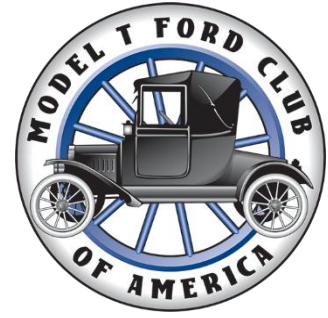




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## January 2025

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### Presidents Message

From our outgoing President....



This will be my last time saying "Hi to all Members of the Mother Lode Model T Club" in a President's Message. I have decided to step down as Club President and I would like to thank all members for the many years of loyal support and help in keeping the Club moving forward. Our new President will be Paula Mikles and I know everyone will show her the same support and kindness that you have shown myself throughout the years. Thank you to everyone.

*Gary Krezman*

Paula Mikles takes over the gavel....



Hi all!

Yes, you guessed it. I am excited to say that I will be taking on the role as the 2025 Mother Lode Model T Club President. It's about time Gary got a well-deserved break, and I'd also like to honor my father, Lewis Burcher, who served as President for five years. I'd like to acknowledge the wonderful job Gary has done as our President. Over the last several years Gary has served as President eight times. He has always been a dedicated and reliable leader, keeping in mind our club bylaws, rules for non-profit organizations and, most of all, the enjoyment of touring our cars and the

camaraderie of our club members. I am so happy he will still be on the board to steer me while I'm getting my feet wet. You could say Gary and I played musical chairs, as he has taken on my Board Member position, along with John Saylor, Erik Lindstedt and Gordon Goodell. The officers, besides myself, are Susie Krezman, Vice President, Junette Avey, Secretary and Kitty Goodell, Treasurer. Additionally, Gary and Erik will be responsible for coordinating our Swap Meet on June 8, 2025. This is a very large job and I'm grateful it will be in such capable hands.

On a sadder note, I'd like to express condolences for the loss of longtime member, Naomi Edmonds, on November 18th, at the age of 93. Naomi was a Charter Member of our club. She was very involved in the club and much loved by our members. She will be greatly missed.

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*(President's Message, Cont'd)*

We held our annual Christmas lunch at the Ridge on December 14th. It was well attended, and we had a wonderful time. Great food, good service, and lots of visiting with each other made for a great way to celebrate the holidays with our friends. I would like to thank my sister, Kitty Goodell, for assisting me with putting on this event. Also, I would like to thank everyone who attended for making this another memorable event.

I'd like to invite all members to join me at the annual President's Pizza Feed on Saturday, January 18th, from 1p to 3p, at Mountain Mike's Pizza, 2520 Bell Road, Auburn. Pizza and sodas will be paid for by the club. You are on your own for salad and alcohol. I hope to see you there!

Remember to pay your \$20 membership dues for 2025. Dues are due by the end of December each year. Kitty Goodell, our treasurer, still has members who have not paid. If you have not paid, your name will be removed from our 2025 membership roster, so get those dues in.

Our next Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, January 7th, at Mountain Mike's Pizza in Auburn, with pizza at 5:30pm and the meeting beginning at 6:30pm. All members are welcome.

Our next General Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 9th, at Black Bear Diner, 13365 Lincoln Way in Auburn. Dinner is at 5:30pm and the meeting begins at 6:30pm. I encourage members to attend this meeting so we can share ideas and upcoming tours and events.

Attending the meetings is also a wonderful way to get questions or concerns about your Model T's answered. Please remember to bring your items or stories to share.

Lastly, I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and here is to a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year in 2025. I look forward to supporting our club and working with our board members in the coming year.

*Paula*

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## Up Coming Events - 2024

MTFCA NATIONAL ACTIVITIES	Local Club Events - 2025
January 17, 2025 - January 18, 2025 <a href="#">Winter Clinic</a> <i>McPherson College McPherson, KS,</i>	♦ Jan 7 – Board Meeting, Mtn Mikes Pizza.. 5:30 dinner, 6:30 Meeting.
February 1, 2025 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm <a href="#">Annual Snowmobile Meet</a> <i>Powersports North Country Rivers, Rte. 201, Bingham, ME, United States</i>	♦ Jan 9 - General Meeting, Black Bear Diner, Auburn. 5:30 dinner, 6:30 Meeting.
June 4, 2025 - June 7, 2025 <a href="#">Homecoming at the Model T Museum</a> <i>Model T Museum 309 N 8th Street, Richmond, IN, United States</i>	♦ Jan 18 – Pizza Feed. Mtn Mikes Pizza. Bell Rd. Auburn.
July 13-18, 2025 – MTFCA National Tour – Alberta, Canada.	♦ Mar 1 - Charter Celebration Luncheon, at The Ridge.
See more info in The Vintage Ford Magazine	♦ June 1 – Mother Lode 50 <sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet. Gold Country Fairgrounds.

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## New Officers for 2025



L-R: Kitty Goodell, Treasurer; Paula Mikles, President; Junette Avey, Secretary; Susie Krezman, Vice President.

The remaining members of the Board of Directors: Gordon Goodell, John Saylor, Erik Lindstedt and Gary Krezman.





**From the Auburn Journal -**

**Naomi Edmonds 1/16/1931 - 11/25/2024**

Naomi Edmonds, beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, wife, and friend passed away November 25th.



Born on January 16, 1931, in Cardin, OK, she was the second of four daughters to Joseph and Florence McHaffie. As a young woman, her family ventured west to California, settling in Chico, where Naomi worked at Pacific Bell Telephone Company.

After marrying Max Edmonds, they made their home in the Feather River Canyon, where Max worked for PG&E and Naomi drove the local “school bus” (a well-loved station wagon) to Big Bar, the one-room school in Pulga. In 1965, they relocated to Auburn, where they would remain and thrive.

Naomi was an exceptional homemaker, a devoted mother, and a cherished friend, recognized for both her warm hospitality and her impeccable style. Guests who stepped through her door were greeted with genuine kindness and often treated to her legendary pies and potato salad—dishes that remained family favorites for decades. She took special pride in her appearance, always “put together” in a way that was both elegant and down-to-earth.

She and Max cultivated a rich community of “old car friends” and spent many happy years traveling across the West and Midwest on National Model T Tours and enjoying the open road in their 1965 Mustang. Naomi contributed to her community as well, becoming the first “official” employee at Machado’s apple barn when it opened in the 1980s.

Whether she was browsing garage sales, tending her garden, spending time with her cherished family, or savoring her daily Starbucks coffee, Naomi embraced life’s simple pleasures. Her warmth, laughter, and signature style will be fondly remembered by all who knew her.

Naomi is survived by her daughters, Linda Jayne and Karen Edmonds (Melissa Odom Blide); grandchildren, Carrie Leonard and Bob Leonard (Alex Romanello); niece, Donna Noblett; nephew, Joe Orrick; and many friends and neighbors. Each person touched by Naomi carries forward her legacy of kindness, grace, and generosity. A Celebration of Life will be held January 16, 2025. Contact Karen at [naomicelebrationoflife@gmail.com](mailto:naomicelebrationoflife@gmail.com) for more info.

Donations may be made to the Friends of the Auburn Library, or to Alta California Regional Center (ACRC). In Naomi’s honor, enjoy a cup of Starbucks with friends.

*Editor’s Note: For those newer members, Naomi and her Husband Max, were one of the “founding five Families” who had a love for Model Ts and founded the Mother Lode Model T Club in 1969.*

## **Next Meeting**

Our next General member meeting will be Thursday, January 9, Black Bear Diner, Auburn. 5:30 dinner, 6:30 meeting.

## **Its Dues Time**

**The date to renew your membership has passed.** Per our By-Laws, dues are due by December 31 each year. So, if you plan to continue your membership, please mail your check for \$20, along with any changes to your phone, e-mail, or PO address, to Mother Lode Model T Club, PO Box 4901, Auburn, CA. 95604 or pay the treasurer at the meeting.

Please do not delay. Time is needed after the first of the year to compile the roster and send it to the MTFCA to recertify our chapter insurance and status.

## **Do not Let Your National Membership Lapse!**

Also check your Vintage Ford. It may be time to renew your MTFCA membership. Our MTFCA Chapter status and liability insurance depends on having 50% of our members also be MTFCA members.



# Birthdays and Anniversaries



## January Anniversaries

Mark & Barbara O'Connor

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## January Birthdays

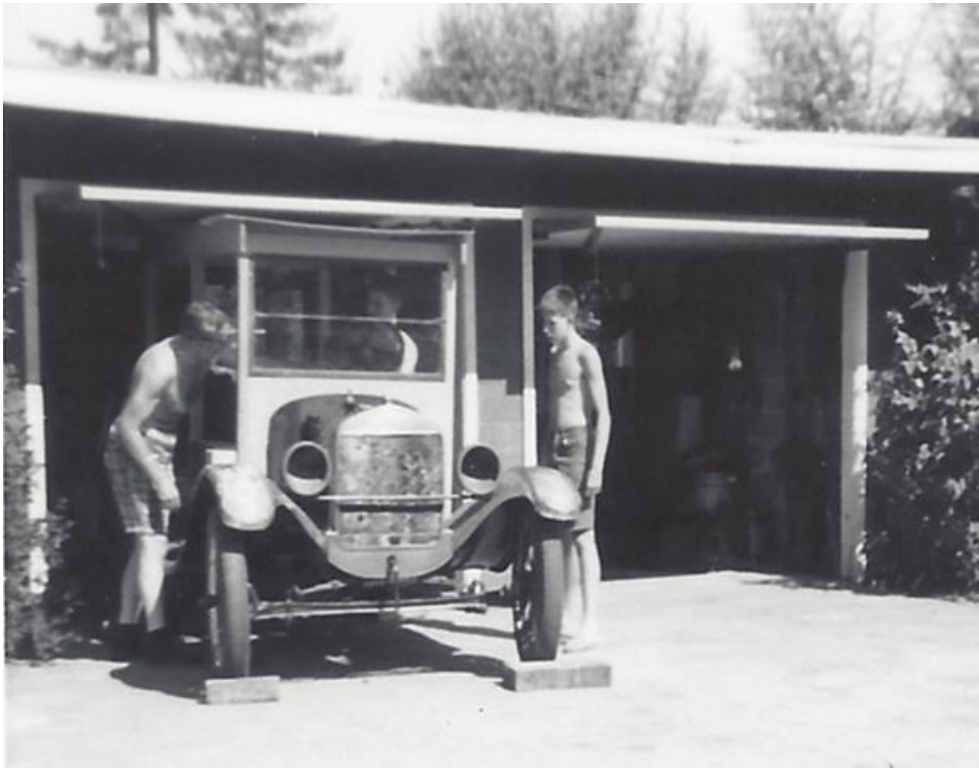
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Lynne Lyndon	14
Gordon Goodell	21





## Memories

Dennis Furr sent this one of their 1926 Depot Hack once owned by his dad.



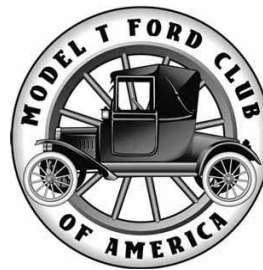
Dennis looking on. Older brother Don behind the wheel. Dad James Furr doing something. Mid to late 1960s. Working on our 1926 depot hack.



Dennis & Stevie as seen on recent tours with the '26 Hack.



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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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