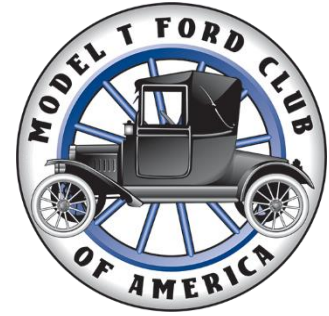




# T Diggins'



Monthly Newsletter of the  
Mother Lode Model T Club  
Celebrating 55 Years of Model T Fun  
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## September 2024

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### Presidents Message



Hi to all Members of the Mother Lode Model T Club,

Last week we had rain storms and 65 degree weather, I didn't know if it was still August or the middle of November.

On Monday, August 26, we drove our cars down to Roseville to celebrate Grace Aldridge's 100th birthday with several members of her family from Texas. We had 4 Model T's and 3 modern cars. The family was very appreciative of our remembering Grace's Birthday,

I've sent out an email that October 1st turns out to be National Model T Day. I was contacted by Cody Stark, from

Goodday/CBS13, who says he would love to spend the morning with the Mother Lode Model T Club talking about how this car changed everything, he wants to show off our beautiful cars and get the word out about the club, and even go for a ride on live TV. There will be more information to come via email.

Our next tour will be on September 7th, which will be a tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum and BBQ at Chris Instness' house in Roseville. If you have not signed up for this event then give Julie Instness a call and get on the list. Next on September 21 we have the *Picnic at the Ranch*, that will be at Elaine Marriotts Ranch near Auburn Valley Country Club in Auburn. If you are not signed up for this event, then give Elaine a call and get on the list. October 6 is the Old Auburn Cemetery Tour. At this event the Placer County Docents would like to have five Model T's on display throughout the cemetery in conjunction with their presentations with events that happened in Auburn back in the early days.

We will have a Board Meeting on September 5th at Mountain Mikes Pizza Parlor in Auburn on Bell Road. Pizza at 5:30 and meeting at 6:30. Everyone is welcome. We will have a General Meeting September 12th at the Black Bear Diner in Auburn. Susie and myself will not be able to attend the meeting as we will be traveling. John Saylor will preside over the meeting, so if everyone could try to attend to support John.

I would like to thank everyone for all your support and help in keeping the Mother Lode Model T Club active.

I hope everyone can attend the September Monthly Meeting.

Your President, *Gary Krezman*

## Next Meeting

**Sept 12 - Black Bear Diner,  
13365 Lincoln Way., Auburn.  
5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Meeting.  
Bring a Show & Tell or old story.**

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## MTFCA ACTIVITIES

**Sept 14 – San Jose – 24th Annual Cars in the Park, Hosted by the Santa Clara Valley MTC.**

**Sept 28-Oct 2 – Parke Country, Indiana – Model T Covered bridge Tour. Visit 30+ covered bridges & Amish Community.**

**Oct 5 – Fullerton, Ca, 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Pre War Parts Exchange & CarShow. Hosted by Orange County Model T Ford Club.**

**Oct 12-13 – San Diego Ca. Annual Speedster Endurance Run. Hosted by the San Diego Model T Ford Club.**

**Oct 16-19 – Kerrville Texas. 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas T Party. Hoster by The Space City T's.**

**See more details for these events in the Vintage Ford Magazine. One of many benefits of a MTFCA membership.**

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## Up Coming Events - 2024

- ◆ **Sept 5 – Board Meeting, Mtn Mikes. 5:30 dinner, 6:30 Meeting.**
- ◆ **Sept 7 – Tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum & BBQ. *Instness.***
- ◆ **Sept 12 - General Meeting, Black Bear Diner, Auburn.**
- ◆ **Sept 13 - 5pm, Auburn Cruise Night. 5pm, Lincoln Way.**
- ◆ **Sept 21 - Picnic at the Ranch – Marriott. Sign up at the meeting.**
- ◆ **Oct 1 – National Model T Day Event**
- ◆ **Oct 6 – Old Auburn Cemetery Car Display. Save the date.**
- ◆ **Dec 15 - Christmas Luncheon at the Ridge. *Mikles.***





## GRACE ALDRIDGE 100TH BIRTHDAY TOUR. AUGUST 26, 2024



On August 26, 2024 a long-time member, Grace Aldridge, turned 100 years young. Her daughters and son, along with family from Texas, hosted a small reception for the occasion. Kitty, Gordan, Paula, Vern and Elaine, and Gary and myself drove back roads to Roseville, There we met John Saylor, Dennis Furr, Toni and Jerry Moore, and Junette Avey. We then Drove to Leatherby's in Citrus Heights for lunch and ice cream.

We all enjoyed seeing Grace, she is amazing. Her mind is still sharp, and she remembered our names. Happy Birthday Grace.

Susie Krezman



More pictures on our website [Photogallery](#)

## Roseville Telephone Museum Tour & BBQ Lunch – September 7<sup>th</sup>



We will meet at the Raley's parking lot at 7:45 a.m. for donuts. Leave at 8:15 a.m. to meander down to the Roseville Telephone Museum. Parking is next to the museum and private tours are arranged to start at 10:00 a.m.

Please sign up **NO LATER THAN AUGUST 29th**. The docents are volunteers and the museum must know how many are attending to plan on how many docents to have on hand. Please call Julie at 916-257-2428 or Richard at 916-346-8702 if you haven't signed up.

After the museum tour, we will travel a few blocks over to Chris Instness' home for a BBQ lunch.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### September Anniversaries

Kent & Kristy Keyser	11
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### September Birthdays

Richard Instness	2
Vern Marriott	16
Paula Mikles	16
Al Stoll	17
Mark O'Connor	20
Bobbi Machado	22
Helen Johnson	28



## **Join Us to Celebrate National Model T Day --October 1**

**U.S. Model T Day is celebrated every year on October 1 to commemorate the day that changed how America traveled on its roads. The Model T Ford was an iconic automobile that changed America's streetscape. We absolutely love and respect Henry Ford for introducing the car to America and contributing to its progress.**

**On October 1, 1908, a team of Ford engineers successfully launched a mass-produced car that most Americans could buy — the Model T.**

**On October 1, 1908, the first Model T car rolled out of the Ford factory on Piquette Avenue in Detroit, Michigan. The car was arguably the first automobile in the world that ordinary middle-class folks could afford. America's working-class warmed up to Henry Ford's creation and the rest, as they say, is history.**

**The Ford Model T was a left-hand drive vehicle with an enclosed four-cylinder engine. Its crankshafts, axles, gears, and springs were fashioned out of vanadium alloy steel, giving it a sturdy drive train. A generous ground clearance endeared it to rural drivers in America.**

**The car became so popular that soon Ford Motor Company built a new 60-acre factory in Highland Park to manufacture Model Ts. The factory was arguably the biggest mass-production facility in those days. Henry Ford created a moving assembly line for the manufacturing process that utilized conveyor belts — a first in automobile production at that time. In six months, a Model T began to be made in a little less than six hours — significantly less than the nearly 10 hours needed initially.**

**So, this year, next month, meet us at Raley's, at 6:30 AM, yes 6:30 AM. Cody Stark from Good Day Sacramento will meet us to interview and film a segment for the show, live. Here is a chance for you and your Model T to be on live TV. Sign up at the meeting.**



**1909 Model T**



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## Meeting Minutes – August

Mother Lode Model-T Club

Meeting Minutes

August 8th, 2024

Big Bear Dinner, Auburn, CA

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

By President Gary Krezman

**Gary introduced Michelle Archbold our guest speaker.**

Michelle has a business, **Auburn Auto Registration Services** helping people with registering cars, trucks, motorcycles & trailers with the DMV. She is efficient & affordable! She is very much appreciated by Old Car People who have difficult problems with titles.

**Secretary:** Junette reports no corrections to the Minutes of July 11th, 2024.

Minutes Approved.

**Treasurer:** Kitty reported Treasury is Solvent.

**Vice President:** Susie Sent around a "100th" Birthday card for Grace Aldridge. She gave details about the planned 'Drive By' with the Model-T's!

Her family will be there also to enjoy the cars and celebrate our long time Club Member.

**Old Business:** Gary thanked Kitty & Paula for arranging the "Beat the Heat"

tour. There were 4 Model-T's. Vern Marriot had to race home to play midwife for the arrival of a new born calf. He returned to join the breakfast. Blair Van Vliet made a video of the tour.

The Big Boy Engine was on exhibit in Roseville. Chris Instness lives close to the Rail Yard so he took both his cars over. He was able to get into an area where he could get closer to the Engine and get pictures. He met some people from Seattle who tried to follow the train but just missed it. John Saylor parked in a garage and it took him an hour to get out. There were exhibits about trains & a 1940's Jazz Band.

**New Business:** Cruise Night this Friday. The next tour will be on Saturday September 7th. Planned by the Instness family. It will be to the Roseville Telephone Museum. Meet at Raley's at 7:45 am.

There is a parking lot next to the Museum. We will have a BBQ at Chris' house to follow, please bring chairs. The club voted to donate \$100. to the Museum.

On Sept 21st the Marriott's "Picnic at the Ranch" will be held. Meet at Rite Aid at 11:30 am.

A Board Meeting will be held on Thursday Sept 5th at Mountain Mikes. Pizza at 5:30 pm, meeting at 6:30. Gary & Susie will not be at the General Meeting Sept 12th. John Saylor will substitute.

John would also like members to check our Web Site, under members cars to confirm if there is a picture of your car or if you no long own the car in the picture please let him know.

Sadly the Editor of "Nor Cal Car Culture", Tim Newey has suffered a severe stroke. His condition is not known currently. *(Since the meeting Tim reported in his August 22 newsletter that he is slowly recovering and hopes to be back covering car shows and events soon.)*

**Stories:** Chris shared a bit of history about his house. It belonged to Catherine Gates and was built by her father. She lived there 65 yrs and taught school. After she retired she volunteered for many organizations. A school and a park in Roseville have been named after her.

Paula shared that for the Beat the Heat Tour, Susie did not attend so Gordon suggested she ride with Gary. Gordon thought less weight would make it easier for his car to make it up the hills. Kitty shared it did not make it any easier for Gordon's car!

**Meeting Adjourned:** At 7:30 pm

By President Krezman

Cordially: Junette Avey, Secretary

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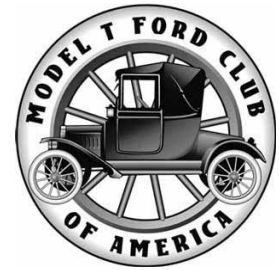
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Annual dues for the MTFCA are \$50.00 payable to:

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