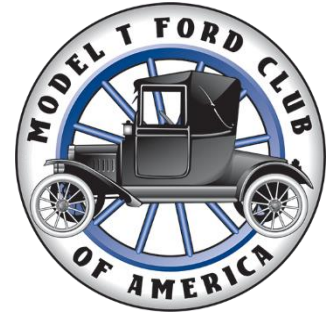




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Monthly Newsletter of the  
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## July 2024

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### Presidents Message



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

Looking back on the June 2nd, 2024 Swap Meet, I would like to give a big thanks to everyone who participated in the organizing and working of this year's Swap Meet. With all hands on deck, we pulled off another successful Swap Meet. It appears that this year's Vendor count and customer count seemed to be a little less than past years, but everyone who attended mentioned that both sellers and buyers were happy with the final outcome, which in itself makes it a success.

The 10 millionth Model T just passed through Placerville and Sacramento on June 24. Some of our club members, John Saylor, Steve Elliot and Rich Instness tried to find them to tag along with them on their journey thru our area but never found them. We also have the Big Boy Train that will be coming thru our area on July 14 and John Saylor is keeping an eye on this event so we can possibly stage some cars along the tracks for a photo shoot, so be sure to watch the club's email for further information.

Our next touring event will be the Beat the Heat Breakfast tour on July 27 hosted by Kitty, Paula and Gordon, so if you haven't signed up yet, be sure to give Kitty or Paula a call and get on the list. This is always a fun event. Also, the Ryan Ramble is coming up on July 31st thru August 4, that will take place in Bridgeport this year. The Ryan family always puts together a great tour, so try to attend if you can.

Susie and myself have just returned from the June 16th thru 20th MTFCA National Tour that was hosted by the San Diego Vintage Ford Group. We also had Becky and Dave Harison from our club attending. It was a great week of seeing old friends and touring great roads with some cool San Diego weather, it is always fun to catch up with old friends.

We will have our next General Meeting on July 11th at the Black Bear Diner in Auburn. Susie and myself will not be attending this meeting. We are taking our grandson to Alaska. John Saylor will step in to run the meeting along with Paula giving the Vice President's report. If everyone could attend, I would appreciate it. We will not be having a July board meeting. I would like to thank everyone for all our support and help in keeping the Mother Lode Model T Club active and I look forward to having everyone who can attend the July Monthly Meeting.

Your President,

*Gary Krezman*

## Next Meeting

July 11 - Black Bear Diner,  
13365 Lincoln Way., Auburn.  
5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Meeting.  
Bring a Show & Tell or old story.

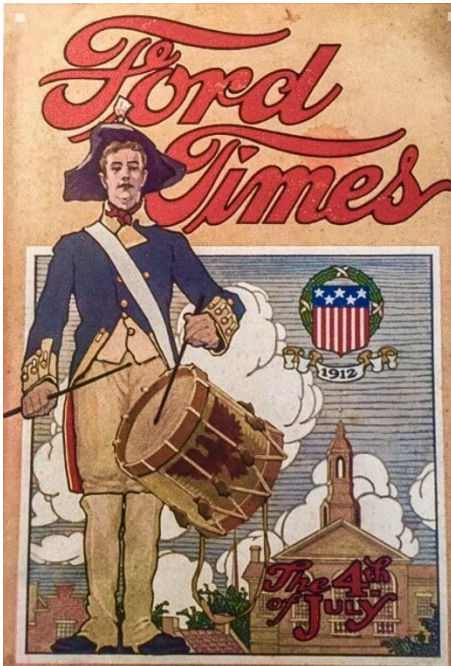
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## Club Shirts- Reminder

We can now order club logo shirts and other items direct from Car Club Shirts.com. No need to wait for a club bulk order or keep a local inventory. Each member orders direct online.

We have a link on our website on the [Contacts](#) page to order. There will also be a link and QR code on the Club information, Back page of every newsletter.

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## Up Coming Events - 2024

- ♦ July 11- General Meeting, Black Bear Diner, Auburn.
- ♦ July 12 - 5pm, Auburn Cruise Night. 5pm, Lincoln Way.
- ♦ July 12-13 – “Big Boy” on display in Roseville, Vernon & Atlantic St. 9am-4pm
- ♦ July 14 – “Big Boy” Leaves Roseville Heading East. Stops in Colfax 11:15-11:30 am. Colfax RR Days.
- ♦ July 27 - “*Beat the Heat*” Breakfast Tour. *Goodell*.
- ♦ July 31-Aug 4 - Ryan Ramble, Bridgeport. *HCCA*
- ♦ Aug – Event being planned.
- ♦ Sept 7 – Tour to the Roseville Telephone Museum. *Instness*.
- ♦ Sept 21 - Picnic at the Ranch – *Marriott*.
- ♦ Oct 6 – Old Auburn Cemetery Car Display. Save the date.
- ♦ Dec 15 - Christmas Luncheon at the Ridge. *Mikles*.

Mother Lode Swap Meet  
June 1 & 2

Swap meet pictures are viewable on our website at:  
<https://motherlodemodelt.com/photogallery.html>

## ***10 millionth Model T's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sea to Sea Tour***

**The 10 millionth Model T left the Highland Park factory on June 4, 1924. To celebrate, the 1924 Touring was shipped to New York and embarked on a cross country trip via the just completed Lincoln Highway. This year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that journey. A representative of that car has been on display at the Museum of American Speed in Lincoln Nebraska. The car was prepped to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and again make the trip on the Lincoln Highway Starting June 2. Two days into the journey the T had an engine failure. Car was returned to the museum and the engine rebuilt. June 9 they were back in New York and on the road again. Monday, June 24 they made the run from Fallon, Nevada to Sacramento using the southern Lincoln Highway route. (US 50).**

**Steve Elliott and myself planned to join them along the route. Steve and I left my house at 9:30 am in my 21 Touring heading for Pollock Pines. This is where they were supposed to exit Highway 50 and use side roads. We never made it. Something let go in the Ruckstell rear end of my 21 Touring as we were just past Rescue. After AAA got us back home at 1:30, Steve decided to venture out on his own with his modern truck, Rich stopped by in his 23 roadster and wanted to meet up with them in old town Folsom. They never could get any good information about where they were, lunch stops, etc. Jill, a non-member from Placerville, found them by chance having lunch in Placerville but never passed that info along, just a picture? Ann in the chase truck gave updates via Facebook several times but would not answer any questions. One report saw them driving 50 mph down Mother Lode Drive near Placerville. A couple of T'ers from the Modesto area found**

**them at the motel in Elk Grove. Ed & Karen Archer in their yellow speedster caught up with them near Echo Summit. The next day they headed on to San Francisco traveling South thru Stockton, Tracy, Livermore, etc. I read the Bay area traffic was too much for them and the 24 T was not performing well. So, they went the last 70 miles on the trailer.**



**Somewhere in Iowa**



## Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour

Please join us on July 27nd for the *Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour to Dine and Dash* in Colfax. We will meet at the Raley's parking lot at 7:30am, leave at 8:00am, heading to Colfax.

Dine and Dash will not provide separate checks for each individual group, so we are going to split the tab evenly among all diners, including the tip. You must pay at the event after everyone has finished eating with either cash or check to our treasurer, Kitty Goodell, for your portion of the total. Anyone wanting an alcoholic beverage will need to get it from the bar and pay separately. If memory serves me right, I believe the cost per person last year was about \$25.00.

We are hoping for a great turn out and wonderful time as we enjoy a short and pleasant tour and spending time with each other, while dining on delicious food, all before the heat really hits.

Sign up at the meeting or You may text Kitty Goodell at 916-601-1291 or Paula Mikles at 916-215-2200, or email Kitty at [gkgood@att.net](mailto:gkgood@att.net) or Paula Mikles at [pjmikles@gmail.com](mailto:pjmikles@gmail.com) to let us know you're attending.

Hope to see you there!!



Long shadows. Early morning drive.

# MTFCA National Tour - "Roads Less Traveled"

Hosted by The Model T Ford Club of San Diego, California

June 16 to June 20, 2024

Chairperson, Janna Laughan

We arrived at the host Hotel, Sycuan Casino Resort, El Cajon, California. We drove 12 hours, three of those hours spent in LA traffic on a Saturday afternoon going about 60 miles.

Sunday afternoon we picked up our tour packet and T Shirt. Later we attended an ice cream social, the official kick-off of the tour. There were 70 Model T's and 109 participants signed up for this tour.

Monday started our touring with a drive to Mission Trails Park for a tour of the visitor Center. Lunch was at a local shopping mall where we could choose from many places for lunch. After lunch we drove to Lakeside to see the site where Barney Oldfield set a land speed record of 51.75 MPH in 1907.

Tuesday, we visited the Chula Vista Elite Athlete Training Center where mainly athletes for the Paralympics train. A group shot was taken in front of the Olympic Torch. While there we met Olympic champion Lex Gillette, who is blind from the age of 8. They were filming a documentary about him that day. He told the film crew he recognized the sound of a Model T and asked them to take him to the area we were parked in. Later he came and spoke to us about what he is doing to help others who are blind. His motto is "No need for sight when you have a vision." Interesting young man, google his name, he has a website and products he sells to help him with expenses.

Wednesday found us in Julian, a quaint town with lots of shops, restaurants and famous for their apple products. We had a very warm welcome in Julian. They blocked off the Main Street for us to park and gave us a tote bag with discounts for some of the vendors in town. Two local TV Stations came and interviewed a few people.

Thursday, we visited the Pacific Southwest Rail Road Museum and got to take a ride on an old train. They took a group shot of some of the people who wore vintage clothes in front of the train. From the train museum you could see part of the border wall. I was told by a local that the area is a well-known crossing area to get into the United States. The Border Patrol is very visible everywhere we went.

Closing Banquet was held Thursday night at the Sycuan Casino Resort. One of the awards went to a 93-year-old for being the oldest driver. There I talked to a lot of people from all over the United States about their club and things that they do. Must say I am proud of our club; we have a lot going on.

Next National Tour is in Calgary Canada.

Susie





# National Tour Photos





# Birthdays and Anniversaries



## July Anniversaries

Jerry & Toni Moore	14
Steve & Polly Elliott	-
Jay & Christine Busio	15

## July Birthdays

Nich Boorinakis	5
Erik Lindstedt	10
David Giomi	12
Jeff Slattery	27
Sherry Rodriguez	28



## Larry Taylor

Received a call from Donna Christian. Previous member and a friend of many, Larry Taylor passed away June 26 in his sleep. Larry was recovering from a heat attack and not doing well. Donna will call with funeral information when its available.



Larry and his Karmann Ghia on one of our last Redwood Tours.



## Free Parts

Contact Rich Instness  
916-346-8702



**Free**

**Free**





## Meeting Minutes - May

Mother Lode Model-T  
Meeting Minutes  
June 13th, 2024  
Big Bear Dinner, Auburn CA

Called to order: 6:30 pm  
By President Gary Krezman

**Secretary's Report:** Junette reports no corrections for Minutes of May 9th.  
Minutes Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kitty gave the accounting for the Swap Meet, as well as the deposits & withdrawals for the months of April & May. Treasury is solvent.

**Vice President's Report:** Susie reminds members about Cruise Night Friday night. Also that the Big Boy 4014, the Largest steam locomotive ever built would be passing through Auburn & on exhibit in Roseville. The "Beat the Heat Tour" organized by Goodell's will be on July 27th. Please bring cash to pay your check. August 26th is Grace Aldridge's 100th Birthday! To celebrate our long time member, we are planning to do a drive by tour to acknowledge her special day! Junette will plan the route and more information to come. September 7th Tour to Roseville to the Telephone Museum is planned by the Instness'. September 21st the Marriott's "Picnic at the Ranch" will be held.

**Old Business:** There was continued discussion about the Club shirts and John was wearing his so members could see the quality. Gary will check with Erik B about when he can have the Safety Check? Gary expressed thanks to all that helped with the Swap Meet! He reported that there was a lower Vendor attendance than previous years. A few less buyers but most of the buyers were happy with what they found.

A Model-T pickup sold for \$10K after Gary told him he was asking to much, for the second time. The expenses for the Club were close to past events.

Gary & Erik L. went to the Fair Grounds Office To settle up after the Swap Meet. At that time they asked about the increase in fee for next year. Gary mentioned that we were a Non-Profit and they were told that because of that we could get a 20% discount & also possibly get the dumpster for free. At the Board Meeting we discussed raising the Vendors fee to \$35. Also to get more attendance allow Antique products & maybe a Antique car show? There was one Vendor across from the Caramel Corn Vendor who was selling Vinyl Records on which he had painted designs. He said he did great! The Caramel Corn Vendor who also sold Lemonade, to which they add different flavors, also reported he would come back. He was the one who complained about paying the \$50. deposit. Maria said she did "so so" but would always be there for us! There was a Guy who drove his Depot Hack from Lodi counting the Stop signs on the way. He was so happy he donated \$20. back.

**New Business:** Gary & Susie will be attending the National Tour in San Diego next week. For the 100th Anniversary of 10 millionth Model-T manufactured, a replica will be touring the Lincoln Hwy. John Saylor will keep us posted on the time line and when it will be in our area.

The Big Boy Locomotive will be leaving Sparks Nevada and will be on display in Roseville July 12-13th. Rides were offered from Roseville to Sparks on Sunday the 14th of July. No seats are available and they did cost a considerable amount! The possible viewing spots were discussed one of which was Apple Lane passed Machado's Orchard. Model-T's could be parked so when the Big Boy passes pictures could be taken.

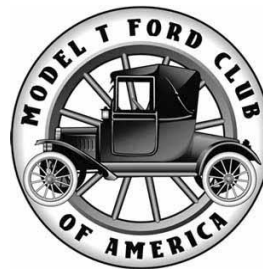
No Board Meeting in July.

**Show & Tell:** Several Members brought Model-T related Items to share.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 pm  
By President Krezman  
Cordially: Junette Avey, Secretary



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## Mother Lode Model T Club Membership Application

Dues are \$20. / Year

New ☐ Renewal ☐ -- Renewals Due Dec 31

Name \_\_\_\_\_ B'day Mo \_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_

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## The Model T Ford Club of America

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 are \$50.00 payable to:

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