

# The Spare Tire

*Palmetto A's of South Carolina*

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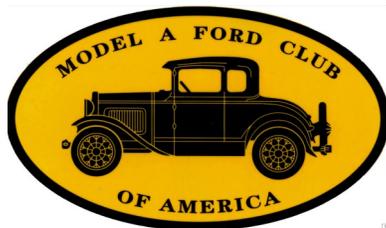
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## "A" Note from the President...

In May, the first of our club's two outings was to Edgefield for their "Market on the Square." We had 7 A's and 3 "moderns." We enjoyed perusing the Market filled with various types of vendors and then had lunch at various restaurants around the town square and had time to visit and "catch up" as we dined at outside tables. Some revisited some of the local shops and came home with more treasures. Our second outing was to Prosperity for the "Cruzin the Square" event. Our club was represented with 4 A's and 3 "moderns." We were able to see many fabulous custom and beautifully restored cars, but also visit our own Tom & Sherry Mack's show room on the square that was housing many beautiful cars, including Model A's. Lunch was also available at local restaurants around the square area. A few of us stopped at Little Mountain Antiques on the way back home in search of more treasures. It was a beautiful and enjoyable day to spend with friends and, of course, drive our A's.

We are only about two weeks away from the **Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet at Smith and Jones Antique Auto Parts**, to be held **June 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>** with "set up" on the 10<sup>th</sup>. We will need volunteers to help out (as in the past) with the duties that come with putting on this event. I look forward to this event and seeing even more of our members getting back into our monthly routine and having the fun and fellowship with our Model A's. Remember, if your "A" is the "repair or restore shop", you can still be a part of the fellowship in your "modern."

**So let's dust'um off, gas'em up, and let's go "Model A'ing"!**

*John Cockerill*



16th Annual

**ALL Model A & Model T  
SWAP MEET & CAR DISPLAY**  
at

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Swap Meet:

Friday, June 11, 2021 8am-5pm

Swap Meet & Car Display:

Saturday, June 12, 2021 8am-3pm:

Vendor Space: Early registration:

\$15/one day \$25/two days

\$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

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*Happy 61st Anniversary Palmetto A's*

*June**Birthdays*

Orville Booth - 7th

Wayne Areheart - 10th

Starke Ward - 10th

Ann Lyons - 11th

Mark Temple - 11th

Judy Barnes - 15th

John Begg - 25th

*Anniversaries*

Mack &amp; Mary Day - 6th

Chester &amp; Ann Kay - 12th

Alex &amp; Julie Green - 14th

John &amp; Twila Cockerill - 23rd

Mike &amp; Stephanie Petty - 24th

**WANTED:****NEWSLETTER EDITOR****FOR THE SPARE TIRE****Must have computer skills**

Current newsletter editor willing to teach "the ropes"

This is my seventh and final year as your newsletter editor. I have enjoyed working with everyone to publish *The Spare Tire* every month but it is time for someone new to take over. You all have until October to consider this position and I will answer any questions anyone has about being a newsletter editor. It can be fun and challenging at the same time. You get to work with a great bunch of people on the Palmetto Board of Directors and the club membership. And, like the sitcom Cheers, "It's where everyone knows your name!" So, give it some serious consideration and see me if you have questions.

*Twila*

**In Memoriam  
June Elkin**

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We continue to maintain a balance in line with the club budget as set and approved by the Board of Directors. All bills and receipts are processed promptly. The checkbook is balanced monthly with no discrepancies. The club account balance is reported at each General Membership meeting.

Happy Begg, Treasurer

*Sunshine Report*

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: Judy Barnes, Mary Day, Calvin LeNeve, Mike Lewter, Wes Porterfield, Happy Begg and family in the loss of her mother and Simon Elkin and family in the loss of his wife June.

*Remember: call, write or send a card to someone who needs encouragement. We are "FAMILY" and it helps to be thought of and prayed about.*

If you have any Sunshine concerns, please call or email the newsletter editor to add the name



Palmetto A's  
May 8, 2021  
Tour to  
Edgefield



May 15, 2021  
Cruzin' the Square  
Prosperity, SC



## Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

### Mechanic's Gloves are Great!

I resisted wearing mechanic's gloves for many years when working on my old cars. I didn't think I needed them. Let me tell you, I was wrong! They are great!

I found a pack of 15 pair of work gloves on Amazon for \$10 last year, and I am now a believer. They are branded "Grease Monkey". They are red woven gloves that have dipped the fingers and palm into a rubbery polymer that gives grip and protection. You can use them and when they get too greasy, dirty, or torn up, you throw them away and don't feel too bad, because they're only 75 cents a pair.



They help me grip things better, they keep my hands cleaner, the open weave does not make my hand sweat too much, and I am now avoiding a lot of the scrapes, cuts and bruises that I used to get when working on my cars. I do have to remove them for very fine work, but for most of my wrenching, they really help.

And after using them for a year now, I have another low-tech Tech Tip for you: Take a black marker and draw a 3" to 4" line up the back of the left glove every time you pull a new pair out of the package. When you grab a pair off the bench or out of a toolbox to put on, you will quickly spot that black line up the back of the left glove and get the gloves on the right hand the first time. (Lefts and rights look identical at first glance.)

For 75 cents, you'll throw a pair in each car, in your toolbox, and out in the tool shed. What a deal! Until next time,

"Have a Model A Day!"

Jim

Courtesy of MAFCA

### MAFFI Newsletter Minute May 2021

Our Annual Model A Day is fast approaching and since our last year's event had to be postponed to this year, all of our displays are already in place, just waiting for your arrival! We talk a lot about all of the beautiful cars that are on display in the Museum but did you know that there are many era fashions that are also on display year round. Our museum fashion director, Linda Morford does such an excellent job of keeping these displays fresh and ever changing. This year we have changed out a couple of our mannequins to wear our First Responder outfits.

If you have been to the museum in the past, you may have noticed "Dolly" donning her lovely vintage housedress and apron. This year, Dolly has been transformed into Nurse Dolly. Her uniform is thanks to a find by Executive Director, John Marshall and the beautiful cape came from Julie Klutz, of the MARC Fashion Committee. Don't worry, she will have white shoes by Model A Day!

Officer Delaney was once our Good Humor Ice Cream man. He now proudly wears an authentic Police Uniform also donated by John Marshall.

Our fireman (yet unnamed) is wearing a complete era fireman's outfit thanks to Ken Ehrenhofer. I was there when they were dressing this guy and let me tell you, it's not easy putting those boots on a mannequin! A hole needed to be cut in one of the boots in order for it to fit onto the stand. Fire boots were not meant to be cut into!

Hopefully you will be able to make it to Model A Day September 18<sup>th</sup>, to see these wonderful displays in person. For more information go to our website at: [maffi.org](http://maffi.org). Start making your plans now, it's gonna be great!

See you in September!!

Thank you,

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

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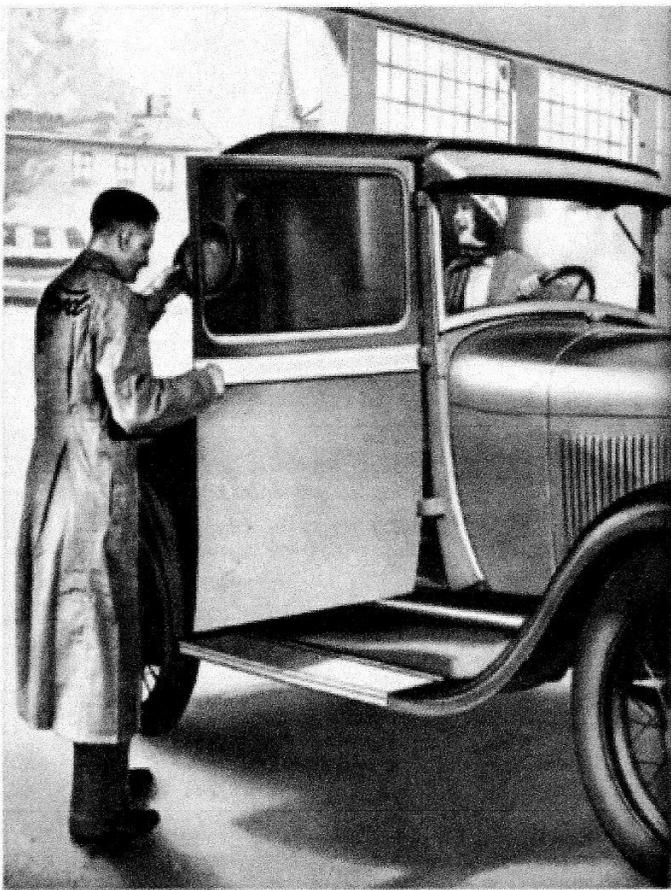


## SERVICE STATION ATTIRE IN THE MODEL A ERA

By Lois Przywitowski

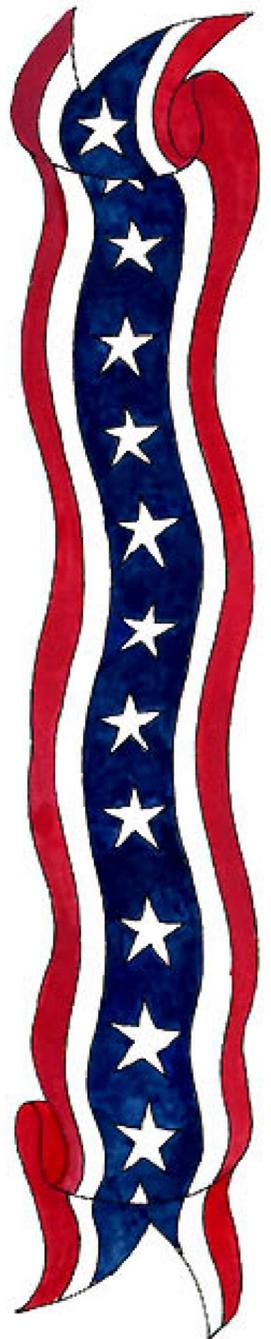
In the early years of the automobile, getting gas for the horseless carriage was no small feat. Dispensing gasoline evolved from bulk depots on the outskirts of towns, often requiring three people to fill the tank, to curb side pumps. As the popularity of the motor car increased and technology allowed larger quantities of fuel to be refined from the same amount of petroleum, merchants of all stripes, from bicycle shops, general stores, garages, and automotive dealers, installed gas pumps in front of their establishments. By 1920 approximately 15,000 gas stations were located in the United States. They were rudimentary at best, some little more than shacks, with advertisements littering their walls and the roads leading to them. They were considered by many to be an eyesore, and even worse, there was little confidence in the product they offered.

Major oil companies took note and began to standardize their stations, making them visually appealing to the motorist. Not only did the station need to look good, the service employees needed to project honesty, integrity, reliability and quality. What better way to do that than through the clothing they wore?



*Ford Service Bulletins emphasized service, shop cleanliness, and the appearance of the employees. This illustration, from the July 1928 Bulletin, shows the serviceman in a shop coat, with the Ford Logo, shoes polished, and cap in hand.*

Courtesy of MAFCA



### Editor's Note.....

After months of doing next to nothing in our Model A's, members may be finding they need help with repairs. Our Palmetto A's tech team is a good resource for problem solving. Our club has a whole library of tech help on CD's that can be checked out. Contact John Cockerill. The MAFCA website has posted technical videos on You Tube (<https://www.mafca.com/videos.html#technical/>.) Santa Anita A's has posted an indexed list of Tom Endy's tech articles on their website (<https://www.santaanitaas.org/tom-endys-tech-articles/>.) There are many resources out there! We are looking forward to our annual swap meet. We still need volunteers to cook, man the food tables and the info table.

See you at the Swap Meet!

*Julia*

### TINY TIPS

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#### HARD STEERING

If you feel that your Model A is steering harder than other Model A's, harder than it should, there are several things you can do to ease the problem.

1. Check your front end castor; too much castor (caused by sagging front spring) can cause difficult steering.
2. Improper steering adjustment; over-adjusting to remove play.
3. Worn front tires.
4. Low air pressure - 35 psi minimum pressure is recommended.
5. Lack of steering lubrication.
6. Improper steering box lubricant.
7. Worn steering arm balls.

If all the above have no effect, there is a product on the market to ease your steering. It is in kit form. It includes the replacement of the drag link and tie-rod ends with teflon, and can be obtained through your Model A outlet stores.

#### Patent Cures



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The Palmetto A's is a not for profit organization with chapter affiliations with MAFCA and MARC. The organization is dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile and supports membership in the national organizations dedicated to the same purpose. Palmetto A's is one of the oldest Model A Clubs in the nation, having been active for over 61 years. Monthly meetings are generally held the third Saturday of the month, time and location announced in **The Spare Tire**, the club's monthly newsletter. Palmetto A's membership dues are \$25 per year.

Members are encouraged to join the following national clubs:

Model A Ford Club of America.  
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- Free classified advertising on the MAFCA web site and posting of photo of your car in the Photo Album section
- Technical advice to help restore your Model A and keep it in top shape

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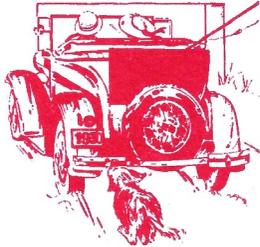
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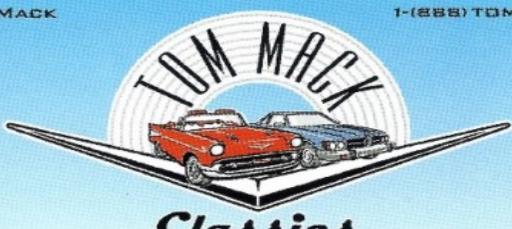
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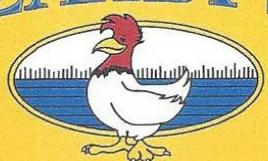


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### Down the Road

Is there a destination to which you would like to drive your Model A? Is there a lunch spot to which you would like to drive your Model A? Call or email Cheryl and Danny Austin at 803-351-5687, [daustino02@sc.rr.com](mailto:daustino02@sc.rr.com). They are looking for your ideas and input!

### Palmetto A's Schedule for 2021

- JUNE 10** - 9:00 am Set up for the Swap Meet. Volunteers needed!
- JUNE 11-12** - Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet at Smith & Jones
- July 17** - TBA Toward Augusta?
- August 21** - Lexington County Museum and lunch
- September 11** - International Model A Day, Lone Star BBQ in Santee with the Low Country A's.

### Other Events of Interest

2021

- June 7-11** [MARC National Meet](#), Oshkosh WI
- June 20-25** [MAFCA National Tour](#) in New Hampshire. Watch for details!
- September 9-11** [Charlotte AutoFair](#) Charlotte, NC
- October 6-9** [Hershey Fall Swap Meet](#) Hershey, PA



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### The Spare Tire

**Due date for submissions  
for the July 2021  
issue is June 20th**



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