



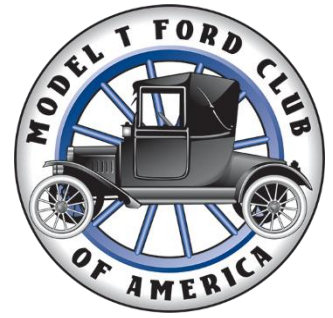
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Monthly Newsletter of the
Mother Lode Model T Club

A Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America

Celebrating 57 Years of Model T Fun

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August 2026

Presidents Message

Hi everyone;

Welcome to August. Looks like the weather is on its' way to getting hotter. This is the time of year when I really appreciate air conditioning. It's the best! I'd like to, once again, pass on condolences to Erik and Julie Barrett for the unfortunate passing of Erik's mom, Marylynn Barrett. MaryLynn was a long-time member of our club and will be greatly missed. We shared a moment of silence in her memory at the July club meeting.

We enjoyed our Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour last Saturday and were happy the weather wasn't too warm. Thanks to those who turned out and to Kitty Goodell for planning it.

Thanks to all members who attended the July General Meeting and participated in the 2026 Charitable Donations discussion and final vote. I appreciate everyone's input and am glad that topic is taken care of for this year. For more details about the vote and other information about the July General Meeting, please read the Meeting Minutes in this newsletter.

Eric Lindstedt shared some interesting information about the 1914 Model T that our club supports (through charitable donations) at the California Auto Museum (CAM). He said CAM uses that vehicle to teach new drivers how to drive a model T. They also use it for giving Model T rides to CAM visitors. Eric said it becomes a special car, especially to those who have learned to drive it. Thanks for sharing this, Eric.

The next tour is our Ice Cream Social on August 22nd, where we will be traveling to Leatherbys in Lincoln. See the article about the tour in this newsletter. I hope we have a great turnout for this tour, as it was fun last year.

There will not be a Board Meeting in August. The General Meeting will be on August 13th at Black Bear Diner. Please remember any show and tell items you may have. Have a great month,

Paula



Up Coming Events – 2026

Northern California Car Shows and Swap Meets- ----> [Norcal Car Culture](#)

MTFCA NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

2026 MTFCA National Regional Tours.

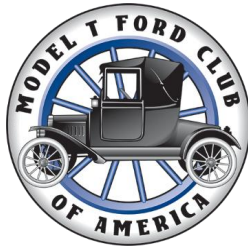
- ♦ Aug 5- 8 – Model T Museum Home Coming. Richmond, In. [Info](#)
- ♦ September 8 – 12. Model T's, The Mother Road & More. National Tour, Joplin, Missouri.
- ♦ Oct 7-10 – 49th Annual Texas T Party, Columbus, Texas

See more info in The Vintage Ford Magazine.

MTFCA Membership

Our local charter and insurance depend on having a minimum of 50% of our members also be members of the MTFCA. Membership includes The Vintage Ford Magazine. There are many good stories and tech tips in every issue as well as classified and vendor ads.

See the *back page* for MTCA contact info.



Local Club Events – 2026

- ♦ Aug 13 – Monthly Meeting. Black Bear. Diner, Auburn. 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 Meeting.
- ♦ Aug 22 – Ice Cream Social Tour. Details This issue.
- ♦ Aug 29 – F.A.S.T. Hill Climb, Auburn Airport. [Fyer Info](#)
- ♦ Sept 12 - Colfax Rail Road Days. [Event Info](#)
- ♦ Sept 19 – “Picnic at the Ranch”.
- ♦ Oct - Fall Tour, Leader needed.
- ♦ Oct 24 - F.A.S.T. - Santa Margarita Time Trials.
- ♦ Nov 11 – Veterans Day.
- ♦ Dec 6 – Christmas Party at the Ridge.



Looking Back....
Shake Down 2012 – 25 cars

Birthdays and Anniversaries



August Anniversaries

Erik & Cindy Lindstedt	15
John & Leona Boorinakis	16
Al & Sharon Stoll	24
Allen & Maryann Koch	26

August Birthdays

Eric Staples	7
Roman Kvapil	11
Cindy Lindstedt	23
Debbie Bamber	31



Parades

Hi Everyone,

I hope you all had a wonderful 4th of July.

Looking ahead to next year's club activities, I wanted to see how many members would be interested in entering our Model T's in a local parade. At our July General Meeting, one of our newer members, Jim Dempsey, shared that he participated in the 3rd of July Parade in Colfax this year. He had a great time, and his car was a big hit.

As an option, and a cooler day, we might consider the Veterans Day Parade in Auburn. We could also offer to give a ride to a veteran who is unable to walk the parade route. This would be a wonderful way to give back to the community and promote our hobby.

Please share your thoughts with me via email or at our next meeting. susiekrezman@gmail.com

Susie Krezman



Mary Lynn Barrett

Mary Lynn went to be with her Lord Jesus Christ on July 6, 2026, after battling cancer. She was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, being the last of five siblings. She is preceded in death by her husband Roger L. Barrett; mother, Mary Faye Johnson and four siblings. She is survived by sons, Michael Thor Barrett, Erik Nathaniel Barrett, grandsons Bryan Michael Barrett, Casey Frederic Barrett, granddaughter Courtney Noelle Barrett, and Great Nephew Michael Isaac Johnson.

Mary Lynn moved with her family to La Mesa, California in April of 1945, at the age of five. She attended schools there and graduated from Helix High School in 1958. During these years she enjoyed taking ballet, toe dancing, tap dancing and tumbling lessons. After taking various business courses in high school she worked as a secretary in San Diego, California. Mary Lynn's first marriage was in August of 1958 to Phillip Louis Larson in San Diego, California. They had one child, Michael Thor, born October 4, 1960 in San Diego, California. The marriage ended in divorce in January 1962.

Mary Lynn married Roger Llewellyn Barrett of Glendale, California on July 27, 1963 in Van Nuys, California at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. They moved to North Hollywood, California after their marriage. Roger adopted Michael Thor at the age of eight. She and Roger had another son, Erik Nathaniel Barrett in 1965 in Burbank, California.

In 1973 the family moved to Auburn, California where they have lived since. They rented a home on Bell Road and then bought a house in 1975, also on Bell Road. Son Michael married Ginger Tomlinson and they have two boys: Bryan Michael and Casey Frederic. Son Erik married Julie Lynn Jackson and they have one child, Courtney Noelle.

In 1976, Mary Lynn began work as a Clerk Typist in the County's Personnel Department. After that she held other Clerk and Secretarial positions in the Air Pollution District, Emergency Services and County Clerk/Recorders/Elections Departments. Her last position was for the elected County Clerk, Recorder, Registrar of Voters, as his Assistant County Clerk. She retired from that job in January, 2003.

After retirement Mary Lynn started various hobbies that included: scrapbooking, clay sculpture and selling books on internet. She especially enjoyed spending time with her "clay class" friends taking lessons or having coffee together. Mary Lynn received several 1st class awards for her clay pieces and many of them are displayed in her home and yard.

After moving to Auburn she met her friend Jeanne Taylor 1978 and they have remained best friends. Jeanne moved to New York in 2004 but they still enjoyed their long distance friendship. They traveled together often and shared lots of wonderful memories. Jeanne's two children, Tod Hicks and Genevieve Riley (deceased) always held a special place in Mary Lynn's heart.

Mary Lynn enjoyed a 35+ year wonderful fun filled friendship with her hairdresser "Moe", attending musical productions and sharing meals together.

She loved being Grandma to her three grandchildren and found it to be one of the greatest joys in her life.

A celebration of life will be held at a future date to be determined.

In lieu of flowers, Mary Lynn has requested that donations be made to the Choir and Music program at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 145 Orange Street, Auburn, CA 95603.

Beat the Heat Breakfast Tour

We had a very enjoyable time on the Beat the Heat breakfast tour on July 25. We left Raley's at about 8:10am, toured our way from Auburn alongside roads to the freeway to Colfax, and dined and visited at Three Pines Bistro & Bar. There was a total of 15 of us. The weather was perfect! Pictures from the restaurant were taken. Unfortunately, we forgot to take pictures along the way.

Thank you to all who joined us. We enjoyed the company and had a very nice day!



More Beat the Heat Pictures



Ice Cream Social Tour



Please join us on August 22nd for the Ice Cream Social Tour to Leatherby's in Lincoln.

We will meet at Raley's parking lot in Auburn at 9:30am, leaving at 10:00am, heading to Lincoln. Leatherby's opens at 11:00, which is when we have our reservation. We will make our way through Auburn to Taylor Road to some back roads through Penryn, out to Sierra College Boulevard, then onto Twelve Bridges Drive ending at our destination.

We are hoping for a great turn out and wonderful time as we enjoy a short and pleasant tour and spend time with each other, while dining on food and/or ice cream.

Sign up at the August general 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 or Paula Mikles at pjmikles@gmail.com to let us know you're attending. Hope to see you there!!

Meeting Minutes – July

Mother Lode Model T Club
General Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2026
Black Bear Diner, Auburn, CA

The July general meeting of the Mother Lode Model T Ford club was called to order at 6:37 by the president.

A moment of silence was observed to recognize the passing of Mary Lynn Barrett, a longtime member of the Model T Ford club of America and the Mother Lode club.

Secretary reported minutes were approved as published with no changes. The treasurer reported that club finances are in good order and there was no income this month.

The vice president reported on the June tour to Lincoln. The Penryn Grill lunch was highly spoken of and everybody said they received excellent service. The parking was good and the food was great. Our next event is June 25 Beat the Heat tour to Colfax. In August, the ice cream social will be at Leatherby's in Lincoln at 11 AM. In September, there will be a picnic tour to the Elaine and Vern Marriott's estate on Bell Road. An October tour is needed.

Under old business, the charitable donations were the first order of business. The wrong numbers were sent to the newsletter. The correct numbers were presented to members at the meeting, and after much member discussion, a motion was made by Edward Rodriguez and seconded by Sherry Rodriguez and Eric Lindstedt for members to take a vote on the final organizations the club has decided to donate 2026 charitable funds to. Motions were carried and members voted positively to accept the motions. Organizations for these donations are Placer Assistance League, Auburn Fire Department, CAM Membership, sponsor 1914T at CAM, MTFCA Museum and Piquette Museum, where we sponsor a 1910 T.

Additionally the suggestion of a separate account for the Swap Meet was dropped and it was decided to make a separate line item on the Treasurer's financial spreadsheet to capture Swap Meet expenses.

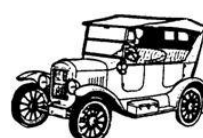
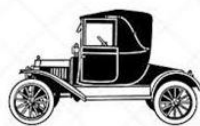
Under new business, there is no board meeting in August. It was noted that Model T's were well received at the Fourth of July Colfax event.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 by the president.

Respectfully submitted,

Erik Barrett

Secretary MLMTC



NorCal Car Culture

Many of you are familiar with Tim Newey and NorCal Car Culture. Tim publishes an online monthly Automotive event calendar. There is a link on our event calendar page on our website. Due to health issues, Tim is transitioning ownership over to Sam Toll, Cruisin' News publisher.

*"It is with mixed feelings, that I tell you that Sam Toll, from the Cruisin' News will take over all the Car Culture Newsletters and Websites. It is mainly due to health reasons. I have been doing this for 16 years and it's time to take a break. I will continue to head up my foundation, the [American Car Culture Association](https://americancarculture.org/). I will attend some Car Shows and continue to conduct my interviews with old race car drivers and Hot Rod Legends for the California Automobile Museum. Hopefully, I can still give out some awards at the Shows I do attend. If we can raise enough money, we will give out scholarships to several automotive students. Here is the link to join our Association:
<https://americancarculture.org/>.*

Here is Sam's introduction message:

Thanks for your patience as I work through everything necessary to transfer Car Culture Media from Tim Newey's garage to mine. In the coming weeks, I'm working hard to ensure everything is ironed out, and we'll be back to providing timely and thorough information about upcoming events.

I'm still being pestered by a sticky valve as I work to merge the fantastic Calendar of Events Tim created into my system. If you don't see your favorite show listed here or online, please reach out and let me know.

Similarly, if you see an event that is no longer happening or has moved, let me know about that as well. With The Cruisin' News, I contacted all the Cars and Coffee organizers at the beginning of each year to confirm the accuracy of what we printed. I haven't yet done that with the recurring events Tim had listed.

Thanks in advance for helping me keep everything current.

Car Culture Media and The Cruisin' News will be at the Hot August Nights kickoff weekend in our hometown of Virginia City, Nevada. If you're planning to come up for the event, consider stepping back in time, walking the wooden boardwalk, and visiting our historic hometown.

If you're coming later, look for us at the Big Boy's Toy Store, the GSR Street Heat parking lot, and the swap meet at the J Resort. We'll have more details for you in next week's email.

Until then, keep at least one knee on the wheel and drive it like you stole it.

—Sam Toll

Just off Route 66!



**OPENING DAY
AUG.1, 10-2**

- Food and drinks for sale
- Activities for kids
- Genuine Route 66 Trading Post
- ...and much more!

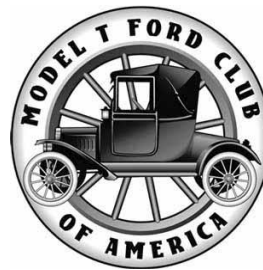


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