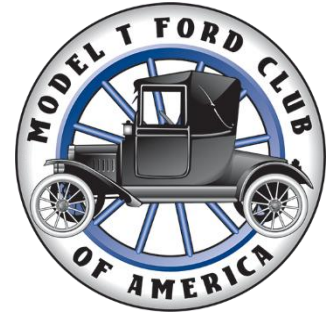




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March 2025

Presidents Message



Hello everyone,

I'm looking forward to March and am in hopes we get some rain, just not so much all at once. Those storms were really something, weren't they?

I appreciate all of you who braved the horrible weather to attend our February General Meeting. Such great support for our club. Susie, thanks for bringing chocolate hearts for everyone in celebration of Valentine's Day. That was so sweet of you.

We discussed the Safety Check and John Saylor suggested we combine it with the April 12th Shakedown Tour. Great idea! Therefore, we are going to have the Safety Check at Raleys before

we head out on the Shakedown. Remember to bring your tools with you. More on this to follow from Susie as we get closer to the Shakedown Tour. Thanks to everyone for their input on scheduling a Safety Check.

The Crab Feed was a smashing success!!! Thanks to Gary and crew for another fun and delicious get together. Thanks to everyone for bringing so many delicious appetizers to go along with the crab, as well. I'm not a big crab person but, let me tell you, I certainly didn't go home hungry.

Our next event is the Charter Luncheon at The Ridge on Saturday, March 1st, put on by Susie. I look forward to seeing everyone there who have already made their reservations. It'll be fun!

There will not be a Board Meeting in March. Our next General Meeting will be held on March 13th at Black Bear Diner, Auburn, dinner at 5:30p, meeting at 6:30p.

Have a great month and I hope to see you at the March General Meeting. Many thanks for all of your support and participation in the Mother Lode Model T Club.

Paula Mikles

Up Coming Events - 2025

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.

Day Light Savings time. Spring forward 1 hour
Sunday March 9.

Flash Back



May 2005, Tour to the Horton Iris Gardens.

Local Club Events - 2025

- ♦ Mar 1 - Charter Celebration Luncheon, at The Ridge.
- ♦ Mar 13 - General Meeting, Black Bear Diner, Auburn. 5:30 dinner, 6:30 Meeting
- ♦ March 15 – The Mother Road – Lincoln Hwy event in El Dorado Hills.
- ♦ April 8 – Board Mtg-swap meet planning. 5:30, Dinner, 6:30, Mtg. Mt. Mikes, Auburn
- ♦ April 12 – Shake Down Tour & Safety Check.
- ♦ May – Tour -TBA
- ♦ May 31 – Swap Meet Set-up. Early vendor check-in.
- ♦ June 1 – Mother Lode 50th Annual Swap Meet. Gold Country Fairgrounds. – [Details](#)
- ♦ June 6-7 - Santa Clara Valley 54th Annual Speedster Endurance Run & Lowland tour. [Details.](#)
- ♦ July – Beat-The-Heat Breakfast Tour.
- ♦ Aug – Ice Cream Social.
- ♦ Sept - Picnic Tour @ Marriott's Ranch.
- ♦ Oct – Fall Tour.
- ♦ Dec 14 – Christmas Luncheon.

Crab Feed

By Gary Krezman



On February 15, 2025 at the Barnstormer Room at the Auburn Airport, we had our Annual Crab Feed. To give you a little history on the Crab Feed, the first three were held at my in-laws house, Gil and Bobbi Machado starting in 1968. An old time member, Hagerman, would drive to Fort Bragg, spend the night, then buy the crab, put it in the bed of his pick up and drive back to Auburn. The crab had to be cracked. In the laundry room members would crack the crab. Someone would always bring some homemade wine, if Susie remembers right it was Cliff Hyatt.

Also, this was an era where people smoked in the house. So, for a few days, the house smelled like red wine, crab and cigarette smoke. Good memories.

This year In attendance we had 40 members and 14 guests. A huge thank you to Vern and Elaine Marriott and Ed and Sherry Rodriguez. When we pulled into the airport with the crab, they were waiting for us to help with unloading and setting up.

Thank you to Junette for bringing all the newspapers for the tables. Elaine was there coordinating all the food, set up and making sure all night that things ran smoothly, which it did. Thank you to Kitty and Gordon Goodell, Paula Mikles, and Al Stoll for staying to help with the clean up.

Thanks to all for the appetizers. A wonderful evening to share with all the Mother Lode Model T Club members.

Next is the Charter Luncheon at the Ridge on March 1st. We have 28 members and a few guests. Then onto the touring season.

Gary Krezman, Chairperson



More Crab Feed Pictures



Birthdays and Anniversaries



March Anniversaries

John & Janice Saylor	30
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March Birthdays

Richard Kempt	1	Edward Rodriguez	11
John Boorinakis	2	Janice Saylor	15
Christine Buscio	9		
Toni Moore	9		



Vice President Report

Our touring calendar is filling up. There was a sign-up sheet sent around at the February Meeting.

To start the season, we will have our 17th Annual Gil Machado Shakedown Tour on April 12. Toni Moore and I are working on plans. There will be a signup sheet at the March Meeting, or contact me directly 916 599-0552.

MAY: Debbie Bamber is planning a tour

JUN is still open for a tour.

JUL Kitty, Gordon and Paula are planning a Breakfast Tour

AUG Susie and Paula are planning an ice cream social

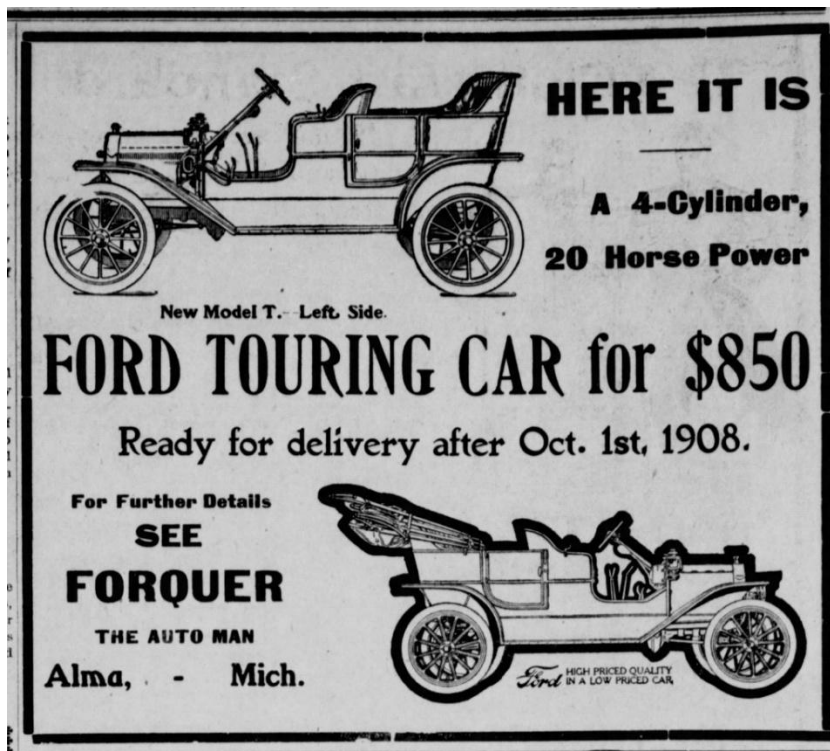
SEP Vern and Elaine are having a Picnic in the Garage at their home (we could also do a tour in Sept, maybe Apple Hill during the week.)

OCT Junette is planning a tour

Debbie Bamber made a great suggestion. That we review some of the old tours and do them again. I will bring my binder of old tours for members to look at. The directions are already there, so it would make for an easy tour to plan.

Anyone interested in planning a June Tour? Maybe something to honor the Fathers in our Club. I am open to suggestions for tours, have you heard of an interesting place to visit on tv. newspaper or social media?

I appreciate all that have signed up to host a tour or ideas you may have.
Susie Krezman, Vice President



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Charter Luncheon – March 1

We will be celebrating our 56th anniversary as a chartered chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America. Everything is set. Hope to see you all, Saturday, March 1 at the Ridge Golf and Country Club.

Looking Back - Charter Members 2005



March 15 -The Mother Road – Lincoln Highway Event

Join us for an adventure through time! Join historian Don Uelman as he reveals the captivating story of the Lincoln Highway in El Dorado County. Then, with a local guide, journey along the longest preserved stretch of this historic road in the county, and an optional tour of one of El Dorado Hills' rarely seen pioneer cemeteries located adjacent to the Mohanna Ranch. See the flyer attached to the email. More details to come.

Meeting Minutes

Mother Lode Model-T Club

General Meeting Minutes – Feb 13, 2025

Called to Order: 6:35 pm

By President Paula Mikles

Secretary: Junette reports no corrections to the Minutes of January 9th 2025. Minutes approved as written.

Treasurer: Kitty reports she sent a donation check for \$1000. to the Assistance League of Placer County. She also paid for a Statement of Information, to the Secretary of State so the swap meet application for the non-profit discount could be completed. Checks were written for a two year subscription for the Cruizn News & the President's Pizza Feed. She also paid for the supplies & Crab for the Crab Feed. 50 People attended. The checks for the Charter Luncheon were deposited. 32 Members & Guests have signed up to attend. Treasury is solvent.

Old Business: John S. reported that the Cruizn' News has two free ads about our Swap Meet. Gary spoke to Matt, the Battalion Chief at the Fire Department. They are planning to buy cordless tools for the Fire Trucks with our Swap Meet donation. Kitty read a Thank You letter for our donation to the Assistance League, from Jan Krug the director. They are very appreciative our donations, which they use to help repair cars belonging to abused women. She also shared that she spoke with Michael about the Club Tee shirts that are too small. He sent her a large women's which was also too small. He said he would take them off the web site.

New Business: Paula asked if the members still want to have a "Safety Check Day"? Members at the meeting felt it was important that we do have one. John S. suggested that we have one then go on a short tour and go to lunch. Perhaps at the 5 Mile House.

John shared about the Bakersfield Swap Meet. Which will be held Minter Airfield, 201 Aviation St. Shafter, CA. The date is May 2nd & 3rd, 2025. It is in Dedication to the Memory of Bill Bennett.

John also said he received a call from a lady in Elk Grove who was selling two brand new brass radiators she found when selling her father's parts collection. If interested check with John for her number. John also would like your stories about "Adventures with your Model-T". Julie Instness would like to have a ladies English Style Tea event (Men are invited too if they wish to attend). She will set a date on a week day. It is in a shop in Lincoln. Debbie Bamber shared she found a great repair manual for Model-A's which made it very easy for her & Roman to do repairs on her car. The Complete Model "A" Restoration Manual. She got it on Amazon. Someone else mentioned there where a series of Blue Books on repairing each individual parts of Model-T's. John B brought a tool used to make wire hose clamps. A small but handy item to have in your repair kit.

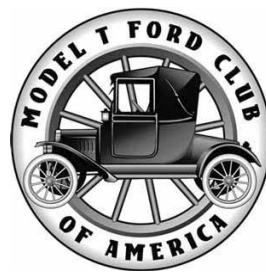
The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm by president Paula Mikles.

Respectfully: Junette Avey, Secretary





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