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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It appears that summer is upon us, although May was remarkably pleasant. We had a good turnout for the Memorial Day parade in Washington, DC and a weather report that seemed to change hourly. We had a pretty drenching rain, but our cars did well and we got some good coverage on local television. We had a young man named Kyle Blake from Cumberland join us. He had taken a two-day trip to come to the parade, spending the night in Luray. That is dedication! My brother-in-law rode in the rumble seat of my car after the parade. It was a very wet trip for him, but he was more worried about my car getting wet!

By the time you read this, we will be nigh on Sully. I think we will have an excellent show this year. In prior years, I had handled publicity for the show and Donna Stubin took that job over this year and has done an outstanding job. It helps to have new blood to put on a successful show. If you haven't registered your car and/or volunteered to help out, please let John Dougherty know.

Both MARC and MAFCA have special membership deals going on, so check them out. Both are very worthwhile memberships and help support our hobby.

The Model T Club, of which I am also president, is scheduling a tour of parts of Washington, DC and Montgomery County, for August 12 and it is open to GWC members. When the details are finalized, I will pass them along to the club, but you might want to put that on your calendars. Meetup is in Arlington and there will be stops at Hillwood, Glen Echo Park, Glenstone and the obligatory ice cream stop.

I am looking to put together the third leg of the C&O Canal Tour for early July. Stay tuned for that.

Milford

FROM THE EDITOR

I may not be in town to do the June Script, but I will be at Sully selling those wonderful green Sully shirts. In other news, I have decided to postpone the publication of the 60th GWC Anniversary Script until September in order to allow for more time for people in the Club to write up any memories from the "good ol' days" and submit photos. It will also allow me to include the 60th Anniversary banquet in that issue. This Script issue will not be the September Script. It will be published separately in mid-September as a special issue.

Meanwhile, Bruce will continue doing the Scripts all summer while Alice and I camp out to Denver to see two of our grandsons. I will be doing the September Script and also plan to be back in time to attend the 60th Anniversary banquet in August.

FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

My big excitement was driving my Coupe in the Berryville 225th Anniversary Parade on June 3.

Bruce Metcalf

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM

George Washington Chapter Model A Ford Club of America Board Meeting May 25, 2023

President Milford Sprecher called the GWC board meeting of the club's 60th anniversary year to order at 7:08 PM. Board members in attendance were: Milford Sprecher, Hank Zajic, Doug Tomb, Bill Sims, John Dougherty, James Kolody, Bruce Metcalf, and Dave Greenwood. A quorum of the board membership was maintained through the meeting.

Sully update, we are ready but can always use more volunteers especially for set up, judges, and as needed the day of the show. John is working through the process of obtaining the memorial Bench in memory of Bill Worsham. The board approved wording for the plaque with options if the space is limited. We now have 13 registered spaces for the flea market.

Treasurer – we are on plan, once Sully registrations come in, we will replenish the funds expended.

Milford is looking at dates in June and early July for a C&O Canal Tour.

60th Anniversary -The Board approved purchasing 200 Red commemorative Pins for members, John will place the order. Bruce will also send John a picture of a dash magnet idea to also consider. Bill is planning a 60th anniversary edition of the Script for September showing past and current pictures.

Scholarships- The board approved awards of \$500.00 each for the top three candidates, James will notify the awardees and will present them at the Sully Show. Doug will prepare the checks. The board thanked James and the review panel for their efforts to complete this in time for the show.

Script- Bruce will be handling the script for June, July, and August, please note if you are preparing an article send the photos as separate files to make it easier for the editor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

In the President's column, Pres. Clem said June was an exciting month because it was Sully time, everyone was encouraged to come out and participate, there were a lot of jobs to be done. Members were reminded to wear club paraphernalia proudly. Editor Bill gave forth with a story of an elusive short circuit in his Town Sedan. Joe Krafft was recruited to help and it turned out being the wire to the post switch that turns on the dome light at the rear. He said he was thankful that Millard Springer had installed a fuse or the car might have been toast. Sadly though, the good luck didn't hold out. The car's name these years is now "Blaze" due to a tragic fire.

Body stand cart assembly plans of a device as made by Millard Springer were given two pages in the Script. Its intended use was to move bodies around after having been taken off of the frame. Involved were quantities of 10 different items of hardware and lumber and 10 tools. Sources for parts were given as were instructions for cutting to be done by the lumber yard. The editor noted that because the complete instructions ran 7 pages long, rather than publishing them in the Script they would be scanned, placed in the Script-articles Electronic Library, and would be available to anyone needing them.

The month's 1998 Script treated members to a reprint of a 20-Year-old article that had appeared in the Nov.-Dec. Restorer about the 1978 MAFCA International Meet which had been hosted by the GWC. Headed by

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THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO (Cont.)

John Dingle and Gordon Sanford with the slogan "Golden Days With Golden A's", hosting was a huge undertaking that was in the planning stage for many months. Convention headquarter was the Sheraton National in Arlington. The judging had to be indoors, which presented a challenge. We rented the Thomas Jefferson Community Center at the Junior Highschool. Complications arose with the fire marshal, over insurance, and requirements to cover the vast hardwood flooring where the fine point judging was to take place. Gas tanks had to be drained and cars manually pushed about.

A parade in Washington had been arranged, with traffic on side streets being stopped. There was an unfortunate accident when a driver didn't stop and a Model A was wrecked. People stopped to watch as the parade of Model A's as horns "aogahed", whistles shrieked and bells rang.

Many of the big names in the Model A community were in attendance, Restorer Editor Phil Allin, Edie Jones, Editor of the Running Board Vogue column, National President Jim Riley, and Paul Moller of carburetor fame to mention a few. A variety of side trips and seminars were scheduled. From our chapter, talks and

demonstrations were made by John Shepherd on shocks, Walt Kandetski about differentials and transmissions, Bill Worsham on Town Sedans, painting by Bill Condon Jr., metal working by Carl Patrick, and steering by Basil Meadows. Two beauty contests were held, a Model A era one plus a modern fashion show with professional models! It seemed nothing had been overlooked. As the Meet drew to a close many Model A'ers were on the road for home. Others stayed in Washington to visit historic sites and enjoy the July 4th events. Memories of Arlington in 1978 would not be forgotten.

Dave Henderson

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NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE CARL PATRICK MEMORIAL AWARD



Here is YOUR round tuft... just in case the reason you have not made a nomination for our club's Carl Patrick Memorial Award is that you just haven't got a round tuft. We have members in our club who are deserving of this recognition but they will not receive it if you do not act. The nomination process for 2023 is now open BUT CLOSES at the end of June. After that, the president will appoint a selection committee who will review all submissions and recommend a selection to the president.

If you wish to show your appreciation by nominating an individual for the award, that should be done in writing to Milford. The nomination can be brief but should mention how your nominee meets all four of the below criteria in sufficient detail to serve as the stand-alone justification of the award.

Carl Patrick was a member of this Club in the 1970s and '80s and set the standard for helping fellow club members in need. A Carl Patrick awardee should:

- believe in the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford "as Henry built it".
- be willing to share his knowledge of the Model A with fellow members.
- give unselfishly of their time to help others restore and preserve the Model A Ford.
- help promote the friendship and fellowship we all enjoy because of the Model A Ford.

SULLY #48 IS COMING FAST!

I am about ready. Going to Louisa, VA on 2 June, to pick up the coloring books and Fairfax next week to get a few new signs made. Then, it is up to you!!

The success of the last 47 shows happened on Father's Day each of those years. It will this year too! That success happens when our club 'rolls out' in mass with cars and ourselves. It is not too late to sign up to volunteer if you have not already. Thank you to those of you who have signed up and thank you in advance to those of you who will sign up!! Or, just show up and ask Gene (Judging) or Bill (Registration) or Jim (Car Corral) or Wayne (Parking) what you can do to help!

So, if you have not already, dust off the favorite one in your collection, put some fresh gas in it, and bring it to the Best Antique Car Show around on 18 June.

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John Dougherty
Sully Chairman

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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

From club member Jason Cunningham:

Good news, Beverly Tomb found the clip of us on TV! You can watch it

here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fjLCi3RIJ5w> You'll need to fast forward to 2:02:08 - 2:02:5

MAY 17, 2023, MEMBERS MEETING

Yes, you missed the Rehearsal of the Judging Process for the Sully show!

Thirty members, and one new member, were present when Milford Sprecher convened the business meeting at 7:35 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

To take advantage of the day light, we heard a quick briefing by John Dougherty on Sully, we are ready but still need volunteers. Contact John if you have already volunteered but have not yet obtained your two free admission passes. Registration opens at 7:00 AM. To prepare for Sully Judging, Gene Rainville explained the judging process for Model A and Non-Model A vehicles. Then, we met in teams of 3 in the parking lot to do a dry run with the scoring sheets. Members brought a total of 8 vehicles to be judged, (4 model As and 4 more modern), thank you all for bringing a great selection. Just as a reminder, a vehicle must have an unexpired Fire Extinguisher to be judged.

After Judging, our officers reported on progress and updates to the planned activities in the May Script. Our June members meeting will not be conducted, instead we ask all to attend the Sully show on June 18 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm.

The July members meeting topic will be about Jim Baker's Model A and how it was equipped for long tours in Europe, Australia, New Zealand, and Alaska.

Milford discussed with members potential joint activities, primarily tours with the Baltimore Club. James Kolody reported on the youth event at Gunston Middle School and thanked the members for attending the downhill gravity race of student-built cars. The purple paper eater won the race, James noted that the cars had zero emissions, all the parts are recycled for next racers, and there were no accidents. James also said the Scholarship awards have been evaluated and awards will be announced at Sully.

Our formal program was led by Hank Zajic who has taken on the additional responsibility of Librarian. Hank has converted several of the VHS tapes to a digital format and gave us a few snippets of previous Sully events and interviews. It is Hank's desire to post these on our site with a link to You Tube. Thank you, Hank and Melanie.



NEW MEMBER REPORT

My name is David Bolls and I'd like to share a wonderful experience I had with some GWC Model A club members. I attended a Model A club meeting for the first time in May 2023. I inherited a 1929 Model A Tudor from my father, who in turn got it from his father. It's been in the family over 55 years and has had many fun experiences. I first learned how to drive when I was about 16 on it with my Dad in an empty parking lot. I drove it in homecomings and football games. Sadly, it stopped working a few years ago and I had no idea what the issue was. I kept it in my garage not sure what to do about it or if I wanted to sell it.

But once I attended the GWC Model A club, I met very kind folks who immediately offered to help take a look at it. Stan Johnson, John Dougherty, and James Kolody came over to my home to help get it up and running. It was an amazing and exhilarating experience observing them all jump into action as if solving a mathematical problem or Apollo 13 situation where (as Ron Howard's excellent film showed) teamwork gets employed to get the astronauts safely back home. Everyone brought their own unique experiences and I learned a lot interacting with them during the process. Later, John invited me to drive it to his nearby house where we fixed the lights. I never thought it would be fun to work on a machine I thought was too complicated or expensive to fix, but it was neither! Knowing Model As can be fixed by non-specialists really appeals to me and it was a thrill the moment the engine breathed life again. I also have a 5-minute video of Stan and my Dad explaining basic things about the Model A, if that's of interest, too.

Thanks, GWC Team for your generous time and help!

(I was asked to add that father and son went out for ice cream in the Tudor later that evening! – Ass't Ed)



GOODNESS GRACIOUS, GREAT BOLLS OF FIRE!

Davis Bolls came to the May club meeting and explained that he was the new owner of a Model A that had been in his family for nearly 70 years. Hi father had given it to him recently and he was eager to get it started after it had spent several decades in storage.

During the course of the meeting, I gave him my phone number in case he needed help or information about the steps to take to get it running again. Over the course of the next several days, I heard from him concerning information relating to installing a battery, coolant, and motor oil.

The last phone call indicated that some on-site advice might be in order, so we made an appointment. I arrived to find Dave and his father and the Model A, waiting patiently in the driveway. It is a nice Model A Tudor sedan, in good condition, having had a restoration in the 1970s. But it had been sitting in a home garage for quite a while. They had installed a new battery and had tried to get it started - to no avail.

So, I began to sort through the clues. The carburetor leaked gas but stopped when the bolt connecting the bottom to the top was tightened. The headlights worked and the horn gave off a muted version of ahooga! So, we had electricity, but when the starter was pressed the engine did not fire at all. Sounds like an ignition problem.

So, the methodical tracing of electricity had to be done. There was electricity present in the posts of the junction box on the firewall. Good. So, is the ignition switch sending current to the distributor? We took the instrument panel loose and discovered that the locking barrel inside the ignition switch was frozen. Turning the key resulted in the whole lock mechanism turning, but not turning on any "juice".

The wire leading to the distributor was pulled out of the dash and into the engine bay. I thought the car could be "hot wired" by attaching the "key end" of that wire to the starter battery post. But just touching the wire to the starter's battery terminal caused a sparking -- oops something is shorted out in the distributor. Disassembly of the distributor did not turn up any obvious shorts, but the wire connecting the lower and upper plate was old and twisted. No amount of unkinking and positioning could resolve the short.

I called John Dougherty to see if he had a backup distributor that we could put in to try to get the car running. John, in turn, called James Kolody and they both soon arrived on the scene with various spare parts. While we waited for them the Bolls and I decided to set the ignition timing so that the replacement distributor could be quickly put in place. With some effort, we got cylinder #1 on top dead center through a combination of the timing pin and taking #1 spark plug out.

When John and James arrived, the rebuilt distributor was put in place and the car started up quickly and before long, was running smoothly. We recommended a new instrument cluster wiring loom and a new distributor be bought from Bratton's, along with a new replacement key and armored cable. The coil had been suspected, but it had proven to be good enough to operate the car for the short warmup period.

The Bolls were very happy. It is always such a pleasure to get a dormant engine running again and feel the sense of accomplishment at having solved the mystery of why the engine would not run. Next time it will be some other reason. Engine Forensics, Model A style.

REED MARTIN AUCTION

I decided to head up to the Reed Martin auction in Frederick, MD on May 13th. There was quite a collection up there, 3 Model A's (Reed's and two others on consignment) the two early three wheelers, over 60 tether cars and dozens of small engines, model airplanes, and other memorabilia. A virtual museum in and of itself.

The crowd was a bit smaller than I expected, but it was a dedicated crowd. There were a few GWC people there. I brought Tom Terko with me. I saw Brad Minners and George Smoleyak there.

REED MARTIN AUCTION (Cont.)

The auction started at 9. The cars were scheduled for 11 AM.

I didn't know what tether cars were until I saw this collection. They were quite popular in the 1930's, powered with small engines and are tethered to a central post. From what I could see, Reed had a great collection and they were in great shape. The prices ranged from \$1-3K per car. Reed also had a number of small boats powered by miniature engines and a bunch of model airplanes and their engines.

One of the special items in his collection was the first model airplane engine ever built. He had documentation for a number of the items in his collection, so he was a collector's collector - someone who knew what he had. A mutual friend told me that the hunt for these items was a big part of the collecting experience for Reed.

The cars went on the block at 11. There was a 1928 Model A Tudor that was consigned to the sale. The max bid was \$4,000 (plus a 12% buyer's premium). The consigner wanted \$8,500, so it did not sell. Next was a 1930 Model A Coupe, consigned by the same person. It sold for \$4,500 and, unfortunately, will probably end up a hot rod.

Reed's 1931 roadster was next. I started it up so attendees could hear it run. It has fiberglass fenders, no shocks and a bad top. It started and ran well. Tom Terko and Jeff Kichline said they could hear a knock in the engine which I did not hear. The bidding went up to \$8K, which I felt was the max it was worth, given the condition. If there is an engine knock, then it was worth even less. I was told that the purchaser was going to put it on Bring A Trailer. Good luck with that.

There was spirited bidding on the 1900 Knox and it sold for \$80,000. There were a couple of bidders on the phone. I had expected it to go higher. The 1899 De Dion Boutin sold for \$136,000. I was told that the Knox and the De Dion were sold to the same person.

After the cars sold, it was back to the smaller collection. Reed had a lot of small model steam and gasoline engines. The little airplane engines sold for \$50-100. Some of the larger steam engines went into the thousands. There was a miniature Model A engine that is one of 25 built. It sold for \$3,200 and a small Model B engine that brought over \$1,000. One of the more unique items was a gasoline powered pogo stick. I had never seen one before.

I brought some cash and was interested in a steam engine, but most were too rich for my blood. I was distracted for a few minutes and missed out on one that I might have been able to buy.

It was a great collection and a fun sale. We left before most of the airplanes and odds and ends were sold. Five hours at an auction is enough for me. Having known Reed a bit, it was sad to see his collection sold, but he had a varied and fruitful life, which is all you can ask for.

JOIN THE 2023 JULY 4th PARADE IN DC – JULY 4th

We only have 7 slots left for cars who want to participate in the National Independence Day Parade in Washington D.C. The parade is Tuesday, July 4th from Noon to roughly 3PM. To participate, RSVP to Jason Cunningham (jjcunningham@gmail.com, 301-648-4201).

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FAIRFAX ARMED FORCES DAY CAR SHOW

Nice show today; *GREAT* choices for Best in Show (Dave Westrate); Mayor's Choice (Gay's "Budster"); Best early car (Jim & Edna Cross' white '09 Model 10 Runabout Buick); and Best Pre-War Ford (Keith Randall's Model T).



There were only 3 Model As - Jim Ryan (he won my trophy) with his beautiful '30 green cabriolet; John Dougherty's '30 dark green Vicky (still a work in progress) and Ruby. BTW, Jim Ryan's Cabriolet can be yours for only \$18,500.

I think there may have been 80 or so cars there. I saw 2 firsts for me - a blue striped white 1951 Cunningham and a '70s (??)



Russian-made Volga. The first was great and the second not... somewhat brutish and utilitarian.



FAIRFAX ARMED FORCES DAY CAR SHOW (Cont.)



You missed the great ice cream truck, lots of music, and a Knights of Columbus hamburger & hot dog stand. It was coolish in the morning, bordering on too warm as the show wound down around 2 PM.

Jim Gray

INTRODUCTION TO OUR VICE PRESIDENT AND PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

I'm Hank Zajic and I just re-joined the Model A club after an extended absence. Bill, I remember you from my previous time in the club (2006-2008).

When I joined the club back in 2006, it was very shortly after taking possession of a 1931 Tudor that I refer to as Annie's A. She is so named because my father's aunt (Annie) owned the car all the way back to 1947 that we can trace with certainty. It is the car that gave me "old car fever" when I was a little kid. In the 50's, Annie's A was a farm car and worked pretty hard back in the day. By 1960 though, it was up on blocks and remained in that condition ever since. In the late 60's as a kid, I would climb in and pretend drive probably like so many other kids have done before me. In 2006, the club did a couple sessions at my house for a dormant Model A start-up for Annie's A. It was every bit as chaotic as you might expect of a club event and was also great fun... but turns out that the timing to get deeply engaged in the hobby was not right for me. With other priorities and obligations on my end, Annie's A in fact went dormant again. None-the-less, my couple year association with the club was very positive and I vicariously continued my association with the club thanks to occasional visits to the web site and the materials posted there. All the above is fodder for future stories.

By sheer coincidence (or other universal forces), I happened to glance at the club's website on 25 September and was very surprised to see Clem had an ad posted for Smokey. Wow! I went from being dormant myself to highly energized. Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, Abbot and Costello, Orville and Wilbur, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Clem and Smokey. These are among the greatest pairings ever. They just naturally go together. I needed to find out what was going on, pronto! Well, one email led to a couple more, some phone calls, and two visits. After some frantic garage reorganizing on my end, I found myself the new caretaker of Smokey! Who would have thunk it? Absolutely not me on 24 September!

Hope to talk with you soon,
Thanks, Hank

Light Switch Actuating Tool

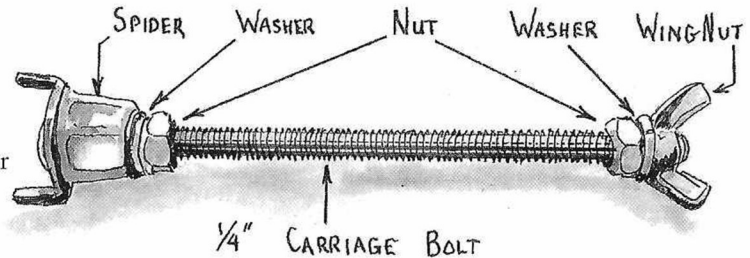
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Tiny Tips
From MAFCA Members

WHEN WORKING ON A MODEL A'S WIRING, it's sometimes necessary to remove and/or repair the light switch on the end of the steering column. After completing the repairs and before reinstalling the light switch, it's advisable to test the system. This can be easily done by making a special tool. The required parts:

- light switch spider, part number B-3643
- 4- or 5-inch long 1/4-20 carriage bolt with full length threads
- 2 each 1/4 inch lock washers
- 2 each 1/4 inch nuts
- 1/4-20 wing nut

(All parts except the spider are readily available at hardware stores.)



Slide the spider on the bolt, place a lock washer and nut, and tighten the nut to the spider.

Place a nut, washer, and the wing nut on the opposite end and tighten them so the wing nut is parallel with the spider. The tool is now ready for use.

alignment boss on the light switch housing on the bottom of the unit.

Place the light handle at the steering wheel in the 6 o'clock position, replace the light switch on the lower end of the steering column, and secure with the bail.

INSERT THE SPIDER END into the light switch and engage the rotating portion of the switch. Now the switch may be actuated by rotating the wing nut.

- With the wing nut rotated fully clockwise the switch is in the parking light position.
- One click counterclockwise is the off position.
- One more click counterclockwise is low beam.
- The last position is high beam.

WITH THIS TOOL, the switch can be tested and the position can be preset to the off position for easy alignment with the horn and light switch actuating rod prior to assembly. ☺

AFTER CONFIRMING THE SWITCH is wired correctly, return it to the off position. In this position, the wing nut (and spider) should be vertical (in the 6 o'clock/12 o'clock position) and in line with the

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GREENSPRING CAR SHOW

This is a reminder that the Greenspring Car Show will take place on June 9, 2023. The event is held at the Greenspring Retirement Community where long time GWC member Stan Johnson now lives. Bring your Model A or other Antique car. See you there. Gene

Greenspring Car Show



Registration Form

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Yes, I am interested in showing a car/truck/motorcycle at the 2023 Greenspring Car Show on **Friday, June 9 from 10am-2pm**. My information is noted below:

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Make/Model: _____

Year: _____

I understand that I must stay with my vehicle during the Car Show. Vehicles may set up from 7:00-10:00am. Vehicles agree to stay for the entire Car Show, and can leave after 2:00pm.

There is no registration fee, however we ask that you bring a canned good for the local food bank.

Please return this form to : Kimberly.Nelson@erickson.com (or send me an email).

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**GWC Model "A" Summer Picnic
at the Sully Historic Site
3650 Historic Sully Way
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July 15, 2023**

**GWC Club members & family are invited for a fun-filled afternoon
at the Sully Historic Site**



Lunch Prepared by - Mission Barbecue

Pork, Beef, Chicken

Beverages = Soda (Variety), Lemonade, Ice Tea & Water

12:00 to 5:00

Price per person is \$10.00

**Make your "Reservation" - RSVP with a check payable to GWC Model "A" Club to the
following by July 12, 2023**

**Eugene Rainville
6527 Petunia Terrace
Haymarket, Va. 20169**

or

Email – rainvilleql@gmail.com

(Followed by a mail in check)

Please bring a salad or desert to share



THE STONE GABLES PREWAR CAR SHOW & TOUR

**Saturday, July 29, 2023
8:30 am - 3:30 pm**

Join us for the first Prewar Car Show & Tour at the historic Stone Gables Estate in Elizabethtown, PA. You will ride in the 1853 steam locomotive on the estate's private railroad and tour the only replica of the Abraham Lincoln funeral car. Participants are also free to tour the historic Star Barn and outbuildings. A photographer will also be stationed at the covered bridge to take free, professional photos of you and your car. You're also welcome to drive your antique car around the private roads and trails* on the 275-acre property, which are perfect for early cars, as they are closed to modern traffic!

Open to all period-correct, pre-1942 cars. Trailer parking is available.

Lunch will be available onsite. Those with dietary restrictions should bring a picnic lunch.

Cost is \$40 per person or you can pay at the gate for \$50/person



Reserve your spot today at
sites.google.com/view/stonegablescareshow

Venmo: @nick_sieber or mail checks to:

Nick Sieber
1341 Mount Wilson Road,
Lebanon, PA 17042

Have questions? Email Nick Sieber at nsieb99@gmail.com

*NOTE: Many roads are paved, some roads are smooth gravel, and some are dirt.



CLUB APPAREL

To go along with the new GWC logo, we have changed how we can individually purchase shirts, hats, etc. with the club logo. For starters, go to <http://www.gwcmodeleda.com/logos.asp>. There are several custom apparel businesses listed where you can upload the logo file and get just the style and color of shirt, hat, sweatshirt, jacket, or whatever you want. This is a great time of year to update your GWC wardrobe; all the cool kids are doing it!

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Recently, I sent two emails to the region president/director asking for help in ensuring that members of your clubs are members of MARC and current on their dues.

The special offer I communicated to the region president/directors was that for current members of your region who are not MARC members or were members who have allowed their membership to expire in 2021 or prior, can now join for \$26 through the end of 2023 only. If they join before June 1st of this year, they will enjoy all the benefits of being a MARC member and will receive 4 copies of the Model A News this year. If they join after June 1st, they will receive 3 copies of the Model A News in addition to the benefits of being a full MARC member.

MAFCA has announced a similar deal, but they are charging \$30 for 6-month membership.

Please, please, please pass this email on to your members as soon as possible.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions!

Thank you,
Jim Zimmer
MARC Director of Regions
Jwzimmer9119@gmail.com
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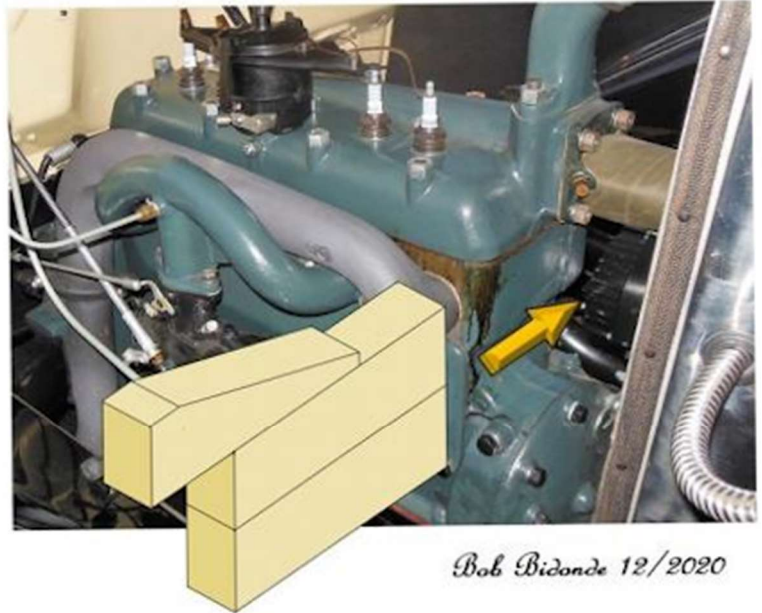
FORD TRIMOTOR

For anyone who is interested in seeing or flying in a Ford Trimotor, opportunities are available in Manassas, VA June 8-11 and Frederick, MD June 15-18. For further information, go to flytheford.org

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Cylinder Head Removal – Lumber Technique

- **Gather 3 pieces of 2"x 4" about 12" long**
- **Shape one piece like a wedge**
- **Insert between timing cover & water pump**
- **Hammer wedge to pop head loose**



Bob Bidonde 12/2020

FROM THE ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

Summer Picnic

Our summer picnic is just around the corner. It is time to start making your reservations. See the Picnic flyer in this edition of the Script. It will be held at the Sully Historic Site on July 15, 2023. Mission BBQ food will arrive about 11:45. Lunch will begin shortly thereafter. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the park. We will have plenty of unsweetened iced tea (sweeteners will be provided), lemonade, a variety of soft drinks and water. The price for the picnic is \$10 a person.

60th Anniversary Banquet

Another reminder to make plans for the 60th Anniversary Banquet. The event will take place on August 19, 2023 – 11:00 a.m. at Mount Vernon. We have the Veranda Room which holds about 50 to 60 people. The price is \$25.00 for each person - Members and Spouses; for non members the price is \$45.00 per person. Save the date August 19, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. We will have a meeting place for those individuals that want to caravan to Mt. Vernon. We will have all the details in our August Script. Save the date.

COMING EVENTS

- June 9 (Friday) – Greenspring Car Show – Greenspring Village, Springfield VA.
- **June 14 (Wednesday) - GWC & CDC Breakfast at the Fair Oaks Silver Dinner – 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway**
- **June 18 (Sunday) – GWC Sully Car Show – Historic Sully Park**
- **June 18 (Sunday) - Monthly Membership Meeting – is Sully.**
- **June 27 (Tuesday)– Board Meeting - In Person at Fairfax City RH&B – Dinner at 6 p.m. meeting at 7 p.m.**
- July 4 (Tuesday)– Fairfax City Parade – POC is Gene Rainville rainvillegl@gmail.com.
- July 4 (Tuesday)– Washington DC Parade – Currently no additional spaces for Model A's.
- **July 12 (Wednesday) - GWC & CDC Breakfast at the Fair Oaks Silver Dinner – 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway**
- **July 15 (Saturday)– Summer Picnic at the Sully Historic Site. See Brochure in this Script for details.**
- **July 19 (Wednesday)- Monthly Membership Meeting – McLean American Legion Hall – 7:30 p.m.**
- **July 27 (Thursday)– Board Meeting – In Person at Fairfax City RH&B – Dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m.**
- July 28 (Friday)– Shenandoah Valley Steam & Gas Engine Show in Berryville.

Activities to Plan for in 2023 Save the Dates

- **August 19, 2023 (Saturday) – GWC 60th Anniversary Tour & Banquet at Mount Vernon, VA.**
- **December 2, 2023 (Saturday) – Annual Christmas Party at the American Legion Hall – Fairfax, VA.**

WANT ADS

For Sale

From club member Rande Young:

Set of tires for sale. Riverside 4.40/4.50-21. They are not new, but I do not know how old they are. They came on the Model A that I bought from Jim Gray. I replaced these tires with whitewalls and am very happy with my decision to do so. Would love for someone else to use these if possible. I have 4 of them

Photos attached. If you are interested, please contact me on

Email: ry5058@gmail.com

Phone: 703.475.8317



WANT ADS (Cont.)

1931 Sport Coupe

Not a show car but a great driver. Many of you who toured with the club starting around 2000 know my car. I've owned it about 25 years. It was mechanically restored by Don Temple 2003 - 2004 and I've done very little since then. Donnie installed a high-speed rear end and a Brumfield head so it will cruise at 50 mph easily. Steering and braking are both excellent. Tires are decent but pretty old, best to replace if you plan to drive a lot. The car has the fantastically bright LED bulbs that Luke Chaplin and I demonstrated at a club meeting years back. Hence an excellent night-driver. Engine starts quick every time if the carb bowl is full. The carb is an unconventional industrial model that I installed a long time back, doesn't need mixture control. I've stuck with this odd unit because it's reliable and doesn't leak. Paint is shiny but showing age. Stainless and chrome are all decent. With the car go your choice of my very decent spare parts supply. Test drive is welcome. Located in Luray, Va.

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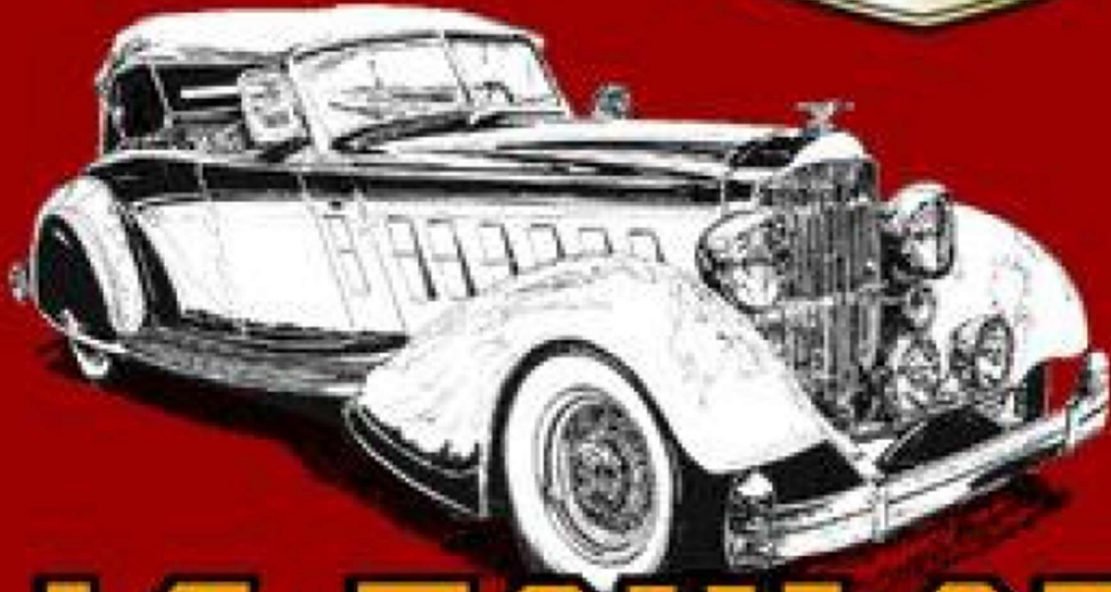
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