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On the Front Cover

Andrew Morse, Chairman of the 2021 Monroe Wade Award Committee, presents the 2021 Monroe Wade Award to Don Turley. Congratulations Don! Photo by Matt Barrett.

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 (www.mafca.com) and the Model A Restorer's Club (www.model-a-ford.org) 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

Jim McPherson - President

We began 2022 with a GREAT program by Ray and Terri Besch on their trip to Alaska and the Arctic Circle in their Model A, and an unequaled Tech Session presented by Eric Shogren, owner of Guben's Garage, on brakes. About twenty members attended and four drove their Model A's Following the seminar, the brakes on Steve Spencer's 1930 Coupe were adjusted, giving us a hands on experience. Several Club members brought brake tools they had made when rebuilding the brakes on their Model A. The Club provided lunch. THANKS to Sheila for the preparation.

Eric takes center stage again in March, presenting our program on Model A touring rules using our recently updated Touring Guidelines. Copies will be handed out at the meeting. Keep them in the door pocket of your Model A for quick reference. Then on Thursday March 17th we'll gather at the James Brown Arena for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Line-up begins at 1 o'clock with the parade beginning at 2. Don't forget to wear green and decorate your Model A. Let's all try and out do Matt! Tour Director Charlie Weaver has arranged a fantastic first tour for 2022. We will meet at Richard's garage at 10 o'clock and tour to North Augusta for lunch at the historic and renovated Sno-Cap Drive-In. We will then tour to Graniteville and the home of Bruce Hager to view his antique car collection and car and filling station memorabilia. Bruce has a fantastic collection of cars and trucks, pedal cars, gas pumps, air pumps, signs and other car and filling station items. If your Model A is ailing, come modern, but don't miss this tour. It is nothing like what we have ever done in the past.

The Board of Directors have been working on a number of items. THANKS to Dan Perla for his efforts on the new name tags. We have revised and approved the Touring Guidelines. The Club Library is getting some needed attention, THANKS to Darrell Henderson. This is a great resource newer members may not be aware of. The By-Laws and The Policies and Procedures have been updated and will soon be sent to you for your input and approval at a future meeting. Robbie Jones is doing a fantastic job on the Newsletter. You can help by providing an article about your Model A, or a repair you have made.

Jim McPherson, President

MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2022 Richard's Garage Respectfully submitted: Frank Knapp – Secretary

The monthly meeting of The Shade Tree A's was held February 14, 2022 in the clubhouse meeting room at Richard Dunevent's garage. President Jim McPherson brought the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Twenty-nine members and two guests were in attendance.

Keeping with tradition, John Neumar entertained the group with our "Joke of the Month". Also, in his role as Vice President, John advised the group he has been hard at work planning future programs for monthly meetings.

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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.

MEETING MINUTES

Continued

Treasurer's Report:

Stuart Smith reported only three payments were made during January. Those included clubhouse rental, MARC Region renewal fee and payment for the past president's gift. Otherwise, our treasury remains solvent. A motion was made from the floor to accept the Treasurer's Report and Minutes from both the November 2021 and January Board of Director's meetings as published in *The Newsletter*. That motion received a second and passed by unanimous vote.

National Director Matt Barrett brought along the last two MAFFI monthly newsletters for members to review.

Newsletter Editor:

No report was given due to the absence of our editor Robbie Jones. Unfortunately, a positive COVID test affected one of his family members. I am happy to report, as of this writing, all is well.

Under Old Business:

Andrew Morse, MWA Chairman, announced Don Turley as this year's Monroe Wade Award recipient for his outstanding dedication to the advancement of the Model A hobby. Don has not only been very active in our local club for many years, but National Clubs as well. Congratulations Don!

Dan Perla presented Past President Matt Barrett with a copy of *The Ford Model A "As Henry Built It"* (Fifth Edition) for his tenure as President over the past three years. The Shade Tree A's thank Matt for a job well done!

Under New Business:

President Jim reminded the group of our upcoming Saturday Tech Session to be held at Richard Dunevent's shop on Saturday, February 26th. Eric Shogren will discuss Model A brake problems at that event.

Technical Program:

Without a doubt, the highlight of our meeting was the excellent program presentation by our two special guests, Ray and Terrie Besch from the Southside A's Model A Club. During the summer of 2011, Ray and Terrie left Atlanta in their 31' Model A Coupe for a 44 day, 11,609 mile trip to Alaska and The Arctic Circle and back.

Thanks to their very impressive Power Point presentation, our group was entertained with a very detailed description of their unbelievable trip. According to Ray, the couple Left Atlanta on June 1st returning on July 14th after traveling through 19 states, 3 provinces and 2 countries while burning a total of 563 gallons of gasoline! Ray recalled several breakdowns from a simple points adjustment to a total engine replacement while Terrie pointed out the many interesting sights, restaurants and wildlife they enjoyed along the way.

Big thanks to Ray and Terrie for accepting our invitation to travel from Peachtree City to Augusta for our meeting program.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M. Refreshments provided by Jim and Sheila McPherson and Dan Perla included a very tasty dessert dish of huge brownies topped with a mega scoop of vanilla ice cream! Delicious! Thanks guys!

Respectfully Submitted: Frank Knapp, Secretary

CLUB CALENDAR

Shade Tree A's Events

March

- Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program Shade Tree A's Touring Guidelines presented by Eric Shogren)
- St. Patrick's Day parade, Augusta, GA, gather at the James Brown Arena at 1:00 PM, the parade begins at 2:00 PM
- Tour to Sno-Cap Drive-In for lunch and to the antique car collection of Bruce Hager in Graniteville, SC, meet at Richard's garage at 10:00 AM

<u>April</u>

- Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program Ford's Efforts in World War II, presented by Steve Teal)
- 23 Saturday Tech Session, *Horns*, presented by Jim McPherson

May

9 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program - How's It Made: The Shade Tree A's Newsletter, presented by Robbie Jones)

Every Wednesday at 11:30

Join the Shade Tree A's for lunch at Cicis Pizza on Wheeler Road

TBA - To Be Announced

Other Events of Interest

March

- 18-19 Model A Ford Meet hosted by the Central Alabama Model A Ford Club, Oxford. AL, tour the Barber Motorsports Museum, drive the Talladega Super Speedway, contact Gerald Grizzard (gfireman52@aol.com)
- 26 Palmetto A's Annual Picnic, Lexington, SC

April

- 7-9 AACA Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC
- 7-10 Charlotte AutoFair and Swap Meet, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Charlotte, NC
- 15-16 Old 96 District Model A Club Swap Meet, Greenwood, SC

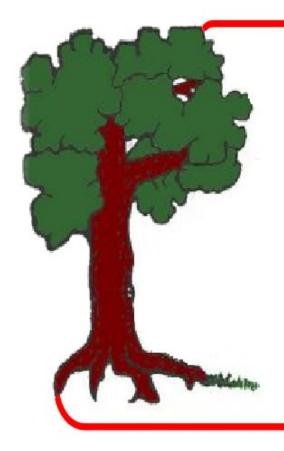
May

- 13-14 Model A and T Swap Meet, Luray, VA
- 19-21 AACA Grand Nationals, Virginia Beach, VA
- 21 Magnolia Ridge Antique & Arts Festival Car Display

June

- 5-10 MARC National Meet
- 12-17 MAFCA National Convention, Kerrville, TX
- 24-25 Palmetto A's Swap Meet at Smith and Jones, Columbia, SC

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Shade Tree A's Member News

• Congratulations to Don Turley for receiving the Monroe Wade Award for 2021!

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



Refreshment Schedule

March

John Neumar, Doug Wilson

April

Jerry Lyda

May

Don Gordon



March Birthdays

- 3 Caitlin Martin
- 20 Dan Perla
- 21 Darrell Henderson
- 25 Curtis Krosting
- 29 Doug Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Monroe Wade Award

At the February monthly meeting, Don Turley was presented with the Monroe Wade Award for 2021. The text of the presentation introducing Don as the recipient is included below.

This year's recipient of the Monroe Wade Award has been a long time member and past president of the Shade Tree A's. Many members of the Shade Tree A's have relied upon his expertise and assistance when restoring their cars. His knowledge and expertise has qualified him to judge in national shows since 1992 and to obtain the title of Master Judge in MAFCA Blue Ribbon Fine Point Judging and Senior Judge in MARC [Don is actually a Master Judge in MARC also, Ed.]. He was also selected to serve on the MARC Judging Standards Committee in 2005.

He has been generous in sharing his knowledge through the effort of the Model A Ford Foundation. He assembled and donated a set of tools for display at the MAFFI museum and was also instrumental in providing the custom cabinetry for the display. He has helped ensure the Model A hobby is passed along to the next generation by assisting a young man in the restoration of his own Model A. He went out of the way to coordinate the engine rebuild for the young man's car including personally delivering the engine to the young man who lives in another state. He has shared his knowledge with the Shade Tree A's through presentations at monthly meetings.

He has participated in numerous tours with the Shade Tree A's over the years and has demonstrated the reliability and drivability of the Model A automobile by driving great distances. These trips included driving his Model A from his home in Evans in 1990 to the Model A Restorer's Club National Meet in Dearborn, Michigan.

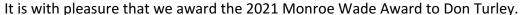




Photo by Dan Perla

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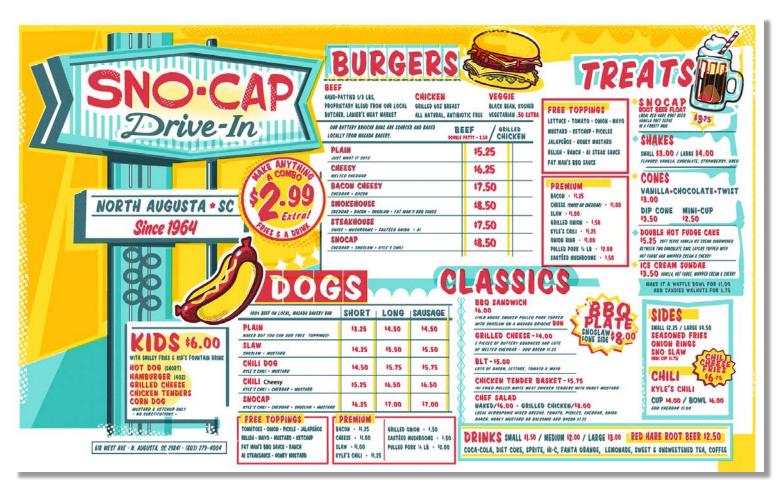
Shade Tree A's Tour Sno-Cap Drive-In and Antique Car Collection

The Shade Tree A's are touring to lunch at the Sno-Cap Drive-In in North Augusta, SC on Saturday, March 19, 2022. After lunch we will tour to Graniteville, SC to view the antique car collection of Bruce Hager. Bruce also has an extensive collection of automotive and service station memorabilia including pedal cars, gas pumps, air pumps, signs and other car and filling station items. This is one you don't want



to miss, so if you have to drive your modern car be sure to join us.

Meet at Richard's garage at 10:00 AM on Saturday, March 19, 2022



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16th Annual

All Model A Parts Swap Meet Old 96 District Model A Club

314 Old Mount Mariah Road • Greenwood, SC 29646 (On Rt. 221 Between 25 and Rt. 225)

April 15 - 16, 2022

Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday 8:00 AM - UNTIL



MODEL A DISPLAY AREA

Admission

\$2.00 per adult

Car Corral

\$10 for both days

Vendor Space

\$25.00 per-registration

\$30.00 at the gate

Lunch will be available

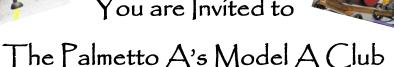
Door Prizes & 50 / 50 drawing daily

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You are Invited to



27th Annual Picnic

St James Lutheran Church

1358 South Lake Drive in Lexington

Saturday, March 26, 2022

10:00 - 3:30 (lunch at noon)

Bring a picnic + some to share and drinks for your family

Covered picnic shelter with tables for a relaxed lunch Car games with prizes, bring your chairs!

50/50

Raffle Prizes

Silent Auction

For more information email John Cockerill at johntwilac@yahoo.com or Cheryl Austin at daustin002@sc.rr.com



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Message from the MAFCA President



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March 2022

I'd like to use this months letter as a reminder of things to come. First and foremost, I would like to encourage you to renew your membership in MAFCA for 2022. It is critical so we can send your Restorer out with the bulk mailing each time. Second, I need your help as we work to grow our club. As I stated last month, we are reaching younger folks through our social media efforts. I would like to encourage you to talk about the club. Let the Model A Ford become your brand by wearing our hats and clothing items. As you do you will find people who will share their experiences with the Model A.

We are holding our National Convention this June 12 through 17th in Kerrville Texas. I am looking forward to experiencing the Texas Hill Country as presented by our host Chapter the Alamo A's. There is so much wonderful history in the area from the River Walk to the Alamo. I'm told that some of the best Model A Roads are there so be prepared for some great country touring. I'm looking forward to the Era Fashions show, the Fine Point Judging and of course the Restoration Class Evaluations. There will be something there for everyone. You can find registration forms on the front page of our website, www.mafca.com. I would like to thank the many fine members of the Texas Clubs who are contributing to the success of this event.

Our board of directors have decided to move the printing of our National Roster book ahead by one year. I am excited to see this book revised as it is a useful tool. I use mine many times a week as I help new members find Model A Club members in their area. It is also a must book to have when long distance touring. It was very helpful to our group when we drove from Maine to California last year.

Lastly in our board meeting our membership director, John LaVoy had his selection for the National Nominating Committee approved. They will be conducting a nationwide search for members to run for election to the 2023-2024 Board. Please contact John at membership@mafca.com if you have a desire to serve as a director of MAFCA.

I'm looking forward to seeing you soon, Happy Motoring, Jay McCord

RECENT EVENTS

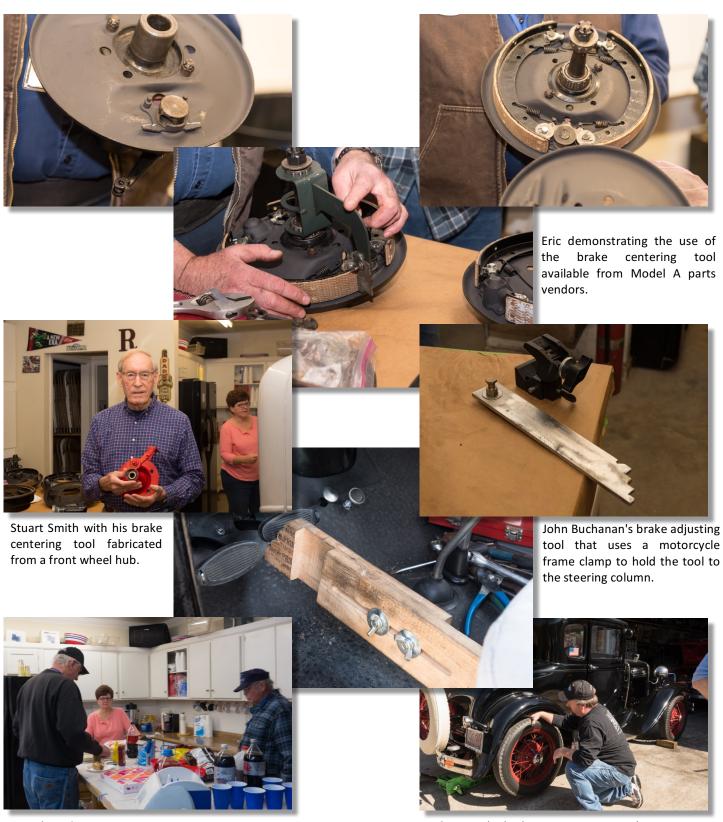
Saturday Technical Session Yes, Your Model A Can Stop on a Dime...Learn How

(Story and photos by Robbie Jones)

Eric Shogren presented an outstanding technical program on Model A brakes for the first Saturday Technical Session of the year. The technical session was held at Richard's garage on March 26, 2022. If you missed it, you missed out on a lot of great information on probably the most important system of our Model A's. Eric covered the design, operation, maintenance and rebuilding of Model A brakes from "front to rear". Eric discussed the tools needed to service Model A brakes and what to look for when inspecting them. Several members also brought tools they have made for adjusting the brakes on their own cars. Many common areas of wear to parts that often need replacement were covered during the technical session. Adjustment of the brakes were discussed including proper alignment of the various brake levers and centering of the brake shoes. After the tabletop presentation was complete, the group headed outside to adjust the brakes on Steve Spencer's Coupe. Everyone enjoyed a lunch provided by the Club and prepared by Sheila McPherson. Thank you Eric and Sheila!



RECENT EVENTS



Good eats!

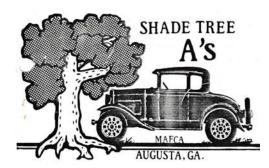
Adjusting the brakes on Steve Spencer's Coupe.

MODEL A ERA FASHION AND STYLE Men's Hats

Era fashions aren't just for women; check out these hat styles for men during the Model A era.



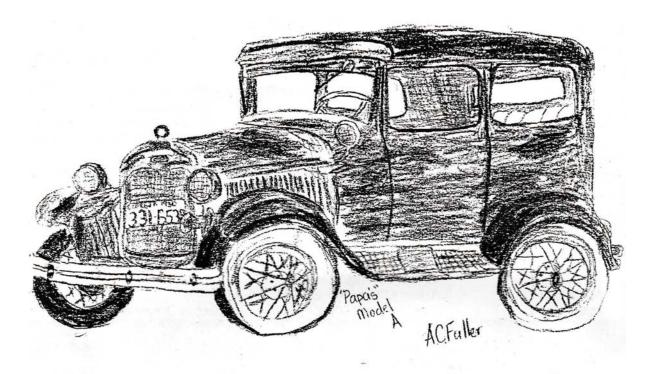
THE SHADE TREE A'S - THIRTY YEARS AGO



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 March 1992 issue of the *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* includes an interview with Monroe Wade, "The Model A Guru". How appropriate since we just presented the 2021 Monroe Wade Award to Don Turley. Be sure to check this one out.

Also in the Newsletter were more reports of new old car acquisitions by Frank Knapp and restoration progress by Richard Dunevent, Frank Knapp and Jim McPherson. An appeal to "Pull 'Em!" was made by Larry Komp to remove your starter motor to check the bolts on the Bendix drive.



Anna Fuller is the Grand Daughter of Monroe and Betty Wade. Along with Susan Stroebel, she is a regular contributer to the Performing Arts Programs of our club as well as the Visual Arts.

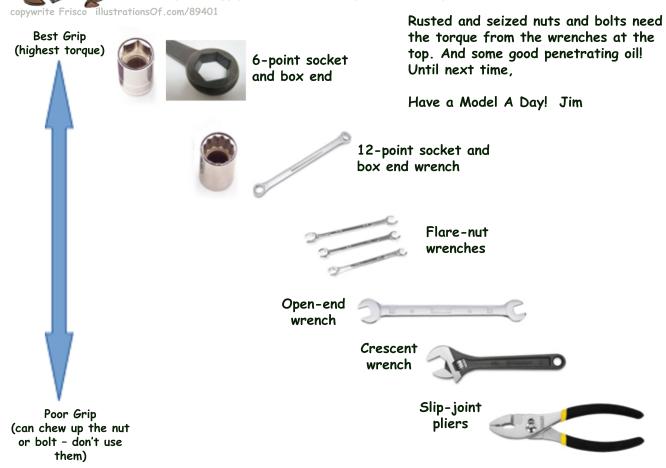
TECHNICAL TOPICS

Jim's technical tip by Jim Cannon,



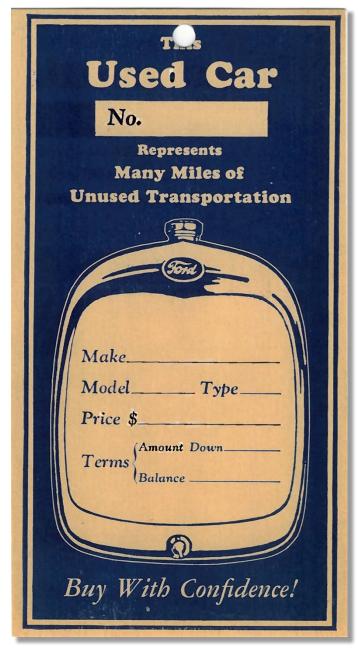
"The Right Tool for the Job" - Part 1

I've been working with a new Model A mechanic lately, which reminded me of some basics on choosing the right tool for the job. Today we talk about choosing wrenches and sockets for use on nuts and bolts. The thing that determines your choice is how well you need to grip the hex, to allow you to apply the torque (twist) you need... and your access to the nut or bolt head.

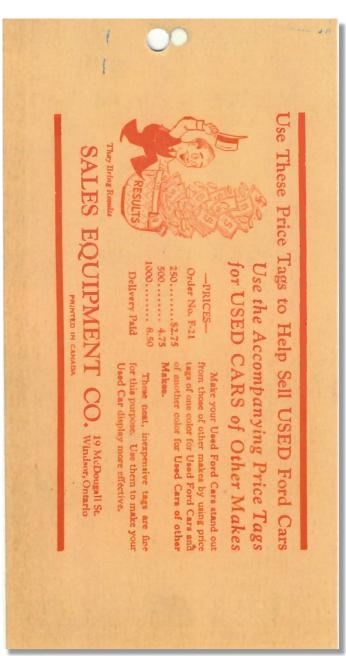


TECHNICAL TOPICS

If you purchased a used Model A back in the day, it may have included this tag hanging from the rear view mirror. Thanks to Jim McPherson for providing these images.



Front Side



Back Side

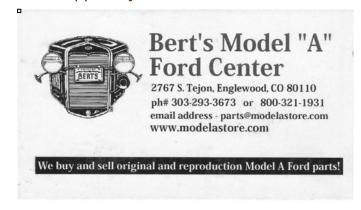
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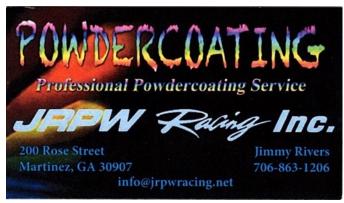


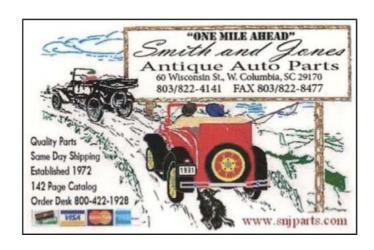












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