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Monthly Newsletter of the Mother Lode Model T Club Celebrating 55 Years of Model T Fun https://www.motherlodemodelt.com

August 2024

Presidents Message

Hi To All Members of the Mother Lode Model T Club,



What a hot July we have had, way too hot to be taking our Model T's out in the afternoon, and that is why Kitty and Paula got us up early for the Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour to Dine and Dash in Colfax. There we all had a delicious breakfast and had a nice time visiting with each other. Then it was back down the hill before the heat kicked in, Thank you to Kitty and Paula for keeping this tradition going.

We just had the Big Boy Locomotive go through our area on July 14th. But due to a tree falling on the tracks it

delayed its appearance. So, we were not able to get any pictures with the cars as it had to pass up its planned stop in Colfax to make up time. Just a whistle blew as it passed through town.

The only event we have planned for August will be to drive our cars down to Roseville and see Grace Aldridge for her 100th birthday on August 26. That is a Monday. Susie will have a signup sheet at the August meeting along with information on where to meet, etc. If you cannot make the meeting, call Susie and let her know. We will be going down in the morning and hope to be at the care facility around 10 AM. She lives in Roseville.

In September we have a couple of events scheduled. First on Sept 7 the Instness Family will be hosting a tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum with a BBQ to follow at Chris's home. So, if you are not signed up, get a hold of Julie and get on the list. Next, we have a Picnic at the Ranch on September 21 hosted by Elaine and Vern Marriott. Do not miss this, the hospitality they give is amazing. If you are not signed up, give Elaine a call.

We will have our General Meeting on August 8th at the Black Bear Diner in Auburn. We will not have an August Board Meeting.

I would like to thank everyone for all your support and help in keeping the Mother Lode Model T Club active. I look forward to seeing all of you at the August Monthly Meeting. Your President

Next Meeting

August 8 - Black Bear Diner, 13365 Lincoln Way., Auburn. 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Meeting. Bring a Show & Tell or old story.

There will not be an August Board Meeting.

Website -- Members Cars

Our website includes a section entitled "Members Cars." If your car is not there, please send me a picture and I will add it to the group. If you have a better picture, I can replace it.

Also check to see if there are cars shown that you no longer own. Send me an email and I will remove.

John, j99saylor@gmail.com

Up Coming Events - 2024

- ◆ Aug 8- General Meeting, Black Bear Diner, Auburn.
- ◆ Aug 9 5pm, Auburn Cruise Night. 5pm, Lincoln Way.
- ♦ Aug 26 Special Event -100th Birthday Celebration for Grace Aldridge. Details this issue.
- ◆ Sept 7 Tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum & BBQ. *Instness*.
- ♦ Sept 21 Picnic at the Ranch –
 Marriott. Sign up at the meeting.
- ◆ Oct 6 Old Auburn Cemetery Car Display. Save the date.
- ◆ Dec 15 Christmas Luncheon at the Ridge. Mikles.

Roseville Telephone Museum Tour & BBQ Lunch - September 7th



We will meet at the Raley's parking lot at 7:45 a.m. for donuts. Leave at 8:15 a.m. to meander down to the Roseville Telephone Museum. Parking is next to the museum and private tours are arranged to start at 10:00 a.m. Please sign up NO LATER THAN AUGUST 29th. The docents are volunteers and the museum must know how many are attending to plan on how many docents to have on hand. Please call Julie at 916-257-2428 or Richard at 916-346-8702. Also, a sign-up sheet will be at the August meeting.

After the museum tour, we will travel a few blocks over to Chris Instness' home for a BBQ lunch.

GRACE ALDRIDGE 100TH BIRTHDAY TOUR. AUGUST 26, 2024



We will meet at Raley's in Auburn at 8:45 and leave at 9:00 am to head down to Roseville. We will visit with Grace Aldridge and her daughter to celebrate Graces 100th Birthday.

She is living in a group care home at 1041 Audrey Way in Roseville. For those of you in the Roseville, Citrus Heights area you could meet us there rather than driving from Auburn. Mary, Graces Daughter, has told me that 10:00 am would be a good time to arrive. We will then go to Leatherby's at 7910

Antelope Road in Citrus Heights for lunch and ice cream. I will have a sign-up sheet at the August Meeting. If you are going to meet us at the care facility, please let me know.

Thank you, Susie Krezman

"Big Boy"

Large crowds gathered in Roseville to view the largest steam locomotive known as Big Boy 4014, July 12 and 13. Twenty five Big Boys were built and put into service in 1941. They were 135 feet log and weighted 1.3 million pounds. Chris Instness drove his two T's down early each morning before it was open to the public and was able to get pictures. Sunday, July 14, Big Boy left Roseville planning on stops in Colfax and Truckee. Just before Auburn they hit a downed tree causing a 3 hour delay. The whistle stops in Cofax and Truckee were cancelled to make up time. Railroad fans were gathered alaong the route hoping to catch photos as Big Boy roared by. Those that waited

patiently took some great pictues as the train roared by with the steam whistle blowing loudly. Lots of pictures posted on he Big Boy Facebook page.





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More "Big Boy" Photos



Big Boy Display in Roseville



Taken at a very familiar Auburn over crossing.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



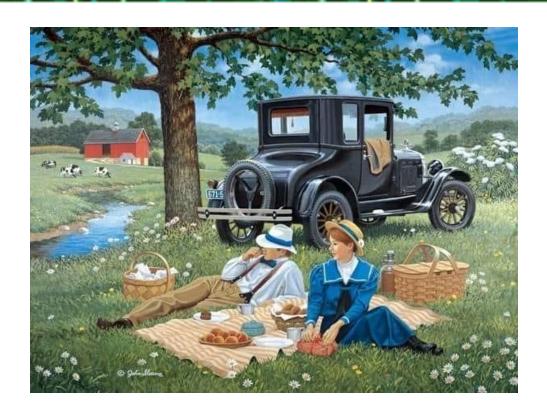
August Anniversaries

Erik & Cindy Lindstedt	15
John & Leona Boorinakis	16
Al & Sharon Stoll	24
Allen & Maryann Koch	26

August Birthdays

Eric Staples	7
Julie Smith	9
Roman Kvapil	11
Polly Elliott	14
Cindy Lindstedt	23
Terry Keeney	23
Grace Aldridge (100)	26
Debbie Bamber	31





Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour

A few pictures from the "Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour." We left Raley's at 7:30 Am. Enjoyed a beautiful drive to Dine N Dash in Colfax. Good food, good service, and good friends.



The Moore's 1914, Krezman's 1926, Saylor's 1927, Goodell's 1927



Meeting Minutes - July

Mother Lode Model-T Club Meeting Minutes July 11th, 2024 Big Bear Dinner, Auburn CA

Call to order: 6:30 pm

By Board Member John Saylor President Krezman on Vacation

Secretary: Junette reports no corrections to the June 13th, 2024 Minutes. They are approved.

Treasurer: Kitty reported on funds in & bills paid. Treasury is solvent.

Vice President: Susie is on Vacation. Paula gave update. **July 27**, "**Beat the Heat Tour**". Meet at Raley's 7:30. -- **Monday August 26**, "Grace Aldridge 100th Birthday Tour". Meet at Raley's 8:30-9:30. We will do a drive by to acknowledge her special day. It was suggested we stop for Ice Cream to follow. -- **Sept 7th a "Tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum"** by the Instness' with a BBQ to follow at Chris' house. Meet at Raley's 7:45. Julie needs the number of people for the museum, to determine the number of docents they will need. -- **Sept 21st. "The Marriott's Picnic** at the Ranch" will be held. We will meet at Rite Aid, Auburn at 11:30 and caravan to the ranch..

The "Big Boy Engine" will be on display this weekend at Roseville on Friday & Saturday and Sunday in Colfax which is also their Railroad Days.

Old Business: John Saylor reported on the "10 millionth Model-T Tour, Sea to Sea". Apparently, there was very poor communication by the leaders of the tour. The routes were changed. Ed Archer caught up with them near Echo Summitt, Hwy 50, which is part of the Lincoln Hwy. Many Members could not find them. John's car broke down in Rescue and was rescued by AAA.

ACCC sent our club a thank you for renewing our membership.

New Business: Long time, previous club member, Larry Taylor passed away. Larry was an estate & bankruptcy trustee. He was the trustee for the bankrupted Mustang Ranch in Nevada. He had some interesting stories. The memorial service will be held on Friday the 19th, 10:00am at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, in Sacramento.

Vern Marriott received a call from Greg Tylavsky, he is converting a model TT truck to an electric. He is selling a Model-T motor, transmission, rear axle & water pump for \$1200.

He lives in Sonoma where he has a shop. Phone # is (775) 342-5020. There are now several kits for converting cars. One that was mentioned was a Chevy Kit. The California Auto Museum's next show will be "Cool Cars". They are also planning to restart the Model-T driving class in the near future.

Show& Tell. Steve Straw brought a firewall bracket with an offset. He was not sure why & sought opinions from other members. John B. brought a nut hammer that was made in Ron Brown's shop at Placer High. The previous teacher had the students making C clamps. Ron thought it was boring so he started teaching the hammers which used different skills to make. John Saylor brought the broken parts from his rear axle failure.

Meeting Adjourned: At 7:15 pm By John Saylor.

Cordially: Junette Avey, Secretary













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