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The Road Trip Masters Visit Havre de Grace

Road trip with teachers, Nick and Brian in their 1968 drop top Cadillac.

Touring Americana like you've never seen before, this duo takes you along for the ride as they get up close and personal with the awesome people and places that make this nation rock.

from www.roadtripmasters.com



Brian, John & Susan Muldoon, Nick

You may have seen it on the streets in late June 2019 – the gold 1968 drop top Cadillac! It's a classic, seen a lot of miles, and carries two genuine humans – Nick Kessler and Brian Fulmer, co-hosts of the Road Trip Masters! I had the opportunity to chat with them during the reception at the Vandiver Inn, where they stayed.

I chuckle when I think about the gold Cadillac because Brian made it a point to take me out to photograph the well-used interior, held together with a lot of duct tape. Like a farmer bragging about his ancient tractor still able to work the field, these guys love their transportation! (*and pray a good deal that she keeps running...*)



Interior of the 1968 drop top Cadillac where Nick & Brian have found front row seats to modern America.

From this wonderful conversation, this quote sums up their purpose:

...what [we learned was that] we felt more comfortable with the small towns. They're so rich in history. So many unique things to see – the people are incredible. We wanted to give the small guy a voice – a bigger voice. We want to showcase their community.

They do it well. During their four busy days in town, they visited Vandiver Inn, Backfin Blues – Creole de Graw, Joey Jobs Decoy Shop, plus the Decoy Museum and Concord Point Lighthouse. They hoped to go fishing with Captain Steve Lay, enjoy the Sailboat Races with Betty and Al Caffo, plus whatever they might squeeze in between these interviews. Three young men traveled with them to film the program, hustling here, there, and truly everywhere to catch those special moments. I wish I had more space to write about them. Every member of this group was polite, friendly, and eager to get to know everyone they could fit into their schedule.

Doppelganger

As soon as I met Nick, I had to tell him that he had a twin – a doppelganger – that lived right here in Havre de Grace. I managed to get in touch with Bill Putland and he met Nick during a gathering at The Yard at Coakley's Pub. What's really interesting is that, not only do they look alike, but Bill is a builder and works with wood. They both have amazing smiles. This was a fun 'extra' to their visit.



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Preparing for a crab feast with some locals at Coakley's Pub.

Just who are these guys – Nick and Brian – who co-host the program? Family guys. Nick is married with two teenage sons. Brian is married with two six year old twins. Teachers from small towns. Travelers. History buffs. Brian teaches Special Education and Nick teaches woodworking and engineering in plastics. Both teach in the Parkland Area School District (Allentown, PA). Road Trip Masters is their summer project. September – they're back in school.

Where to watch their programs:

Season 3 – summer of 2019 – will be available on the **Discovery Channel** beginning April 2020.

This fall the Road Trip Masters will be available on **Amazon Prime**.

You can follow their adventures on their website:

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