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SOUTH METRO ATLANTA, GA

MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB

**Chartered March 1989** 

MAFCA Chapter - Chartered May 2014



# Newsletter



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2013 MARC Newsletter of the Year

December, 2016

Volume 9, No. 12



"Bundle up for your Christmas shopping."

# Southside A's 2016 Board of Directors\*

### **Officers:**

Director: Jason Carne\* 770-500-4171

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### **Committee Chairpersons:**

Newsletter: Gwyneth Shotwell\*

(Mike Shotwell, unpaid consultant)

Tech Co-chairs: Jim Johnston/Tom Romine\*

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Activities Director: Dick Carne

Historian/Scrapbook: Ann Hunter

Mileage keeper: Eugene Willingham

Website Team:

Webmaster: Pat Tyler\*

**Art Direction:** Mike Shotwell

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### 2016 Southside A's Club Events

December 3-4	Madison Tour of Homes	
January 7, 2017	12th Night Post-Holiday Luncheon,	
	Nutwood Plantation, LaGrange	
February TBD	Valentine's Day lunch	

### **Looking ahead: 2017 Events of Interest**

March 23-26	MARC Membership Meet,	
	Shipshewana, IN	
July 30-Aug.4	MARC National Meet,	
	Gettysburg, PA	

#### **Editor's Notes:**

With morning temperatures dipping into more familiar late fall territories, it's beginning to "feel a lot like Christmas."

To ring in the holiday, join in on the Madison Tour of Homes taking place the first weekend in December. You can still take part, just at the non-discounted price. See the notice on page 4.

We're happy to have a nice story from one of our newest club members, Frank Benford of Roanoke, AL, who shares his Model A outing, with his wife Mary Helen, to Family Day on the Farm, in Chambers County.

2017 is just around the corner, and with our new slate of Officers all set to go it promises to be another hum dinger!

Merry Christmas, Everyone!

--Gwyneth Shotwell



### **Happy Birthday!**

7<sup>th</sup> - Wyvonne Hobbs 11<sup>th</sup> - David Gerken



### **Happy Anniversary!**

No one decided to get married in December! Too busy with holidays, no doubt...



# **Notes from Our Director**

### Hello everyone,

Time flies when you're having fun! It seems like only yesterday we were gathering at the Delta Museum for our first club outing of 2016. This past year has been one that I will look back on with fond memories. It really is great to be part of such a super group of people. I would encourage each member to get more involved with the club. Host an event, attend a board meeting, and make suggestions for future outings; the more you put in, the more you will get out!

I would like to thank my fellow board members along with our committee chairpersons for another great year. Their efforts are what truly makes our club great. From having a great newsletter, fresh and interesting outings and events, to all the record keeping and finances behind the scenes, our leadership has done an outstanding job. Thank you again for letting me be a part.

Looking ahead to 2017, I would like to congratulate all the newly elected officers. Jim Wingo, Pat Tyler, Kathy Huey, and Cheryl Simpson. Thank you for stepping up, I know that you will do a great job this coming year.

Our last official outing of the year will be a Christmas tour of homes in Madison, GA on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Last year, we toured Biltmore Estate and got to see the mansion all decked out for the holidays. This year we are staying closer to home so I hope that you will join us for this outing. It will be a nice way to kick off the Christmas season. Thank you Dick, for putting this together!

-Jason Carne

### SOUTHSIDE A'S ANNUAL MEETING - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

We had a great turnout for our Annual Meeting at Tim's Country Buffet, and everyone did their duty of loading up on delicious Southern food...some even more than once!

Conversation was lively and congenial as Jim Johnston hawked 50/50 tickets from the crowd.

Once the official meeting was called to order, we voted in revised Bylaws for the club, and elected the slate of officers put together by the Nominating Committee.

Our 2017 Officers are:

Pres./Dir. - Jim Wingo Vice-Pres./Vice-Dir. - Pat Tyler Secretary/Corresponding Secretary - Kathy Huey Treasurer - Cheryl Simpson



Tom Romine was the lucky winner of the 50/50 drawing and he could be heard to declare that it would (not surprisingly) be used for Model A parts! Congratulations, Tom!







#### MADISON CHRISTMAS TOUR OF HOMES

December 3-4, 2016

You can still take part in the Madison Christmas Tour of Homes, however, the discounted ticket price will no longer be available. Contact Dick Carne to let him know you're coming along, and be sure to make your reservations at the Lodge at Lake Oconee if you plan on staying the night.

Here is the information:

Saturday, Dec. 3: Meet at the Government Complex in Fayetteville at 9:00AM. Head out to Madison.

**Tour** the decorated homes, some in walking distance of each other, others a little farther.

Late afternoon, for those who would prefer not to drive home after dark, we would head to the Lodge at Lake Oconee, about 23 miles heading back from Madison. It is the same nice hotel we stayed in for the Dick & Jane Tour a couple of years ago. Next door is the Bone House Grill, which was also a lively, fun and tasty place for dinner. We would handle dinner in small groups as they don't take reservations, but doing the same the last time we were there worked out very nicely.

Sunday, Dec. 4: Head home individually or in groups, as you wish, after another fun outing.

**Cost for tour:** \$32 at the door. (pre-sale deadline has passed)

**Lodge at Lake Oconee:** Rate of \$99 + tax. The rate will be honored up to Dec. 2, and could go down if we have more than ten rooms reserved (\$89 + tax).

930 Greensboro Rd., Eatonton, GA 31024

Phone: 706-485-7785

Questions? Contact Dick at: dickcarne@gmail.com Phone: 770-940-9044



### MAFFI News: Membership

MAFFI is currently having a membership drive that can benefit local clubs. If our club has three members join MAFFI for the first time, the club will get an inscribe brick which will be placed on the museum grounds.

So, if you would like to join this important group, which helps preserve all things Model A, plus gain free admission to the museum, and the online newsletter, let a board member from SSA's handle your application, for the benefit of all concerned!

### **Sweet Home Alabama Tour, 2016**

#### By Gwyneth Shotwell

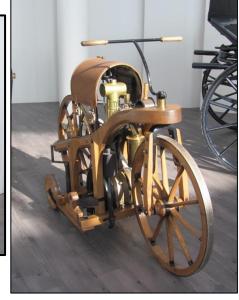
If you haven't taken part in one of the Sweet Home Alabama tours presented by the Central Alabama A's, you're missing out on a fabulous experience. This year marked the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual tour, which took place in and around Tuscaloosa, AL. With more than 50 Model A's, and 100+ attendees from as far away as Texas, Indiana, Tennessee, Florida and South Carolina, it was a delightful accomplishment.

Our first outing was to the Mercedes Benz Visitor Center & Museum in nearby Vance, where we saw examples of early cars, models showing the development over the years, as well as current concept and racing

cars. I also found the "timeline" of Mercedes showing its influence

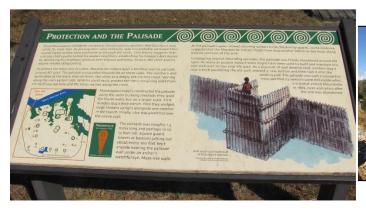
and prominence not only in the automobile industry but also being featured in film, and popular culture.



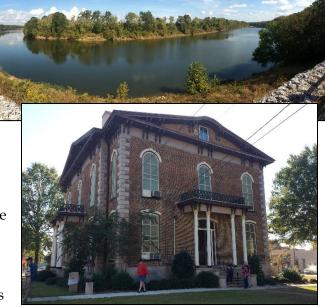


From there we headed to Moundville Archaeological Park and Museum where we learned the fascinating history of the

Mississippian Indian tribes that inhabited this area. Several of the mound structures that were used both as burial sites and foundations for the homes of high level leaders still exist near the Warrior River that served as access for travel and trade. The museum held remarkable scene reconstructions of life during that time, interpreting archeological artifacts that have been discovered at the site.



Friday we toured through the Courthouse Square in Carrolton, Alabama, delighting the residents gathered around. If we looked closely we could just make out the face that is etched in an upper window. In 1879, a freedman named Henry Wells was being held in the garret of the courthouse, having been arrested on charges of setting the previous courthouse on fire two years earlier. The story goes



that as he peered out the window at an angry mob gathering below, lightning struck the building, creating the indelible image on the window pane.





The next stop was the site of the U.S. Snag Boat Montgomery, whose job it was to clear rivers in the greater southeast of tree limbs and all kinds of debris which could inhibit boat traffic and therefore commerce. We could see how much work was required, within pretty small spaces, to keep the boat and the crew going about their duties.



containing interviews with former the community who had worked in The museum has an impressive exhibit of

artifacts but also items donated by prisoners or their family members, too.



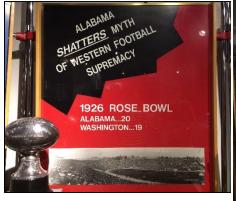


One activity we got to participate in, but wasn't on the original schedule, was awakening in the night to the persistent howl of the hotel fire alarm. If we weren't already good friends with the group, this impromptu gathering cemented it. Many of us threw on street clothes to exit to the parking lot, while others more obediently exited post haste in their jammies. Paul and Marie Majerick made a dashing couple, with good-hearted smiles on their faces. Happily it was all a false alarm and we eventually returned to our beds and a few hours of sleep.





Our final day took us to the University of Alabama and the Paul "Bear" Bryant Museum. Driving through the lovely campus, the sight of their football stadium with its soaring wings of seating left me weak in the knees imagining watching a game from





that height! The museum portrays Alabama football from its

inception in 1927 up to the present; an array of memorabilia, history and personalities that is worthy of the schools powerhouse reputation (regardless of your personal allegiance, of course!).



After a stop at the Warner Transportation Museum, which describes the history of the area through the various inhabitants and their modes of travel and commerce, we headed back to our host hotels to relax before our final banquet.

If this sounds like an actionpacked weekend, it certainly was. Kudos to Gary and Penny Wheat and all the other members of Central Alabama who worked so diligently to put on this memorable tour! **Featured Photo of the Month:** (As with 2015, we will be featuring photos that glorify the Model A in all its varied styles, and enhanced by beautiful or intriguing settings. Keep track of your favorites throughout the year and we will once again take a tally and announce the winner for "Miss 2016.")



**DECEMBER** 



# **SAVE THE DATE!**

12<sup>th</sup> Night Post-Holiday Luncheon Saturday, January 7, 2017



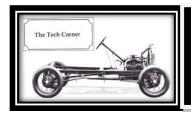


### Nutwood Plantation, LaGrange, GA

This will be our first gathering with our new Officers for 2017. We will have door prizes, good food, a lovely venue...all to welcome in the new year.

More details to follow.....





# The Tech Corner

### Look Behind You

by Tom Endy

Many new cars delivered today come equipped with a backup camera. When you put the gear shift lever in reverse the camera mounted at the back of the car sends a video signal to a small screen at the dash showing what is behind you much better than does the rear view mirror.

After market installation kits are also available. One such kit manufactured by Yada sells for around \$100 and is sold by Costco. It operates from 12-volts and the camera is wired to the cars back up lights. The 5" screen is attached to the dash or windshield with a suction cup. The screen is also powered by 12-volts; however, the video signal from the camera to the screen is transmitted wirelessly.

The Yada back up kit can also be installed in a Model A Ford, and that is exactly what I did. There are a number of ways the kit can be installed and it is up to the creativity of the owner to come up with a suitable installation. Both the camera and the screen can be installed so that they are easily removable when the car is parked so as not to aggravate the sensibilities of purists.

My Victoria has the original 6-volt electrical system. However it is equipped with an inverter that provides 12-volts used to power a GPS and recharge a cell phone. The inverter is capable of a 2.5-amp output. The Yada back up system consumes only 900 milliamps, so it is well within the inverters ability to power the Yada along with its other assignments.

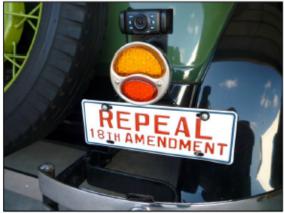
With my installation the screen is mounted to the left side of the dash rail. The screen itself is attached to a wooden oak fixture that straddles the dash rail. A small chassis box is mounted to the base of the oak that contains a switch that powers both the screen and the camera. A small connector is mounted to the chassis box that has a mating connecter that attaches to a cable that brings in the electrical. The cable can easily be disconnected and the screen mount can then be removed from the dash rail and put away under the seat.

The camera is mounted to the right rear of the car, right above the right tail light using a bracket I fabricated that attaches to the back of the tail light cup. My camera installation is a permanent mount. However it could easily be mounted such that it is removable and an in-line connector used to disconnect the power cable to it when parked.

My back up system is used not only for backing up but also when I need to see behind me, especially when trying to move over to a right hand lane. It is an easy matter of flipping the switch right by my left hand to turn on both the camera and the screen.



The screen is positioned to the left side of the dash rail with a U-shaped oak fixture that straddles the rail. The switch on the left side of the chassis box powers both the screen and the camera. The cable connector on the right side of the chassis box is easily disconnected.



The Yada camera is mounted above the right tail light, is vertically adjustable and has night vision capability.

### Family Day at the Farm

By Frank Benford (new Southside A's member)

Family Day at the Farm is an annual event held this year on November 5 at the Slay Farm in White Plains, Chambers County, Alabama. The public is invited to spend the day touring the farm at no cost. Hamburgers, hot dogs and refreshments are provided by the Chambers County Farm-City Committee.

Activities include pony rides, hay rides, farm animal petting zoo, horseshoeing demonstration by a professional farrier plus other activities and general socializing. The farm is primarily beef cattle and sheep.

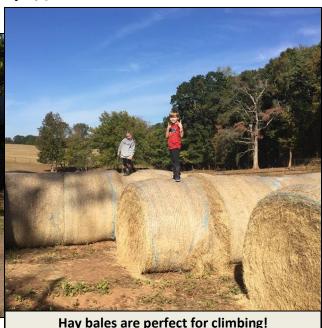
The Slay's daughter-in-law is putting the greenhouse back into operation for winter tomatoes. The farm is open from time to time for school tours. Cars and tractors are shown on a volunteer basis. This year my Model A Tudor and a restored Mustang were there, and our "Katie" was quite a hit with the eventgoers.



Kids enjoying the farm and livestock.

One of the popular tours on the farm is a farmhouse restored in 1930s style without electricity and indoor plumbing and is maintained as a museum of 1930s rural lifestyle. Yes, there is an outhouse. I thought it appropriate to park my 1931 Model A in front of the farmhouse.





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# Highlights from the Dec., 2016 Board Meeting

The Southside A's October 2016 Board Meeting was held on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Tim's Country Buffett in Fayetteville, GA.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM by Director Jason Carne. Jason recognized, and thanked, the 2016 Board members, and gave a special recognition to Gwyneth Shotwell for her contributions.

Jason stated the two items on the agenda – 1) revisions to the By Laws, and 2) the election of officers for 2017.

By Laws – Jim Wingo made a motion to accept the revised By Laws. The motion was seconded by Bob Simpson. A show of hands was unanimous to accept the revisions.

Election of Officers – Jason asked for nominations from the floor for each position. There were none. A show of hands was unanimous to accept/elect the slate of candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee.



Jason asked Dick Carne to give an update for the Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> Madison, GA Christmas Tour of Homes and other activities through the first quarter 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Johnston, Recording Secretary

# Treasurer's Report

Balance as of August 31, 2016: \$2,359.15

Deposits: Dues \$15.00

Expenses:  $\underline{\$0.00}$ 

Balance as of October 31, 2016: \$2,374.15



# DUES ARE DUE! (past due on January 1)

Please send your check, made out to "Southside A's" to:

Cheryl Simpson 8735 Watkins Rd. Chattahoochee Hills, GA 30268

Dues are \$15 for the year. If you are requesting a printed version of the Newsletter, be sure to include an additional \$30, for a total of \$45.

\*If any of your personal info has changed, please include with your check.

# **2016 National Events**



# And looking ahead to 2017



# **MARC Membership Meet:**

Visit: Hudson, National Truck, Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg, Ford US and Studebaker Museums.

Host Hotel: Blue Gate Garden Inn 105 E Middlebury St. 888-447-4725

www.bluegategardeninn.com

# MARC National Meet - Gettysburg, PA

July 30 - August 4, 2017

Check out the website for the host club for info:

http://hubcitymodelaclub.com/marc-meet-2017/



# **Items For Sale**

**FOR SALE:** Safety Cones - 18" Reflective and Collapsible. These compact cones are perfect to keep in your Model A for all kinds of situations. They are good quality and new in the box. Limited Supply. \$10. each.



HarrySaunders, 404-352-2946 or w4kj@arrl.net.

#### **FOR SALE:** 6 volt electrical items:

1-LED tail light Rt side Red/red, \$23;

1-LED 3rd light (Brakelighter), \$45;

1-Electric wiper motor, inside, chrome, \$30;

Sparton Horn Cover, Black Concept Paint, \$10.

**Contact: Tom Romine: 770-527-4039** 

ModelATom@comcast.net

<u>FOR SALE:</u> 1929 Tudor Sedan. A "9" out of 10. Located in Eastman, GA. "Iris" is a great ride. Would like offers around \$14K.

Contact: Bobby Ray Holland - 478-231-8753





<u>FOR SALE:</u> 1930 Tudor, completely restored. Engine has not run in years, but is complete. Includes numerous parts, both engine and body. Restoration photos also included. **Asking \$15,000**. Contact: **Chuck Panzarella**, 770-463-4340 <u>Cpanzarella1@att.net</u>

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Contact **Jim Langley** at <a href="mailto:jrpdl57@gmail.com">jrpdl57@gmail.com</a> or call **(706) 289-6014**, Phenix City, AL

<u>FOR SALE:</u> 1930 Georgia License Plates. Unrestored and Restored. Singles, pairs, and





sequentially numbered plates available. **Email Jim Hunter** at <a href="mailto:vtguy@aol.com">vtguy@aol.com</a> or call (770) 719-4742



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# **Club Items**

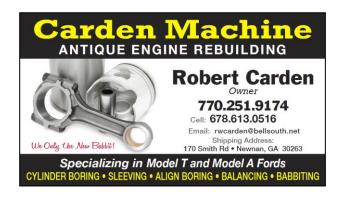
### **Shirts and Hats**

We have Vendors that supply embroidery for hats and shirts. If you are interested contact Eugene Willingham @ 770-253-6518 or <a href="mailto:eewill@numail.org">eewill@numail.org</a>

Name Tags are available by contacting Teri Besch at 770-487-9215 or besch105@comcast.net

Remember: There is almost no limit to what you can have embroidered. Use your imagination, talk to Eugene and see what you can come up







<u>Club Banners:</u> We have designed a Club Banner to display on your car when touring or just to hang in your shop. Call Jim Johnston @ (678) 423-4344 or <u>jamesrj@charter.net</u>







## Invitation to join Model "A" Restorers Club

(Membership in Southside A's requires membership in MARC, as well.)

### MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

6721 Merriman Garden City MI 48135 (734) 427-9050 office (734) 427-9054 fax

modelarestorers@sbcglobal.net

# **Membership Application**

### 2015 Dues- New or Renewals

() US Membership \$45.00 () US & Canada Air Mail \$55.00 () International \$61.00

**IMPORTANT:** Make checks payable to Model "A" Restorers Club (M.A.R.C.)

All Memberships from outside the U.S. are to be remitted by International Money Orders in U.S. Funds (drawn on U.S. Bank) or credit card. And a personal check drawn on U.S. bank (U.S. funds must stamped on check.)

### **CREDIT CARD INFORMATION:**

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With your membership you will receive a club membership I.D. card and the *Model "A" News*, our BI-monthly club magazine. In addition, each member is entitled to a free 40 word classified ad in each issue of our international publication, the *Model "A" News* 

(A good source of parts and information you may need for your car).

#### **Model A Restorers Club Purpose:**

The purpose of the Model "A" Restorer's Club is to encourage its members to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit, and make use of the Model "A" Ford vehicles (models 1928-1931) and all things pertaining to the historical information, and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship among its members.

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