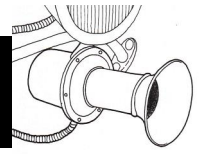




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November 2016



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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:

Here it is November already and we are looking forward to the holidays, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.

We had a pretty busy year with parades, car shows, nursing home shows and our Club Picnic and Club Banquet with great food and shared friendships. Two great tours, the Wings of Freedom at Willow Grove Naval Air Station and the Roebling Steel Museum in Roebling New Jersey. The tours were not only interesting but educational too. At each event we had quite a turnout of members and their Model "A"s.

All in all it's been a good year !!

All the best,

Ted

Editor's Message



Hello everyone:

Our tour recently to the Roebling Museum looks like it was a great event. Thanks to Billy Long for the flyer that we included in this issue.

Shelly Rosen is looking for nice photos of our Model A's for a calendar that will be available to our members. If you have a good photo of your car and haven't already sent it to her, please do so soon.

With the recent change in seasons, have you remembered to check your antifreeze?

See you on the 3rd! *Jim*

Up Coming Events

11/3 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

12/1 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

Happy Birthdays for November 2016!

If we missed your birthday please let the editor know

Graham Smith	4
James Ammean	6
Frank Fitzgerald	11
Philip Johnson	11
Bob Verrall	12
Rosa Miller	14
Anthony Zampirri	18
Beth Ann	22
George Skrot	29
Lois Conway	30



UPCOMING LOCAL AUTO RELATED EVENTS

From Hemmings Motor News and other sources

See enclosed club event listing for our club events

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Delaware Valley Model A Ford Club 2016 Yearly Calendar of Events

January

7 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

February

4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

March

3 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

April

7 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

23 – Hellertown Model A Show

May

5 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

30 – Bensalem / Croydon Parades

June

2 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

4 - Holy Nativity Strawberry Fest in Rockledge

16 - Veterans Home Display

July

4 – Lawncrest Parade – 8:30 Form up

4 – Cheltenham Parade – 11:00 Form up

7 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

9 - Pennypack Woods Parade

August

4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

September

1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

10 - International Model A Ford Day

18 – Club Banquet

October

6 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

5 – 8 – Hershey AACA Meet

November

3 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

TBD – Bristol Township Parade

December

1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

Please advise the editorial staff of any additional events, as well as any changes.

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October 2016 General Meeting Minutes

The Treasurer's Report was read by Don O'Hara.

No visitors this meeting.

Old Business:

14 Cars present for Wake at St. Cecilia's & Graveside service for Bob Kehan.

New Business:

This meeting we are missing people due to the Hershey Car Show.

Shelly Rosen - Calendar suggestion. Members agreed to publish through Shutterfly for our own members. Not as a fund raiser. \$12.00 cost. Photos needed.

Tony's Restaurant in Ivyland - Car Show. October 8th. Rain date October 15th.

Roebing Tour - Scheduled for 13th. Meet at Eagle Diner 10am.

50/50 - George Skrot won.

John Shaeffer presented a tech talk on front end vibration.

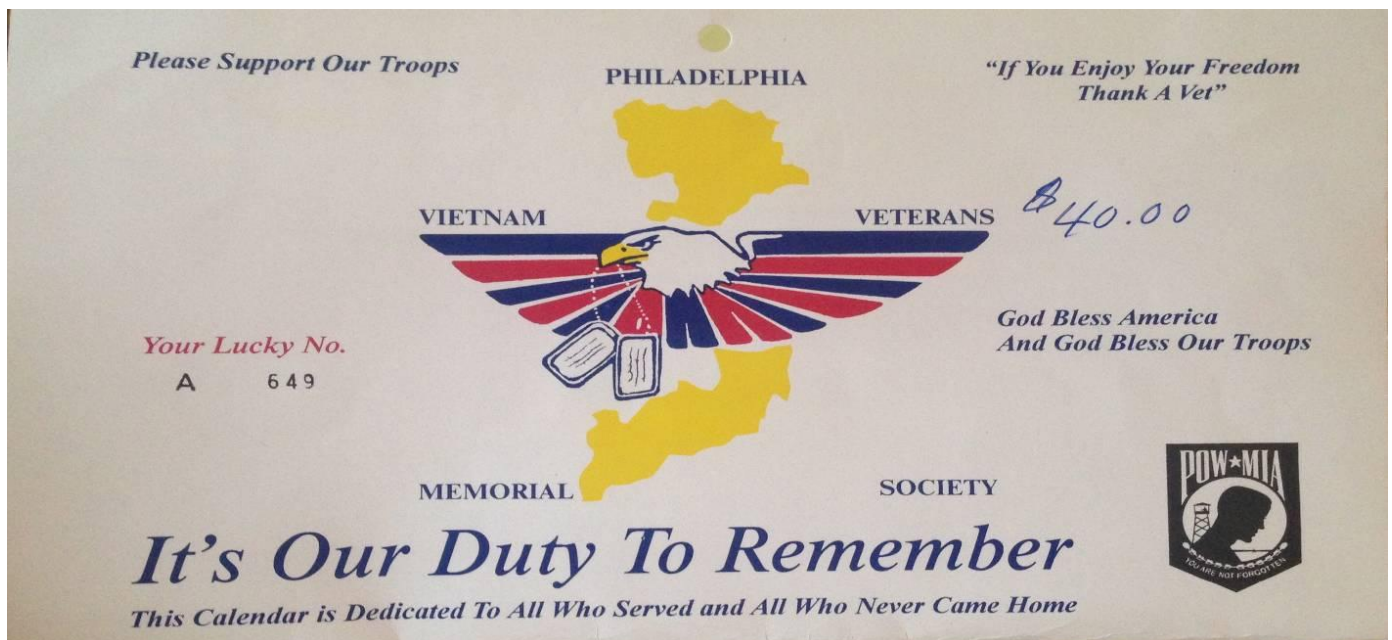
Jack Fritsch ran a movie from 1984 - Mayfair event.

**Once again this year Joan Ferris is selling calendars
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Club News and Events from Billy Long:

Friday, October 7th. Flea Market Run. Joe Weldon, Ted Kulesza, Jack Fritsch and Billy Long went to a flea market way up in the boonies. Billy found a flash light for \$1.00. Ted was able to find Model A Ford pliers for \$1.00. Jack Fritsch found an electric clothes iron stand for \$2.50. Rumors have it that Jack's girlfriend had a minor mishap while ironing a pair of Jack's trousers.

The guys stopped at a Hill Billy+Diner before returning home to Feasterville around 2:30pm.

Thursday, October 13th. Roebing Museum Tour, Roebing, NJ. Billy Long, Joe Weldon, John Sheaffer, Dave Sadowl, Joe Chamberlain, Don Fortune, Stace Leichter, Dave Miller, Ted Kulesza, Carmen Morelli and Ron Kerr met at the Golden Eagle Diner on Route 13 in Bristol before heading over the bridge into New Jersey. Once we arrived at the Museum, we learned about the history of the plant, were given a tour and shown a movie on the history.

Our members were able to pull their cars up on the lawn by the building for a photo-op.

It was a very nice day out with friends and all made it home before the rain.



ROEBLING MUSEUM

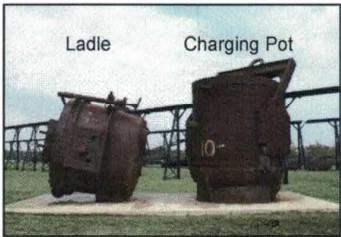
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Craneway

Scrap metal and pig iron, the raw material for steel wire, arrived by rail and river barge and were unloaded in the millyard, in piles reaching 40 ft. high, under two overhead cranes that ran back and forth on these elevated rails. These electro-magnetic cranes lifted the scrap and loaded it into pan cars that ran on the plants interior railroad. During times of peak production the overhead cranes ran around the clock.



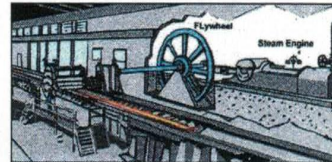
Ladle (used with open hearth and electric furnace 1905-1974)
Molten steel was poured from the furnace into the ladle. The ladle was moved above the molds and steel flowed from the bottom of the ladle into the molds forming ingots.

Charging Pot (used with electric furnace only 1964-1974)
Used to measure and mix the ingredients to make steel. Scrap iron was the main ingredient along with other additives. The mixture varied in accordance with the customer's order.



Flywheel

This flywheel weighs 124 tons and is 24 feet in diameter. It was used to help compress pre-heated ingots through large rollers and reduce them in size. One ingot, 18" square and 6' long was reshaped into six billets, 4" square and 30' long. The flywheel provided inertia to help keep the rollers in constant motion and avoid jams. Power was supplied by a 5000HP, flyball governed Corliss compound steam engine.

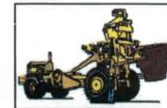


Drawing of the blooming mill roller operation. Wall is cut away to show the location of the flywheel and the steam engine in the adjacent building



LaTourneau Forklift & Slag Pot

This 50 ton fork lift truck was purchased specifically to carry slag to the dumping area. An overhead crane lifted a 30 ton pot of hot slag out of a pit and placed it on to special attachments on the forks. At speeds of 9 mph, the truck carried slag a mile to the dump. There a winch on the truck rotated the slag pot and dumped its contents.



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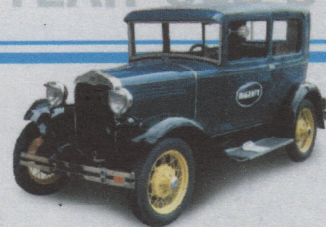
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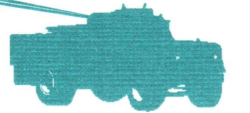
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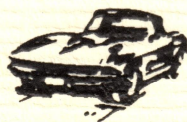
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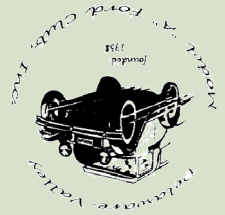
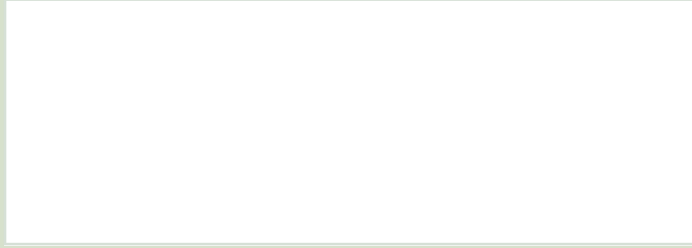


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