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#### On the Front Cover

The Shade Tree A's gathered at the usual spot for a short drive to Cracker Barrel for breakfast. After breakfast it was another short drive to the new Northern Tool store to check out their offerings. Photo by Matt Barrett. Story and 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 (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 had a good turnout for our annual August dinner meeting at Sconyer's BBQ, and Tour Director Charlie Weaver provided us with a unique summer tour, breakfast at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant and a tour to Northern Tool to see their tool and supply offerings, all of which provided us with an exceptional day. I think everyone found something they didn't know they needed or couldn't live without.

At the September meeting, Dan Perla will present the program on vacuum windshield wiper motors. Then, for our International Model A Day Tour, we will tour individually to the Polish N Parts Car Show in the James Brown Arena parking lot on Saturday September 17th. You do not have to enter your Model A in the show to receive your International Model A Day patch, just drive your Model A to the event. I will be there at 9 o'clock to greet you and give you your patch. You can view the cars on display and shop the swap meet. We have participated in this event previously when it was held at Daniel Field. For those who want to eat breakfast, we will eat at the Sunrise Grill at 7:30. This will give us enough time to eat and get to the car show by 9 AM.

It is my pleasure to appoint Pat Riley as Curator of the Wayne Ready Memorial Library and Club Historian. Darrell Henderson performed wonders refurbishing and improving the Library cabinet. Pat will now get the books, magazines, and pictures in order, and see if we need to make any additions to the Library. Let Pat know if there is a book or other Model A resource you would like to see in the Library.

A new year will be here soon, and that means the election of new Officers and Board members is not far away. I have appointed Darrell Henderson as Chairman of the Election Committee. Members of the Committee include Jim McPherson and Dan Perla. If you would like to be an Officer, Board Member, Tour Director, or National Director, contact Darrell or any Board Member. Nominations are due to the Secretary by the 15th of October.

I am looking forward to seeing each of you at our next meeting.

Jim

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

There was no August meeting of the Shade Tree A's due to the annual Bar-B-Que dinner at Sconyers; 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.

#### NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The e-mail address for Jim McPherson has changed:

FROM @mail.mil

TO @health.mil

Please make this change so we can remain in contact.

#### **CLUB CALENDAR**

#### Shade Tree A's Events

#### September

- Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program *TriCo Wiper Motor-Inside and Out*, presented by Dan Perla)
- 17 International Model A Ford Day, the Shade Tree A's will participate in the Polish N Parts Car Show (see below), meetup and driving details later

#### **October**

- Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program *The Hershey Experience*, presented by Andrew Morse and Dan Perla)
- Saturday Technical Session Shade Tree A's Club Swap Meet, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at Andrew Morse's shop, 1818 Augusta Hwy (Hwy. 278), Dearing, GA. Lunch will be served. Rain date October 29.

#### **November**

Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program - *The Model AA Truck Collection of Steve Teal*, presented by Steve Teal))

#### **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

#### <u>September</u>

- 3rd Annual Model A Yard Sale, 120 Stokes Rd, Greenwood, SC. Hosted by Warren Reynolds
- Palmetto A's and Low Country A's lunchtime IMAD celebration at the Lone Star BBQ restaurant, 2212 State Park Road, Santee, SC. Contact John Cockerill by September 17 if you plan to attend.
- Polish N Parts Car Show, 9 AM to 3 PM, James Brown Arena 7<sup>th</sup> street parking lot (rain date September 18)

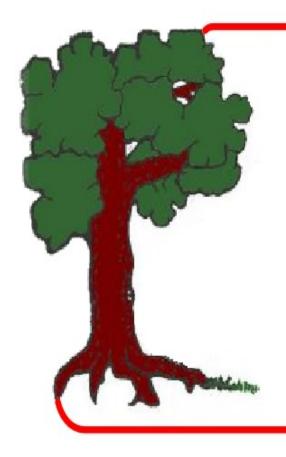
#### October

3-7 AACA Eastern Fall National, Hershey, PA (note the schedule change for this year - Monday through Friday)

#### December

5-8 2022 Model A Ford Club of America National Awards Banquet, Golden, CO

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### Shade Tree A's Member News

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



### Refreshment Schedule

#### **September**

Frank Knapp, Richard Dunevent, Darrell Henderson

**October** 

**Charlie Weaver Sr. and Charlie** 

Weaver Jr.

**November** 

**Kenny Adkins, Darren Riley** 



## September Birthdays

- 5 Janice Lyda
- 11 Gail Smith
- 16 Stephanie Bray
- 28 Ernie Dinkins

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**









James Brown Arena 7th Street Parking Lot 601 7th Street Augusta, GA 30901 Sept 17th 2022

9 am to 3 pm Rain Date Oct 18th \$15.00 PREREGISTER \$20.00 DAY OF SHOW

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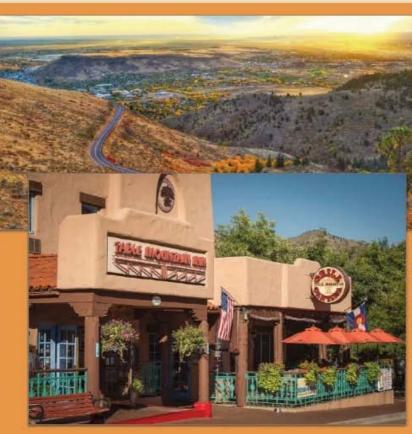


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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2022 National Awards Banquet December 5-8 Golden, Colorado







Join us in beautiful Golden, Colorado at the Table Mountain Inn.

Visit Clear Creek History Park, the Buffalo Bill Museum, the Colorado Railroad Museum, the Coors Brewery, the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, and The Clive Cussler Museum.

Something for everyone!





## RECENT EVENTS Shade Tree A's Annual Dinner Meeting

Story by Jim McPherson Photos by Darrell Henderson

The Shade Tree A's held their annual dinner meeting on Thursday, August 18th at Sconyer's BBQ. We had a good turnout and enjoyed an evening of fellowship, and discussing our Model A's. Some long time members attending who we haven't seen in a while were Billy (a Shade Tree A's Founding Member) and Pat Hughes, Betty Wade, and Deborah Fuller.



# RECENT EVENTS Shade Tree A's Annual Dinner Meeting

Continued



#### **RECENT EVENTS**

#### **Shade Tree A's Summer Breakfast and Tour**

Story by Jim McPherson Photos by Matt Barrett

Tour Director Charlie Weaver came up with a unique tour for those hot summer days, breakfast and a short tour. We met in the Food Lion parking lot on Belair Road, then toured to the Cracker Barrel Restaurant for breakfast. After breakfast, we toured to the new Northern Tool to see what they had to offer. Most ended up adding to their tool or supply stash. While their brands were limited as compared to other businesses it was felt the quality was a step better. Those attending, and driving their antique car, included Matt Barrett in his 1930 Tudor Sedan, Richard Dunevent in his 1930 De Luxe Fordor Sedan, Darrell and Syble Henderson in their 1930 Tudor Sedan, Andrew Morse in his 1956 Ford, Dan Perla in his 1931 slant windshield Cabriolet, Stuart smith in his 1929 Tudor Sedan, Steve Spencer in his 1930 Coupe, and Charlie and Charlie Sr. Weaver in their 1931 slant windshield Town Sedan. Those attending using alternative modes of transportation included Larry DuVall, Frank Knapp, Jim and Sheila McPherson, and Darren Riley.









#### **MODEL A ERA FASHION AND STYLE**

#### "Fall is Just Around the Corner"

By Patti Jones, Model A Restorer's Club of Arizona

As Winter is fast approaching, I'd like to show the styles of women's daytime coats from 1928-1931. During the Model A era, women's fashion styles changed dramatically in just those 4 years. Paris and New York were the style centers that dictated the most up to date chic styles that the modern era woman would wear. Generally, 1928-1929, the styles were boxy and straight across the bottom hems with no distinct waistline in dresses. Also, during these two years, dress hemlines were shorter than the early 20's. When the stock market crashed in 1929, so too did the hemlines. They became a little shorter, and many styles had uneven hemlines, or handkerchief sides to give the styles more flair.

Coats in 1928-1929 had hemlines that generally were straight across the front. Some did have thin belts, but some followed the dress fashions of 1929 by having flairs on either side of the coat. Many coats during our era had no buttons but were held shut by the wearer. Furs often trimmed the collars and sleeves in a wide variety of skins. Intricate detailing on the coat was often done with piping, trims, pleats, embroidery, etc. Also note that these coats are just barely covering any dress worn under it.



1928-1929

Compare the 1928-29 coat lengths to the 1930-31 lengths. By 1930, coat hemlines dropped drastically...at least 3 inches from 1928-1929. Waist bands in dresses were beginning to be shown in many fashion houses as well as coats during 1930. Fur trimmed coats continued on in 1930, as well as in 1931. Cape collars were starting to become popular in coats, just like the bertha collars in many of our dresses. Fabrics like wool, tweed, plush, and twill were used for winter coats. Being for winter, coats tended to be fully lined, many in heavy silk satin for warmth. Heavier coats often had padded inner linings for those colder climates. Style, detailing, and fur enhancements continued in 1930. Full fur coats were also very popular during all 4 years, but there were very few styles that were belted. Most used buttons or hook and eyes to keep the fronts closed.

#### **MODEL A ERA FASHION AND STYLE**



1930

In 1931 it appears that hemlines dropped even further, possibly another 2 inches. Belts became wider and bolder in appearance on coats. Raglan/dolman sleeves were becoming more prevalent in fashions as well as coats. Fabrics still remained the same in all 4 years as well as coats being trimmed in all kinds of animal pelts.



1931

Matching your "Outer Wear" year to your major garment will enhance your outfit when being judged. Remember that "texture" is key. An example would be a heavy fabric of your major garment would go with any of these coats. A wool, heavy crepe and velvet would be suggested. A fine silk, georgette, or light crepe would be too light for these heavy winter coats.

Montgomery Wards, Spring/Summer 1929

Altman, Fall/Winter 1930

McCall's, May 1930

McCall's Style News, November 1931

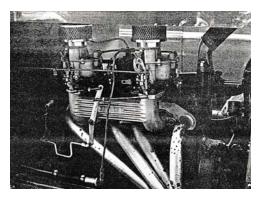
Cowie Fur Company, 1931

#### THE SHADE TREE A'S - THIRTY YEARS AGO

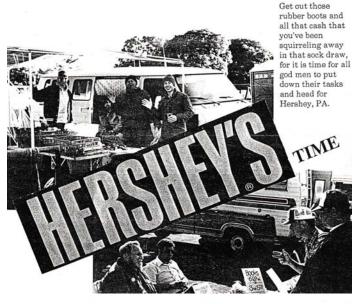


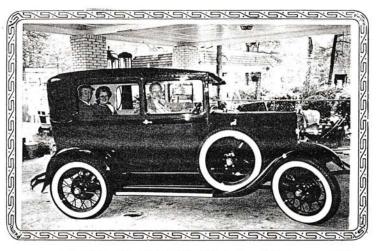
The 1985-2005 Shade Tree A's *Newsletters* are now available on the Shade Tree A's website. They can be accessed via the same "button" as the other *Newsletters*, but they are password protected. The same password used to access the member roster is used to access the *Newsletters*. Thank you Dan Perla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

The September 1992 issue of the *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* included long awaited photos from the tour to Redcliffe Plantation the previous May and words of anticipation for the upcoming trek to Hershey. Leonard and Ellen Hill were congratulated for winning an AACA Senior Award. An announcement was also made welcoming four new members to the Shade Tree A's. A book review for *Automotive Body and Fender Repairs* was also included. Upcoming shows and tours included the Halloween Rod Run. Remember that one? A reprint of a newspaper article submitted by Don Turley about a Model A still



going strong after 60 years was included as well. And it seems the new Burtz block is not the only replacement Model A block made; an ad for the aluminum Donovan Engineering block finished out the September 1992 Newsletter.





A SENIOR CAR!

## DONOVAN

The Hybrid Replacement for the Ford Model-B Block (1932-1934) and Ford Model-A Block (1928-1931)!

The Donovan Model "D"

## TECHNICAL TOPICS Troubleshooting an Exhaust Leak

Story and photos by Eric Shogren

I've been chasing an exhaust leak on this car. The muffler clamp has been done a couple of times. There are no cracks in the exhaust manifold. But there are three holes in the top of the exhaust manifold. The two at either end are to hold a heater box on. I had completely ignored the third hole. Turns out someone had drilled through the top of the manifold. It was probably for an exhaust whistle. I found the leak by putting my finger above the hole while idling. I found the hole was just under 5/16". So I drilled it out to 5/16 inch and tapped it with a 1/8-inch pipe thread and used a 1/8-inch pipe plug. I went with a pipe thread to get a better seal. Time will tell if under those high heat conditions if the dissimilar metals will lead to accelerated corrosion or cracking of the manifold due to different rates of expansion.



#### **Member Advertisements**

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

#### **FOR SALE**

Larry Brumfield head. Pictures available. Bought several years ago from Larry Brumfield. Head was trued two years ago. Came as a 5.2, not certain after leaving the machine shop, runs good. All original paper work, \$300

Original distributor I have been using as a spare, ready to drop in. \$100 Contact Abbie Prince

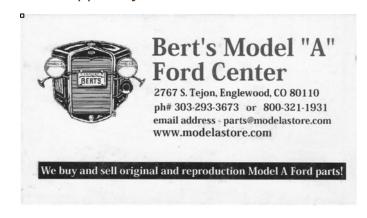
Six-volt alternator, used. Works great. \$100 (I replaced mine with one of the new alternators that looks like an original generator.)

Restored original Stewart Warner horn. Sounds great! \$225 Model 'T' tire pumps. (2) brass @ \$125 each. (1) steel @ \$80. Contact Don Turley 706-589-0738

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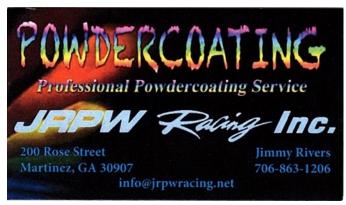


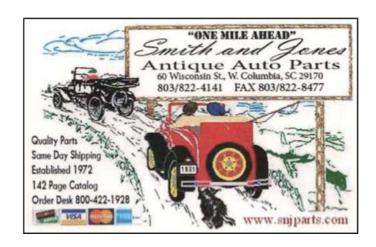












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