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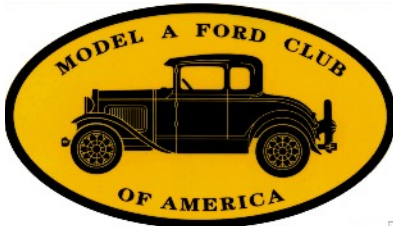
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You are Invited to

The Palmetto A's Model A Club's

24th Annual Picnic

St. James Lutheran Church

1358 South Lake Drive in Lexington

Saturday, March 30, 2019

10:00 - 3:30 (lunch at noon)

****Bring a picnic + some to share and drinks for your family****

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Car games with prizes, bring your chairs!

50/50

Raffle Prizes

Silent Auction



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MARCH 9

We have been invited to lunch at Shealy's BBQ by the Aikin A's

We will be leaving from the Kmart in Lexington, 748 W Main St, promptly at 10:00 am.



March

Birthdays

Richard Buff - 1st

Shirley Fraser - 7th

Calvin LeNeve - 23rd

Margaret Smith - 26th

Lester Kelly - 31st

Anniversaries

Sonny & Sara Koon - 10th

Orville & Sharon Booth - 14th

Tony & Linda Johnson - 24th



"A" Note from the President...

February proved to be a wet one; however, on two occasions we saw little or no precipitation. First we had nine members enjoy getting together at Wayne Areheart's garage for our first tech session of the year. For some, it was a firsthand demo on greasing front wheel bearings, for others, a refresher. Sharing ideas on this and other topics was a good learning experience. Thanks to Wayne for hosting this and providing us a place to continue to share in our hobby. Second, we had 16 members in 7 Model A's and 3 "moderns" to tour to Blackville for lunch at Miller's Bread Basket. Our tour leaders, Danny and Cheryl, led us to Denmark after lunch for a second, oh so yummy, dessert at the bakery. Only a light mist in the first part of the trip, turning to partly sunny from noon 'til mid-afternoon, made for a decent outing in the A's.

This month we have two opportunities to enjoy driving, fellowship, fun and games. First, we'll join the Aiken A's for lunch at Shealy's BBQ. Thanks to them for the invitation. Second, our Annual Palmetto A's Picnic, another chance to enjoy food, fellowship and car games with our club as well as other clubs who are always welcome to join us for this fun day. (See trip details front page.) Don't forget, we're holding a silent auction at the picnic. Please consider donating items to be auctioned for our fundraiser. Contact either Happy or Twila about your donations.

Twila and I are looking forward to seeing our "Model A family" this month as we continue to enjoy our wonderful Model A's. So "Dust'em off", "Gas'em up" and lets go Model A'ing!!!

John Cockerill



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Treasurer's Report February, 2019

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: Mack Day, Shirley Fraser, Retta Gantt, Wes Porterfield, JP Temple and Bobby Williamson; also Richard Buff and family on the loss of his mother.

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 to our Sunshine Report.

Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

February 1, 2019

President John Cockerill opened the meeting at 9:30 am at IHOP Restaurant on St. Andrews Road, in Columbia, SC, with the following in attendance: Cheryl Austin, Happy & John Begg, Sharon & Orville Booth, John & Twila Cockerill, and Wes Porterfield. Minutes of the January 14, 2019, Board Meeting were read. Happy made motion that they be accepted as presented, seconded by Twila Cockerill and unanimously approved.

Happy distributed the January Financial Report but stated that the actual bank statement had not yet been received because this meeting had to be scheduled earlier because of member schedule conflicts. She has formatted the report so it will coincide with the budget which will make it easier to audit at the end of the year. Sharon Booth made the motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Twila Cockerill and unanimously approved.

Cheryl stated there are currently 29 paid members with 5 lifetime memberships, and she will call those who have not yet paid after she checks the post office box.

Cheryl gave the Tour Director report for Danny stating that there will be a Tech Session on February 9 at the Arehearts' home at 9:30 am, and February's meeting has been changed to a trip to Miller's Breadbasket in Blackville, SC, leaving Gaston IGA at 10am on the 16th.

The Annual Picnic will be held March 30th at St. James Lutheran Church in Red Bank. It was agreed that \$50 to \$60 will be spent on raffle-ticket prizes and \$10 per car game winner anticipating three to four games. Members are encouraged to donate items for a silent auction to be held at the picnic.

The Epworth BBQ Fundraiser will be held on April 6, and because of Easter being the 3rd weekend, our regular club meeting will be the April 27 with plans to attend the Old 96 Swap Meet in Greenwood.

Our Swap Meet is scheduled for June 21 and 22 at Smith & Jones. Dick Fraser will be the contact person for vendors and flyers have been sent to him as well as delivered to Davin by Twila. Wyman Toole will handle getting the meat and buns from Sysco, and it was discussed that the same quantity be purchased as in the past. Happy will get the drinks, chips and condiments from Cosco. Sharon will get the tomatoes, lettuce and onions. Cheryl will get chili and ice. Orville will bring the trailer to the site. The raffle prizes will be those purchased for last year's meet.

Mention was made that Model A Day at the Gilmore Car Museum in Michigan is scheduled for September 21st.

More input is requested for determining a site for our Christmas Party which will be held on either December 7th or the 14th.

Twila reported there is nothing new regarding the Newsletter. She has received payment for the Hen House ad and invoices will be sent out soon for the other advertisers. Happy reported that the Web site is up to date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Sharon Booth, Secretary

Palmetto A's Membership Meeting Highlights

February 16, 2019

President John Cockerill opened the meeting at 12 noon at the Millers Bread Basket in Blackville, SC, and announced the birthdays and anniversaries for the month.

Cheryl Austin gave the membership report with currently 33 paid members and 5 lifetime members. She is still calling those who have not paid. She then gave a schedule of planned upcoming events.

Discussion was held on date for Christmas Party which was decided to be lunch on December 14th with location and details to follow.

Mention was made of our intent to attend a service at Rev. Harper's church before he retires in October.

Cheryl will contact him to arrange the date.

Treasurer Happy Begg gave the report of the Club bank account and stated that the check book is balanced.

A flyer was distributed from Kirk Ellis who is selling Model A parts.

Mention was made of a Pasadena CA High School Model A Club that rebuilds Model A's and raffles the car for \$100 per ticket. Contact Happy if interested in participating.

Twila mentioned that if you haven't received your Newsletter by the first week of the month, please call her as some servers have been blocking it.

Dick Fraser reported that MARC mileage can still be submitted if you have not yet reported yours to him.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Submitted by,
Sharon Booth, Secretary



February 9, 2019 Tech Session at the Areheart's Garage.

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

Oil vs. Grease -- What's the Difference?

We pour oil into the engine, transmission, differential and steering gear box. We use grease on the chassis, in all the "grease fittings, and we pack our wheel bearings with grease. Have you ever wondered what the difference is between these two? I have.

Oil is a slippery liquid at room temperature that provides a film between parts that are sliding or pressing quite hard against each other while in use. Higher viscosity oil will allow for higher pressure between parts before the oil film gets pressed out and you lose the protection between the parts. It also helps with cooling inside an engine while it runs.

One characteristic of oil that you are all familiar with is that it does not mix with water, because it is made up of organic molecules that don't interact with polar water molecules. They will usually mix with other oils and solvents. The oil molecules may be distilled from the mix of hydrocarbons found in crude oil, or they may be formed and built up, piece by piece, in a chemical reaction with catalysts (which we call synthetic oil). Synthetic oil molecules tend to be more uniform (all the same) than conventional mineral oils, because they were each built from the same building blocks. That improves their performance in many applications.

Grease is a lubricant that consists of about 85% base oil, as above, about 15% thickener that keeps the grease in a semisolid state, and various additives for things like corrosion prevention. The base oil can be a vegetable oil (safe to use around food), conventional mineral oil from crude, or a synthetic oil. The thickeners are actually some form of soap, made with things like lithium, calcium, or aluminum. Unlike oil, grease does not "flow"; that's why it is not recommended in our steering gear box. We want the oil to run down into all the bushings, bearing and gears.

Grease is an interesting substance. It has a high initial viscosity or thickness but as stress is applied, the viscosity decreases, approaching that of the base oil. Release the stress and it thickens again. Grease can separate over time -- you've probably seen the oil part run out of a grease gun that sits. Grease can dry out and harden with age. The soap part can break down with a lot of heat, reducing how well the grease stays inside the bearing (think of front wheel bearings).

So if you can't remember when you last packed fresh grease into your front wheel bearings, you might want to go clean them and repack them this weekend. Avoid problems on the road and Have a Model A Day!
Jim



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Pasadena High School Model A Ford Club (PHSMAFC) Car Raffle, 2019

By Wilbert Smith PhD.

The Pasadena High School Model A Ford Club (PHSMAFC) is restoring a 1929 Model A Roadster to be given to one lucky family on April 20, 2019. That's right! One grand prize-winner will own a beautiful roadster restored by the only Model A Club located on any high school campus in the nation.

Each participant will receive one raffle entry per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) contributed. The odds of winning our 1929 Roadster are quite favorable as we limit the number of entries to seven-hundred-fifty (750). Additional cash prizes will also be awarded.

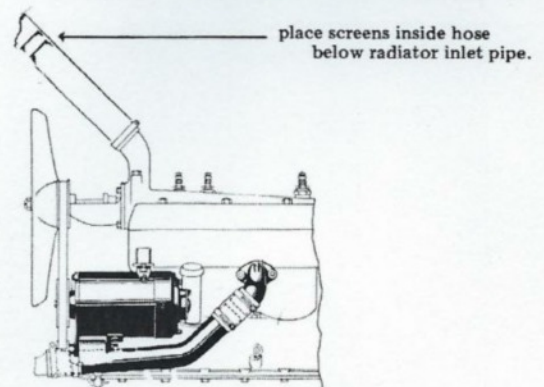
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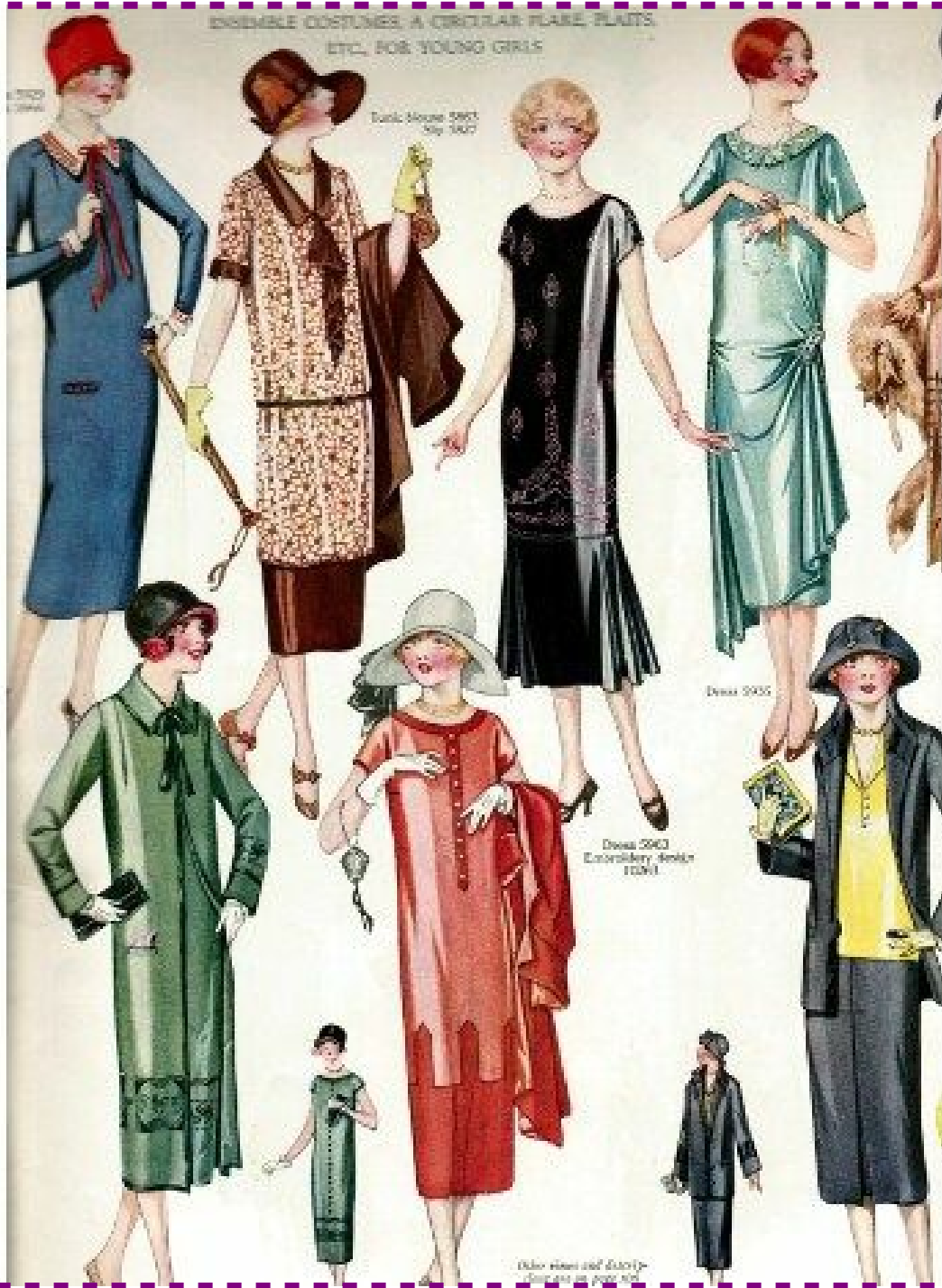
I have found that most of the problems of overheating are caused by a stopped-up radiator. Rust and grease from the engine and water pump work their way through the engine and lodge in the radiator.

To stop the matter from reaching the radiator, a screen can be placed in the upper radiator hose.

Here's how: (1) Cut two pieces of window screen (aluminum is good, but brass is better), about 1-inch larger in diameter than the radiator inlet pipe. (2) Form each piece over the outside of the radiator inlet pipe making a cup. Push each cupped screen into the upper radiator hose from the engine end toward the radiator end of the hose. It should fit snug. Push the first screen so that it rests just below the radiator inlet pipe. Push the second screen to a point just below the 'first screen. Do not push the two screens together. Do not push the screens so that they are crushed by the radiator pipe after installation. The object of the screens is to trap rust before it can enter the radiator. The screens should be cleaned about every 500 miles at first. After that, at intervals as needed. It is recommended that if the radiator has been on the car a long time or if the radiator seems to lose its water after long drives, the radiator should be cleaned to remove all rust and grease. I had the problem of a radiator, stopped-up from engine rust, forcing the water out the top of the radiator. I flushed the radiator but it stayed clean only a short time. Since installing the screens the radiator has stayed clean.



Submitted by Robert Hitchcock



Cook's Corner...

Sweet Cornbread

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1½ cups white sugar
- 2 cups of buttermilk OR 2 cups milk + 2 tablespoons white vinegar
- 4 eggs
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 ¼ cups cornmeal
- 2 ¾ cups all purpose flour
- 1 ½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon baking soda

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease a 9X13 baking dish with butter. In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add eggs and salt. Sift cornmeal, flour, baking powder, and baking soda. Add to wet ingredients and mix until just combined. (Do not overmix as this will produce tough cornbread.)

Pour into prepared baking dish. Bake until golden, 25-30 minutes. Keep an eye on bread beginning at about 20 minutes.

Happy Begg



Palmetto A's February 16, 2019 tour to Miller's Bread Basket in Blackville

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**Due date for submissions
for the April 2019 issue
is March 20th**

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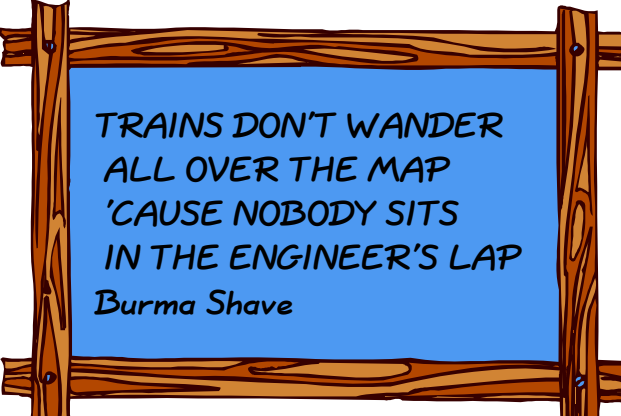
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IN THE ENGINEER'S LAP
Burma Shave

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Editor's Note...

Three weeks until spring! We've had false spring at least twice, and now we're ready for the real thing! We need warmth and sunshine. We need to be out and about. We need the rebirth of nature! It is time to get everything in order for touring season! Our first tech session of the year was a great success. If you have a topic you would like to have discussed and/or demonstrated for a future Tech meeting, give Wayne Areheart a call. We have our annual picnic coming up on the 30th and that means car games. Is your Model A ready for competition? Hope to see you at Shealy's for lunch with the Aiken A's and again at the picnic!

Twila



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- Model A Ford Club of America. Annual dues are \$50 and include a subscription to **The Restorer Magazine** from MAFCA, 250 South Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631 and
- Model 'A' Restorers Club. Annual dues are \$45 and include a subscription to the **Model 'A' News Magazine** from MARC, 6721 Merriman Road, Garden City, MI 48135



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. They are looking for your ideas and input!

Palmetto A's Schedule for 2019

- March 30** Palmetto A's Annual Picnic at St. James Lutheran Church
- April 6** - Epworth's Cookout for Kids Annual BBQ ,
- 26** - Old 96 Annual Swap Meet, breakfast first.
- May 18** - Old McDonald Fish Camp, North Augusta, SC
- June 21-22** Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet
- July 20** -
- August 17** -
- September 21** -
- October 19** -
- November 16** -
- December 14** - Christmas Party



Other Events of Interest

(details on National Club Websites & Magazines)

- April 2 - 9** [Southeastern Tour Group Natchez Trace Tour](#)
- April 4 - 7** [Charlotte Auto Fair](#)
- April 26 - 27** Old 96 Annual Swap Meet
- April 27** - [24th Annual Fiddlers and Fiddleheads Festival in Unicoi, NC](#)
- May 20 - 23** [MARC National Tour](#), Elkins, WV
- June 14-15** [Mountaineer Antique Auto Club 52nd Anniversary Auto Show](#) in Fletcher, NC
- August 4 - 10** [MARC 2019 National Meet](#) in Dearborn, Michigan
- September 21** International Model A Day
- September 21** Model A Day at the [Gilmore Museum](#) in Hickory Corners, MI
- October 7-11** [Canyonlands Hub and Spoke Tour](#) of the Redrock Canyonlands of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona, based in Kanab, Utah
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