said almost everyone got hit. They fought, but losing those 12 men still sticks with him.

"We did what we had to do to survive," he said. "Losing 12 men is not something you are going to forget overnight."

It is estimated more than 160,000 Allied troops landed at Normandy, which included 73,000 Americans. By the end of the day, it is estimated that 10,000 servicemen from all sides were killed, wounded and missing in action.

Dover feels lucky he survived. "I felt lucky. I guess that is the main thing," he said. "I felt lucky and glad it was over with."

Following the battle in Normandy, Dover said his group remained in Europe. It was on his 21st birthday when they heard the news that the war was over.

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"It ended on my 21st birthday. We were near Austria, we had already crossed Germany. We were near the Austrian border," Dover said. "We had a party."

After the war, he stayed in the Army rather than go back home to a farm in North Carolina. He was sent to Austria and assigned to Gen. Mark Clark's headquarters in Vienna for four years. It was during his time in Vienna that he met his wife of 69 years, Hildegard Dover.

Dover served two combat tours in Korea and was awarded a battlefield commission in 1952. He became a sergeant major after the Korean War. He also served in Vietnam before having to medically retire after 28 years in the Army. He was disappointed because he planned on staying for 30 years.

"When I first came back from Vietnam, the second time, I was hospitalized at Norfolk Navy Hospital for 7 1/2 months," Dover said. "I woke up in the Navy and I said, 'What the hell am I doing in the Navy, I'm in the Army.' Then, they transferred me to Fort Gordon and processed me out."

He arrived at Fort Gordon in 1971. It took him some time to adjust to civilian life, but he now resides in Evans with his wife.

For him, he will always remember the camaraderie during his time in the Army, even if friends were only temporary at times. He still wears a hat which commemorates the wars he fought in to remember his friends.

At 95, he said he would do it all over again.

"Under the same circumstances, if we had the same world we live in, yes, I would have done the same thing if the situation was the same," he said.



RECENT EVENTS

Shade Tree A's Tour To Parksville, South Carolina

September 19, 2020

(Photos by Matt Barrett and Robbie Jones)

The Shade Tree A's headed back to the lakeside picnic area in Parksville, South Carolina to enjoy a picnic lunch and an opportunity to get the Model A's on the road. Seven Model A's, drivers and passengers gathered at the Wife Saver restaurant to pick up lunch before departure. Shade Tree A's members on the tour were Matt Barrett, Richard Dunevent and Darren Riley, Larry Duvall, Darrell and Syble Henderson, Robbie Jones, Frank Knapp, and Charles Weaver and his Father Charles Sr. Dan Perla met everybody there in his "modern" vehicle.



RECENT EVENTS



FUN STUFF

Can you find all seven things that are different in the pictures below? Answers are on the next page.

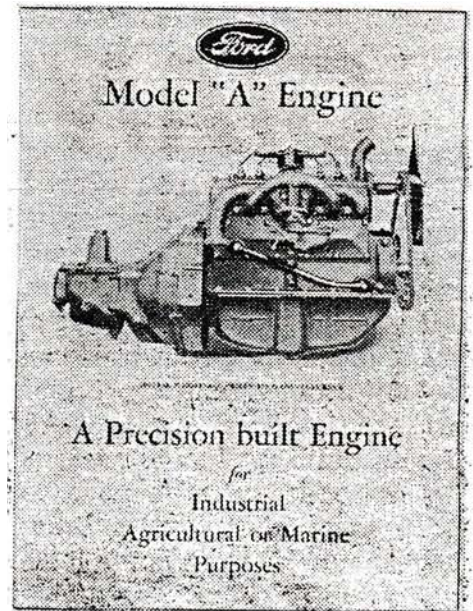
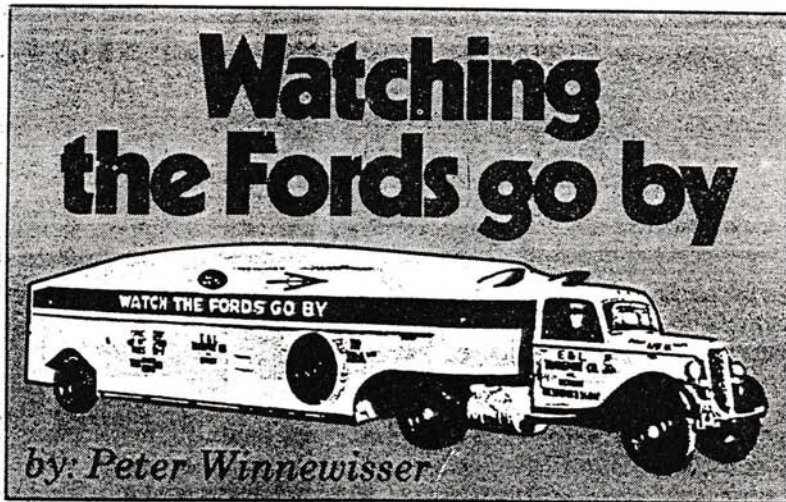


THE SHADE TREE A'S – THIRTY YEARS AGO



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 October 1990 issue of the *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* discussed the upcoming Halloween Rod Run in Augusta. Also, Monroe Wade reported on an upcoming tour to Charleston, South Carolina. Eighteen to twenty people responded that they were interested in going on the trip. Several vintage ads for Model A parts and cars were included in the *Newsletter*. An article on industrial Model A engines was also included.



1. Sign on right side of road is missing.
2. Quail radiator cap is missing.
3. Car added.
4. White line on side of road is missing.
5. Bush added to left side of road.
6. Shadow on right side is different.
7. Trees in upper right are different.

Answers to photo puzzle

TECHNICAL TOPICS

Jim's Tech Tip by Jim Cannon

Installing A New Fuel Line

When installing a new fuel line between the sediment bowl and the carburetor, you want to get the little brass ferrule locked down on the tubing about 1/8" from the end of the tubing. It is difficult to see where the ferrule is located on the tubing, though, when the end is inside the carburetor or the sediment bowl. Here's my little trick to getting it where you want it.

On the bench, before installing anything on the car, slip the tube nut and ferrule on the end of the fuel line like it will be installed on the car. See the photo. Place the ferrule on the tubing with 1/8" of tubing showing on the end. Gently press the nut up against the ferrule and mark that location with a little piece of masking tape.

Now when you install the tubing on the carburetor or sediment bowl, you hold the tubing in so that the tape is right at the edge of the nut while you tighten the nut. When the ferrule gets clamped down on the tubing, it will be in the right spot. You can take it apart to check.

I apply a few drops of oil to the threads of the nut and to the ferrule when tightening it all up for the first time, to help everything turn smoothly as it's being clamped in place. Teflon tape should not be needed on these tube nuts and ferrules; they are designed to seal with just the nut being tightened. It does not hurt to put a thin film on non-hardening sealant on the ferrule, though, before installing, for extra protection against weeping fuel.

I hope this helps the installation of your next fuel line easier. Have a Model A Day! Jim



Member Advertisements

Deadline for submittal – 20th of the month – Send submittals to newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org

- Original Model A Instruction Books (Owner’s Manual). Prices based on condition, \$25 to \$195. Don Turley, Call 706-863-4867, leave a message and I will return your call. Or email don@donturley.com

- Engine stand: free to a good home.
Luggage rack: some rust, some repair needed, paint and have a functional rack for touring, \$50
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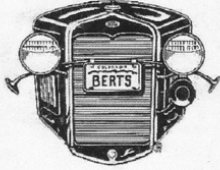
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