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**Monthly Newsletter of the
Mother Lode Model T Club
Celebrating 50 Years**

<http://www.motherlodemodelt.com>

August 2019

Message from Our President

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



Well as July is almost over, boy did it ever get "hot", almost too hot to even think about taking the Model T's out in the afternoon and that is why Susie and Junette created the Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour several years ago. This year's Breakfast Tour was Hosted by Kitty and

Company. Kitty did a fine job of getting everybody out of bed early and up to Dine and Dash in Colfax for a very tasty breakfast and a nice time to visit with each other. Then it was back down the hill to the heat of the day.

With the 2019 Swap Meet behind us, we need to start thinking about the 2020 Swap Meet, so I stopped by the Fairgrounds and put a deposit down to reserve our date of June 7, 2020. If everyone could look at this date and make sure it doesn't conflict with any other major events, if so please call myself or any other Board Member and let us know.

We have our annual Ice Cream Social coming up on August 24th, hosted by Junette. If you are not signed up yet call Junette and get on the list, this is always a fun event.

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

Gary Krezman

Up Coming Events

- ♦ **Aug 8** - Monthly Meeting, Auburn Sizzler.
Dinner at 5:30- 7 pm. Meeting starts at 7 pm.
- ♦ **Aug 9** Auburn Cruise Night. Let's bring some cars out.
- ♦ **Aug 20** - Tuesday, 11:30 AM LOL's (Ladies Out to Lunch). Sizzler, Auburn. No RSVP needed. LOLs will meet at the Sizzler on the third Tuesday each month at 11:30 until further notice.
- ♦ **Aug 24** - Ice Cream Social - Details below.
- ♦ **Sept 21**- Colfax Railroad Days. Meet at Raley's 8:30
Leave by 9 am- Celebrate 150 years of Railroads.
- ♦ **Oct 19** - Manifold Cookout Tour to Penn Valley - Saylor..
- ♦ **Nov** - Open
- ♦ **Dec 8** - Christmas Party - Paula Mikles.
- ♦ **June 7 2019** - 46th Annual Mother Lode Swap Meet



Ice Cream Social

Ice Cream Social: Will be held at Doug Avery's home in Cool. Saturday, August 24th. I will have a sign up at the meeting for a potluck. Doug has a pool so if you want to swim bring your suit and towel. Wear comfortable shoes. If you are not at the meeting and want to attend please call Junette 916 436-4176 and leave a message if I am not home. We will meet at Raley's at 3:00 PM.

LOL's (Ladies Out to Lunch)

August 20 -Tuesday, 11:30 AM LOL's (Ladies Out to Lunch). Sizzler, Auburn. No RSVP needed.

Remember - For the next few month LOLs will meet at the Sizzler on the third Tuesday each month at 11:30 am until further notice. All Ladies in the club are welcome.

Beat The Heat Breakfast Tour

We had a very comfortable and nice morning for our tour on July 14. We met at Raley's at 7:00. The entire group was assembled and we left the parking lot at 7:45. We drove a short tour that totaled about 15 miles which took us on side roads of Interstate 80, passing through Applegate, Weimar, and ending at our destination, Dine and Dash Cafe in Colfax. There were a total of 16 older cars and 2 modern cars. The group of 27 was seated on the back patio area, and we had a lovely breakfast. The service was friendly and efficient, and the food was great. We were back on the road to head home about 10:15 with everyone making it home before noon and beating the heat. We had a very fun time! We want to thank all of those who attended, with special thanks to Allen for all the great photos he took. We always appreciate your hard work!

Tour Leaders - Paula, Gordon, Kitty and Gina



[Click Here for more pictures](#)

Breakfast Tour Pictures



***Erik's Charging up the TT at the EV Charge Station!
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Auburn Cruise Night - August 9

The next Cruise Night in Auburn will be held August 9, 2019. Anyone interested in showing their car should be there at around 4 pm to line up park your car. The Lindstedt Family will be bringing their 100 year old 1919 Model T for display. We will try to get the Auburn Journal to come and take some pictures. Bring your car and enjoy the festivities. Model T's always draw special attention. And it's free to show your car. So hope to see a few of you there Aug 9th.



September Tour

September 21 we will tour to the town of Colfax to participate in the Annual Railroad Days. We will have dedicated parking for our cars. The event will include Union Pacific Railroad displays, Amtrak display, Model Railroad display, 1840's Re-enactment Camp, Face painters, Balloon Artists, Music, Food and Refreshments.

Meet at Raley's at 8:30, Leave at 9. Sign up at the meeting or call John Saylor 916-202-5842.

Commemorative Club Shirts

We have a few shirts available. 3 Mens XL (\$13) and 1 Ladies Large and 1 Ladies XL (\$14). I will bring to the September meeting.

We also have 1 Med Blue Polo and 1 Large Blue Zipper Hoodie.

Anniversaries and Birthdays



August Anniversaries

Tom & Maryellen Huff	2
Brad & Annette Lusk	3
Les & Sandy Silveira	11
Erik & Cindy Lindstedt	15
John & Leona Boorinakis	16
Al & Sharon Stoll	24
Allen & Maryann Koch	26



August Birthdays

Julie Smith	9
Polly Elliott	14
Joyce Weitzel	14
Stephen Short	21
Cindy Lindstedt	23
Grace Aldridge	26
Debbie Bamber	31

Bill Bamber

Long time member Bill Bamber passed away on Thursday, July 25, with his family at his bedside. Bill is a past president of the Mother Lode Model T Club. Our prayers and condolences to Debbie and family.



Mother Lode Model T Club Meeting Minutes, July 11^h, 2019. Sizzler Restaurant, Auburn, CA.

Call to Order - The Meeting was called to order by Club President Gary Krezman at 7:01 PM.

Greeter Report – Rob Williams (1928 Model A Owner) and Tim Senti (Interested Car Club Member) were both present and interested in possibly joining our Club. Also present checking us out were Dennis & Stephanie Furr, owners of a 1926 Depot Hack.

Sunshine – Vice President Susie Krezman reported that Steve Elliot had recent Surgery and was expected to be home by the coming Monday.

Treasurer Report – Treasurer Debbie Bamber read the Income & Expenses for June 19th, 2019 and declared that our Club Savings were better than ever due to another successful Swap Meet!

Secretary Report - Steve Short reported that the June General Meeting minutes were published in the Club's Monthly newsletter. Hearing no corrections needed by the Members who were present, he declared the Minutes approved and to be filed in the Club Records.

VP - Upcoming 2019 Activities Report – Susie Krezman

August 24th - Ice Cream Social - Junette Avey-Brown who has graciously stood up to take charge of the popular MLMTC Event, Thank you Junette!

September 21st: Colfax Railroad Days

October 19th - **Manifold Cookout Tour to Penn Valley - Saylor**

December 8th - **Christmas Party**, Paula Mikles & Co. has volunteered after an internal discussion of the 2019 Event. Details to follow.

Old Business – Club T-Shirts are still available from John Saylor to Club Members who wish to purchase them after he returns to the next meeting. Radiator Badges are still available through John Saylor.

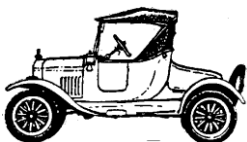
We are still in critical need of the identification of a Member to step forward to take on the duties of managing the 2020 Club Swap meet. If no one can assume this responsibility, the Swap Meet may be canceled. Now is the time for someone new to lead the way.

Subsequent to the meeting Brad Lusk has volunteered to chair the meet for 2020.

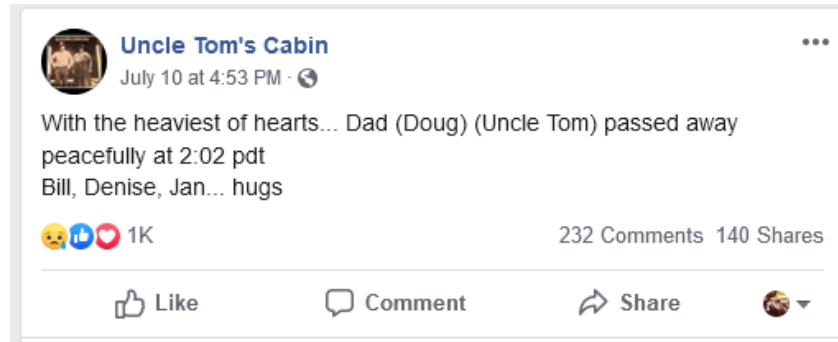
New Business - None

Adjournment - With no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:35 PM, by **President Krezman**.

Respectfully,
Stephen J Short, Secretary



We have made several tours to Uncles Tom's Cabin---



Celebration Of Life

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Please join us to celebrate the life of our dear friend Doug Purrier. For many years, Doug owned and operated Uncle Tom's Cabin as a place of solitude for the weary traveler, the outbound Jeepster, the cold family warming up from a day in the snow. Uncle Tom's Cabin holds a special place in the hearts of so many of us and Doug was a true embodiment of that spirit. Let's celebrate the life of a dear man who we love and cherish!

On August 24th at 3:00 p.m. we will celebrate the life of Doug Purrier with a small service. Dinner will follow directly after at 4:00 p.m. It is our pleasure to provide dinner and dessert for all our guests at Uncle Tom's Cabin. This will not be a potluck, but we will be accepting donations.

In true Uncle Tom's Fashion, the celebration will continue through the evening with two live bands, cold beer and even better people! Camping is available for \$10/night on a first-come, first-served basis. Please bring your memories to share, the love in your heart and a chair to rest in.



Manifold Cookout Tour to Uncle Tom's - August 2017

Clem Sala and his brother Vic were known
for building some very fast Model Ts.

GROWING UP WITH MY MODEL T'S by Clem Sala

In the first place, I was born the same month and year as the Model T, October 1908. So naturally I would grow up with the T.

I built my first T in 1923; I was about fifteen years old, My father had died in 1918, leaving my Mother with five kids and I was the oldest of the five. My Mother had a hard time trying to raise us, so mom never had any extra money for pleasures.

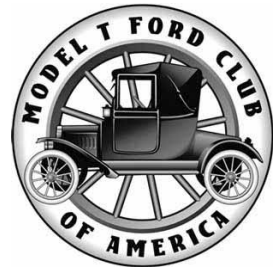
I helped as much as I could with paper routes and odd jobs. That meant there was no money for anything like a car, so I decided to build my own. I knew the keeper of the local dump as I was always down there looking for bicycle parts and tires for my bike. I asked him if I could help him around the place in exchange for any T parts I could have. I helped him sorting out iron from brass junk. In those days people would toss out all kinds of T stuff. It wasn't long before I had enough pieces to put together a Model T Speedster for free. I even found a speedster body at the dump and still have a picture of the Speedster.

One day a few months later a friend of mine asked me to take him up to see his Grandmother who lived in a small village in the mountains. I think the name of the town was Dos Rios up on the coast. We had a nice trip up until we turned off the main road. Then it was a climb all the way on a one way road where you could look down 1000 feet and the wheels on the outside were riding on the ledge, I was doing all the driving and was scared stiff as I had never been out of city or state roads before. And then it happened. A car was coming down the hill straight at us. We had just passed a turn out. I had to back down the hill and let the car by. I think I almost had a fit trying to back down the steep and narrow road but we made it. We didn't meet another car till we got to Dos Rios. We had a pleasant visit and started back the next day. Going back was easy and we had no trouble; that is until we got back to the ferry at San Rafael when I discovered my friend hadn't any money to pay the trip back to Richmond. I didn't have any money either. We sat there awhile and then decided to go back to San Rafael and sell our spare tire which by luck was near new. I remember we got a dollar for the tire which got us on home. Luckily we didn't have any car trouble.

I had the speedster for about a year. In those days the road between Oakland and Walnut Creek was very steep and narrow and two cars could just pass in the tunnel near the top of the grade. We used to take a trip up the Tunnel Road as it was then and back down again to our neighborhood in Oakland. As you know, we kids would race back down the hill as fast as we could negotiate the turns which were as crooked as dog's hind legs. I had four boys on my T hanging on all over, all hollering and singing. Then all of the sudden my rear wheel came off and down the canyon it went. Of course I didn't have any brakes left, so I had to steer and pray. I finally got it stopped and luckily there weren't many cars on the road in those days or I would have smeared us up good. We went looking for the wheel and tire down the canyon but couldn't find it. We had to get a small log and make a skid on the side where the wheel had been. A fellow towed us out of the hills where I got a friend of mine to tow it the rest of the way home.



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Club Website

The Mother Lode Model T Club maintains a website at <http://www.motherlodemodelt.com>. The website keeps members informed of club activities, photos of club events and members cars. The website also provides membership information an application and introduces those new to the hobby to the club.

The *Mother Lode Model T Club* was organized and became a chapter of the *Model T Ford Club of America* in 1969. The club is a non-profit organization dedicated to the personal enjoyment of its members through the preservation and restoration of the Model T Ford and especially through activities involving the use of Model T Fords.

Meetings at held on the second Thursday of each month with the exception of December, at the Sizzler, 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn, Ca. 5:30 pm for dinner, 7 pm meeting.

Membership is open to anyone with an interest in Model T Fords. Ownership of a Model T is not necessary.

Dues - Annual Dues are \$20 per family.

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 is \$40.00 payable to:

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