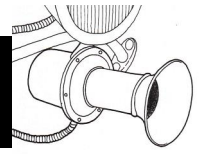
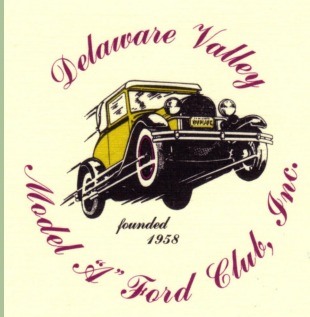




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November 2018



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**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](mailto:M2116x6@comcast.net).**

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## President's Message



Again I lead off with a sad note. Joe Weldon lost his brother Frank last week. We had a nice turnout of cars for his memorial service and I want to thank all who attended. Please remember Frank in your prayers.

On a happier note our vice president, Zach, is the new voice of the Temple University basketball team. He will be announcing the games on the Temple radio station. Zach is hoping to be a sports announcer when he graduates Temple and it sounds like he is off to a good start.

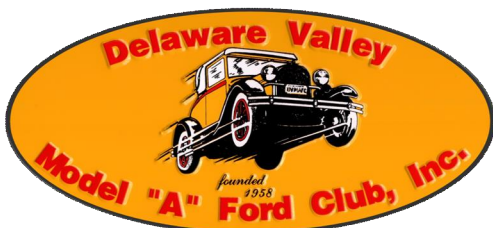
On a local note, a Richboro resident, Mitch Hartka, scored 500 points in the Branson 2018 MARC National Meet. I want to call him and see if he can come to one of our future meetings and tell us about his adventure.

November is the month for our nominations and election of next year's officers, so please think about your possible nominations. Also we have a parade on Nov. 17 at noon in Bristol Township. Details will be announced at the Nov. meeting. Needless to say, a good turnout shows our gratitude and support for Mr. John Daley.

Jumping ahead to December, remember our Christmas Party. We will be needing sides, salads and desserts. We will discuss more at the meeting.

Thank you very much,

Dave Miller



## Up Coming Events

11/1 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

12/6 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

## Happy Birthdays for November!

If we missed your birthday please let the editor know

Graham Smith	4
James Ammean	6
Frank Fitzgerald	11
Philip Johnson	11
Rosa Maria Miller	14
Anthony Zampirri	18
Beth Ann Etling	22
Bonnie Klenk	29
George Skrot	29



## **Delaware Valley Model A Ford Club 2018 Yearly Calendar of Events**

### **January**

4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

### **February**

1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

### **March**

1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

### **April**

5 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

22 – Trexlertown Model A Show

### **May**

3 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

28 – Bensalem / Croydon Parades

### **June**

7 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

2 - Holy Nativity Strawberry Fest in Rockledge

### **July**

4 – Lawncrest Parade – 8:30 Form up on Rising Sun Avenue above Knorr St.

4 – Cheltenham Parade – 11:00 Form up on Ashmead Road at Front Street.

5 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

7 - Pennypack Woods Parade ~ Billy Long POC

### **August**

2 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

25 - Susquehanna Valley Region Luncheon

### **September**

6 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

15 - International Model A Ford Day Picnic

23 – Club Banquet.

### **October**

4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

10 – 13 – Hershey AACA Meet

### **November**

1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

17 – Bristol Township Parade. Kicks off at noon at the elementary school on Haines road, Levittown.

### **December**

6 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley’s

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



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See enclosed club event listing for our club events

### **1st Annual Tribute To Veterans Car Show November 10, 2018 9am-3pm**

Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup>, Benefit Car Show - Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Valley Forge Chapter presents the 1st Annual Tribute To Veterans Car Show. Rain Date Sunday Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. 9am-3pm. 1601 Valley Forge Road Phoenixville Pa 19460. \$20.00 Day of Show Only. Spectators Free, Music By Tom E Tunes. All Years, Makes & Models Welcome Including Rat Rods & Motorcycles. Emergency Vehicles Free to Display not judged. Top 50 Trophies plus Specialty Awards. Good Food Available, Indoor Dining & Bathroom Facilities. Hosted & Judged By Freedom Foundation Valley Forge Chapter Along With The Movin' On KruZers & Gas Guzzlers Car Clubs. Visit Our 52 Acre Medal of Honor Grove. 50/50 Drawing, Raffles / Door Prizes, Vendors. Vendors or More Info. Contact: Amy 267-767-9809. All Proceeds Benefit The Freedom Foundation, Valley Forge Chapter. Registration Closes at Noon.

**When:** November 10, 2018 9am-3pm

**Location:** 1601 Valley Forge Road Phoenixville, PA, 19460

**Cost:** \$20.00 Day of Show

**To Register:** or call Amy Russell at 267-767-9809

### **Cars and Coffee November 24, 2018 9am-12pm**

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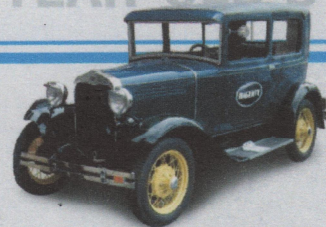


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### Club News From Billy Long

During a recent Friday breakfast, Billy Long asked Don Mannherz if we could bring Chuck Staehly's Woody car over to Don's garage on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> for some work. Don said yes, and that he would like to help out a fellow club member. Joe Weldon, Ted Kulesza, John Scheaffer and Billy Long met at Don's garage at 12:30.

Don had a very handy tool to use for removing the brake drums. Powö, and it was off! We found that the brake drum was not good. Fortunately, Don had one in his back room so we put that on the car and reassembled everything.

By 2:00pm Chuck took the car over to Billy Long's garage to install two new tires and tubes. A short while later everything is done and Chuck is heading home. Billy is locking up the garage and saw that Chuck's watch that he received from the P.T.C. was left there. He called Chuck and agreed to meet at a local church to get it back to him.

Billy Long

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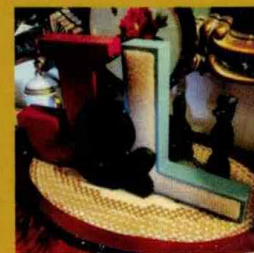
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# A YEAR OF PROGRESS

IT HAS been just a year since the new Ford was introduced. At this first anniversary, it is interesting to review the record of the months just passed and see what has been accomplished.

Since December 2, 1927, nearly 750,000 new Ford cars have been built. Production has been gradually increased from a few hundred a day to 6000 a day. We expect to make 2,000,000 automobiles in 1929.

These are impressive figures. But they are only that. Figures of themselves are unimportant.

The big thing is that the new Ford has delivered a service beyond all expectations. The promise of a year ago is now an accomplished fact.

### *New Ford is the expression of an ideal*

Our policy has always been to regard ourselves as charged with making the best automobile it is possible to make at a low price. That is our mission. We have done it for more than twenty years. The public expects us to keep on doing it.

That obligation includes good design as well as good materials. We hold it our duty to permit nothing to stand in the way of progress, yet we do not make changes simply for the sake of making them. First, it must be demonstrated that what seems like an improvement in theory is an improvement in practice.

THE new Ford has made a high place for itself because it is built on sound principles. There is nothing of an experiment about it.

The whole effort has been toward simplicity—to give you outstanding service with as little machinery as possible. That is where experience counts. Built into the new

Ford is everything we have learned in the making of fifteen million automobiles.

### *The motor has made a remarkable record*

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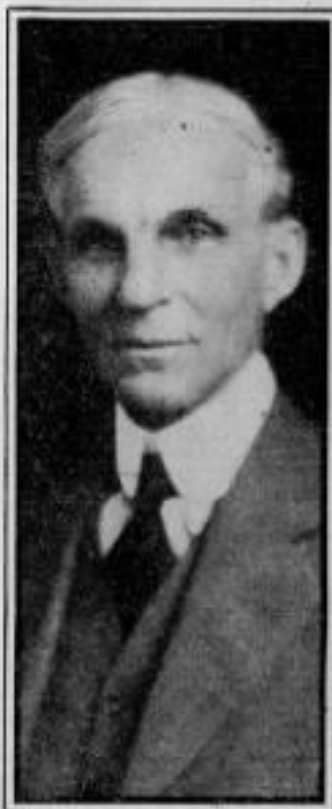
We were building more than a motor when we did this. We were fulfilling the public's trust in us to make the best selection for their use. Had any other type been better, we would have chosen that.

### *Value of simplicity shown in performance*

Daily, in the performance of the new Ford, you can see the value of its sound simplicity of design, its balance, the care with which it is made, and the quality that has been put into it.

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Constantly we are finding new and better ways of doing things. As soon as we are sure of them we put them into the car. There is no such thing as a yearly model. Why should there be? As we make improvements, they are so planned that owners of previously built cars may take immediate advantage of them.

EVERYTHING that has been done has been done with one purpose—to bring the benefits of modern, economical transportation to all the people.

Our mission is to make the best automobile that can be made to sell at a low price. In ever-increasing measure, the new Ford is the expression of that ideal.

the past year. Some more than 100,000 miles. There is no telling how far they will go. The average life of the Model T was seven years. We believe this new car will do even better.

THE engine is the heart of the motor car, of course. Yet there are other features almost as important. We refer particularly to the safety of the fully enclosed six-brake system of the new Ford. To its really remarkable smoothness and stability at all speeds and its easy-riding comfort. To the beauty of its lines and colors. To the ease of control. To the Triplex shatter-proof glass windshield. To the electric welding that makes it such a strong and sturdy car.

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**October 4th, 2018**

**General Meeting**

No treasurer's report.

Old Business:

Banquet - 43 attended. Disappointing turnout. Let's change to May. All agreed. (Cost increase?)

New Business:

Hershey for 1 day - Ted K. , me

Nominating officers for 2019 in November

Xmas party plans (November)

Steve Organ is in the third hospital. They found early onset Leukemia which is believed to be treatable.

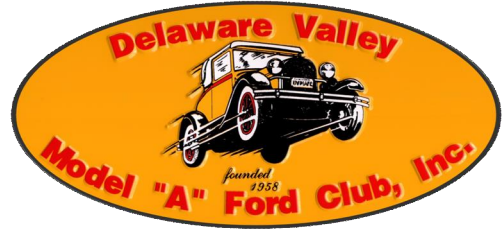
The club agreed to pay Billy Long for gifts supplied. (Gift card idea)

50/50 won by Shelly and was donated back to the club.

Billy Long's gift won by Dave Creelman

Dave Miller's gift won by Elaine Bowman.

Carmen Morelli brought additional magnets to pass out. The various uses of these were discussed at the previous meeting. .



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**More views from our Model A Day Banquet from Rich Winans**  
**No Model A's attended due to the weather**





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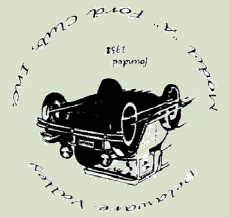
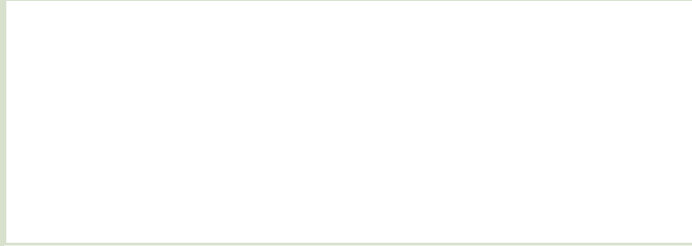
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