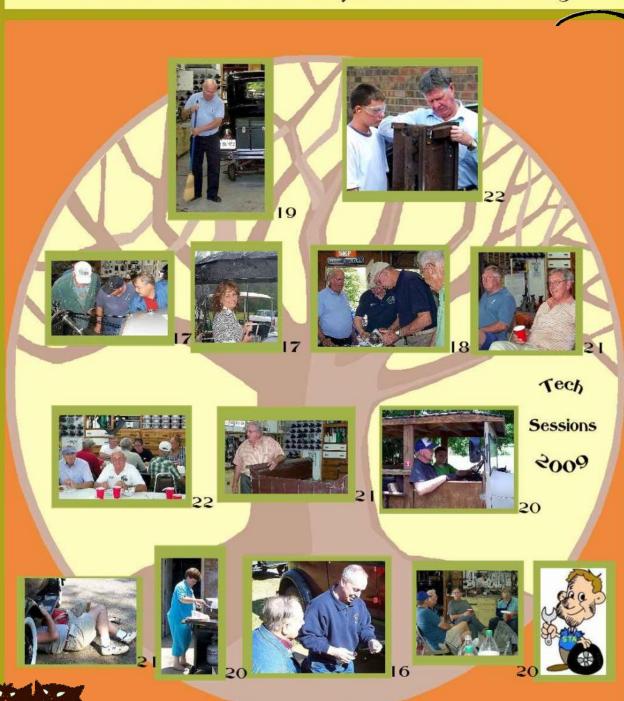
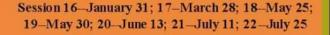


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We've had 7 Tech Sessions this year. But who's counting?





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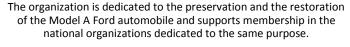


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Members are also urged to join the Model "A" Restorers Club (MARC). Dues are \$38 yearly and include a subscription to the *Model "A" News*.

MARC, 6721 Merriman Road, Garden City, MI 48135

The Shade Tree A's serve the CSRA (Central Savannah River Area) in Georgia and South Carolina

October Meeting Notice

The Shade Tree A's will meet on Monday, October 12 in Richard Dunevent's garage.
The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.



The program will be a very special "Trick or Treat" one. Come prepared to learn!

Don't forget your nominations for a

2010 officer or a member of the Board of Directors.

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EDITOR'S CORNER

Just as I was finishing this issue, an email came from Garth Shreading, MAFCA's Chapter Coordinator. He's sharing the news of a new mileage program to begin in January 2010. Called the MILLION MILE CHALLENGE, this noncompetitive activity is designed to reward MAFCA members for driving our Model A's. The goal is to have a collective 1,000,000 miles driven by September 30 of next year! Chapters will report their monthly totals; participation decals will be awarded to involved MAFCA members. More information will be available in the Nov/Dec issue of The Restorer. Stay tuned!

.....Pat



OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Thoughts from our President...

I would like to personally invite all Shade Tree A members and their guests to our annual steak cookout at the home of Glenn Boswell in Augusta where this event has been held for many, many years. Glenn has always been so gracious in volunteering his beautiful backyard and pool for us to enjoy. So on **Saturday October 24**th, mark your calendar, drive your Model A and come enjoy a great day eating a steak with all the trimmings with the rest of the club. This event has developed over the years to be a longtime tradition for us, so come and help continue making history. I promise fair weather and a good time. I hope to see you there.

Two weeks following this event on Saturday—on **November 7**th—the STA's will travel to South Carolina between Ridge Spring and Saluda to the property of John Berry who hosts the Richland Creek Old Farm Days. This is a three-day event and seems to grow every year in the number of participants and patrons. If you enjoyed Old Farms Days in Walthourville, GA, you will most likely enjoy this event which also features an antique tractor pulling contest. If you drive your Model A, the admission is free. So be there and put yourself back in time during a great Fall weekend.

For further information on these activities, see the upcoming events section in this newsletter.

Have a safe trip,

Craig

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DUES NOTICE

You've already received your MAFCA dues notice in the mail. As your MAFCA dues are included in your Shade Tree A's dues of \$65.00, it's a 'snap' to take care of both at the same time! "One check, that's all", says Treasurer Richard Dunevent. Make out that check for \$65.00 (payable to the Shade Tree A's), complete the green dues card and get them both to Richard no later than December 1, 2009. You may also mail your dues to: Richard Dunevent, 4338 Owens Rd., Evans, GA 30809-9678



Meeting Minutes: August Board of Directors September Membership

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The STAs Board of Directors met at member Richard Dunevent's garage on Monday, August 24th. President Craig McMullin called the meeting to order. Upcoming activities were discussed to include International Model A Day, the Steak Cookout, Halloween Tour, Christmas Lights Tour, and the Christmas Party. The discussion centered on encouraging members and guests to attend these events. It was decided by the Board to change the Christmas Party from Old McDonald's Fish Camp to Chef Bob's Southern Suppers. This change will allow the party to be on a Saturday, the cost will be less per person, and the menu will be a traditional Christmas fare.

Tom Roberts reported that club officer nominations are proceeding. The committee currently has at least one individual running for each office.

President McMullin also reminded board members to encourage club members to nominate individuals for the Monroe Wade Award; a nomination form is included in this October newsletter.

The next board meeting will be announced for November.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: The September Monthly Meeting of the STAs was held September 14, 2009, at members Richard Dunevent's garage at 7:00 p.m. President Craig McMullin called the meeting to order. Thirty-seven (37) members were present and two (2) visitors, Bruce Hitt and Steve Brannan, were recognized. A few members (Sam Mason and Bob Collier) paid the "no-name tag kitty" – that money is growing steadily – thank you Sam and Bob! September birthdays were recognized. The August Meeting Minutes were approved and Treasurer, Richard Dunevent gave the club's financial report. A reminder was issued by President McMullin that club dues are due. Please provide Richard with the "green card and envelope" along with your check for \$65.00.

Club member illnesses included Eric Shogren, upcoming gall bladder surgery; Glenn Boswell, continuing cancer treatments; Lucky Birkenshaw, cancer treatments; and Bill Maypole's continued struggle. President McMullin read a Thank You card to the club from Christine Gordon. Christine thanked the club for all the prayers, flowers, cards, and visits during her illness.

Show and Tell was provided by Tom Roberts. A ring spreader, passed around for viewing, was uniquely displayed by President McMullin.

Old business consisted of the most recent STA activities::

- ◆ Aiken Car Display and BBQ Cook-off, Sept. 7th Report given by Rachel D'Entremont - 7 cars participated
- → Hill Climb at Morganton, NC, Sept 9-10th Report given by Jim McPherson
- ◆ Penny Pinson Hot Dog Picnic, Sept 12th Report given by Craig McMullin – total of 27 cars from 3 clubs

Under new business, Tour Director Jim McPherson went over the upcoming events. Please see details covered in this newsletter.

President McMullin did challenge the club once again requesting that 20 Model A's (in various stages of "showing") participate in the International Model A Day at the Evans Town Center.

The Halloween Tour planned for October 31st has been cancelled. The Abbeville Opera House is not having a play that weekend.

Theresa McMullin provided details of the STAs Christmas Party. (A flyer will be provided at the October meeting and in the November newsletter.) The Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 19th beginning with Happy Hour at 1:00 p.m. and the traditional Christmas meal at 2:00 p.m. The location is Chef Bob's Southern Suppers, Johnston, SC (a map will be provided at the October meeting and included in the November newsletter). The menu includes turkey and dressing, roast beef, ham, potato soufflé, green bean casserole, green beans, mac-n-cheese, salad bar, soup, yeast rolls, and a variety of desserts. There is nothing for anyone to bring. Cost is \$24.00 per person which includes tax and gratituty. Everyone is encouraged to drive their Model A (for pictures) – you'll be home before dark!

Danny Norman's truck has been sandblasted – ready for a little sanding and paint. The next Technical Seminar will be announced soon.

Vice President Jim McPherson presented the technical program on vapor locking and ethanol gas.
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa McMullin



We are! Up until now, the Shade Tree A's have held twenty two (22) tech sessions, and <u>seven</u> of them have been in 2009! (Reminisce with us as you look at the cover photos)

Just look at some of the problems we've solved (or at least worked on!) this year:

- ★ Bad kingpins; bad regulator spring
- ★ Zenith carburetor

The Monroe Wade Award



Included with this issue you'll find a nomination form for the 2009 Monroe Wade award.

For new members who might not have had the pleasure of meeting Monroe, a little explanation might be in order. Monroe was a man who loved Model As and his STA Club. He was a man you could

ALWAYS depend on to help you, no matter the time (or the weather!) He worked hard for the Club and you could usually find him nearby—doing anything he could to be of help.

He restored a 1930 Tudor that had belonged to his mom—then went on to restore a number of other A's, all of them award-winning.

Since Monroe's death in 2003 his wife Betty and daughters Deborah and Joyce have continued to be active in the Club—and to drive Monroe's beloved cars.

This annual award is our way of remembering Monroe and is presented at the Christmas party. Previous winners are:

2003—Jim McPherson 2004—Richard Dunevent 2006—Craig McMullin

2004—Richard Dunevent 2007—Dan Perla 2005—Ed Meloan 2008—Sheila McPherson

- ★ Engine noises (of all kinds)
- * Leaking radiators; tailpipes emitting white smoke
- ★ Front end and steering alignments
- * Transmission and rear brake puzzlers
- ★ Rear end/main bearing noises
- ★ Speedometer cable adjustment

On Danny Norman's pickup project, we were:

- ★ Welding
- * Reinforcing cab subsills
- * Working with the windshield header
- ★ Prepping the gas tank
- ★ Grinding rivets from bed and firewall
- ★ Aligning, fitting and assembling front end
- Learning about the art of leading
- * Attaching the cab to the sub frame

We've learned a lot. The club has worked together on both common (and some not so common) challenges—learning about each other—and, of course, doing what we do so well—enjoying lunch!

2010 SHADE TREE A ELECTIONS

We are now accepting nominations for the following officers and Board of Directors:

- √ President
- √ Vice President
- √ Secretary
- √ Treasurer
- √ National Director
- √ Tour Director
- $\sqrt{}$ Board of Directors (2 positions)

Do you have someone you'd like to nominate for one of these positions—or want to take the plunge yourself? All nominations must be turned in to a member of the nominating committee by October 15. The ballot will be in the November newsletter, with results announced at the Christmas party.

Nominating Committee

Eric Shogren, Tony Gazette, Tom Roberts



PENNY PINSON HOT DOG DAY (see page 7) Above: The Gordons-George, William and Michael, Larry DuVall, Theresa McMullin. Right: Ralph Roub of the Old 96 club and his friends prepare the hot dogs.

The Era Fashions Committee meeting was held in Placentia, CA on 9-11-2009. It was a very successful meeting and James and I got some sightseeing in. We did Downtown Disney for lunch and the Richard Nixon Presidential Library that afternoon. On Friday while our meeting was going on David Adair and James went to the Peterson Museum in LA—but, oops, they forgot a camera. They reported there were beautiful cars in their natural setting without ropes so you could get up close. Saturday we went to Coronado Island to visit the Del Coronado Hotel that was built in 1888, and it was breathtaking. We then went to San Diego to visit Balboa Park and

some of its 17 museums. We visited the car museum, (imagine that) the botanical garden and a rail museum. The most amazing car in the car museum was Louie Mattar's fabulous \$75, 000 car

which holds the non-stop record for going across the US round trip 6, 320 miles from 9-20-1952 to 9-27-1952. It was self contained and you could even fill the gas tank without stopping, take a shower, cook, iron, etc. I am looking forward to returning to CA in March for the last EFC meeting of my term.



L to R: Anne at Lego, Downtown Disney, Louie Mattar's car, Chandelier at Hotel Del Coronado on Coronado Island, Space Suit, at Nixon Library— 40th moon landing anniversary











It was a beautiful, sunny Labor Day in downtown Aiken when Rachel d'Entremont's roadster ("Linus"—ask her!) made its official debut (below) as one of seven Shade Tree A's vehicles.



Labor Day 2009



Above, clockwise: Larry DuVall, Michael Gordon, Brian d'Entremont, (hidden), George Gordon, Tom Roberts Right: William Gordon, Larry DuVall, Brian d'Entremont

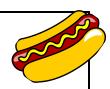


HISTORIC MORGANTON FESTIVAL & HILL CLIMB Friday-Saturday, September 11-12, 2009

The FAST Southeast Hill Climb in Morganton was held on Friday

September 11th. The number of cars running the hill was down this year due a similar event in Ohio, but four new speedsters attended, making the morning practice runs interesting. The Morganton Festival was held Friday and Saturday with lots of craft, art and antique vendors. The food for the award banquet was the best ever, and a band provided entertainment for the evening.





Saturday September 12th found the Shade Tree A's on the road to Ninety-Six, SC and the old Star Fort for the annual **Penny Pinson Hot Dog Day**. Five Model A's made the trip from Augusta giving a grand total of 29 Model A's in attendance from four clubs and eighty members. There were plenty of hot dogs to enjoy and those delicious desserts the ladies are so famous for. After lunch several members made the mile walking tour of the fort and battle areas before returning home.

Pictures are on page 5.



OCTOBER EVENTS...and more!

OLIVER HARDY PARADE Harlem, GA Saturday, October 3, 2009

Harlem, a small town west of Augusta, is the birthplace of Oliver Hardy, the larger side of Laurel and



Hardy, that famous comedy duo that made successful

comedy films for decades. Media reports over 35,000 in attendance for 2008! The STAs will participate in the 21st annual Oliver Hardy Festival parade on **Saturday, October 3.** We will leave from the Cracker Barrel Restaurant at 8:30 and tour to Harlem for the parade at 10. For more information:

www.harlemga.org/ohfest.htm

STEAK COOKOUT Martinez, GA Saturday, October 24, 2009



Our annual Steak Cookout will be held

Saturday, October 24 at the home of Glenn Boswell, 3634 Devaney Lane in Martinez. The cost of the steaks will be \$10 each. Arrive anytime after 1 pm—and drive your "A" for all to see! Be sure to bring your chair, a plate and eating utensils. Theresa McMullin and/or Barbara Bryant will be contacting you regarding what you should bring. The ladies will be asking if you'd like to bring either a salad or dessert—<u>OR</u> you may contribute to the purchase of potatoes and rolls.

14TH ANNUAL RICHLAND CREEK FALL FESTIVAL

Highways 178 & 39S, Saluda, SC Saturday, November 7, 2009



On **Saturday, November 7**we'll leave from the closed
Hardee's on

HWY 25 at I-20 at 9 a.m. and tour to John Berry's farm between Ridge Spring and Saluda, SC. Featured at this increasingly popular 3-day event will be antique tractors, engines, tractor pull, saw mill, syrup cooking, crafts, vendors and a children's pedal race. If you drive your Model A, the admission is free. For more information, please call John F. Berry at 864-445-2781 or e-mail him at jfberry@wildblue.net



AACA MEET AND FLEA MARKET Hershey, PA October 7-10, 2009

The 2009 AACA Eastern
Division National Fall Meet in
Hershey is the largest flea
market and show in the
world. Four days of events
include a flea market (9,000
vendor spots) and car
corral—there's a car show on
Saturday only for AACA
recognized vehicles, 1984 and
older. Many of our STA
members make the trek
annually—Larry Komp shares
these photos from the 2008
Meet. Thanks, Larry!

Visit
www.hersheyaaca.org/
fallmeet.html for further
information.



I recently overheard a brief conversation on trailering with a Model A. The MAFCA webpage at mafca.com/gallery_trailers.html_featured reports from several MAFCA members who had/used trailers—I selected two of them. Visit that web page to make the links active and to see the rest of the trailers! There is also a Teardrop trailer website: teardroptrailers.net/, and several early advertisements for the Teardrop trailer may be seen at mafca.com/mullins.html Happy reading!

Gallery - Model A Trailers

The classic trailer for a Model A could be one of the <u>Mullins Trailers</u> that were made in the 1930s (and are reproduced today.) However, our members have seen some nice examples of creativity pulled behind Model A Fords.

If you have a photograph of a trailer that might be suitable to be pulled behind a Model A Ford, please send a copy of it along with a description to webmaster @ mafca.com.

Woody Trailer The second picture is of the woody trailer. It is also hand built. It was fashioned to look like an original 1947 Fleet Cabin Car, a commercially available trailer. While it appears very similar, it has many extras the originals did not, like shower, hot water, flat screen and DVD, full galley, air conditioning, etc. It was designed for regular camping trips, as well as multiple day stays at facility free events like swap meets and hill climbs, where there are no "camper" facilities. It is fully self contained, and functions just as well in the middle of a pasture, as it does in a campground. Click here to see a group of photos showing the construction of this trailer.



Posted 09/10/07

"Mullins" owned by Al Downs of Oak Creek, VVI who writes: Here are some pictures of the trailer I made. It is styled after the Mullins. The shell is fiberglass and is available unfinished. Inside I have two folding panels that can be raised to make it into three compartments.

I used a torsion axle and 16 inch wheels. It has electric brakes that can work on both 6 and 12 volts. The fenders are fiberglass for 32 Ford. I have used it several times and it works very well. Pulling behind my 31Tudor, you don't even know it is there.

Posted 2/12/03





VINTAGE VISIONS

...Barbara Bryant

AFTER DARK—Evening Dresses of the Model A Era

Evening--a time when going to the theater, opera, or out to dinner meant dressing in your finest. Most often the styles of women's evening wear replicated the design attributes of daytime attire, however with the use of finer fabrics and enhanced trimmings. Paris fashions were copied by New York fashion houses and translated into evening wear available to everyone by means of retail store locations and catalog stores.

I was shopping in Macy's today and found a couple of dresses that had the dropped waistline and the large bows attached below the waist. I almost bought one! The experience showed me that today we can find dresses from the rack to wear to our night out on the town.

As you can see in this article's illustrations, beading, fringe, scallops, and flower trimmings, jeweled ornaments and buckles added to the charm of velvet, satin, lace, Georgette, and chiffon gowns.

A clever way of using beading (1) was adding seven or so rows of jewels from shoulder to shoulder in a deep curve slightly below the "U" shaped neckline, simulating an added collar.

A two piece sleeveless black Georgette evening gown had a bloused bodice, hipline length, over an all-around pleated skirt. The neckline was 'U" shaped. There were horizontal rows of narrow rhinestone bands from the natural waistline to the bodice hemline. (2) A self belt was placed lower than the natural waistline.

A beautiful red velvet in the popular Robe de Style was designed with an elliptical skirt, long in back, made of petal-shaped panels outlined in gold thread. (3) The top of the skirt was gathered into tiny pleats that overlapped the bottom of the bodice. The sleeveless bodice with a "U" shaped neckline, deeper in back than front, was plain, fitted, and curved down slightly in back.



Each year there were outstanding style changes. In 1928 the new swallow-tail silhouette was one of them. Lace, Georgette, chiffon, and crepe Roma were the suggested fabrics for making one gown. (4) The neckline on the front of the bodice was 'U" shaped, but in back a deep "V". The front consisted of a bolero and a tunic over a straight skirt. The bolero was attached to the front just above the bosom and angled down back nearly to the waistline in flared long pointed flounces. The same design was used for the tunic overskirt that was seamed under the narrow buckled belt. The front was smooth and straight but was gathered in back with long swallow-tail pointed flares nearly to the ankles.

Girdle swathed hiplines were designed on some of the gowns. A black satin crepe with this type girdle had a waist deep neckline banded with rhinestones and a long Georgette vestee. **(5)** The skirt was gathered up mid-front and flared to below the hemline. Very long narrow flares were attached in back to the right shoulder.

Interest was centered on the skirt of a peach colored shot taffeta gown pattern. The bodice was very plain, sleeveless, and had a rounded neckline in front, and a deeper "V" in back. The top of the skirt, overlapping the bodice, was made of a very long wide folded piece of the fabric. (6) A seamstress could then cut a rounded section in the center, slip it over the head to fit around the lower waistline, where it slightly curved up mid-front and mid-back, and then sew it to the bodice. Five one inch horizontal tucks were folded across the front and the back, leaving the sides hanging in wide drapes and an uneven pointed hemline. All the edges of the skirt were banded with two rows of two inch light brown tulle.



Model A Ford Lubrication Fiftings

—Bob Bidonde

Corner



THREADED CONE GREASE FITTING: CADMIUM PLATED; HAS AN INTERNAL BALL CHECK VALVE TO PREVENT GREASE FROM EXTRUDING OUT; USED ON RUNNING GEAR JOINTS WHERE THE GREASE IS SUBJECTED TO HIGH WORKING PRESSURE; VO PIPE THREAD; IO REQUIRED PER CAR.



PRESS FIT CONE GREASE FITTING: CADMIUM PLATED; USED TO LUBRICATE BUSHED JOINTS IN THE RUNNING GEAR SUCH AS BRAKE LEVERS, SPRING SHACKLES, ETC; IG REQUIRED PER CAR.



PRESS FIT HEXAGONAL GREASE FITTING: CADMIUM PLATED; USED TO LUBRICATE THE UPPER KING PIN BUSHING IN THE SPINDLES; ALSO USED TO LUBRICATE THE A-2828-AR EMERGENCY BIRAKE CROSS SHAFT ON 1928, '29, 1 EARLY 1930 CARS; 4 REQUIRED ON 1928, '29, 1 EARLY '30 CARS; 2 ON 1930-'31.



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Bob Bidonde is a member of the Long Island Model A Club and has given permission to use this article. Thanks, Bob!

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DOWN THE ROAD.....

CLUB EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 3 Oliver Hardy Parade, Harlem
- 12 Shade Tree A's Meeting
- 15 Deadline for 2010 STA Nominations
- 24 Steak Cookout

NOVEMBER

- 6-8 Richland Creek Old Farm Days/Fall Festival
- 9 Shade Tree A's Meeting / Deadline for Monroe Wade Award nominations

DECEMBER

- 8 Christmas Lights Tour
- 19 Christmas Party, Chef Bob's Southern Suppers, Johnston, SC

2010

JANUARY

New Years Breakfast
 Shade Tree A's Meeting

FEBRUARY

- 8 Shade Tree A's Meeting
- 13 Valentine Pancake Breakfast

MARCH

5-7 Richmond Hill Tour8 Shade Tree A's Meeting

APRIL

12 Shade Tree A's Meeting

A **RED** entry denotes a change or an addition to this calendar.

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

(Non-club events but members are encouraged to participate)

October

7-10 Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey, PA

November

20-22 Moultrie Swap Meet

December

2-5 MAFCA Membership Meeting, Brookfield, WI

2010

April

- 8-11 Charlotte Autofair
- 9-11 MARC Membership Meet, Terre Haute, IN

June

14-18 MARC National Meet, French Lick, IN19-27 MAFCA 150th Anniversary Pony ExpressModel A Tour

August

- 2-5 MAFCA International Convention, Vancouver, British Columbia
- 7-14 Post-Convention Alaska Cruise

REFRESHMENTS

Underlined name coordinates what the group brings

October

Neitzke, Markwalter, Horner, Lindley

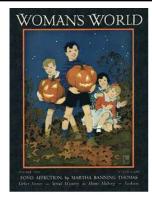
November

W. Gordon, Collier, M. Gordon, DuVall

December

Christmas Party





Happy October Birthdays!

2 - Doris Chavis

3 - Shelby Deitz

5 - Tina Neitzke

5 - Anne Neely Beck

6 - Harold Moore

8 - Jim McPherson

9 - Glenn Boswell

11 - Dolores Cerefin

15 - Jerome Trapp

17 - Hilde Dover

25 - Sheila Wilson

26 - Pat Roberts

29 - Christine Gordon