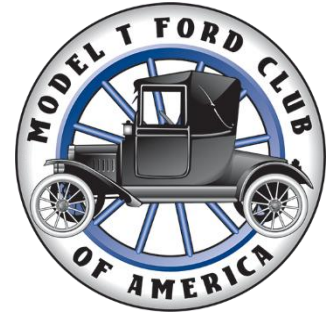




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Monthly Newsletter of the
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June 2025

Presidents Message



Hi all,

It's Swap Meet time!!! We're all getting ready to fulfill our volunteer duties under the direction of Gary Krezman and Erik Linstedt. Saturday, May 31st is set up day and Sunday, June 1st is our 50th annual Swap Meet. It looks like the weather is going to cooperate so it should be a great couple of days.

We had a great tour to the Rio Linda Farm and Tractor Show a couple of Saturdays ago. They designated parking for us, which was great. We had fun looking at all the tractors and farm equipment, visiting vendor booths, dining on hamburgers and, best of all, spending time with each other. The ride down and back was great. Gary had a little trouble getting his Model T to start up when we were leaving Raleys in the morning, but with a little help

from, Erik Linstedt, Jerry Moore and David Harrison pushing from behind, it started right up and Gary was off and running to lead us to our destination. Thanks to Susie Krezman and John Saylor for planning the tour.

Coming up on June 19th is the Tea put on by Julie Instness. Those of us attending are looking forward to that get together.

Our next Board Meeting will be on June 10th at Mountain Mike's Pizza at 5:30p (pizza), then 6:30p (meeting). Anyone can attend. Our next General Meeting is on June 12th at Black Bear Diner at 5:30p (dinner), then 6:30p (meeting). Remember to bring any show and tell items.

As always, thanks for all your great support and guidance and for working to keep our club going.

Here's to a great Swap Meet!!!

Paula Mikles

Up Coming Events – 2025

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MTFCA NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

>June 4, 2025 - June 7, 2025

[Homecoming at the Model T Museum](#)

*Model T Museum 309 N 8th Street,
Richmond, IN, United States*

>July 13-18, 2025 – MTFCA National Tour
– Alberta, Canada.

See more info in The Vintage Ford Magazine.



Congratulations
to all those folks,
young and old
who are
graduating this
June. May you
follow your
dreams and have
a successful
future.

Local Club Events - 2025

- ♦ May 31 – 8:30 am. Swap Meet Set-up. 2 pm
Early vendor check-in.
- ♦ June 1 – 6 am. Mother Lode 50th Annual
Swap Meet. Gold Country Fairgrounds.
- ♦ June 6-7 - Santa Clara Valley 54th
Annual Speedster Endurance Run &
Lowland tour. [Details.](#)
- ♦ June 10 – Board Mtg- 5:30, Dinner, 6:30,
Mtg. Mt. Mikes, Auburn.
- ♦ June 12 – Monthly Meeting. Black Bear
Diner, auburn. 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Meeting.
- ♦ June 19 – Afternoon Tea. Flyer attached
- ♦ July 26– Beat-The-Heat Breakfast Tour.
- ♦ Aug – Ice Cream Social.
- ♦ Fall Hillclimb, by NorCal F.A.S.T.-Auburn
Airport
- ♦ Sept 20 - Picnic Tour @ Marriott's Ranch.
- ♦ Oct – Fall Tour.
- ♦ Dec 14 – Christmas Luncheon, The Ridge
Golf Club.

FLASH BACK - Clouds Folsom Tour – Oct 2005



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May Tour to the Rio Linda Farm & Tractor Days

Saturday, May 17, we combined with the Sacramento Valley Model T Club for a tour to Rio Linda for their Farm and Tractor Days. We toured down to the flat land to the Antelope Walmart where we met up with the Sacramento area folks. Nine T's plus a couple of modern cars. After some donuts and *tire kicking* we toured on to the Dry Creek Farm House in Rio Linda. They had premiere parking for us. There was a good collection of "Hit & Miss" Engines by the Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association. Many were driving pumps and other machinery. There was even an engine driven May Tag washer running. There was a display of early tractors. After we had seen most of it, we relaxed in the shade and talked with spectators about our cars.



Thanks to Gary for bringing the donuts and leading the group down from Auburn.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



June Anniversaries

Lee Adams & Stuart Lauters	1
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June Birthdays

Erik Barrett	2
Ronald Polglase	7
Mike Bashore	9
Janis Frey	10
Martin Smith	12
Mary Ramsey	13
Steve Elliott	22
Kent Keyser	26
Barbara Polglase	29



Kitty & Paula, Last ride in Henry.

Henry has a new home

***Gordon and Kitty have said goodbye to their 27 Roadster Pickup, "Henry".
Allen & Maryann are the proud new owners.***



The Swap Meet – It's Here! It's our 50th Year for this Event.

Our Swap Meet is well known throughout California and Nevada as the place to find that needed part for your Model T and other antique and vintage car. It takes a lot of volunteers to run the meet. We need help Saturday morning, 8:30 am, to begin setting up the field. That includes shade tents, marking spaces, setting up signage, and trash barrels. Then Saturday afternoon we need people to check in vendors and help them get parked. Sunday, we open the gates at 6 am. Again, we need help checking in vendors, buyers and parking and clean up at the end after 2 pm. If you haven't signed up for a shift, show up and we will find a shift or job for you. Shift usually about 2 hours. If you are going to be selling, consider working a spot on the gate Saturday. Contact Gary, 916-599-0059.



Afternoon Tea

Thursday, June 19, at 12 Noon, Sotherton Tea Room, Lincoln. Be sure to RSVP to Julie by June 1.

Ladies in Automotive History

Bertha Benz was Carl Benz's wife and business partner as well as one of the pioneers of the automobile industry. In 1888, Bertha became the first person to drive an automobile over a long distance. Without her husband's knowledge, she set out with his motor car and her two sons in the direction of Pforzheim (Germany). After more than



twelve hours of driving and over 100 kilometers on mostly unpaved roads. The three actually arrived there. As a result of this trip, the Benz Patent-Motorwagen gained worldwide attention and sales. Bertha Benz, invented the brake lining, and solved several practical mechanical issues.

Meeting Minutes

Mother Lode Model T Club
General Meeting Minutes
Black Bear Diner, Auburn
May 8, 2025
Called to Order: 6:31 p.m.
By President Paula Mikles

Paula: Small turnout tonight for meeting before Swap Meet. Thank you to all who came. She also broke out a lighted wand with sound that she will use for those talking during the meeting.

Secretary: Junette was not in attendance because of her trip to Poland. Kitty acted as Secretary. Minutes of April 10 had no corrections. Minutes approved.

Treasurer: Kitty reported income from dues, and expenses for Swap Meet, shakedown tour, newsletter paper print, web server, board meeting, etc. Treasury is solvent.

Vice President: Susie talked about the upcoming tour May 17 to Rio Linda Farm and Tractor Days, Dry Creek Ranch House, Rio Linda. Hosted by John Saylor and Susie. Meet at Raley's at 8:30 a.m. Sacramento club will be joining us at the parking lot of Walmart. Signup sheet was sent around.

Old Business: Paula advised club dues bring in monies from club members. Last year's dues brought in \$1,040.00. She then read the federal rules for a 501.C7 club, which The Mother Lode Model T Club is. We are registered with the State of California as a Social & Recreational Club. California uses the Federal rules which state:

- Non-profit organizations that fall under federal tax code section 501(c7) are engaged in social or recreational club activities, and other non-profitable activities. The members of the organization share interests, and have a common goal directed toward recreation and pleasure. The organization must provide opportunities for personal contact between members. The organization must be a club of individuals, and no individual may derive profit from the organizations net earnings. Examples of this type of non-profit organizations include hobby clubs and fraternal organizations. There is no provision for contributions to a 501(c7) to be deductible from the contributing individual's federal income taxes.
- Funds from in house activities, such as raffles, dues, auctions and donations from members that do not involve the general public (non-Members) can be used for the benefit of the individual members.

So, profit from yard sales, swap meets and car shows that collect funds from non-members cannot be used to the benefit of members. Such funds must be donated to not for profit charities, (501 c3 organizations) such as museums, feed the hungry, medical research such as heart associations, lung associations, etc.

Paula continued with old business. Last month at the general meeting it was voted to revive the 50/50 raffle. We now have the tickets and Susie will bring a bucket to keep them in. Paula asked if anyone wants to volunteer to take on the raffle. No one volunteered. Mike Bashore brought up the \$10,000.00 CD. The current board members have been advised for several years that was donated by a non-member. In the discussion some of the people who have been members for longer than the board advised that money was left to the club by Burt Dippendeiner and his wife with specific instructions that it was to be used solely for the future crab feeds to keep them going. The Dippendeiners didn't have any children so they left that money to the club. Paula thanked members for their input and advised this new information will be brought up and discussed at the next board meeting. Mike asked where the money for board meetings comes from. It's from the general fund. Mike asked why prices for spaces at the Swap Meet were raised. His opinion is prices should remain steady and the club should try to

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(Minutes, Continued)

break even as best as possible to perpetuate the hobby, not for the club to raise more money. Paula advised the costs for putting on the Swap Meet have continued to rise, therefore our prices have been raised to recoup the additional costs to the club. It would be very difficult to determine ahead of time what our costs vs income would be in order to break even or come close to it, as Mike suggested.

Gary: Volunteer sheets for Swap Meet being routed. People needed to help at the gates. Gary has secured a coffee and donut vendor. Kitty & Gordon will bring some folding chairs for those at the gates to sit down. The trailer will be at the fairgrounds between 8:00-8:30 Saturday. Coffee vendor will use our long tables and coffee pots. Vern verified we have more vendor cards so not need for more. Steve Straw will be night patrol Saturday night as he answers nature's calls. Fliers are available. Please take some and give to businesses to put up in their windows if allowed. Example: barber shops, auto stores, etc.

New Business: Paula advised she received a call from the Assistance League of Greater Placer. They are asking if anyone would be willing to provide a car to be used in the 4th of July parade. Their old contact no longer available. They would like to decorate the car, put a sign for their organization on it, have some of their members ride in the car. Paula advised she will bring up to the club members but that it's not something most feel comfortable with due to not wanting to hurt their car's paint. No volunteers. Susie will call and advise them.

Show and Tell: John Saylor advised we received a postcard from EGGE Pistons celebrating 110 years in business. Several members have used them for parts of their cars. John will run the information in the next newsletter. Allen Koch told fellow members at the Shakedown tour he had put new tires on his speedster and now it's shaking read bad! Kitty & Gordon shared they sold the 1927 Roadster Pickup that Lew rebuilt to Allen Koch. Lew would be very happy with its new home. First it will go to Erik Barrett to make sure it's in running order. Steve Straw had flyers for the Fall Hillclimb on September 6 in Auburn at the airport.

Paula:- Next board meeting will be June 10, general meeting June 12. Remember to tip your waitstaff.

Meeting adjourned 7:09 p.m.

By President Paula Mikles

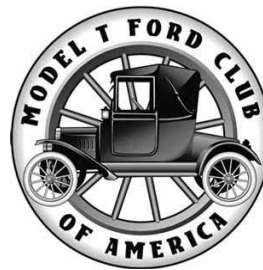
Respectfully: Kitty Goodell on behalf of Junette Avey



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- **June 7 - Model T Basics & Driving Class at the CAM . [Details](#)**



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