THE KLAXON

The Newsletter of the

Delaware Valley Model A Ford Club, Inc. Founded in 1958

Who are we:

The Klaxon is the monthly newsletter of the Delaware Valley Model "A" Ford Club, Inc. and is circulated to all club members and other interested clubs. The club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at Daley's Service Center, 2749 Bristol Pike, Bensalem, PA 19020.

If you wish to contribute articles for publication in the Klaxon please do so by submitting them to the editor Jim Maier. Other pertinent information can be obtained from the officers.

Technical and historical questions are encouraged and we'll do our best to get the answers. Questions can be submitted via E-Mail at: M2116x6@comcast.net.

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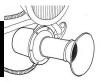
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President's Message



Greetings: As we start our 57th year our club is alive and well. Our membership is still growing each month. It never ceases to amaze me the friendship and knowledge gained through this club.

Spring is just a couple of months away and there is plenty of time to catch up on any repairs or replacements needed to bring our Model A's up to date

for the spring and summer season.

For those who could not make the January meeting Bob Russell gave an excellent program an explanation on Model A shocks and seat extensions.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank past president Jim Maier for stepping up and taking over the klaxon, it is not an easy task but I know he will do a great job. I also want to thank Steve Organ for his years of service to the club. **Up Coming Events**

2/5/2015 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

3/5/2015 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

Happy Birthday for February 2015!

| Dick Wainwright | 3 |
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See you soon.

Ted



Editor's Message

Hello: As we begin with a new editor for the Klaxon, I would like to thank Steve Organ for faithfully publishing the

Klaxon for the last few years. He has done a tremendous job. Hopefully I can measure up to that.

As a working stiff, I do feel that I am out of the loop since I am unable to attend the breakfasts during the week. If there is anyone ill that should be mentioned in the % ick list+, please let me know. Likewise with any other news or events that should be included in the newsletter.

In this issue I have included a few local auto related events that are of interest to some of our members. Since these events are not specific to our club, they are not included on our new event schedule.

See you on the 5th!





UPCOMING AUTO RELATED EVENTS From Hemmings Motor News

AACA National Annual Meeting

February 12 to February 14, 2015

The 79th AACA Annual Meeting will take place February 12-14, 2015, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. If you have never been to an AACA Annual Meeting in the City of Brotherly Love you are missing a great time. The trade show, car exhibit, great seminars and museum auction are just a few of the highlights you'll experience during the meeting. Registration Deadline: February 2, 2015.

When: February 12, 2015

Location: Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel, 201 North 17th Street Philadelphia PA, 19103

Cost: AACA members ONLY, \$20 pp plus meals & special events To Register call AACA at 7175341910

Hamburg Swap Meet & Car Corral

February 22, 2015 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Sponsor: Ontelaunee Region AACA

When: February 22, 2015 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Location: Hamburg Fire Co. Field House, 127 South 4th St. Rear, Hamburg, PA 19526

Cost: \$2.00 Adults, Children under 12 FREE

To Register call Lester Manwiller at 610-823-4656 or call Shirley Schaffer at 610-262-9718

Studebaker York Swap Meet

March 05 to March 07, 2015

The Studebaker York Swap Meet is the original and longest running ALL-STUDEBAKER swap meet in the world. 2015 marks our 42nd continuous year. The meet is family friendly and features most any Studebaker part one may need, a large community craft show, autos for sale, both stock and modified cars on display, and best of all these events are free There is also a flower and garden show running at the Expo center that offers additional opportunities for the ladies not interested in cars or crafts to occupy themselves. That event is not part of the SYSM and there is an admission charge. There are vendor spaces still available for the SYSM. Contact Bob Sheaffer at 717-341-3141 for information, or go to our website www.sdckeystoneregion.com. We are also offering a raffle car, a 1951 Studebaker Landcruiser. Tickets are \$10.00 and less than 1000 remain to be sold as of 1/15/15. *(Continued on page 4)*

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Second prize is \$2000.00 cash. Winners will be drawn at the meet on Saturday March 7th at 2pm. Winners need not be present. You may call the raffle car chair, Gordon Kertzel at 717-574-1529 for ticket information or go to the website to order. Pictures are also available for viewing on the website. Please join us for this exciting and fun pre-spring event at the York Expo Center 334 Carlisle Ave. York,PA.17404 **Sponsor:** Keystone Region Chapter,Inc. Studebaker Driver's Club

When: March 05, 2015 3/ 5/1512pm-5pm. 6th 8am-5pm, 7th 8am-2pm

Location: York Expo Center 334 Carlisle ave. York, Pa 17404

Cost: Free parking, free admission to two heated buildings, auction Friday ev. with free food and drinks

To Register call Robert Sheaffer at 717-341-3141 or call Gordon F. Kertzel at 717-574-1529

Lincoln Spring Swap Meet

March 20 to March 21, 2015

JOIN US for our 40th annual Lincoln Zephyr Owners Club sponsored Early Spring Swap meet. This event features the largest collection of Lincoln parts vendors ... at a single gathering ... on the East CoastPlan to attend this EXCITING event in Lancaster, PA at the Lancaster Host Resort, where there is LOTS TO DO for the whole family Make it a GETAWAY weekend. March 20-21, 2015, opens 8am each day

Sponsor: Lincoln Zephyr Owners Club

When: March 20, 2015 8am

Location: 2300 Lincoln Highway East Route 30 Lancaster PA, 17602

Cost: NO CHARGE

To Register call Nathan Olweiler at 717-602-6333

44th Annual Swap Meet (Formerly known as "Cowtown")

March 22, 2015 8:00 AM - 3 PM

South Jersey Region AACA Swap Meet at Salem County Fairgrounds, 735 US Rt. 40, Woodstown, NJ. 1/4 miles west of Cowtown.

Sponsor: South Jersey Region, AACA

When: March 22, 2015 8:00 AM - 3 PM

Location: Salem County Fairgrounds, 735 US Rt. 40 Woodstown NJ, 08098

Cost: Parking donation **To Register** call Chuck Gibson at 609-221-5435

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Once again this year Joan Ferris is selling calendars to benefit the <u>Viet Nam Veteran's</u> The calendar will contain a PA Lottery Number for the evening drawing. The cost is \$35.00. Contact Joan directly at:

1-856-662-3239

HELP SUPPORT THE VIET NAM ERA

Hemmings Motor News Online maintains a Blog which has many interesting photos. Here are a few "seasonally appropriate" images.



Who says racing is a warm weather sport? Ever try racing on ice? Chariots-of-icewinter-lake-racing-in-new-England Today's car spotting comes from Toronto, Ontario, circa 1961. What cars can you identify in this snowcovered street scene?

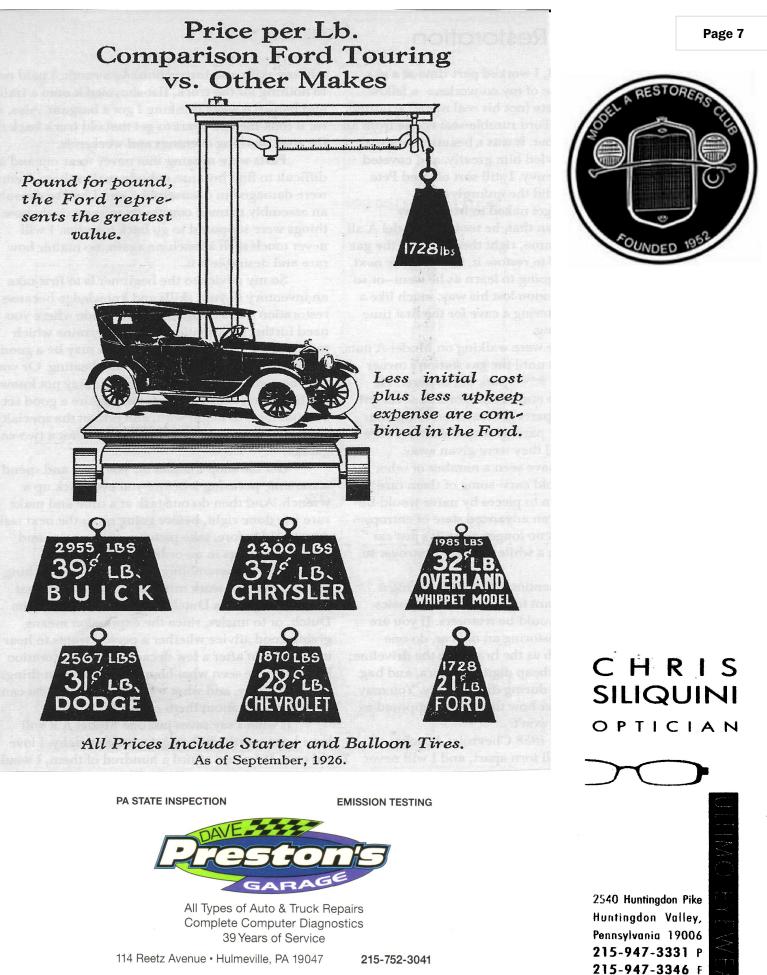




Car spotting visits a postsnowfall Boston, sometime in the 1950s. What cars can you identify?

Car spotting heads to Arlington, Virginia, in the winter of 1966. What snowbound cars can you identify?





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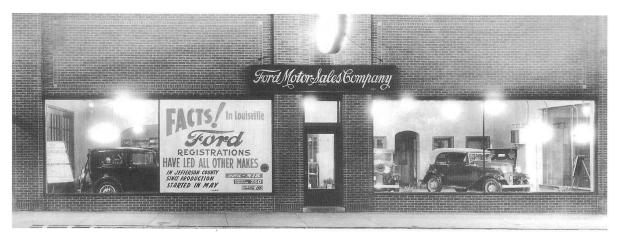
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A message from Henry Ford

"On October 1, 1908, we made the first Model T Ford car. On May 26, 1927, our production of that one model had reached 15,000,000.

"Those were important milestones in the progress of the Ford Motor Company. They were great days in the life of the automobile industry itself. Still greater days are just ahead.

"I refer to the first official introduction of the new Ford car to the public.

The result of years of planning

"This new Ford car has not been planned and made in a day. Our engineers began work on it several years ago and it has been in my mind much longer than that. We make automobiles quickly when we get into production. But we take a long time planning them. Nothing can hurry us in that. We spent twelve years in perfecting our former Model T Ford car before we offered it to the public. It is not conceivable that we should have put this new Ford car on the market until we were sure that it was mechanically correct in every detail.

"Every part of it has been tested in actual practice. There is no guessing as to whether it will be a successful model. It has to be. There is no way it can escape being so, for it represents the sum total of all we have learned about motorcar building in the lifetime of the Ford business.

An entirely new and modern car

"The new Ford car is distinctly a new and modern car, designed to meet new and modern conditions. It is more than a new automobile. It is the advanced expression of a wholly new idea in modern, economical transportation.

"The minute you see it—ride in it—you will know that it is not a mere refinement of the former Model T Ford, but a new car from radiator cap to rear axle. There is nothing quite like it anywhere in quality and price.

"The new Ford car has exceptional beauty of line and color, because beauty of line and color has come to be considered, and I think rightly, a necessity in a motor-car today.

"The new Ford car has durability and stamina because those two qualities are the very heart of motor-car value. The Ford car has always been known as a car that will take you there and bring you back. This new car will not only do that, but it will do it in good style.

"The new Ford car has unusual speed for a low price car. It will do 55 and 65 miles an hour. It has actually exceeded 65 miles an hour on road tests. It will be even easier to handle in traffic than the Model T. I call your attention especially to the safety accorded by the new brakes as an indication of this.

"The new Ford car will be economical to operate, because economy in operation is always essential and desirable.

Why the price is so low

"The price of the new Ford car is low in accordance with the established Ford policy. I hold—and have always held—that it is better to sell a large number of cars at a reasonably small margin of profit than to sell a few cars at a large margin of profit.

"No other automobile manufacturer can duplicate the new Ford car at the Ford price because no other manufacturer does business in exactly the way we do.

"We make our own steel—we make our own glass—we mine our own coal—we make practically every part used in the Ford car. But we do not charge a profit on any of these items or from these operations. We would not be playing fair with the public if we did so. Our only business is the automobile business. Our only profit is on the automobile we sell.

"We are able to sell this new Ford car at a low price because we have found new ways to give greater value without a great increase in our own costs.

"In view of the importance of the new Ford car and the character of it, we have taken great care in planning the manner of its introduction.

"Details of the complete program are given on the following pages of this portfolio. I ask that you follow this program closely and exactly. In your own interest, it is important that you do so.

The new Ford car will be well advertised

"You will be especially glad to know, I am sure, that we are going to use liberal space in the newspapers to advertise this new car. This space will be paid for wholly by the Ford Motor Company. You will share the benefits of this advertising, but you will bear no part in the expense of it.

"The five full pages which will be used to announce the new Ford car are but a part of our program. We have made this car for millions of people: We will tell the story of it to those millions through our advertising.

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Henry Ford



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