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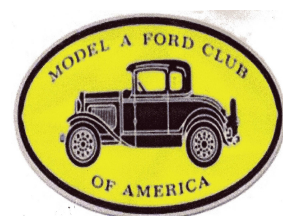
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have another Sully in the rear view mirror. A great success, as always. Special thanks to John Dougherty for all his work to put the show together and all the volunteers who make it possible. There is no way we could put it on without all the volunteer help.

I got some good feedback on the show. One person who is active in the Bethesda Cars and Coffee always attends and says it's the best show in the region. I also heard from Harvey Hack, the president of the Baltimore club. He raved about it at that club's last meeting. He encouraged everyone in the Baltimore club to attend in the future.

I have said before, but it bears repeating, that we provide a great service to the community with this show. The people who bring their cars like it and the attendees like it. We have a lot to be proud of.

I drove my '28 Roadster to Sully, but went home on a roll back. I noticed something going on with one of my left wheels. I assumed it was the left rear, but Larry Faircloth told me that my left front was wobbly. I called AAA and while waiting, I jacked up both left wheels and found that the left front was loose.

I had a long wait for AAA, but when I got home, I removed that wheel and saw that the outer wheel bearing had disintegrated. I am lucky that the wheel didn't fall off. While describing my situation others at Sully, I was told of bearing problems others had had. Sobering stories. I have no idea whether the bearing was too loose or too tight or had another kind of failure. The lesson is to check your wheels periodically. I typically do that, but had not done it recently.

The Great Race, from Owensboro, KY to Gardiner, Maine, went through our area. They spent the night in Frostburg, MD, and had lunch in Purcellville, VA. They spent the next night at the Gateway in Gettysburg. I had planned to go, but had gotten my days mixed up and thought they would spend the night of the 26th in Gettysburg, but it was the 25th. I had planned to go up on Wednesday afternoon, but I would have been a day late, so I dashed up on Tuesday afternoon, the 25th, to see some of the cars arrive. I had to leave early for another commitment, but I went back early on Wednesday morning and I was very glad that I did. I had a great time looking at the cars and talking to the owners and drivers. See the article about the race elsewhere in this issue of The Script.

I am heading to the MARC meet in Asheville the middle of this month and, hopefully, taking my car. I will report back next month how that went,

Milford Sprecher

FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

Loretta and I also went to Purcellville to see the Great Race cars. But had two strikes and one hit. We drove south from town to find the farm where the drivers had their lunch stop, but didn't go far enough and went back to town to a shady spot on the route that one reference had announced. The route actually turned north a bit further west in town, so we parked there in the hot sun and that was a good spectating spot. All the Model A's sounded like they had four cylinder engines and had 19" wheels (well, most of them), so that was good. It would have been nice to see them at rest to see what touring modifications they did have. The people in speedsters surely would have wanted ear plugs for the wind noise.

I drove my Coupe to an NVRG event at Nottaway Park and the last leg from Hwy 28 to the park was excruciating. As I left the park, I was inspired to go on the superslab! Turned east to Nutley, down to I-66, Hwy 28, and Hwy 7 to Berryville. With the overdrive, 55 mph is about the same rpm as 45 without OD and the 6:1 head gives plenty of power. Of course, the brakes aren't going to be like a modern car, but as a 54 year motorcyclist, I do look ahead at traffic and I leave bigger gaps in front of me, so I felt safe enough. Driving on US 50 west of Aldie is more interesting, but I got home quicker to the air conditioning!

Bruce Metcalf

FROM THE SMOKE-FREE ROOM

George Washington Chapter Model A Ford Club of America Board Meeting June 27, 2024

Milford Sprecher called the GWC board meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Board members in attendance: Milford Sprecher, Doug Tomb, Don White, Jeff VanGorder, John Dougherty, Valerie Faircloth, Bruce Metcalf, James Kolody, and Dave Greenwood.

Treasurers report: Doug submitted an update on our expenses versus budget and noted he will update it again as of June 30. He has not yet received the check from the Park Authority for the Sully show. We are on track as planned for the year. Doug and Bill Bass will be meeting on July 2, 2024, with Wells Fargo Bank to discuss the renewal rate on our CD prior to the expiration on July 7, 2024.

Membership: Jeff has one new member and is awaiting final paper work. Because of his Judging assignment at Sully, he has not been able to send out the digital membership directory, the printed version will follow after. Sully #49&50: John provided a summary of the Sully show another great success. He also thanked the Board, committee, and all who helped. Jeff distributed to the Board the summary of judging. John is seeking comments on the show and the committee will begin working on #50 immediately. He is also working on setting up the after-action review meeting with the Park Authority. John asked Dave Greenwood to join the committee to coordinate field marking and mapping. The Board thanked John for leading this event again.

Youth: James Kolody thanked the Board and evaluators that made the awards available at Sully. We have sent all but one of the checks out and Doug will mail that out. James indicated he will hand the scholarship coordination off to another member for 2025. The Board thanked James for leading this again.

Programs: The July meeting is an Indoor and outdoor model A parts flea market. Don is working on the August program.

Activities: Valerie Faircloth said all the slots are filled for the Fairfax July 4th parade. The picnic is the next event, Jeff will send out a reminder to the membership.

Script: Bruce Metcalf said July 2nd is the deadline for articles. Send your articles to Bruce who will be editing the July and August *Scripts*.

General Discussion: Milford was able go to Gettysburg and see the participants cars in the Great Race, there were several Model As. For details see www.greatrace.com

Milford is processing a Lifetime membership award request and also one for the Carl Partrick award.

Carry over for the next Board meeting discussion: Future tours in the planning; Orange, VA - Doug Tomb is developing the plans for the overnight tour for early fall; Northern Neck, VA - Milford Sprecher is developing the plans and likely will be early November. James Kolody is planning a local day trip to the Philomont General store this summer.

Bill Bass suggested we consider hosting the 2028 National meet. That will be the 100-year anniversary of the Model A and having it in the Nation's Capital would be fantastic. The Board approved Bill to reach out to MARC and MAFCA about the 2028 plans and to report back.

Milford discussed with the Board concerns that we review our insurance coverage for tours, events, and D&O. He will get the details and report back at the next Board meeting for discussion, education, and potential action.

The Board meetings for July 24, 2024 and August 21, 2024 will be at 7:00 PM via Zoom and the next in person meeting will be on September 25, 2024. The Board will now hold meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER 25 YEARS AGO

We had excellent coverage in the Washington Post and several radio stations and all we needed was a good day for Sully, but "Rain drops kept falling on my head" was the header for Sully Meet Chairman Bill Worsham's report in the Ford Script. He said it turned into a soggy muddy mess, but the show was still a success. Many high quality cars braved the rain and mud to attend, and their owners deserved a lot of credit. This had shaped up to be our biggest show ever, with the highest pre-registrations, and thanks to Stan Johnson and Paul Gauthier, over 75 flea market spaces. The show went on, rain or shine. 153 cars were on the field, 53 vendors, and 32 cars in the car corral. There were many unsung heroes, John Kandl had to put the trophies together with one arm tied behind his back. Yes, his left arm was in a sling. Dick Javins, on his own, left the show and came back with a pickup load of straw. We should have had a wet T-shirt contest, the winner would have been Paul Gauthier who left home at 5:00AM with no umbrella or jacket. Runners up would have been Jerry Breedlove and John Howell, who were soaked but kept the gate open for any late-comers. The Judging Committee was also soaked but that did not stop them from crawling under cars. Bill thanked everyone who worked on the show and said it will not rain on our show for at least another 16 years!

Who ever heard of a car that could send a write-up in to the Script? It all started with the announced southward departure of Millard and Judy Springer, stalwarts of the GWC over the years. Millard being the top go-to guru anywhere for all restoration things Model A and Judy always there to support. So, President Clem Clement created a novel approach to letting the departing couple know how much they would be missed, by letting his infamous '28 AR phaeton do the talking. It said, what am I to do, my master Clem has been promising for years how you would straighten my body and make me like I was in 1928. Now you are going away, everyone who sees me talks of the wonderful skills you have and the special things you have done for our club. Millard served as our tech guru, President and board member, both he and Judy are honored life members.

Dave Henderson

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SULLY ANTIQUE CAR SHOW #49 – POST SCRIPT!

No doubt in my mind that we had another great day for the annual Father's Day Antique Car Show! A nice breeze all afternoon topped it off. Outstanding job by all of the Sully Committee Chairs and our great volunteers that included Jason Cunningham's Mom and Dad. You all made this a great show! A good crowd (I do not have the final estimate yet) and 270 cars and pickup trucks on display. Judging went very well, congratulations to Jeff VanGorder and his team for an excellent job. This was Jeff's first time as Chief Judge and he stepped in only four weeks prior to the show. Michael DiBerardino provided timely and accurate assistance updating the roster of cars to be judged! A very efficient operation – thank you Jeff and Michael! And a big nod to Gene Rainville for his judging preparations and for a smooth handoff to Jeff. We awarded 78 of 92 trophies available to some really nice cars and trucks. Best in Show Trophy was awarded to David Westrate and his 1939 Ford Woody and the Sully Staff Trophy was awarded to Bob Club and his 1924 Model T Paddy Wagon. Congratulations to all of our 49th Sully Show winners and to all of our Volunteer Judges!!

A lot of effort goes into the preparation and planning for our GWC hallmark event each year and it all begins about seven months before the show. Special thanks and recognitions to our other Sully Co-Chairs as well! Registration - Bill and Carol Benedict; Trophies and Dash Plaques - Gil and Charlene Beckner; Flea Market Registration – Bruce Metcalf; Flea Market Set-up and Check-in – Greg (Wojo) Wojtkun and Rusty Rentsch; Car Corral – Jim and Diana Ryan; Field Set-Up and Show Car Parking Wayne Parker; Advertising – Donna Stubin; Information Tent – Dan and Donna Lyon; Sno Cones– Jason and Loriel Cunningham; Youth Program and 'Help Wherever Needed' – James Kolody; Trailer Parking – Bill Jeager; and Century Display – Doug Tomb. And thank you to members in other clubs, EV8, Mustang, T'Birds, Model T, Corvette to name a few that volunteered throughout the day. Thanks to Doug Tomb for keeping track of the day's deposits and safely stashing them away. An extra kudo to Donna Stubin for all of her efforts as our advertising Co-Chair. If you missed it she had notices about our show in National Club Magazines, Hemmings, Classic Cars, local club newsletters and in local media. She also provided an extra push to local clubs via email to make sure they were aware of our registration changes. Well done again Donna! I corralled new club member, High School Senior Thomas Adcock during the show when I spotted him walking around with a real camera (not a phone!). I asked him to take some pictures for our 'scrap books' to which he happily agreed. Hope to have some of his work in the Script next month. In the meantime, check our website for some great pictures from Sully #49. Thomas may be a good mark for a scholarship next year as he also helped out with Show Car Parking and Judging with his dad Blane. He is also working on their 1928 Roadster Pick up!

As of this writing we have not had our post show meeting with the Sully Staff. But, the reports received thus far are all good as well. Sully Site Managers Paola Schiappacasse and John Winters (his third day on the job was 16 June!), Event Coordinator Maria Betancourt-Reid, Maintenance Chief John Hilson and all the staff and their volunteers provided great support planning and on the day of the show.

Our changes to registration and check-in provided good results smoothing out some long standing issues we have had in the past like back-ups outside the gate and in the lower parking between the Car Corral and Registration, over heating cars and owners, owners and registration workers choking on fumes and our Registration and Parking Volunteers working until after noon! The Pre-registration policy worked well and is here to stay. Unfortunately, we had 41 no-shows out of 297 owners that pre-registered! That is a detail I did not expect! I plan to reach out to as many as I can to learn the reasons. One owner contacted me on Saturday before the show to say he could not bring his car due

SULLY ANTIQUE CAR SHOW #49 – POST SCRIPT! (Cont.)

to a broken brake line (OK that is a good reason!) We did allow 11 cars in that showed up without pre-registering. Yes, only 11! Well done again to Donna for getting the word out!

On the bright and sad side. Shep and Laura brought their 1931 Tudor “Old Henry” to the show for the first time in many years! The GWC has been blessed by the Shepherd family and all they have done for the club! Not the least of which was the Sully Sno Cone Stand. We know it is in good hands now with the Cunningham’s. Shep and Laura will be moving to Ohio this Summer and taking Old Henry with them. And Ken Worsham brought Chairman Emeritus Bill and Judy’s 1930 Town Sedan to the show for the first time in seven years. Ken will be taking the car to his home in Raleigh, NC this summer – great that the car will remain in their family! So Shep, Laura, and Ken, thank you for letting us see those two great cars one more time and for all your support! It would be real cool to have you all back (with your cars) for the **50th Sully Show** (hint-hint)! In the meantime – We wish you many Blessings and Happy Motoring!

We collapsed the Flea Market Field this year in an attempt to make it look busier. I think it worked. We only sold 23 spaces but the vendors Rusty and I spoke with seemed pleased with the traffic and sales. Some innovation is on the agenda for the 50th!

‘Adapt and improvise!’ Bill Sims had car troubles on Route 28 after the show. Thanks to Larry Faircloth who got the word and came back to get help for Bill. Michael and James jumped in Larry’s F-150 and went to the rescue. After dropping Michael and Larry off back at Sully, Larry came back later to report that Bill broke down again! Michael followed him to the scene in his Coupe and was able to get the car going well enough to get it to his house and provided some needed refreshment and cool air to Bill. And since that took away the cleanup team Dave and Mary Greenwood and Jeff VanGorder assisted gathering in the signs and flags. So happy I did not have to do that by myself! So thank you, all six of you, for your extra effort and your time at the end of a very long day assisting Bill and a very tired Chairman! We learned later that President Milford waited at the Wawa until 7PM for a tow home! He noticed an issue with the rear axle on his drive to Sully and decided not to risk driving the car home.

The Sully Committee is gathering lessons learned, good and bad, to consider for future shows. If you have some observations that you would like to share please contact me!

Thank you again to all of you that made this show a winner! Now get your cars out and enjoy them! Hope you all are looking forward to the Post Sully Picnic on 17 July! Sign-up with Valerie Faircloth!

Sully #50 is less than 50 weeks away!! Ahoogha!

John Dougherty

GWC Annual Meet Chairman

SULLY PHOTOS



Luke Chaplin



SULLY PHOTOS (Cont.)



John Leydon



SULLY PHOTOS (Cont.)



Best in Show – Dave Westrate with his Woodie

A NOTE ON DAVE'S WOODIE

Dave did all the woodworking during restoration of the car. Of special interest to me was the finger joint in the top rail of the wooden frame above his right shoulder. We have all seen boards at the big box stores where the factory pieced together longer planks from short boards with finger joints that are straight in line. On the car the left side top frame rail joint isn't straight, it angles to the right and down! Imagine working out those angles! Dave had a custom cutter that came with the project and used it with a Bridgeport mill, but it surely took many test pieces to learn technique. The jigs and fixtures that Ford used for all the woodwork on our cars must have been very innovative to be accurate and suitable for high production rates.

Bruce Metcalf

STATS

Attached is a brief writeup that I did for re: the judging at Sully. I provided it earlier to Bruce and John for the *Script* but thought it might be better to share it more widely in case someone wants to incorporate it into a larger Sully #49 article. The following table also compares stats over the last few years. Given that this is the first year of all pre-registered cars, our overall number is only down about 10%.

I pulled counts from previous *Scripts*. The total 2023 count is an estimate since that was what was in the *Script*. I don't know how many people might have been turned away at the gate.

Year	Show Cars	Pre-registered	Judged
2024	305	305	190
2023	342*	252	160
2022	342	257	170
2021	no show due to Covid		
2020	no show due to Covid		
2019	350	??	159

*est.

Jeff Van Gorder

THANK YOU LETTER

A.M.D.G.

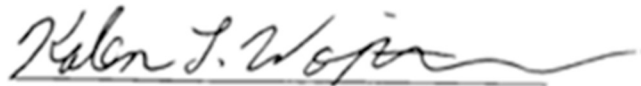
June 15th, 2024

Dear Members of the George Washington Chapter,

I would like to thank you for granting me a \$1,000 scholarship and continuing to support my education. The funds will go directly to tuition, books, and transportation expenses. It is a great relief and benefit to me and my family.

Unfortunately, I cannot be with you at Sully as I am out of town. I will miss seeing you. I am disappointed I will not see your wonderful cars. However, I still wanted to express my sincere gratitude as best I can for the immense support you are providing me.

May God Bless You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kalen T. Wojtkun". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Kalen T. Wojtkun
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SUMMER PICNIC

From Your Activity Chair – Valerie Faircloth – According to the weather reports for Saturday, July 20, 2024, it looks like we will have a great day for our Summer picnic! Being partly cloudy and sunny, it may be a little warm mid-afternoon with temperatures in the low 90's. We are under tree cover and generally finish by around 3 p.m, so I think it will be an enjoyable get-together. **I will need a headcount by Wednesday, July 17, 2024, so please send an email to me at valerie.faircloth@gmail.com with the number of persons in your party.** Then, send the check to me at 803 Potomac Ridge Ct., Sterling, VA 20164. The cost is \$10 per person. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the picnic! Ahooga! Val.


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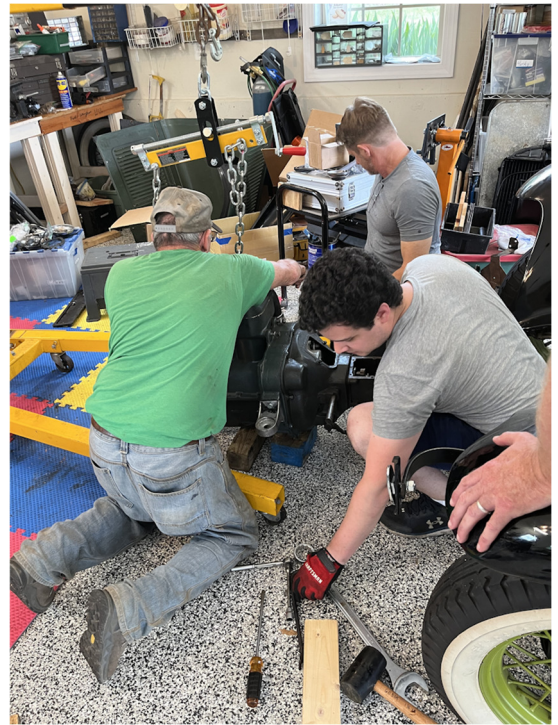
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GWC MOBILE REPAIR CREW

On June 29, 2024, the GWC mobile repair crew visited the home of member Larry Oliver to install a new engine in his 1930 coupe. With a few challenges overcome we successfully installed the engine, transmission and parts of the rear brakes. Many local members and friends helped with the group effort.



LT. COL JIM BAKER, USAF (RET.) HAS PASSED



Jim Baker, a member of the GWC since 2007, has passed. He was 93 years old.

Lieutenant Colonel Jim Baker, USAF (Ret.) was also a retired American Airlines Captain with a home in Arizona and one here in Fairfax. Until recently, we didn't often see him in the cold months... he was most probably touring in a Model A from his Arizona base. Jim loved touring. As a long-time member of the Model A Touring Club, Jim and Connie drove Model As to Alaska, Australia, New Zealand, Europe and all over the United States. He recently shared many of those adventures with both the GWC and the Early Ford V-8 Northern Virginia Regional Group (NVRG). His touring cars were modified for the task, with early Ford V8 wheels, radial tires, tube

shocks, air conditioning, 4-speed synchromesh transmissions and even, on at 1 at least, a sun roof.

After Jim and Connie moved north full time to their home on Bob's Ford Road in Fairfax, we would see them at most of our events. Because his A was made to tour, he joined the NVRG to join in on their meetings, tours and other activities.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, July 27 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Fairfax Memorial Home, 9902 Braddock Road, Fairfax, VA 2032. Please drive your vintage car. Jim would have appreciated that.



Jim was the kind of guy you just always expected to be at one of our events, and I know many of us were shocked and saddened to hear that he had passed. But if miles on the road in a Model A Ford was the measure, he led a full and adventurous life.

Please keep Connie and their whole family in your thoughts and prayers.

For a more comprehensive obituary, please visit

the Fairfax Memorial Home website at:

<https://www.fairfaxmemorialfuneralhome.com/obituaries/James-Baker?obId=32089981>

Memorial donations can be made to The Nature Conservancy, 4245 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 100, Arlington, VA 22203.

Jim Gray, Sunshine Chair

NEW MEMBER

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He recently moved to DC from Seattle and owns a 1930 coupe that his grandfather gave him about 12 years ago. He was an active member in the Seattle MAFCA chapter (Evergreen As).

2024 GREAT RACE

Last year at Model A Days at the Gilmore museum, one of the speakers was the executive director of The Great Race. I knew a little about the race from Hemmings and other publications and enjoyed hearing about the race.

The Great Race is open to cars that are 45 years old with original parts. Cars can be modified, but with primarily with period modifications. Points are awarded on how well a driver and navigator can match a time and average speed over a predetermined course. Points are also awarded on a handicap system that awards bonus points to older vehicles. When I learned that the 2024 Great Race was coming through our area, I wanted to make sure that I got to see some of it.

The 2024 Great Race originated in Owensboro, KY and ended in Gardiner, Maine. It started on June 22 in Owensboro. On June 24, the teams spent the night in Frostburg, MD and then headed for a lunch in Purcellville, VA, before ending up at the Gateway in Gettysburg, PA for the night of June 25. I marked my calendar, incorrectly, as it turned out, but made plans to go to Gettysburg to see the cars.

On June 23, Keith Randall of the V8 club notified the club that the race would go through Purcellville the next day on its way to Gettysburg. I had put Wednesday the 26th in my calendar to go to Gettysburg. I was able to make a last minute change to my schedule to head up on the 25th (one nice thing about being retired). Unfortunately, I had a meeting in Rockville that evening at 7, but I thought I would go up and see what I could see. On my way up Rte. 15 outside of Frederick, I passed two race participants, a late 48 Ford and a yellow Model A panel truck.

When I got to the Gateway, the site of the MARC meet a few years ago and an AACA meet pre-Covid, there were quite a few spectators, some of whom had bought their antique cars. I headed over to the "finish" line for the night and watched the cars arrive.

One of the vintage spectator cars was a 1929 Lincoln phaeton, unrestored. A wonderful car. I also saw a Hudson pickup, another favorite of mine.

I couldn't stay long enough to see too many cars cross the finish line, but I did see about half a dozen finish. I saw quite a few on Rte. 15 heading north on my way home.

As I couldn't stay as long as I wanted, I decided to get up early and head back to Gettysburg to see the racers before they left in the morning. That turned out to be a great idea. Most of the cars were in the parking lot of the Wyndham Hotel and many of their drivers and navigators were out there with them.

I talked to a few. One gentleman, Jeff Hermanson, from Culver, Indiana, races his 1939 Ford 1/2 ton truck. This is his 7th race. He entered his first race on a lark and has been hooked ever since.

I spoke to a young man who was with his father's 1931 Franklin. They had a problem with a driveshaft, but were able to source one from a restoration shop in Maryland and stay in the race. That car had an enormous engine.

2024 GREAT RACE (Cont.)

There were probably more Fords than any other make in the race, from a 1926 Model T speedster to a 1969 Mustang Boss 302.

There were quite a few Model A's participating. I counted 12, one of the most popular cars, from speedsters to very stock looking cars. Ford V8s were numerous, as well.

The winner this year was a 1916 Hudson speedster driven by Howard and Doug Sharp. They are five time winners! For further info and lots of photos from the race, head to greatrace.com



George Washington Chapter 2024 Approved Budget - AS OF 6/30/2024

OPERATING BUDGET #2

Budgeted Income	Contact	2023 Actual	2024 JUNE	2024 ACTUAL
Membership	VanGorder	\$ 2,895.00	\$ -	\$ 2,092.00
Misc Income (Donations)	Tomb	\$ 65.00		\$ 10.00
Programs & Technical Seminars	White	\$ 56.00	\$ -	\$ -
Club Tours & Activities	Fairoloth	\$ 1,460.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Script Advertising	Bass	\$ 450.00		\$ 650.00
Hands on Seminars, Repair	Leonard	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sully Income	Dougherty	\$ 13,826.50	\$ 5,153.50	\$ 8,108.50
Total Income		\$18,752.50	\$5,153.50	\$10,960.50
Budgeted Expenses:				
Membership	VanGorder	\$ 868.07	\$ -	\$ 173.55
Club Programs	White	\$ 1,650.34	\$ -	\$ 20.39
Club Tours & Activities	Fairoloth	\$ 5,701.44	\$ -	\$ 960.89
Tool Shed / Tools	Leonard	\$ 308.63		\$ 428.52
Sully Car Show Expenses	Dougherty	\$ 4,445.04	\$ 275.52	\$ 4,119.10
Web Hosting Expense	Shepherd	\$ 163.22	\$ 45.34	\$ 165.22
Presidents Fund	Sprecher	\$ 943.63	\$ -	\$ 701.38
Secretary Supplies	Greenwood	\$ 157.40	\$ -	\$ -
Treasurer Supplies & Insurance	Tomb	\$ 552.46	\$ 50.70	\$ 2,102.70
Total Expenses		\$14,790.23	\$371.56	\$8,671.75
UNDER/(OVER) Revenue		\$3,962.27		\$2,288.75

CONTRIBUTION BUDGET

MAFFI	Board	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
MODEL A YOUTH REST AWARD	Board	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00
SCHOLARSHIP	Board	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
AFRH	Board	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -
MILEAGE AWARD EMBLEM	Board	\$ 263.92	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL		\$ 2,263.92	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,000.00

WELLS FARGO BANK CD + RESERVE FUND (Information only)

WELLS FARGO ONE YEAR + CD	Board	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Peyton Randolph Memorial Fund	Remainder		\$ -	\$ -
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		\$ 10,000.00		

Total Expenses

\$17,054.15 \$4,871.56 \$13,671.75

Sum Income and Expenses

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\$1,698.35 \$281.94 -\$2,711.25

Current Bank Balance + CD as of 6-30-2024 **\$ 22,196.49**

Beginning of year Balance (01-01-2024 Actual) **\$ 34,907.74**



GWC Model "A" Club

Post-Sully 49 Picnic

At the Sully Historic Site

3650 Historic Sully Way

Chantilly, VA

Saturday, July 20, 2024

12:00pm to 5:00pm

Price per person is \$10.00

GWC Club members & family are invited for a fun-filled afternoon
at the Sully Historic Site

Lunch Prepared by – Mission Barbecue
Pork, Beef, Chicken

Beverages (non-Alcoholic) & Water will be provided

Please bring a salad or dessert to share!

Make your "Reservation" – RSVP with an email for headcount,
followed by a check payable to: GWC Model "A" Club by July 17, 2024 to:

Valerie Faircloth
803 Potomac Ridge Court
Sterling, VA 20164

Email – valerie.faircloth@gmail.com



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*Bull Run to Appomattox
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Tour Highlights

- Shenandoah National Park
- Harpers Ferry
- Gettysburg
- Antietam
- Amish Towns
- Covered Bridges
- Monocacy
- Manassas/Bull Run
- Fredericksburg
- Chancellorsville
- Spotsylvania
- The Wilderness
- White House of the Confederacy
- Petersburg
- Civil War Museums
- Appomattox Courthouse
- Sailors Creek



Registration opens June 30, 2024 Online or
mail in registration available



Hosted by the
Dallas Model A Ford Club
www.dmafc.com



<https://sites.google.com/view/mafca-2025-national-tour/home>

SUNSHINE REPORT

Thanks to Keith Randall, the NVRG Sunshine Chair, we learned that “after 5 days in the hospital Cliff Green is back in his apartment at Ashby Ponds. Cliff says he is OK but needs to regain some of his strength after his hospital stay. However, he reports that he has been able to get in some walking and is feeling better each day.”

Please keep Cliff in your thoughts and prayers. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Jim Gray
Sunshine

CLUB APPAREL

To go along with the new GWC logo, we have changed how we can individually purchase shirts, hats, etc. with the club logo. For starters, go to <http://www.gwcmodeleda.com/logos.asp> . There are several custom apparel businesses listed where you can upload the logo file and get just the style and color of shirt, hat, sweatshirt, jacket, or whatever you want. This is a great time of year to update your GWC wardrobe; all the cool kids are doing it!

FASHION NEWS

This came to Jim Gray from a 91-year-old friend in Seattle.

It's a picture of 6 high school girls (with chaperones behind them) ready for a high school dance in the 1920s.



MODEL A SWAP MEET

Model A Swap Meet

August 10th

Bratton's Antique Auto Parts parking lot.

1606 Back Acre Circle, Mt Airy MD 21771

If you would like a spot to vend, spaces are \$10; spaces are limited so it will be first come first reserved. Call me at 800-255-1929 to reserve your space.

We welcome Model A, Model T and early V8 parts to be sold.

Thank you

Debbie Kichline



Model A Days Friday/Saturday Sept. 20-21, 2024 Swap Vendor Registration Form

Vendor Spaces are 10' x 20' 2 days for \$45.00*. Each additional space is \$15.00. Swap hours 9am-4 Friday & Saturday/Vendor Setup available Thursday after 12pm or Friday at 8am. Overnight Camping available at the Gilmore Campus w/restroom facilities available. Contact Gilmore Car Museum for more information about camping. *This is a Rain or Shine event, No Refunds. This is a fundraising event. Absolutely NO Political or Religious Item to be sold. Strictly enforced by the Gilmore Car Museum, spaces will be closed if this is not adhered to. The Gilmore Car Museum 6865 W. Hickory Rd. Hickory Corners MI 49060

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Cel/Home _____

2 DAY Swap Space 10' x 20' only \$45.00* _____

Additional Spaces ___ x \$ 15.00 ___ Total _____

2 space minimum when leaving trailer attached to tow vehicle, NO exceptions.

* Rain or Shine, Non-Refundable.

Absolutely NO RV's, or Motor Homes parked in the swap area per Gilmore & will be towed.



To Pre-Reserve Spaces
Contact Mark Maron
847-302-7900

All proceeds to support the Model A Museum, Vendors expected to stay until 1pm On Saturday

All checks made payable to MAFFI/ MAIL TO: 417 Oak Grove Circle Wauconda IL 60084

NO spaces will be held with out pre payment. ALL Checks will be deposited after the swap.

NOTE: Area is not secured after hours, MAFFI or Gilmore is NOT responsible for any theft or loss !!

Jim's Tech Tips

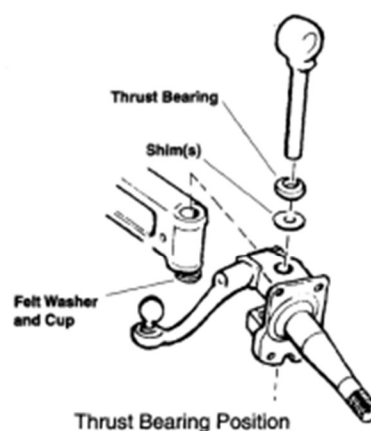
"Difficult Steering"

Many Model A owners find their car hard to steer when parking or maneuvering at low speed. After you confirm that there is oil in the steering gear box (not grease), the tires are all inflated to 35 psi, and everything on the front axle has been properly greased, you are left with the most likely cause: The spindle bolt (kingpin) "thrust bearings" are defective or they are not shimmed up properly to support the weight of the car. You can confirm this by using a floor jack to take some weight off of the front wheels, and then see if the steering effort is drastically reduced. If it is, the problem is the bearings.

To correct this, you need to remove everything from the spindles to get to the kingpins and remove them. See Les Andrews' Red Book, starting on page 1-209, for directions. The illustration below comes from later in that section.

Clean the thrust bearing and replace it if it does not turn smoothly or shows any signs of wear. Pack the bearing with grease before reinstalling.

When reassembling, you need to test fit the spindle with the kingpin fully locked in place with the locking pin. Temporarily leave the large felt seal and metal washer off of the bottom of the spindle for this. Start with the number of shims previously used, then add 1 shim at a time until very little or no vertical movement of the spindle is felt on the kingpin. It can take up to 4 shims to compensate for wear.



At some point, adding a shim may jam up the spindle, making it hard to turn on the kingpin. If it does, take that last shim out, reassemble, and confirm that the spindle again moves easily, as it should. Now reassemble the spindle on the axle with the felt seal and the cupped metal washer installed between the axle and the bottom part of the spindle (the metal cup touches the axle, the felt touches the spindle). The added thickness of the felt seal may temporarily make the spindle a bit stiff turning on the kingpin, but it will quickly flatten out and move smoothly when you drive.

Now reinstall everything that attaches to the spindle, install the brakes, maybe use this as an opportunity to clean and repack the wheel bearings, then install the drums and the wheels. Grease all of the fittings well. Go for a test drive, enjoy the easier steering, and *Have a Model A Day!*

Jim

"Make and Carry a Temporary Gas Gauge"

Every now and then you will come across a car or truck with an inoperable gas gauge. For example, the float sinks. You don't want to go driving around without knowing how much fuel you have in the tank.

Here are some basic instructions that you can use to make a temporary gas gauge, to use until the gauge is repaired. It's not a bad idea to carry it with you, to use on your car or to help someone traveling with you.

Take a simple paint stirring stick, like they give away at a paint store, and measure up from the end to mark the place indicating a Full tank. From there, you can use a ruler to estimate the $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ levels. Score a line in the wood at these 4 places, and then darken each line with a black marker.

The gas tank changed design between 1928-29 and 1930-31. The '28-29 tank holds about 10 gallons, and the larger '30-31 tank holds about 11. That means that the distance to Full is slightly different between the two tanks.

I score and mark one side of the paint stirrer with the '28-29 height to Full of $7\frac{1}{4}$ " , and then mark off the quarters from there. Then I do the same on the other side of the stick using the 1930-31 height to Full of $8\frac{1}{2}$ ". Label each side. Now you have a stick that can be used on any year Model A.

To use it, remove the gas cap (and the screen in the filler neck, if the car has one) and just dip the stick straight down until you touch the bottom of the gas tank. Now lift it out and see where the wet gas level is on the gauge. It will be approximate, close enough to drive with some confidence, knowing you will have enough fuel.

I hope you never get stuck with an inoperative gas gauge, but if you do, now you can be prepared with this temporary stick gauge.

Have a Model A Day!
Jim Cannon



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FROM THE ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

COMING EVENTS

July

July 4 (Thursday) – Fairfax City Parade - POC: Valerie Faircloth, valerie.faircloth@gmail.com

July 4 (Thursday) – Sheperdstown Rotary Club 4th of July parade, starting 11:00am

July 4 (Thursday) – Washington DC Parade – POC: Jason Cunningham, jicunningham@gmail.com

July 10 (Wednesday) – CDC Breakfast – Fair Oaks Silver Diner – 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway

July 15-18 (Monday-Thursday) – MARC National Meet in Asheville, North Carolina

July 17 (Wednesday) – Monthly Membership Meeting – Indoor/Outdoor Model A Flea market – McLean American Legion Hall 6:30pm

July 20 (Saturday) – GWC's Summer Picnic at Sully Historic Site. See article in July Script for details.

July 25 (Thursday) – Board Meeting – Zoom 7:00pm

August

August 14 (Wednesday) – CDC Breakfast – Fair Oaks Silver Diner – 12251 Fair Lakes Parkway

August 21 (Wednesday) – Monthly Membership Meeting – McLean American Legion Hall 7:00pm

July 25 (Thursday) – Board Meeting – Zoom 7:00pm

SAVE THE DATE!

December 7 (Saturday) – Annual GWC Christmas Party at American Legion Hall – Fairfax, VA

The NEW Model A Days

Presenting Two Special Events*

Celebrating
The
Model A Bus

The Model A Driving Experience & The Unveiling of the 31-AA Bus

Friday & Saturday September 20-21 2024

**Pre Registration for the 2024
Special Events Sponsored by
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Registration Opens on May 2nd, 2024, follow the link at MAFFI.org

**Join Us For Dinner and A Special Presentaion as we
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Event Center On The Gilmore Gampus**

Host Hotel Info: Delta Hotels by Marriott, 2747 S. 11th St.
Kalamazoo, MI 49009 269.375.6000



MODEL A DAYS SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2024 LOCATED ON THE GILMORE CAMPUS,
6865 W. HICKORY RD. HICKORY CORNERS MI. 49009



For event info & seminars 615-604-7423. Katie Herrick
Swap Reservations and information Mark Maron 847-302-7900

***Requires PRE-Registration**

WANT ADS

For Sale

I have a customer who will sell a 1931 Town Sedan body complete, this is a slant windshield all steel body with doors, wood kit in top, window regulators & window mouldings, body is not rusted, was sandblasted and primed a while back, but will need re-sanding & priming before color coat. Price is \$1,800.00
Also, another customer has a completely restored rolling chassis, painted chassis, all mechanics done, powdercoated black 19 inch wheels, white wall tires, cast iron brake conversion all rebuilt, counterbalanced A motor, light flywheel & Mitchell overdrive, brake & clutch pedals & brake rods mounted, chassis is ready to set a restored body on. Price is \$8,500.00 Don Temple 252-943-4373

Lot of Model A Parts

3 21" wheels
1 Steering tube
One Rear and 1 Front Spring
2 Timing Gears
3 Valve Spring Tools
1 Hood Rod
Bucket of Misc small parts
How to Restore Your Model A (Vol 2 & 3)
Asking: \$325
Contact:
Gary Fairgrieve
Leesburg VA 703 477 3816

1930 Model A

Rick Nelson (deceased) purchased this Model A in Minnesota in ~1971 and Kathy Nelson drove it 300 miles in one day, (Rick had let his driver's license expire), it got a new generator bearing installed in a small town along the way.

We moved to Virginia in 1972, car was driven 22 miles and stored under a tarp for 2 years.

We moved 20 miles, it has been garaged inside the Beltway since 1975, rust free.

This car has run several times since going into the garage, see photo of it driving in the neighborhood.

It is up on blocks and does not currently run, for unknown reason.

The interior is poor, the paint job that it came with is poor.

Rick regularly rotated the engine; it may be full of oil.

Has a Virginia antique plate.

Accompanying stuff:

an extra Model A engine, with/on an engine stand

spare wheel(s), one with tire

assorted extra parts and books

two compressors, one on wheels, and assorted nozzles

See photos below

Asking: \$5,000

Contact:

Kathy Nelson

kgn@ieee.org

WANT ADS (Cont.)

For Sale



1930 Model A Two Door Sedan

The car is currently garaged in Fairfax VA.

Features:

Two Tone Paint

12 volt alternator system with master battery cut off

12 volt horn

3 distributors - one mechanical advanced

5 speed transmission with synchronized floor shift

Rear brake with dual tail lights

Exterior storage trunk with a folding bracket shelf

Aluminum steering box with a short Pitman arm

Maintenance/parts records dating back to 2006

Model A instruction book 1928

See photos below

Asking: \$12,000

Contact:

Becky Beierle

703.946.6844

WANT ADS (Cont.)

For Sale



WANTED

The late 1927 Model A Ford crank with FORD script on the middle (angle) bar, 11/16" lug nut socket, 8 inch throw-offset, 90 degree pin position.

Contact Bill Nitschke Cell (914)-323-8958

163 Essex Street

Deep River, CT. 06417

E-mail williamjnitschke@gmail.com



ANNUAL LABOR DAY CAR SHOW

September 2nd, 2024

8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

*Our 25th Year "on the streets" in the City of Fairfax, VA
Sponsored by the Clifton Lions Club and the City of Fairfax*

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITIES

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Show Vehicle Registration Form

Pre-Register by August 28th Entry Fee: \$25

Name _____

City _____ State _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Year/Make/Model _____

Vehicle Features (optional) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(Registration information is used solely for management of the annual Labor Day Car Show and not released)

Credit Card via PayPal

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=KBVGSXJG2HRHU

Cash or check made payable to Clifton Lions Club

Mail to: Box 41, Clifton, VA 20124

In acceptance of the right to participate, I hereby release the Clifton Lions Club, the City of Fairfax, and all others connected with the management or presentation of this event from any and all known and unknown liabilities that may be suffered by any entrant to his person or property. Management will do all in its power to cooperate with participants to ensure a successful event. I also grant the City of Fairfax and other official show photographers the right to use images of my property or myself for publication or we-posting in association with this event.