



# T Diggins'

Monthly Newsletter of the  
Mother Lode Model T Club

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July 2017

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## Activities at a Glance

- ◆◆ July - **There will not be a membership meeting this month.** Several officers and board members will be traveling to the National Tour in Montana.
- ◆ July 4 - Dutch Flat Parade and then a Picnic at Little Bear Tree Farm in Alta.
- ◆ July 18 - Tuesday, LOL,(Ladies Out to Lunch) String's Italian Restaurant in K Mart Shopping Center, Auburn. (We canceled lunch in June at Strings because of the hot weather) Hostess: Mary Ramsey 530 367-3987
- ◆ July 27-30 - NORCAL HCCA Ryan Ramble Tour. See details on our website.
- ◆ Aug 10 - Monthly Meeting at the Sizzler, 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn. Dinner at 5:30-7 pm. Meeting starts at 7 pm.
- ◆ Aug 12 - Beat the Heat - Breakfast Tour.
- ◆ Sept 16 - Tour to Uncle Tom's Cabin- Manifold cookout or picnic lunch- Saylor

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## Message from our President

Greetings once again to the members of the Mother Lode club. The big news this month is the swap meet. We had a very good one this year going by the numbers. This will keep the club in good finances for the year. Vendor space sales were down this year but attendance seemed good. Everyone I talked to was having a good time and the gate staff saw tons of stuff being hauled out. The gate fee was new this year and made a real

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difference. We got little negative feedback about that and next year everyone will expect it. Many are surprised we had not done it sooner. A big thanks to swap meet chairman Gary Krezman for running the show and all of the volunteers who make it happen. There is **no July meeting** as a number of officers will be on the national tour. Wish us luck on that one. This will be my first national since our club hosted one. There are lots of great events on our calendar. I hope to see you there. Check your fan belt and radiator, some of the tours are going to be on hot days! Be safe and keep touring.

*Fordially, Erik*

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**\*\*Independence Day Parade in Dutch Flat\*\***  
Tuesday, July 4 we will meet at Raley's at 7:30 am and leave by 8 am traveling scenic back roads to the quaint little town of Dutch Flat. The parade will begin at 10 am and make a couple of laps around town. After the parade we will leave for Little Bear Tree farm in Alta for our picnic lunch. Be sure to bring a lunch.

Please RSVP to Susie Krezman



Last year at the Tree Farm

## Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour August 12

Our annual Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour will take us to Dine N Dash, in Colfax. Meet at Raley's 7:30 AM, Leave at 8 AM. We will have a short tour, breakfast and most of us should be back home by Noon. RSVP to Susie so she can give the restaurant a head count.

## Sunshine

Our sincere condolences to Dick Eddinger and his family on the loss of his wife, Nancy. Nancy came down with a fast moving infection that took over her system in just a few hours.

Quick healing to Julie Barrett who underwent neck surgery.

Pat Bashore is out of her neck brace from her surgery and is now recovering from open heart bypass surgery.

Jack Jackson, Recovering from back surgery.

Bill Finkbeiner was running on the American River trail when he was hit from behind by a bicyclist. Bill is home from UC Davis Med Center recovering from a skull fracture and other injuries.

Erik Barrett - Home recovering from a bad accident on 99.

Pray for quick recovery for all.

### Club Shirts

Here is what we have left:

Tee - screen print logo on back, Club name on front - one XL  
Polo w/ pocket- Club name embroidered on front- 1 M & 1 XL  
Sweat Hoodie with zipper - one Large  
Sweat Hoodie no zipper - one X-Large  
Call me to reserve one 916-202-5842.  
John

## Swap Meet Report

Well, our 43rd swap meet is under our belts. First of all, as Chairperson for the swap meet I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to all the vendors that have supported us through the years. I give a big thank you to all the customers who keep coming back to find that special treasure they are looking for and have a piece of pie made by those special ladies of our club. Most of all I would like to thank all of our members who go the extra mile to make this event a huge success. I do apologize to our



customers for starting the \$5 entry fee this year without giving advance notice on our flyer. The flyers are printed in December so that we can hand them out at Turlock and Bakersfield. This year the state brought in a new management group who in tern revised all the pricing for the use of the Gold Country Fairgrounds and Event Center. This pricing increase to us created a situation that if we didn't do something to create more revenue we would have to close our gates. After hearing about other club run meets closing down, I was bound and determined not to let this happen to us since our swap meet has been going on since 1974. This year we sold 174 spaces out of 260 available. So our vendor count is down a little which seems to

happen a little each year, maybe because of all the available online sales sites. We did have great customer support and I noticed that some of those that were upset at the entry fee stayed at least 3-4 hours and seemed to have a great time talking to old friends and fellow hobbyists throughout the day.

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This year our membership really stepped up to help. We had some of our oldest members such as Louis Burcher helping in the food booth and Bobbie Machado, a founding charter member, cutting pies and Dick Johnson helping with the setup on Saturday. We also had our youngest members Levi & Maya Marriott pushing the cart with coffee and donuts around the swap area to serve vendors and customers. There were three generations of Marriott's helping at the swap meet, & three generations of the Machado family as well as a couple of two generation families.



I want to thank Julie Instness and her family and helpers for doing a great job on the food booth. From the setup on Saturday, to the first donut and coffee served on Sunday and the last piece of pie sold it all ran very smoothly. I want to thank the entire membership for all the support. Anytime a job needed done there was always someone there saying "I'll do it". That made my job so much easier.

Gary Krezman  
Swap Meet Chairman



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### *Erik Barrett Update*

6/16/2018

Hello Club Members,

You may have heard by now I was in a bad crash. It is true. Thursday morning I was clipped by a hit-run driver and spun out across four lanes of highway 99. After sliding sideways right in front of a gasoline tanker, my tires bit and my Suburban rolled several times. In the violent process a part of my scalp was removed. By the grace of God I am home tonight with my family. I am very sore, but will recover with maybe a few reminders. So there is no need to call the V.P. just yet. Thanks for your prayers, everyone.

Fordially, Erik

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*Bill Finkbeiner Update*

*6/16/2017*

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Posted by Julie Fingar

16 hours ago

Bill is recovering as only Bill can, quickly! The swelling in his face has gone down significantly. He has not lost his sense of humor, and has made some funny remarks about his predicament. He passed some kind of memory test. So, they are sending him home, probably tonight. Bill still has a long way to recover, but he's optimistic for a full recovery. Keep him in your prayers and let him know you're thinking of him. And...Run a Mile for Bill!

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**Meeting Minutes**

**Mother Lode Model T Club Meeting Minutes June, 8th at the Sizzler Restaurant, Auburn, Ca.**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by President Erik Barrett.

**Greeter Report** - Junette reported that long time members Martin Smith and Jerry Anders were present and Darren Saylor's daughter, Kimberlyn, visiting from Colorado.

**Sunshine** - Susie reported a get well card was sent to Joyce Weitzel who had suffered a fall injury.

**Treasurer Report** - Sherry provided a summary report on Club Income and Expenses. The Club had achieved a remarkably successful event turnout of Vendors and Buyers at our June 4th Swap Meet. It yielded one of the best fund raisers that our Club has ever achieved.

**Secretary Report** - Steve Short reported that the May General Meeting minutes were published in the Monthly newsletter. Hearing no corrections, Steve declared the Minutes accepted as written.

**VP - Upcoming 2017 Activities Report -**

**LOL's June 20<sup>th</sup>** - 11:30 AM LOL's (Ladies Out to Lunch). Strings Italian Restaurant, Auburn. Mary Ramsey 530 367-3987

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Parade** in Dutch Flat, Picnic Lunch @ Little Bear Tree Farm, Alta Ca. Meet at Raley's @ 7:30 Am leave 8:00 am.

**July 13<sup>th</sup> General Meeting Notice** - **No meeting** will be held this Month as the Officers are Traveling to the National Tour in Montana.

**July 16-22 MTFCA-MTFCI National Tour** - White Fish, Montana. See Registration form in the Vintage Ford Magazine.

**July 27-30 NORCAL-HCCA Ryan Ramble** - Tour along the CA coastline north of San Francisco. Beautiful scenery & historic sites will be featured. RSVP by 6-1

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**August 10<sup>th</sup> Next General Meeting** - Sizzler Restaurant, 3570, Lincoln Way, Auburn. Dinner at 5:30-7 pm. Meeting starts at 7 pm.

**August 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour** - Dine N Dash, Colfax. (RSVP to Susie).

**August 26<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social** - Will be held at the Silveira's home. (Details TBD).

**Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> Antique Autos in History Park**, San Jose, CA

**Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Tour hosted by the Saylor's** - Checking out Uncle Tom's Cabin. (Details TBD).

**Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> F.A.S.T Hill Climb** - Auburn Airport. (Details TBD).

**October? Fall Colors Tour** - (Details TBD).

**Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party**, Auburn Valley Country Club. Host Eula Marriott. (Details TBD).

### **2017 Recent Tour and Activities Reports -**

**The Poor Reds Tour**- was hosted by David Pava, May 21<sup>st</sup> and he noted a strong turnout from our Mother Lode Club, the Sacramento Club, and the Horseless Carriage Club. Approximately 40 cars and 80 people in attendance! Afterward, many of the attendees continued on to the Pava home, and enjoyed an ice cream social, and wine tasting from his family vineyard!

**June 4<sup>th</sup> Swap Meet** - Gary Krezman reported that our Event was set up in record time by the volunteers from our Club, and he thanked all who pitched in to make it happen! The Reno Silver State Club arrived as promised, and enjoyed our Saturday Potluck. The Buyers showed up in force with few complaints regarding the \$5.00 Entrance Fee. He thanked Julie Instness for her Food Booth operation, and announced that Olivia Marriott would be running the Food Booth next year. Discussion regarding next year's Swap Meet led to a motion to approve **June 2<sup>nd</sup> thru June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018** for the Event. President Barrett, thanked Gary for his leadership in making our annual Event such a success, and the audience delivered a standing Ovation!

### **New Business & Miscellaneous -**

**For Sale** - Rich Silva announced that his 14' custom built Model T trailer was for sale.

**Stories** - Steve Short reported that his Family's 57<sup>th</sup> Year at the Indy 500 witnessed another spectacular finish when Takuma Sato won the Race by 2/100 of a second! Local Driver Alexander Rossi from Nevada City led 23 laps, but a pit stop error led to a still respectable 7<sup>th</sup> place finish.

**Club Auction** - Eric Barrett auctioned off a collection of small Model T car parts donated by Rich Baughman and they were sold to the membership through several surprising fierce bidding wars!

**50-50 Raffle** - Winners were Bertie Baughman and Allen Koch, each taking home \$25.00 while the Club netted \$ 51.00.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM, by President Barrett.

Stephen Short: Club Secretary

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### July Anniversaries

Jay & Christine Buscio	2
Jerry & Toni Moore	14
Murray & Harriette Work	18
Roger & Mary Lynn Barrett	27

### July Birthdays

Nich Boorinakis	5	Russ Purvis	12
Jerry Anders	6	Jill Marte	25
Jay Buscio	10	Kelly Matson	26
Erik Lindstedt	10	Sherry Rodriguez	28



**Congratulations to Darren and Jen Saylor**  
Newly married, June 16, 2017



For Sale



Commercially built trailer made to haul a Model T. \$3500, OBO. Contact Rich Silva. 916-759-6471.

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## 2017 Officers

President ----- Erik Barrett - 530-885-8683  
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Treasurer -----Sherry Rodriguez 530-888-8083  
Secretary-----Steve Short - 916-791-7087

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Sunshine ----- Susie Krezman  
Website & Newsletter - John Saylor

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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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