

The Spare Tire

Palmetto A's of South Carolina

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Model A Restorers Club Region
Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.

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'A' Note from the President...

Wow, our hot and humid weather is no longer! We went from really hot to almost cold in the blink of an eye! Our relatively mild falls are a great time to get your A's out and go for a nice drive.

At the October Board meeting, it was declared that there would not be an election, this year. Wes Porterfield requested that his name be removed from the ballot due to health issues, and that left one name in each position. As President, I declared those on the ballot were so elected by default. Your new Club Officers will be:

- President - John Cockerill
- Vice President/Tour Director - Danny and Cheryl Austin
- Treasurer - Happy Begg
- Secretary - Sharon Booth
- Newsletter Editor - Twila Cockerill

Thank you all for your continued support of the Palmetto A's. John Cockerill will announce director positions in 2019. If there is an area of service for the club you are interested in, please contact John. Our October tour was changed due to rain predicted in the mountains; just too dangerous to drive our Model A's on wet, slick mountain roads. Instead of going up to Caesar's Head and Pretty Place, it was decided to tour over to Aiken and join the Aiken A's for their annual picnic. It was a cool and cloudy start. We arrived early and enjoyed chatting with many of their members and others from neighboring Model A clubs. Just as we were about to sit down for lunch, at noon, the skies opened up and it poured rain. We were all very thankful for the large shelter the Aiken A's had reserved. We were a much smaller number than last year with only 20 Model A's. I understand that last year there were over 30 present. If you weren't there, you missed a delicious fried chicken lunch with all the trimmings!

Our November meeting/tour will be for lunch at Juniper Restaurant on Nov. 17, located at 640 East Main Street in Ridge Spring. We will meet at the Lexington Kmart at 9:15, departing at 9:30. I hope to see all of you there!

Please remember to renew your membership for next year. Dues are due as of December 31, 2018. You will be receiving in the mail the renewal form and also your personal invitation to the annual Christmas Party. We are thrilled to be able to offer a delicious catered lunch from Hudson's Smokehouse for \$5 each member and each significant other. We would love for you to invite your children and grandchildren and the price is a very low \$12 each! Please send your reservation and check to Cheryl Austin as soon as possible! We want to make sure we have plenty of food for all!

I look forward to seeing you soon,

Happy Begg

2018 Palmetto A's President



**Saturday, November 17
Membership Meeting**

**Lunch at Juniper's Restaurant
in Ridge Spring**

We will meet at the Kmart, 748
W. Main Street in Lexington at
9:15 and leave promptly at 9:30.



Doris Williamson

Please remember Bobby
Williamson and family in
the death of his wife
Doris on 14 October,
2018





November

Birthdays

Lori Bailey - 2nd
 Tony Johnson - 3rd
 Sharon Booth - 9th
 Charles Smith - 12th
 Fred Gantt - 26th
 Danny Austin - 28th
 Maxine Kelly - 29th

Anniversaries

Joey & Lauren Eckstrom - 7th
 Fred & Rhetta Gantt - 27th



Board of Directors

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 Member At Large - [Wes Porterfield](#) (803)749-5649

*Denotes Officer of the Club

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 Picnic in the Park - Committee
 Swap Meet - Committee
 Christmas Party - Committee
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 Community Outreach - [John Begg](#)
 Webmaster - [Happy Begg](#)
 Website: www.palmettoas.net



Treasurer's Report
October, 2018

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.

Tom Barnes, Treasurer




Sunshine Report

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: John Cockerill, Mary Day, Shirley Fraser, Retta Gantt, Sherry Mack, Wyman Toole and Bobby Williamson.

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.



Palmetto A's Board of Directors Meeting

October 15, 2018

President Happy Begg opened the meeting at 5:30 pm at her home in Irmo, SC, with the following in attendance: Cheryl Austin, Tom Barnes, Happy & John Begg, Sharon & Orville Booth, John & Twila Cockerill, Lauren Eckstrom, Dick Fraser, and Wes Porterfield.

Discussion was held concerning the upcoming Christmas Party to be held on December 8th at the Lexington Villas Club House with the food to be provided from Hudson's Smoke House with Cheryl Austin choosing the side dishes. The drinks which were purchased for the canceled Swap Meet will be available, but the prizes purchased will be saved for the annual March Picnic. Members will provide appetizers and desserts according to alphabetical division. Cost will be \$5 for members and \$12 for non-members. Dressing in vintage fashion is encouraged with \$25 prize for each winning couple as well as the individual male and female not part of the winning couple, and a \$5 prize for the winning child. A White Elephant Exchange will be held as well as the Model A Ford rendition of the 12 Days of Christmas performed by chosen members.

Treasurer Tom Barnes distributed a copy of the current TD Bank Statement with income and expenses noted which was reviewed and approved.

Cheryl Austin gave the membership report of 43 current paid members and 5 lifetime members. The membership renewal forms and the notice of the Christmas Party will be mailed to members at the end of October. Currently there are 15 newsletters being mailed to members without internet access, and there are 8 paid advertisers. Wes Porterfield was authorized to purchase three rolls of the Forever Stamps as postage increase will occur in January. It was suggested that membership forms be given to Tom Mack for him to provide to buyers of Model A Fords.

Report from the Nominating Committee was that all positions have only one candidate so ballots will not be necessary. Wes Porterfield who was nominated formally withdrew his name from the ballot for the position of Treasurer.

The tour to Caesar's Head scheduled for Saturday, October 20, has been canceled due to inclement weather forecast, and members are encouraged to attend the Aiken A's Picnic at the O'Dell Weeks Park in Aiken instead. Discussion was held on the location for the November 17th membership meeting which will be announced in the newsletter.

Discussion was held on the date and location for the annual Picnic since the Saluda Shoals site is no longer feasible due to cost increase and limitations placed by its rules. Consensus was to hold the Picnic on March 30th at the St. James Lutheran Church in Red Bank where the Austins and Arehearts attend and a donation given for use of their facilities with details to be determined later.

The annual New Year's Day drive was discussed as was the possibility of having our January meeting with Chicken Bog lunch at the Austins' home.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Sharon Booth, Secretary

MAFFI Newsletter Minute October 2018

Thanks to all the volunteers that made 2018 Model A Day such a success. I would particularly like to thank and recognize Tim Kelly and his family for bringing his collection of Town Cars and Town Car Deliveries to the museum. It takes a lot of personal effort to transport and display such a valuable and rare collection. What a great experience.

We had over 200 Model A's attend and our swap meet area had to be extended behind the Cadillac Museum to accommodate the number of vendors. With the weather perfect for the entire weekend, attendance set a new record.

We hope you will make plans to visit the museum in the future and join us for the 2019 Model A Day which will be September 21, 2019.

Thank you,
Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee



Fall Trends for Women

By Patti Jones

The following examples are taken from the September 1931 issue of *Women's World*. The article showed women what to expect with new fall fashions. For daytime wear, skirts are about twelve inches from the ground, for afternoons the smart length is about nine inches from the floor, and for evening, down to ankle length. A waistline is still shown in all styles. Ensembles consisting of a skirt and a coat or a frock and jacket are considered to be in style. A black woolen dress is a wardrobe staple. Serge and Cheviot wools are for dressing in high style. Crepe satin is for both afternoon and evening wear. Canton crepe, flat silk crepe, serge-like silk, silk and wool novelties in small patterns are fashionable. The satin crepes, semi-sheer crepes and transparent velvets are for the afternoon mode. The dominant colors this fall are garnet-red for town wear and yellow-red for evening. Brown is the second choice to black for daytime and dinner wear.

Noted in an article from the November 1931 issue of *Women's World*, there is an increased width above the waistline. The high waist, accentuated bust, and width across the shoulders, are features of the Empire style, "so important for this season." The bottom left dress shows the same dress fabric used to add a cap on the sleeves, creating a broadening effect to the shoulders. The style shown fourth from the left, accomplishes the same thing with the well used bertha collar, also broadening the shoulder area. Skirts are close fitting about the hips, pleated, gored or only slightly flared at the hemline. All bias-cut garments needed length to give them a graceful appearance and thus the hemlines were longer in 1931. Dresses favored diagonal lines, and there were often angles where the bodice was attached to the skirt, in order to accomplish the 'bias' look.

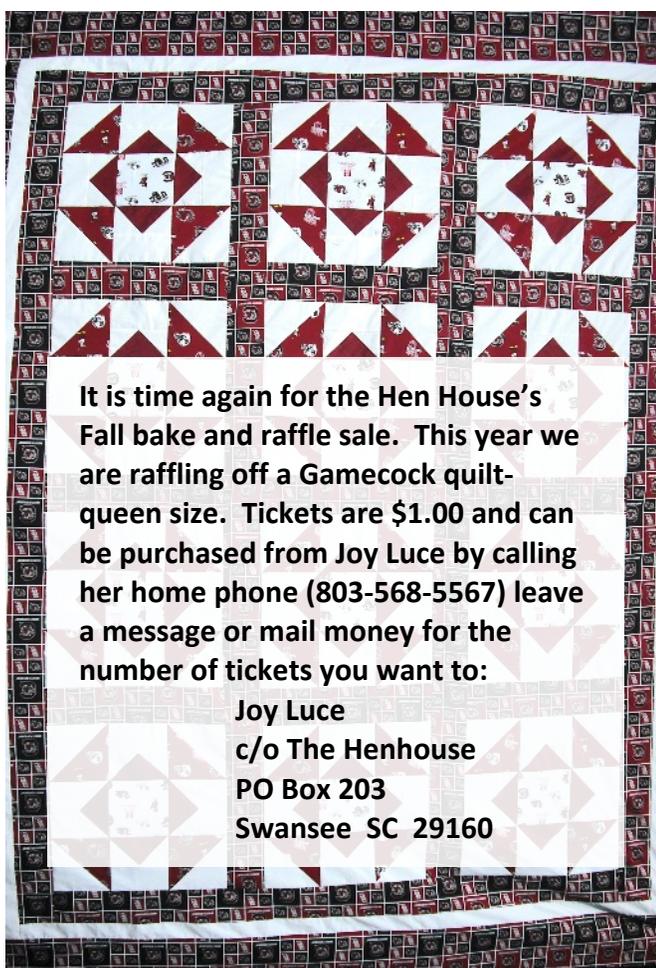


Cook's Corner

Squash Casserole

- 4 to 6 cups sliced yellow squash
- 1 medium onion, minced
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup sour cream
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 package Pepperidge Farms herb stuffing
- 1 stick butter, melted

Heat oven to 350°. Cook squash and onion in a small amount of water for about 20 minutes. Mash. Add salt, pepper, sour cream and soup. Blend well. Stir melted butter into stuffing mix until stuffing mix is well coated. Spread a little more than half of the stuffing in a 3 quart greased casserole. Spoon squash mixture over stuffing and spread evenly. Cover with the remaining stuffing. Bake at 350° for 40 to 45 minutes.



It is time again for the Hen House's Fall bake and raffle sale. This year we are raffling off a Gamecock quilt-queen size. Tickets are \$1.00 and can be purchased from Joy Luce by calling her home phone (803-568-5567) leave a message or mail money for the number of tickets you want to:

Joy Luce
c/o The Henhouse
PO Box 203
Swansee SC 29160

Jim's Tech Tip

by Jim Cannon, MAFCA Technical Director

While My Oil Gently Drains

Every time you drain the engine oil to change it, while you are waiting for all the dripping to stop, may I suggest you add the following simple items to your oil change routine?

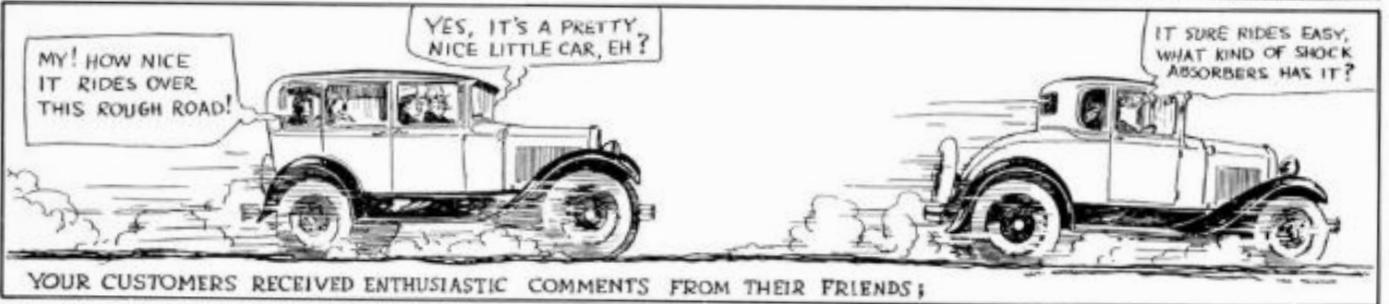
- Check the ignition point gap with a 0.020" feeler gauge. Adjust if required. Look at the points to make sure they still look good (not pitted or burnt).
- Wipe off the ignition cam with a rag. Now put a small dab of fresh cam grease on 2 of the lobes of the ignition cam.
- Put a drop or two of light oil in the little oiler on the side of the distributor. If you have the cam screw with the hole drilled in it, put a drop or two in there, too.
- Put a couple of drops of engine oil in each hole on top of the throttle assembly that is bolted to the back of the engine.
- Check the fan belt for tension.

That's it! In the time it takes for the oil to all drain out, you have taken care of several little routine maintenance items on you're "A" that will help keep it running well and avoid a problem on the road.

Have a Model A Day!

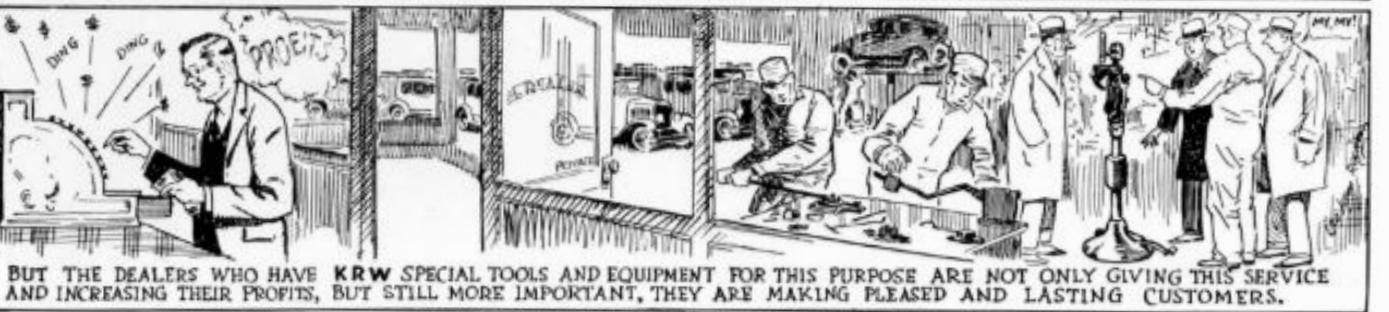
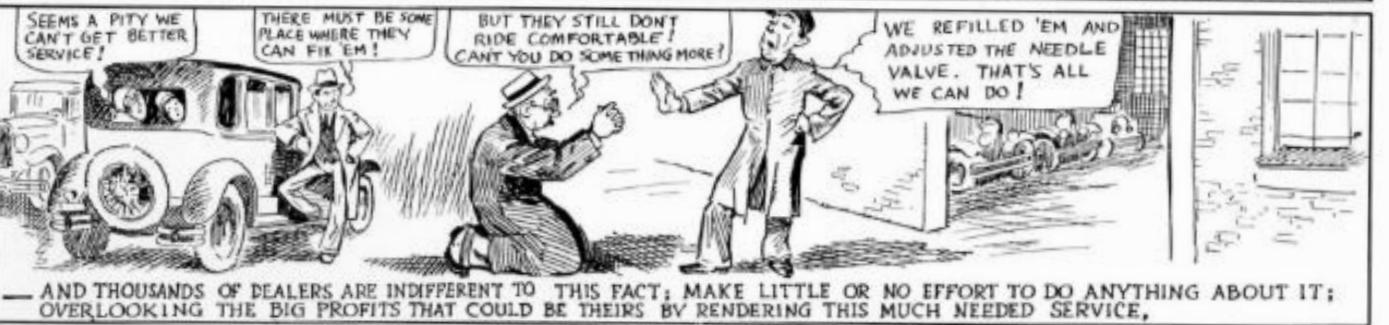
The Restorer - 50 Years Ago

When the Model "A" first came out



Today the Model "A" is still a great car,

—BUT MANY OF THEM HAVE LOST THAT WONDERFUL RIDING QUALITY, BECAUSE THE "SHOCKS" HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED,

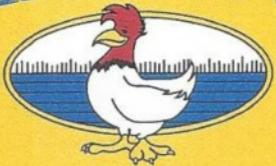


Editor's Note....

Voting. Veteran's Day. Thanksgiving. Our November has the most important events and holidays. We are all very thankful for the freedoms we have that are denied to so many in the rest of the world. We are thankful for the veterans that have served and fought from the Revolutionary War where one of my many-great grandfather served to present conflicts where my nephew served. So many served and died so that we can maintain those freedoms. We are thankful that we can have say in selecting the leaders of our great country. Other people live in fear of their government. And we are free to thank God for all of it!

Twila

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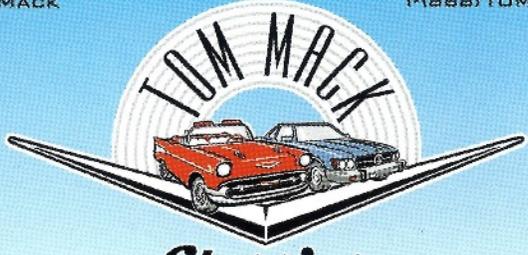
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Model A and Model A related items for sale by Palmetto A's members are posted in *The Spare Tire* at no charge to the member. Ads will be run on a month by month basis and will be renewed only as requested.

However, if the member is also a dealer, there will be fees incurred. An ad of ¼ page size (27 sq in) will be charged \$15. An ad 1/6 page size (18 sq in) will be charged \$10. This is done on a month by month basis. A yearly contract for advertising may be worked out to benefit both the advertiser and the club.

All ads are subject to the editor's approval.

Benefits of National Club Memberships

Membership in MAFCA includes the following:

- A one year subscription to The Restorer, our award- winning bi-monthly magazine including free classified ads.
- The right to register and participate in all National and Regional MAFCA meets
- Voting privileges in National elections of officers and by-laws revisions
- 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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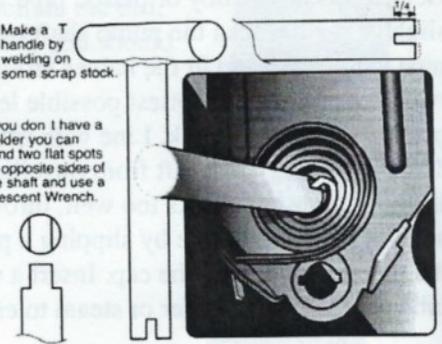
WINDOW REGULATOR SPRING TOOL

Sometimes a window regulator spring will either break or become so weak that it makes it hard to roll up the window. Installing a new spring can be difficult and also dangerous.

Take an old distributor shaft and weld on a T handle made from rod stock. Grind down the slotted end so the slot is only 1/4" deep. Put the regulator in a vise and wind it until the lift arm is all the way up. This is the position in which the spring is least compressed. Hook the outer hook of the spring and insert the tool in the center. Turn the tool to compress the spring until it fits into the slot. Release the tool. Tap the spring into position with a hammer.

Make a T handle by welding on some scrap stock.

If you don't have a welder you can grind two flat spots on opposite sides of the shaft and use a Crescent Wrench.



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A MAFCA Publication

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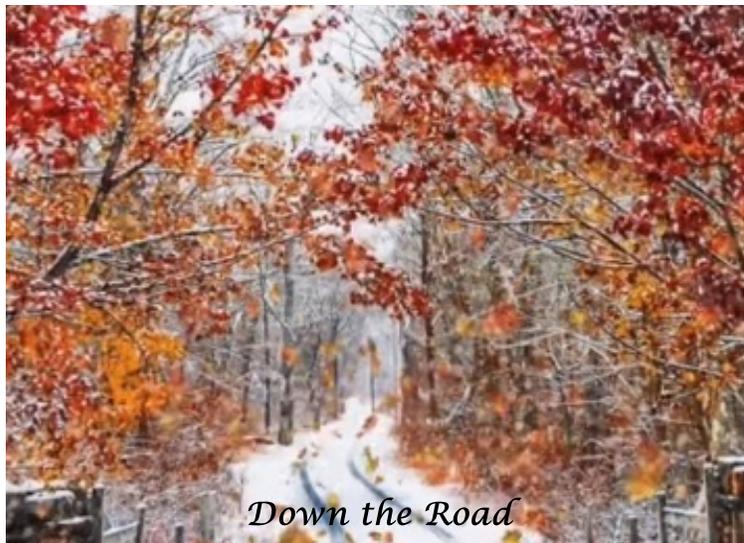
The Palmetto A's is a not for profit organization with chapter affiliations with MAFCA and MARC. The organization is dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile and supports membership in the national organizations dedicated to the same purpose. Palmetto A's is one of the oldest Model A Clubs in the nation, having been active for over 58 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.

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



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 Lauren Eckstrom at (551)206-0821 or laeckstrom@gmail.com. She is looking for your ideas and input!

Palmetto A's Schedule for 2018-2019

November 17 Lunch at Juniper's Restaurant in Ridge Spring.

December 8 Christmas Party at Lexington Villa's Clubhouse

January 19 Annual Budget Meeting and Chicken Bog at the Austin's (tentative)

February 16

March 23 Annual Club Picnic

Other Events of Interest

(details on National Club Websites & Magazines)

November 2 - 4 23rd Richland Creek Antique Fall Festival

November 27 -December 1 [MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Tucson, Arizona](#)

2019

February 29 - March 3 [MARC Membership Meet, Savannah, Georgia](#)

April 26-27 Old 96 Annual Swap Meet

October 7-11 [Canyonlands Hub and Spoke Tour](#) of the Redrock Canyonlands of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona, based in Kanab,




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November 27 thru December 1

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Registration forms are available online at www.tucsonmodelafordclub.org and will be available in the July/August and September/October issues of *The Restorer*.

See you in Tucson!

**23th RICHLAND CREEK ANTIQUE
Fall Festival**

November 2, 3 & 4, 2018



The Spare Tire

Due date for submissions
for the November, 2018 issue
is October 20th





**2019 MAFCA NATIONAL TOUR
CANYONLANDS
October 7-11**

Travel with us through Southwestern Utah and Northeastern Arizona. We will visit several national parks and national monuments during this "Hub and Spoke" style tour based out of Kanab, Utah.

