



T Diggins'

Monthly Newsletter of the Mother Lode Model T Ford Club

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February 2016 – Happy Valentine's Day!

President's Ramblings



We kicked off the New Year with another house filling meeting at the Sizzler. It was good to see everyone come out. We had another fun auction of old car posters donated by Junette and an early tail lamp/license bracket by Rich Baughman. Then on Saturday, January 16, we again filled the room at Mountain Mikes for the annual Pizza Feed with good pizza, good service and all of you attending.... The 50-50 lives on!! Subsequent to the meeting two volunteers have come forward to continue this fun tradition. So, Allen will be coming around with the bucket and tickets, Sherry Rodriguez will be the backup. The crab feed is just around the corner. Last update was we will have crab from Oregon or Washington. See sign up forms and get you reservation in. Tours are being planned. VP Suzy needs a volunteer for a June tour. This year we will again have the annual safety check at Louis Burcher's on March 19. This is also an excellent location to teach your wife or anyone wanting to learn to drive a Model T. So, let's get those T's ready to tour. Janice myself and our Grandson Luke went down to the CAM and took in the Vintage Trailer display. This is very well done with some very nicely restored Shasta, Aljo and interesting stream lined trailers and motor homes. They are all set up with vintage tables, chairs and camping equipment. So if you are looking for something different to do on one of our many rainy days, remember that with your current MLMTC membership card, you get a free admission.

John Saylor

Activities

Feb 11 - Thursday, Monthly Meeting. Sizzler at 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn. Come for dinner at - 5:30 - 6 pm. Meeting will start at 7 pm.

Feb 15 - American Heritage Day. Mt. Vernon Memorial Park, Fair Oaks.

Feb 16 - LOLs, 11:30 am, Sweetpea's Restaurant on Luther Rd, Auburn. Hostess: Naomi Edmonds, 530 885-8175 All Ladies in the club are invited.

Feb 20 - Annual Crab Feed, Mt. Vernon Grange Hall 3185 Bell Rd., Auburn, CA 95603.

Mar 7 - Board meeting. Round Table, Elm Center, Auburn.

Mar 12 - Charter Celebration, Auburn Valley Country Club. See enclosed flyer.

Mar 19 – Annual Safety Check, Burcher's.

April 2 - Gil Machado Annual Memorial Shakedown Tour, Sanders Aeronautics Aircraft Restorations, Ione.

May 21-22 - Pava's Antique Car Tour, Model T and HCCA - Cameron Park.

June 5 - Mother Lode Swap Meet, Auburn.

July - Annual Breakfast Tour.



Auburn Area Christmas Basket Program

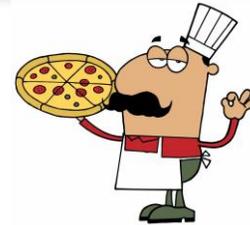
Eula Marriot received a gracious note to share regarding the donations made at our club's Christmas party

“The Auburn Area Christmas Basket Program thanks all members for your generous donation of food and toys for the less fortunate in the area. Your generous donations made the holidays happier for many.”

Manuel Ferreira, Board Member

Scenes from the Pizza Feed

As John referenced in his Ramblings, we had a great turn out at the Pizza Feed – We do love to eat!

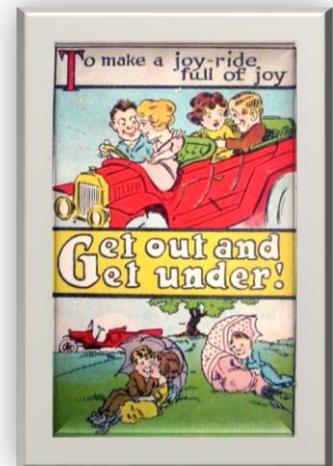


A car, romance, and a song! ... What could be better?!!!!

There were many songs written in the early days professing the virtues (and pitfalls) of the new and wondrous automobile. And, more often than not, those songs included verse devoted the delights of young love and romance. One of the most popular, “He’d Have to Get Out and Get Under” was published in 1913 with music by Maurice

Abrahams and lyrics by Grant Clark and Edgar Leslie. Several different singers, the likes of Bobby North Al Jolson, and Billy Murray recorded the tune that was heard on crank-up Victrolas across the country. The lyrics from the chorus will give you an idea of what it was all about...

*He'd have to get under, get out and get under
To fix his little machine.
He was just dying to cuddle his queen,
But every minute when he'd begin it,
He'd have to get under, get out and get under,
Then he'd get back at the wheel.
A dozen times they'd start to hug and kiss
And then the darned old engine, it would miss.
And then he'd have to get under, get out and get under,
And fix up his automobile!*



If you want to hear what the song sounded like, check it out on YouTube – It will warm your heart! And then, make sure to get out and get under and do a little “sparking” with your special valentine. (EL)

LOL Gathering for February

This month's LOL (Ladies out to Lunch) is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16th at Sweetpea's Restaurant at 11:30 AM, located at 13498 Luther Road, Auburn, CA 95603. Naomi Edmonds is hosting the event and can be reached at 530-885-8175.

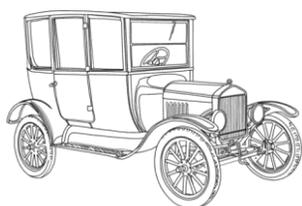
Crab Feed, Saturday, February 20th

Get ready for the best crab feed ever! See details on page seven of this newsletter. Reservations and payment need to be in by February 12th.



Charter Brunch Celebration, Saturday, March 12th

A very special brunch is being planned for this year's Charter Celebration at the Auburn Valley Country Club. Please see details in the flyer accompanying this newsletter. Reservations needed by February 15th.



What's in a name? A car's name, that is.

Back in the early 1900's when automobiles first crept out onto city streets and rural roads they often carried their names along with them. Often, as today, the owner would refer to the car as to the name of its manufacture or model... "The Ford," "The Olds," "The Winton," "The T" etc. As the brands became more popular some acquired names that reflected unique characteristics. The Model T was known as a "Tin Lizzy" – Short for Elizabeth, a "Lizzy" was known as a helper around the farm or house and in 1922 a Ford named "Old Liz" gained racing recognition at Pikes Peak. Another Model T label was "a flivver," slang for a cheap, small car. But many times the car was given a much more unique and personal name by their owners. Owners often chose a name that they may have given to the horse (or other animal) that the car may have replaced – "Dobbins" or perhaps "Bessie." Some owners preferred reference to the car's color or other attribute – names like "Big Blue" or "Fast Felix." Keep in mind a horseless carriage was rarely a nameless carriage. So, does your Model T (or other antique/vintage car) have a special name? Or, did you name a car in the past? If so, what is it and how did your car get that special name? We hope to include details of your car's name in upcoming T Diggins' newsletters. Please send your car's name and a few notes on how the car's name came to be to: Erik Lindstedt, thelindstedts@gmail.com - Or by mail: P.O. Box 705, Applegate, CA 94703. Also, if you have a special picture of your car you would like to share, send it along.

Steve Elliot's T's Names



1912 Speedster. Her name is "GiddyUp Atoila". I thought up this name as giddy up, like slow poke horsey, that needs a push and a shove to get going. "Atoila" "women's name meaning beautiful. My truck needed a girlfriend.

1925 TT 1Ton Truck. "Atlas". A tough old male name meaning very strong. Found it on the late model Ford trucks. To this day my TT can out haul a late model truck and still has the full flat bed, no extra cab.

TTHats All Folks, Steve. Ps I haven't named my other two yet.



General Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2016

Call to Order / Welcome - The January 2016 general membership meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by President John Saylor. The meeting was held at the Sizzler Restaurant, Auburn, CA.

Greeter Report – Junette noted the presence of no new faces.

Sunshine Report – Susie Krezman reported that she sent a condolences card to Mary Ramsey for Dusty's passing, on behalf of our Club.

- John Saylor then stood and advised that he had received a call from Harold Ellingson's Daughter, who called to tell him Harold was killed in a car accident before Christmas. He was a long time member, and had been living in Montana.
- Steve Elliott advised that Doug Avery was going in for lung cancer surgery on Friday, January 15. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.
- Susie Krezman advised that Joyce Weitzel was going to have shoulder surgery on Friday, January 15. Keep her in your thoughts too.

Secretary Report – Steve Short was not present due to out of town travel, so Minutes were taken for this meeting by Kitty Goodell. The Minutes of the November 12th 2015 General Meeting were printed in last months "T Diggins' Newsletter". As there were no other corrections or additions requested, the November Minutes were declared to stand without change.

Treasurer Report – Kitty Goodell proffered 2 Financial reports covering the month of December and January. The Club remains in a solid financial position.

T-Diggins Editor Report – Erik Lindstedt reported that everyone should try to follow the New Year's resolutions for the Mother Lode Model T Club in the January newsletter. (Great

resolutions have been provided by Erik! thank you!) Erik also passed out sheets with "What's in a name?" which provided information on how cars had names when they first started hitting the streets, and how they changed over time. He's asking Club members to tell stories of their cars and names, and provide to him so the fun stories can be shared in future newsletters. Contact Erik for more information if you missed it (email or snail mail him).

Vice President's Report on Upcoming Activities – Susie Krezman, Club V.P. provided an updated general summary of upcoming 2016 MLMTC Events and activities for the Membership.

Possible Midweek Tour in the Future: Susie again asked for the Membership's thought on having Midweek tours in the future. A show of hands delivered strong support for the idea.

- Susie advised she still needs a volunteer for a June tour.
- She asked if there is interest in the July 4th tour and parade in Dutch Flat, let her know if you are. She and Junette will be planning another breakfast tour in July.
- August Susie needs a volunteer to chair the Ice Cream Social.
- September the Silviera's will host a tour early in the month, no date set yet.
- October Susie is hoping the Lindstedt's will be willing to host another fall colors tour.
- December Susie is hoping Eula Marriott will host the annual Christmas Dinner, as she always does such a great job.

Other Activities

Monthly Racing Report-
Bobbie Weitzel and Chief
Mechanic, Eric Barrett)
provided an update.



Old Business

Trouble Trophy – Junette did not bring the trophy to the meeting as she will be adding to it. Mark Porco also wasn't present to become the latest proud recipient. We all will have to wait for the awards ceremony!

Club trailer repair – John again reported that a Work Party date will not be scheduled until this spring.

Post Swap Meet BBQ Clean up – an arrangement has been made to accomplish the BBQ equipment clean up in the immediate future.

Club Shirts - John again reported that he still had a very small stock of MLMTC shirts. If you are interested, please contact John directly to see what sizes are available. John advised that he still has a few sweatshirts left for sale.

Club Auction of antique Model T Car parts - We have had numerous donated car parts and items of interest placed at auction for the benefit of the club over the past several months. Members should feel free to keep bringing their unwanted parts to the monthly club general meetings! This month Junette donated 2 prints: One of a junk yard and the other which listed Ford parts.

- Rich Baughman had the winning bid for the junk yard poster at \$8.00, but he gave \$10.00.
- Erik Barrett had the winning bid on the Ford Parts print at \$8.00.
- Rich Baughman donated a tail light/license plate holder. Topher had the winning bid at \$12.00

New Business

Tech Tips – No information was offered this evening.

American Heritage Days at Mt. Vernon Mem. Park, Fair Oaks – John Saylor advised this year it is by invitation only, and is on President's Day February 15. Let John know if you're interested in going.

Ralph Roper stood up and advised Ropers Jewelers is having a 60th Anniversary celebration at the Auburn Fairgrounds on January 31 from 1-4pm. This is a free event open to everyone, and they will have food, prizes and live music. Come help celebrate!

Swap Meet Flyers were delivered by Gary Krezman for folks to take and post (or pass out as they can) to get the word out about our well known annual function.

50-50 – No gambling tickets were sold this evening. John Saylor asked if anyone would like to take over the responsibilities. Since no one volunteered the 50/50 is no longer in place at this time.

The President made a final call for any other New Business from the membership present. Hearing none, a motion to adjourn was offered by Junette, seconded by John Boorinakis, and President Saylor gaveled the Meeting to a close at 7:46 PM!

Kitty Goodell, recording Secretary for Stephen Short, Secretary



Trading Post

1922 Model T depot hack \$5000 or offer - I will answer any questions
916-202-6695 ask for Sam



Happy February Birthdays!

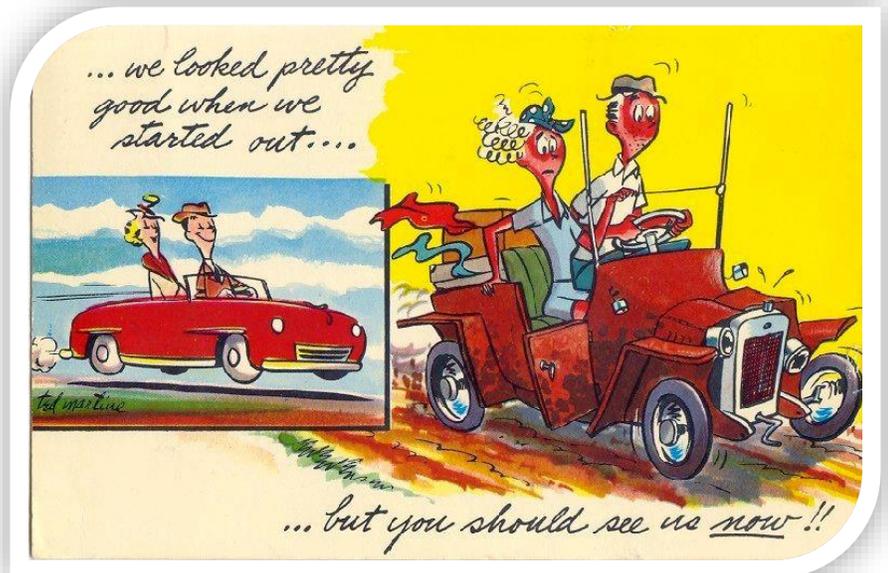
Darren Saylor	1
Shawn O'Connell	2
Suzanne Folsom-Weitzel	2
Topher Matson	2
Annette Lusk	12
George Tuck	12
Richard Baughman	14
Kitty Goodell	18
John Saylor	22
David Pava	23
Jerry Moore	25
Ralph Roper	28
Bruce Ingram 2	8



So, how does it feel turning another year older??????

Happy February Anniversaries!

Mervin & Barbara Hall	11
Bruce & Mindy Ingram	14
Skip & Pam Nowack	20



"I know a lot about cars, man. I can look at any car's headlights and tell you exactly which way it's coming". Mitch Hedberg



COME JOIN US FOR THE
Mother Lode Model T Club CRAB FEED

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 20, 2016
SOCIAL HOUR 5 PM & DINNER 6 PM
@ MT. VERNON GRANGE
3185 BELL ROAD, AUBURN, CA 95603

COST: **Members:** \$20 each. **Guests:** \$40 per person. Make checks out to **Mother Lode Model T Club** & send them to Gordon Goodell. Checks must be received **no later than February 12, 2016**, and no refunds after that date.

Gordon & Kitty Goodell
6760 Maywood Way - Sacramento, CA 95842
916-334-5904 (gkgood@sbcglobal.net)

Pasta, salad, bread, water, coffee, and ice cream will be provided.

PLEASE NOTE: bring your own choice of drink if you want anything other than water or coffee. The club will not be providing soft drinks or wine. Alcoholic beverages are allowed in the facility. 

IMPORTANT!! Don't forget to write below or phone Gordon & Kitty with the total number in your group so we order enough crab! Also indicate how you will participate by stating what you will bring, and how you will help. We need help with table set up and tear down, as well as clean up and mopping.

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NAMES _____

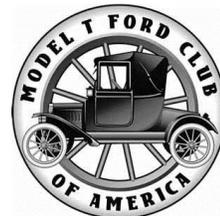
TOTAL IN YOUR GROUP ATTENDING _____

TOTAL \$ ENCLOSED FOR MEMBERS & GUESTS \$ _____

What will you bring (appetizers, dessert, etc.)? How will you help (set-up, decorate, serve, cleanup, etc.)?



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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 \$40.00 payable to:

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