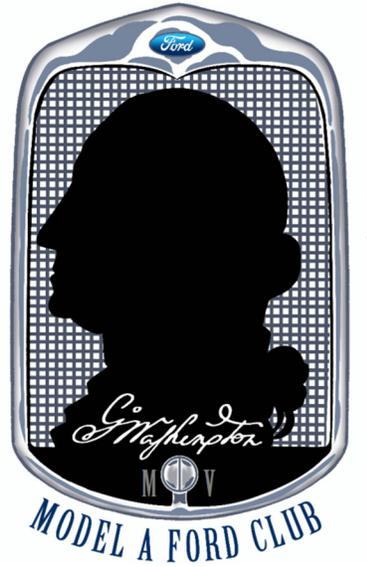


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The CDC Breakfast team in August, with the Model A drivers up front.



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Chapter meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month at the American Legion Hall, 1355 Balls Hill Road, McLean, Virginia. Social meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and the business meeting starts at 7:45. Members and guests are invited and encouraged to drive their antique cars to the meetings.

Chapter members are encouraged to belong to both MAFCA and MARC national clubs. The chapter Web page on the Internet may be accessed by:

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Next deadline: Thursday, September 30

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Membership,

Wishing you all a Happy Labor Day! Fall is coming and what is the best way to celebrate the end of Summer? How about a GWC Club picnic.

The Club always has a Fall picnic, and this year is no exception. The Board was wondering what would be the best location and time to hold this year's picnic. Sully Chair John Dougherty suggested, Why not have the picnic at Sully? The historic site is open, the grounds are beautiful, and what could be more fitting than to hold our Club picnic there. John got the Sully management to agree, so that is the plan.

Activities Chair Gene Rainville worked out a date, Sunday, October 3rd, and the time will be from 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM. Gene and Benny Leonard have all the details worked out. It will be a catered event, as we have done at Club picnics in recent years. All you need to do is let Gene know you are coming. Also, don't forget to bring your Model A Ford. We can have our own Model A Ford Show!

As you all know, the Club has the go ahead for the Sully 47 Car Show in 2022. Now is when we have to do the prep work to make that happen. John and the Sully Committee have already started that effort and this will continue right thru the winter. We want everything lined up, so we are ready to go in the Spring. The more we do now, the less work later on. Don't forget, ask John how you can help. Let's make Sully 47 another Great Show in the GWC tradition.

Speaking of Car Shows, the BIG one is coming up in just five weeks. That is the AACA Eastern Fall Nationals Meet, better known as Hershey. If you have never been to the Hershey show, why not go take a look. This is one of the largest antique car events of the year and it is just a two hour drive from the DC area, easy up and back in one day.

The action starts on Wednesday, October 6th with the Flea Market, which continues thru Friday. On Saturday, October 9th is the Car Show. Well worth a visit, as you will see anything and everything at this show. They have a lot of very nice Model A Fords, too. Don't miss it.

So, enjoy the early Fall. Get your Model A ready to drive to the GWC Sully Picnic. Come join fellow members at the historic Sully site and catch up on their news. Get ready for Sully 2022!

See you down the road, Doug

FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

No Model A stories to tell, partly because we were in San Francisco for three weeks to visit our son, daughter-in-law, and our first grandchild, a boy, who turned two months old while we were there. I promised him I'd teach him how to drive my Coupe; I just have to hang in there long enough now.

Bruce Metcalf

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

In the President's Corner column of the Ford Script this month, President Millard Springer's opening message was about how to not only get the most out of your Model A, but out of your antique car club as well. He conceded that the club was heavily oriented toward helping the mainly male members make their cars safe and road ready.

But, he went on to say, there were three or four times a year when the club makes a whole-hearted effort to provide a social environment that includes participation by the whole family. These events were Family Night, Jaeger's Picnic, the Pig Pickin', and the Christmas Party, all social events that provide an opportunity for member's families to get to know each other and to lay a foundation for future enjoyment of trips, outings, and activities. One of them, the Pig Pickin', was coming up on the 22nd of the month. For this time it was to be at the Rockville Civic Center, which is where the GWC was one of about 2 dozen clubs and organizations that the Rockville Antique and Classic Car Show was held under the auspices of.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO (Cont.)

The second topic of his message was about how he and Judy had taken a short vacation down the Blue Ridge in their Model A and what makes solo antique car travel so much fun. He spoke of traveling the slower roads, taking in interesting scenery, and stopping at historical markers, flea markets, old fashioned ice cream stands, and restaurants with a local flavor. By traveling alone rather than with a group, people were more likely to approach them and ask questions about the car and share priceless memories that add fun, laughter, and warmth to travels.

Eternal Script Editor Bill chimed in too with his thoughts, including a confession that he had been paranoid about breakdowns and solo traveling after a series of failures occurred to his car. He said he wouldn't drive it anywhere where he'd have to stop it because he knew he wouldn't be able to get it started again. Not to be beaten down, he decided there was no point having a car he wouldn't drive, so he packed some tools under the seat, threw in a club roster, and proceeded to go on several more distant trips and what do you know, he made it home without failures. He said that to build confidence in your Model A "start small with short trips to club events or meetings, then go on longer trips in caravans and see what happens. Remember, a large percentage of the country was driving these things 60 years ago and they were pretty reliable".

Can you imagine our club not having a web site? It was at this time in '96 that Lloyd Hoffman reported that the board was considering establishing a club web home page and members with computers were asked to send in their email addresses which would help the Board gauge a home page utility.

No Model A's were offered this month in the Classifieds, but there was a '56 Chevy sedan, no price given, and a '73 Ford Torino sedan, asking \$20,000! Misprint or over optimism?

Dave Henderson

2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS SLATE OF NOMINEES

Here are your fellow GWC members who have offered to serve on the Board of Directors for 2022. We will vote on this slate at our annual meeting on November 17, 2021 at the McLean American Legion Hall.

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Note that we do not yet have a nomination for Secretary. **PLEASE** consider offering your services as Secretary – you would be serving an important role in the club and get to be an active participant in running this vibrant organization.

Our Bylaws now allow for remote voting for those of you who may not be able to attend or who are not comfortable with indoor gatherings yet. President Doug will address how you may do that in a separate article in the October *Script*.

For the Nomination Committee.

Jim Gray

**George Washington Model A Club
Annual Picnic at the Sully Historic Site
3650 Historic Sully Way
Chantilly, VA**

October 3, 2021

Yes after COVID we are finally having a picnic – Club members & family are invited for a fun filled afternoon at the Sully Historic Site



**Lunch Prepared by - Mission Barbecue
Beverages, & Water will be provided**

12:00 to 5:00

Price per person is \$10.00

Reservations will be accepted at the September Monthly Membership Meeting or you can RSVP with a check to the following by Tuesday September 26, 2021

**Eugene Rainville
44860 Audubon Sq., Apt 502
Ashburn Va. 20147**

or

Email – rainvillegl@gmail.com

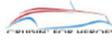
45th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet Saturday, September 18, 2021

Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA.
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM; Car registration 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

All attendees must comply with current COVID-19 restrictions and advisories



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- ✓ Nearby International Food Festival and Farmers' Market
- ✓ Rain or shine

1955 Dodge Custom Lancer
Owners: Steve & Judy White
2019 Arthur Ault Award Winner
We honor Steve & Judy who both passed away in 2020. Thanks to their son, Jeff, for displaying the car.



MEET RULES:

- All show vehicles will be classed as Stock, Modified, or Post 1996 upon arrival by Bull Run Region and decisions are final.
- Stock vehicles, Class A, must reflect equipment available for the year and model vehicle except for minor upgrades and safety modifications.
- Modified vehicles, Class B, must be 25 years old or older based on the vehicle's state registration.
- Post 1996 vehicles, whether stock or modified, are in Class C
- Vehicles may be displayed as the owner wishes within the space allotted and must not interfere with other participants or the flow of traffic. Hoods must be open for best of show judging.
- All vehicles must have a fire extinguisher.
- Vehicles must be driven onto the show field under their own power
- **Once parked, vehicles must remain turned off until the meet is over approximately 3:00 pm.**
- Vehicles needing to exit earlier must be escorted off the field. Contact a Bull Run member to arrange escort.
- Cars with "For Sale" and/or "Raffle" signs must be in the Car Corral and registered for the show as such.
- Results of the vote tally are final.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted.
- No food sales unless authorized in advance by Bull Run Region.
- Pre-registration fees are non-refundable except for show cancellation by Bull Run Region.

Awards*

TOP 35 Class A & B
Class A - All Stock vehicles up to 1996
Class B - All Modified vehicles up to 1996
Class C - Post-1996 Vehicles, 1st place only
Best of Show Ford
Best of Show GM
Best of Show Chrysler
Best of Show Independent
Best of Show Foreign
Best of Show Modified
Best of Show Stock Pre-War
Best of Show Stock Post-War (1946 to 1967)
Best of Show Post-War (1968 - 1996)
Best of Show Original/Unrestored
Youth Award - Selected by Boy Scouts/Explorers
Mayor's Choice Award - Selected by Manassas Mayor
President's Award - Selected by Bull Run President
Edgar Rohr Memorial Award - Selected by Chip Rohr

*Class awards are based on vehicles receiving the most votes. The number of awards in classes A & B is determined by the percent the class represents of the total vehicles at the show. Best of Show awards are chosen by Bull Run Region Chief Judge's Committee.

DIRECTIONS

From I-66: Travel I-66 to Exit 152B - Route 234 North (Manassas). Drive about 14.5 miles and make a right at the second light onto Business 234. Drive another 2.5 miles and take a right at the light onto Prince William Street, (before railroad overpass) - follow signs to show entrance.
From I-66 (coming from the west): Travel I-66 to Exit 44 - Route 234 By-Pass (Manassas). Drive about 6 miles and make a left at the light onto Business 234 (Dunfee Rd) Go another 2.5 miles, take a right at the light onto Prince William Street, (before railroad overpass) - follow signs to show entrance.
From I-66 (coming from the east): Take I-66 to exit 53A and follow Rte. 28 south, 7.8 miles into Manassas. Turn left onto Grant Ave. (Business 234), go under railroad overpass and left onto Prince William Street at first light. Follow sign to show car entrance.
From Prince William Parkway (Dale City / Woodbridge): At Liberia Avenue light (where Parkway makes left turn) continue straight onto Wellington Rd. Go 1.3 miles to Grant Ave. and turn right. Turn right at second light onto Prince William St. follow signs to show car entrance.
Trailers: Instructions above are for show cars. Trailered cars should enter into the Osbourn High School parking lot off Main Street, just south of Prince William Street. Show cars can then be driven to the show entrance.

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REGISTRATION

Make checks payable to "Bull Run Region, AACA"

Send all registration forms and payment to Jim and Sally Batchelder, 7702 Cashland Ct., Alexandria, VA 22315

Bull Run Region and Manassas Museum will not be responsible for damages or personal injuries on the show grounds. Bull Run Region and Manassas Museum reserve the right to refuse admission. Multiple vehicles require separate registrations. Payment can be total of all registrations.

Car pre-registration (received by 9-14-2020): \$20
Show-day registration: \$25
Car Corral registration: \$30
Flea Market vendor registration: \$30 for 10' x 15' space
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FROM VICE PRESIDENT LUKE CHAPLIN

This has been a productive weekend so far. On Friday, I dropped off two model B blocks to be cleaned out, magnafluxed, and pressure tested. Then I moved the T5 transmissions I have down to the shed... floor space! Then while changing my oil, a box was left at my house with air compressor parts. So I now have compressed air again... YAY!

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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

The AFRH was hoping to once again have their Annual Antique Auto Assembly the last Sunday in September, but with Covid numbers rising in the area, they felt it was more prudent to limit the event to a car parade and not have to cancel a car show if the surge continues. It will be the same date, Sunday, September 26th. They are offering a specially made challenge coin to the first 50 cars who register and take part in the parade. Please feel free to pass this information on to others with antique or classic cars who would like to participate.

AFRH 2021 Antique and Classic Car Parade



Fire up your engines and make the scene in your cherry chrome-plated chariot, and come on by to say Hi to us at the Armed Forces Retirement Home on Sunday, September 26th. Whether your car is vintage or classic, we want to see you.

We line up at 9:30AM, and the parade starts at 10AM. The first 50 participants get a AFRH Car Parade Challenge Coin.

Our residents will be lined up ready to re-live their memories as you cruise by in your land yachts and souped up classic cars.

Contact Linda.Bailey@AFRH.gov with your name, email, car's year, make and model, and a photo of your car if you can send one.

All Events are considered public events for the purpose
of photography & videography .

Questions: Contact Linda Bailey @ 202-541-0612

FROM YOUR ACTIVITY CHAIRMAN

Caffeine Double Clutch (CDC) Breakfast – We were a small group this month and still had a great time. Wayne Chadderton provided a number of good stories about building small Air Planes. Jim Baker also had a number of stories about his test pilot days. Wayne has an old friend that is 74 years young and is building a plane from a kit he purchased. He has the two wings built and is presently working on the fuselage. With 4 years in construction and many more to go the question was – given his age would he ever fly the plane? In any case a wonderful story and a great hobby! This month there were 9 in attendants. Helen & Ken Burns, Jane & Wayne Chadderton, Bruce & Loretta Metcalf, Jim and Connie Baker, and Gene Rainville. Jim and Gene both drove their Model “A-s”

Annual Picnic – The annual picnic will be held on October 3, 2021 at the Sully Historic Park in Chantilly, VA. You may want to bring your comfortable lawn chair to sit in. There may be some picnic tables in the area but not sure at this time. The Park Authority does not allow alcohol in the park. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided with the meal. This year the price is \$10 per person. Make checks payable to “GWC Model A Club”. See brochure included in this Script.

Christmas Party Update – I am sure by now you saw the Christmas Party Brochure in last month’s Script. Please contact Jason Cunningham to make your reservation. Send a check for the amount of \$20 per person. Checks payable to “GWC Model A Club” send it to Jason at 9812 Dellicastle Road, Montgomery Village, MD 20886. Check out the August Script for details about dates, time, and meal selection. You may also sign up at the September, October, and November Membership Meetings.

Just a few reminders

Model A Day at the Gilmore Car Museum – September 17 & 18, 2021 are the two event days at the Gilmore – please mark your calendar. You may want to make hotel reservations. Individuals may travel solo or travel as a group.

Consider purchasing a hat: The Board has about 14 yellow ball caps left to sell. They are only \$15 each. Send Gene an email if you would like one. “Rainvillegl@gmail.com”



Annual Model A Day

Swap Meet Fashion, Seminars, Food and Fun!

September 17th & 18th 2021 9-5pm



The Gilmore Car Museum
6865 W. Hickory Road
Hickory Corners, MI 49060



SAVE THE DATE

For more Info 269-615-3719 Jerry Morrissey

For Seminar Information Ken Ehrenhofer 630-697-3906

For Swap Reservations Mark Maron 847-302-7900



2021 GWC MODEL A CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

WHEN: Saturday December 4, 2021

Doors open at 4:30 p.m., and the cash wine & beer bar will be open. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: American Legion Post #177

3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22030

COST: \$20 per person

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)
4. Dessert choices are: chocolate cake, cheesecake or pumpkin pie.
5. All entrees will be accompanied by water, coffee or hot tea.

Beer and wine are served (Cash Bar) at the cocktail hour and at dinner. BYOB is allowed, but the Bar Tender has to pour the drinks for you, out of your bottle. There is also liquor allowed, but again, the Bar Tender has 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 Monthly Club meeting 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
jkcunningham@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to: GWC Model A Club

**RSVP by: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24.
NO RESERVATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have a new family to welcome. They have a '29 truck that needed some help with an emergency brake and the squad jumped on the change to offer advice and tools. Please add their info to your roster.



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WEBSITE REPORT



If you get a chance, our photo gallery has been updated with recent events. Mostly reflecting what gets posted on our social media channels (Instagram and Facebook).

<http://www.gwcmodela.com/photomenu.asp>

SUNSHINE REPORT

Stan Johnson is still in low-key recovery mode. Please send an email or card if you wish, but still no phone calls.

Clem's been feeling a little off kilter for a while now, so he got an outpatient procedure that's supposed to get him back on kilter. Must have worked since he joined the CDC crew after his doctor visit. Calls, cards and emails are O.K.

Benny's doing well, charging out and helping organize the upcoming picnic. Calls, cards and emails are all O.K.

Jim Gray
Sunshine Chairman

NATIONAL LIAISON REPORT

Model A Ford Foundation:

Model A Day is Sept. 18-19, 2021 at the Gilmore Museum in Michigan. The host hotel is sold out, but there are other hotels in the area. Model A Day will feature technical seminars, a swap meet, car show and Wayne Carini of Chasing Classic Cars. Theme is first responder vehicles with a Friday night presentation by our own Stan Johnson. Seminars include: Restoration of the AA school bus, Front End rebuild by Larry Shepard, Fashion seminar and the Model A Woody. <https://www.maffi.org/WContent/MAD.html>

NATIONAL LIAISON REPORT (Cont.)

MAFCA:

Worldwide Model A Day, September 11
National Awards Banquet December 2-5 in Fort Worth, TX
National Convention: **June 12-17 2022** -- Kerrville Texas

MARC:

2022 National Meet June 5 - 11 Morgantown, PA
2022 Membership Meet, April 1-3 Plymouth Indiana

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INTERNATIONAL MODEL "A" FORD DAY, 2021

PO BOX 45 NORTHPORT, NY 11768

April 28, 2021

Dear Model "A" Ford Club Representatives:

INTERNATIONAL MODEL "A" FORD DAY, 2021, will take place Saturday, September 11th, with a local rain date of 9/12. Put on an event, keeping Social Distances, like a tour & picnic.

This day is simply a formal opportunity for Model "A" Ford owners and Clubs around the world to all go out for a drive or event on that same day and submit photos to me for submission to the National Magazines. Hopefully, the photos will show UNIQUE backgrounds to your locale. Email JPEG photos to sailbruce@aol.com

EMBROIDERED 3.5" IRON-ON PATCHES, as above logo, to commemorate the day are available for \$3.00 apiece, minimum order twenty, from Bruce Adams, Founder, International Model "A" Ford Day. **All profits will be donated to The National Club's MODEL A YOUTH Scholarship and Restoration programs.**

Checks to **Bruce Adams, PO Box 45, Northport, NY 11768** includes shipping and handling.

Hoping to see you and your club participate and enjoy this great day and to submit photos to share with the entire Model "A" Ford community.

Sincerely yours,

Bruce Adams

Bruce Adams

Coordinator-Founder-International Model "A" Ford Day

VINTAGE CAR RALLY IN FRANCE

As some of you know, I belong to a couple of European vintage auto clubs (*Le Cercle Pégase* in France and the *Amilcar Register* in the UK). Both of these are centered around the care and feeding of the 1920s French Amilcar, although both clubs welcome its two prime French competitors - Bugatti and Salmson of the same era (1920-30s). In addition to local and regional rallies and races, once every few years the *Cercle Pégase* puts on an international meet (mostly pan-European - although occasionally the Aussies and the Kiwis will send a contingent). The last one I was able to attend (as co-pilot with my French doctor friend, Alain, and his 1925 Amilcar CGS) was to La Rochelle - Île de Ré - Cognac on the Atlantic coast of France in 2017. The international meet is open to all European "cyclecars" of the 1920s and early '30s, which is why you will see a smattering of 3-wheel Morgans, MGs, Renaults, Delage, BNCs, etc. The rally this year in Vichy, France - about four hours south of Paris - was a bit special, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Amilcar marque. Alas, due to the pandemic and its travel restrictions on the continent, the Brits, Spanish, and the Aussies couldn't make it. But the French decided to go ahead and take the chance they could pull it off with just themselves, Germans, Austrians, Swiss, and the Low Countries in attendance (110 showed up). Alain and I made it thru to the 4th day and then crapped out (magneto problems) but it was a heckofa ride. About 1,160 km through some of the most beautiful countryside imaginable. The French, of course, are not known for skimping on luxury, which is why you see a lot of shots of banquets at chateaux, black-tie affairs at the Opera House, etc. Navigating a rally circuit in a narrow 96 year old chariot at 95kph with no passenger windshield, squinting thru goggles, takes a little concentration, which is why you will see few



VINTAGE CAR RALLY IN FRANCE (Cont.)

camera 'action shots' of cars careening around corners in classic French country villages. But trust me; there were plenty of those. Most of the cars - including ours - are sport models and we just keep up as best we can and enjoy the ride. Some - the Amilcar C6s, BNCs and the Type 30s Bugattis - would race each other around us in great shows of testosterone on the straightaways. That, too, is part of the vintage sport/racing auto shtick. For context, the Amilcar is the buggy I and my two brothers, Ed and Chris, restored as teens (we each had to build a car from scratch before father would allow us to drive - and he had hidden away a bunch of Amilcars in North Carolina tobacco barns to save them from being melted down for the war effort). They still live on ... although long since cashed in for mortgages, tuition, etc. One of the rally cars is identical to my 1929 CGSs and another is the actual C6 brother Chris restored and eventually sold to build his and Rita's dream manse in the mountains of Colorado. It was wonderful to see it out-and-about, with its new owner and his daughter. The rest of my month in France was charming old friends, few tourists, sparsely attended museums and the occasional surprise American welcomed! Wonderful while it lasts.

John Leydon

PRE-WAR POKER RUN

A group of Pre-War car enthusiasts and Ayrshire Farm invite you to a 70-mile drive through the Virginia piedmont on Saturday, October 2nd. We will visit a working water-powered grist mill on the Shenandoah River where we will have a box lunch, stop by the Burwell-Morgan Mill and the Old Chapel, Long Branch Mansion, and Bluemont Vineyard, with optional stops at the Bear Chase Brewing Company and Barrel Oak Winery and Taproom. Our tour ends at historic Ayrshire Farm where we will have an ice cream social and a farm tour to see the rare-breed cattle, pigs, and horses on this working organic farm.

Part of the tour will include a "Poker Run" with a prize for the high hand of the day ♣. Cost for the day is \$45, not including winery or optional entry fees. This fee includes lunch and the ice cream social. To attend or for more information, please email: joy@ayrshirefarm.com

John Leydon

Save
the
Date

October 2, 2021

Pre-War
Poker Run

Watermill Tour
Catered Lunch
Museum of the Shenandoah
Ice Cream Social

Ayrshire Farm
Upperville Virginia
& Surrounding Area

For More Information
Joy@AyrshireFarm.com

A MESSAGE REGARDING ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES:

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS CERTAINLY REQUIRED MOST INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO MAKE UNWANTED AND UNPOPULAR CHANGES. THE EVER DECREASING MEMBERSHIP LEVELS ALONG WITH NORMAL INFLATION HAVE IMPACTED THE CLUB'S FINANCIAL HEALTH. THE MARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS, **AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION, HAS DECIDED THAT A MODEST INCREASE OF \$5 IN NATIONAL DUES IS WARRANTED.** NEW AND RENEWAL U.S. MEMBERSHIPS WILL BE \$50 BEGINNING WITH THE 2022 CALENDAR YEAR. FULL DETAILS, INCLUDING FOREIGN RATES, WILL BE INCLUDED IN YOUR RENEWAL NOTICE IN THE SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE MODEL A NEWS. WE TRUST THAT THIS WILL NOT PLACE A FINANCIAL BURDEN ON ANY INDIVIDUAL, BUT THE INCREASE WILL ENSURE THE FISCAL HEALTH OF OUR CLUB FOR THE FUTURE.

THANK YOU FROM YOUR MARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

IMPORTANT!!! IF YOU ARE A REGIONAL NEWSLETTER EDITOR OR OFFICER, PLEASE HELP US BY SHARING THIS MESSAGE WITH ALL MARC MEMBERS TO WHOM YOU HAVE ACCESS. THIS WILL HELP THE MARC OFFICE STAFF GREATLY BY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF REPLIES NEEDED FOR THOSE WHO SEND IN THE WRONG AMOUNT FOR THEIR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL. SO PLEASE, DO THIS AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE!

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CLUB APPAREL

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Registration fee doubles after September 11, 2021.

COMING EVENTS [CLUB EVENTS ARE IN BOLD]

Calendar as of September 1, 2021

Activity Schedule for September

- September 8, 2021 – **Caffiene Double Clutch (CDC)** Breakfast will be served at the Fair Oaks Silver Diner beginning at 9 a.m. The address is 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway. It's at the corner of Fair Lakes Parkway & West Ox Road in Fairfax. GWC Point of Contact is Gene Rainville 703 489-7321 or rainvillegl@gmail.com. Consider driving you're A's or you V8's.
- September 11, 2021 - **World Wide Model A Day** it is a good day to take you "A" out for a drive or picnic.
- September 15, 2021 – **Monthly Membership Meeting** at the American Legion Hall in McLean. Time is 7:30 p.m.
- September 17 & 18, 2021 – **Model A day at the Gilmore Car Museum**. Attend individually or as a group.
- September 22, 2021 – **Monthly Board Meeting** – this will be a zoom meeting. 7:00 p.m.

Activity Schedule for October

- October 2, 2021 – Pre-War Poker Run – is in the Upperville VA & Surrounding Area. The POC for this event is Joy@AykrshireFarm.com
- October 3, 2021, - **Club Annual Picnic** – Sully Historic Park – See Brochure for details.
- October 6 thru 9, 2021 - **Hershey Car Show** – Hershey Pennsylvania. Attend Individually or as a Group.
- October 13, 2021, **Caffiene Double Clutch (CDC)** - Silver Diner at 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax.
- October 16, 2021 – Rockville Car Show – Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville, MD. Info - call 240 314-5022.
- October 20, 2021 – **Monthly Membership Meeting** – American Legion, McLean. 7:30 p.m.
- October 27, 2021 - **GWC Board Meeting** – Zoom meeting. 7:00 p.m.

WANT ADS

For Sale

Fellow car lovers:

Following my recent triple bypass I have decide to sell some of my heavy hardware. Price is secondary. Here are some items that will be included:

1. Antique blacksmith forge with lever-driven blower, anvil, and other tools.
2. Metal turning lathe - South Bend, 4 ft bed, bed is longer`
3. Sand blast cabinets (2) - One commercial benchtop and the other homemade big enough for resto work.
4. 2 Model A Engine blocks, one standard size boe and journals
- 5/ Two Lambretta scooters from the fifties
6. Medium size wood stove - commercial high quality - goog for shed or shop or family room

Stan Johnson
fordyhorses@aol.com

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