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“It’s that special time of year!”

Southside A's
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****Board Meeting Minutes:** We will now be posting our Board Meeting Minutes on the website each month. Simply go to the website and click on the link under "About" on the home page, or [click here](#).

2022 Southside A's Club Events

December 11	Christmas Party
December 15	Lighted A's on Parade

Beginning of 2023

January 7	12 th Night Celebration. Due South restaurant in PTC. 12 noon.
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Editor's Note:

Well, here is our last Newsletter of the year! As always, the time has flown, punctuated by so many fun Model A times. It's been great.

To finish out the month we'll be repeating "Lighted A's on Parade" on December 15th. Initial info is inside. This was such fun last year, and so well-received, we decided to do it again.

And looking forward, we will be having our festive 12th Night Celebration on January 7th.

Lastly, we want to thank Jim Hunter for his leadership as our Director this year. For 2023 he will be changing hats by becoming our club Treasurer. He can't get away!

Merry Christmas to all!

—Gwyneth



Happy Birthday!

7th – Wyvonne Hobbs
18th – Chuck Johnson



Happy Anniversary!

28th – Terry & Niva Atkins



Thoughts from Our Director

As the year is coming to an end, I am writing my last message in the newsletter as Director. I want to thank all the Board Members, Committee heads, and volunteers who worked so hard this year to keep our Club great.

If you missed our November Business Meeting, you missed some good food and conversation, and the election of our new Board Members. The results of the elections are: Jim Wingo – Director/President, Tom Romine – Vice-Director/Vice-President, Kathy Kelly-Huey – Secretary, Jim Hunter – Treasurer, Gwyneth Shotwell – Newsletter, Terry Atkins – Member at Large, and Jackie Peterson – Past-Director/Past-President.

If you haven't paid your 2023 dues, why not take a minute and get your check in the mail to Cheryl Simpson. Remember, dues will remain at \$15 for next year.

Our Christmas Party will be held at my house on Sunday, December 11th, at 2:00pm. Ann and I hope to see you then. Look in this Newsletter for details. If I don't see you at the party, I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!

– Jim Hunter



SOUTHSIDE A's CHRISTMAS PARTY! **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022**



Plan to make merry at the club's Christmas Party, to be held at the home of Jim and Ann Hunter, in Brooks. The time will be 2:00 PM. Please bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre or desert to share!!

DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: The Hunters – 599 Bankstown Rd., Brooks, GA 30205

770-710-2153 (Jim) or 770-710-2147 (Ann)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING - Results

We enjoyed a lovely lunch for our annual Business Meeting, provided by the Mooving Café, and held in the Carnegie Library in Newnan, November 5.

The meeting portion dealt with the election of the new Board of Directors for 2023. Jackie Peterson, as head of this year's nominating committee, introduced the slate, followed by Director, Jim Hunter, asking if there were any nominations from the floor. As there were none, the vote was taken and the candidates were duly elected. They are:

Director - Jim Wingo

Vice Director- Tom Romine

Secretary- Kathy Huey

Treasurer- Jim Hunter

Member-at-large - Terry Atkins

Newsletter Editor - Gwyneth Shotwell

Past Director- Jackie Peterson

The other item on the agenda was for a change in the by-laws that would eliminate the designation of "honorary members." The membership present voted to approve the change.

There was one additional ceremonial moment when Jim Hunter presented Gwyneth Shotwell with an award from MARC for "Continuing Excellence" for the club's newsletter.



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IN MEMORIAM:

JAMES BOWLDEN

1943-2022

Long-time member James Bowlden passed away on November 19th after a battle with cancer. He was known to many in the club and will be missed.

Join us on Facebook!





DUES ARE DUE! (past due on January 15)

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

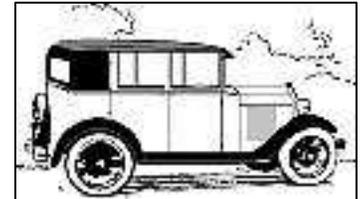
Cheryl Simpson
8735 Watkins Rd.
Chattahoochee Hills, GA 30268

Dues are ONLY \$15 for the year.

*If any of your personal info has changed, please include with your check. **Make sure your MARC dues are renewed, too.



If you have your vintage cars insured by **Hagerty**, and you're a member of MARC, you can get a **5% discount!** Just let Hagerty know of your membership, and you've just saved a little dough.



UPDATE: JC Taylor, and other companies, also offer a discount for members of MARC. Just call and inquire! Shotwells did so with Hagerty and it was a cinch.

Lighted A's on Parade December 15th



Pat Tyler's beautifully lighted,
award-winning A!

Come join us for our **Lighted A's on Parade** on December 15th in Peachtree City. Our visits last year to local assisted living and memory care facilities were enthusiastically received, and the smiles, cheers and happy faces gave all our drivers holiday cheer as well.

We'll plan to begin at 5:15 PM, and conclude with dinner afterwards. Plans are still being made, so watch your email for further details. You don't want to miss this special, heart-warming tour.



SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023



Once again, we will celebrate 12th Night, which marks the end of the holiday season, with the coming of the Three Kings to the manger, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myhrr. It is also the finale to the "12 Days of Christmas."

To start off our luncheon we'll find out who our **King** and **Queen** are for the day, and treat them to lunch. There will be the ever popular 50/50 drawing. PLUS - Door prizes from the club and our advertisers.

Our private room will still be decorated with a Christmas theme for our festive send-off.

We need to **PAY IN ADVANCE**, by **DECEMBER 30**. So please use the form below to indicate how many are in your party, and enclose the requisite amount.

ALSO!!! If you have not paid your dues, why not do it at the same time? Just fill out the form and write your check for the combined amount. Easy, peasy!!

PLACE: The Loft at Due South in Peachtree City, 302 Clover Reach, 30269.

TIME: 12 noon.

COST: \$30/per person, including tax and gratuity -- Dessert may be ordered separately.

MENU: **Lunch Buffet - BBQ**
Pulled Pork
Pulled Chicken
Slider Buns
Southern Style Potato Salad
Low & Slow Baked Beans (Bacon)
Jalapeno Coleslaw
House BBQ and Mustard BBQ Sauces

12th Night Celebration Sign-up
The Loft at Due South
Saturday, January 7, 2023
12 noon **BBQ Buffet**

NAME: _____

\$30/per person, including tax & gratuity

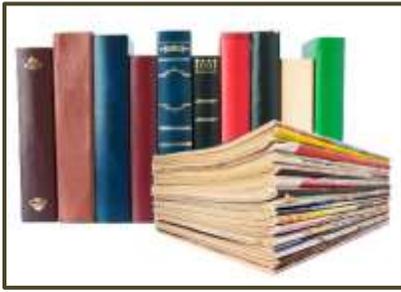
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DUES: \$15 (if applicable) _____

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NEW SOUTHSIDE A's LENDING LIBRARY

Our Director, Jim Hunter, has been collecting copies of the Model A News and Restorer magazines for some time now, filling in where he has gaps. Plus he has some of the publications from the national clubs on repair/maintenance of Model A's.

Recently, the club acquired some additional materials from Mary Helen Benford, widow of former member, Frank. These things, coupled with a variety of DVD's and other items, have coalesced into a nice resource for our members to borrow.

To that end, below you will see a listing of what is available, and this will be available on the club's website as well. Borrowing will be for club members only, and all you have to do is contact Jim at 770-710-2153 to make arrangements.

We think this will be a nice addition to the enjoyment of our hobby! Here is the listing:

Annual Tour Preparation DVD

Replacing Your Model A Ford Timing Gear While You Are On the Road DVD

Replacing Your Model A Brake Drums & Brake Shoes DVD

Model A Ford Troubleshooting & Diagnostics/A Complete Guide For Trouble Analysis and Testing Book by Les Andrews

The Tudor Book 1928 to 1931 by MAFCA

Ford Model A Collector's Originality Guide Book by Jim Schild

Lots of Restorer and Model "A" News magazines

LASTLY – please feel free to add to our collection if you have some extra resources you'd like to share.

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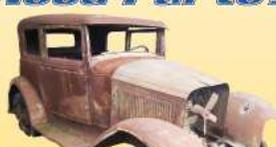
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FASHION FINDS...

This month we feature ladies casual and outdoor wear, courtesy of MAFCA and Melanie G. Whittington of the Almost Heaven A's. We begin with page 1, and will follow up with the conclusion next month.

Ladies Casual and Outdoor Wear in the Model A Era

by Melanie G. Whittington, Almost Heaven A's

The fun of dressing for the Model A era doesn't always have to involve evening gowns with lots of jewelry, matching shoes and purse. We sometimes forget there are many options to consider when dressing for the era. This article is going to focus on what to wear when outdoors. Our mothers, grandmothers and g-grandmothers were tending the garden, hiking, camping and a variety of other activities which took them outside. Think back to the people in your family who were around in 1928-31. If you are lucky enough to have pictures, they are a great reference for your research on what to wear with your Model A.



Figure 1: National Bellas Hess, Spring and Summer 1931



Figure 2: National Bellas Hess Co. Autumn 1931, Winter 1931-32

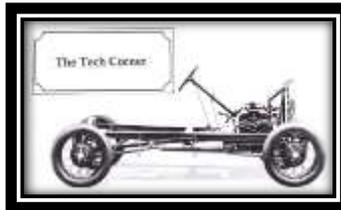
Ladies who lived out in the country would spend a considerable amount of time outside hanging up laundry and working in the garden. These activities were a necessity and kept their family fed and clothed. A cotton housedress and apron are a staple to start a wardrobe which focuses on comfort and utility. These dresses could also be worn on a picnic or a trip into town. Work-weight hosiery were commonly worn with these house dresses. These stockings would be heavier cotton, wool or silk, worn with a low-heeled leather shoe.

A dress I never knew existed in our era is the house frock with a divided skirt. Though we rarely hear about it, it was common enough to be included in the catalogues of the day, such as Sears, Montgomery Ward and National Bellas Hess. These dresses used a skirt with a seam in the middle to turn them into wide-legged pants. This gave the feminine look of a skirt, but the practicality of a pair of trousers. These dresses were made of printed cotton. The ad says, "for use around the house or to the market". This shows these were considered appropriate to be worn outside of the home.

Another option is bib overalls with a mannish long-sleeved, button up shirt with oxford style shoes, boots or even barefoot. This may have been reserved for very rural areas and not necessarily seen if you 'went into town', but it is still an option to wear while enjoying your Model A. This is also a great alternative for children and young girls with a short-sleeved cotton shirt. A dark wash blue jean fabric is what we usually think of, but they came in lighter blue, dark blue with white stripes, white (for painters) and various other colors. The fabric was usually heavy-duty denim or a duck/canvas to withstand the rigors of working or playing outside.



Figure 3: late 1920's, girl in bib overalls



The Tech Corner

Jim's Tech Tips

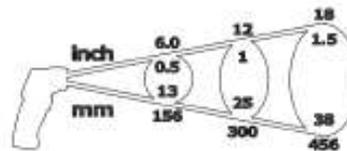
"Infrared (IR) Thermometer Guns"

These little IR thermometer guns are amazing. I use mine to check coolant temperature at the outlet of the engine, look for cool spots on radiators, check tire sidewall temperatures, and to see if all of my brake drums are at about the same temperature after a hard brake (to confirm even braking action at each wheel).

If you are going to get a reliable, consistent, and reproducible reading with these guns, you need to understand a bit about how they work. When you aim the gun at something and press the button to read the temperature, the gun reports to you the average temperature of everything within its "Field of View".

Field of View

The meter's field of view is 12:1, meaning that if the meter is 12 inches from the target, the diameter of the object under test must be at least 1 inch. Other distances are shown in the diagram below. Make sure that the target is larger than the unit's spot size. The smaller the target, the closer you should be to it. When accuracy is critical, make sure the target is at least twice as large as the spot size.



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If you want to read the temperature with a spot circle diameter of $\frac{1}{2}$ " (a very handy size), you must hold the gun 6" from the object. I have seen some guys hold the gun several feet from a radiator hose and not understand why the reading is so low; their 3" diameter spot circle includes a lot of cool air on either side of the radiator hose. Get in the habit of holding the gun up close to the object for the best readings.

Some guns have a laser pointer built in that helps you see where the temperature readings are being taken. The laser does not read the temperature, it just helps you see where the reading is from. You have to visualize the spot circle size, depending on how far the gun is from the object.

I hope this helps you get more out of your IR thermometer. If you don't have one, they are handy to have around the shop and on the road.

Until next time, *Have a Model A Day!*

Jim



MAFFI Newsletter Minute December, 2022

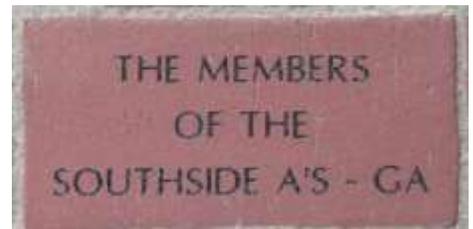
The seasons are changing. Our friends living in Hickory Corners have settled in on their winter hours. While a good portion of the country is still wondering why anybody would ever want a snow blower, these people are wearing them out trying to clear paths around the Gilmore Campus for the hearty crowd braving the ice and snow to

visit the museum. There are those who have packed their Model A's away for the winter, those who barely see a change in the seasons, and those in between who continue driving our A's, but cuss them because there is no heat, or the heat is dispensed on the wrong side of the vehicle. It is the holiday season.

Let's not forget this is also a giving season. The Model A Ford Foundation, Inc draws revenue from several sources throughout the year. A popular source of this revenue is their memorial brick sales. This is a chance to preserve the memory of your club or one of its former members (current members for that matter) by having a brick cast in their memory in front of the Model A Ford Museum.

To help MAFFI grow, we are offering clubs a free brick for their help in signing up three new MAFFI Members. Three member applications, with their checks for \$25.00 each, and your FREE brick order should be sent in one envelope to:

MAFFI
PO Box 28,
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Treasurer's Report

Balance as of September 30, 2022:	\$3,972.36
Deposits: Dues	\$15.00
Expenses: Dick & Jane; webhosting and domain name fee.	- \$222.64
Balance as of October 31, 2022:	\$3,764.72



NATIONAL EVENTS IN 2022-2023

2022 National Awards Banquet
December 5-8
Golden, Colorado





Join us in beautiful Golden, Colorado at the Table Mountain Inn. Visit Clear Creek History Park, the Buffalo Bill Museum, the Colorado Railroad Museum, the Coors Brewery, the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum, and The Clive Cussler Museum. Something for everyone!





MARC MEMBERSHIP MEET

APRIL 14-16, 2023
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Occupation _____ E-mail _____

Please list Model A's you own (You do not have to own a Model A to join our club)

YEAR	BODY STYLE	ENGINE and/or VIN No.
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Membership Dues: \$15.00. (See below for National Dues, if necessary.)

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

*NOTE: Applicants approved for membership at the November or December Board Meetings shall be considered paid for the following year.

Send application, along with check made out to "Southside A's," to: Kathy Kelly-Huey, 1825 Palmetto Tyrone Rd., Sharpsburg, GA 30277

Membership in the national Model A Restorers Club (M.A.R.C.) required. Are you a member?

() YES Please furnish membership Number _____

() No Please complete application below for National M.A.R.C. membership

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DAYTIME PHONE _____

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

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

MODEL "A" RESTORERS CLUB

6721 Merriman Rd
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(734) 427-9054 Fax

modelarestorersclub@gmail.com

2022 Membership Application

New or Renewal Dues () US Membership \$50.00
() US Air Mail \$62.00 () Canada \$60.00 () International \$70.00

Partial Membership New Members Only: (Never been members before)

July/August, September/October & November/December issues only!
() US Membership \$26.00 () US & Canada Air Mail \$36.00 () International \$44.00

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

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Membership # _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I give permission to publish my phone number in the future MARC Membership Rosters:
() Yes () No Phone: _____

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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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