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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 2015

- 3** EVMTFC Ice Cream Fling 3:00 pm
Flor de Michoacan, Mesa
734 E Main St
(NW corner Home & Main)
- 15, 16, 17** Prescott Tour
2nd Annual AZ Model T Jamboree
Hosts: Sun Country Model T Club &
Whiskey Row Flivvers Model T Club
- 21** General Meeting 7:00 pm
Citadel Community Center, Mesa
(SW corner Broadway & Higley)



EVMTFC members at the Mission San Xavier Del Bac. See inside for more photos from the 2015 Arizona's Model T Tour to Tucson!

June 2015

- 20** Summer Breakfast T Meeting
8:00 am - Village Inn,
575 Apache Trail, Apache Junction

July 2015

- 4** Canyon Country Model T Club
Independence Day Parade/Potluck,
Flagstaff
- 18** Summer Breakfast T Meeting
8:00 am - Broken Yolk Café,
2034 E Southern, Mesa

August 2015

- 1-2** Prescott Antique Auto Club
Watson Lake Car Show, Prescott
- 22** Summer Breakfast T Meeting
8:00 am - Eggingtons, Tempe



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: Steve Nissle

Greetings to you all where ever you may be! Those of us in Arizona are preparing for the start of the 100's (degrees that is).

A lot of thanks goes out for the time and energy given by so many members serving others. I personally am a recipient of the spirit of the members and their giving back. With the Tucson trip fast approaching, I wanted to have the touring ready to go. Bill Allen, Larry Hart and a team of members showed up at my home December 1st to find the engine knock...no luck! The pan was pulled and we noticed the timing gear almost worn to nothing...Bill Allen dashed home and brought back a metal gear and it was installed. We realized the engine needed to be pulled to fully investigate the problem. It was Larry Hart who said " I'll pull the engine for you and store your car until you're ready to put it back in". Larry picked up my trailered T, took it to his shop, pulled the engine and dropped the trailer and engine back at my home! Wow!

On March 27th we had a clinic to find the knock...it ended up being the 3rd rod bearing. (See photos).

On April 8th (Tucson tour is April 17-19), I had a new rod and gasket kit ready to go. Bill Allen and Austin Graton came over 2 evenings that week to blue the new rod in and button up the engine! Whew!

Engine was dropped off at Larry Hart's on Monday April 13th and I picked up the Touring Tuesday evening. That morning, Larry, Bill, Austin and Joe spent half the day dropping the engine back in the car!

What can I say? There is a really special place in my heart I hold so many of you and your countless hours you give to others. There is no way to repay except to give back to others, to pay it forward to those who need help and assistance. I can't thank all of you enough. It's not the Model T, but the friendship and camaraderie that go with the territory of helping and giving of oneself.

Keep on drivin'! - Steve



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Membership Dues: Dues are \$20 per year and include all family members. Please make payment by check payable to East Valley Model T Ford Club. Submit application in person at any member meeting or mail it to: David Veres, Treasurer, EVMTFC, PO Box 24502, Tempe AZ 85285. Applications for membership in the EVMTFC may be printed from the website at evmtfc.com, or obtained from any current member or from the Vice President/Membership Chairman.

Newsletters: Our monthly newsletter, *Runningboard News*, can be viewed on our website. All articles, photos and information for the upcoming newsletter is due to the Editors by the 26th of the month.

Members Cars (Our T's):

Steve Nissle can take a photo of your T...contact Steve if you are interested.
Dave Veres can put a picture of your T on our website...send him a photo of your T with or without you in the photo.

MTFCA (Model T Ford Club of America): The EVMTFC is affiliated with, and is a chapter of, the MTFCA, a national and international organization. Membership is strongly encouraged. As a chapter of the MTFCA, at least 50% of our members must be members of the national club to keep our free liability insurance. Our club is doing very well in this regard, as almost all of our members belong to the national club.

Membership in the MTFCA includes all the privileges of the Club, including six issues of the *Vintage Ford* and one voting ballot per member-family for election of the Club's Board of Directors. Annual dues are \$40. Lifetime Memberships are available. Payment may be made by check, credit card or PayPal.

Are your MTFCA dues paid up? If your MTFCA member number is not listed on the roster, please call the President or the Treasurer with the number. The number is shown on your mailing label when you receive your *Vintage Ford* magazine.

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LOCAL CLUB EVENTS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Doyle & Gayle Gaines, Chandler

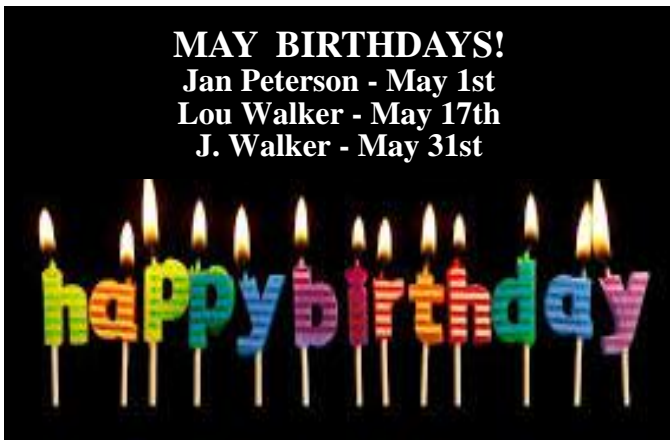
We look forward to having you join us at future events.

To all members—make your desires known—sponsor an event—you don’t have to do it alone, there are others who are willing to help. Think up something fun you want to do and let the rest of us enjoy it with you!!

Contact Ruthann Elms, Tour Chairman.

MAY BIRTHDAYS!

Jan Peterson - May 1st
 Lou Walker - May 17th
 J. Walker - May 31st



MANIFOLD COOKER RECIPE

HAWAIIAN PORK ROAST on the Manifold

From Model T Cooker and Bake!

By: Paul Larson

Approximately 3 pounds Loin of Pork (to fit cooker), medium can of crushed pineapple, even a few prunes. Place in heavy aluminum foil, pour pineapple over meat and fold edges into envelope. Fit into cooker. Cook about 60 miles on 60-70 degree day. Good idea to cut in half to be sure it’s cooked all the way through when you arrive, for outside temperature, carburetor mixture and the type of traffic you’re driving in does make a difference.

IOWA PORK LOIN on the Manifold

3 pound loin roast

The fool proof Iowa method was just the roast set in the cooker with nothing added and seemed to work very well. However, any type of stew would work and potatoes will do well as long as there is some moisture around them.

GENERAL MEETING REFRESHMENTS

We meet at the Citadel on the southwest corner of Higley and Broadway in Mesa.

Please let Steve Nissle/Tom Hoverson know which month you would be able to bring “light” refreshment snacks to our “General Meetings”. You could also team up with another couple. **Thank you** to the following for volunteering for the upcoming meeting refreshments/summer breakfasts:

- May 21st - Veres
- June 20th - Nissles
- July 18th - Petersons
- August 22nd - Elms

Be sure to wear your EVMTFC name badge at all club events.

MODEL T CLUB - ICE CREAM FLING

Sunday, May 3rd, 3:00 pm

Flor de Michoacan

734 E Main St, Mesa
 NW corner of
 Home & Main



Highly rated Mexican ice cream and frozen yogurt store. Try something different!

Their Mexican ice cream is some of the creamiest you will ever taste. Everything is fresh, the ice cream, paletas (popsicles made with fruit), and the agua frescas (fresh fruit drink)!

Flor de Michoacan carries around two dozen flavors, including tamarind, pistachio, and coconut, along with classics like strawberry cream, lemon and pecan.



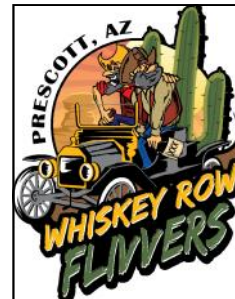
Watch for more information on our next “Model T Club Ice Cream Fling”. We meet the first Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm at a different ice cream parlor each month! Yes, of course, drive your T’s!

Members please suggest possible locations. It could be ice cream, Italian ice, gelato, frozen custard, paleta’s, etc.

2ND ANNUAL AZ MODEL T JAMBOREE MAY 15TH, 16TH & 17TH



Co-Hosted by: Sun Country Model T Club &
The Whiskey Row Flivvers Model T Club.



Meet and stay at The Prescott Antique Automobile Club clubhouse where there is ample parking for your cars and beautiful overnight spot for your RVs. Facilities available, but dry camping is preferred.

Please book your room ASAP because Prescott will book up quickly due to other events. All hotels are within 20 minutes drive of the PAAC Clubhouse. Following is a list of available motels and hotels:

Residence Inn	928-775-2232	The Motor Lodge	928-717-0157
Holiday Inn Express	928-445-8900	Hampton Inn	928-443-5500
Wyndham	928-777-0770	Comfort Inn	928-778-5770

If you are told “No Vacancy”, we have (for emergency booking until May 10th) reserved 5 rooms at: Springhill Suites by Marriott Prescott, 220 E. Sheldon, 928-775-0998. Rate is \$179/night. (Mention Bill Davisson’s name.)

ALL TOUR ACTIVITIES ARE AT STOCK MODEL T SPEEDS !!!

General Schedule:

FRIDAY 15TH: Arrive and a tour mid afternoon to Skull Valley.
Dinner on your own. Tour is optional (*but the fun part*).



SATURDAY 16TH: 8am. Full Breakfast by the Flivvers. (*Thank you guys & gals!*)
Day long tour. Leave at 9am to Chino Valley to see an awesome collection.
Tour further north for BBQ lunch and return by 3pm. Dinner included at PAAC.



SUNDAY 17TH: 8am. Continental Breakfast by the Flivvers.
Tour Sharlot Hall Museum.

Then park “on the square” for shopping and a foot tour of downtown Prescott.
Then a slow tour of the Prescott area led by the Whiskey Row Flivvers.



SIGN UP BY MAY 7th (a must for planning’s sake). Contact Bill Davisson at 480-797-8107.

MTFCA MID-WINTER GALA 50th ANNUAL MEETING ~ March 27-29th in Anaheim, CA

By: Roselynn Urness. Photos by: Joe Fellin & Roselyn Urness.



The Model T Ford Club of Orange County (California) hosted the 50th Annual Meeting in Garden Grove (Anaheim), California. The host hotel was Embassy Suites and it proved to be an excellent choice providing a complimentary breakfast and Happy Hour. Those



attending from EVMTFC were Lynn & Austin Grafton; Dave Veres & his guest Becky Herbin; Joe Fellin & Bernice Young; Jeff & Janice Henry, Ken & Cher Henry, and Reg & myself.

FRIDAY March 27, 2015: There was an optional Model T Tour during the day, but we didn't know about it until after our airline and hotel reservations had been made so we were unable to take part.

After checking in at the hotel and with the Model T registration desk, we checked out the hospitality room and met many long-time friends. Then we gathered in the main area just off the hotel lobby for the Happy Hour (free drinks & snacks). It was fun just sitting around talking Model T's with friends and meeting new club members.



In the evening, we all attended the "Welcome Dessert Reception" consisting of ice cream sundaes with all the toppings (yum-yum). The entertainment for the evening was the "Model T Jeopardy" game where the group was divided into 3 teams, each having a leader who would ring the buzzer to alert the master of ceremonies (aka Alex Trevek/ Mark Mahoney). Bill Sherrill was leader of Team #1; Bernice Young Team #2; and Barbara Klehfoth, Team #3. A lot of work went into the preparation for this game. There was the answer board on a screen with the different Model T categories along an electric board that lit up depending on which team rang the buzzer first. When the answer on the board was given, the team who buzzed first had to come up with the correct question. It went back and forth with the 3 different teams leading, and in the end team 3 won. After the game, door prizes were awarded; there were enough prizes for each member which took a lot of doing. Thanks to Judy Burrell for chairing the door prize committee.



SATURDAY March 28, 2015: After our complimentary breakfast, we boarded the buses and headed out to the Lyons Air Museum located next to the Orange County (John Wayne) airport. This museum was established by Air Force Major General William Lyon and is housed in a thirty thousand square foot hanger designed to display his collection of historic aircraft. All of the aircraft have been restored and are in near new condition. Those on display were:

- . B-17 Flying Fortress which once ferried Dwight Eisenhower & Douglas MacArthur
- . A-2B Invader
- . North American B-25
- . DC-3 which dropped paratroopers on D-Day



In addition to aircraft, there were several antique automobiles (both military and civilian) including a 1939 Mercedes Benz German Staff Car which once carried Adolph Hitler. Also on display was a 1940s Helm Bakery Truck. The docents were very knowledgeable and answered our many questions.

From there we went to Randy Ema's garage where we saw his collection of rare antique cars. He has restored vehicles belonging to Jay Leno.

Lunch was on our own, so many of us walked to the City of Orange Plaza and ate lunch, and did shopping in the many antique shops around the plaza.

We were back at the hotel by 3:00 p.m. so we could freshen up and prepare for the evening’s festivities.



MTFCA CEO/Editor, Jay Klehfoth & Barbara Klehfoth, MTFCA Secretary →



The theme for this Golden Anniversary banquet was “Follow the Golden Brick Road” taken from the movie “The “Wizard of Oz – Follow the Yellow Brick Road” and all the decorations alluded to that theme. As we entered the ballroom, we had our photos taken with the backdrop being a scene relating to the Wizard of Oz (the photos were available to us after the banquet). You could tell many hours of preparation were done decorating and planning this awards program. After the delicious meal, the program started with the Master of Ceremonies (Mark Mahoney) welcoming us. Wizard of Oz characters came running thru the ballroom and each one had something cute to say all relating to the Model T. Mark said, “Let’s hear from our Wizard, and there on the screen was a video of Bruce McCalley talking about how the Model T Ford Club got started, he was one of the six founders of the club.

Wonderful video presentations were shown of past MTFCA Presidents, past Rosenthal award winners, and a video of “In Memoriam” showing fellow members who have passed away.



↑ *MTFCA current President, Dan Condor, left. Joe Fellin, past MTFCA President, center.*

*Joe Fellin,
past Rosenthal award winner,
& Jay Klehfoth.*



The highlight of the banquet was the presentation of the “Rosenthal Award” to honor a member who unselfishly contributes the most in time, effort, education and assistance to other members. This award is given in the memory of Walter Rosenthal who was killed when his Model T slid over a cliff without brakes. This year’s recipient of the award went to Bryan Ostergren of the Model T Ford Club of Ventura County (CA). Bryan parent’s won this award exactly 20 years ago. Many of you may recognize Bryan as the man always wearing bib overalls driving his 1922 Touring named “Ol’ Charlie” with feed-sack seat covers and a jagged hole in the front fender. This award was not a surprise to Bryan as he had to be told so he and his wife Ramona would show up for the banquet. True to form, he wore as he calls them his “Sunday-go-to meetin’” bib overalls, a white shirt with rolled up sleeves and a brand new pair of work boots. He gave a gracious acceptance

speech. (Information about Bryan was taken from “The Brass Horn”, the newsletter from the Model T Ford Club of Ventura County.)

The Orange County Model T Ford Club should be congratulated on the wonderful job they did putting on this weekend’s festivities. Our club knows how much time and effort it takes to pull off a successful business meeting since we did it a few years ago.

SUNDAY March 29, 2015: President Dan Condor opened the annual business meeting at 9:00 a.m. Board members were introduced: Vice President Russ Grunewald; Secretary Barbara Klehfoth; Treasurer Mark Mahoney; CEO/Editor Jay Klehfoth; Directors Rick Bonebright; Dennis Gorder; Bill Sherrill; Bud Redding; Larry Azevedo; Jerry Kramer; and Mike Vaughn. Right away they wanted feedback from the audience as to any concerns or questions. One suggestion was made to resurrect the award for the “longest distance” traveled to a national tour. It was started by Ben Amore’ (not sure of last name) who has since passed away. Benny’s granddaughter Jennifer was in the audience and commented that it would be a good idea to continue her grandfather’s legacy.

Jay Klehfoth responded to a question on the financial status of the MTFCA. Jay stated that the club is “healthy” with \$250,000 in the bank but it costs \$60,000 each time the Vintage Ford magazine is printed and mailed to members. Most of our money comes in the form of renewals.

Club membership is down as we are losing about 150 members per year. A discussion was held on how to gain more members and why some members are not renewing. A committee is being formed to call those members to find out why they haven’t renewed, etc.

Jennifer Hollenbach was introduced; she will be helping Jay as editor of the Vintage Ford.

A question was asked why we don’t require chapter members to join the MTFCA. Jay said “We want them to join because they want to, not feeling forced to join”. Ed Archer pointed out that 50 years ago when the 6 founders started the MTFCA they wanted people to have to join because they wanted to, not that they had to. It should be noted that 50% of a chapter’s members need to belong to MTFCA so the chapter can be covered by insurance. Dave Veres, from our club, pointed out that on our website, on the computer, there is a link so people can join. Another person said their chapter offers a one-year free membership to their club if that person will join the MTFCA. It was asked if we should have membership cards, but the consensus was it was too expensive to make and mail out, and maybe each chapter should have their own membership cards. Bud Redding said at each of their chapter meeting names of those attending are gathered and at the final meeting for the year a name is drawn and that winner gets a free membership to the chapter and/or national.

It was also brought up that MTFCA should use social media such as Facebook, Twitter, etc. to attract younger members.

One of the board members (Larry Azevedo) said that schools should be contacted to have tech clinics in shop classrooms where students can be paired up with an adult mentor who will show the student how to check air in the tires, etc. and explain the workings of a Model T, and even give driving lessons on the schools open field. Another suggestion was to get your Model Ts out on the road, be visible.

President Condor asked what kinds of technical advice we wanted to see in the Vintage Ford. A discussion was held on this subject with agreement that both basic and complicated articles should be in there.

Upcoming National Events (*mark your calendar*):

June 4–6th, 2015: Model T Homecoming in the Depot District and Model T Museum, Richmond, Indiana with tours on June 4th & 5th. Pre-1945 all-Ford swap meet & show-n-tell will be held. Contact www.mtfca.com under “Homecoming” for more information.

July 12-17th, 2015: MTFCA Jubilee National Model T Tour, Cochraine, Alberta, Canada (just west of Calgary). Come celebrate MTFCA 50 years strong 1965-2015. Hosted by the Foothills Model T Club of Calgary. Look for more details on the website at www.mtfca50.com

April 1, 2, 3rd, 2016: Annual business meeting in Boise, Idaho; host hotel Red Lion River Inn.

Late June 2016: National tour in Albuquerque, New Mexico hosted by the “Tin Lizzies”. Note: vehicle inspection forms will be signed on the first day of the tour, not when mailing in registration for the tour.



9th Annual San Antonio, Texas FORD MODEL T SHOW on May 23-24

Hosted by the “T Fords of Texas” San Antonio Model T Club & the Texas Transportation Museum at 11731 Wetmore Road, San Antonio, TX.

All Model T’s and their owners along with Model T enthusiasts are welcome and invited to join us. We plan to have free admission, free train rides, offer rides in Model Ts, have technical demonstrations, Tons of T fun, a Fill the T- can food drive for the San Antonio Food Bank, a Saturday night Model T Club Dinner and a Sunday morning drive past the Alamo.

For more information check out the club’s activities link on our web site at WWW.SAMODELT.COM, email us at SAMODELT@GMAIL.COM, Facebook us @FordModelT or Twitter @T_Fords_of_Tx.

If you would like to set-up a demonstration or sell/advertise your Model T associated wares, then please contact us early so we can accommodate your needs. This is a free show; Texas Transportation Museum is a 501-3c non-profit and the T Fords of Texas is a bunch of friends and families that enjoy our cars and share the histories and passion with our community.

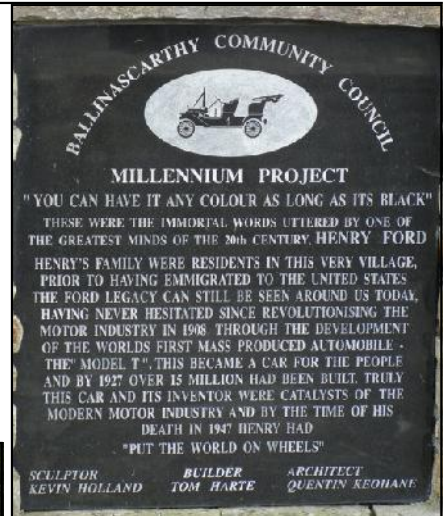
Keeping it on the road, Jerry A. King, President, T Fords of Texas.

**HENRY FORD'S ROOTS - ANCESTRAL TOWN
BALLINASCARTHY, WEST CORK IRELAND**

Submitted by: Steve Francois & Tom Walsh

www.ford.ie/AboutFord/CompanyInformation/HistoryOfFord

www.discoverireland.ie/Arts-Culture-Heritage/henry-ford-ancestral-site/49622



MODEL Ts at GELATO DOLCE VITA ~ April 12th in Mesa

By: Roselynn Urness



Reg & I attended the April 12th Gelato Ice Cream Fling along with Ed & Delores Stolinski, Bill & Kae Allen, Larry & Sandy Hart, Dale Guenther & Marcia Taillefer, and Gary Smith. Ed & Delores came in their Paddy Wagon, Larry & Sandy in their Model T, and Bill & Kae in their Thunderbird. It was a beautiful Sunday afternoon; and the Gelato Ice Cream was so good, most of us went back for seconds. Kae kept the cute little colorful dishes that the ice cream was served in.

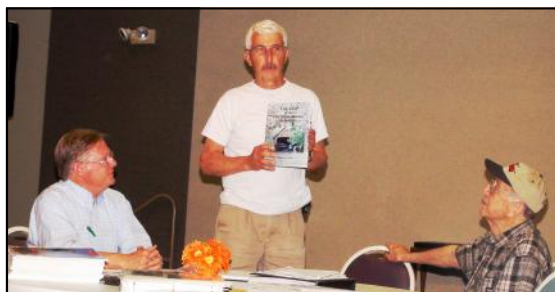
Ed and Delores told us about their cross country Model T tour they went on in the 1980's from New York City to the State of Washington.

Mark your calendar for our next "Model T Club Ice Cream Fling" which will be on May 3rd at 3:00 pm at Flor de Michoacan, 734 E Main St in Mesa. Bring your T's or any classic car you may have.

EVMTCF GENERAL MEETING SPECIAL SPEAKER ~ April 16th

By: Austin Graton. Photos by: Joe Fellin

Austin making a presentation of Austin's Dad's book entitled 'The Last of the Covered Bridge Builders'.



At our last meeting, Don J. Black, old car and Model T enthusiast, shared entertaining and interesting stories on how he joined his first Model T Club as a teen, and owned many Model Ts over the years, as well as other old cars.

Don Black making a discussion point!



He has written many articles for the MTFCA *Vintage Ford* in the past years, published a book of body designs to be used on an old chassis, and has been on many Model T tours with his family.

His latest project was building a replica 1903 Model T which he finished a few years ago.

EVMTFC GENERAL MEETING SPECIAL SPEAKER ~ April 16th -continued -

By: Steve Nissle

Following is a story that was sent in one of Don Black's e-mails, showing you the character of the message that Don Black shares. Maybe you've read this touching piece before; betcha' you'll feel the same special feelings you felt the other time. Please enjoy...possibly again.

THE LAST CAB RIDE...

I arrived at the address and honked the horn. After waiting a few minutes, I honked again. Since this was going to be my last ride of my shift, I thought about just driving away, but instead I put the car in park and walked up to the door and knocked.

'Just a minute', answered a frail, elderly voice. I could hear something being dragged across the floor. After a long pause, the door opened. A small woman in her 90's stood before me. She was wearing a print dress and a pillbox hat with a veil pinned on it, like somebody out of a 1940's movie. By her side was a small nylon suitcase. The apartment looked as if no one had lived in it for years. All the furniture was covered with sheets. There were no clocks on the walls, no knickknacks or utensils on the counters. In the corner was a cardboard box filled with photos and glassware.

'Would you carry my bag out to the car?' she said. I took the suitcase to the cab, then returned to assist the woman. She took my arm and we walked slowly toward the curb. She kept thanking me for my kindness. 'It's nothing', I told her. 'I just try to treat my passengers the way I would want my mother to be treated.' 'Oh, you're such a good boy, she said.

When we got in the cab, she gave me an address and then asked, 'Could you drive through downtown?' 'It's not the shortest way,' I answered quickly. 'Oh, I don't mind,' she said. 'I'm in no hurry. I'm on my way to a hospice.' I looked in the rear-view mirror. Her eyes were glistening. 'I don't have any family left,' she continued in a soft voice. 'The doctor says I don't have very long.' I quietly reached over and shut off the meter. 'What route would you like me to take?' I asked.

For the next two hours, we drove through the city. She showed me the building where she had once worked as an elevator operator. We drove through the neighborhood where she and her husband had lived when they were newlyweds. She had me pull up in front of a furniture warehouse that had once been a ballroom where she had gone dancing as a girl. Sometimes she'd ask me to slow in front of a particular building or corner and would sit staring into the darkness, saying nothing. As the first hint of sun was creasing the horizon, she suddenly said, 'I'm tired. Let's go now.' We drove in silence to the address she had given me.

It was a low building, like a small convalescent home, with a driveway that passed under a portico. Two orderlies came out to the cab as soon as we pulled up. They were solicitous and intent, watching her every move. They must have been expecting her. I opened the trunk and took the small suitcase to the door. The woman was already seated in a wheelchair. 'How much do I owe you?' She asked, reaching into her purse. 'Nothing,' I answered. 'You have to make a living,' she said. 'There are other passengers,' I responded. Almost without thinking, I bent and gave her a hug. She held onto me tightly. 'You gave an old woman a little moment of joy,' she said. 'Thank you.' I squeezed her hand, and then walked into the dim morning light. Behind me, a door shut. It was the sound of the closing of a life.

I didn't pick up any more passengers that shift. I drove aimlessly lost in thought. For the rest of that day, I could hardly talk. What if that woman had gotten an angry driver, or one who was impatient to end his shift? What if I had refused to take the run, or had honked once, then driven away? On a quick review, I don't think that I have done anything more important in my life. We're conditioned to think that our lives revolve around great moments. But great moments often catch us unaware -beautifully wrapped in what others may consider a small one.

**PEOPLE MAY NOT REMEMBER EXACTLY WHAT YOU DID, OR WHAT YOU SAID.
BUT THEY WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL.**

Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we are here we might as well dance...

MODEL T TOUR to TUCSON ~ April 17-19th

By: Steve Nissle & Dave Veres. Photos by: George & Ruthann Elms, Steve Nissle & Dave Veres.



What a great weekend! Seven T's made the trailer trip to Tucson along with their owners and other T club friends from the EVMTC, where we congregated at the Tucson Hilton on Broadway! Tucson tour members: Lynn and Austin Graton, George and Ruthann Elms and family, Dolores and Ed Stolinski, John and Jan Peterson, Dale Guenther and Marcia Taillefer, Bill and Kae Allen, Steve and Claudia Linney and family, Steve and Dianne Nissle, Dave Veres, Scott Parsons, and Ralph Burchard.



Friday afternoon by 5pm, most T's were unloaded and sittin' pretty in the parking lot of the Hilton waiting for the weekend.



The first of the weekend event's planned by Ruthann Elms, (*Yeah Ruthann!*) was a trip about a mile and a half to the Gaslight Theater where we watched the play, Robin Hood and an Oldies tribute stage show while having dinner!



The play was filled with fun, creative actors who performed and mingled songs from the 50's and 60's into the plot! It was really a delightful play. After a quick intermission the same actors performed a whole set of songs with dancing themed around American Bandstand of the 50's and 60s'.



tie as to which was better....the play or the songs set. They were both super entertaining!



We fired up the T's and motored back to the Hilton for the night.

The Hilton included a full buffet breakfast with the \$89 per night room rate which was a great price for the hotel. After a hearty breakfast, we met in front of the hotel at 9am and headed off to the Pima Air and Space Museum about 3+ miles. Wow! With hundreds of planes of every size, shape and description it was a sight to see for everyone! A guided trolley tour drove you around the park and explained a lot of the planes, why they were built and what they were built for. There were a number of hangers themed from WWII to space and general aviation.

Picture of Boeing 787 Dreamliner - newest addition to the museum.



We had about 3 hours at the museum and then we headed to Mission San Xavier Del Bac. We made a lunch stop at Wendy's and then made the 11+ mile trip to the Mission.



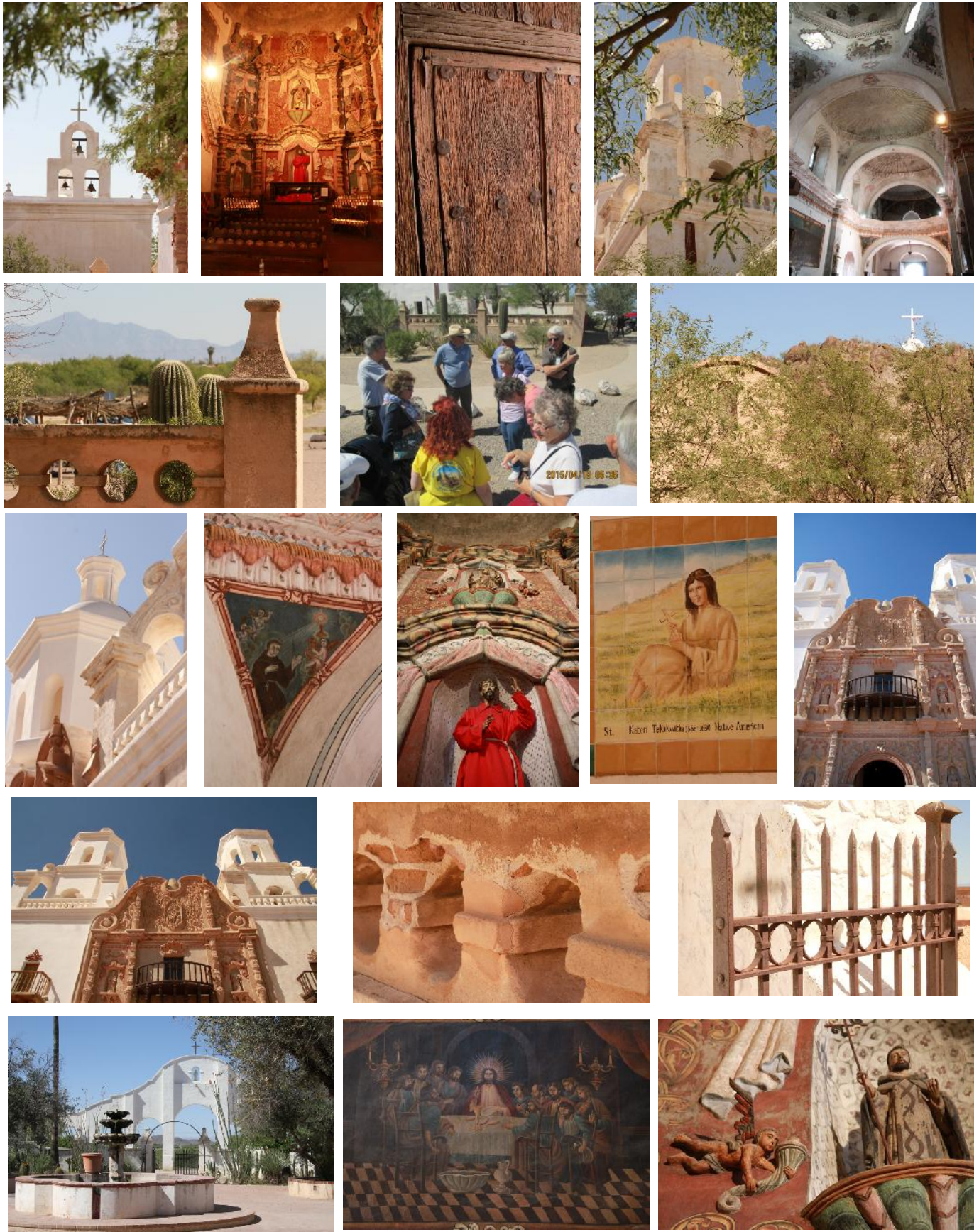
Set out in open country with just a few scattered homes, the Mission is visible from the distance. Out T's were quite the attraction parked outside the mission. There were a lot of photos taken with the cars!



The Mission San Xavier del Bac is a historic Spanish Catholic Mission founded in 1692 by Padre Eusebio Kino. It was built between 1783-1797 and is the oldest European structure in Arizona!

Check out the photos!







Saturday was a fun filled day of Model T Ford travel with great friends sharing time and wonderful sights together!

Back at the Hilton we didn't even get time for a quick nap before we drove the T's about 2 miles to La Parrilla Suiza, a fabulous Mexican restaurant where we stretched out across the whole room with tables end to end! Of course the food was great and the company even greater!





Sunday morning most of the group made the 15 minute drive to Joe Findysz's home. Joe is the president of the Tucson T Club and showed us his collection of T's and other cars and memorabilia to say the least! Joe has about 50 cars and fire trucks, about 25 of these cars were Model T's, he thinks, I think it's more! He has a load of mustangs and muscle cars as well. He has been collecting for years and is in the process of finding a building downtown Tucson to open up a museum!



What a super collection and a super wife to go along for the ride!









It is always a treat to spend time with T friends and family! Personally, I enjoyed every bit of our trip! Thank you, Ruthann, and your family, for helping in the planning and organizing of a really fun filled weekend!



JULY 4—FLAGSTAFF Independence Day Parade

On July 4th, the Flagstaff Canyon Country Model T Club has extended an invitation for any of our club who would like to participate in the Flagstaff 4th of July Parade and then lunch at Russ Furstnow's home afterwards.



RSVP to Steve Francois ASAP if you are interested. 480-946-3590 or cell 928-632-9650.

View more details online at:

<http://business.flagstaffchamber.com/events/details/19th-annual-greater-flagstaff-chamber-of-commerce-4th-of-july-parade-12190>

MARK YOUR CALENDAR ...

Saturday & Sunday, August 1st-2nd; 7am-5pm in Prescott, AZ

41st Annual Prescott Antique Auto Club Watson Lake Car Show Event. Car Show 8am-3pm each day. Swap Meet and Parts Exchange both days with continuous raffle prizes. Old Engine Fire-Up. For Sale Car Corral. Wristband event. General admission \$5 per person for both days, 15 and under free w/adult. Military in uniform free admission. Free parking. More information: www.paacaz.com



HAVE WE COME COMPLETE CIRCLE? Is the “Model T” Now the “Modern T” ?

Submitted by: John Peterson

Modern automobiles are evolving to look more and more like the Model T of 80+ years ago. Consider the following:

Body Style — Compare this sedan to a Scion xb or any small sport utility vehicle.

Wheels — We are now back up to 22” spoked wheels with tires less than 4” high.

Choice of colors / options — Some models now come in only one color—few have more than six colors and several option packages. In the 1950s GM advertised that they could make two million Chevrolets with no two the same.

Engines — Where did the V16s, V12s, and even the V8s go? We are now back to the rough running in-line 4s.

Ignition systems — Now we have individual coils per cylinder—so does the Model T.

Fast / heavy steering and harsh ride — It’s back again. Where did the “land yacht” of the 1950s go?

Technical features that have come back:

Transverse springs (Corvette)

Planetary transmission (modern automatics)

Hand throttle (cruise control)

Bucket seats (try to find a bench seat now)

In car diagnostics via the ignition coils are almost as good as the modern computer.

Simplicity that has not come back:

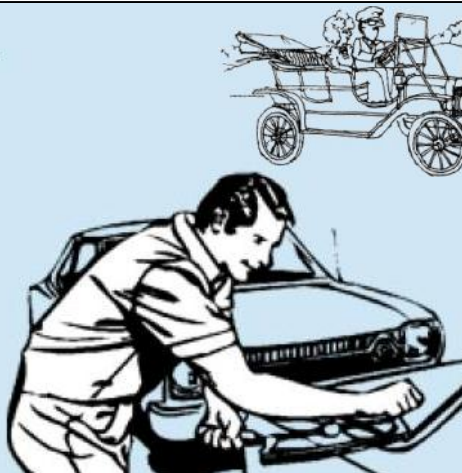
In contests Model Ts can be assembled from major components and driven in less than fifteen minutes.

Two last thoughts:

Model Ts require routine maintenance every 200 miles, present cars, every 5,000 miles. The death rate in the 1920s was 50 per hundred million miles; it is now well under two per hundred million miles. Some important things have changed!

Daylight Savings...

An extra hour
with your
favorite girl!



SO, YOU DRIVE A FORD?



DO YOU NEED A RIDE?

Subject: How to Drive a T!!! Submitted by: *Bill Allen*

ABBOTT: Driving a Model T is simple, Lou. You just have to remember the names of the controls. You can drive a manual transmission, right?

COSTELLO: No problem, Abbott—I learned how to drive on a stick. So okay, where's the stick?

ABBOTT: Well, there IS no stick. You put your left foot to the floor and you're in first.

COSTELLO: With my left foot.

ABBOTT: Right.

COSTELLO: No, you said "left."

ABBOTT: That's right: left.

COSTELLO: Well, which IS it?

ABBOTT: Which is what?

COSTELLO: Which is first?

ABBOTT: Your left foot.

COSTELLO: My LEFT foot.

ABBOTT: Right.

COSTELLO: Right?

ABBOTT: No, left.

COSTELLO: Left.

ABBOTT: Right. And when you lift your foot, you're in second.

COSTELLO: So, there's no stick?

ABBOTT: No stick.

COSTELLO: Okay, what about the clutch?

ABBOTT: The clutch is the pedal on the left.

COSTELLO: Good, at least THAT'S normal.

ABBOTT: The gear-shift is the clutch.

COSTELLO: What? Let me understand this; the gear-shift is the CLUTCH?

ABBOTT: Except for reverse.

COSTELLO: And where's THAT?

ABBOTT: Middle pedal.

COSTELLO: So the brake is really reverse.

ABBOTT: I guess you could say that.

COSTELLO: I just DID say dat!

ABBOTT: Right.

COSTELLO: WHAT'S right?

ABBOTT: Right is the brake.

COSTELLO: But shouldn't that be the gas pedal?

ABBOTT: Well, that pedal actually makes the car stop.

COSTELLO: WHAT? You say the gas pedal makes it STOP? Well, if the gas pedal makes it stop, then what's that pedal in the middle?

ABBOTT: Reverse. Oh, and to put it in neutral, you pull the lever back to the middle.

COSTELLO: Okay—Well, at least that's normal—WAIT A MINUTE, ABBOTT! I thought you said there WAS no stick!

ABBOTT: Well, the stick is the brake.

COSTELLO: Hold it! You just said the brake was the gas pedal!—Then where's the gas pedal?

ABBOTT: That's lever on the right side of the steering column.

COSTELLO: Oh! The gear shift!

ABBOTT: You shift gears with the left pedal.

COSTELLO: Yeah, the left pedal is the clutch.

ABBOTT: Right.

COSTELLO: What?—But you said the right pedal is the brake.

ABBOTT: Right.

COSTELLO: Okay!

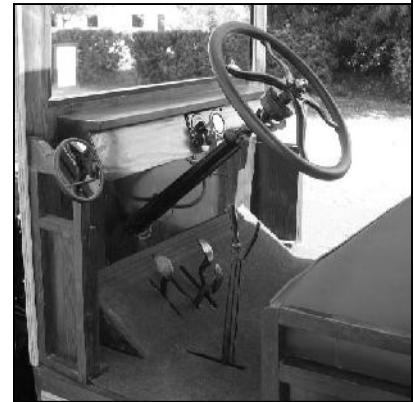
ABBOTT: And when you want to shift into high, you push the big lever on the floor all the way forward.

COSTELLO: But you said that was the brake, Abbott.

IN UNISON: Right!

And the best comeback line ever is.....

When folks worry about learning to drive I tell them, "Millions of people have done it, and you're probably smarter than a couple of them."



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: Mint condition.
 1929 Model A Roadster Pickup.
 E-mail: dvannucci23@icloud.com
 Call Dominic Vannucci at 520-490-2243.



FOR SALE: Dave Veres has a supply of EVMTFC magnetic signs to sell to our members. 12 inches X 12 inches for \$15; 9 inches X 9 inches for \$10; 6 inches X 6 inches for \$6. He also has 4" EVMTFC patches for \$6 each. Only one club t-shirt left with the EVMTFC logo, Large. Yellow. \$15. Call Dave at 480-897-2209.



FOR SALE: The trailer and cars listed below were owned by a recently deceased member of the Tin Lizzies Club of Albuquerque.

1911 Touring, 1915 Touring, 1927 Coupe,
 1927 Pickup, 1922 TT Truck.

Contact Bob Sieglitz Jr. at 916-920-1441.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOUR CARS FOR SALE: Please call Scott Parsons for more information at 520-237-0499.

January 1923 all aluminum body Four Door Sedan. *(no picture yet)*
 1922 Touring

1926 Two Door Sedan

1925 Roadster Pickup



FOR SALE:

Contact Steve Francois at 480-946-3590 or E-mail: fordgood1@yahoo.com

I have a multitude of Model T and Mustang parts, too many to list. Also, Ford parts for 1952-1954. The 1952 Victoria is also still for sale.

FOR SALE: '39 Deluxe Ford. 4 door Deluxe. 3 speed on floor. V8.

Call Ed Stolinski 480-986-0711. E-mail: edslim012@gmail.com



FOR SALE: We moved to Scottsdale from California. Just prior to moving, I sold my early 1912 T and parts. When unpacking, I found several parts with my Model A stuff and would like to sell them.

These include: Low Head, bead blasted, clean, painted \$80; Transmission puller tool (used once) \$50; Repro Champion X spark plugs (unused) set of 4, \$50.

If anyone is interested, I can be contacted through my email at maf1930@gmail.com or phone 714-717-9321. Thanks, Dan.

FOR SALE:

- 2 - 1926 front fenders
- 2 - 1926 rear fenders
- 2 - 1926 running boards
- 1 - set of windshield stanchions
- 2 - 1926 splash aprons
- 4 - wood 21" wheels

All of the above are original and **ARE NOT** rusted through. They will need to be reworked and have a few welded spots. Total price \$2,000 OBO. Call Gary Schicketanz at 480-268-7472.

FOR SALE:

Call Jerry for details. 928-635-9167.
 1926 Model T Ford Roadster Pickup.

\$8,000

Runs great.



ABSTRACT KNOWLEDGE ~ *Submitted by: Steve Francois*

A SHOT OF WHISKEY: In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents, so did a glass of whiskey. If a cowhand was low on cash he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS: American fighter planes in WW2 had machine guns that were fed by a belt of cartridges. The average plane held belts that were 27 feet (9 yards) long. If the pilot used up all his ammo he was said to have given it the whole nine yards.

BUYING THE FARM: This is synonymous with dying. During WW1 soldiers were given life insurance policies worth \$5,000. This was about the price of an average farm so if you died you "bought the farm" for your survivors.

IRON CLAD CONTRACT: This came about from the ironclad ships of the Civil War. It meant something so strong it could not be broken.

PASSING THE BUCK / THE BUCK STOPS HERE: Most men in the early west carried a jack knife made by the Buck knife company. When playing poker it was common to place one of these Buck knives in front of the dealer so that everyone knew who he was. When it was time for a new dealer the deck of cards and the knife were given to the new dealer. If this person didn't want to deal he would "pass the buck" to the next player. If that player accepted then "the buck stopped there".

RIFF RAFF: The Mississippi River was the main way of traveling from north to south . Riverboats carried passengers and freight but they were expensive so most people used rafts. Everything had the right of way over rafts which were considered cheap. The steering oar on the rafts was called a "riff" and this transposed into riff-raff, meaning low class.

COBWEB: The Old English word for "spider" was "cob".

SHIP STATE ROOMS: Traveling by steamboat was considered the height of comfort. Passenger cabins on the boats were not numbered. Instead they were named after states. To this day cabins on ships are called staterooms.

SLEEP TIGHT: Early beds were made with a wooden frame. Ropes were tied across the frame in a criss-cross pattern. A straw mattress was then put on top of the ropes. Over time the ropes stretched, causing the bed to sag. The owner would then tighten the ropes to get a better night's sleep.

SHOWBOAT: These were floating theaters built on a barge that was pushed by a steamboat . These played small town along the Mississippi River. Unlike the boat shown in the movie "Showboat" these did not have an engine. They were gaudy and attention grabbing which is why we say someone who is being the life of the party is "showboating".

OVER A BARREL: In the days before CPR, a drowning victim would be placed face down over a barrel and the barrel would be rolled back and forth in a effort to empty the lungs of water. It was rarely effective. If you are over a barrel you are in deep trouble.

BARGE IN: Heavy freight was moved along the Mississippi in large barges pushed by steamboats. These were hard to control and would sometimes swing into piers or other boats. People would say they "barged in".

HOGWASH: Steamboats carried both people and animals. Since pigs smelled so bad they would be washed before being put on board. The mud and other filth that was washed off was considered useless "hog wash".

CURFEW: The word "curfew" comes from the French phrase "couvre-feu", which means "cover the fire". It was used to describe the time of blowing out all lamps and candles. It was later adopted into Middle English as "curfeu", which later became the modern "curfew". In the early American colonies homes had no real fireplaces so a fire was built in the center of the room. In order to make sure a fire did not get out of control during the night it was required that, by an agreed upon time, all fires would be covered with a clay pot called-a "curfew".

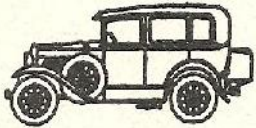
BARRELS OF OIL: When the first oil wells were drilled they had made no provision for storing the liquid so they used water barrels. That is why, to this day, we speak of barrels of oil rather than gallons.

HOT OFF THE PRESS: As the paper goes through the rotary printing press friction causes it to heat up. Therefore, if you grab the paper right off the press it's hot. The expression means to get immediate information.

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