



**East Valley Model T Ford Club
1875 N. Monterey Dr.
Apache Junction, AZ 85220**

Calendar of Events

December 2008

- 5 AJ Holiday Light Parade
- 13 Christmas Party at 3:00 PM at Mi Amigos, 1264 S. Gilbert Rd, Mesa

January 2009

- 15 General Meeting 6:30 PM at Berge Ford, US 60 & Mesa Dr.
- 17 Tour to Canyon Lake and ride on Dolly Steamboat
- 24 Car Show at Scottsdale Pavillions Meet there 3-4:00 PM

February 2009

- 7 Motoring Through Time Car Show At Heritage Square
- 19 General Meeting 6:30 PM at Berge Ford, US 60 & Mesa Dr.
- 27 - 1 March is the 44th Annual Meeting of Members of the MFTCA
- 28 Lost Dutchman Days Parade

March 2009

- 14 Antique Tractor Show

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Board News

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Applications for membership in the EVMTFC may be obtained from any current member or from the Vice President/Membership Chairman Bert Diehl at (480) 325-6308. Dues are \$20.00 per year and include all family members. **Dues are due NLT Jan 1.**

If you are writing a check, please make it payable to Dave Veres, as the club does not have a bank account. Dave's address is 2531 E. La Jolla, Tempe, AZ 85282.

The East Valley Model T Ford Club is affiliated with and is a chapter of The Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA), a national and international organization. Membership in the MFTCA includes six issues of **The Vintage Ford** and a vote for the Board of Directors. Dues are \$35.00 annually. Membership is strongly encouraged. Direct correspondence to:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A while ago I was thinking about some of the memorable events that I had been involved with or that had happened with our club this year.

The completion of our Chuck Wagon was a very satisfying accomplishment. It is a one of a kind, and it should serve us well for many years. It was a great hit at the T Party 2008 Centennial Celebration. We should consider incorporating it into any of our events for which it may be appropriate.

Having the opportunity to attend the T Party 2008 was a once in a lifetime treat. It was extremely well organized and there was certainly plenty to do and see. Everyone was super friendly and helpful. We had a great time!!

I was very pleased to hear that Joe Fellin was voted by the Board of Directors of the MFTCA to be the next President. I don't think we could find a member more dedicated to the Model T Ford hobby than Joe.

I am looking forward to another fun and successful year in 2009.

Happy Model T Touring !! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!
Austin

Welcome to new members

Welcome to Steve and Dianne Nissle. We are glad to have you as members of our club and look forward to seeing you at our future events.

LOCAL CLUB EVENTS

5 December. Apache Junction Holiday Light Parade. The parade starts at 7:00 PM and is staged near the AJ Chamber

of Commerce building at Phelps Dr. and Apache Trail. Light 'em up and drive 'em out.

13 December. Our Christmas Party will be held at Mi Amigos, 1264 S. Gilbert Road. Mesa. Remember to bring a "white elephant" gift for each member of your party who will be attending for exchange. Cost of gifts should be no more than about \$5.00. We will be ordering off the menu. After the party we take a tour

10 January. The ladies of the club will meet at about 11:00 AM at a location to be announced. Contact Mary Griffin for further information.

17 January. We will meet at Graton's with a 10:00 AM departure for Canyon Lake. We have the option of having our lunch cooked on the Chuck Wagon or eating at the Lakeside Restaurant, or a combination of both. We will discuss this further at the Christmas party. We should arrive at Canyon Lake by about 10:30 AM in order to have time to eat and board the Dolly Steamboat for the 12:00 noon tour. The tour will last about 1 ½ hours. This should be a very enjoyable event for the entire family.

24 January. Car Show at Scottsdale Pavillions. We need to arrive between 3-4:00 PM in order to be able to get a group parking place.

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Cruise-in at Red Mountain sponsored by the Red Mountain Community Church Men's Ministry and held at the church at 6101 E. Virginia St, Mesa. 4th Sunday of each month from 3:30 to 6:30 PM.

Auto parts swap meet held the second Sunday of each month at The American Legion, 1018 S. Meridian Rd, Mesa. Open at 5:00 AM, \$10.00 per space.

Meeting Location Decision

At our 20 November meeting we discussed and voted on location of our meetings. The result was that the majority wanted to continue to meet at Berge Ford. In order to have more time we decided to start the meetings at 6:30 PM instead of 7:00 PM. Those who can't be there by 6:30 should come when they can.

General Meeting Refreshments

Refreshments will be provided by:

Allens - 15 January

Elms - 19 February

Chuck Wagon Naming Contest

Now that our Chuck Wagon is completed and operational it has been suggested that we decide on a name for it. As an incentive for all to participate, the winner will be treated to a meal cooked on the Chuck Wagon. It will be towed by a Model T Ford to the winners home (in Arizona) and the meal cooked for them. We will take suggestions for the name anytime between now and our Christmas Party. A vote will be taken at the party with all suggested names being presented for the vote. Get those brains working!!! Here is a list the Gratoms came up with: Grubby, T-Toter, Victuals Vehicle, Grub Steak, Grub Stake, Trail Trailer, Desert Diner, T-Sizzle Lizzy, Sillizin' Lizzy, Grub Wagon, Liz-E-Wagon, Desert Dinin' Wagon, Lizzy Meal Wagon, Grubby Lizzy's Diner, Grub Lizzy's Rollin' Diner. Make your list and be sure to bring it to the Christmas Party. We will

create a master list of all names submitted and you will vote for the one you like the best.

AJ Veterans Day Parade by Bert Diehl.
'Salute'

Having an old Ford keeps a person busy and it seems like every year gets busier than the last. If you are not working on it you're most often driving it somewhere to do something. The summer temps have pretty much disappeared, so it's time to crank it up and get it on the road. Parades are not one of my favorite things to do so I do selective participation. It's not hard to find a cause to stand behind and I've got several including veterans. Can't say no to a parade honoring our military who have and still do serve 'in harms way' so I can own and drive a Model T or a Model A for fun.

Veterans Day is held on November 11th each year recognizing the signing of the Armistice ending fighting in WW1 on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. A Veterans Day Parade brings out lots of veterans from previous wars, military organizations, flags, horses, old cars, and of course kids. Quite a few of our EVMTFC members participated in the Apache Junction Veterans Day Parade which started with a flyover of F-16 fighter jets from Luke Air Force Base at 9:45 AM. They never cease to send a shiver up my spine along with a sense of patriotism. The weather was absolutely gorgeous as eight Model T's and one Model A drove approximately one mile west on the Apache Trail, made a 'U' turn and drove back east on the other side of the Apache Trail. Lots of spectators lined the street and there were plenty of smiles and flags waving along

with the 'occasional' ahooooooga. Now if that don't bring out a smile I don't know what will!

There was a brief ceremony after the parade recognizing the dedication of a new U.S. flag at the Chamber of Commerce and this years parade Grand Marshals who were wounded vets from the war in Iraq and Afghanistan. It was a pretty neat 'small town' celebration.

After leaving the AJ parade activities, I drove to the parking lot of the Commemorative Air Force Museum at Falcon Field in Mesa. I knew from a previous visit that they were having a Vets Day Ceremony and celebration and although I was too late for the ceremony, I did manage to arrive to find a full parking lot. I visit Falcon Field on a regular basis and generally take up a position on a corner by the entrance where I can not only look at the airplanes but watch people as well. T'was a great day for both and several people stopped by to have a look at the old ford and chit chat for a few minutes. One of those visits involved a father and son pair of vets. The father was 92 years of age (didn't look a day over 88!) and a WWII vet while the son was a Vietnam era vet. Dad had owned a Model A at one time so I was treated to a story about that part of his life. It's the least I could do for a vet! Take an ol' Ford out for a ride! It's a 'T'errific way to meet people.

Friendship Village Car Show by Austin Graton. We had nine Model Ts and the Chuck Wagon at this assisted living facility. This place is a class act. The lobby looks like that of an expensive hotel. They had live music for the enjoyment of the patrons and our

members. Most of the time they wandered around the show area. There was a great turnout of both the residents and staff and everyone seemed to really enjoy seeing our cars and reminiscing. People couldn't thank us enough for bringing our cars out.

At 1:00 PM we were ushered into the dining room and fed a great meal. Thanks to Dave for putting this show together.

Legacy Palms Car Show by Austin Graton. We had seven Model Ts, the Chuck Wagon and one Model A at this event from our club. There were also three other Model As there. The management and patrons were glad to have us there and there were several people driving by who also stopped to see our cars. By about 10:00 AM they set out a table with 4 ft sub sandwiches and drinks. At noon they had hamburgers and hot dogs along with side dishes and dessert. Needless to say, we ate very well, again. I think everyone had a good time. Thanks to Claudia for letting us know about this event.

Future Events and Tours

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!!

Change to Running Board News. We have decided to try emailing our newsletter as a means to save some of the cost of printing and postage. This will be voluntary on the members part as to whether they want to still receive a hard copy. Some of our members do not

have email and will continue to receive their Running Board News in the US Mail. If we are able to use email for most of the newsletters we can save almost \$500.00 per year. This month we will be sending it both ways. Future editions will be emailed unless you object or do not have an email address. Thanks for your support of this effort.

2009 Dues are due!! New Applications Requested!! In order to insure that we have all your current information for our roster and the newsletter, we request that all members submit a new application with their 2009 dues. Applications will be available at the Christmas Party and will be mailed to those who do not generally attend the business meetings.

NATIONAL EVENTS

44th Annual Business and Membership Meeting of the MTFCA. This meeting will be held in Las Vegas, NV and hosted by the Southern Nevada Model T Club. Registration forms are in the latest issue of the Vintage Ford. Contact Harold Mann, 5617 Alfred Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89108, phone (702) 646-6063.

Northern Colorado 2009 Regional Tour The northern Colorado Model T Club has announced a regional tour planned for June 12 - 18, 2009. This tour will cover 526 miles over 6 days and is sure to be exciting for those individuals interested in mountain (high) travel. Starting in Loveland, Colorado, the route progresses north through Wyoming including such places as Laramie and Snow Range Pass (10847 ft.), back into Colorado through Steamboat Springs and the Rocky Mountain National Park over Trail Ridge

Road (at an elevation of 12,183 feet, the road has been voted the No. 1 scenic byway in the U.S.) returning back to Loveland. For information, contact: Dave Huson , (303) 774-9246, E-mail: modelt1912@msn.com .

Canyonlands III National Tour hasted by the Canyon Country Model T Club. The contact is Russ Furstnow at (928) 526-1343 or 1stnow@msn.com. More info available in the Vintage Ford..

Membership in the Model T Ford Club of America

As a Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America at least 50% of our members must be members of the national club to keep our free insurance. Our club is doing very well in this regard, as almost all of our members belong to the national club. Are your dues paid up??

If your MTFCA member number is not listed on the roster, please call Austin with the number. The number is shown on your mailing label when you receive your Vintage Ford magazine.

Health and Welfare of Members

Nothing to report.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Stuffed dates were a special treat around Christmas when I was growing up. Here is Betty Crocker's recipe for **FONDANT-STUFFED DATES**. (fondant - A soft creamy preparation of sugar, water and flavorings that is used as a basis for candies or icings.) You *real* cooks probably knew what fondant was,

but I didn't, so I looked it up.

- 4 ½ cups powdered sugar
- 2/3 cup sweetened condensed milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 4 dozen pitted dates
- Granulated or powdered sugar

Blend powdered sugar, milk, vanilla and almond extract. Knead fondant until smooth and creamy. Wrap in aluminum foil or plastic wrap and refrigerate 24 hours.

Fill each date with fondant; roll in granulated sugar. Makes about 4 dozen candies.

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Great Day for a Car Show at Friendship Village



Veterans Day Ceremony Honorees



Old Gas Stations—No. 8 in a series



Veterans Day Parade Lineup



Dave's turn at towing the Chuck Wagon



Lookin' good on Veterans Day

Happy Holidays

JUST FOR FUN

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*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all*