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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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President's Message



Greetings:

Well it looks like June has proven to be one of this clubs busiest months. June 6th was the Strawberry Festival in Rockledge at Holy Nativity Church. We had 9 cars and won 5 trophies. On June 12th we were at Joe Chamberlain's house for a drive-in movie which was a fun time. On

June 20th we were at Spring Valley Floral Vale Nursing Home, a very enjoyable day with a great lunch served to us. And on June 25th, we displayed cars at Attleboro Nursing Home in Langhorne. It is really great to bring smiles to the faces of the residents. July looks busy too, with three parades. Lawncrest, Cheltenham and Pennypack. The great thing about our participation at parades and nursing homes is that it helps defray some of the costs of our banquet. By the way, this year our banquet will be held on September 27th at the Station House Irish Rover Restaurant in Langhorne Pennsylvania. See you at the July 2nd meeting and try to bring your cars if the weather permits.

Ted



Editor's Message

Hello:

In this issue you will find the RSVP form for our annual banquet. Please send one in even if you are not going. If you do not wish to tear this out of your newsletter, there will be copies available at our meetings. In addition, if you contact me I will email a copy of the RSVP form to you.

We have three parades coming up soon. There are also numerous car shows around the area. So much to see and do, so little time $\tilde{\rm o}$.

See you on the 2nd!

Jim

Up Coming Events

7/2/2015 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

8/6/2015 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

Happy Birthday for July 2015!

Joe Staehly	1
Christan Swager	8
Shirley Sadowl	8
Joyce Leichliter	10
Bill Anderson	10
Jay Fissel	16
Tina Lopez	17
Betty Brzoza	17
John Siliquini	19
John Daley	21
Pat Smith	27
Betty Fortune	





UPCOMING LOCAL AUTO RELATED EVENTS

From Hemmings Motor News and other sources

See enclosed club event listing for our club events

New Holland Antique Auto Show

July 12, 2015

34th annual show in the beautiful New Holland Community Park. 400 E. Jackson Street New Holland PA 17557. You must preregister in advance by 11 AM Saturday, July 11. Lots of food and live big-band music. This year's feature is tailfins and chrome. More information contact Steve 717-413-6229

When: July 12, 2015

Location:

400 E. Jackson Street New Holland PA, 17557

Cost: \$15

To Register: call Steve Loewen at 717-413-6229

Run With The Angels - Doylestown

July 12, 2015 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Car Show, Street Rods, Customs, Muscle Cars, Trucks, Antique Vehicles. Door Prizes, Trophies, Cash Prizes.

Sponsor: Benefits Local Charities

When: July 12, 2015 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location:

Route 313 & Cold Spring Creamery Road

Doylestown PA, 18901

Cost: Pre-registration \$14.00. \$20.00 day of the show

To Register: call Bob Duke at 215-622-5449

Doylestown at Dusk Car Show

July 18, 2015 4:00 PM - ?

This is an evening show held on the downtown streets of Doylestown. Open to all types of vehicles, antique, classic, custom, hot rod, truck, and motorcycle. Car pre-registration \$20.00 before 7/11/15. Registration after 7/11/15 - \$25.00.

Sponsor: Rotary Club of Doylestown

When: July 18, 2015 4:00 PM - 0:00 PM

Location:

State, Court and Clinton Streets

Doylestown PA, 18901

Cost: General amission is FREE

To Register: call Bruce at 215-348-4221

6th Annual Roebling Museum Car Show

July 25, 2015 9am-3pm

Saturday July 25th Sixth Annual Roebling Museum Car Show from 9am to 3pm. Rain date Sunday July 26th. \$15.00 Day of show only. Spectator Fee:\$5.00 under 12 Free Includes Museum visit. Roebling Museum, 100 Second Ave., Roebling NJ 08554 Fun For The Entire Family. All years makes & models, foreign & domestic along with Rat Rods welcome. Top 50 plus specialty trophies. Music by Tom E Tunes. All Emergency Vehicles free admission to display. Not Judged. Sponsored by Roebling Museum, Hosted & Judged by Movin' On KruZers. Free Registration For 1929 & Earlier Stock cars. Food, Ice Cream, Door Prizes. Vendors are welcome. Call museum for fees and details. Trophy for biggest Club Participation. Proceeds benefit Roebling Museum. Vendors or more info: Roebling Museum 609-499-7200 or info Bobbi h 215-752-0484, C 215-820-3276. Website www. movinonkruzers.com

Sponsor: The Roebling Museum

When: July 25, 2015 9am-3pm

Location:

100 Second Avenue Roebling NJ, 08554

Cost: \$15.00 Day Of show Only

To Register: call Bobbi at 215-752-0484

4th Annual Cinnaminson Girls Softball Car Show

July 18th 10am - 3pm

Wood Park, Cinnaminson, NJ.

\$15.00 in advance \$20.00 Day of show 34 Classes 200 Dash Plaques

Please make checks payable to "Cinnaminson Girls Softball" Mail to CGS c/o George Ferris - 10 Chalfont Street, Cinnaminson NJ 08077



DELAWARE VALLEY MODEL A FORD CLUB, INC. ANNUAL BANQUET

Where: Irish Rover Station House Inn 1033 S. Bellevue Ave. Langhorne, PA. 19047

When: Sunday, September 27, 2015 from noon to 4pm.

Menu: Buffett with menu choices as follows:

- Baked Flounder with White Wine Sauce
- Roast Beef
- Chicken Parmigianino

All meals will include Salad, Entrée, Dessert and Beverages (Coffee, Tea or Soda). There will be a cash bar available.

There will be a secure area to park your Model A. Weather permitting, please bring your car.

Cost: \$10.00 per member and \$10.00 for member's first guest. \$25.00 for each non-member.

Please tear off and mail your RSVP and check made payable to DVMAFC to: Ted Kulesza 6023 Hulmeville Road Bensalem, PA. 19020

Member Name:					
I WILL be attending:	Number attending:	I will NOT be attending:			

Cut-off date for returning the RSVP is September 14th, 2015

Please RSVP even if you are not attending

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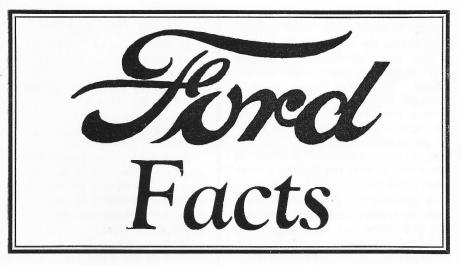
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By George DeAngelis

Whenever antique automobiles are judged, inadvertently, there arises some controversy. Two controversial areas on the Ford Model "A" are the color of the windshield frame and welting material around the cowl. However, the most controversial area is that area of the body underneath the rear fender which is visible between the fender and tire. Some insist it should be left the color of the body and others, with authoritative confidence, insist it was painted black to match the fender. Then, there is the fellow whose uncle used to work at one of those assembly plants where they painted it the same color as the moulding.

I think that the best expression I have heard lately, is, "The Model A is like other women, they are all the same, but there is a difference."

For those who are unfamiliar with the automotive industry, as it was then and is now, it may be a little difficult to understand how the same car could be produced differently at different plants. Briefly, no two manufacturing locations are equipped with similar



The final polish operation and a 1930 Tudor sedan as it progressed along the body trim line. Note that the windshield frame was painted to match the body color and that the welting material between the body and cowl is painted. Also evident is the body color on the rear wheelhouse.

Photo courtesy Ford Archives

machines. Processes are modified to fit the manufacturing capabilities and these differences along with tool design will result in modifications from plant to plant. In addition, "running changes" must be allowed which result in specification deviation. Throughout the course of any one model year, these deviations will total in the thousands.

Some years ago, Ford Motor Company, in an effort to reduce storage space for keeping vital records, transferred most of its specification data on past vehicles onto microfilm. However, thousands of less important data were discarded. Among these data was the information relative to our particular problem.

Not being able to readily locate the desired information, I consulted an "Old Timer", Herbert D. Allee, at Ford's Research and Engineering Center. Mr. Allee is a body engineer, from way back, having started with Studebaker Corporation in 1922. With the aid of the Engineering Photographic file, the Ford Archives, and a phone call to several other Ford "Old

Timers", Mr. Allee was able to recreate a step-by-step body process used during the Model "A" era.

The most significant information was discovering what made up the Model "A" body before it went through the paint spray operation. This is commonly referred to as the "body in white", and consisted of all of the exterior metal panels, sill, pillars, braces, doors and decklids in place, but without any interior trim or final hardware.

It included the cowl sub-assembly with its welting material around the gas tank, door and deck hinges, but without locks, latches or regulators. A body so constructed then left the body-in-white build line and went to the paint line.

The finish that was used on the body was pyroxylin lacquer, the finest and most enduring finish at that time. When the body entered the paint line, it was first washed until all traces of oil or grease were removed, then the metal was etched with phosphoric

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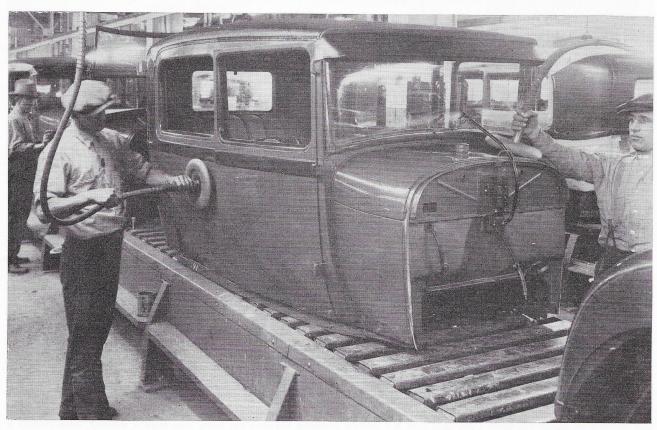
About the Author

In this issue of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE, we are glad to welcome back to our pages the popular Ford Facts column. This one item has brought more requests to the editor to be renewed in the magazine than any other.

Ford Facts is an item which could not be written by just anyone, auto enthusiast or not. As to persons qualified to write it, there are probably less than ten in the entire country.

In now having George De-Angelis as our Ford Facts, editor, we have acquired one of the most knowledgeable Ford men in the country. George is also editor of the Model A Restorers Clubs' MARC News, and has been known as a Ford expert for years.

We welcome him to our staff and look forward to his column in coming issues. W. S. J.



A 1928 Model A Ford sedan completely painted and trimmed. The black paint on the rear wheelhouse is very evident. Fhoto courtesy Ford Archives

Facts

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acid. After the usual double coat of primer, it was finally sprayed with three coats of the base body color. Any two-tone or moulding trim color was applied over the base body color. The striping, of course, was the final operation.

Relative to the rear wheelhouse, Mr. Allee stated, "Since the wheelhouse on the 1928-29 models was painted with the body-in-white, it received the base body color. The rear fender flange did not cover the entire wheelhouse area, and the fender proper was, in all cases, black enamel; therefore, the wheelhouse area visible above the wheel or through it showed body color.

"Possibly many of the restorers and probably a number of the dealers took exception to this appearance and recoated by brushing in the wheelhouse area in black as a better match with the fender. This was, however, not a process operation and was not done on 1928-29 cars at the Rouge.

"On the 1930-31 models, the addition of the moulding around the wheel-house and lower body brought about new color schemes. If the color scheme required the lower body moulding to be painted black, then the same black was applied to the wheel-house area. If the moulding was not black, then an additional masking operation was required before the wheelhouse area was painted black."

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Some of our members before the Memorial Day Parade
Photo by Rich Winans

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Have a good topic for an article? Why not jot it down and send it to the editorial staff for publication? Feel free to send it via snail mail, email, carrier pigeon or telegram.

We are also looking for members to do short tech talks at our meetings on various topics related to Model A Fords. If you are interested, please contact one of our officers to schedule a time.



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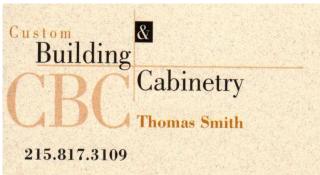
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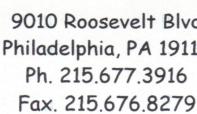
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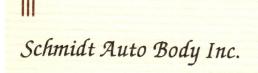
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