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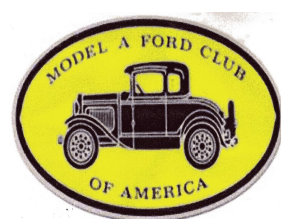
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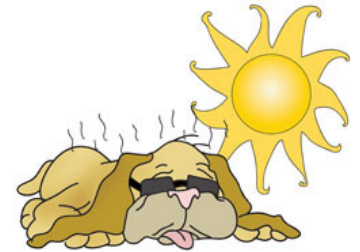


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sully 48

I have always enjoyed the Sully show and this year was no different in that regard. We had great weather, good crowds, good turnout of Model A's and other cars and a couple of cars we don't usually see, the circa 1930 Chrysler, the Cadillac V16. and the 1904 Reo.

Club member Scott Leaf brought his beautiful Packard roadster, which won a first place in its class, so lots of great cars to look at. There were a couple of things that I noticed this year that I had not been fully aware of, maybe because I am president of the club, which gave me a little different perspective.

Sully brings out club members we don't often see to volunteer. That is good news and bad news. It's great that we get club members to pitch in when we need them, but it would be great to see them at some other events, too. Something to ponder going forward.

Sully is a great opportunity for socializing and getting other clubs out in force. The V8 club gathers chairs under a tree adjacent to the flower garden not too far from their cars. It's a good time for members of clubs to get together and for members of different clubs to talk to one another. It's a great community

Another thought that hit me while there is that by sponsoring Sully we are performing a great public service for the participant and visitor alike. We get good crowds of attendees who really enjoy themselves. I was struck by the rapt attention of some kids who were watching the Takeapart Model T. It's fun participating in that event and making it all come together in ten to fifteen minutes, but it is even better seeing how much people enjoy watching it. Sully is a great day for the family to attend the car show and have a good time.

We are also providing a service to the old car community. We all enjoy getting together and showing our cars, but few shows have the scale of Sully and for many participants it's a must attend event. We have a lot to be proud of.

Finally, as president of the club, I helped give out trophies to the winners of the judging. Just about every person who got a trophy was thrilled. I am not a big person for trophies and whether I get one isn't important to me. I did get a first for my roadster a few years ago and I was surprised, but it's not why I own my cars. The look of appreciation on the faces of the winners gave me a new perspective on the judging. It's an important aspect of the show that I didn't fully understand until I was giving out the trophies. I congratulated the winners and thanked them for bringing their cars.

Sully is a tremendous amount of work on the part of the club, so thanks to John Dougherty for overall show management, Gene Rainville for the judging and every club member who helped out. I experienced the show on different levels this year, which increased my appreciation of the club's contribution to the old car community.

Milford

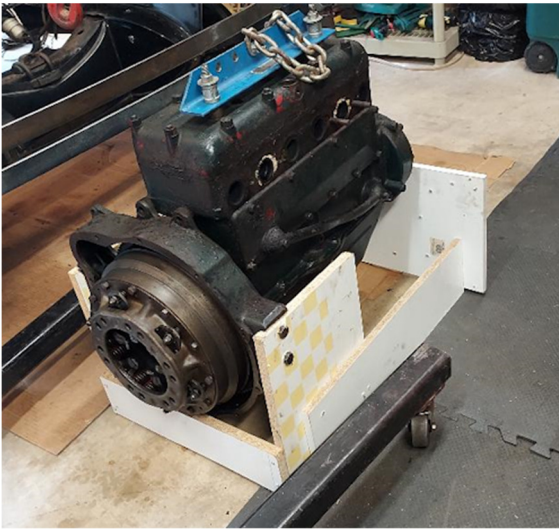
FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

My big excitement was driving my Coupe down to help Tom Quigley's friend in Quicksburg with his Roadster. His starter wouldn't spin and it appeared that the switch was bad. I'll have to see if the new one did fix it. We also had a time with the new brake rod; the clevis was at an angle to the jaws on the rear brake lever and we couldn't slip it in and push the pin in.

FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR (Cont.)

Don't forget the Berryville Steam Show (and flea market) https://svsgea.org/gva_event/pageant-of-steam-show-july-29-31-2023/ We will be out of town, visiting our new grandson, so we won't be able to have GWCers over for snacks after the famous bean soup.

My son, Sean, and I were at Shep's house for the last two days, helping him pull his engine for a Schwalm's rebuild. One key step at the end of the process was to jack the transmission up to have it aligned with the crank centerline as we hoisted the engine to keep the trans input shaft from binding in the flywheel pilot hole. We used scrap pieces of particle board for a box to support it for the trip to Pennsylvania. Here are some photos.



Bruce Metcalf

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM

George Washington Chapter Model A Ford Club of America Board Meeting June 28, 2023

President Milford Sprecher called the GWC board meeting of the club's 60th anniversary year to order at 7:03 PM. Board members in attendance: Milford Sprecher, Hank Zajic, Doug Tomb, Gene Rainville, Bill Bass, John Dougherty, James Kolody, Jeff VanGorder, and Dave Greenwood. A quorum of the board membership was maintained through the meeting.

The Board expressed appreciation to the Sully Chair John Dougherty and the committee for another fantastic car show.

SULLY #48 BOD Report.

All indicators point to a very successful show. Weather was good, crowd estimate about 4800 like last year, 342 cars and trucks (one less than last year). No major incidents: four minor heat injuries, two cantankerous cars (that I know of). Revenue was good, net is \$8,777, plus final check from food vendor in August (less cost for ice and food vouchers for Police and EMTs). Doug has details for each expense and income line for Sully. Flea Market and Car Corral were down like last year but did OK for income in view of zero cost.

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM (Cont.)

I canvassed the co-chairs for feedback:

Positives: Volunteers – about 70 and the Zadnik Grandchildren were great! Judging process and trophies on time. New registration procedure, Take Apart ‘T’, Antique Engines, and “overall, a great show”.

Negatives: Traffic delays getting into the park! Issue with one food vendor who failed to properly coordinate with us and just showed up. She managed to get the attention of the Fire Inspector – and left after an unsuccessful set-up.

Room to Improve:

1. Number of Flea Market Vendors.
2. Informing car owners to be parked NLT10AM.
3. New volunteer training. Need know what to expect to hit the ground running.
4. Registration delays. Line and forms for day of registration slow the process.
5. The new registration procedure caused some confusion at the Car Corral.
6. Field Layout on Friday always seems to get off to a slow start. Working on: pictures, GPS pins, improved map.
7. Informing owners how a ‘to be judged’ vehicle should be prepared.

Chairman dropped the ball on Dash Plaques from previous years. Who has them?

John thanked all the committee and volunteers for supporting the show. He also reported out that the Bill Worsham memorial bench will be installed at Sully for dedication at the GWC picnic on July 15.

Treasurer – We are in a much-anticipated positive position with Sully income and expenses mostly accounted for. Doug’s summary report will be in the Script, of note he said we sold 1516 snow cones (twice the amount as last year) and thanked those who worked the stand.

Activities- Gene is now focused on final preparation and registrations for the July 15 picnic and Jeff will get a reminder e-mail out to the members. The focus will then shift to final preparations for the 60th anniversary celebration at Mount Vernon on August 19.

Programs- Hank highlighted the July event with Jim Baker’s presentation on his Touring A that has been to Australia, New Zealand, Europe, Alaska, and Colorado. Jim’s car will be at the meeting, so members can see the modifications he made to sustain the road trips. In August, Dave Gunnarson from the V8 Club will present. September will be a summary slides from all the various Model Events: Sully, National meets etc. Doug will contact the American Legion Hall about our meeting plans.

Carl Patrick Awards - The award will be presented at the December Christmas party; James is sending Hank a Picture of the last awarded Plaque, so Hank can get one prepared.

MARC mileage awards update- Hank has ordered 7 brass plaques and will be contacting the other 7 awardees to determine the car status and interest before ordering the other 7 and will coordinate with Jim Cartmill on the awards.

Upcoming Tours- August 12, the GWC board approved co-sponsoring the DC area tour with the Model T club. Milford sent an e-mail to Jeff for distribution to the members. Milford is working on the details of a River Road tour for September 23 +/- . A tour to St. Michaels, MD is shaping up for October 26-28 and may include the Baltimore Club, the gathering spot is at the McDonald’s on West Street in Annapolis. He is anticipating about 10 cars on the tour and will be obtaining a block of rooms.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

Editor Bill had a problem. A cyber screwup (or was it something else?) was causing attachments not to appear on incoming mails. On point, President Clem had done the writeup for the President’s column and had sent it attached to his email, but it didn’t show up. Clem was somewhere out in the hinterlands on his way to

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO (Cont.)

California and there was no way in those pre cellphone days to contact him. So, thinking no problem, Bill thought he would use what Sully meet Chairman Bill Worsham had faxed him about Sully. No luck there either, the sheet under the cover sheet was blank, and when Editor Bill called to ask that it be resent, his secretary answered "I'm sorry, Bill's out of the office on vacation and won't be back for 2 weeks". He had her search the office but there was no article to be found. With the President's page 3 column now empty Bill moved his column forward to it and said that next month Clem's writings and Sully photos taken by Frank Stoner would appear. Bill ended with "I hope no one will be on vacation"!

At the board meeting held at Editor Bill's Tacoma Park, Md. Home, Clem Clement, George Smolenyak Jr., Stan Johnson, Bill Worsham, Al Meeks, Don Temple and Millard Springer were in attendance. It was reported that Sully had been a big success with 454 cars registered and over 4,100 people coming through the gate. A planning meeting for next year's show was already scheduled.

Robert Mechner contributed a detailed multi page article on building a body stand cart assembly for moving off-frame bodies around. It included a complete list of required parts, suggestions regarding where best to acquire them, top and side views showing dimensions and location of all necessary holes, plus pictures of it under construction.

The Virginia Country Tour had begun at Hamilton, Va. on June 7th and was attended by 13 Model A's plus a '38 Ford pickup. Starting with an outstanding brunch at the "Beautiful South" restaurant, 11 Model A's proceeded afterwards through the beautiful Virginia countryside on all two-lane hard surfaced roads through Loudoun and Fauquier Counties. The trip covered 125 miles, with stops for gas and ice cream, not to mention a stop at a winery to "tipple". Plans were made to do it again in the fall.

A good selection of Model A's were offered on the swap page; a couple of '29's, a '31 and a '30, less the cowl section!

Dave Henderson



SULLY ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW #48 – POST SCRIPT!

"Two strikes then a Home Run!!" Do you remember that is how I began the Post *Script* for Sully #47!! For #48 – "Bottom of the 9th, score tied, bases were loaded, a volunteer stepped up to the plate, swung at the first pitch put it over the fence for a Grand Slam!" I think that nails it! Weather almost perfect, a little warm but not too humid, and there was a light breeze with a few clouds.

Outstanding job by all of the Sully Committee Chairs and our great volunteers. You all made this a great show! A good crowd (I do not have the final estimates but I expect we were near last year's number of 4,800 total in the crowd) and 342 show cars and trucks on display. Judging went very well, congratulations to Gene Rainville on his first show as Chief Judge. Gene was the volunteer who hit the grand slam, in case you are wondering!!

SULLY ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW #48 – POST SCRIPT! (Cont.)

Like last year, I do not think I saw a sad face the whole day. Even the husband and wife team, Alison and Kirk, with the troubled Ford Mustang, they just seemed happy to be at the show. Turns out that Alison is the sister of new GWC member and '31 Coupe owner Valerie Faircloth whose nephew Nicholas rode to the show in style with his Aunt. Nicholas also helped with judging.

Best of Show winner this year was Chris Cummings 1930 Cadillac V12 Limo. An amazing original car, “to include the moth holes”, with 8000 miles on the odometer.

As of this writing we have not had our post show meeting with the Sully Staff. But, the reports received thus far are all good as well. Sully Site Manager Mary Olien, and Tammy Higgs, Maria Betancourt-Reid, John Hilson and all the staff and their volunteers provided great support planning and on the day of the show as well.

Special thanks and recognitions to Sully Co-Chairs! Registration - Bill and Carol Benedict; Trophies and Dash Plaques - Gil and Charlene Beckner; Flea Market Registration – Bruce Metcalf; Flea Market Set-up and Check-in –Al (Captain Al) Iagnemmo; Car Corral – Jim and Diana Ryan; Field Set-Up and Show Car Parking Wayne Parker; Advertising – Donna Stubin; Information Tent – Dan and Donna Lyon; Sno Cones– Shep and Laura Shepherd; Youth Program and ‘Help Wherever Needed’ – James Kolody; Judging – Gene Rainville; Trailer Parking – Bill Jeager; and Century Display – Doug Tomb. And thank you to members in other clubs, EV8, Mustang, T’Birds, Model T to name a few that volunteered throughout the day. Thanks to Doug and Beverly Tomb for keeping track of the day’s receipts and safely stashing them away. An extra kudo to Donna Stubin for all of her efforts as our new advertising Co-Chair. If you missed it she had the Sully Show in the National Club Mags, Hemmings, Classic Cars, local club newsletters and in local media. Well done Donna!

A special thank you to Shep for changing up and improving the Sully page on our website and to Jeff Vangorder for getting my emails to you all so quickly! Both efforts helped a lot. In fact, I had many inquiries from folks who visited our website and I do not recall any issues or complaints!

Thank you again to all of you that made this show a winner! Now get your cars out and enjoy them! Hope you all are looking forward to the Post Sully Picnic on 15 July! Sign-up with Gene Rainville!

BTW, #49 is less than 50 weeks away!! Ahoogha!

John Dougherty

GWC Annual Meet Chairman

CHERRY BLOSSOM PARADE PHOTOS



CHERRY BLOSSOM PARADE PHOTOS (Cont.)



STARTER BENDIX BOLT KEEPERS

In addition to getting my car ready for Sully, I went over to help Bill Sims with the starter on his car. He had a starter problem on Gene Rainville's tour and swapped out a starter with a spare one of Gene's, which he had to return.

We removed Gene's starter and put the bolts back in the Bendix on Bill's starter. We were able to fish the lost bolt and keeper out of the bell housing, thankfully.

The keeper is a washer with two tabs, one that goes into a gap on the starter spring and the other which bends up to hold the bolt in place. The new ones that I had have a hole that is larger than the bolt. You can bend the tab over, but it is not as snug as it could be and I didn't want Bill to have the same thing happen again, so I went back to my garage and got a spare starter I probably got from Stan Johnson and removed one of those keepers to use on Bill's car. I also used blue Loctite as an extra bit of insurance. Bill's car started right up after we put the starter back in and Bill made it to Sully in his car, even if I didn't make it with my car.

There are two sizes of the starter Bendix bolts - 5/16 and 3/8. We need to make sure that we are using the right size washers for the starters on our cars otherwise the bolts may not stay in place. A simple thing, but it can make a big difference on the road.

Milford Sprecher

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CLEM SULLY REPORT

Cliff and I arrived at Sully about 11am on a small bus provided by Ashby Ponds transportation services. We drove to the handicap gate where Melania Zajic met us. On the way to where smokey was waiting for us, we passed thru the flea market. Next to the gate, Scott Williams had his fully- loaded booths open. The first thing I saw was a 16" long, part Meccano/part Erector set boat tail racer. Sandy could not attend today so the racer fit scrumptiously in my rollator storage pocket. Cliff was met by his son and family and heading to the famous eV-8 maple tree gathering spot.

Hank had finished his registration and judging duties and was near Smokey to help me to grab j seat and hold a sunshade for us. Smokey was looking just fine and I hear had many kids visit the rumble seat area.

John Layton was heading for the crushed ice stand and found a Root Beer ice for me. Thanks John.

I was very Pleased and proud to have so many GWCers stop by Smokey and I. Smokey radiates that she is happy in her new home surrounding's.

Interesting to note the stone walkway behind the Sully house was gone. There were always issues and worries about folks tripping on the uneven plates.

I did not get around the judging fields as I'm still challenged by eyesight and stiffness problems.

We got our ride back to Ashby ponds as planned at 1:30 pm. A brief chat with Sandy and nap followed until 7 pm Monday, I met no suspense's either. Thanks all for a wonderful day.

Clem Clement

NEW MEMBERS

Valerie and Larry Faircloth

Sterling, VA 20164

1931 Sport Coupe

Larry and Myra Oliver

Hamilton, VA 20158

1930 Coupe

CLEM & JIM'S TRIP TO LURAY

Jim Gray tail gated through the Ashby Ponds gate at 5:30 a.m. on Friday, May 12, to swap his pickup for my Expedition. We loaded in my Rolladen, three layers of sun glasses, (one layer of which I immediately lost) and headed off to the Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet in Luray via I-66, Route 55, and Route 340. That last bit on 340 was a beautiful and serene drive on a gently rolling two lane road– with just a bit of fog visible down a distant holler. It seemed as if every other building was a church, so I guess there's a lot of prayin' going on down country.

CLEM & JIM'S TRIP TO LURAY (Cont.)

We arrived about 7:15 a.m. and got right to business – eating. The VFW boys made some super ham and egg breakfast sandwiches neatly done up in aluminum foil. The one served to me was upside down. And no matter how much of a fuss I was bringing and just generally carrying on, I couldn't get a right side up replacement. Dismayed I was... but that upside down sammich was still mighty tasty. We heard that there were 120 spaces available, of which 74 had been spoken for. I guess between five and 10 more not pre-registered folks showed to sell, and all found a spot.



The weather was great – a brief morning shower was long gone. I have problems with my eyes; my right eye has macular degeneration in the inactive state and every six weeks it gets a needle, which is terrifying to this old dog. My left eye has shingles... when it gets agitated, it throws a mean fit, meaning headache all around the eye. It looks a lot like pink eye and is not socially acceptable in public. When I put in the chemicals in the left eye, everything is blurry, so I can't identify faces beyond 6 feet. I had purchased a small fan treasure from

CLEM & JIM'S TRIP TO LURAY (Cont.)

Jeff and Debbie Kichline (Bratton's proprietors) and didn't know who I bought it from for two hours. Must have been misled by their advertising.

As we wandered, I kept bragging on that fan "air conditioner" I'd bought for my Rollator. Only later did Jim tell me I'd gotten it from Deb & Jeff's booth. BTW, their good news is that their 2023 Bratton's Catalog is at the printer! When I moved to Ashby Ponds, all my oil cans and squirt cans went away. Auto Zone had a couple on offer for \$13+ bucks, so I passed, figuring I could find one at Luray for \$5... and I did. So I'm back in the oiling business.

Jim Gray kept insisting that there would be no Gray car parts, nowhere, no how. Then he found a set of Kelsey demountable 30 X 3 1/2 rims that work on Grays. And later, a complete set of lightly used lugs and nuts for his new-to-him rims. I sure remember chasing Model AR lug nuts and the hard time I had finding them; glad he found those. Donnie Temple reported that that Bill Sims' "Blaze" is yet to be painted; finding a qualified painter is difficult these days. Donnie reported that Donnie Jenkins has retired and his son is taking over the business – "Joe's Upholstery Shop" in Fredericksburg, MD, and they are still right up there first class for their workmanship. There was a yellow Miller roadster for sale at \$29,900; it sure looked tempting... but not for me.

The show seemed to have a lotta' good stuff, but maybe that's because I haven't seen too many shows recently. Maybe it was that cast iron toy steam engine and a cast iron 1/2 passenger car that spoke to me. Just then I heard an air whistle from beyond the field. I couldn't see the train, but that whistle sure got to me. There were at least 5 GWC presidents in attendance – current president Milford, and past presidents Jim Cartmill, Jim Gray, Tom Quigley (who had a booth), and me. We also saw Donnie & Judy Temple, Jim & Edna Cross, Dave Gunnarson (who brought Dave Henderson, Billy Potter and Hank Dubois with him), Bruce Metcalf (Loretta was also there, but we missed seeing her) and Jeff & Deb Kinchline.

I swung by the VFW sales tent on the way to their food booth and checked with Karen to buy a 2023 show T shirt. We grabbed a couple of ground sirloin hamburgers from the VFW food booth and were gifted pieces of birthday cake.

While packing up, we heard the VFW guys talking to one vet who'd just gotten his 100% vet disability from his Afghanistan service. God bless all our vets. Hope everybody gets what he or she needs and deserves. God bless America and her troops. As we rolled for home at 11:40, we were planning our trip for next year.

Clem Clement and Jim Gray

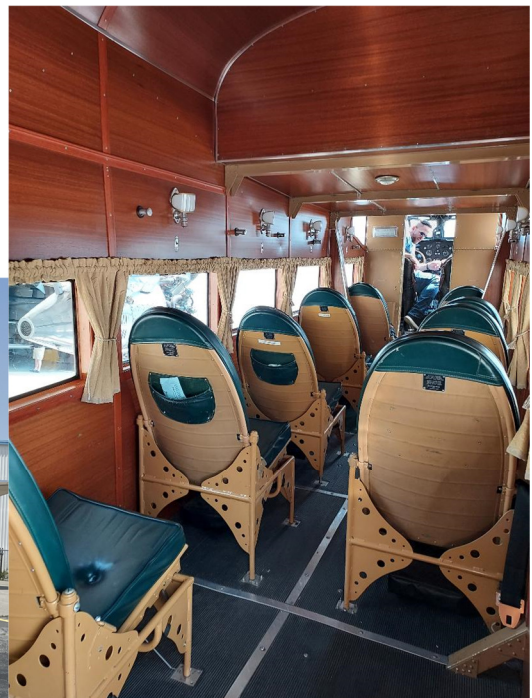
FORD TRIMOTOR

The Ford TriMotor airplane showing at the Frederick, MD airport looked interesting, so Loretta and I decided to go. It was going to be a little hot for us in the Coupe, so we went modern with AC. Not so the Baltimore Club! They lined up around the plane for a great photo. The representatives had quite a story about the 1929 plane. It had been owned by Bill Harrah of casino and car museum fame and had been dismantled and reskinned with smooth sheet metal for less drag at some point. Since then, it received the original style corrugated skin and replacement engines. One item for Clem, the engine nacelle sheet metal was fastened with Phillips head screws, so I asked about that since they were invented in 1936 or so. The fellow said that they were FAA-certified and proper ones would have been quite a chore. The Baltimore Club attendees were Steve Myers, with grandsons Jack and Luke Anderson, Don and Linda Keller, Jim Wolbert, Dave Sturges, and Hunter Fanny. We all had a nice lunch at the airport restaurant and then a few stayed to take a ride in the Trimotor.

The pilots reading this probably are familiar with this, but the tail wheel was just a caster and it was steered on the ground with the throttles and what looked like disk brakes on the wheels. The replacement engines were not the original type and had electric starters. The fellow told me (I think) that the original engines had a windup

FORD TRIMOTOR (Cont.)

spring starter! It must have been a hefty one to spin those nine-cylinder engines! The interior looked very nice, but it must have been noisy. I was looking at the suspension pivots, which drew my attention to the shock (or is it just a spring? Pretty early for hydraulic shock absorbers). Its load goes into the bottom of the engine nacelle, so the weight of the plane is supported by the wing. Most planes seem to have the landing gear attached to the fuselage, but in flight the wings hold the plane up, so it was merely different.



FORD TRIMOTOR (Cont.)



Bruce Metcalf

FAIRFAX JULY 4TH PARADE

Parade was warm. Gene, Jeff VanGorder, Rande and I were the 4 cars - two red and two shades of green. Crowds were huge and the energy off the charts; all fun meters fully pegged after I did a quick adjustment to Rande's carb. All my riders bailed out due to the heat; I had 0 PAX, but a great horn and a spare 48-star flag to wave. LOTS of horns, but no cow bell, pig or chicken squawking. Total trip time was 3 hours; total parading time was 40 minutes. Saw Chris near the end of the parade route - he had a great Uncle Sam hat on. Didn't see or hear anyone else I knew.

Jim Gray



Gil Beckner's Car at Sully

George Washington Chapter 2023 Approved Budget - AS OF 06/24/2023					
OPERATING BUDGET					
	Budgeted Income	Resonsibiity	2022 ACTUAL	2023 Budget	2023 ACTUAL
A) Membership	Membership	VanGorder	\$ 4,169.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 1,600.00
B) Donations	Misc Income (Donations)	Tomb	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 65.00
C) Program	Programs & Technical Seminars	Zajic		\$ 100.00	\$ 43.00
D) Activity	Club Tours & Activities	Rainville	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ -
E) Script	Script Advertising	Sprecher	\$ 650.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 450.00
F) Tools	Hands on Seminars, Repair	Leonard	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
G) Sully Show	Sully Income	Dougherty	\$ 12,650.00	\$ 14,978.00	\$ 13,168.50
	Total Income		\$22,069.00	\$22,728.00	\$15,326.50
	Budgeted Expenses				
A) Membership	Membership	VanGorder	\$ 1,763.00	\$ 1,089.00	\$ 227.93
C) Program	Club Programs	Zajic	\$ 2,447.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 1,058.70
D) Activity	Club Tours & Activities	Rainville	\$ 5,737.00	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 1,022.47
E) Script	Script Printing & Mailing	Sims	\$ 291.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
F) Tools	Tool Shed / Tools	Leonard	\$ 180.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 308.63
G) Sully Show	Sully Car Show Expenses	Dougherty	\$ 3,903.00	\$ 5,065.00	\$ 4,395.25
H) Website	Web Hosting Expense	Shepherd	\$ 108.00	\$ 108.00	\$ 163.22
I) Board	Insurance	Tomb	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ -
J) President	Presidents Fund	Sprecher	\$ 810.00	\$ 1,210.00	\$ 926.03
K) Secretary	Secretary Supplies	Greenwood	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
L) Treasurer	Treasurer Supplies	Tomb	\$ 542.00	\$ 615.00	\$ 469.06
	Total Expenses		\$15,781.00	\$19,222.00	\$8,571.29
	UNDER/(OVER) Revenue		\$6,288.00	\$3,506.00	\$6,755.21
	2023 CONTRIBUTATION BUDGET				
	MAFFI	Board	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
	SCHOLARSHIP	Board	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
	AFRH	Board	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
	BILL WORSHAM (SULLY BENCH)	Board	\$ -	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ 2,800.00
	CLUB AV EQUIPMENT UPDATE	Board	\$ -	\$ (450.00)	\$ -
	TOTAL		\$ 4,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 4,300.00
	2023 WELLS FARGO BANK CD - RESERVE FUND				
	WELLS FARGO ONE YEAR CD	Board	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
	Peyton Randolph Memorial Fund	Board	\$ -	\$ 4,518.00	\$ -
	Zadnik Scholorahip Fund	Board	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
				=====	=====
				\$ 16,018.00	
	Total Expenses			\$22,722.00	\$12,871.29
				=====	=====
	Sum Income and Expenses			\$6.00	\$2,455.21
	Current Bank Balance as of 06-24-2023		\$ 34,858.38		
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MEMBERSHIP MEETING UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Longer Range Planning.

1. Are you planning to attend a National Meet or similar major Model A gathering this year? If so, **I need your help! How about considering doing a photo journal** of the event while you are there and sharing your adventure with the club. Please see the description of the September program below.
2. **I am seeking a volunteer to present on a technical topic in October.** The plan at the beginning of the year was to cover the Electrical System, BUT the topic can be of your choosing if you have a specialty you want to present. Earlier this year (February) John Daugherty presented on carburetors. **Please let me know if you are willing to present.** I can help you build the presentation if you bring the knowledge.

For July. Jim Baker's amazing touring car. Jim and Connie have toured with their town sedan all over the world from Australia to Europe. Fresh out of a brief maintenance period, the car is ready to continue touring. At the July meeting, Jim will present a discussion of the modifications he has made to his car that help meet the demands of the type long range touring they do. Engine, drive-train, brakes, interior, comfort items are all up for discussion. There are many changes he truly enjoys and some, if given the choice he would not do again. Jim will have the car at the meeting. The presentation will have an extensive photo display with the intention that Jim will touch on different areas to open up discussion with the audience on the pros and cons of different modifications. This is an opportunity to learn a bunch from a highly experienced tour driver who has taken the time to thoughtfully consider how to make the touring experience very successful!

MEMBERSHIP MEETING UPCOMING PROGRAMS (Cont.)

For August. *The Ford Presence in Washington DC.* We will be treated to a presentation from guest speaker Dave Gunnarson of the Ford EV8 club. Dave has put together an wonderful discussion on how Ford and this area have been intertwined over the years. Come on out in August to meet with Dave, learn a little historical perspective and talk about one of our favorite things, Ford cars!

For September. *What I did on Summer Vacation.* Remember those essays our teachers made us write for homework during the first week back to school when we were in the 3rd or 4th grade? Have no fear! This is NOT that dreaded homework assignment. This is a photo journal of all the cool Model A stuff various members got to do across the summer. From Sully to the National Meets to special tours, I'm looking for them all so we can assemble it into one happy memory of what "Getting back out in our Model A's "was like during the Summer of '23. It will give members who got to attend some of these events a moment to relive happy memories and share stories with those who could not attend in person. Starting with Sully 48, Valerie Faircloth has started this photo journal off with a wonderful collection of photos. ***I need some volunteers to add to it by providing National Meet photos, other events across the summer. Please let me know if you can provide.***

Hank Zajic

JULY MAFFI MINUTE

Not everything at the Hickory Corners Model A Museum is about preparing for Model A Days. During the second week of May, a crew consisting of MAFFI Trustees and volunteers worked hard for four days moving and parking Model A's around the Gilmore complex and the local area for multiple photos. During that time, Model A's were carefully removed from the museum building and the "C Barn" to be positioned around the Gilmore campus. Additionally, some of the cars were taken off-site and parked at other country setting locations that included a hops farm, an old church, and a lake. At the end of each day the cars were returned to their homes only to be taken out the following morning to repeat the process.

While the MAFFI Trustees and volunteers were doing this, a photographer, John Lacko, from ***Hemmings Motor News***, was taking pictures. By all accounts there were probably more than 2500 pictures taken.

This flurry of activity was for the purpose of helping ***Hemmings Motor News*** create their Model A calendars for 2024 and 2025. These calendars will be on sale in October of this year and next year. They will be available through ***Hemmings Motor News***. This calendar, dedicated to Model A's, is one of 8 different calendars that ***Hemmings Motor News*** sells each year.

Happy motoring,
Mike DuBreuil
MAFFI Board of Trustees
Secretary

MODEL T CLUB TOUR IN AUGUST

I am thrilled that our initial 2023 club tour – and annual picnic – is now set! We will kick off at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4250 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, at **9:30 AM on August 12th** and return after these enriching experiences:

- A visit to Hillwood Estate Museum and Gardens,
- A picnic lunch at Glen Echo Park, Maryland
- A cameo visit to Glenstone Museum, Potomac, MD
- Ice Cream at Sprinkles, in the heart of Potomac, MD

Rain date: August 19th, upon decision made by 7:00 PM on Friday, August 11th.

MODEL T CLUB TOUR IN AUGUST (Cont.)

Do yourself a favor and come!!! Assemble at 9:00 AM. Trailer parking available for the day. **Bring \$12.00 per person in cash (the entry fee to Hillwood), your picnic lunch, and expectations to be richly rewarded.** Model Ts should have a full tank of gas for the 42-mile tour ending with a long “4-gallon hill” from Chain Bridge to Glebe Road. Modern cars acceptable.

Hillwood, built in the 1920s, is the former residence of businesswoman, socialite, philanthropist and collector Marjorie Merriweather Post who combined her status as the heir to several industrial fortunes and wife of the 1930’s ambassador from the US to the Soviet Union to acquire an astonishing collection of decorative arts as the Soviets auctioned off the wealth of the Romanov Tsars. The museum also features stunning gardens and botanical delights on the 13-acre property that includes a vista down to the Washington Monument.

For our annual picnic, we will drive to **Glen Echo Park**, founded in 1891 as a National Chautauqua Assembly. By 1911, it transformed into DC’s premier amusement park until it closed in 1968, but now includes the fully restored, 100-year-old Dentzel Carousel. While at Glen Echo, you may visit the **Clara Barton National Historic Site**, the last home of the teacher, nurse, and humanitarian who was the founder of the American Red Cross.

Glenstone Museum combines the largest private contemporary art collection in the United States, world-class architecture, and a stunningly curated natural landscape – the 21st century counterpoint to Hillwood on a 130-acre footprint created by Danaher Corporation’s Mitchell and Emily Rales. We will only have time for a snippet – but our visit is timed to hear the once-a-week playing of the **steam calliope** – the musical aspect of the installation, *The Katastwóf Karavan*, by world-renowned artist, Kara Walker.

Thanks to Dick Sullivan for helping to lay out this tour. Although it is more urban than many of our tours, our Model Ts will never be on a major city avenue and will never have a left turn with significant, non-stop cross traffic.

One request: **please let Ford Chinworth know by return e-mail of a text message that you are coming**, so you will be notified in case of a rain-date decision and so we can confirm with the venues how many people to expect. Thank you!

Regards,
Ford E. Chinworth,
Tour Director, Nation’s Capital Model T Ford Club
5903 Mt. Eagle Drive, Suite 1018
Alexandria, VA 22303
571-329-2107 (cell)

**GWC Model "A" Summer Picnic
at the Sully Historic Site
3650 Historic Sully Way
Chantilly, VA
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



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



SUNSHINE REPORT

Long Time Member Rick Nelson



Eric Alan Nelson (Rick), a member of our club since 1999, has died. Rick suffered a heart attack on May 18, 2023. He was 76 years old.

Rick was a local boy who attended Mount Vernon High School and Fort Hunt High School. After graduating in 1965, he left Virginia to attend college.

A graduate of Middlebury College in Vermont and the University of Wisconsin – Madison, he returned to Fairfax County with a master's degree in organic chemistry and a teaching certificate. He spent his career teaching chemistry, biology and physics at Robinson, Jefferson and Annandale high schools.

After he retired, Rick co-authored the well-reviewed "Calculations in Chemistry: An Introduction" with Dr. Donald J. Dahm in 2012.

SUNSHINE REPORT (Cont.)

Although Rick had recently sold his car, he was just beginning to take up a long-held passion for motorcycling. Please keep Rick's wife, Kathryn, and children Amanda, Daniel and Shannon in your thoughts and prayers. A private family memorial gathering will be held in the future.

Photo and information credit: <https://adventfuneral.com/tribute/details/319015/Eric-Nelson/obituary.html>
Links to where memorial donations can be made are on this page.

Jim Gray
Sunshine Chair

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.gwcmodela.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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Thank you,
Jim Zimmer
MARC Director of Regions
Jwzimmer9119@gmail.com
614-353-8236

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

- 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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Please contact:

Frank Sublett

subs@comcast.net

540-327-6216

Winchester VA

WANTED

Muffler request from Jereme Macready:

I'm in the market for a replacement exhaust for my '29 truck. Mine is split wide open and it scares me a bit (see attached photo). So, I thought I could maybe put the word out to the club to see if somebody has a spare they'd like to sell to me?

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