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FROM THE QUAIL'S PERSPECTIVE



Our 39th Sully Antique Car Show will be Father's Day, June 17th. If you intend to enter your car and have not registered it, please contact Bill Benedict by June 14th. Equally important, if you have signed up to help with the show, please make sure you are at your assignment on time. Janet Merkel is in charge of the weather and she has assured us that we won't be disappointed. I look forward to a good membership turnout at our biggest fund raising event.

Scholarship winners have been selected by the Scholarship Committee. Both the GWC and Peyton Randolph scholarships will be presented at Sully before the trophies are presented at 3:00 p.m.

As you will note in the May Board minutes, the Board approved the purchase of a MAFFI Model A Museum brick in recognition of George Merkel's support of "Small Parts Day". George's garages, tools and help greatly added to the success of the day and all those that participated.

The June general meeting on Wednesday, June 20, will feature Reed Martin and his antique small model engines. Get your extra parts ready to sell at our semi-annual Flea Market at the July meeting.

Another fun-filled picnic day at the Jaeger's home on the Potomac River is planned for Sunday, June 24. Details are listed later in this newsletter.

Wishing you fun and safe driving in your Model A,

Charlene Beckner
President

FROM THE EDITOR

Last week for Memorial Day Weekend, I scratched another item from my bucket list by going to the Indy 500. It was quite exciting, right down to the second place car trying to pass the leader right in front of us on the last lap and instead spinning into the wall. The day before, I walked through Gasoline Alley, where they displayed about 20 older racers, going all the way back to 1911, when the driver had his mechanic in the cockpit with him. Alas, none of them were Fords.

There was a last-minute 2-page addition to The Script this month dealing with a quilt raffle to raise money for the MAFFI Model A Museum. If you want to enter, print out the sheet of entry tickets, fill out as many as you want to buy, and give the entire sheet, uncut, to either Howard or Stan at any one of the next three general meetings (the raffle drawing is in September). Or mail it with your check to the address listed on the top of the page with the tickets.

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM



President Charlene Beckner opened the meeting at 7:15 PM at the Fairfax City Library. Also present were Gil Beckner, Suzan O'Neale, Greg Shepherd, Doug Tomb, Tom Frazier, Bill Sims, Howard Minners, Benny Leonard and Chuck Kunstbeck. Charlene announced that Paul Gauthier will represent our club as a past President at the President's reception at the MAFCA National Convention in Marquette, Michigan in June 2012.

Reading of the April 2012 Board Meeting Minutes was dispensed with and approved as published in *The Script*.

Vice President and Program Chair Doug Tomb offered a Big Thank You to Jim Cross for filling in at the May general meeting. Doug also provided information on upcoming club programs. June features Reed Martin on small model engines, July will be an outdoor swap meet/flea market and August will be "getting ready for the tour" presented by Benny Leonard.

Treasurer Gil Beckner provided the board with the treasurer's report as of May 17, 2012. A motion was made and unanimously agreed upon to renew a club Certificate of Deposit, with ACACIA Federal Savings Bank, which is offering the best rate for one year. Another motion was made and unanimously passed to purchase a MAFFI brick, in honor of George Merkel.

Youth Development Chair Suzan O'Neale said that all of the scholarships available have been approved and recipients will be notified as well as those who did not qualify. Recipients will be asked to attend the Sully Car Show to receive their scholarship(s).

Membership Chair Greg Shepherd circulated advance copies of the new roster for review. The new roster will be available to members soon.

National Liaison Howard Minners recommended some future general meeting topics. Howard also reminded the board about the MAFFI dedication scheduled for September 15, 2012, on National Model A Day, at the Gilmore. The grand opening is scheduled for May 2013.

Editor Bill Sims reminded the Board that the deadline for articles in the newsletter is Sunday June 3, 2012.

Assistant Treasurer and Web Master Tom Frazier reported that the club now owns its previous web site: GWCMModelA.com.

Respectfully submitted:
Chuck Kunstbeck,
Secretary

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

We were ready for Sully, and hoping for good weather, after experiencing not-so-good on the just-held garage tour.

According to assistant editor Phil Kania, 1987 was a "cicada year". That's the 17-year- locust variety, and he mused that the Model A had been through 3 of them. I checked his math and he was correct.....but has anyone ever heard of the Model A's life been explained in terms of such critters?



A "you pick" caravan was reported on by John Kandl, saying that seven cars turned up with the guys wanting to go to Sugarloaf Mountain, while the ladies said Baltimore Inner Harbor. Don't know who picked who got to pick, but it was Inner Harbor. Guys ok'ed it after learning of the many eateries there.

Long-time member Bill Wood, who had sold his Model A and related stuff to retire in Arizona, still had Model A's on his brain, and soon enough he was the proud owner of another, a Fordor.

Judy and Bill Worsham, celebrating their 25th anniversary, joined up with John Dingle and Ellen Tufts at the Honolulu Airport and, both being heavily involved in the upcoming Sully, held a brief "GWC Inc. Honolulu Chapter" board meeting, then on to fun. A 25th anniversary 25 years ago? Congratulations are in order for Judy and Bill—50 years!

Floyd Weber sent in plans for a complicated fixture for removing Model A sedan bodies that utilized a framework of 2 x 4's onto which the whole car would be hung. Then the chassis would be rolled out from under. Quite a contrast with what happened during Joe Thoma's restoration of his '30 Murray Town Sedan. It seems that the gang of usual suspects was congregated at Joe's, just possibly a brew or 2 was around too. Joe was considering removing the body, but was hesitating. The dinner bell rang and Joe went inside to eat. While there, the hangers-on sprung into action and what a surprise awaited Joe.! The body was suddenly OFF when he returned!

In the Market Place swap column, Clem Clement was looking for '28 AR Phaeton parts, but was also doing his part in offering up stuff for sale too. Wonder if anyone needed that church pew.

Dave Henderson

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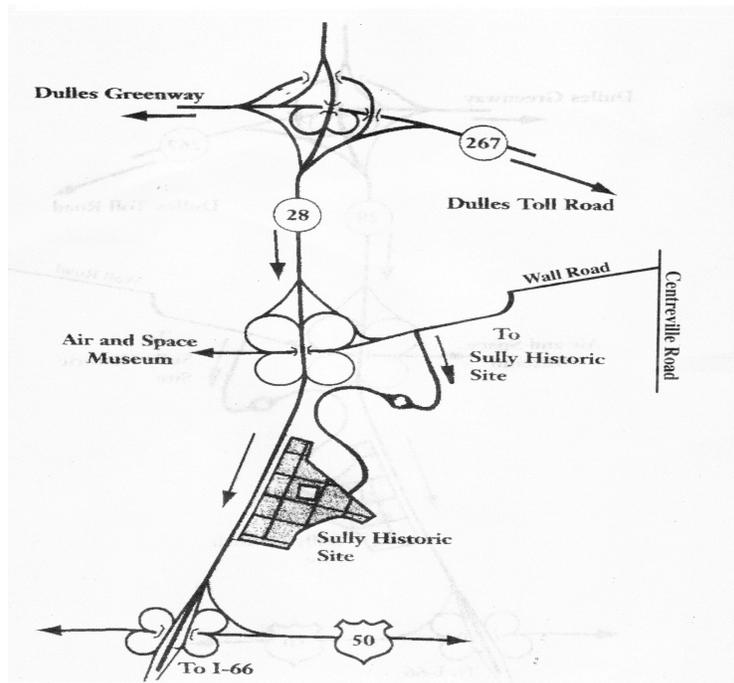
SIGN UP FOR SULLY!

This is the month for our Sully car show and the club still needs help in all areas. For this show to be a success, we need the help of each and every member. There will be no General Meeting before Sully, so please phone one of the committee chairmen below to sign up. Those who help at Sully receive four gate passes for their family and friends or a free car registration or discount on a flea market space. Its going to take a team effort. Let's all plan to help.

Bill Worsham
Meet Chairman

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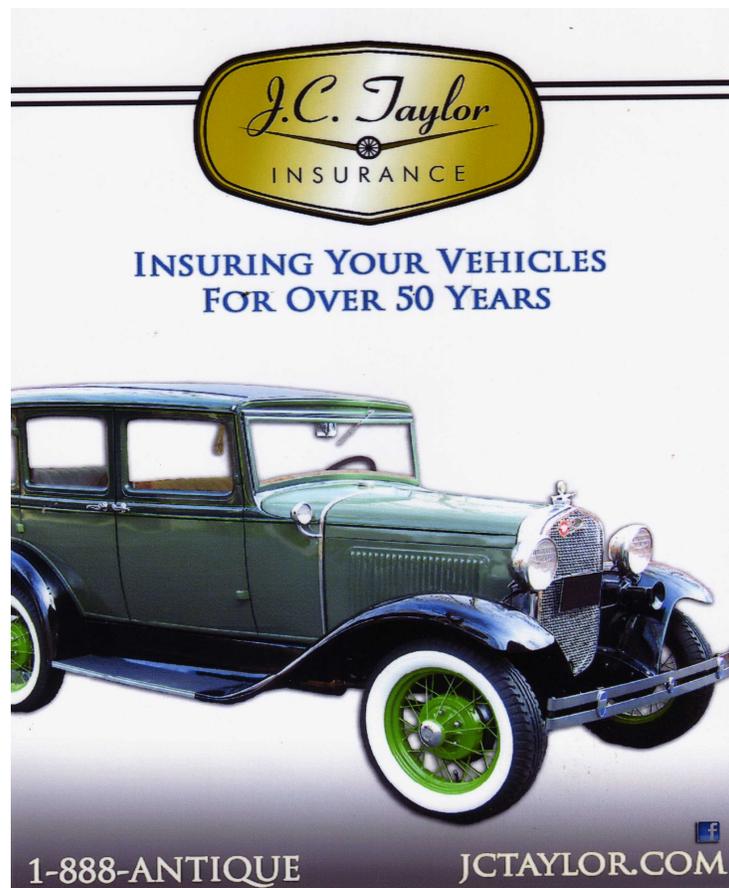
2012 MARC NATIONAL TOUR UPDATE

Trip books to be used in traveling to and from Chattanooga are finished and will be given out during the Sully Antique Car Show. If you live out of the area the trip book will be mailed to you.

We will hold a brief meeting to answer any questions on June 20th at 7:00PM at the McLean American Legion Hall just prior to our monthly membership meeting. We will also discuss a car safety/readiness inspection day and a possible test drive on Skyline Drive. There is still time to register for the tour and the host hotel still has rooms.

We have 48 people signed up for the Buttonwillow Civil War Dinner Theater on September 16th. The charge is \$35 per person; please send or give your check payable to GWC to Woody Williams at the Sully Antique Car Show. There is still time to sign up; but final counts will be given the theater on July 2nd so they can open up the remaining seats for sale to the general public.

If you have any questions please call Susan O'Neale at [540-894-0658](tel:540-894-0658) or Woody Williams at [703-858-1192](tel:703-858-1192)



FAIRFAX CAR SHOW, 2012

The Northern Virginia Regional Group of the Early V-8 Ford Club of America hosted their annual car show along Armstrong Street in front of Fairfax City Hall on Saturday, May 19 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Our club was well represented, not only with our Model As, but with some of our members' other cars as well.



GWC MAFCA line up at Fairfax City Hall

Our Model As were parked on the semi-circle in front of the City Hall. Last year's "Best of Show" winner, Ashley Williams, was parked in its position of honor, just to the left side of the main entrance.



2011 Best of Show – Ashley Williams' '31 Deluxe Sedan

John Dougherty drove his '30 Standard Tudor; Paul Gauthier drove his '30 Deluxe Fordor "Blind Back" Sedan; I drove my '31 Deluxe Coupe "Ruby"; Buddy Jenkins drove his '31 Sport Coupe (and brought his 9N Tractor); Chuck & "KK" Kunstbeck drove their un restored '31 Deluxe Coupe; Benny and Sharon Leonard drove "Miss Alley," their '30 Standard Tudor; and Mike Petty drove his '31 Town Sedan.

I also saw Scott Leaf showing off his light blue '69 Chevelle SS; and Al & Janet Iagenmmo showing off their 1957 Jag with its "Gurrrrr" license plates.

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FAIRFAX CAR SHOW (Cont.)



Chuck Kunstbeck's Coupe and Buddy Jenkins' 9N Tractor

Show Chairman Dave Westrate arranged for perfect weather again this year, which made the show an automobile lover's delight. As Honorary Chairman, Vern Parker's primary responsibility was to select the "Best of Show." I was stunned last year when Dave's judging crew selected my Coupe for the "Best of 30s" trophy (sponsored by Bill Worsham's State Farm Insurance Agency); we were all pleased when Vern selected Ashley Williams' Deluxe Sedan as "Best of Show."

As I enjoyed looking at the marvelous collection of cars, I grabbed a tasty chili dog at the refreshment tent provided by the Knights of Columbus from St. Leo's Catholic Church in Fairfax, and looked through the Fairfax City Fire Department's Life Safety Demonstration trailer. Throughout the day, good music was provided by "King Street Bluegrass."

At 1:00 p.m., we watched the National Capital Area Model T Club put on their assembly demonstration of their "Take-Apart-T". With Tom Terko's able assistance, they once again beat the clock, and got their pile of 85-plus-year-old parts reassembled into a drivable automobile in less than 12 minutes.

One of the most interesting cars I saw was this *unique* owner-designed and built fiberglass roadster mounted on a '58 Jaguar frame. Its 675-hp custom-designed and manufactured engine should result in a quick wind-part of your hair; I declined his offer of a race for fear of embarrassing him. >>>>>>>>



Custom built body on a '58 Jaguar frame with a 675 hp engine

FAIRFAX CAR SHOW (Cont.)

Another car I enjoyed was Keith Randall's '38 Ford Deluxe Sedan. Even though it was 7 years newer than the newest of our Model As, it bore some interesting similarities: it still had a 6-Volt electrical system, running boards, a tilt-forward windshield and mechanical brakes. Most interestingly, it was nearly all original.



Keith Randall's 1938 Ford Deluxe Sedan

This year's "Best of the '30s" trophy went to a '35 12-cylinder Packard owned by a O. Kerr; I saw that car, and it was amazing. That fabulous 675 hp Jag won the "People's Choice" trophy, and "Best of Show" went to a now nearly unique vehicle, a 1969 VW Pickup owned by John Williams. Great choices; and a great day all around! This is a fun show; with lots of fascinating entries every year; come next year if you can and see what I mean.

Jim Gray

MODEL A MUSEUM UPDATE

"It has now been a month since groundbreaking, and as you may already know from watching maffi.org day-by-day, the structural steel is mostly complete and before long the sidewalls will be going up. We have paid one major payment for the construction (it included the cost of buying the steel building)".- Stan Johnson, President MAFFI



" It is hard to believe, but 1 year from today (May 19, 2013) will be our Grand Opening of the Museum. I hope all of you are watching the progress on maffi.org. They have pretty much put up all the structural steel. They have also installed the bottom plate for the outside walls all around the building. The ceiling electric has been roughed in and there are straps installed to hold up the ceiling insulation. The steel wall studs, insulation rolls, and roof galvanized panels are on site. -Jerry Morrissey, MAFFI Trustee

MODEL A FORD QUILT & TIRE RAFFLE

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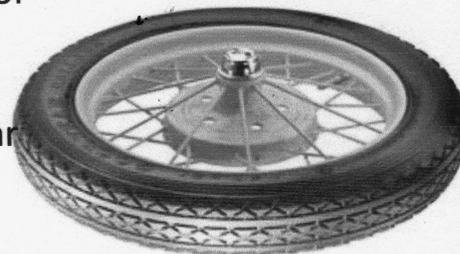
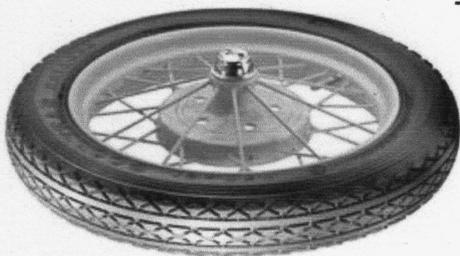
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PICNIC AT JAEGER'S HOME

WHEN: Sunday, June 24.....Sunday after Sully
Where: Jaegers' Riverfront Home
Time: 11:00- until they say GO Home
12:00 Lunch to be served
Cost: \$5.00 per family living in same household
Club will provide meat, and side item and sodas and water

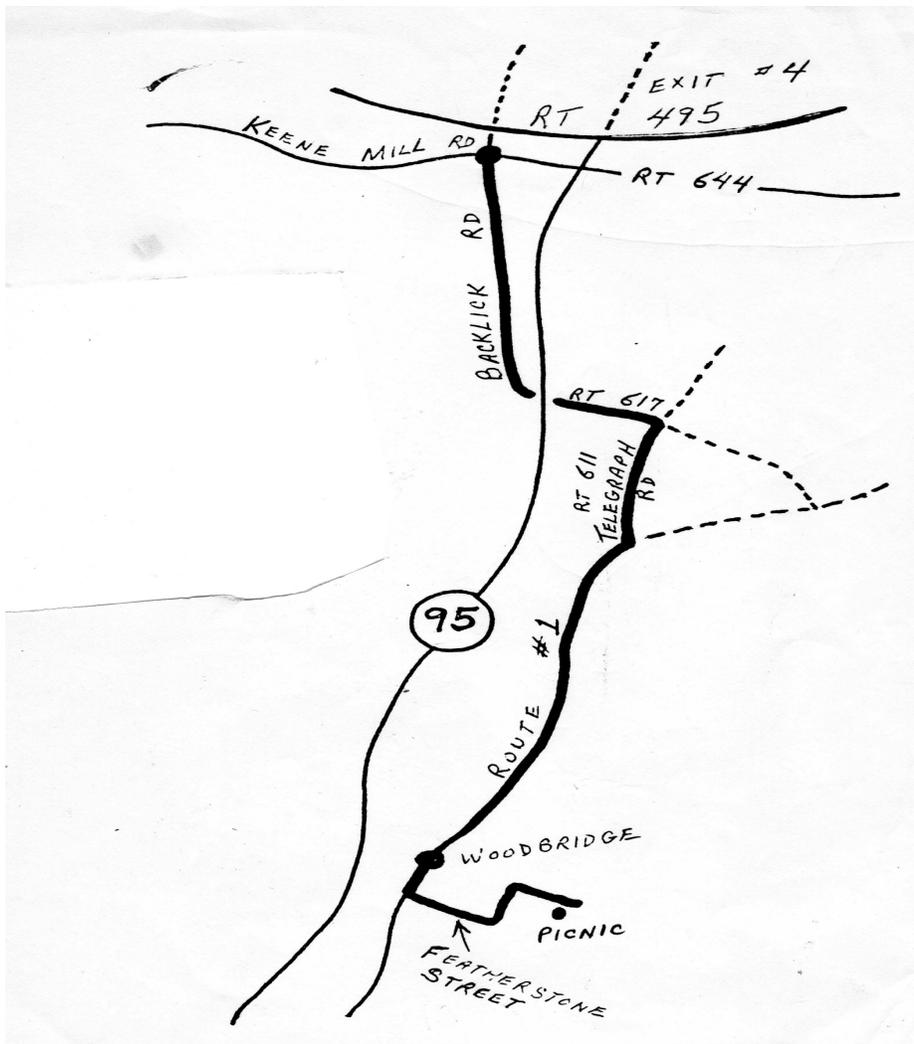
YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT

Checks may be mailed to me at 39246 Lime Kiln Rd., Leesburg, Va. 20175...I will also collect monies at the June 20th meeting!

**Please bring an item to share at the picnic: salad, vegetable, veggies & dip, beans, fruit, chips, desserts.

we will share while there; club members should take *their* food items and serving pieces home with them. Bring lawns chairs unless you like to stand
THANKS.

Edna Cross



Membership Report

We have 3 new member families to welcome to the club this month:

William & Carol Kelchner
7121 Buckingham Ct.
Warrenton, VA 20187
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(W) 866-880-0442
Squeeker7@comcast.net
They own a 1930 Deluxe Roadster.

Gerald and Judith DeWitt
7800 Persimmon Tree Lane
Bethesda, MD 20817
(H) 301-469-0075
geraldfdewitt@hotmail.com
They have multiple Model A's and are returning members so welcome them back to the fold.

Herbert and Judith Langenfeld
102 Casmar St, SE
Vienna, VA 22180
(H) 703-573-0914
They own a 1931 Tudor.

Please update your rosters with their information and make them feel welcomed when you see them.

Greg Shepherd

Sunshine Report

If you or someone you know wants to be mentioned, please drop me a line or another club officer. We need to stay in touch with and support our members when they need it and our Sunshine Report gets the word out. You can contact me at Shepman@gmail.com.
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COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY JULY 13TH



The Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA), its Automotive Restoration Market Organization (ARMO) and Hot Rod Industry Alliance (HRIA) and the SEMA Action Network (SAN) announced July 13, 2012, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day.” The date marks the third commemoration of what has become an annual event to celebrate and raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. If you have an event planned for the month of July and you would like it included on our list, please submit the details clicking [this link](#). For questions, contact the SAN at san@sema.org. The list will help collector car enthusiasts identify an event in their area for this celebration.

COMING EVENTS

June 17 Sully Car Show

June 20 GWC June General Meeting

June 24 Annual Jaeger Picnic. (Info on p. 13)

July 4 The Palisades Citizens Association, a volunteer organization whose members live in the Palisades area of northwest Washington, DC., would like to inquire about the possibility of having the our chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America participate in this year’s 4th of July Parade. This will be the 46th year the parade. The parade begins at 11:00 on July 4th. The parade route traverses about 1 mile northwest on MacArthur Blvd, NW, in Washington, DC. It is notable for the diversity of the contingents, everything from marching bands, to dog contingents, to Bolivian dancers. It’s a family affair; the parade ends at the Palisades recreation center, where they serve hot dogs, watermelon and cold drinks to well over a thousand residents. They also have entertainment at the rec center. Please let them know if you are interested in participating. You can contact their committee head, Bob Reed, at [\(202\) 244-4750](tel:2022444750), or reedface50@yahoo.com

July 13 Collector Car Appreciation Day (see top of this page)

July 18 Monthly general meeting is the semiannual Flea Market

July 28 Fort Belvoir Show and Shine Auto Show (see below for info)

FORT BELVOIR CAR AND BIKE SHOW JULY 28TH

A fun day full of new cars, old cars, motorcycles, and much more. Please register for the Fort Belvoir Show n Shine Auto show. Bring your family and friends and enjoy the cars, food, and live Army Band “Pershing’s Own.” Spectators Entrance FREE! Registrants must fill out registration form and mail or drop off with payment. 9:00-2:00 Rain make up: July. 29

\$10 pre-registration by July 20

\$15 same day registration (Registration cut-off at 1000am)

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FORT BELVOIR CAR AND BIKE SHOW (Cont.)

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