



T Diggins'



Monthly Newsletter of the
Mother Lode Model T Club

<http://www.motherlodemodelt.com>

February 2017

Activities at a Glance

- ◆ February 4 - Free Museum Day Sacramento.
- ◆ February 9 - **Thursday, Monthly Meeting.** Sizzler at 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn. Come for dinner at 5:30 - 6 pm. Meeting will start at 7 pm.
- ◆ February 21, Tuesday, LOL Lunch, 11:30 Sweet Peas Restaurant, Luther Rd, Auburn RSVP - Naomi Edmonds, 530-885-8175
- ◆ February 11, Annual Crab Feed. Auburn Grange Hall.
- ◆ March 5 - Charter Celebration Brunch Auburn Elks
- ◆ March 17-18, Chickasha Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK.
- ◆ April 7-8 - HCCA Bakersfield Swap Meet.
- ◆ April 22 - Gil Machado Memorial Shake down tour to Colusa.
- ◆ May - Local tour by Brad Lusk
- ◆ June 3 - Mother Lode Swap Meet setup.
- ◆ June 4 - **Mother Lode Swap Meet.** Gold Country Fairgrounds.
- ◆ July 4 - Dutch Flat Parade and picnic at Little Bear Tree Farm in Alta.

President's Message



Happy Greetings to the members of the Mother Lode Model T Club. Thanks to all who attended the President's pizza feed. It's always a good event, you can't go wrong with pizza in

my book. The sun finally came out for the Turlock swap meet and there were more of our members there than model T's. Turlock has been that way for a while now. Still a good time for us.

Well, tour season is right around the corner now, so get 'em ready. Lots of good ones coming starting with the Shakedown in April. We can all talk about it at the Crab Feed on 2/11.

On the national scene, I understand you can still sign up for the tour in Whitefish, MT. Dad and I are looking forward to this one for sure. Then there are the Chickasha and Bakersfield swap meets. These are the best ones ever besides our own meet. We will be at both and have room for hauling goodies home if needed.

Speaking of the swap meet, it's never too early to think about what you can do to assist the club in this event that essentially finances us through the whole year. Without it the club would not be the same. Some new blood would be good for the event and the people who have done it for years will be thrilled to show us how it's done.

See you out on the road!

Erik Barrett

Annual Pizza Feed

We had a hungry bunch at the annual pizza feed held at Mountain Mike's in Auburn. We ate and ate and socialized until it was all gone! Thanks to President Erik for setting this up.



Where's the Pizza?

Last Call - Annual Crab Feed

Last call to reserve your place for our annual crab feed. The date is Saturday, February 11, 2014, 5 pm social, 6 pm dinner. The big event will again be held at the Grange Hall, 3185 Bell Rd. Auburn.

COST: Members: \$20 each. Guests: \$40 per person. Make checks out to **Mother Lode Model T Club** & send them to Kitty Goodell. Checks must be received **no later than Feb 3, 2017**, and no refunds after that date. At this point it would be best to call Gordon or Kitty to see if they can get you in.



Reminder- Dues are Due

The 2017 Dues notices have been mailed out. You don't want to miss an issue of the *T Diggins'* or be left out of the roster. So, if you haven't sent them in yet, please mail ASAP or pay at the February Meeting. The 2017 roster will be based on paid members as of the February meeting.



48th Annual Charter Celebration

Every year in March we celebrate the anniversary of the club and acceptance as a chartered chapter of the *Model T Ford Club of America*.

This year we will celebrate with a brunch on March 5. The big event will be held at the Auburn Elks Lodge, 195 Pine Street, Auburn. We will kick off at 9 am with a social time with the brunch served at 10 am. See the attached flyer for RSVP information. Susie Krezman and Sherry Rodriguez are chairing this event.



Sacramento Area Free Museum Day, Saturday February 4.

Here is your chance to explore some of the area museums for free.

Participating Museums -

California Agriculture Museum – California Automobile Museum – California Museum – California State Capitol Museum – California State Library – California State Railroad Museum – Don & June Salvatori California Pharmacy Museum – Fairytale Town – Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park – Locke Boarding House Museum – Maidu Museum & Historic Site (Roseville) – Museum of Medical History – Old Sacramento Schoolhouse Museum – Old Sacramento State Historic Park – Powerhouse Science Center Discovery Campus – Roseville Utility Exploration Center – Sacramento Children's Museum – Sacramento Historic City Cemetery – Sacramento History Museum – Sacramento Zoo – Sojourner Truth African American Museum – State Indian Museum – Sutter's Fort State Historic Park – Verge Center for the Arts – Wells Fargo History Museum (Capitol Mall) – Wells Fargo History Museum (Old Sacramento)



National Tour

As Erik mentioned above there is still room to sign up for the National Tour centered in Whitefish, Montana. Several in our club are going. You do have to be a member of one of the National Clubs to attend.

♦ July 16-22 - MTFCA-MTFCI National Tour, White Fish, Montana. See details in *The Vintage Ford*.

Classic Car Show at Raley Field. This might be fun to do as a group.

Group email List



The California Auto Museum is sponsoring this show at Raley Field. Show your car, and maybe win a parade lap at the game.

This show, which will run from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, is open to all makes and models. If you care about it, it's welcome at this show! We will have awards in more than 20 categories, and all winners will get to take a victory lap on the field before the 7:05 first pitch, then stage on Ballpark Drive for the duration of the game. Car show participants will also have an opportunity for a mixer with their fellow participants in the beer garden.

The prices for this show are as follows:

\$50 to show your car AND get a Senate-level ticket in our special reserved seating block.

\$25 for a game ticket only (buy extra tickets to bring your family and friends along!) See the CAM Website for more info and entry forms.

I have established a group email list. You may have noticed the email welcoming you to the list. You can now contact all members who have email by sending your message to just one email address. This means you will no longer have to create a group list on your individual devices and keep it up to date. You can use the group file to notify the membership of tours, last minute updates, member cars & parts for sale, etc. If you have a new or updated email, just send it to me and I will update the list. The group email is: motherlodemodelt@googlegroups.com. Just add it to your address books and contacts lists.

John Saylor



Patiently waiting for pizza.

Meeting Minutes

MOTHER LODGE MODEL T CLUB MEETING MINUTES – January 12TH, 2017

Vice President Gary Krezman on behalf of the absent President Eric Barrett welcomed everyone, and called the Meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Club Greeter Junette Avey Brown reported that long time Members, Tom Huff, Jack Duncan, and daughter Carla were present this evening.

Sunshine Report- Susie Krezman reported that she had sent a get well card to Joyce Weitzel who had taken a fall breaking her arm. Her Husband Richard was present, and he reported that he is recovering well from hip surgery.

Secretary Report- Steve Short asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Meeting Minutes of November which had been recorded by Junette. Hearing no changes requested, Steve declared the minutes accepted as printed.

Treasurer Report- Sherry Rodriguez (our incoming Club treasurer) reported that she was working with Kitty Goodell to complete the transition of duties. She read the report dated December 16th which (Continued next page)

(Meeting Minutes, Cont'd)

summarized Revenue and expenses. The Club continues to remain in a strong financial position.

Vice Presidents Report- Susie Krezman provided a brief overview of upcoming 2017 Activities:

- **January 14th 2017: The Presidents Pizza Feed** will be held at Mountain Mike's Pizza Place on Bell Road in Auburn.
- **February 11th 2017: The annual Crab Feed:** Will be a go in spite of The Fishing dispute on the Coast, and will again be held at the Auburn Grange Hall. Logistics have not yet been completely worked out. (Details TBD).
- **March 4th 2017: (The first Week): The Club Annual Charter Brunch** is also a go and will be held at the Auburn Valley Country Club. (Social at 9:00 AM, Brunch starting at 10:00 AM).
- **April 22nd 2017: The Club Shakedown Tour** will take place early in the Month. It is likely to include the Sacramento Club meeting us in Lincoln, driving the well-trodden road up through Yuba City and ending for Lunch in Colusa, possibly at the Local Casino. (Details TBD).
- **June 4th 2017: 41st annual Mother Lode Swap Meet at the Gold Country Fairgrounds.**
- **July Breakfast Tour: will be held in the middle of the Month (details TBD).**

Tech Tips: None were reported this Month.

T-Diggins: John Saylor will be the new Editor of the Newsletter. John asked that the Membership please submit their contributions & stories by the 25th of each month. His goal is to publish by the 1st of each month. An integrated e-mail system is now up and running. Members can now send an e-mail to the entire Club with a single group address!

Old Business: John Saylor asked if any Members wished to purchase Club clothing items that still were in stock? A limited number of Hoodies were still available, and that he will bring a list of available sizes to the next Club Meeting

New Business: It was mentioned that the Club needed inspection of our Food Trailer to insure that it was ready for the June Swap Meet. A work Party may be arranged if necessary.

This and That:

- **Club Auction:** Nothing was offered this evening.
- **50-50: Club Raffle.** A total of \$36 worth of ticket sold, \$18 to the club and \$18 split to the lucky member's.

Gary Krezman gaveled the Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 PM

Stephen Short, Club Secretary



Ice Cream Social August 2004



Crankin' out Ice cream the old fashion way

Birthdays and Anniversaries



February Anniversaries

Mervin & Barbara Hall	11
Bruce & Mindy Ingram	14

February Birthdays

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



My First Model T

By John Saylor

I hauled this TT home about 1967, trading a 1929 Graham for it. I felt I was in over my head with the Graham. The TT included the C cab top but not much else. I kept it in a borrowed garage, working on it evenings and weekends. I changed the bands, tightened the rods, and had a radiator re-cored. Found some used tires at a swap meet for the front and

two old truck tires at my Dad's farm for the rear. Then a few pulls on the crank and it was running. Practiced driving up and down the drive way a few times then drove it home. Took it on a tour with the Kern County Model T Club. It ran poorly and sloooow. Over the next few months I purchased a used engine from Mike Bashore, replaced the coils with a distributor, installed homemade upholstery and painted. The TT had a Langbein auxiliary under drive transmission that I reversed internally turning it into an overdrive. With the 8.00x20 tires on the rear I could keep up with the regular T's. I made a trip to the Long Beach Hill Climb in 1968 and again in 1969. Didn't win anything but had a wild ride towing it home behind my '69 Mustang. Ask Mike about the ride! Later that year I sold the TT and started restoring the '21 Touring. Several years later I received my



Vintage Ford magazine and to my surprise, there was my old TT on the back cover. Picture was taken on the Walton's Movie set.

Now, I need your short story of your T. See that was easy.





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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 membership information and application. The website also introduces those new to the hobby to the club.

The *Mother Lode Model T Club* was organized 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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****NOTE NEW VENUE FOR CHARTER BREAKFAST****

48TH ANNUAL CHARTER BREAKFAST

DATE: MARCH 5, 2017

WHERE: AUBURN ELKS LODGE 195 PINE STREET, AUBURN, CA

TIME: 9 AM SOCIAL HOUR

10 AM BRUNCH

COST: \$12.00 PER MEMBER, \$24.00 FOR NON MEMBERS

THIS WILL BE A BUFFET STYLE BRUNCH: FLUFFY SCRAMBLED EGGS, SCRAMBLED EGGS WITH RED AND GREEN PEPPERS AND CHEESE, POTATOES, BISCUITS AND GRAVY, SAUSAGE/BACON, FRESH SEASONAL FRUIT, COFFEE, ORANGE JUICE, ICED TEA.

REMIT CHECK MADE OUT TO MOTHER LODGE MODEL T TO SUSIE KREZMAN 3950 TODD ROAD, AUBURN, CA 95602 BY FEBRUARY 15, 2017

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RETURN TO SUSIE KREZMAN 3950 TODD ROAD, AUBURN, CA BY FEBRUARY 15, 2017

FOR: 48TH ANNUAL MOTHER LODGE MODEL T CHARTER BRUNCH

MEMBERS NAME _____

NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING IN YOUR GROUP _____

**NOTE NEW VENUE AT ELKS LODGE 195 PINE ST, AUBURN, CA