



# T Diggins'

Monthly Newsletter of the  
Mother Lode Model T Club  
Celebrating 50+ Years of Model T Fun  
<https://www.motherlodemodelt.com>



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**December 2021**

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## Message From our President

Holiday greetings to one and all!



I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families.

Just about the time that big meal is digested we all have to get really serious about Christmas. The tree is up and decorated, the wreath is hung on the front door and the stockings are all hanging on the mantle.

This year, Barbara and I will be hosting the whole family. We're really looking forward to it. This will be the first time all ten grandkids have been together since our four-month old grandson, Wren, was born. We'll need a panoramic camera to get that bunch together in one photo, that is, if we can get them to sit still long enough to take a photo.

Our Club Christmas Luncheon is coming up soon so we'll have one last chance to get together before the year ends. I guess it's also going to be time to put those old

"T's" away for their winter sleep. With any luck, things will be getting better with Covid and, once more, be back to the old normal.

This month's president's message is my farewell as your president. The two years I've held that office have been difficult for us all with Covid shutdowns, and mandate restrictions. We had to cancel our 2020 swap meet to the disappointment of many. In 2021, we came back strong and the swap meet was a great success. So much so, that donations on our behalf were made to the Assistance League, Auburn Fire Department, and the California Auto Museum.

This will also be Barbara's and my farewell to the club. We have both made some wonderful lifelong friends during our nine years as members and will continue to keep in touch with those friends. It's been a good nine years with many happy memories, but now it's time to move on.

I have goals to fulfill and other interests I am being drawn to. Unfortunately, I just don't have the time to do everything I want to do. I've often said life is about choices, and I've chosen to focus on other interests.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year!

*Phil*

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## Up Coming Events - 2021

- ♦ Dec 11 - Coloma Holiday House Tour. Meet in Cool at 9:30 am.
- ♦ Dec 19 – Christmas Brunch @ The Ridge, Auburn.

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### 2022 Save the Dates

- ♦ Jan 13 – General meeting @ The Sizzler. 5:30 dinner. 6:30 Meeting.
- ♦ Feb 11, Annual Crab Feed. Details this Issue.
- ♦ April 22-24 – Tulare Pre-War Swap Meet.
- ♦ *June 5, 2022 – 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Mother Lode Swap Meet.*
- ♦ June 19-24 - MTFCA 2022 National Tour: Wonderful Wisconsin Tour.

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### Coloma Holiday House Tour *December 11*

Meet up with Steve Elliott in Cool in front of the Town Grocery store, 9:30. We will tour on to Coloma where we have special parking. RSVP for me to meet you and for coffee and pastries. 916-217-2379.

Many of the historic buildings will be decked out for the holidays with docents sharing the stories of the people and events surrounding that house.

## Dues are Due

It's time to renew your membership for 2022. Send your check for \$20, made out to Mother Lode Model T Club, to: Mother Lode Model T Club, P.O. Box 4901, Auburn, CA 95604. Also include any updates to your email address, phones and us mail.

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### Annual Christmas Brunch December 19

Our annual Christmas Brunch is all set. This year end event will be held at the Ridge Golf Club. 2020 Golf Course Rd., Auburn. No host social hour at 12 Noon. Dinner will be served at 1 pm. The Ridge does not have any COVID restrictions at this time. RSVP & Meal Choices are due by December 1. If you haven't signed up yet, please contact Debbie at: (530) 906-7343 or by email [dbambie56@gmail.com](mailto:dbambie56@gmail.com)



## Crab Feed Feb 11, 2022

Planning has begun for next year's Crab Feed. The event will be held at the Woodside Village Mobile Home Park club house. Per state regulations we must individually all fill out an "Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Corona virus/COVID-19". See the attached flyer for rsvp and more information.



## Anniversaries and Birthdays – November

### December Anniversaries



Richard & Julie Instness	2
Gary & Susie Krezman	4

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### December Birthdays

Leona Boorinakis	7	Sandy Silveira	17
Bill Finkbeiner	9	Maryann Koch	23
John Franceschni	11	Courtney Barrett	24
Virginia Short	13	Chris Instness	27
Wayne Lyndon	15	Junette Avey	31



Coloma Holiday  
House Tour

December 2018



# Meeting Minutes

## Mother Lode Model-T Meeting Minutes

November 18th, 2021 Sizzler Restaurant, Auburn, CA.

**Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:39 pm by President Lawrence. A moment of silence was called for member Robert Wood who passed away earlier this month.

**Treasure Report:** Kitty Goodell was out of town; no report was given.

**Vice Presidents Report:** Susie Krezman thanked Junette Avey who headed up the Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour and John Saylor who headed up the Penn Valley Tour. She also reminded us that the Touring Season will be upon us in April. Think about how you could contribute by hosting a tour.

Debbie Bamber has received checks for 20 people for the December 19th, 2021 Christmas Party at the Ridge. Deadline is December 1.

**New Business:** Phil Lawrence reported on the donation to the Assistance League of \$2,500. There was a picture in the Auburn Journal. The Assistance League reported that they will use the money to help women trying to help themselves, that have challenges with car repairs.

Gary Krezman reported on our donation of \$2,500. to the Auburn Fire Department. The Chief of the Department had a meeting with his fire crew and they would like to buy a Heat Sensing Camera to help locate victims in burning buildings. They have ordered the camera which should arrive in late December. At that time some members of the Board will present the check to the Fire Chief.

We will also be making a \$2,500 donation to the California Auto Museum in Old Sacramento.

Gary Krezman reported that he will host the Crab Feed which will be on February 11, 2022. More information on a flyer coming out. Gary also reported on a recent trip to Las Vegas to the SEMA show. A large focus on electric autos and trucks.

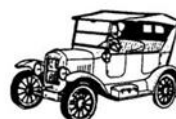
**Old Business:** Gary will chair the Swap Meet for 2022. He asked for input on changing the opening time from 5 am to 7am, for Buyers and to 6am for Vendors and changing space costs from \$25. to \$30. Membership was in agreement to all the above suggestions. Flyers will reflect the new times in bold print.

Erik Barrett reported that he had surgery on a toe and he is feeling much better. Then wait, it gets better, on to hip surgery in December. He said getting old is not for sissies!

**Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by Susie Krezman (standing in for Junette Avey, Secretary)

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## **Our Swap Meet Profits at Work in the Community**

**From the Auburn Journal**

### **Mother Lode Model T Club donates to Assistance League® of Greater Placer**

From left to right, Kitty Goodell and Philip Lawrence of the Mother Lode Model T Club present a \$2,500 donation to Assistance League® of Greater Placer Board members Carol Brock, Joanne Kutzman and Janice Noland. “We are just so thankful that people in the community are noticing what we are doing and willing to help, really to become partners in helping the community,” the Assistance League® of Greater Placer’s Janice Carey said in thanking the Mother Lode Model T Club. “It’s very exciting.” The donation will support several philanthropic programs serving Placer County, according to a news release.



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**A similar donation to Auburn Fire Department is planned to help them purchase an infrared smoke camera which will allow the firefighters to navigate through smoke-filled environments.**

**We also made a \$2500 donation to the California Auto Museum which will help them recover from the COVID pandemic closures.**



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## Veterans Day Parade Thursday, November 11

Steve Elliott drove his 1914 Touring in the Auburn Veterans Day Parade. Seen here is Rear Admiral Bonnie Potter, Physician Commanding Officer Flag Rank National Naval Medical Center, with Steve's car.



Steve also honored "Rosie the Riveter"  
and Bud Anderson, WW2 Triple Ace



## FOR SALE: A 1927 Canadian Model-T Roadster



This car was originally purchased by Stephen Short in Ohio, 59 years ago and then restored by his father and Uncle. In 2010 it was returned to Steve's home in Granite Bay, CA, leading to membership in the Auburn, CA Model-T Club. This is a running tour ready car and has been on many tours. This car is equipped with a 2 speed Ruckstell rear end. Since then, improvements include new tires and a Rocky Mountain Brake System. There is also a collection of parts including a separate engine block, head and crank shaft, as well as 2 spare front glass headlights.

Stephen is asking \$13,500 for all.  
(Call 916-531-5488)

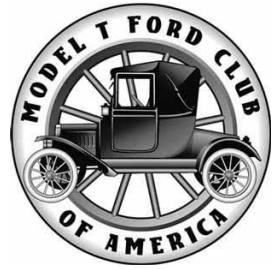


*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all*



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## 2021 Officers

President ----- Phil Lawrence 530-559-1440  
Vice President - Susie Krezman 530-823-7957  
Treasurer -----Kitty Goodell 530-885-6912  
Secretary----- Junette Avey Brown 916-436-4176

## Board Members

Gary Krezman -----916-599-0059  
Gordon Goodell-----530-885-6912  
John Saylor-----916-202-5842  
Paula Mikles-----530-889-9099

Sunshine ----- Susie Krezman  
Website & Newsletter ----- John Saylor  
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Address all correspondence to:  
Mother Lode Model T Club  
P.O. Box 4901  
Auburn, CA 95604

The *Mother Lode Model T Club* was organized and became a chapter 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, normally 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, 6:30 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.

## T-Diggins'

Published monthly to keep members informed of club activities and to promote participation in club events.

Publication copy should be sent to the editor by the 25th of the month to be included in the next issue. Send all copy to: 7304 Goldwood Way, Citrus Heights, Ca 95610 or email to [j99saylor@gmail.com](mailto:j99saylor@gmail.com)

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:

The Model T Ford Club of America  
P.O. Box 996, Richmond, IN. 47375-0996  
Telephone: (765) 373-3106. [www.mtfca.com](http://www.mtfca.com)







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

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 11, 2022  
SOCIAL HOUR 5 PM & DINNER 6 PM  
Woodside Village Mobile Home Park Clubhouse  
12155 Luther Road, Auburn, CA 95603

COST: **Members:** \$15 each. **Guests:** \$40 per person. Make checks payable to **Mother Lode Model T Club** & send them to Gary Krezman. Checks must be received **no later than February 1, 2022**, and there are **no refunds or additions** allowed after that date.

Gary Krezman  
3950 Todd Rd., Auburn, CA 95602  
916-599-0059 (garykrezman@gmail.com)

Pasta, salad, bread, water, soda and cake will be provided. **Cake provided for dessert by the club, so your contribution for the potluck is any appetizer.**  
**PLEASE NOTE:** bring your own choice of drink if you want anything other than water or soda. Alcoholic beverages are allowed in the facility, and you may bring your own.



**IMPORTANT!!** Don't forget to write below or phone Gary 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 set up (putting newspapers on table, bibs at each seat, lining shell cans) and clean up.

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NAMES \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL IN YOUR GROUP ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ ENCLOSED FOR MEMBERS & GUESTS \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What appetizer will you bring? How will you help (set-up, cleanup, etc.)?  
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