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GRAY WITH AN A

GET OUT THE VOTE!!! The great news for us is that our nomination committee has filled the slate for 2018, so PLEASE come join us on November 15 for our Annual General Membership Meeting. There will be pie. Need I say more?



Jason followed up his great Kent Island Tour with a wonderful local tour around the Potomac and Monocacy River basins on Saturday, October 28.

I led a Virginia group from Chantilly, and was joined by Stan and Roz Johnson in their '31 Vicky; Keith Randall in his '34 Ford Cabriolet; Benny & Sharon in their '30 Deluxe Coupe; Phil & Betty McCormick in their '30 Tudor; Jim Baker (& son) in Jim's '31 Town Sedan; Tony

Hawker in his '31 Deluxe Coupe; and Kathie and our little mascot Adah in a modern as our chase car.

This was my first tour in Glinda, my April 4, 1929 Special Coupe; it was great to see her alongside Hunter and Rosa Fanny's award-winning May 2, 1929 Special Coupe... I had to keep looking at the license plates to tell 'em apart. Not!



Hunter's car sports a MARC Henry Award that he won (with 485 points!) at the 2013 Lexington, KY meet. Glinda? Well, let's just say she was fun to drive, and was the oldest car on tour!



Jason & Kathie discuss our December 2 Christmas Party in their Beetle; and Milford Sprecher in his '30 Town Sedan. And, thanks to Jason's great idea to invite members of the NVRG to join us on this tour, we were honored to be joined by Don Pauly in his incredible 1941 V-12 Lincoln Continental Coupe.

We Virginians joined up with tour leader Jason in his '30 Deluxe Roadster on the Maryland side of White's Ferry. His group comprised: Hunter & Rosa in their '29 Special Coupe; Jerry and Cindy Olexson in



... and Betty McCormick wants to make something very clear. Jason and Kathie get the picture!

We have three events planned before our General Membership Meeting on November 15: our CDC at the Fair Oaks Silver Diner is at 9:30 on Wednesday, November 8. On Saturday, November 11, Veterans' Day, we've been invited to drive our Model As to join in the placing of a plaque honoring the

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GRAY WITH AN A (Cont.)

Surgeon General of the Continental Army at the Pohick Church, which was George Washington's and George Mason's church. Contact Shep if you can go.

The very next day, on Sunday, November 12, we'll head up to Willowcroft Winery for our final Club tour for the year. We'll plan to arrive at 11:30 a.m. and enjoy lunch (Manifold Cooking STRONGLY encouraged!) before Lew Parker conducts a special wine tasting at 2:00 p.m. THERE WILL BE PRIZES for the manifold cooking! Mark your calendars and RSVP to jjcunningham@gmail.com. Watch your email and the web page for tour details.

We will have a caravan available coming from Chantilly, but NOT from the Bob Evans... they failed us with poor service on our last tour, so we'll be meeting at the WaWa at the entrance to Sully Plantation (off the exit from Rt. 28) to grab a bite before heading up to Leesburg.

Jason reminds me that the cutoff for reservations for our annual Christmas Party is Monday, November 25. Sign up at the November meeting or you can send a check along with a note indicating your entrée and dessert choices to:

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Finally, although I was unable to attend, I'd like to send out a special thanks to John Leydon for his open house brunch on October 15. Bruce Metcalf was there and he said it was first class all the way! Thanks, John!

Don't forget that we now have Facebook and Instagram pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/GWCmodelA/> and <https://www.instagram.com/gwcmodela/>

Get out in your time machine and enjoy the passing of your time; we've got great tours planned – all we need is you in your car!

Jim

FROM THE EDITOR

There's not much to report this month. I'm up for re-election as editor again (for the 23rd time). The newsletter seems to be expanding from when I first started. Mailing weight kept The Script to 16 pages. Now the electronic version is bumping up around 30 every month from April to October. Then it drops back to around 20 for the cold winter months. It leaves room for good technical articles, if anyone would like to tackle one. Plus, I can work in some fashion articles too.

Meanwhile, I've got a new town sedan to get used to. We took it to Kent Island in September but a 50th college reunion precluded our joining folks for the White's Ferry/Sugarloaf Mountain Tour a couple of weeks ago. But we'll make up for it on the Willowcroft Winery Tour.

FROM THE SMOKE FREE ROOM

Board of Directors Meeting
October 25, 2017



Call to Order: The monthly meeting of the board was called to order at 8:15 p.m. by President Jim Gray at the home of Roz and Stan Johnson in Springfield, VA.

Attendance: Board Members present included Jim Gray, James Kolody, Stan Johnson, Jerry Olexson, Bill Sims, Bruce Metcalf, and Milford Sprecher. Absent were: Doug Tomb, Greg Shepherd, Benny Leonard, Bill Worsham, Tom Quigley, and Jason Cunningham. A quorum was not present. Jamie Lucas attended as a guest.

Minutes: September BOD minutes approved and published in September *Script*.

President's report:

1. **By Laws:** The by-law changes will be separately voted on at our annual Membership Meeting in November; discussed at last General Membership Meeting on October 18.
2. **Budget:** Projections for next year. Worksheet provided to all by email.
3. **Life Membership:** Two completed nominations. Committee to review will meet early next month.

Nomination of 2018 Officers: Stan Johnson reported that the slate for 2018 has been filled. Tom Quigley has agreed to run for President, replacing Jim Gray, who will assume duties as Sunshine Chairman. Stan Johnson has agreed to run for Vice President, replacing James Kolody, who will assume duties as Youth Development Chairman. Jason Cunningham has agreed to return as Activities Chairman. Bill Sims will run for Editor again and Bruce Metcalf as Assistant Editor. Mark Routt will run to join the board as Secretary, replacing Doug Tomb, who will run for Treasurer. Milford Sprecher will run for Assistant Treasurer again. Jamie Lucas has agreed to run to join the board as our National Liaison. Greg Shepherd will run to return as Membership Chairman, Bill Worsham will run to return as Annual Meet Chairman and Benny Leonard will run to return as Tool Chairman. Jerry Olexson will step down from the board after serving the Club very well as Secretary and Treasurer. Voting on the slate will take place at the November 15 Annual Membership Meeting.

Vice President: James Kolody reported that Milford Sprecher will give a presentation on the Model A Exhaust system following the business meeting portion of the November meeting. December 15 is the annual Brown Bag Gift Exchange – bring a gift with a value of \$20 or so in a brown bag and label the bag either “Guy” or “Gal”. Turn it in and get either a blue or a red ticket in return. Enjoy the revelry.

Secretary's Report: The November BOD meeting is **Thursday, November 16**, at the Fairfax Red, Hot & Blue. The December transitional BOD meeting is December 20 at P.J. Skidoos in Fairfax, VA at 7:00 p.m. This meeting is for all old and new BOD members and their spouses, including our appointed position members and their spouses.

Treasurer's Report: Jerry reported that we still need inputs for his final projections for next year's budget, and asked for those not later than October 27.

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FROM THE SMOKE FREE ROOM (Cont.)

Committee Reports

Annual Meet: The next Sully Committee meeting will be in early December.

Activities: Our Sugarloaf Mountain White's Ferry tour is this coming Saturday. The Caffeine Double Clutch is November 8 at the Fairfax Silver Diner, 9:30 a.m. Christmas Party planning – Centerpieces, ladies and gents prizes mostly already purchased. Committee to help him: Laurel Gauthier; Cindy Olexson; Kathie Gray and a few others. GRAND PRIZE - \$360 worth of gift certificates from Bed & Breakfast.com – the world's largest B&B site.

Youth Development: Tom is still in UK

Membership / Webmaster: Greg Shepherd had reported at the General Membership Meeting that membership remains strong with 182 members. We are always looking for photos from our activities.

Editor: Good inputs make for a good *Script*. November deadline is October 30.

National Club Liaison: Stan introduced Jamie Lucas, who will assume duties as National Club Liaison to MARC, MAFCA and MAFFI upon election by the membership.

The 2017 MAFCA National Award Banquet will be held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from November 29 to December 2, 2017. The MAFCA 2018 National Convention ("Aces & A's") will be held at the Nugget Casino & Resort in Reno-Sparks, Nevada, from June 24 – 29 2018.

The MARC 2018 Membership Meet will be held in Granville, Ohio, from April 12 -15. The 2018 MARC National Meet ("Come A Dancin' in Branson") will be held in Branson, Missouri, from June 24 – July 1, 2018.

Property Manager: We plan to have the Club compressor at Sully next year, but it needs a new air tank. Bruce Metcalf will procure a suitable replacement tank, and we'll schedule a work day to install and paint it. Benny has the Club's new complete set of the new Restoration and Judging Standards.

Old Business:

1. Logo being finalized by the artist. We will set up an on-demand arrangement for new Club logo hats, shirts, etc. once we have the finalized high-definition design available.

2. Calendar: November general membership meeting is November 15; this is our annual membership meeting, and we will have pie to bring out the voters for a new BOD and our two changes in the Bylaws. November 16 is our BOD meeting. December General Membership Meeting (Brown Bag) is December 13. The December BOD meeting is December 20 – this gets everything wrapped up before Christmas.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted for the Secretary
by Jim Gray

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

The leaves were falling, the days were growing shorter, nights were becoming frosty, and drives to work and back home were made in darkness, so mused President Andy Pogan. He grasped the moment to suggest steps to prepare the Model A for the coming winter months. Tire pressure adjustment (pressure is lost as the temperature drops), keeping the gas tank full to reduce condensation, resetting the generator's charging level if lights were to be used more, checking the anti-freeze and adding rust inhibitor, cleaning and checking the battery and connections, and finally, correcting any exhaust leaks.



Reported in the Ford Script were 5 new members who had signed up. The lone survivor: Stan Johnson.

Millard Springer's contribution this month was his shoppers and parts identification guide program slated for the November meeting. He explained in the Script that at the meeting each board member would have a display of all the various configurations of a specific part. Using those displays members would be given a quiz on the appropriate use of each part. It was intended to be a fun learning experience and would give an alert that there were lots of differences among parts and that a bit of research was needed for buying the correct part for one's particular Model A.

Steve Van Pelt explained how he came to own his Model AA truck. At 13 he learned to drive his father's Model A "by accident". It seems that senior Van Pelt's Model A roadster had broken down and he walked home to get needed parts. Steve rode back with him in another car to help make repairs. Then there were two cars, one licensed driver, and one very eager 13 year old at the scene. Steve said he used his best negotiating skill to convince his dad to let him drive the '31 Deluxe home. He said skill developed on the family lawn tractor helped him, and during the trip his dad held up two or three fingers to indicate which gear he should be in. From then on he was Model A addicted, which resulted in his finding a nice original AA grain bed truck to buy.

Trueman Burn, described as "the type who not only offers to help, but calls you to rush you to find time to start the job," and Luke were his repair mentors. About the truck, his conclusion was, "what a pleasure to drive".

Dave Henderson

An advertisement for Gaslight Auto Parts. It features a photograph of several vintage cars parked in front of a building. The text includes: "1909-48 Ford Parts & Accessories", "Serving You since 1962", "800.242.6491", "www.gaslightauto.com", and "Urbana, Ohio 43078". The Gaslight Auto Parts logo is at the bottom left.

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An advertisement for Aries Mufflers. It features a photograph of a muffler. The text includes: "Aries Mufflers", "We manufacture original Model A Ford exhaust systems precisely to the Ford design both sound & appearance", "www.amuffler.com", "16 West Jackson St. Medford, OR 97501", and "jdavis@amuffler.com 650-279-6609".

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND INFORMATION

Sunshine Report

Bruce Metcalf was admitted to the Winchester Medical Center for cardiac evaluation right before Halloween. Hopefully, by the time you read this, he will be out and back home greasing the A. He would appreciate calls to his cell phone: 952-288-3508 for a quick chat. Please keep him and Loretta in your thoughts.



Website Report

Tons of new photos added to the web site for the Katie's C&C and Sugarloaf Tour: <http://www.gwcmodeleda.com/photomenu.asp>



We have received a lot of likes and followers on our new Facebook and Instagram pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/GWCmodelA/> and <https://www.instagram.com/gwcmodeleda/>

Membership Report

1 new member this month. Please update your rosters and welcome him to the club:

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PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON AT THIS MONTH'S MEETING

Fellow GWC members. Times change, and your Board of Directors (BOD) believes we need to make two changes to our Bylaws to adjust to those changes.

Below are the two proposed changes for the review of the Club. We will vote on these proposed changes at our Annual Meeting this month.

This first change is to bring our Bylaws into consonance with the Code of Virginia with respect to proxy and electronic voting. The Code of Virginia that applies is Title 13.1. Corporations, Chapter 10, Virginia Nonstock Corporation Act, Section 13.1-847, Proxies.

The reason for this change is to allow for the possibility of a conference call or other electronic meeting of the BOD when weather or necessary absences preclude establishing a quorum as is necessary to conduct the business of the club. This change will also allow the BOD to achieve a quorum through the use of electronic voting methods when an insufficient number of members is physically present at the meeting location. For the purpose of this discussion, "electronic" means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

This is how our Bylaws are currently written:

CURRENT WORDING

Article VI

Meetings

Section V Quorum – A meeting, whether a regular membership or a special membership meeting, must have twenty percent of the listed voting membership present to constitute a quorum. For a Board of Directors meeting, a quorum will consist of two-thirds of the Board membership. Proxy votes are not permissible; members must be present to vote.

PROPOSED WORDING (Note: the proposed changes are highlighted in ***bold italics***).

Article VI

Meetings

Section V Quorum – A meeting, whether a regular membership or a special membership meeting, must have twenty percent of the listed voting membership present, ***or represented by proxy or remotely cast votes***, to constitute a quorum. For a Board of Directors meeting, a quorum will consist of two-thirds of the Board membership. Proxy ***or remotely cast votes are permissible for regular membership, special membership and all Board of Directors meetings in accordance with the Code of Virginia (Title 13.1. Corporations, Chapter 10, Virginia Nonstock Corporation Act, Section 13.1-847. Proxies)***.

The following is the language in the Code of Virginia that applies to our Bylaws:

§ 13.1-847. Proxies.

A. A member entitled to vote may vote in person or, unless the articles of incorporation or bylaws otherwise provide, by proxy.

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PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES (Cont.)

B. A member or the member's agent or attorney-in-fact may appoint a proxy to vote or otherwise act for the member by signing an appointment form or by an electronic transmission. Any copy, facsimile telecommunications or other reliable reproduction of the writing or transmission created pursuant to this subsection may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing or transmission for any and all purposes for which the original writing or transmission could be used, provided that such copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing or transmission.

The second change is intended to give guidance to the Club in the event it becomes necessary to disestablish the Club sometime in the future. This is important since we are a not-for-profit organization, and the distribution of our assets must be made in accordance with both state and federal law to prevent incurring tax liabilities.

The Code of Virginia that applies is (Title) § 13.1-902. Dissolution by directors and members, and § 13.1-907. Distribution and plan of distribution of assets.

We believe it would be prudent to add, under Article IX, Property, the following new section:

Section IV. Dissolution. Should the Board determine that dissolution of the club is in the best interest of its remaining membership, they shall proceed in accordance with the Code of Virginia, Title 13.1. Corporations, Chapter 10, Virginia Nonstock Corporation Act, Section 13.1-902. Dissolution by directors and members, and Section 13.1-907. Distribution and plan of distribution of assets.

Rationale: the purpose of inserting this new section is to provide guidance in the bylaws to future Boards of Directors on the steps necessary for the possible future dissolution of the Club. We need to insert this language so that it is clear that there are specific conditions imposed upon us by the Commonwealth of Virginia should the time come when we feel we need to dissolve the Club. The Code of Virginia may change over time, so simply inserting the reference as a reminder to future members is sufficient. However, we believe now is the time to begin developing a reasonable exit strategy.

Jim Gray
President



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ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018

One of the key items at the Annual Membership Meeting in November is the election of a slate of officers for the coming year. The following slate has been assembled by the Nominating Committee consisting of Stan Johnson, Doug Tomb and Greg Shepherd. The slate will be presented to the membership at the November General Membership meeting for additional nominations from the floor and voting by the membership.

President	Tom Quigley
Vice President & Program Chairman	Stan Johnson
Activities	Jason Cunningham
Editor	Bill Sims
Assistant Editor	Bruce Metcalf
Secretary	Mark Routt
Membership	Greg Shepherd
Treasurer	Doug Tomb
Assistant Treasurer	Milford Sprecher
Annual Meet Chairman	Bill Worsham
Tool Chairman	Benny Leonard
Youth Development	James Kolody
National Club Liaison	Jamie Lucas

MAFFI NEWSLETTER MINUTE

What's new with MAFFI? At this year's annual Board of Directors Meeting, we were excited to have Olle Bergstrom accept the position of International Liaison for MAFFI. This newly created position is intended to provide greater exposure for our museum and to gain knowledge of activities in manufacturing and sales for the Model A outside of North America.

This year we began building an exhibit we have titled "A-Round The World". We have acquired memorabilia, a right hand-drive Deluxe Phaeton and have produced signage to explain the history of Ford Model A production and marketing in Europe, Asia and South America. We are looking forward to having Olle help expand our exhibit content and generate greater international enthusiasm for our museum.

If you weren't able to be at Model A Day this year, plan a trip to see the Museum. There is something new to see and explore not only at our facility but at the Gilmore as well. Thank you for your continued support of MAFFI!

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WHITE'S FERRY/SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN TOUR RECAP

The White's Ferry/Sugarloaf Mountain tour on October 28 was a smashing success! Of the anticipated 6 vehicles signed up to participate, a whopping 12 cars showed up, including two from the Early V8 Club. Keith Randall brought along his beautiful 1936 Ford V8 Roadster, and Don Pauly joined the trip in his immaculate 1941 V12 Lincoln Continental, previously owned by Mr.F.W. Woolworth of department store fame.



Other attendees included Jason Cunningham, Milford Sprecher, Jim and Kathie Gray, Jim Baker and his son, Phil and Betty McCormack, Benny and Sharon Leonard, Tony Hawker, Jerry and Cindy Olexson, Stan and Roz Johnson, and Hunter and Rosa Fanny.



Jim Gray once again did a fantastic job leading the Virginia crew up to White's Ferry from Chantilly. For many folks, the quaint experience of crossing the river on the historic ferry was a thrill in itself. After a pause to stretch the legs and completely assemble at the ferry parking lot, the convoy of 12 cars slowly headed towards historic Poolesville, MD, and route 28.

Our first stop was Lewis Orchard – a small, family-run orchard with fantastic pies, juicy apples, and a variety of preserves and local produce. After a little shopping, one jumped back in the car for our next stop: the Monocacy River Aqueduct.



The now-dry aqueduct is part of the C&O Canal system and allowed barges to pass over the Monocacy River. After parking the cars, we strolled our way across the Aqueduct and enjoyed the view from the top. We stopped for photos and enjoyed a few laughs and learned about the Aqueduct's interesting Civil War history.

From there, the long line of cars snaked their way through Dickerson, MD, and to the base of Sugarloaf Mountain.

That's when the trouble started.

Shockingly, the gate at the base of the privately-owned mountain was closed stating that the parking lot at the top was full. After a quick detour to the parking lot of the Strong Mansion, we were able to wait 10 minutes for the parking lots of open up again.

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WHITE'S FERRY/SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN TOUR (Cont.)

The Ascent of the mountain was short and full of drama. Mild inclines and switchbacks met us as we slowly chugged out way up the mountain. At points I enjoyed the view looking down the steep mountain grade watching the other cars in the tour driving up the switchbacks down below. Eventually, we reached the top and easily found parking.

We enjoyed a picnic lunch at the top of Sugarloaf Mountain. The weather was perfect: brilliant blue skies with light, puffy clouds. The view was spectacular and showcased rural Maryland down in the valley below. A gentle breeze kept things cool, but comfortable as we gathered around the picnic tables for lunch. The only problem: bees. Yellow jackets swarmed around us, landing on food, crawling in sodas, and even crawling into sealed Ziploc bags! At times the breeze was strong enough to blow them away, but they were constant enough to ensure we quickly finished our lunch.



From there, we headed back down the mountain and headed full speed towards our essential ice cream stop. Rocky Point Creamery in Point of Rocks, MD, is a local family farm with a few dozen dairy cows that makes some of the most delicious ice cream around. Their rich, creamy ice cream is served in one-, two-, or three-huge-scoop increments. Few dared to try a larger portion than two scoops. But everyone enjoyed the flavors.

From that point, we headed south on route 15 in Virginia back towards Leesburg. Our route took us through Lucketts, where we stopped for a little shopping.

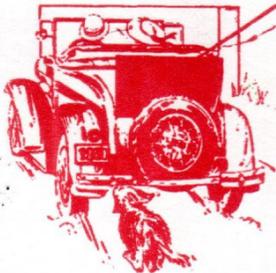
From there, everyone headed for home, happy, tired, and with the cherry glow of having fully enjoyed one of the last truly marvelous autumn days of the year.

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SEEN ON THE TOUR



The tour gang posing on the aqueduct.
L to R standing: Jim Baker and son, Tony Hawker, Milford Sprecher, Jim and Kathie Gray, Phil McCormick, Jerry and Cindy Olexson, Hunter and Rosa Fanney, Roz and Stan Johnson, Sharon and Benny Leonard. In front: Betty McCormick and Keith Randall

HERSHEY 2017

By Dick Johns

It had been essentially 40 years since I attended the AACA Hershey Flea Market and Show, so I've been asked to share a few thoughts. It all started with Clem Clement, Benny Leonard and Jim Gray talking and talking about them going again this year and that Jim would be okay with splitting a hotel room with me. The plan was to go to up Tuesday early morning and return Friday after noon. Unfortunately Clem went down with a terrible cold before the Carlisle Meet and was still not healthy by Hershey, so he dropped out. The county scheduled an inspection for the electrical work in Benny's back shed on either Wednesday or Thursday so he had to drop out. Jim's hotel decided that it would switch its policy of a 3-night minimum to a four-night minimum (they failed to inform him of this until he double-checked on his reservation) and at the same time Kathie was planning to attend her high school reunion...all of this meant that Jim would go up Tuesday and return home that night. All of this means I went up in convoy with Jim and then stayed thru noon on Friday by myself! It was a GREAT experience and I look forward to trying it all again next year!

The "neighbors" at the flea market all kept asking Jim and me about Clem and Benny and then proceeded to welcome me with open arms, sandwiches, beverages and breakfast! What a treat to be so welcomed! Several of them were from the local (Fairfax) early V-8 Club. In addition, they made sure I was aware of the "rules" as well as where to go to get a shower for \$6.00 (another treat!). I can't remember the last time I "camped" overnight in my car, but the three nights went very well. The weather was absolutely beautiful (daytime sun and warm at night) with one fairly quick but heavy shower on Thursday evening.

A couple of observations...I first noticed several of the electric golf carts dragging a tin can on the pavement about a foot behind them. This seemed strange and even stranger when I saw a second one. Then it hit me that these were noisemakers so people in front of them would hear them approaching; then I wondered why the AACA didn't REQUIRE, for safety reasons, ALL electric vehicles (there were lots and lots of scooters for handicapped people) to have such a noisemaker!??

One other observation was the huge number of ingenious wheeled vehicles people used to carry the various parts they were purchasing. There was really no end to number of configurations developed (two and four wheeled) to haul stuff!

I also witnessed two small motorbikes going way to fast one evening with the second one crashing into a vendor's tables and tent...fortunately no one was injured and the culprit ended up paying for all of the damage as well as the time the vendor and his wife spent cleaning up and putting it all back together.

If you've never been or it has been a while, I strongly recommend you go in 2018!!

WILLOWCROFT WINERY TASTING AND PICNIC - NOV. 12

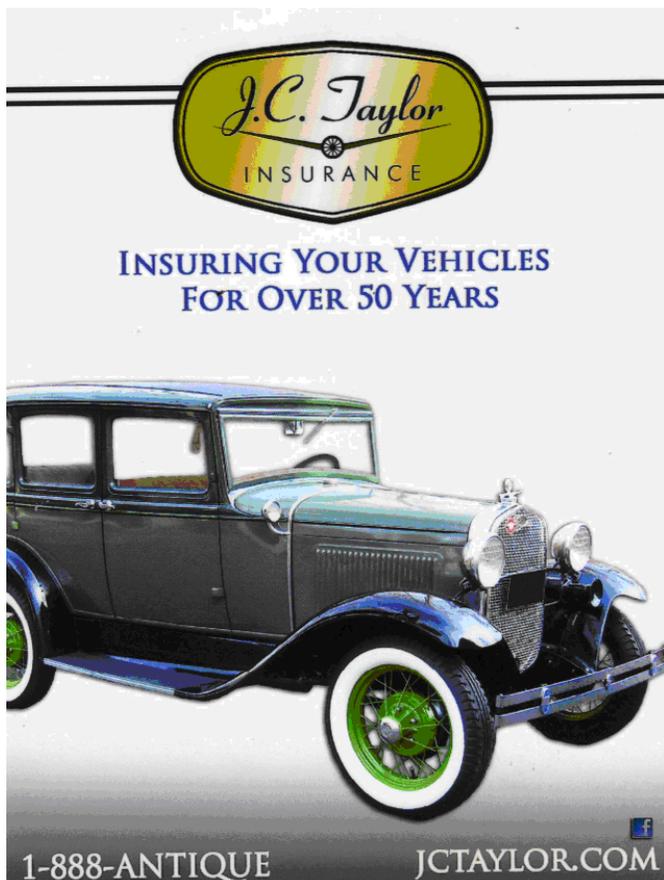
Grab a chair and picnic basket and join us for the annual trip out to the Willowcroft Winery! Club member and winemaker Lew Parker once again hosts us for a picnic, vineyard tour, and special wine tasting (2 PM). Enjoy a scenic drive through the Virginia countryside to this spectacular, mountain-top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

Prizes for the best dish cooked on an exhaust manifold will be awarded!

Virginia members are assembling at 9:30 AM for coffee and light breakfast fare at the new WaWa gas station at the gate to the Sully Historic Site (3450 Historic Sully Way Chantilly, VA) Jim Gray will lead the caravan to the Willowcroft Winery (38906 Mt Gilead Rd, Leesburg, VA).

Those who wish to go directly to the Winery should plan to arrive between 11:30 AM and noon.

Mark your calendars and RSVP to jicunningham@gmail.com



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GWC MODEL A CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 2

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and the cash wine and beer bar will be open.
Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: American Legion Post #177
[3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22030](https://www.google.com/maps/place/3939+Oak+Street,+Fairfax,+VA+22030)

COST: \$10 per member (\$20 per couple); \$15 per guest

MENU: Choose one from the following:

1. London Broil (with red Bliss potatoes & green beans almandine)
2. Stuffed Pork Chops (with white rice pilaf & green beans almandine)
3. Turkey Breast with Stuffing (with red Bliss Potatoes & green beans almandine)

Our dessert choices are: chocolate cake, cheesecake or pumpkin pie.

All entrees will be accompanied by water, coffee or hot tea.

Beer and wine are served at the cocktail hour, and at dinner. Cash bar. BYOB is allowed, but they have to pour the drinks for you, out of your bottle. There is also liquor allowed, but again, they have to pour it for you.

Please bring an unwrapped new toy to put under our tree for the *USMC Toys For Tots* drive.

Reservations will be accepted at the November Club meeting on Wednesday, November 15th, or you can send a check along with a note indicating your entrée & dessert choices to:

Jason Cunningham
9812 Dellcastle Road
Montgomery Village, MD 20886
jjcunningham@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to: GWC Model A Club

CUTOFF FOR RESERVATIONS IS: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2017

NO RESERVATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!

NO WALK-INS CAN BE ADMITTED



COMING EVENTS

November

Nov. 8 (Wednesday) CDC Breakfast at the Silver Diner in Fair Oaks.

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 p. 16 for more info)

Nov. 15 (Wednesday) GWC Annual Membership Meeting to elect the 2018 Board. Pie and ice cream will be served.

Nov. 16 (Thursday) GWC November Board Meeting

December

December 2nd & 3rd - Fairfax Station "Train & Old Car" event. Sat. 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Sun. Noon - 4:00 pm. Fun! Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. For information, call 703-425-9225. The Holiday Train Show is the museum's biggest event of the year. It features model trains of many sizes to delight train lovers of all ages. Even Santa himself drops in from time to time. The show is held rain or shine. Displays are in and around the Station and grounds.

December 2 (Saturday) Annual GWC Christmas Party. See p. 17 for details.

December 2 - Shepherdstown, WV, Christmas parade, starting at 10:00 a.m. Shepherdstown is hoping to recruit antique vehicles to participate in its parade. Here is a link that will take your members to an online parade information sheet and registration form:
<http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/lea8C1bvczmf3J0N9P> If anyone has any questions they can contact us anytime at shepherdstownparades@gmail.com.

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

December 13 – Monthly Meeting One Week Early! - Brown Bag Gift Exchange. Guidance will be provided in the December Script.

December 20 (Wednesday) Board meeting at P.J. Skidoos in Fairfax, VA at 7:00 p.m. This meeting is for all old and new BOD members and their spouses, including our appointed position members and their spouses.

FOR SALE

1931 Model A Ford Town Sedan, that is, a 4 Door Car w extras. Fully restored, ready for touring. Upgrades too numerous to mention. Here are the major ones:

Drive Train: Mitchel Synchronesh Transmission and Overdrive. **Engine:** Balanced Crank Shaft, Lightened Flywheel, Touring grind cam, Hardened valve seats, V8 Clutch, Brumfield Head, Float a Motors, Timing Plate, Splash Guards, Air Filter. **Electrical System:** Wiring Harness by the Model A Garage, all wires new, all circuits are relay activated and fuse protected. 12 Volt System, Negative Ground: Alternator, Battery, Starter, Electronic Ignition, Tachometer, Power Outlet, LED Tail Lights, Halogen Head Lights, Turn Signals, Mullins Trailer Wiring. **Cooling System:** Leak less Water Pump, Closed Radiator System with Tank, 160 Degrees Thermostat, Temperature Gage. **Brakes:** Hydraulic improved by Model A Garage. **Tires:** Radial Whitewalls 16 inch, 1935 Ford Spoke Wheels, Side Mounts Whitewall 19 inch, all powder coated, 4 Model A wheels available. **Stability Control and Safety:** Ford Truck steering box, Tube Shocks. **Car Body:** Interior and Top restored to original, Trunk Rack, Hood Hold up System, Seat Belts – 2 front & 3 rear.



This is an excellent car and I would prefer to sell it to someone in the club. Asking \$30,000; more invested. My contact information: 703 965 8157, <jimconniebaker@mindspring.com>, 11700 Bobs Ford Rd. Fairfax VA 22003

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

Wanted

Cowl for a 1931 Slant Window Town Sedan (Blaze). Contact Bill Sims at 301-891-3616 or billhsims@gmail.com or email Don Temple at dltemple@aol.com.

Ford Model A and T parts and cars. Interested in any prewar Fords, speed parts, surplus, or NOS parts inventory. I buy entire collections! Also advertising signs, air meters, gas pumps, etc." Call Greg at [540-478-4030](tel:540-478-4030).

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Working on Dan Danielson's Car (photo by Bruce Metcalf)