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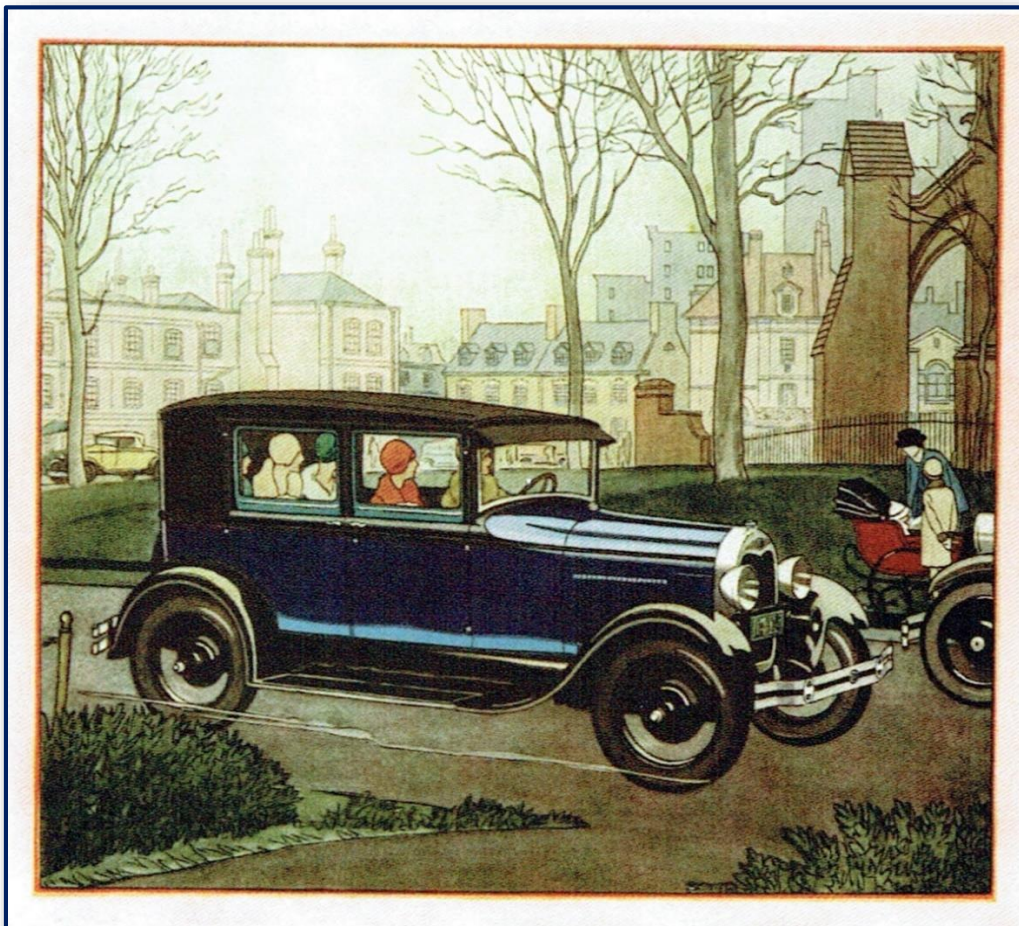
MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB
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MAFCA Chapter – Chartered May 2014

Newsletter

2013 MARC Newsletter of the Year

January, 2015

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“The New Year’s Model A: Riding in style.”

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2015 Southside A's Club Events

January 17, 5:00 pm	Dinner and a Movie at Jim & Ann Hunter's home – "Tucker: The Man and his Dream"
February 14	Valentine's Day tour and lunch
March - TBD	Pre-tour season "Safety Check" and Cookout at Bob & Cheryl Simpson's.
May 11-17	Pines, Pecans & Peanuts Tour (combo of Nickel Era Touring Registry and HCCA 20 th Social Security Run)
October 15-17	Sweet Home Alabama hosted by Central Alabama MAFC, in Guntersville, AL
In the works...	Many More.....

2015 Events of Interest

April 10-12	MARC Membership Meet, Joliet, IL
June 7-12	"Lobsters and Lighthouses" MAFCA tour, Kennebunkport, ME
June 21-26	MARC National Meet, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada

Editor's Notes:

Happy New Year! I can't believe I am starting my 5th year as newsletter editor! I look forward to bringing you all of the club's news and happenings, along with timely information on the national scene. And we always hope to add a dash of humor each month, for good measure.

2015 promises to be a wonderful year, with our head start on various tours and activities. We also hope to involve more of YOU in taking that small step to lead a local day tour. Open yourself up with a New Year's resolution to try something new.

Inside this issue look for info on the upcoming Dinner and a Movie at the Hunters, as well as a wonderful story (Part 1) about the ongoing restoration of Jim Wingo's A400.

--Gwyneth Shotwell



Happy Birthday!

7th Kathie Meyers
8th Gwyneth Shotwell
11th Sean Hobbs
18th Robert Carden
19th Lisa Bennett
19th Tim Jones
24th Ann Hunter
24th Betty Miller
25th Barbara Kitchens
29th Tom Romine
31st Marshall Pape



Happy Anniversary!

23rd - Jim & Kim Wingo



Notes from Our Director

2014 was a great year for the Southside A's. We became a chapter of MAFCA, to complement our main affiliation with MARC; we learned of our Newsletter being awarded the 2013 Best Newsletter of the Year; our membership grew along with adding some new Model A's to the fleet.

The new club officers are looking forward to another fun and interesting year as we finalize plans for 2015. We want to add some short day tours with activities such as car games and technical sessions, etc. Members have expressed interest in adding some of these events to accommodate members that can't participate in our 2 and 3 day tours. We've done these in the past and they were well attended and a lot of fun. Your input on things you would like to do and see will be helpful and appreciated.

Feel free to call or email me with any suggestions, comments or concerns you would like to share. I want to encourage you to help plan and sponsor an activity this year. There are "experienced" members that can help you get started and see things through. Let me know if you can help with some new ideas and activities.

-Bob

FREE MAFCA Memberships!

If you have never been a member of MAFCA, here's an opportunity to give it a try! Our club still has 3 free trial memberships. Just getting The Restorer magazine is worth the price of membership!

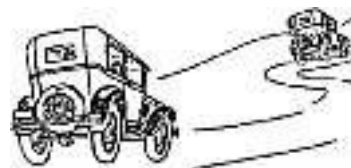
This introductory membership will go from January to June, 2015.

Contact Jim Johnston at: john8191@bellsouth.net

Marc Dues now \$40/yr.

Don't forget to renew your MARC membership, a requirement for membership in Southside A's.

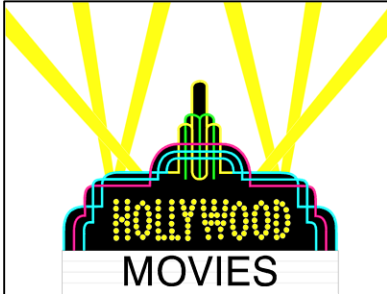
The renewal form is in the latest Model A News.



Start the year out right with.....

Dinner & a Movie!

January 17, 2015 at 5:00 pm, at the NEW home of Jim & Ann Hunter



Join Southside A's for a fun evening of friends, food and entertainment! Our film this year is *"TUCKER: The Man and his Dream"* starring Jeff Bridges in the title role. POPCORN will accompany the movie!

For dinner preceeding the film, the Hunters will serve hot dogs and chili, along with soft drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, and feel free to bring your own beverages if you'd like

something other than soft drinks.

NOTE: The tour to the front door is a 1,000 ft. gravel drive through the woods. There's a home at the end of the woodsy tunnel! See you there....

R.S.V.P. to the Hunters (770) 719-4742 or via email at: ytguy@aol.com



And Remeber Your Club DUES!

Renewal notices were mailed to all the membership in November, however, there are still a few folks who have overlooked this smallest of important tasks! Please take a few short minutes to make any corrections or updates to your form, and send it in along with your dues. Mail to: James Johnston, 220 Waters Edge Lane, Newnan, GA 30263.

Featured Photo of the Month: (As with 2014, 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 2015.”)



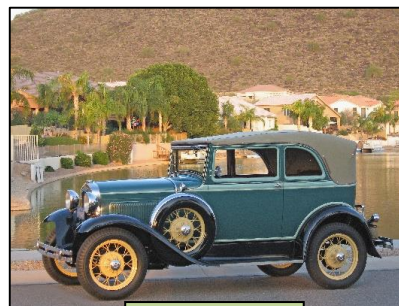
JANUARY

YEAR-END VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE FEATURED PHOTO OF THE MONTH!

Please let us know, via email, which month's photo gave you the most enjoyment. Give us your top three. We'll give 5 points for your #1 pick, 3 points for your #2, and 1 point for your #3. Voting is in strictest confidence, of course! We'll tally the results and publish the winner with the highest score in our February newsletter. gwynshot@aol.com



JANUARY



FEBRUARY

(THE REST OF THE CONTESTANTS APPEAR ON THE NEXT PAGE....)



MARCH



APRIL



MAY



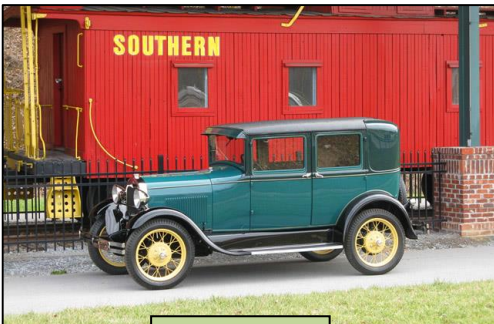
JUNE



JULY



AUGUST



SEPTEMBER



OCTOBER



NOVEMBER



DECEMBER

"A bicycle can't stand alone. It is two tired."

--Lexophile quote for the month



SOUTHSIDE A'S HOLIDAY PARTY



Our Annual Holiday Party took place on December 27th at Nikko's Japanese Steak House in Tyrone. We had 24 revelers present to celebrate the season with entertaining dinner preparation, and prizes. Board Members Bob Simpson (Director/President) and Jim Johnston (Secretary/Corresponding Secretary) were installed in their positions for 2015. The two remaining board members, Vice-Director Jason Carne, and Treasurer Betty Miller, were otherwise engaged, but look forward to performing their 2015 duties with gusto.

There were gifts galore, more than enough to go around, and Rick Horne was the lucky winner of the sumptuous 50/50 cash split.

(Agents for the Southside Spy Network were on a much deserved break, but they trust that all prize winnings were acquired fair and square!)

And, as they say, a good time was had by all!

And in other Holiday News....



HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

at Bohanan's Antique Auto Service

This annual event, hosted by Ben Bohanan and wife, Pam, was attended by Southside A's members Ray Besch, Jim Johnston, Jim Wingo and Bob Simpson. There was a good turnout, and everyone enjoyed good food, while surrounded by Model A's. One such car belongs to our own Jim Wingo. It has been at Ben's for a while now, being restored to gleaming perfection. According to Mr. Wingo,

the car should be heading to Griffin shortly, to receive its new interior, if all goes as planned. Jim Johnston was the lucky winner of a drip pan as one of the door prizes awarded.



Jim Johnston & Bob Simpson



The Wingo A400

FASHION FINDS... By Gwyneth Shotwell



MAY, 1930:

Pictorial Review featured this darling page of paper dolls in their May, 1930, issue. Just as many of us ladies enjoyed playing with dolls, paper and otherwise, growing up, these depict a still popular pastime, that also gives a glimpse of the fashion of the times. I love that little Dolly Dingle not only gets her own charming dresses and hat, but she also has a baby doll to dress and care for. Some things just don't change. I think the baby's bonnet is especially sweet.

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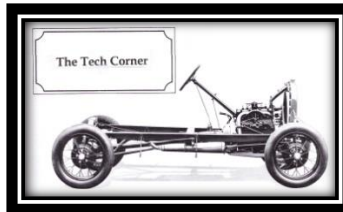


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For questions, contact Jay McCord at: 805-598-8133, jemccord@aol.com



The Tech Corner

Restoring #1595 – Part I

by Jim Wingo

It was supposed to be just another dinner with a few Model A friends in April, 2013. Two Southside A's Model A club members, Dick Carne, Ray Besch and our wives, would get together from time to time to talk shop about various Model A's and our past experiences with these wonderful cars. At the time, I knew little of A400 Model A's except that Mike Shotwell, National President of the A400 Group, owned one and was also a member of our Model A club. And Jack Miller, another club member also owned a former national award winning A400.

At our dinner, Dick, always looking for another project, was excited about a lead he received about an A400 that he believed might be a great car to invest in and restore, as they had a far higher value than other models A's. They also had a wonderful versatility as a convertible and an enclosed sedan with roll up windows. His enthusiasm transferred over to me, and I was intrigued and excited with the possibility of this new world. The car Dick was talking about, #1595, was in a storage shed in Colorado.



Tim Snyder's project car, unfinished.
Alamosa, CO, May, 2013

The history of the car interested me. The owners, Mr. Tim Snyder and his father, had owned the car for over 25 years. Prior to their ownership, the car had been purchased by a gentleman in Illinois, who had bought the car from "some Indians in Arizona." Tim said that "this old topless car arrived filled with Indians from a local reservation." The sale was made on the spot for \$50. The car was running well and had little rust, most likely due to the dry desert climate. It eventually made its way to Florida, where Tim Snyder purchased it. It had been partly disassembled by this point and was no longer running. The Snyder's decided to keep the car as a future project and it followed him in a move to Colorado, where it stayed for twenty five years or more. As many projects go with the passing of time, the Snyder's dream was never completed.

A few swaps of photos and phone calls ended with Ray Besch and I traveling at the end of May, 2013 to see the old project Tim had started with his father so many years before. The story of the trip to the car is as fascinating as the eventual restoration. Our travel directions from Tim took us to Alamosa, CO, population 8,700, where we ended up in a gravel parking lot outside a Sears store. We didn't see any houses nearby and considered the fact that we might be lost. A phone call to Tim assured us that the Sears destination was correct. He was the manager. But we also found out the car wasn't there, it was 50 miles away up in the mountains. So off we trekked following Tim. Our path took us northwest off state highway 17 onto a dirt road leading into a canyon. After passing over two smaller wooden bridges, one which made me a bit faint

as I was in my heavy F150, with both of us strongly considering the possibility that we might end up in the stream below. We took the challenge and ended up in the very rear of the canyon at Tim's retreat. We were then shown to a small metal Butler shed and shown the car, situated in a back corner, with parts around in boxes, inside and under the car.



Critical parts hand-carried back from Colorado.



What we found was a very straight car which had been pieced together with most of the hard to find parts, like top irons, ashtrays and regulators intact. We both considered this car a diamond in the rough. The negotiation was quickly made and #1595 was now my car. One more problem confronted us. I planned to have a professional car transporter pick the car up, however the mining road and the questionable bridges prohibited this plan. Tim quickly solved the problem by agreeing to have the car picked up at the Sears parking lot. Ray and I packed all of the loose valuable parts into my truck and crossed our fingers that the rest of the car would arrive safely. Our gamble paid off. In early June, the carrier arrived with its Russian-speaking drivers and it was placed in our storage facility in Peachtree City, GA. The next adventure was about to begin.

(more photos on next page.....)





#1595 arrives in Peachtree City, GA

TO BE CONTINUED.....

Tours on the Horizon



MARC Membership Meet- April 10-12, 2015 - JOLIET, IL

The Crossroads region of MARC will host the 2015 Membership Meet, to be held at the **Clarion Hotel Joliet Banquet & Convention Center**.

411 S. Larkin Ave., Joliet, IL 60435.

815-729-2000

Room rate: \$95 + 13% tax, **Mention code: JRM**

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modelarestorersclub.org



The MAFCA National Tour, "Lobsters and Lighthouses," will take place **June 7-12, 2015**. The tour will begin in Kennebunkport and finish in Bar Harbor. Go to: mainemodelafordclub.com and click on the link to view the professional video of the tour. You won't be able to resist!

MARC National Meet – Niagara Falls – June 21-26, 2015

The meet will be held at Niagara Falls in Ontario, Canada and hosted by the Canadian MARC Region, CanMARC. Plans are coming together for a very special event with our northern neighbors. Check out MARCNiagraFalls2015.com.



Treasurer's Report

Balance as of November 30, 2014	\$3,248.01
Deposits	\$60.00
Expenses	\$338.77
Balance as of December 31, 2014	\$2,969.24

Items For Sale

FOR SALE: 21" Model A rims for sale. I have 5 to choose from. **\$20.00 each.**

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FOR SALE: Early Model A rim for AR. 1 only. Very good condition – no cracks, or bent spokes; no pitting. **Price: \$50.00**

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FOR SALE: 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**



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Cpanzarella1@att.net

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Contact **Jim Langley** at jrpdl57@gmail.com or call **(706) 289-6014**, Phenix City, AL

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(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 **\$40.00** () US & Canada Air Mail **\$52.00** () International **\$58.00**

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

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

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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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