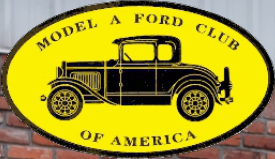


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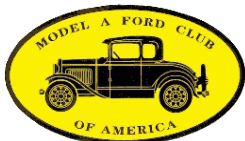
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Shade Tree A's ladies Betty Wade, her daughters Deborah Fuller and Joyce Loflin and Beth McDonald (Deborah's best friend) ignored the threat of bad weather and drove their 1930 Tudor Sedan to Stuckey's in Wrens, Georgia. Photo by Robbie Jones.

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

Craig McMullin - President

Building Confidence Driving Your Model A Ford

I have heard more than a few times, "I'm not sure about going on a Club tour with my Model A. I may have an issue on the way with my car and be left on the side of the road miles from home". We probably all have had that feeling at one time or another so you're not alone. BUT, you have to get over it!

So, I offer one solution. Drive your car often; on a short route in a circle not far from home, even with a buddy for more confidence if that helps you. Then on each successful trip, widen the circle until the distance gets to be a few miles. On each trip listen to the engine, drive train, vibrations and get used to those sounds. As your circles and routes get wider and longer and the Model A sounds become consistent, common place and normal, your confidence with your Model A will grow. Now you're ready for a short tour and with each successful tour your confidence will continue to grow.

But wait, there's more. What if after all this, I'm on a club tour and all on a sudden I hear an awful ugly sound and I have to pull over on the side of the road. (I have been there more than once myself as have many other STA members.) Have no fear, on every tour there are more than a few Club members with knowledge and some spare parts that will most likely get you back on the road driving again within a few minutes. And, if that is not possible, you will not be left on the side of the road to fend for yourself. Arrangements will be made to get you and your Model A home. I hope this helps and I expect to see you on the next tour, no excuses.

Ahooga,

Craig McMullin - President

MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2024

Richard's Garage

Respectfully submitted: Frank Knapp – Secretary

The monthly meeting of The Shade Tree A's was held May 13, 2024 in the clubhouse meeting room at Richard Dunevent's garage. President Craig McMullin brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM welcoming all thirty-two members present. Craig took a moment to thank our Vice President, Andy Morse, for conducting both the March and April meetings in his absence. He also thanked the Board of Directors and all others who offer support stating, "I couldn't do this job without you".

Five members contributed to our Name Tag Penalty Cup.

Both Matt Barrett and Ralph Neitzke offered "Jokes of the Month". All nineteen STA members with May birthdays were recognized. Quite a large group!

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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.

Correction to the

April 2024 Meeting Minutes

The April 2024 Meeting Minutes published in the May 2024 issue of the *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* incorrectly stated that Steve Spencer was working on his sister's Model A in Kentucky. The Meeting Minutes should have said that Steve brought the Model A back home to work on it here.

MEETING MINUTES

Continued

Misty Hooker, informed the group she will be undergoing surgery June 10th. Andy Morse's grandson is recovering from his third heart surgery and Ralph Neitzke was recently hospitalized for a heart procedure.

Unfortunately, Charlie Weaver, Sr. advised the group of his wife Debra's passing on April 15th. Thoughts and prayers go out to Charlie, Sr. and the entire Weaver family in this sad and difficult time.

Vice President: Andrew Morse announced our technical program will be "The Model A Front Spring" Presented by Darren Riley.

Treasurer: Stuart Smith reported expenditures of \$242.00 were paid with \$125.00 in deposits made. Stuart also stated our Certificate of Deposit that recently matured has been reinvested.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report and the April Meeting Minutes as published in *The Newsletter*. That motion passed by unanimous vote.

National Director: Steve Spencer reported he is in the process of writing articles concerning STA Activities for publication in *The Restorer* and *Model A News* for the upcoming May-June issues.

Newsletter Editor: All were surprised when Robbie Jones was invited by President Craig to the podium to receive The MARC Newsletter Award of Excellence for his fantastic work as our newsletter editor. Congratulations Robbie!

Tour Director: Due to Charlie Weaver, Jr. not being able to continue as Tour Director, Darren Riley has agreed to take the job and has already organized our last two tours.

Show & Tell: President Craig noted STA hats are available for sale and Susan Meloan continues to provide our logo and personalized embroidery on member apparel.

Old Business: Members were asked for comments on several recent events including The Old 96 District Swap Meet, The Johnston Peach Festival and Parade and our Tour to Stuckey's Pecan and Candy Factory.

New Business: The following tours and events were brought to the attention of members. Josh Dover invited all STA members to join him and Rebecca for their annual "Grandpa's Low Country Boil". Josh handed out flyers containing additional info and directions to all interested in attending. Also mentioned were The Magnolia Ridge Antique Flee Market, The Aiken Memorial Day Parade, The Palmetto A's Model A and T Swap Meet, a Cruise-In at Journey Community Church, our STA Technical Session on Saturday June, 22nd and The MARC National Meet July 15th-18th. Members were once again reminded of a visit to Augusta by the Queen City Model A Club while touring to The Florida Keys. STA members are invited to meet for dinner with that group on Saturday June 1st.

Technical Program: Darren Riley's program on "The Model A Spring" was well received by the group. Loaded with various spring parts and a well-organized visual aid, Darren took us through what is required to inspect and restore both front and rear springs. Very interesting and well done! Thanks Darren.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM after which members enjoyed refreshments provided by Jim and Sheila McPherson.

CLUB CALENDAR

Shade Tree A's Events

June

- 1 Queen City Model A Club (Charlotte) visit to Augusta (see announcement on page 9)
- 10 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program: *Model A Door Alignment (Or Misalignment)*, presented by Andrew Morse)
- 22 Shade Tree A's Technical Session, 9:30 AM – noon. This Technical Session will be held at the home of Steve Spencer, 243 Farmington Drive West, Evans, GA. We will be starting Steve's sister's (Paula, a fellow Shade Tree A's member) 1930 Tudor Sedan. The car has not run in several years. Meet at Steve's about 9:30. We will go to a local restaurant for lunch.

July

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

August

- 16-17 Shade Tree A's Swap Meet, Thomson, GA
- 22 Shade Tree A's Annual Dinner Meeting, 6:00 PM, Sconyer's Bar-B-Que

Every Wednesday at 11:00

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

TBA - To Be Announced

Other Events of Interest

June

- 14-15 Palmetto A's Swap Meet, Columbia, SC, contact John Cockerill at 803-446-3837, johntwilac@yahoo.com
- 15 Journey Community Church Cruise-In, 10:00 AM – noon, 4798 Hardy McManus Road, Evans, GA

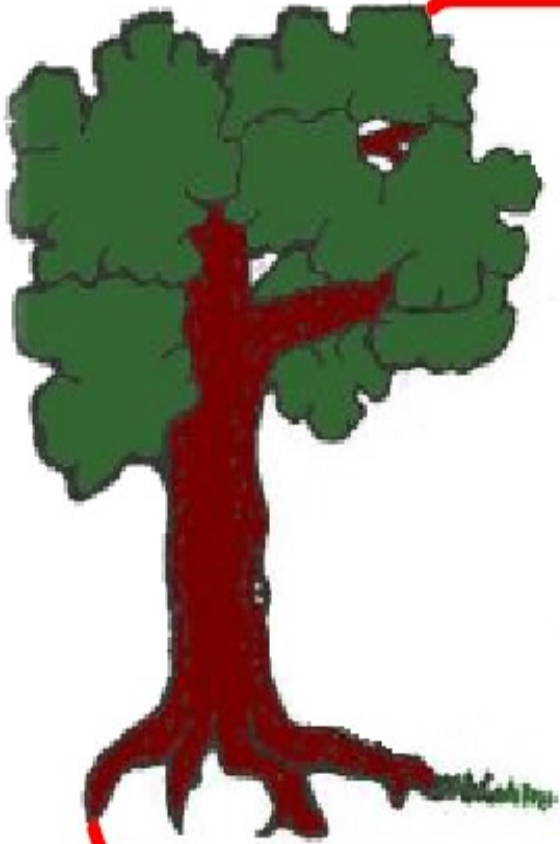
July

- 15-18 MARC National Meet, Asheville, NC, additional details provided later in the *Newsletter*

October

- 8-11 AACA Eastern Fall National Meet, Hershey, PA
- 23-26 AACA Southeastern Fall National Meet, Huntsville, AL

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Shade Tree A's Member News

- Please continue to keep the following Shade Tree A's members in your thoughts and prayers:
 - From Misty: My day is arriving soon (June 10). You all will be at the monthly meeting. I would like to request for all of y'all to say a prayer for me. Almighty God please hold the hands of Dr. Gramande and all of his assistants to remove the mass and tumor without any complication. Please help them to stop the bleeding. We love you in Jesus name. Amen
 - Janet Neumar being treated for lung cancer.
 - Abbie Prince and Eric Shogren recovering from recent surgeries.
- Longtime friend of the Shade Tree A's Ralph Raub of the Old 96 District Model A Club is battling a serious illness. He and Madge will be moving back to Ohio soon.
- Another Old 96 club member, Warren Reynolds, is recovering from an accident while working on a Model A.

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



Refreshment Schedule

June

Darren & Pat Riley, Kenny Adkins, Darrell & Syble Henderson

July

Robert & Sandra Reis, Don Gordon, Misty Hooker

August

No refreshments needed due to the Sconyer's dinner meeting

The first person listed is the primary coordinator for the month



June Birthdays

- 1 Darla Summers
- 4 Brandon Carter
- 6 Matt Barrett
- 23 Jeff Young
- 24 Ange Merry

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Debra Weaver

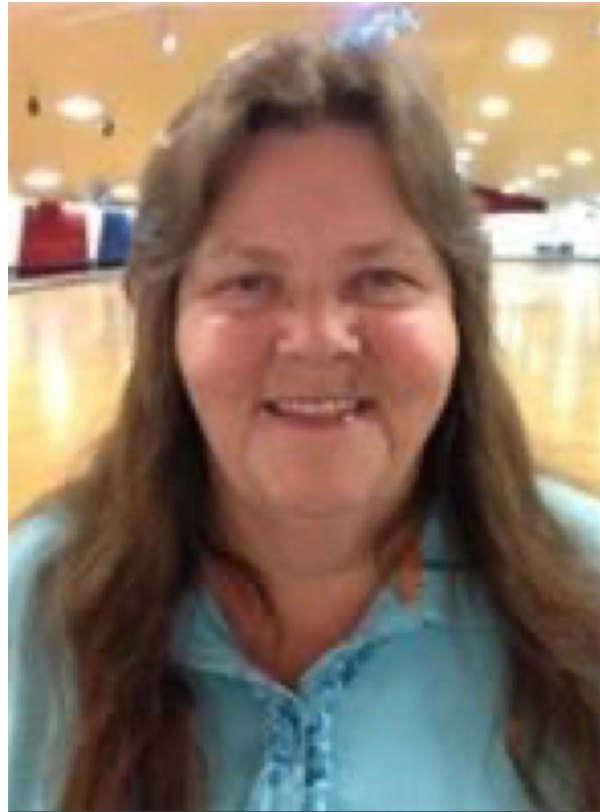
1955 –2024

Charlie Weaver's wife, Debra Weaver, passed away April 15, 2024. The following is the obituary for Debra as published on Legacy.com:

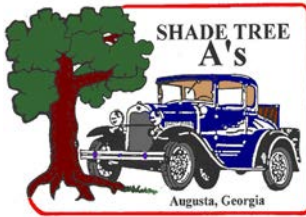
Debra Lee Weaver, 68, entered into rest on Monday, April 15, 2024.

Debra is survived by her loving husband of 55 years, 3 months, and 5 days, Charles Weaver; daughter, Donna Weaver; son, Charles Allen Weaver (Suzanne); son, Joe Weaver (Heather); grandson, Charles Daniel Weaver (Taylor); granddaughter, Kaitlyn Weaver; grandson, JR Weaver; and her sisters, Katie Adams (Tommy), Angie Brown, Patricia Faux (Randy), Barbara Lawrence (Nick), Betty Solt, and Cora Howard. She is preceded in death by her mother, Margaret Shipes; father, George P. Williamson; brother, Gene Williamson; sister, Faye Powell; and her brother, Larry George Williamson.

Debra was a great wife, wonderful mother, and a loving grandmother who helped raise her grandchildren. She was a sweet, kind soul and will be missed by all who knew her.



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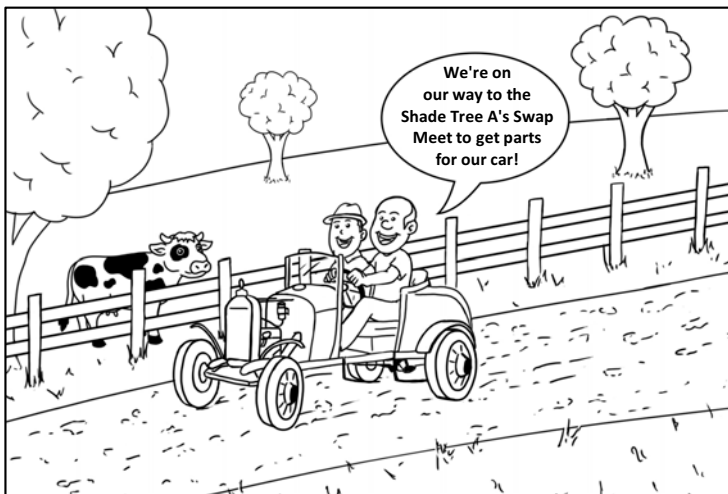
Shade Tree A's Swap Meet

sponsored by the

Shade Tree A's Model A Ford Club

1818 Augusta Highway, Thomson, Georgia 30824

Friday, August 16 and Saturday, August 17, 2024, 8:00 AM until 2:00 PM



There is no Parking, Admission or Vendor fee for this event. Come enjoy your day with fellow Model A enthusiasts. This year we are sponsoring a special workshop on Model A distributors. See details below. Lunch available.

For more information, contact:

Andrew Morse

706-834-2342

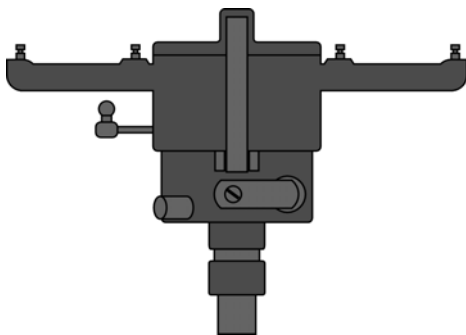
4morses@comcast.net

Jim McPherson

706-564-0120

Distributor Diagnostics and Rebuilding Workshop

SATURDAY, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon



The Shade Tree A's are proud to present a hands on workshop on the Model A distributor. Have your distributor issues professionally evaluated, or get help rebuilding your distributor. Eric Shogren, owner of Guben's Garage, a Model A repair facility, will be available to evaluate your distributor or assist in rebuilding your distributor. Bring your distributor, and the new parts to rebuild it, and Eric will have the tools available to rebuild your distributor.

Smith and Jones Antique Auto Parts will be attending our Swap Meet. Contact Davin Smith with your parts order for delivery to the Swap Meet and save on shipping.

Phone: 803-822-4141, 800-422-1928; e-mail: snjparts@gmail.com



For vendor registration, please contact Andrew Morse or Jim McPherson

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Queen City Model A Club Tour to Augusta, GA

On Saturday June 1st we will meet with the Queen City Model A Club from Charlotte, North Carolina in the big room upstairs at Sconyers Bar-B-Que at 6:00 PM. The Queen City club is touring to Augusta and some are even continuing on to Key West! This should be a lot of fun meeting new friends, hearing about their trip and enjoying some great BBQ. Hope to see you all there.



If you're interested in joining the Queen City club on some of their other outings around town, they plan to tour the George Walton house at 9:00 AM Saturday morning, followed by a tour of the Enterprise Mill and a canal boat tour. They will have lunch at the Sno-Cap drive-in restaurant in North Augusta, South Carolina followed by a trip to the Augusta Museum of History.

Shade Tree A's Apparel

Shade Tree A's apparel is available from Susan Meloan. Susan still has a few vests that she can embroider and customize for you. She can also embroider apparel that you provide with your name and the Shade Tree A's logo. Contact Susan at 803-634-2570 if you're interested. Also, hats are available for purchase for \$15 from the club.

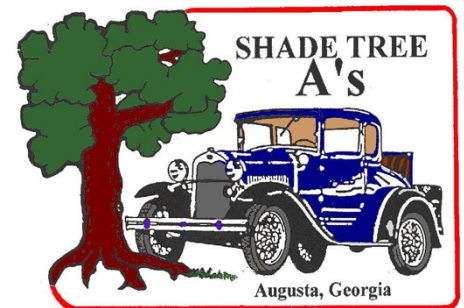


Photo by Andrew Morse

Shade Tree A's Newsletter Award

The *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* has once again been nationally recognized as one of the best newsletters. At the May 2024 meeting of the Shade Tree A's, club President, Craig McMullin, presented the 2023 Award of Excellence from the Model A Restorers Club to the Shade Tree A's newsletter editor, Robbie Jones. Congratulations Shade Tree A's! Everyone who's submitted articles, photos and other relevant information or offered encouragement and support (I think that covers everybody) shares in this award.

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Join Us on a Tour to Asheville, NC and the Model A Restorer's Club 2024 National Meet

The Shade Tree A's are planning a tour to Asheville, NC to attend the MARC National Meet July 15-18. Will you join us? This is your opportunity to attend and participate in a national Model A event. I would expect 300 or more Model A's to be there, plus a variety of seminars, a swap meet, and era fashion events (meet schedule not yet available). There will be a Welcome Party, an Era Fashion Show/Ice Cream Social, a Grand Tour on Thursday, and an Awards Banquet. You can choose which events you want to participate in. If you cannot attend the entire event, I would encourage you to look at the meet schedule and attend one or more days having events that interest you. Asheville is about 170 miles, and we can drive Highway 25 all the way. We have toured to Asheville and the surrounding area many times in the past. Some will drive their Model A, some will trailer their Model A (special trailer parking will be available), and some will drive their modern car. Robbie has posted the hotel information in the *Newsletter*. The host hotel was full in three days. A number of Shade Tree A's members have already indicated they will attend. Will you join us?

Lodging at the National Meet:

Many Shade Tree A's members are staying at the Holiday Inn Express, Asheville SW, Outlet Center, 12 Rocky Ridge Road. The local phone number is 828-665-6519. Use the code "The Nashville A's" to get the meet rate. The phone number listed in the Meet Announcement is for the National Reservation Line.

Additional information is provided on the following pages. Registration forms are included in the January/February 2024 issue of the *Model A News* magazine.



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ASHEVILLE, N.C. MARC NATIONAL MEET
JULY 15TH-18TH. 2024

BOOKING IS NOW OPEN AT THE HOST HOTEL!



CROWNE PLAZA RESORT ASHEVILLE
1 RESORT DRIVE, ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 28806

ROOMS ARE \$169.00* PER NIGHT TEL: 1-844-330-0296

GROUP CODE: NASHVILLE A'S 2024 OR ON LINE AT:

WWW.ASHEVILLECP.COM 2. CHECK AVAILABILITY (ENTER DATES OF STAY)

ENTER GROUP CODE: MDA



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*PLUS TAXES, ALL ROOMS AT HOST HOTEL WILL REQUIRE A 1 NIGHT DEPOSIT PER ROOM & NAMES FOR EACH ROOM BOOKED. MAXIMUM OF 2 ROOMS.

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JULY 15TH-18TH 2024

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AT THESE ADDITIONAL HOTELS!

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	<p>COUNTRY INN & SUITES ASHEVILLE RIVER ARTS DISTRICT 22 WESTGATE PARKWAY, ASHEVILLE, NC TEL: 1-828-772-3188 \$109.00 PER NIGHT* INCLUDING BREAKFAST CODE: NASHVILLE A'S .03 MILES FROM HOST</p>
	<p>HOLIDAY INN ASHEVILLE-BILTMORE WEST 435 SMOKEY PARK HIGHWAY, ASHEVILLE, NC 28806 TEL: (828) 665-2161 \$105.00 PER NIGHT* CODE: THE NASHVILLE A'S 6.1 MILES TO HOST</p>
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	<p>COMFORT SUITES OUTLET CENTER 890 BREVARD RD., ASHEVILLE, NC, 28806 TEL: (828) 665-4000 \$85.00 PER NIGHT* INCLUDING BREAKFAST CODE: THE NASHVILLE A'S OA55F3 6.5 MILES TO HOST</p>



CAMPING: THE PARKWAY HAS FOUR CAMPING AREAS IN THE ASHEVILLE AREA, OPEN APRIL OR MAY THROUGH OCTOBER. CAMPING IS \$20/NIGHT FOR ALL CAMPGROUNDS, FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVE. ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED AT ALL CAMPGROUNDS EXCEPT CRABTREE FALLS. CAMPING ALONG THE PARKWAY IS PERMITTED ONLY IN DESIGNATED CAMPGROUNDS. CALL 828-765-6082 FOR MORE INFORMATION

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ASHEVILLE, N.C. MARC NATIONAL MEET JULY 15TH-18TH. 2024

THE GRAND TOUR THURSDAY JULY 18, 2024. TO THE "BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY"

THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY NEAR ASHEVILLE IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL DRIVES IN AMERICA

COUNTLESS PEOPLE FLOCK TO THE MAJESTIC MOUNTAINS OF NORTH CAROLINA THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO ESCAPE TO ITS PEACEFUL TRANQUILITY AND BREATHTAKING BEAUTY. ONE OF THE MOST ICONIC ATTRACTIONS OF THIS AREA IS THE STUNNING BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY, A WINDING ROUTE THAT FEATURES JAW-DROPPING VIEWS AND OUTSTANDING OUTDOOR RECREATION. FILLED WITH THRIVING PLANTS AND WILDLIFE, THIS IS ONE OF THE BEST PLACES IN THE STATE TO VISIT FOR A RELAXING TRIP IN THE CRISP, MOUNTAIN AIR. "AMERICA'S FAVORITE DRIVE,"

WHERE DOES THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY START?

THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY STARTS IN SKYLINE DRIVE OF SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK IN VIRGINIA AND STRETCHES ALL THE WAY TO THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK IN CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA. THERE ARE NUMEROUS BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY ACCESS POINTS SCATTERED ALONG THIS RANGE. EACH ACCESS POINT HAS A SYMBOL THAT INDICATES IF IT IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND IF IT CONTAINS A PICNIC AREA. SOME INCLUDE VISITOR CENTERS, RESTROOMS, EXHIBITS, AND MORE.

WHAT ARE SOME THINGS TO DO ALONG THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY?

ALONG THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY HIKING IS AN OPTION IN MANY SPOTS, PROVIDING AMAZING VIEWS OF MOUNTAINS AND WATERFALLS ALONG EACH ROUTE. YOU CAN ALSO CHOOSE TO SIMPLY DRIVE ALONG THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY NEAR ASHEVILLE, ADMIRING THE ABUNDANCE OF SCENIC SIGHTS ALONG THE WAY. THERE ARE MANY OVERLOOK AREAS WHERE YOU CAN STOP TO TAKE PICTURES TO COMMEMORATE YOUR TRIP TO THIS GORGEOUS REGION. PICNICKING, BIKING, AND FISHING ARE PERMITTED IN CERTAIN AREAS HERE AS WELL. BE SURE TO CHECK THE ROAD CONDITIONS BEFORE YOU EMBARK ON YOUR DRIVE AND STAY VIGILANT OF SPEED LIMIT SIGNS.



PLEASE NOTE: THE PARKWAY IS A NATIONAL PARK AND THERE ARE NO FEES OR STICKERS NEEDED TO TRAVEL IT.



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19th Annual

ALL Model A & Model T SWAP MEET

at

Smith & Jones Antique Auto Parts

60 Wisconsin St. West Columbia, SC

sponsored by

Palmetto A's of South Carolina

Friday, June 14, 2024 8am to 5pm

Saturday, June 15, 2024 8am to 3pm

Vendor Space: Early registration: \$15/one day \$25/two days
or \$20/\$30 at the gate

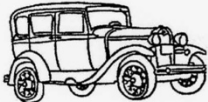
Car Corral: \$10 for two days

Palmetto A Members - Free Vendor Space

\$2 Door Prize Tickets Food Concession 50/50

Contact: Dick Fraser at 803-622-7582 or

dickfraser@earthlink.net



Vendor Sign Up Form

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ email _____

Will you be arriving and setting up on Thursday, June 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 _____

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JOURNEY COMMUNITY CHURCH'S ANNUAL



CRUISE-IN

SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH
10:00AM-12:00PM

ON THE EVANS CAMPUS
4798 HARDY MCMANUS RD EVANS, GA

FREE FOOD
ALL BIKES, TRUCKS, & CARS WELCOME

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Model A Ford Foundation Inc. MAFFI Minute, May 2024



Have you ever wondered what being a Trustee for the Model A Ford Foundation is all about?

The Model A Ford Foundation has 15 Trustees and the positions are nonpaid. Terms are three years in duration and term limits are 6 consecutive years. Meetings are done via Zoom, but there is a day-long face-to-face meeting in Michigan two days prior to Model A Days each year (also, travel expenses are non-reimbursable; this is 100% volunteer work).

A sampling of duties include: creating and ordering signage at the museum for displays and events, programming and maintaining inventory, and financials-- some daily. There are several committees to be chaired and worked on: day-to-day museum management, finance, fundraising, the construction expansion, the design and development of the displays, insurance, assessment/deassessment of vehicles, fleet maintenance, social media, solicitation of parts, tool acquisition and inventory, by-laws and job description updates, advisory, and partner museum liaisons as well as Model A Days each year (which has a huge number of subcommittees from parking to staffing the gates to managing the swap meet, the first start program, riding and driving Model A's). There are always a variety of other projects that need a manager too (ie: bus restoration, booth displays at meets, library collections, period attire collections as well as developing national magazine articles and ideas.)

Individuals also serve as officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer and a variety of other tasks: MAFFI registrar, picking up and delivering vehicles, managing gift shop items, updating and maintaining the MAFFI website and IT systems within the museum.

If any of this kind of work is of interest to you, please contact John Begg at jwbegg@gmail.com.

Happy Motoring,
Cindy Ellenbecker, Secretary
Model A Ford Foundation Inc. Trustee



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My wife has been planning out our summer vacation for some time and included in this year's summer activities are two important events. First of these is the National Convention in Ruidoso, NM. The entire Southwest Adventures group have put in countless hours to make this event the success we know it will be. If you haven't already there is still time to book your own adventure.

The Texas Tour sponsored by the Dallas Model A Club is June 13-16th. This is a grand tour of east Texas kicking off from Nacogdoches, TX. will not disappoint those attending. Information is available on their website as well as Facebook.

Later in September will certainly be the highlight of the year for me. This year's Model A Days at the Model A Ford Museum in Hickory Corners, MI. will be even more special as the first 100 bricks recognizing those chapters of the Model A Ford Club of America who have achieved 50 years of continuous membership will be recognized with a permanent memorial in the sidewalk in front of the museum. If you have been to the museum before you have seen the sidewalks with their many bricks placed by individuals and chapters for recognition and memorials. Last year the Board by a unanimous vote approved the placement of these bricks for our existing honorees as well as established this recognition going forward.

If your chapter has been recognized as a 50-year Chapter will you please consider joining us September 20-21st at the Model A Ford Foundation Museum in Hickory Corners for this unveiling. You will be able to see your chapter's permanent memorial as well as finest museum dedicated to the Model A Ford. You will also have the opportunity to see the entire campus of the Gilmore museums, including the Horseless Carriage Club Museum, The AACA Museum, Cadillac, Studebaker, Kaiser and others. Your attendance will also support MAFFI and help preserve this great hobby we all love.

I hope to see you and your "A" on the road.

Will Langford

RECENT EVENTS

Shade Tree A's Tour to Stuckey's in Wrens, GA

Story by Robbie Jones

Photos by Robbie Jones except as noted

The weather finally cooperated (sort of) and the Shade Tree A's were able to make the tour to Stuckey's Candies in Wrens, Georgia. Although the weather turned out to be great, the lingering threat of weather kept many Shade Tree A'ers in their modern cars. A handful of folks, led by Shade Tree A's ladies Betty Wade, her daughters Deborah Fuller and Joyce Loflin and Beth McDonald (Deborah's best friend) in their 1930 Tudor Sedan, decided to drive their Model A's. Other Shade Tree A's members included Darrell and Syble Henderson, Charlie Weaver and his daughter Donna and tour director Darren Riley.



Photo by Craig McMullin

Stephanie Stuckey (Chairperson of the Company) took us on a tour of the Stuckey's plant to see first-hand how one of our favorite candies are made. Many Shade Tree A's members took advantage of the discount offered to us and stocked up on a bunch of sweets. Before heading back home we had lunch at Peggy's Restaurant in Wrens.

Stephanie's grandfather founded Stuckey's Candies in 1937 while driving a Model A Ford. *The Saturday Evening Post* published an article about the history of the company and Stephanie's efforts to reinvigorate the company and the brand. The full article can be found at the following web address:

<https://www.saturdayeveningpost.com/2023/12/stuckeys-stages-a-comeback/>



Photos from *The Saturday Evening Post* provided courtesy of Stuckey's Corporation.

RECENT EVENTS

Shade Tree A's Tour to Stuckey's in Wrens, GA

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Shade Tree A's Tour to Stuckey's in Wrens, GA

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MODEL A ERA FASHION AND STYLE

The following article originally appeared on the MAFCA website in May 2014

Perfume Sprayers

By Janet Gundlach

These perfume sprayers resembled cigarette lighters but were totally different. **Ronson** and **Evans Company** both produced these misters. Also notice the two different sizes of the **Ronson** Perfu-Mist in the following advertisement.

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L & C Mayers Company, 1930

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The *Evans Company* produced wonderful compacts but also produced perfume sprayers. They called their smaller sprayers "Pocket Atarmist" and the larger was called the "Dresser Model Atarmist." The gift sets included the sprayer and a matching compact or perfume.

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EC116—Dresser Model Atarmist, green gold finish, sterling silver top front of genuine hand painted Cloisonne enamel in attractive gift box.\$15.00 ea.

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The Blue Book Jewelry Store, 1931

MODEL A ERA FASHION AND STYLE

It Looks Like a Lighter, but Sprays Perfume

SPRAYING a tiny jet of perfume when its plunger is pushed down, a novel atomizer resembling a cigarette lighter in appearance may be carried in a woman's hand bag, it is said, without danger of spilling its contents. Its nozzle is covered with a cap which is released by a plunger. When the apparatus is closed, a groove in the plunger fits over the cap to hold it in place, while the plunger in turn must be pressed down before the cap can move. Thus, its inventors claim, the device is made air-tight and proof against leakage. To operate the atomizer, one need only press the plunger twice—once to release the cap and the second time to eject the spray of perfume. The atomizer is manufactured in two sizes—for carrying in the hand bag and for the dresser.



Resembling a cigarette lighter, this little atomizer sprays a fine jet of perfume when a plunger is pressed.

A friend, who searched for years, recently bought a new old stock Ronson sprayer in the original box with paperwork and the wire to clean the sprayer. This was a great eBay find and purchase!

Antique stores and dealers may not know or recognize these perfume sprayers. Also check eBay and look for both sizes, remember the smaller sprayer would fit in your purse and the other size would be for the dresser or vanity.

Perfume was definitely popular during our Model A years which explains the development, design and marketing of these sprayers.

Perfume timeline:

Emeraude by Coty -1921
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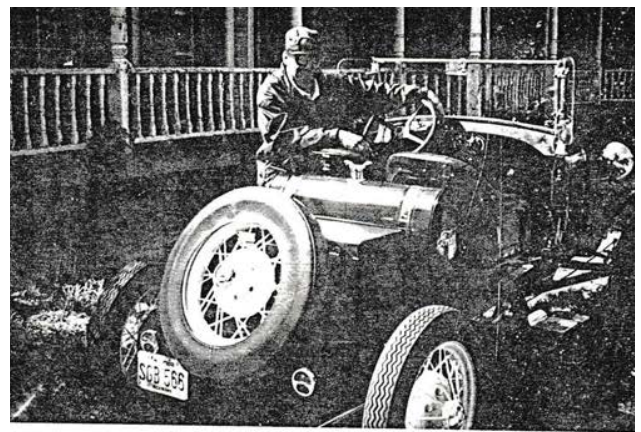
The above article came from Popular Science Monthly, February 1930

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 President's column in the June 1994 issue of the *Shade Tree A's Newsletter* discussed the political activism of the Critter Conspiracy and their attempt to stall construction of the interstate highway system. The *Newsletter* announced several upcoming events including the Ridge Peach festival and the Saturday Breakfast. The *Newsletter* also reported on the April tour to Magnolia Springs. It was reported that this was probably the last tour for Frank Knapp's speedster; it was apparently pretty chilly! The *Newsletter* provided another report on the Shade Tree A's economy run planned by Frank Knapp. The highest mileage achieved was 24.197 mpg by Ed Meloan driving his 1929 Phaeton. Ed gave credit to the carburetor that Gary Stroebel had rebuilt and the jets that had been flow tested and calibrated for the exceptional mileage. The meeting minutes contained in the *Newsletter* mentioned a slew of activities including a tour to Charleston and a car display at Regency Mall; the Shade Tree A's were busy back then! A report on the Charleston tour provided many photos of Shade Tree A'ers and their cars out and about in and around Charleston.



Frank Knapp takes his Speedster on its first (and last ?) tour.



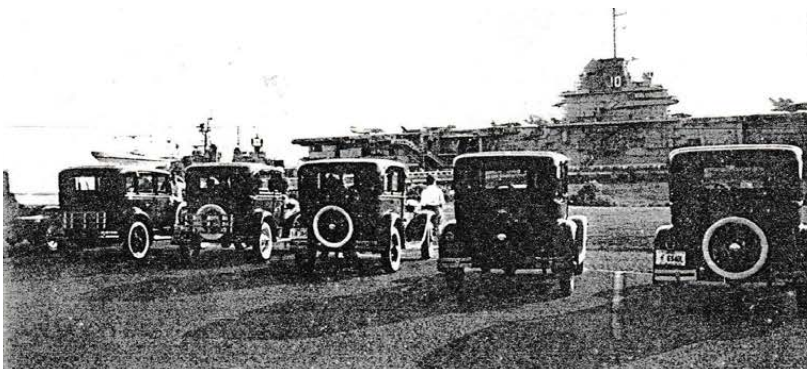
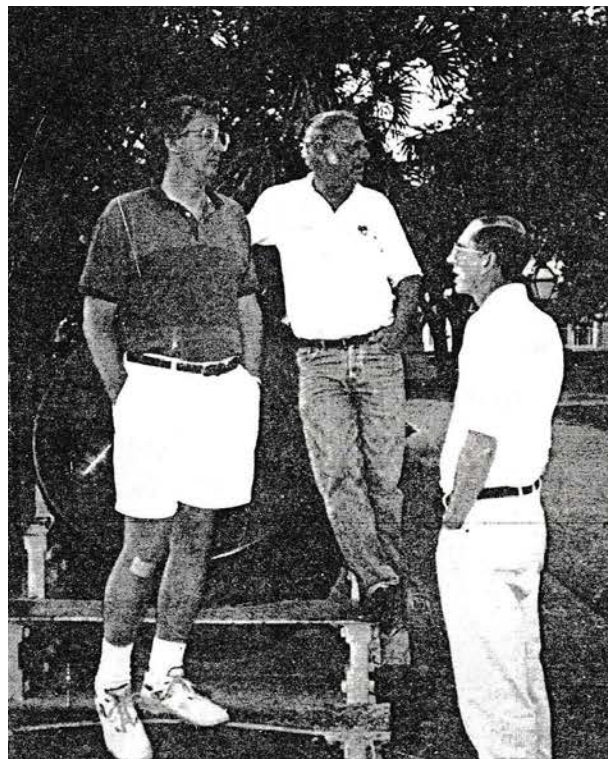
Members eat (what else ?) at Magnolia Springs.

Finally, awards won by Frank Knapp and Jim and Sheila McPherson were reported. Frank won a First Junior award for his 1930 Murray bodied Town Sedan and Jim and Sheila won an Historic Preservation award for their original 1930 Tudor Sedan. The awards were earned at the Antique Automobile Club of America Southeastern National meet in Shelbyville, TN.

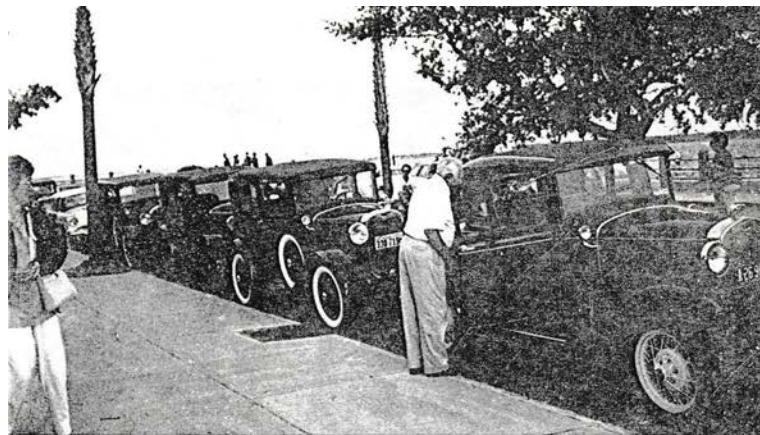
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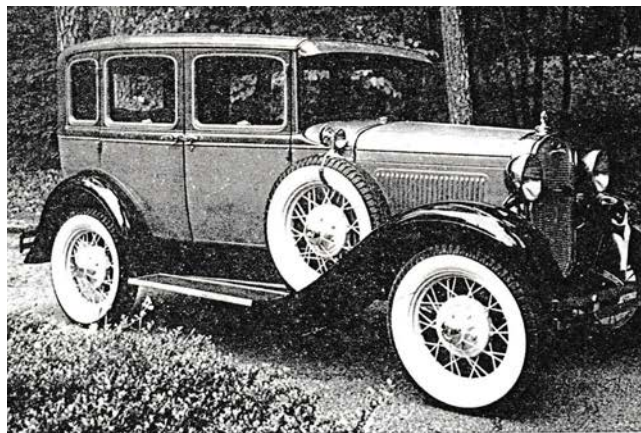
Steve Brannan gives a careful watch as Monroe Wade fills gas tank.



Shade Tree A's at Patriots Point.



Shade Tree A's on the Battery, Charleston, SC.



Frank Knapp's Award winning 1930 Town Sedan.

TECHNICAL TOPICS

The Early Days of Car Heaters

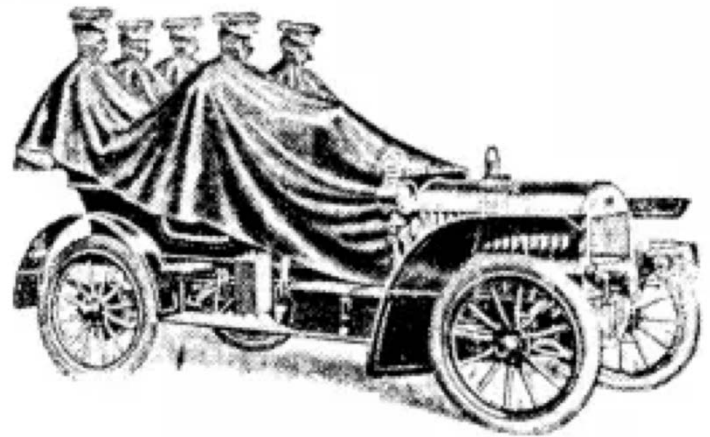
By Robbie Jones

Photos from the Hagerty website (see link below)

Hagerty Insurance recently published an article on the history of car heaters. The article covers all manner of ways to keep warm in an automobile. The article includes a photo of an early attempt to protect an automotive driver and passengers from the elements, essentially a big poncho for up to five people.

The focus of the article, however, is various heaters that use engine heat to keep occupants warm in cold weather. The article includes a photo of a Model A with what appears to be a familiar Autolite manifold heater, but with an electric blower mounted at the front to push heated air into the passenger compartment.

Take a look at the full article on the Hagerty website and familiarize yourself with all the options out there so you can be prepared to snatch up a good bargain at the next flea market.



The full article can be viewed on the Hagerty website at the following link:

https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/early-days-of-car-heaters/?utm_source=SFMC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=MED_UN_NA_EML_UN_UN_DailyDriver_Wednesday&has_hed_email=0766af19ccff88eae0fa45775ff00685125c9d8cf4e2030b893a6808c5330a03&dtm_em=0766af19ccff88eae0fa45775ff00685125c9d8cf4e2030b893a6808c5330a03

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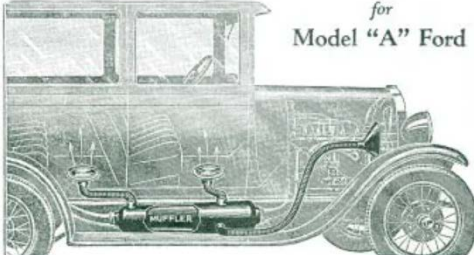
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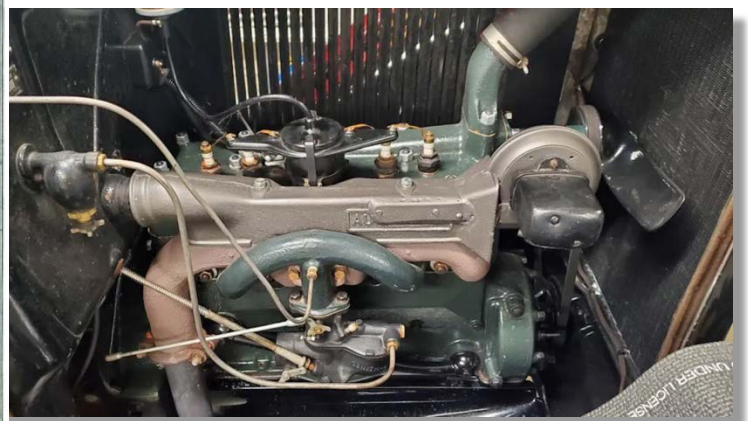
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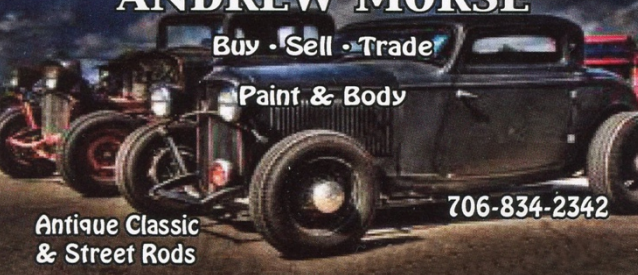


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