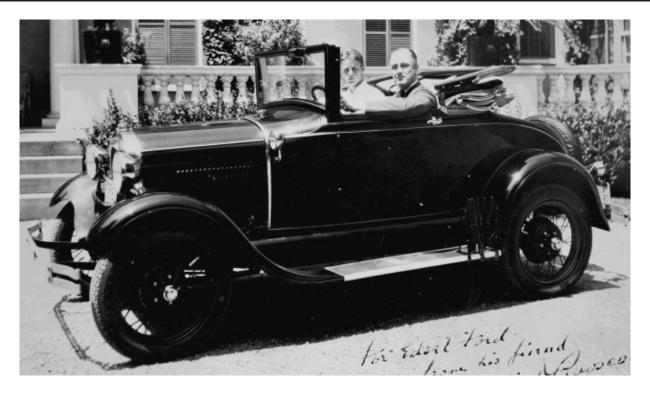
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Next deadline: Monday, May 4th

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Membership,

Well, the Robins are here, so that means Spring is here too. The Cherry Blossom Parade is only eleven days from now, (maybe even less, by the time you are reading this), so the Spring Model A touring season is at hand.

This is the time of year that we all have been looking forward to all winter, the time we can get our Model A's out, dust them off, give everything a once over, and get your car running and out on the road. Need some help on this?

Ask a Club member for help or call a Board member. We are happy to help.

Jim Gray has been very busy lining up a host of parades and activities for Club members to be involved in. First is the Cherry Blossom Parade, then the Memorial Day Parade, then the Fourth of July Parade, and more to boot. We also have Small Parts Day at the Merkel Farm in April, one-day trips to the Leesburg area, and a tour or two this summer and Fall.

And don't forget the main activity of all, The Sully Show. This is where the Club does what we do best, put on a first-class one-day car event that allows the Club, and many others in the DC region, to show off and appreciate the cars of the past 100 years (especially the Model A Ford).

Now, what is your part in all this as a Club member? All you have to do is to get involved. We need you to get that Model A out and about. We need you to volunteer to help the Club out at Sully. Contact Bill Worsham and ask him what you can do to help. We need you to talk to your neighbors, and your friends, and tell them about the Club and Sully, and ask them to come, and even more, to help out at the Show.

Then, we need you to participate in all the interesting activities Jim has worked hard to set up. We need you to come to the Monthly Meetings to hear the programs that James has arranged for us. Most of all, we need your participation to make everything successful.

So, that isn't so hard, is it? We need you to come and have fun. At the GWC, we measure fun by the number of Model A Ford's in the parking lot. Lets have lots of fun this Spring.

See you down the Road.

Doug.

#### **FROM THE EDITOR**

I seem to have shaken my bad luck streak. I have no new health issues to report and nobody tried to run me off the road in March. All I want to do is get my A back so I can get out on the road in 1930s style. It's still enjoying its life of luxury down in North Carolina in Don Temple's temperature-controlled garage, being tinkered with and cleaned up while it awaits its new Mitchell overdrive. I understand '31s, or maybe it's '31 Town Sedans, require a specially built overdrive, which takes longer to assemble. Why am I not surprised. But I'm hoping (as is Donnie), that I'll get the car back sometime in April. I'm rarin' to go.

#### FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM

#### Board Meeting Minutes March 25, 2015



<u>Call to Order</u>. The monthly meeting of the board was called to order at 7:00 by President Douglas Tomb in the meeting room at the Red, Hot and Blue Restaurant in Fairfax, Virginia.

<u>Attendance</u>. Members present include Doug Tomb, James Kolody, Jim Gray, Greg Shepherd, Bill Worsham, Stan Johnson, Tom Quigley, Bill Sims, Howard Minners, and Benny Leonard. Absent members included Bruce Metcalf, Milford Sprecher and Jerry Olexson.

<u>Minutes</u> of the last meeting were published in *The Script*. No corrections or additions were submitted.

<u>Treasurer</u> Jerry Olexson sent a detailed 2015 budget for review and approval. Discussion on the proposed budget was deferred until the April Board Meeting.

Doug Tomb asked for the following **Committee Reports**:

<u>Programs</u> Vice President James Kolody described the forthcoming programs. The April program will be the preparation for Small Parts Day with four round-robin tables showing commonly used repair techniques for small parts. The May program will be a wine program in preparation for the "Rolling Chef" tour. June will be a Sully preparation program and July the annual outdoor parts swap meet.

James also reported that we now have been given the code for the American Legion Building's Wi-Fi system so that we will be able to use that in future programs, where a link to the internet is needed. Contact will be made with a nationally known expert to invite him to give a presentation later in the year. James also pointed out the good programs available for individual viewing on modelAbasics.com.

Doug Tomb asked for opinions about allowing parts for sale at each meeting. It was decided to continue the policy for several months and then discuss it again.

<u>Activities</u> Chairman Jim Gray provided a comprehensive written copy of planned activities for the coming months. Key dates for club events include: April 11 for the Cherry Blossom Parade; April 18 for the Club's Small Parts Day at the Merkel Farm; May 23<sup>rd</sup> for the "Rolling Chef" tour to Willowcroft Winery, which includes a manifold cooking competition; May 25<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day Parade; and, June 21 for the GWC Sully Car Show. Tentative plans call for attending the annual Apple Butter Festival in September.

<u>Membership</u> Chairman Greg Shepherd displayed a roster of members showing 161 members listed. The roster is only a print-out from the membership program because this is the intervening year between bi-yearly publication of a formal roster booklet. Doug Tomb asked that a cover page be included with officer names and addresses.

#### FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM (Cont.)

<u>Sully Show</u> Chairman Bill Worsham reported that the list of members signed up to work at Sully is lower than normal. The chairmen of various functions will call former helpers who have not submitted a sign-up sheet. Also the importance of the meet will be stressed in coming meetings. The Sully staff has notified Bill of their plan to remove some of the unhealthy trees in the area where Model A's are normally displayed at the show. A specific date for the removal has not been set.

<u>Youth Scholarship</u> Chairman Tom Quigley reported that the website page with application forms on the GW Club Website is working well. Some preliminary questions and input have been received.

**Editor** Bill Sims stated that the deadline for the March Script is Monday March 30th.

<u>National Club Liaison</u> Howard Minners reminded everyone that the MARC meet at Niagara Falls in June will require crossing the border. This means a passport is needed and certain other considerations that are listed in the *Model A News*.

<u>Tool Chairman</u> Benny Leonard reported that the 10-year-old king pin reamer has dulled and will no longer do the task right. Cost is about \$75. Doug Tomb stated that he had one that he has never used and is willing to donate it to the club tool collection.

#### **Old Business**

Doug Tomb asked if the request for one or more display cars for a "Great Gatsby" Prom had been filled. No one knew if someone had filled the request.

A motion was made by Jim Gray and seconded by James Kolody to adopt the Lifetime Member nomination forms now being used and displayed on the website. Motion carried. It was also pointed out that the bylaws limit the number of Lifetime Member awards to one per year.

It was decided to schedule meetings of the board for the coming months at the Fairfax Red, Hot and Blue. Stan Johnson will make the reservations with the manager.

The location of the fall "Pig Pickin" picnic may need to be changed due to the ill health of the recent host of the gatherings.

A decision was made to buy a backup bulb for the digital projector rather than purchase a newer projector.

#### **New Business**

There was no new business discussed.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10

Respectfully submitted, Stan Johnson Secretary

#### THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

President John Howell announced that a committee had been formed to explore the possibility of the Club putting on a winter parts meet. There had been a great big void in such winter activities since the Model T Club's always enjoyable meet was discontinued. The committee suggested that planning start in order to begin advertising before the Sully show in June. Problem was, where to hold it. Costs for indoor heated space were such that the great plan did not materialize.



Lined up for the April presentation was to be a talk by past President Walt Bratton, giving us the inside scoop about how he got started in the Model A parts business, what were his sources, what new products are coming available, why he chose to make a living out of the Model A hobby, and more. We all know that the business flourished, and Walt is now at least semi-retired from it. A 25-year update would be interesting to say the least, not to put Walt on the spot, but how about it?

With spring bustin' out all over, activities were plentiful. A unique one was the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. AACA was sponsoring an antique auto show featuring 50-year-old cars only, at a turnpike service plaza, and entry forms were available. Entrants would receive a limited edition commemorative plate. Several members had cars that were eligible. Did any members participate?

Jim Cartmill continued his series on the Ford Service Bulletins in the Script, this month delving into checking electrical equipment, just in time for the "tune-up day" at Ed Wiencek's on the 21st. That in turn to prepare for the caravan to the Winchester show in May.

The MARC Membership Meet had just been held in Williamsburg and members attending were: Guy Pearl, driving his roadster (brrr), Bill Beardmore and Harriet, Gretchen and Howard Minners (Howard was installed as MARC National Secretary at the meet), Daria and Andy Pogan, Janet and Craig Sawyer, and John Shepherd.

A Script article honoring Dick Johns pictured him receiving his promotion to full "bird" colonel. The bird he wore at the ceremony was one that had belonged to his grandfather, a retired Brigadier General, and was distinguished by having the eagle's head turned toward the arrow tips rather than away from them as later changed. So, that proves that even eagles eventually get smart....

Dave Henderson

#### CAFFINE DOUBLE CLUTCH (CDC) BREAKFAST THURSDAY, APRIL 16

The next CDC is scheduled for Thursday, April 16–9:30 am, at the Fair Oaks Silver Diner. 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway Fairfax, VA 22033 (corner of Fair Lakes Parkway & West Ox Road.) If you haven't been before, this is a great opportunity to get out for a couple hours of good food and great company. Very informal, grab a seat and talk with the folks around you: V-8 lovers, Model A fans and folks with an affinity for trains. Hopefully we will have some real cars attend as well.

Clem Clement

#### **SULLY 2015**

Plans are in full swing for our annual car show and flea market at Sully plantation on June 21st. The only thing missing is you. We need the help of every member to run his show. Sign-up sheets were sent with your dues renewal and are available at every meeting. If you haven't signed up, please do so now.

Those who sign up will receive one of he following:

Four gate passes for their family or friends

1 free car registration

Discount on a flea market space or car corral space

Thank You,



Bill Worsham Annual Meet Chairman

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#### **LOOKING FOR SULLY SHOW SPONSORS**

This year we are again looking for sponsors to help offset the cost of trophies that will be awarded this Father's Day at our Sully Antique Car Show. If you can help with this search or you/your company is in a position to do a sponsorship, please let me know. All sponsors will be acknowledged on the trophies they help finance and those that donate \$300 or more are eligible for a free space in our vendor section on the day of the show.

Gil Beckner 703-791-3795 gbeckner@verizon.net

#### SUNSHINE REPORT



If you or someone you know wants to be mentioned to the club, please drop me a line or another club officer. Please mention the Sunshine Report specifically so I know that it's OK to release. I can always be reached at <a href="mailto:Shepman@gmail.com">Shepman@gmail.com</a> or 703-476-6496.

#### **Membership Report**

One new family joined this month. They own a 1929 Model A Roadster. Look for them at an upcoming meeting or activity and welcome them to the club. In the meantime, please add their information to your roster. And they have the distinction of being the new 1st record in our membership database!

Mark & Amanda Adams 11692 Sandal Wood Ln. Manassas, VA 20112 703-340-6054(c) lookangle@gmail.com

This brings our total number of members to 171, with 10 being lifetime. And I wanted to take a moment and mention the following members that have totaled over \$100 in donations to the club to this year. Please join me in thanking them:

Jim and Carol Cartmill
John and Deborah Dougherty
Stan and Roz Johnson
Gary and Janet Kitson
Bud and Rita Pratsch
Jane Wild



#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN OF CLUB MEMBERS

#### 1. GWC/MT. VERNON REGION SCHOLARSHIP

The GWC/MT. Vernon Region Model A Club is pleased to offer financial assistance through the scholarship program to the children, grandchildren or great grandchildren of our members. The scholarship application and criteria are available on our website or you can contact Tom Quigley for a copy of the forms (703-615-9109) or tiquigley6@gmail.com.

Scholarship applications must be postmarked on or before May 1, 2014 to be considered. If you do not receive a written confirmation of the receipt of your application within 5 days, notify Tom Quigley at the email address, above.

#### 2. MAFCA and MARC MODEL A FORD YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

This is another source for financial assistance and this is sponsored by MAFCA and MARC. All scholarship winners receive \$1,000 every year for up to four years upon submission of satisfactory grade requirements. Information on this additional scholarship is available at <a href="http://modelarestorers.org/newsmanagernet/templates/?a=242&z=30">http://modelarestorers.org/newsmanagernet/templates/?a=242&z=30</a> Copy and paste this link to access the application packet.

#### 3. MAFCA and MARC MODEL A YOUTH RESTORATION AWARD

Established in 1994, the Model A Youth Restoration Award provides funds to youth owning and presently restoring a Model A Ford. This is a means of helping young Model A enthusiasts restore their Model A by providing money and/or gift certificates to obtain parts to restore their Model A Ford automobiles. The program is supported by MAFCA and MARC. Information about how to apply for this program is available on

line: www.modelarestorationaward.com

Any questions? Give me a buzz. I pulsed the MAFCA and MARC sites. MAFCA has the forms for application are given in Para 3, above.

Tom Quigley

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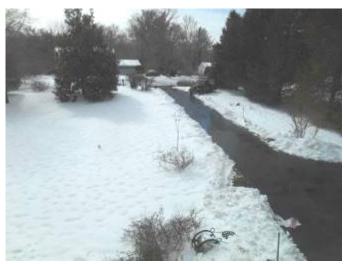
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#### **OLD CAR AND TRAIN DAY 2015**



It was a dark and stormy night before the OC&TD in Fairfax, VA. This time the situation here was so true.

Usually we walk away from our months of preparations and go out for dinner the night before our big day. Not so on Saturday evening of Feb. 21. It was hot dogs and meatloaf in our living room for us. The snow began around 11 am Saturday morning and continued into the evening. Then we had some sleet followed by rain most of the night. We went to bed wondering...





Sunday morning we peeked out of the bedroom window not knowing what to expect. And what before our wondering eyes did appear but a plowed driveway done by our lawn care service. Wahoo!

I did some detail shoveling as the warmer morning breezes started a welcome melt. By noon the driveway was dry and free of snow and ice.

My lawn service also bladed the snow back from the snow berm along the street so guests could park and allow others to pass. As I was clearing the driveway entrance, a commercial guy came by blading the street with an old ex-military 6-BY. I asked him if he would widen the berms along in front of my neighbors to relieve the parking situation. He did so and we had plenty of space for safe parking.

During weeks previous to Train day, a gang of experts came over and helped me set up the train room as well as grab control of the excess fat pills and chili we seemed to have on hand. This effort was so important in getting the trains and accessories functioning correctly. The day focused both of us on the upcoming train day and gathered our thoughts on getting our home and us ready. Thanks very much team!!

Thanks all who brought goodies to share. Golly there was plenty and so many wonderful choices. Lots of small gatherings occurred. Folks were chatting and catching up on winter happenings, coordinating future events and activities, seeing many old friends and making new

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#### **OLD CAR AND TRAIN DAY (Cont.)**





acquaintances and to catch up on everyone's health, recent happenings and snow stories. That is the purpose of this cross-hobby event. We had train people from several clubs, car people also from several different clubs, as well as a neighbors and friends. They all melt together well and seem to have a great time.

Since the only old car out in the snow was my 1939 peeekup truck and the Daytona 500 was on, den chairs were at a premium. I missed the start but did get to see snippets of the race and the green-white challenge at the end. (With the crowd in watching the race was I able to graze the food court unnoticed by my food warden).

I'm thrilled to report that Paul and Laurel Gauthier were in attendance. It had been 10 years since they stayed home over the winter rather than go snowmobiling back in their home area of the UP (Upper Peninsula of Michigan). Paul is recovering from his heart ablation procedure (similar to mine of last August). A warm welcome to them both.

As I have done for many years, I continue to thank Jack Strange and the late Larry House, who influenced me on the train room design. They both said to have an open area for folks to gather. For some magic reason the colors and types of trains and associated collectables fosters conversation. This again proved out Sunday. I couldn't get a word in edgewise.

Gay Harrington: We would be sending you a parchment emblazoned with documentations and certifications of your full qualification and excellent performance on the Bauer Spiral Railway System, but we is outa parchment and emblazoning tools. Several folks, including two kids, had a go at the fun 1920's toy.

The after-party party is also so special to us. Jim Gray, Franklin Gage, and others helped clean up as we chatted about who was here, what did we find out about and "Wha' hoppend!? And how good all the delish food was! Among compliments we received about everyone's dish, Sally Batchelor's Praline smacker was highly touted! I have the recipe if wanted. Did I mention Sandy's hot chocolate fondue??

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#### **OLD CAR AND TRAIN DAY (Cont.)**

I know better than to bring coffee up into my train room. I set my cup down on the train table, left it, and then the Blu Comet sequestration train blew through and the coffee went everywhere. Thanks to Kathie Gray for the cleanup job.

I don't know what the problem was with the weather. My '39 truck made it out into the snow. Proof is in the photo.

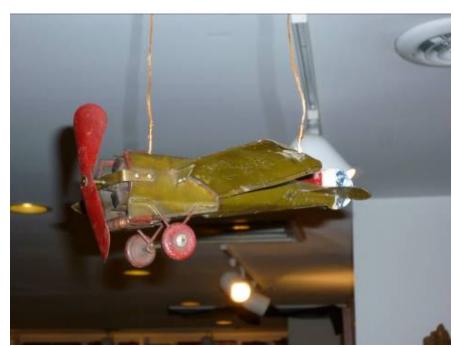
We were happy to see Vern Parker attending and offering his brand of wisdom and learned chat. He was delighted to hear that Jim Gray and others are interested in resurrecting his Labor Day weekend car show.

New items to my collections include:

The Bauer Spiral railway System came into my possession several years ago. It lay in a box waiting for me to have the time to assemble it. I had all the parts, but several of the solder joints were broken apart. Last fall I got after it, assembling it for the fall WB&A train meet. It did well, but the cars got stuck part way down the track and some of the joints came loose. On the repair day, Frank Hale worked the system over. He polished the wheels and straightening the track and lubed the car wheels with a dry graphic-based lubricant, plus fiddled with the track shape. He mounted the pulley in a better fashion. Glenn MacKinnon added the peeps to the car. Now the toy functions so good that even an adult can operate it properly! It was a big hit. I can't imagine getting that toy as a kid! I'd have worn the wheels off of it... oh wait; I wore the wheels off of every toy I ever had.

AERCo-labeled aviation-related toys built by A. E. Rittenhouse Co. I acquired this piece at a

recent Greenberg show, not knowing what it was. It hangs from a counterbalance beam hooked to the ceiling. I used a train transformer to provide low voltage power to the propeller. This plane's motor, built in the 20's, still functions. Not fast enough to move the plane, but enough to show off. This week a friend found out that the company also made a tin hanger for the plane, so the search is on. Someone asked why a model this early was not a biplane? The answer is that the



model represents the Spirit of St. Louis, flown from by Charles Lindberg from New York to Paris, May 20 -21, 1927.

#### **OLD CAR AND TRAIN DAY (Cont.)**

A custom brass standard gauge loco showed up at my door the other day. Photo shows Bob Heine showing it off. The motor and frame are made by McCoy. The brass/copper body is homemade and built very well. The smoke stack is a brass door knob lathe-modified. The bell

and headlight are lamp finials. Golly it is an excellent piece and I'm happy to have it in my

homey-did train collection. Now it needs a matching coal tender.



Again, thanks all for attending and having a good time at the 42<sup>nd</sup> version of Old Car and trains Day at Sandy and Clem's 2015.



Sandy and Clem Clement

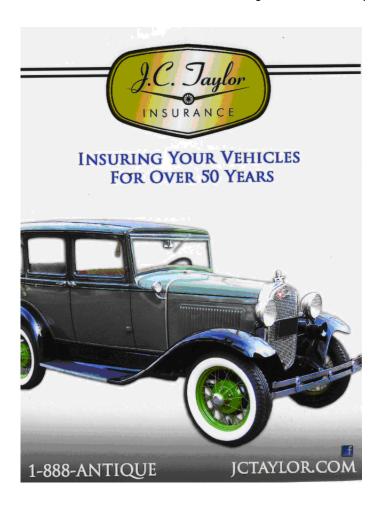
#### WHY GAS PRICES INCLUDE \$0.9

The use of fractional prices goes back to at least seventy or eighty years back. In 1914, a Texaco service station's gas price was 14.5 cent per gallon. But 9/10 cent fraction pricing came during the 'great depression' of 1930s. The great depression decimated the demand for gasoline. More than 2.6 million cars and trucks were taken off the road, and the consumption of gasoline was down a billion gallons per year in both 1932 and 1933. Gas stations fought to service. Production at the time was running far above demand and the market quickly went into a serious oversupply situation. It was at that time that premiums such as candy, cigarettes, ashtrays, dolls and countless other giveaway items made their appearance at service stations. In such a competitive climate the gasoline marketers of the day were attracted to the concept of fractional pricing. Incidentally, mechanical gasoline pumps with provision to set fractional price made their appearance at service stations around same time.

When prices zoomed at the gas pumps during the oil crisis of the 1970s and federal price and supply controls were imposed, individual stations lost the autonomy to set prices. The government issued mandated formulas for pricing, which resulted in unusual fractional amounts. Most motorists were accustomed to the price ending in 9/10th of cent, but reacted negatively to other arbitrary fractions. So, 9/10-cent price convention continued.

Source:

[Information courtesy: C.F.Helvie, former Customer Relations Manager - Mobil Oil Corporation]







We got a late, but grand start on flea season this year with a run up to the Agricultural Center in Westminster, MD, to attend the AACA Sugar Loaf Region flea market as orchestrated by fellow clubber Bob Clubb.

If you've never gone to this show, you really should try to make it some day. A great deal of it is indoors, with hot food

and coffee galore. Tools and shop supplies are in big supply, as are the occasional Iraq war-era Army vehicle and '42 Mercedes or two. We even see an occasional Model A now and again.

Clem, Benny and I rolled from Clem's driveway at 0603 – close enough for an "on time" departure for civilians, but late for we three old military types – so we had to make up time enroute. Fortunately, we were able to do that with the aid of Clem's EZpass, which helped us bypass the Friday morning rush and head north on I-270.

We arrived at ~ 0740, and were able to head right in. Although some tables were still covered,



Donna Lyon had helped make sure the donuts were available and the egg & ham sandwiches and coffee were hot.

It wasn't too long before we saw Bruce Metcalf, Jim Cross and Tank Edwards. Tom Terko was there manning the Sugar Loaf AACA booth, and I got a chance to catch up with Dave Sturgis from the Baltimore club to find out all we had missed by not making it up to the Howard County show. We ran into Luke Chaplin and Woody a little later, and got a chance to talk with Bob Hartig just as we were leaving for lunch

Bob Clubb did his usual excellent job keeping the wheels of commerce running in the center, and Dan Lyon could be seen running the many little tasks that folks who haven't run a car show or flea market just don't know about.



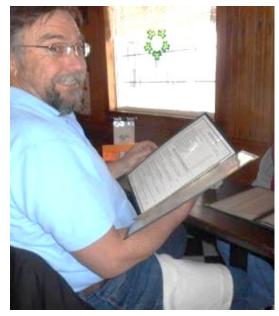


Tom Terko, Benny, Bruce and Woody enjoy the serious business of fun at Westminster.

**April 2015** 

#### **GRAY WITH AN A (Cont.)**

By 10:40 or so, we drove down into the vending area in front of the center to pick up one of Clem's rare treasures – a '39 tranny for his pickup. By 10:50, we were at Maggie's door for our customary lunch under the Buffalo Brewery "Buffalo Gal" poster.



Do you see our Buffalo girl?



Whatever are you talking about, Bruce?





Once again – a great lunch at Maggie's!

I got a basket full of carbs and a few small tools, Benny got some consumable shop supplies, and Clem got his transmission and a couple of sway bars; Bruce shopped for tools. Clem, Benny and I left Maggie's about 1130 and headed for Bratton's, where we had a nice visit with both Debbie and Jeff. We bought a few things and picked up a lot of 2014 catalogs and pens to hand out at Sully; Bratton's is truly a great asset for this club and the Hobby in general.

Jim Gray

### SMALL PARTS REPAIR DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>

No matter how well your Model A runs, it always helps to have a good working spare carburetor, distributor, water pump and other small parts. Small Parts Day is where club members bring small parts that are in need of repair. At the garage, many of the tools and members' expertise are available to restore the part to like-new condition.

This year, Small Parts Day will be held at the home of Janet Merkel, 9306 Merkel Farms Road, Bowie, MD, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Members should bring any parts that will be needed to repair their item. Be sure to get those ordered ahead of time so as to have them on the 18th. Equipment will be on hand to do final cleaning and paint parts, as well as tools to aid in mechanical restoration tasks. The cleaner the parts are when they arrive, the faster the rebuilding effort will be. Sand blasting is available for those that need it. Craig Sawyer from the Southern Maryland Model A Club will be at the Merkels' to assist with carburetor work and will flow test the jets. Even if you don't plan to rebuild a part, anyone is welcome to come, watch and learn. Ladies, please join in the fun.

Coffee and donuts will be provided by the club in the morning and lunch will also be served.

Directions: For those coming from Virginia. If you need directions from another area, let Janet know.

#### From Route 495, Woodrow Wilson Bridge:

Exit off Beltway onto Route 50 East. From Route 50, exit onto Route 197 North. Stay on Rt. 197, crossing over Route 450. At Old Chapel Road, turn right. There is a Sunoco Gas Station where you will turn. Turn left onto Race Track Road. Go past the race track and head up the hill.

\*\*\*Turn right into Patuxent Riding subdivision. At the stop sign, turn right onto Arabian Lane. Stay on this road. This road will become a gravel road, which is now Merkel Farms Road. Our house is the first house on the left. You'll see the garages.

#### From Route 495, American Legion Bridge:

Stay on Route 495 until you get to the Balt/Wash Pkwy. Take the Baltimore exit onto the Parkway. Go several miles and take the Powder Mill Rd exit. Turn right onto Powder Mill Rd. Stay on this until it ends at Rt. 197. Turn right onto Rt. 197. After passing Bowie State University, and at the next light, turn left onto Race Track Rd. At the fork, bear to the right (there's a child care center at the fork). Turn left into Patuxent Riding subdivision. Follow direction from above marked with \*\*\*.

If you get lost on the 18th, call Janet on her cell phone, 301-325-7020. If you need to call before the 18<sup>th</sup>, the home number is 301-262-6587.

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#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **APRIL**

April 10—12 Cabin Fever Expo, York Fairgrounds, York, PA <a href="http://www.cabinfeverexpo.com/exibitor.html">http://www.cabinfeverexpo.com/exibitor.html</a>

April 10—12 MARC Membership Meet in Joliet, Illinois <a href="http://model-a-ford.org/?ai1ec\_event=2015-merc-membership-meet&instance\_id=16">http://model-a-ford.org/?ai1ec\_event=2015-merc-membership-meet&instance\_id=16</a>

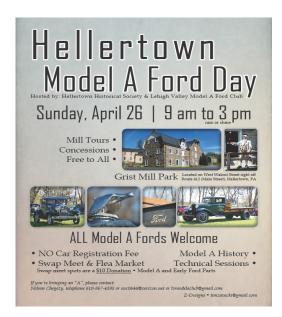
April 11 National Cherry Blossom Parade. Meet at Pan Am Shopping Center. We have 8 cars going: Doug & Beverly; Clem; Benny & Sharon; Sam Rentsch (driven by James Kolody); Glen Bates; Andy & Ellen Jaeger; Jason Cunningham; and me (with my daughter & granddaughter).

April 15 is our monthly meeting, featuring preparation tables for Small Parts Day.

April 18; Saturday; Small Parts Day, Merkel's Farm (see p. 17 for directions)

April 22-26; Wednesday – Sunday; Spring Carlisle

April 26 The Lehigh Valley Region Model A Ford Club is co-hosting Hellertown, PA, Model A Ford Day, Sunday, April 26. We are inviting ALL Model A Fords! It will be a day of fun and appreciation of the Model A. Last year was our first Model A Ford Day and 83 Model A's attended! For information, contact Nelson Chegezy at (610) 867-4395.



#### MAY

May 8 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day. http://ww2flyover.org/ There will be an Arsenal of Democracy flyover of Washington DC. The first formation is estimated to be over the Lincoln Memorial at 12:10 p.m. (EST). According to the web page this is the basic plan: Flight Path: Feet dry over Lincoln Memorial, over World War II Memorial, down Independence Avenue, turn south back to feet wet over the U.S. Capitol. This will be an incredible event. See this part of their web page for a better idea of what will be in the flyover: <a href="http://ww2flyover.org/flyover-formations/">http://ww2flyover.org/flyover-formations/</a>. Planes will be staging from the Manassas Airport and the Culpeper airport <a href="http://www.dailyprogress.com/starexponent/news/nearly-every-plane-from-wwii-to-be-in-culpeper/article-6263c50e-ae36-11e4-a8f8-a3ad454ad2d0.html">http://www.dailyprogress.com/starexponent/news/nearly-every-plane-from-wwii-to-be-in-culpeper/article-6263c50e-ae36-11e4-a8f8-a3ad454ad2d0.html</a>

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#### **COMING EVENTS (Cont.)**

- May 8—9 Shenandoah Region, AACA Apple Blossom Car Meet, Winchester VA. Flea market opens at 7:00 AM on Saturday, May 9. <a href="http://www.sraaca.com/AppleBlossom-Meet-Invite-2015.pdf">http://www.sraaca.com/AppleBlossom-Meet-Invite-2015.pdf</a>
- May 16 Armed Forces Day and Early V8 Fairfax Show at Fairfax City Hall. Registration form is available at: <a href="http://www.nvrg.org/new\_page\_1.htm">http://www.nvrg.org/new\_page\_1.htm</a>. This is a great show put on by our early Ford V-8 friends in a wonderful setting our Model As park in front of City Hall, and we get lots of attention.
- May 20 is our monthly meeting featuring a WINE TASTING by Willowcroft Farms Vineyard owner and fellow club member Lew Parker. Lew will make us all expert in choosing the right wine to go with the manifold cuisine you plan to prepare the following Saturday, May 23. See Lew's website to study up on his wines: <a href="http://willowcroftwine.com/">http://willowcroftwine.com/</a>. Look for more information in next month's Script.
- May 23 is our "Rolling Chef" tour to Willowcroft Winery. This will be a manifold cooking contest, so get our your favorite recipe, work up a presentation and find a wine to pair your offering with from Willowcroft's web page. Judges will be from the Willowcroft Wine Tasting Club, and presentation counts!
- May 25 National Memorial Day Parade in DC; the organizers are looking for cars to carry WWII veterans. Clem will carry Chaplain Jim Warrenton, a WWII vet. We could use a driver for Sam Rentsch, who would be proud to carry a vet or two in his phaeton. Sign-up sheets will be available at the April & May meetings. Contact me if you can drive Sam in his phaeton <a href="mailto:irg240z@cox.net">irg240z@cox.net</a>

#### **JUNE**

- June 5—6 Carlisle Ford Nationals (D Day 71st Anniversary).
- June 7—12 Howard reminds us that the MAFCA Maine Lobsters & Lighthouses Tour: <a href="http://www.mainemodelafordclub.com/">http://www.mainemodelafordclub.com/</a> is coming soon. It promises to be a grand trip.
- June 17 Monthly meeting; our program will focus on judging preparation for Sully.
- June 21 SULLY! Sign up for your choice of positions to help make this year's show the best ever.
- June 21 26 MARC National Meet & Tour to Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. Grab your passport and make a reservation! Howard Minners says this will be a grand meet. See <a href="https://www.marcniagarafalls2015.com">www.marcniagarafalls2015.com</a> or your *Model "A" News* for more information.

#### **WANT ADS**

**Nothing For Sale** 

# Sully Volunteer Statement Fathers Day, Sunday June 21, 2015

NAME:	PHONE NUMBER
active club, and running it to	gton Chapter, MAFCA / Mount Vernon Region, MARC is a big and akes money. Our primary moneymaker is our annual Fathers' Day . Volunteers - working 2 hours at a time - make this show work.
0,	the right area, please identify where you can help run the show by committee(s) where you would like to work.
	u'll see the best cars up close and personal. This is appearance ited. If you like old cars (and you must!), I'll bet you'll love judging.
	eed members for a couple of hours at a time to get the old cars be. You'll see the best cars as they enter the judging field, and you'll
_ ,	vill give you the opportunity to know the cars as they arrive for to get credentials from you to drive onto the field.
	of the most important jobs we have at Sully, because you have to main gate. With all the great looking cars arriving, time moves fast
	e perfect job if you don't have enough fleas (and who does?) Getting d is crucial to having a successful flea market. So what if you're the deals are? It's your job!
	wonderful "for sale" machines, and see if you can avoid buying one. ve car-buying money just burning a hole in your pocket!
	s is, undoubtedly, the BEST job on a hot Sully day. Work under folks and lots of ice now that's cool!
	is is our outreach to the public, and focal point about the details of to a lot of good folks, and, if you are on the first shift, watch all the way to their judging field.
☐ <b>Trailer Parking</b> . Maybe to the show. Get them park	the best kept secret job at Sully. The trailers bring in the real gems ed and see them first!
	you're not sure where you want to help, mark this choice. Our meet

Questions? Call our Annual Meet Chairman, Bill Worsham at 703-250-5474