

# THE RETURN OF HENRY'S FORD

The 7th Annual Model A and Model T Car and Truck Show, celebrating the Fords that formed the basis of the American automobile industry, is scheduled for September 22, 2007 in Cumberland, MD.

Registration will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the show will continue until 4:00 p.m. Special guests this year will be the Greater Baltimore Model A Ford Club, the Washington D.C. Model A Club and the Model A Ford Club from Naperville, Illinois. Several local Model T and Model A owners will also exhibit their cars and trucks.

In 1899, Henry Ford began his automobile adventure with his Quadricycle, which was powered by a two cylinder, four cycle engine. In 1903, with \$28,000, the Ford Motor Co. was incorporated. Henry Ford had two principals in mind — he wanted to produce good cars in high volume and keep them at a reasonable price.



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In October 1908, Ford introduced the famous Model T — a runabout and a roadster, priced from \$700 to \$750.

The last Model T was made in 1927. Then in 1928, the famous Model A was presented to the public and it was reported that 10,000,000 people saw it within six hours of its debut. The Model A, which featured 10 different models, was produced from 1928 to 1931 and ranged in price from \$480 to \$600.

The Ford Model T and Model A have become two of the favored collectibles in the world of antique cars and trucks. At the 2006 show, 54 vehicles were exhibited on the Cumberland Downtown Mall. Every year of Model A Ford was exhibited.

The Allegany County Museum is the sponsor of the show, and will have a special exhibit of the history of the Model T and Model A. For more information call 301-724-4339.



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