



T Diggins'

Monthly Newsletter of the
Mother Lode Model T Club

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September 2013

Activities at a Glance

- ◆ **September 18 - Wednesday - LOL**, 11:30 am
Original Pete's in the Raley's Shopping Center,
Auburn. Marjorie Taylor 530 637-4918.
- ◆ **September 21- Tour to Ione and the Preston
Mansion- Junette Avey-Brown.**
- ◆ **September 12 - Thursday, Monthly Meeting
at
The Sizzler, 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn.
Come for dinner at 5:30 - 6pm. Meeting will
start at 7.**
- ◆ **October 5 - Speedster Run - Les Silveira**
- ◆ **October 27 - Fall Colors Tour - Bridgeport Fall
Festival - Erik & Cindy Lindstedt.**
- ◆ **Dec 14 - Christmas party, Auburn Valley
Country Club. Eula Marriott**



September Tour to Ione

This month's tour will take us to the Preston Castle in Ione. Meet at Raley's at 8:30 am. Leave by 9. Rsvp to Junette at 916-436-4176.



The Preston Castle was built in 1890 to house the *Preston School of Industry*, and is now a California State Historical Landmark.

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Members feast in the shade at the **ICE CREAM SOCIAL & POTLUCK** Saturday, August 3

This year the Ice Cream Social was hosted by Jerry & Toni Moore at their home in the Auburn countryside.

We arrived to a beautiful setting under the shade of huge oak trees and a view described by several a

"million dollar view". Some of the group spent time

looking at Jerry's cars and well equipped shop while others socialized and toured the ranch house. Toni rang the dinner bell and we enjoyed a

feast of homemade dishes and deli sandwiches. We finished the day with ice cream and desserts.

Thanks to Toni and Jerry for hosting this event.



LOL September (Ladies Out to Lunch)

All ladies of the Model T Club are welcome to attend

What: LOL Lunch
Where: Original Pete's in the Raley's Shopping Center, Auburn
When: Wednesday, September 18, 2013
Time: 11:30 am
Hostess: Marjorie Taylor 530 637-4918

**Monthly Look at Ford Trademarks and Logos
Through the Years**



October Fall Colors Tour - Sunday, October 27. Erik & Cindy are planning another fun Fall tour. Plans are to tour to the Bridgeport Fall Festival near Penn Valley. We will experience some living history of the bridge and surrounding area, live music, arts and crafts, pumpkins, hay rides, and more. Meet at Raley's, 8:30 Am leave by 9 am.



**GOLD COUNTRY
SPEEDSTER RUN**

Speedster Run - Les Silveira is sponsoring this event in the Grass Valley area. Although not a club sponsored event, all speedster owners are welcome to attend.



OCT. 5 2013

FOR INFORMATION CALL

530-272-3994

Club Logo Items

Travel mugs with club logo are available to purchase for \$10.00 each. These are really nice, stainless steel with lid. Call Steve Short to get yours. 916-791-7087.



Club Shirts

We also still have a supply of shirts with the club logo. Blue Tee Shirts with the logo on the back and club name on the front. \$10. ea. Sizes M, L & XL. Polo shirts with the club name on the front above a pocket. \$22. Sizes M, L & 2XL. Call John Saylor 916-723-1613 to reserve yours.

Embroidered logo patches both large and small are also available. These can be sewn onto jackets or other items of your choosing. Contact Kitty for these items.

What's happening at the CAM

VW Invasion 2

All VW Car Show, **FREE for spectators!**
Music / Food / Raffles

On September 29, 2013 Norcal V Dubs and the California Automobile Museum invite every VW Owner and enthusiast in and around Sacramento to participate in this awesome all-you-can-gawk VW day.

All air cooled and water cooled VWs of interest are welcome.



Do you have a Volkswagen that you'd like to show?
\$15 online / \$20 at the gate.

For Sale: 1923 T Runabout. Mostly complete. All Stock. Needs total restoration. Has new in box complete wiring system. \$2750 or reasonable offer. Contact Jeff Instness @ 916-257-0263 or Rich Instness @ 916-726-5388



Birthdays and Anniversaries



September Birthdays

Richard Instness	2	Al Stoll	17
Maxine Duarte	2	Jeff Instness	19
Eula Marriott	9	Mark O'Connor	20
Maya Marroitt	11	Bobbi Machado	22
Elizabeth Porco	15	Dave Barnes	26
Vern Marriott	16	Helen Johnson	28
Paula Mikles	16	Doris Bailey	29

September Anniversaries

Mike & Pat Bashore	5
Russ & Nita Purvis	7
Jack & Cleona Duncan	11
Bruce & Carol Fitzsimmons	21
Dustin & Mary Ramsey	27
Ken & Olivia Marriott	28



Special Congratulation to Roger & Mary Lyn Barrett and to Les and Sandy Silveira who are celebrating 50 years of marriage.

Meeting Minutes -

General Meeting Minutes

Mother Lode Model T Club
General Meeting Minutes,
August 8, 2013

The August, 2013, general membership meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Gary Krezman. The meeting was held at The Sizzler Restaurant, Auburn, Ca. Attendance was low.

Greeter Report - Junette reported that no guests or strangers were present.

Secretary Report - John reported the minutes of the last general meeting (July 2013) were printed in *T Diggins'*. There were 2 corrections. We received correspondence from other area clubs, cars for sale and notices of events. These were passed around for all to review.

Treasurer Report - Kitty reported the income of one coffee mug sale, expenses for the July tour, bank fees and Secretary of State document search. A detailed report was made available for all to review.

Club Logo Mugs - Steve short gave a short sales pitch for the coffee mugs.

Activities

VP report-Upcoming events -

September Tour - Susie reported the September 21 tour to Lone and the Preston Castle. Junette is the tour leader. Meet at Raley's at 8:30 and leave at 9 am.

LOL's will be at Mel's on Aug 21, RSVP to Mary Ramsey.

Speedster Run - Les will be hosting the Gold Country Speedster run on October 5. It will start and end in Alta Sierra. It will be a fun run of 125 miles and not competitive, just for fun. A sign up was passed around.

(minutes, cont'd)

October Tour - The Fall Colors tour will be hosted again this year by the Lindstedt family and is presently scheduled for October 27.

November - There is nothing scheduled for November. Susie asked if anyone had any ideas. John suggested the Auburn veteran's day parade. She will check on entry requirements and report back next meeting.

December- The Christmas party will be at the Auburn Valley Country Club December 14 , Eula Marriott is chairing.

Sunshine - Congratulations to Roger and Marylyn Barrett on their recent 50th wedding anniversary celebration. Susie sent a get well card to Cleona Duncan, who is recovering from a stroke. She also sent congratulations card to Roger & Mary Lynn Barrett for their 50th anniversary. Also congratulations to Les & Sandy Silveira for their 50th anniversary this month. She sent a thank you to the Moore's for hosting the ice cream social.

Old Business

Gary reported on the July tour to the Greek Bistro in Colfax. We had one model T, one model A and some moderns. The restaurant was not ready for us but we survived.

Erik reported the fund raiser for Larry Dansereau was a huge success with 400+ people in attendance. Larry and his family was very appreciative. Erik and a friend did a very good impression of the Blues Brothers.

The ice cream social hosted by Jerry & Toni Moore was well attended. Lots of good food, ice cream and most perfect weather. Tables were set up under the shade of giant oaks with a million dollar view of the valley below. The guys toured through Jerry's cars and shop while the ladies got a tour of the house and gardens.

New Business

Gary reported that the Sizzler will be closing on August 22 through September 9 for renovations. They expect to reopen on September 10 in time for our meeting on September 12. Gary will check with them next month to make sure they are on schedule and will not affect our meeting date.

Julie Barrett went over the cookie dough project for Courtney's cheer leading group. Pick up should be around Aug 26.

Gary asked everyone to look through their "stuff" and bring a show and tell for the next meeting.

There being no additional business the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
John Saylor, Secretary

This month I will start a short series on "*The Prodigal Ford*" or "*Lizzy, Come Home*"

by Roger Barrett.

During 1953 I was a senior at Canoga Park High School in Southern California. My transportation was a 1928 Model A pickup. My friends all drove similar vintage vehicles and we were constantly on the lookout for more. The concept of restoring cars had not reached us. We simply repaired and drove them. There was a glut of old cars in those days and no one wanted them. I bought a very nice 1937 Plymouth sedan that ran for \$7.00 and a shabby looking 1934 Auburn Roadster that did not run for \$10.00. Our rule of thumb was to pay no more than the value of the tires and battery. The 1927 Buick roadster, which I still have, was rather expensive, it cost \$25.00.

One of our group said that he knew of a Model T at a pig farm in Calabasas and invited us to go and look at it which we did. Calabasas today is the home of Justin Bieber and other celebrities. Back then, it was quite different. The car, of course, was in a barn. The T was a 1926 roadster pickup. It was a 1930's hotrod with a Rajo overhead valve setup, Bosch ignition and a Winfield carburetor. The firewall had been cut away in the center and the gas tank modified to allow for the overhead valve casting. The windshield and the top had been lowered several inches. The license plate was 1940. The woman who owned the pig farm was happy to have us admire the car but, she said that it belonged to her son and was not for sale.

(Prodigal Ford,Cont'd)

By 1954, I was working for the Knickerbocker Plastic Company in North Hollywood making squirt guns. The work shift ended at 4 AM. And my commuter was a 1924 TT truck with a large wooden cab. My friends called the truck *Teddy* because it was a *Rough Rider*. One morning, I was standing in the predawn parking lot facing east getting ready to crank start the truck. Suddenly, there was a brilliant flash that lit up the whole horizon. They were testing an atomic bomb in Nevada. The image of that truck cab against a bright background is still vivid in my memory.

By 1956, I was working for Pacific Telephone and living in Glendale. I had acquired a nicely restored 1930 Model A coupe. At this time, Ed Winfield had a shop in Glendale so, when the Model A needed engine work, I took him the camshaft and he personally reground it for me. During the fall of 1957, I was drafted into the army.

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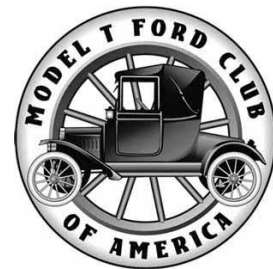


Beautiful drive through the country side near Lincoln.

Shakedown Tour April 2006



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Club Website

The Mother Lode Model T Club maintains a website at <http://www.motherlodemodelt.com>. The website keeps members informed of club activities, photos of club events and members cars. The website also provides a membership information and application. The website also introduces those new to the hobby to the club.

The *Mother Lode Model T Club* was organized during 1967 and became a member of the *Model T Ford Club of America* in 1969. The club is a non-profit organization dedicated to the personal enjoyment of its members through the preservation and restoration of the Model T Ford and especially through activities involving the use of Model T Fords.

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month with the exception of December, at the Sizzler, 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn, Ca. 5:30 pm for dinner, 7 pm meeting.

Membership is open to anyone with an interest in Model T Fords. Ownership of a Model T is not necessary.

Dues - Annual Dues are \$20 per family.

Members are encouraged to join the Model T Ford Club of America. MTFCA members receive the bi-monthly publication *The Vintage Ford*, voting privileges in national club and can participate in the many national club tours and events. Annual dues for the MTFCA is \$35.00 payable to:

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