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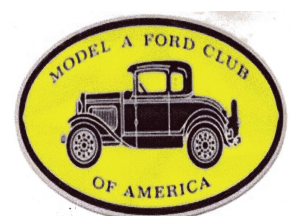
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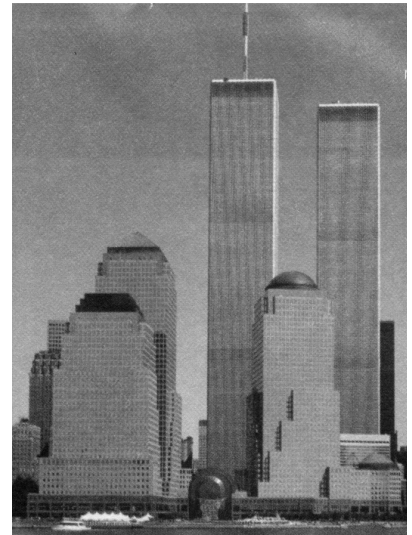


Bill and Marylee Cassels have shuffled off to Alabama permanently, but their A will remain behind in the care of your editor while Blaze undergoes restoration.



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Gray with an A



What a month! I'm worn out, and we have that incredible trip to Kent Island that Jason Cunningham has arranged coming up in just a couple of days!

I just got back from 10 days in the great Pacific Northwest. Not only did I see the total eclipse from Salem Oregon, I saw both the LeMay car museums in Tacoma, Washington and even attended my 50th high school reunion. Too much to tell with words, so it's in pictures.

My friend's granddaughter, Taylor observed the sun disappear and jumped up to do a dance... I'm pretty sure that's why the sun returned. Special eclipse French toast for breakfast on August 21 was necessary.



I got to see a second Frank Lloyd Usonian house in a month! I spent HOURS at both America's Car Museum and the LeMay family collection in Tacoma!



1930

Average annual salary for a skilled manufacturing worker: \$1,500

Cost of a Hershey bar: \$0.05

Average cost of a new car: \$640

Cost of a Duesenberg Model J (chassis only): \$8,500

Cost of a Duesenberg Model J (including coachwork): \$20,000

Right there in the section of America's Car Museum with the Duesenberg and the massive 1924 Lincoln Town car was this stark reminder of the economic distance between the owners of our Model A class of cars and those cars of the rich.

Gray with an A (Cont.)

And just around the corner from the big cars I found a 1922 Model T and a 1931 Molel A Cabriolet. And around the corner from “our” cars was a picture of the LeMays enjoying one of their “moderns”.



America’s Car Museum is great, but the REAL meat and potatoes of the LeMay family collection is a few miles south of Tacoma proper. And that collection is both eclectic and MASSIVE. We all need car shelves in our garages, I think... and a boattail roadster would also be nice.



But now I’m back and we have things we need to do! One of those was to see if I could get that grin off of Clem’s face after he took possession of his fabled “40 Merc”. I failed; I don’t think he’s stopped grinning since it was delivered on August 22. Congratulations, Clem; sometimes you win those jousts with windmills.

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Gray with an A (Cont.)

As for the club: our *TOP PRIORITY* this month is to find a volunteer to help us on the BOD next year as Secretary. Your job will be to keep the minutes of our BOD meetings, to arrange for our monthly meeting location and generally help the president with running the show.

*With the proposed modifications to the bylaws, all our BOD members will have greater flexibility about attending the meetings. We are planning on having several by FaceTime or even phone conference. This job is not hard and not terribly time-consuming, but it is important to the running of your club. Please contact Greg Shepherd, Doug Tomb, Stan Johnson or me if you can help. We've got everything else under control, **but we really need some help here!!!***

Be sure to watch the web page for more fun local outings arranged for us by the hard-charging Jason Cunningham! There are many more adventures yet to be had in your cars, like our upcoming trip to see Mike Pangia's Lindbergh airplane on Kent Island. Get out in your time machine and enjoy the passing of your time.

Jim

FROM THE EDITOR

This was supposed to be a long summer of camping around the U.S. for 8 weeks, but our daughter Ariel threw a monkey wrench into those plans. So we spent half of July in the mountains of North Carolina preparing for her wedding and 3 weeks in August recuperating. She picked August 5th, which wiped out any chance of going to the national meet that was practically in our back yard (not that I would've had a car to take to it). She lucked into perfect weather (a rarity in the mountains) for the entire wedding weekend. It was held in a gazebo on a small lake in Blowing Rock, a resort town a bunch of us in the Club dined in several times while going to and coming from the Chattanooga MARC national meet several years ago. Now both of our children have been successfully married off to wonderful spouses. Our job is done.

So I return to resume my duties as editor after Bruce so ably handled them in my absence. It's comforting to know I have someone competent and reliable to take over in my absence.

Progress on Blaze is proceeding at a glacial pace; it's still resting comfortably in my driveway. I could see I was going to miss a lot of great tours and events unless I had a car to drive. So, with Don Temple's encouragement, I decided to buy another Model A to use while Blaze was in the shop. As it turned out, Bill and Marylee Cassels had decided to sell their Virginia home and take up full-time residence in their home in Alabama. (Considering Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, I question their logic as well as their timing.) They'd decided not to take their town sedan with them and were looking to sell it. Alice and I deliberated for a short time before deciding we should jump on this opportunity.

So about 2 weeks ago, we drove down to Woodbridge and picked up the car. Bill had paid someone recommended by Donnie, who lived in Staunton, to come up and give it a once-over. So it ran perfectly all the way home. Despite the fact it has overdrive, we took the slower, scenic route along the Potomac. It's good to be back behind the wheel of a Model A again. We're really looking forward to the Kent Island tour to break her in.

Bill Sims

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM

Board of Directors Meeting
August 30, 2017



The August Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jim Gray at the Red, Hot & Blue restaurant in Fairfax, Virginia.

Attendance: Board members present included Jim Gray, Jason Cunningham, Stan Johnson, James Kolody, Benny Leonard, Jerry Olexson, Greg Shepherd, Bill Sims, Doug Tomb, and Bill Worsham. A quorum was present. Absent were Bruce Metcalf, Tom Quigley and Milford Sprecher due to travel and other commitments.

Minutes: July BOD minutes were approved and published in the August Script.

President's report:

- By Laws: These will be voted on separately at our annual Membership meeting on Wednesday, November 15th.
- Budget: Jim requested the Board finalize projections for next year for each Club area.
- Life Membership. Jim will appoint a committee to review the two nominations that have been submitted before the deadline, and the committee will make a recommendation to the Board.

President Jim asked for the following reports:

Vice President - James.

- Programs.
 - September - Mike Pangia on his Lindberg airplane.
 - October - Benny's Model A coupe restoration.
 - November - Annual Membership Meeting, with pie and ice cream, and Milford on the Model A exhaust system.
 - December - Brown Bag, Wednesday, December 13th.

Secretary's Report - Doug.

- Doug reported on the location of the upcoming Board meetings:
 - September - Red, Hot & Blue in Fairfax, Wednesday, September 27th.
 - October - Stan Johnson will host at his home on Wednesday, October 25th.
 - November - Red, Hot & Blue in Fairfax, on Thursday, November 16th, the day after the General Membership Meeting. Note this change!
 - December - Transition BOD Meeting at P.J. Skidoos in Fairfax, VA, on Wednesday, December 20th. This meeting is for all old and new BOD members and their spouses.

Treasurer's Report Jerry.

- The Club is in a good financial position, with a current cash liquidity of \$47,920, as of August 30th. All bills have been paid and we are current. The next round of outlays will be for rent, our MAFFI contribution, the Kent Island Tour and, of course, our Christmas Gala.
- Bill Worsham reported that the budget for Sully next year is projected to be the same as this year.

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM (Cont.)

- Jerry suggested that the Club should review how we prioritize our gift giving for next year. Should the Club put more emphasis on touring next year? Jim noted that participation in our tours has been light this year.

Committee Reports

Annual Sully Meet: Bill.

- Bill is planning the next meeting of the Sully Committee to start the process of getting ready for next year's Sully.
- Bill reported that the Sully staff have some good ideas for next year's Sully, which will be shared with the Sully Committee.
- Jim reported that the car categories will be adjusted for judging next year.

Activities: Jason.

- Caffeine Double Clutch is September 13th at the Fairfax Silver Diner, 9:30 a.m.
- The one-day tour on Saturday, August 26th to Whites Ferry was postponed, but will be rescheduled; stay tuned.
- The Kent Island Trip, September 9th & 10th, now has 17 people signed up to go see Mike Pangia's Lindbergh plane on Kent Island. Jason drove the entire route, and reported that it was easier than he had anticipated. The tour participants from Virginia will meet at the Bestway Supermarket located at 5695 Telegraph Road in Alexandria, VA. To reach it from the 495 outer loop, take the Telegraph Road exit, cross Telegraph Road, and the market will be on the left. We will drive as a group from there.
- Jason asked Club members to bring their cameras to the Kent Island Tour, so we will have good pictures for the Script, and for individual pictures of the cars and the Lindbergh plane.
- The Warhurst picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 17th. A good turnout is expected.
- Jason is working to finalize a Club tour to the Willowcroft Winery, for Sunday, November 12th; Stay tuned.
- Christmas Party planning – Jason has formed a committee to help him: Laurel Gauthier; Cindy Olexson; Kathie Gray, and a few others – prizes have already been purchased.
- BIG NEWS is that we have a new GRAND PRIZE - \$360 worth of a gift certificates from Bed & Breakfast.com – the world's largest B&B site.
- There was discussion about the Branson, MO National Meet next year, and having a Club seminar to prepare members cars for the long drive.

Youth Development: Tom is on travel and was not able to attend.

- Will discuss the program for next year at the next BOD meeting he can attend.
- James reported that he would like to do more with his spare engine as a youth assembly project for next year. There was also discussion about a possibility of a Youth chassis restoration effort. There will be further discussion on this.

Membership / Webmaster: Shep

- We have two new members this month.
- Our new logo is with the artist; several images were passed around for review.
- Shep is looking for any member pictures of the National Meet in Gettysburg, for the Web site.

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FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM (Cont.)

Editor: Bill reported that the deadline for the September issue of the Script is Tuesday, September 5th.

- Bill reported that he would like to include a fashion article in a future Script, and is looking for submissions by the membership.

National Club Liaison: Stan - National Club Liaison; MARC, MAFCA and MAFFI

- Saturday, September 16th is Model A Ford Day at The Gilmore Museum in Michigan. He encourages all Club members attend.
- Stan will give a seminar on Friday evening, September 15th about how the Model A Ford helped win WWII. Plan to attend if you are out at the Gilmore.
- Stan reported on the MARC Youth Rolling Chassis effort. They have assembled a lot of parts, and have made good progress.

Property Manager: Benny

- Benny reported that several Club members been borrowing and using Club tools.
- Bruce Metcalf is looking for a new air tank for the Club's compressor. We plan to have the compressor running at Sully next year.
- The Club engine display is ready to be test run. This will be on display and running at next year's Sully.

Old Business

1. The November General Membership Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15th.
2. The ***December General Membership Meeting has been moved to Wednesday, December 13*** (which is one week early) due to the holiday calendar.
3. We will again be asking Club members to help supply soft drinks for the September and October Monthly Meetings while Mark Kuklewicz is not able to join us.
3. Stan reported that the Club still needs a candidate for the position of Secretary for next year's Board. This is an excellent opportunity for a member to get acquainted with the workings of the Club, and is a limited time commitment each month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Doug Tomb,
Secretary

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THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO



The big challenge; could we do it?--Assemble 50 Model A's at a single club function? On the "likely" side, we were a strong chapter, membership at an even 250 and a younger age group with lots of "P&V" and hands-on enthusiasm. In addition to the allure of bounteous food and drink for which GWC was prepared to lay out up to \$10 per attendee, there were also to be car games, other sports, and a best-dessert prize contest. Furthermore, an up-front cost to members of \$5 per reservation would be REFUNDED upon arrival.

But then there were negatives. The site for the Pig Pickin' chosen was a bit remote, especially for Virginians, who constituted a majority of the Chapter's membership. It was being hosted by Dick and Kitch Eisenman in the Chesapeake Beach area, Dunkirk, Md. and necessitated traversing some roads with high speed limits. Lots of our cars were "garage queens" that would have to be resuscitated in order to show up. So what do you think, was President Andy Pogan's challenge to members attainable, and was it met? Stay tuned, and if the October 1992 Script holds the answer, I will let you know. (Ok, I've peeked, but you'll have to wait, heh heh....)

Rick Menz contributed an article about carburetor troubles entitled "Carburetor Gremlins". It seems he had just rebuilt his carb, "everything done--boiled out, new venturi, new float valve, new jets (all properly sized) new gaskets, painted--the works". Then the time came for the moment of truth--will it run better--no more backfire? YES! But 15 minutes into the running and OH NO! Black smoke, wouldn't idle, missing terribly-- Can't BE! Carburetor just rebuilt, must be something else--possibly a stuck valve, bad condenser, intermittent shorting out? Compression and electrical checks said no. Well, maybe it IS the carburetor....". And it was, a combination of a speck of "gremlin dung" in the idle jet and a bad, though new, float valve. Solved at last! Maybe the lesson here when trouble persists is to go back over what you have just done rather than assume it's a new problem caused by something else.

Pat Roberge wrote about and sent pictures of Model A's encountered in his trip to one of Maine's more remote areas. After having to settle for sightings of an old Continental with a brush paint job, a few Falcons, and a '57 Rambler settling into a rhubarb patch, he finally hit pay dirt—a retired AA dump truck with petunias planted in the bed and a contractor's two model A's; a utility A with a homemade covered body and a '31 pickup, both serving continuously for 30 years!

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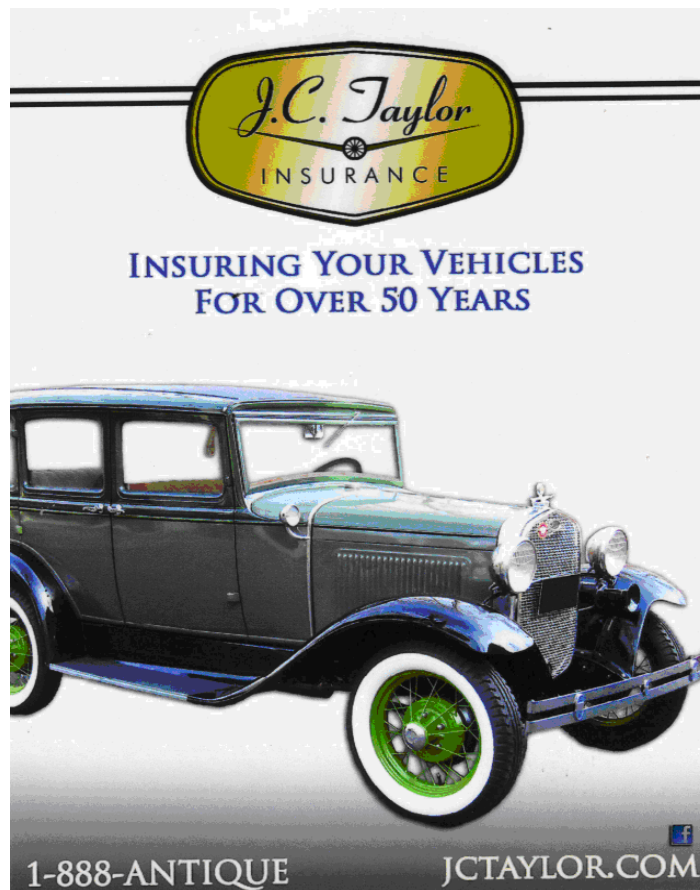
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MAFFI NEWSLETTER MINUTE

We are in the last minute preparations for Model A Day, Sept. 16, 2017, and hope that many of you have made your plans to attend. In addition to the new displays in the museum, a 1931 Standrive Milk Truck, a right-hand drive Phaeton produced in England, and a Russian-built GAZ engine inside the museum, we will have a couple of interesting and rare vehicles outside the museum (weather permitting). This year's technical seminars will be on Front End Assembly and Repair, Installing a Cell Phone Power Outlet in 6 volt Model A, Roadside Trouble shooting, Model A Accessories and, for the ladies, a fashion seminar, "Vintage in Style; From Pouch to Purse". (There is a small charge of \$5/person for each seminar.) Last but not least is the all-day swap meet and the membership meeting and Hall of Fame ceremony! Don't forget to bring your MAFFI membership card for free admission to the museum.

Thank you for your continued support of the Model A Ford Museum.

Loukie Smith
MAFFI president



The advertisement features a vintage dark blue car with white wheels and a chrome grille. At the top, there is a logo for "J.C. Taylor INSURANCE" in a yellow and green oval. Below the logo, the text reads "INSURING YOUR VEHICLES FOR OVER 50 YEARS". At the bottom, the phone number "1-888-ANTIQUE" and the website "JCTAYLOR.COM" are displayed, along with a small Facebook icon.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND INFORMATION

Sunshine Report

One of the bonuses for belonging to the club is our Sunshine report which gets the word out for members that have challenges in their life. All you have to do is contact me with the information you would like to share and specifically mention it's for the Sunshine report, and I'll get the info out our members. This is a great and easy way to get the word out. Please take advantage of me!



Website Report

I added more photos for the recent National MARC meet. Check them out at: <http://www.gwcmodeleda.com/photomenu.asp> And a special photo album was added for a long-lost car that recently returned home. Enjoy! And please continue to send me any photos for sharing.



Membership Report

Couple of new families have joined ours. Please update your rosters and welcome them to the club:

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2017 MARC NATIONAL MEET IN GETTYSBURG

Milford Sprecher

The MARC National Meet in Gettysburg was too close not to attend. I went to Niagara Falls two years ago, intending to drive my town sedan, but that was cut short due to an exhaust pipe problem. I was not going to let that happen again!

A group of us headed from suburban Maryland up to Gettysburg. I drove to Tom Terko's house, where we met up and headed north on Georgia Ave. At Sunshine, MD, where New Hampshire Ave. intersects with Georgia Ave, we coincidentally met up with Hunter Fanny, who was driving his Henry-award-winning coupe to the meet and was to meet up with the rest of the group with us. At the intersection of 144, we met up with a group from the Baltimore club, led by Dave Sturges. Dick and Betty Fisher and a couple of other cars showed up, so there was a caravan of seven on the way. The trip was uneventful, except when Dave turned off 140 onto 97 at Westminster and the second car continued on 140, with the rest of us in tow. Once the error was recognized, we turned around and finally all got back together and headed north. I went to college in Westminster, so I know Carroll County pretty well. We continued through Union Mills and Silver Run, up to Littlestown, PA. The trip reminded me of one car that got away.

Right after college, there was an old guy who lived near Silver Run who had an unrestored '28 or '29 pickup. It was still his daily driver, but I made him an offer on the truck that he accepted. Just out of college, it took every bit of my savings, but I wanted another Model A and thought this was the right one. At the last minute, he changed his mind because, supposedly, of the gas crisis, which was then upon us. I wonder where that truck is now?

Our group followed 97 to Gettysburg, getting on Rte 15 for a few miles before getting off at Rte. 30, York Rd, to go to the Gateway complex.



There were dozens and dozens of Model As there. Meet registration was close to 500. I didn't count how many cars were registered, but there were a lot. I had hoped to take my roadster, but it is in the middle of some brake work, so it was not ready to take. My town sedan performed admirably the whole trip.

There was nothing planned for Sunday evening, so we checked into the hotel and scoped out the cars, raffle rooms and the like. Over the course of the next couple of days, we ran into Benny Leonard, Howard and Brad Minners, the O'Neals, the Olexsons, the Worshams, the Cartmills, Jim Gray and John Leydon, so our club was well represented.

The Hub City club really did a great job hosting the meet. There were lots of activities and seminars. I think I attended all the seminars, which I enjoyed. I learned more on the judging standards for windshield wipers to last me a lifetime, however. In addition to the seminars, there was a talk about a 1918 Packard truck from WWI, followed by a demonstration of the truck in the parking lot. Other nights featured a Civil War reenactor and the PBS film on Henry Ford.

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2017 MARC NATIONAL MEET (Cont.)

Shuyan and I did not go on any of the battlefield tours. I have been to both Gettysburg and Antietam a few times, so I didn't think I needed to go. I wanted to attend the seminars, which conflicted with the tours, so I was happy staying close to the complex.

In addition to the seminar on wipers, there were seminars on oil and fuel, both presented by MARC president and former fuel engineer with Texaco Joe Valentine. There was also a seminar on modifications to Model A carbs for cars with air filters and a presentation on a French Model A. Brad Minners participated in the French Model A seminar and showed us a photo of the Model A Paris taxi that he has purchased. Wayne Suker of the Hub City A's hosted a talk on front ends and steering that had us all imagining problems with our cars by the end of the seminar.

Monday night featured a nice reception at the visitor center, where there was food, the film of the battle and the cyclorama of the battle for us to view.

We ventured off site for most of the meals, where we saw lots of Model As running around town. At one restaurant we went to, there were 16 Model As in the parking lot, so the economic impact of the meet was felt on the town. We made a side trip to Gettysburg College and took a short walk around the campus.

Wednesday night featured the Fashion Show. After attending the Niagara Falls meet, Shuyan and I decided that we should look for some vintage clothes to wear. She found a fantastic period original dress on eBay soon afterward that we bought. As is the norm for me, I waited until the last minute, but was able to purchase a suit that I wore the night of the show. Music for the fashion show was provided by Howard Minners on piano and ukulele. We got many compliments for our costumes. The fashion show was followed by an ice cream social, a tradition at MARC meets.

Fine point and touring judging was held on Wednesday afternoon. I am sorry that I did not get to look at either the touring or fine point judging. Fine point judging was held in a tent, and most owners moved their cars out of the tent when the judging was over, so I missed most of that. Our own John Leydon had his Woodie in the FP judging and performed well!

As usual, there were some fantastic cars at the meet. There were some nicely restored AAs, including a '27 panel truck, an air compressor truck, a pickup truck and a flatbed. There was one town car, some 400As, woodies and just about any Model A configuration you could hope for. I was impressed by a nicely restored 1932 Model B someone had brought.



A few thunderstorms rolled in during the meet, but didn't really put a damper on activities, as they mostly hit us during the night. There was a forecast of hail on Friday night, which had owners scrambling to move or cover their cars.

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2017 MARC NATIONAL MEET (Cont.)



The Repair “Tent” was under an overhang on the side of the Wyndham. It was pretty busy during the meet, handling all manner of repairs. The MARC youth group also worked on their chassis and drove it around parking lot.

The Grand Tour on Thursday featured a nice route through apple country with the group ending up at the South Mountain

Fairgrounds in Biglerville for a chicken barbeque and the chance to wander around the fairgrounds. One of the tractors on display was a Ford Deere, made from a kit during WWII, featuring a Model A engine and John Deere parts. On the way back to the hotel complex, we took a detour for a tour of the first day’s battle and came across a monument for the 75th Ohio Infantry, a unit organized by my kids’ 3rd great grandfather at the outbreak of the Civil War.



Friday night featured the banquet and awards. In addition to the Fine Point and Touring classes, awards were given for the person who drove the farthest, and the oldest and youngest female and male drivers. There was also a “hard luck” award, which was given to the wife of the winner of the longest trip award. No word on how she got back home after that one! Dick and Betty Fisher of the Baltimore club were recipients of the Ken Brady award for their work on the MARC Mileage Program.

Our group, diminished by two cars, headed back south on Saturday morning. The group included four coupes and my town sedan, so there was a lot of uniformity of car styles. Dave Sturges and Hunter Fanny were a bit hard to keep up with on the trip back, especially on the hills.

Congratulations to the Hub City club for an outstanding meet, even more impressive in that the committee consisted of six people. Many other members of the club did a great job helping with AV, organizing the repair tent and with the raffles. Unfortunately, I was not a winner in any of the raffles, despite having purchased a bunch of tickets for the car and other raffles.

The next meet is in Branson, MO, probably too far for me to drive and attend all within one vacation, but an event to look forward to, nonetheless.



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A SHORT TRIBUTE TO TOM KORTISSES



As many of you know, the last two frame-up restorations that Tom Kortisses – the Bratton’s consultant who died suddenly in June - finished were cars that member John Leydon urged him to complete. John rented an apartment up in Westminster, MD, and spent three years there, with Tom as teacher and restorer. The first project was the gorgeous '31 68C Slant-window Cabriolet that took its first trophy straight out of the block at the Sully Plantation show that year. The second (also a Sully winner) was the completion of former member Marvin Myers’ 1930 Woody Wagon that Marvin and Tom Terko had begun.

This year John decided to take Tom Kortisses’ last full project – the Woody Wagon he christened “*Baxter*” - and bring home a MARC *Award of Excellence* as a final tribute to Tom and his workmanship. John says: “Can’t tell you how many people came up to me at Gettysburg gushing over what an exquisite piece of work that one turned out to be”. *Baxter* was one of the highlights of the meet. And, of course, he rolled home with a well-deserved MARC *Award of Excellence* congrats Tom and John! Kudos to both of you, and Peace to Tom.



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2017 MARC EASTERN NATIONAL MEET FASHION SHOW

Milford Sprecher

I have never been much for dressing up, so I never would have expected to participate in a fashion show at a MARC event. My wife, Shuyan, does enjoy getting dressed up and after her interest in the fashion show at the MARC Niagara Falls meet, I decided that I would be a good sport and participate by dressing up at the next MARC national meet.

Shuyan quickly found a nice dress on eBay from around 1930 after Niagara Falls. I started wondering what I would wear about three weeks before the meet.

We went to a vintage clothing store in Takoma Park, but found nothing. I found some appropriate pants on eBay, but was outbid on them. Next, I spied a vintage seersucker suit on eBay that happened to be just my size. It was not from the right period, but seersucker is pretty timeless, so I figured that would work. I bought a bow tie from the vintage store in Takoma Park and I was pretty much set. At Gettysburg, we went to the fashion flea market at the hotel, where Shuyan bought another dress for another time and I bought a straw hat to finish my wardrobe. The night of the fashion show, we got ourselves ready, including my relearning to tie a bow tie from instructions found on the internet. It was a challenge, but I ended up with a passable bow. We had a bit of a mix up once we got to the show. We had registered to participate in the show and had communicated with the organizer, but she had never received our last e-mail, so she was not expecting us. We did join the fashion show at the last minute, so all was well.

We got many compliments for our outfits. I was the only husband in the show and we went down the runway together. I am pleased to share that I didn't commit any major faux pas nor did I fall off the platform as we were walking down and back.

The ladies on the fashion committee were very helpful and we learned a lot about vintage clothing from them and made some new friends. Next time I hope to have a more traditional shirt and shoes to go with my period outfit. Shuyan already has her next dress, although she will need to make a slip for it as the one that came with it is only good for a pattern. I don't know if we will ever enter fashion judging, but we had a lot of fun participating in the fashion show.



WARHURST PICNIC – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 10 AM – 3 PM

Join us on Sunday, September 17, 10 AM – 3 PM for the annual Warhurst Picnic. Enjoy a catered picnic lunch, bingo, fantastic prizes, and time together with friends.

What to bring: A chair and a dessert to share!

To sign up, email jjcunningham@gmail.com. The cost is \$5/member couple, or \$10/non-member couple. Get your payment to Jason Cunningham (checks payable to GWC Model A Club can be mailed to 9812 Dellcastle Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886).

Payment is accepted at the event, but signup in advance is requested.

WILLOWCROFT WINERY TASTING AND PICNIC - NOV. 12, 10 AM

Grab a chair and picnic basket and join us for the annual tour out to the Willowcroft Winery! Club member and winemaker Lew Parker once again hosts us for a picnic, vineyard tour, and special wine tasting (2 PM). Enjoy a scenic drive through the Virginia countryside to this spectacular, mountain-top vineyard. We'll also have our exhaust manifold cooking contest for those interested in cooking their lunch on the way!

Mark your calendars and RSVP to jjcunningham@gmail.com

COMING EVENTS

September

Sept. 13 (Wednesday) CDC Breakfast at the Silver Diner in Fair Oaks.

Sept. 16 (Saturday): 42nd annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Show, Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA. Antique and street rod cars and trucks (over 150 vehicles last year!) 1992 and older. Fifty "class" trophies, 14 special awards. Flea market, car corral, door prizes, silent auction, and special display of unique antique commercial vehicles, two Model-T Ford assembly demonstrations, and more. Free trailer parking, free spectator admission and free garage parking across from show field. Takes place in historic downtown Manassas, a short walk from unique shops, farmer's market, and International Food Festival. Sponsored by Bull Run Region, AACA. Rain or shine! Information: Darryll Baker, [\(571\) 294-7853](tel:5712947853) or darryllbaker@aol.com. See flyer at Club website, www.bullrunaaca.org/

Sept. 17 (Sunday) Pick Pickin' at the Warhursts. For info, see above article.

Sept. 20 (Wednesday) GWC Monthly Membership Meeting

October

October 14, Saturday, Pembroke United Methodist Church is sponsoring a car show from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm as a fundraiser to benefit Pam Williams, who is a secretary at Virginia Tech. She wrecked her motorcycle on June 3 and suffered life-threatening injuries, so

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COMING EVENTS (Cont.)

serious that it is a miracle that she has survived. She has been hospitalized at UVA up until about a week ago when she was moved to the Radford Rehab where she is trying to learn to walk again. The car show will be held in Newport at the ball park. They are hoping to give everyone some kind of plaque for participating. They also plan to give A Best of Show trophy and plaques for the top 3 in different categories. There is a \$15 registration fee. They will be selling hot dogs and the fixings. Wendall Brown will be there playing 50s and 60s music. The church and the community are trying to help offset some of the hardship Pam and her family are facing. They would like to know, if possible, how many people plan to come so they can purchase enough plaques. A flyer is in the works and will be sent out as soon as it's completed. If interested please get back to Joyce so they can have enough dash plaques. Her # is (540)382-7652 – (540)392-5551.

Oct. 11 (Wednesday) CDC Breakfast at the Silver Diner in Fair Oaks.

Oct. 18 (Wednesday) GWC Monthly Membership Meeting

November

Nov. 11 (Saturday) We are collaborating with the State of Virginia in planning an event to take place at 11 AM on Veterans Day. We will be unveiling and dedicating a highway memorial marker in honor of a Continental Army General, Physician General William Brown. He is buried in the cemetery of Pohick Church, on the corner of Route 1 and Telegraph Road in Lorton. To add interest and attraction to the event I'm hoping to have a few Model A's attend with their proud owners, with viewing and discussions to follow the dedication. If you're interested in going, please drop Greg Shepherd an email and he will forward it to Mr. Nelson.

Nov. 12 (Sunday) Willowcroft Winery Tour (see next month's Script for info)

WANT ADS

For Sale

As most of you know, Tom Kortisses, the Bratton's consultant and restorer, passed away suddenly in June. Among other things he left behind a rare 80+% restored late-1931 all-steel 'Edward Budd' (mfg) hardtop, wide-bed pickup (see photos). Truck is in Westminster, MD. Here are some particulars: Engine by Ora Landis at Schwalm's (broken-in but never driven): counterbalanced crank, lightened flywheel, V8 pressure plate, touring grind cam, hardened valve seats, stainless steel valves Bodywork, engine, running gear and upholstery complete except for disassembled bed, and one rear fender, which is prepped for paint (original rear fenders for this model are very rare). All fittings and trim restored & ready for install (new handles, door trim, aluminum windshield & glass, wood kit for bed, newly chromed bumpers, etc.). 9 wheels – 4 on the car; 5 awaiting powder-coating. Tom's widow, Marian, is asking \$22.5k, but will entertain other offers. If interested, please give Marian a call for a convenient time to take a look: (443- 465-9122) < mariankortisses@icloud.com >



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WANT ADS (Cont.)

This is an updated list of what remains after the flea market sale in August. Woody has lots of other small parts; if you are interested. Contact him at 703-858-1192 or vamodela@gmail.com.

1929 **Canadian Instruction Manual** -\$125

1930-31 Leak less water pump -\$90

A/AA Truck -\$15

External Non-locking door handle, fits CCPU and others - \$20

CCPU Hinge Mirror - \$25

Chicago Service Letters - \$15

Club Shirts - \$3-\$18

Club Vests (S, M, 2X) -\$5-\$20

Fabulous Model A Ford -\$10

Ford Motormeter - \$60

Framed picture of postal truck -\$40

Gas and Radiator Caps -\$5-\$100

GWC 17x12 logo magnetic car signs (3) -\$25 each.

Henry's Lady -\$30

How to Restore a Model A (Clymer) - \$5

Les Andrews **Mechanics Handbook Vol. 1 & 2** and **"Troubleshooting & Diagnostics"** -\$70

Model A Ford Service Bulletins (Hard copy)- \$22

Model A Ford Service Bulletins (Paperback) -\$5

Model A Shop Manual - \$25

Model A Shop Manual (Spiral bound) -\$20

Model A Truck Owner (Hard copy) - \$15

Mount Vernon Tag Toppers - \$30

Pickup Coffee Table Book - \$5

Rebuilt distributor with body, rotor, cap and leads -\$115

Rebuilt starter with bendix -\$175

Starter with bendix - \$100

Tag Topper for Medallions (Like MARC of Excellence) Holds 3 - \$8

Unauthorized Accessories (Hard copy) -\$15

Virginia (Old Dominion) Tag Toppers - \$40

Vol. 1,2,3,5&7 **Technically Speaking** -\$40

Vol.1-7 **How to Restore a Model A** -\$70

1928 Model A Ford Phaeton. Early Canadian production. Restoration done in 1992.

Purchased locally in 2002. Car has been lovingly cared for and used primarily in local parades. A few minor blemishes, but has been driven recently and is ready for her next owner to get her back on the road. Car is currently located in Alexandria, VA 22302. Asking \$22,000. Contact Charles Krafft at 410-257-2379 or chaskrafft@comcast.net

Model A engine. Also have a spare transmission minus reverse gear, spare bell housing and a top to transmission. Parts believed to all be 1930 versions. Call Phil McCormick at 703-938-9704 (h) or 703-801-6854 (c).

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WANT ADS (Cont.)

1928 Model A Ford 4-door Briggs body sedan. Right-hand drive. Manufactured in Argentina. Older restoration showing signs of age and some paint failure and rust issues but mechanically robust and a good daily driver. Grey interior is in good condition. All documentation from most recent restoration c. 1998. Car has seen very little use the past several years but starts and runs well. Unique trunk custom made for the vehicle. Car is currently located in Owings, MD 20736. Asking \$8500. Contact Charles Krafft, 410-257-2379 or chaskrafft@comcast.net

1931 Model A Ford. Show car in excellent condition and runs great! Located in Ocean Pines, MD. Always garaged. Can possibly bring it to Northern VA area for serious buyers. (See GWC website for short video showing the car running and for photos of car.) Asking \$35,000. Please contact Gary Quinn at 703-581-4857 or theq111@aol.com

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ADDENDA

Club member George is currently accepting consignments for Hershey. Anyone looking to sell their antique or classic vehicle should feel free to call me asap to discuss. Thank you!
George P. Smolenyak, [703-969-1715](tel:703-969-1715) or gsmolenyak@aol.com

Club member Benny is interested in other folk who might be going to the MARC National Meet in 2018 in Branson, Missouri, as he is planning on making the trip. The host hotel is filled up, but there are three other hotels nearby. You must make reservations early before they fill up. They plan on going; let them know if you're interested. benshar100@gmail.com.
For info on the Meet, go to:
http://model-a-ford.org/event/come-a-dancin-n-branson-in-2018/?instance_id=160

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