



Calendar of Events

February 2009

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

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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

It looks like we are off to a busy start for 2009. We will be having some of the other members of the Sun Country Model T Ford Club joining us for a couple of our events this year.

After realizing last month, by reviewing our bylaws, that we were supposed to hold elections in December, it is probably time to do a full review of the bylaws. I will have

this on the agenda for the February General Meeting with some proposed changes. Please take a few minutes to review the bylaws and come to the meeting prepared to discuss any changes you believe should be made.

We had a great time on our tour to Canyon Lake, lunch at the Lakeside Restaurant and ride on the Dolly Steamboat. See the article elsewhere in this newsletter.

Our big event this month is the Lost Dutchman Days Parade and barbecue/potluck following. This is always a fun event with a big turnout. I hope you plan to attend !!

Happy Valentine's Day and happy touring.

Austin

Welcome to new members!

Welcome to Steve and Marilyn Francois. We hope you will be able to join us at many of our future events.

LOCAL CLUB EVENTS

7 February. Motoring Thru Time Car Show held at Heritage Square, 7th Street & Monroe in Downtown Phoenix. This event runs from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. They want us all set up by 9:30 AM. There is no parking available for trailers on site this year. Contact tammy.parker@phoenix.gov for registration or further information. We will have Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen there and maybe cook our own lunch on it.

28 February. Lost Dutchman Days Parade at Apache Junction. This year we have also invited members of the Sun Country Model T Ford Club to join us.

We will meet at Bill & Kae Allen's home at 960 S. Wickiup, Apache Junction anytime after 7:30 AM. They are just East of Tomahawk and just South of Broadway. Coffee, juice and donuts will be available. If you are trailering, there is plenty of parking and unloading space. **WE MUST LEAVE FOR THE PARADE SITE NLT 8:15 and must be in line NLT 8:30.** If you are trailering and going to be late, you can unload at the NE corner of Idaho and Old West Highway.

After the parade we will return to the Allen's for a pot luck lunch and plenty of gossip. Bring your favorite dish to share. The clubs will be furnishing the burgers, dogs, brats and chicken to be cooked on Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen. If your dish needs to be refrigerated or heated we will have the facilities available. Come on out, bring the family and enjoy this great afternoon.

There is a lot going on in the afternoon. The Budweiser Clydesdales will be in the parade. There is a rodeo starting at 1:30 PM, as well as a wild horse and burro adoption, arts and crafts show and musical entertainment at the rodeo grounds.

7 March. Verde River Tour. The East Valley Model T Ford Club and the Sun Country Model T Club will meet in south Scottsdale and have a joint tour to a lunch location nestled along the Verde River.

We will meet at Pueblo Sereno mobile home park, a gated community located the first gate east of Hayden/McClintoch on McKellips. The address is 8350 E. McKellips Road. (Trailer unloading is available within ½ mile near Waterworld of McClintoch) From north 202 exit at McClintoch, go north 2 miles. From east 101, exit McKellips Rd., go west 2 miles to the 3rd gate on your right, across from the

outdoor theater. Coffee and rolls will be ready at 8:30. We will depart at 9:30. This is an approximately 50 mile roundtrip tour. We will go east to the Verde River where the Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen will be available for a barbecue. Food details to follow.

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Cruise-in at Red Mountain sponsored by the Red Mt. 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. There is no charge for buyers.

Canyon Lake Tour by Lynn Graton

We started off the tour from the Graton's home...and proceeded to Canyon Lake for an enjoyable lunch and conversation. We ate at the Lakeside Restaurant where we could overlook the lake. We were able to park our cars around the traffic circle in front of the restaurant and the boat ramp where they could be viewed by everyone. The Model T's and the Elms' Model A got a lot of attention. I had a funny conversation with one fellow who may have been a little tipsy??? He told me that 'Al Capone was shot in a vehicle exactly like ours. He told me our T was quite rare...only about 100 were made'. He also said the Elms car was 'not in the original condition for a Model T.' I couldn't allow that, I finally said "well, maybe because it isn't a Model T, it's a **Model A!!!**" The conversation was quite comical. Now my favorite part of the tour the trip on the Dolly.

We boarded the boat and thoroughly enjoyed the trip around Canyon Lake. It

was absolutely beautiful. In less than five minutes after leaving the dock we spotted Bighorn Sheep high up on the cliff. Our captain was quite knowledgeable and informative about the lake and the various formations on the cliffs. We have taken the trip previously but each time we tour the Lake we enjoy it even more. I especially like the trip when the weather is a bit cooler...there are very few other boats on the lake making the trip very peaceful.

Following the boat trip we proceeded on to Tortilla Flat. We had our fix of ice cream, enjoyed the music and most of all the camaraderie of the members of our club.

Discovery Point Show by Bert Diehl So What's the Point ?

The dawned overcast and damp with puddles lingering from the overnight rain showers. It had even rained Friday afternoon so I didn't have a chance to clean the car off before driving over to the show at the Discovery Point Retirement Apartments on Arbor Ave in Mesa. Arrived to find a Model A parked in the parking lot already so it was a good start. Whenever two old cars park together it's a car show. T'weren't long afore the parking area was full of old cars including 3 Model A's, 5 Model T's, a 40 Ford, a 59 Ford and a variety of other classic and restored cars including a big ol' Cadillac, 64 Pontiac, 56 GMC pickemup truck, Mercury Cougar, 30's Plymouth hot rod and 56 Ford Pickemup truck.

All them folks what arrived with the old cars were fed a complimentary breakfast in the Discovery Point dining room. There were balloons at our tables but other than that it looked like we pretty much fit in with the rest of the locals sitting in the dining room. Breakfast consisted of a watermelon wedge, a raw banana, juice, coffee and biscuits with sausage gravy. Took the edge off the

hunger pains (or pangs) and got us through the next two hours of yackin' with the folks that came to have a look, while swappin' stories and telling' lies with the other car people.

There was live music being played by a trio of people that at least could carry a tune, raffles, free pop corn and a bake sale. Them cookies was mighty good! It was over at 11AM and we all got in our trusty rides and headed out of the Point.

Nice place and nice peoples so it was a pretty nice way to spend a couple of hours. I forgot what the point of all this was!

Note: The band included Mike Chamberlain on guitar. He's a former TV3 news personality and I think he also worked at Channel 5 for a while. Obviously it didn't work out.

T's On display at the Pavillions by Bert Diehl

Most car peoples in the Phoenix area recognize the Pavillions as a major spot to display cars. The show is held every Saturday at the Rock'n Roll McDonalds in the Pavillions shopping center located on Indian Bend Road just to the east of Pima Road in Scottsdale. Lot's of hot rods, muscle cars, factory performance machines, motor cycles and scattered in amongst them is an occasional 'restored' old Ford. The EVMTFC visited the Pavillions late last spring with several Model T's and were pleasantly surprised at the number of people that stopped by to have a look and ask questions. Those club members that attended had such a good time that we decided to do it again during the winter season in the hopes of getting a few more T's to come out.

Following the car show at Discovery Point

on January 24th several of us took a leisurely drive to the Pavillions for yet another assault on the hot rod Mecca. John Peterson, Austin Graton and Joe Fellin drove their Model T's along with Bert Diehl in his Model A and met up with Dave Veres in the McDonalds parking lot. Steve Linney arrived later in the day in his orange car. Several members of the Sun Country Model T Club joined us with a couple of speedsters and a touring car. We were fortunate to get a spot close to the McDonalds restaurant. The '50s music that was played over the loud speaker system was great and there were lots of folks stopping by to check out the 'tall' cars dressed in black. Couldn't ask for a better day weather wise. The company was great and our old Fords got a bit of a work out on the roads of the East Valley. You haven't seen the sights of Mesa and Scottsdale till you've driven at Model T speeds!!

Tech Clinic at Dave Veres Garage by Austin Graton.

At our last meeting we decided to start having technical clinics to help each other learn more about our Model Ts and also the help members with some of their more significant repairs.

The first clinic was held at Dave's where we went through a partial disassembly (he had already started it) of his transmission and his engine. There was much good discussion about the importance of marking of parts before removal and checking for wear and damage. The fact that 13 people showed up for this event indicates that we should conduct more of these clinics.

As a side benefit of the clinic, as Ben Smith was about to leave in his depot hack, Bill Allen noticed his right front wheel was way out of camber. After checking, the wheel was found to be very loose. When the bearing was inspected they noticed the inner

seal had nearly fallen out and the outer bearing was installed backward. They cleaned up the metal chips and regreased the bearing and assembled it in the proper manner. This enabled Ben to get home safely, at least from the standpoint of that wheel.

General Meeting Refreshments

Refreshments will be provided by:

Allens - 19 February

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!!

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 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 hosted by the Canyon Country Model T Club. The contact is Russ Furstnow at (928) 526-1343 or lstnow@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??

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.

PASS IT ON - General information that may be helpful to members.

Tech Tips for Model T Generator Bearing Replacement by Dave Veres

The Model T generator has a bearing at each end of the armature shaft. The

bearing near the brushes and commutator is referred to as the small bearing. The bearing near the gear end or driven end is referred to as the large bearing. Both the bearings are a press fit onto the armature shaft. A common problem with the generator is that oil leaks through the large bearing into the generator case. Also, the small bearing requires periodic lubrication and when this occurs, some of this oil can end up on the brushes and the commutator. A solution to these two problems is to replace both the large and small bearing with new bearings that are permanently lubricated and this lubricant is sealed in the bearing with rubber. The rubber seal on the large bearing also acts as a dam and keeps the engine oil which lubricates the drive gear from entering into the generator case.

The following is information on the stock bearings and the sealed replacement bearings:

Small Bearing:

Original bearing: Fafnir #2010, 32 mm OD x 12 mm ID x 10 mm wide

Original Bearing: Also New Departure #1201 - R

Sealed replacement: #6201 - 2RS (two rubber seals)

Large Bearing:

Original bearing: Fafnir #2030, 40 mm OD x 17 mm ID x 12 mm wide

Sealed replacement: #6203 - 2RS (two rubber seals)

The sealed replacement bearings are a stock item at any bearing house. They are also available at most NAPA and Auto Zone stores. Prices of each of

these bearings range from as low as \$5.00 to \$15.00 depending upon manufacturer and source.

JUST FOR FUN

Subject: Raising Money

A pastor wanted to raise money for his church and on being told there was a fortune to be made in horse racing, decided to purchase one and enter it in the races. At the local auction, however, the going price for a horse was so high that he ended up buying a donkey instead. He figured since he had it, he might as well go ahead and enter it in the races, and to his surprise, the donkey came in third. The next day the local paper carried this headline: Pastor's ass Shows. The pastor was so pleased with the donkey that he entered it in the race again, and this time it won! The local paper read: Pastor's ass out front. The bishop was so upset with this kind of publicity that he ordered the pastor not to enter the donkey in another race. The next day, the local paper read: Bishop scratches pastor's ass. The bishop was fit to be tied. He ordered the pastor to get rid of the donkey. The pastor decided to give it to a nun in a nearby convent. The local paper hearing the news, posted this headline the next day: Nun Has Best Ass in Town. The bishop fainted. He informed the nun that she would have to get rid of the donkey, so she sold it to a farmer for ten dollars. The next day the paper read: Nun Sells Ass for Ten Dollars. After the bishop was revived, he ordered the nun to buy back the donkey and lead it to the plains where it could run wild. The next day the headlines read: Nun Announces Her Ass Is Wild and Free. The bishop was buried the next day.

The Haircut

A guy sticks his head into a barber shop and asks, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looks around the shop and says,

"About 2 hours." The guy leaves.

A few days later the same guy sticks his head in the door and asks, "How long before I can get a haircut?" With the shop full of customers, the barber says, "About 3 hours." The guy leaves.

A week later the same guy sticks his head in the shop and asks, "get a haircut?" The barber looks around the shop and says, "About an hour and a half." The guy leaves.

The barber looks over at a friend in the shop and says, "follow that guy and see where he goes. A little later, Bill comes back into the shop, laughing hysterically. The barber asks, "Bill, where does he go when he leaves here?" Bill looks at us with tears in his eyes and says "Your house".

Health and Welfare of Members

No report

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

HUEVOS RANCHEROS NORTENSES
(Eggs Northern Ranch Style)

1 Tortilla
2 eggs
2 tbs olive oil salt
1 medium onion, chopped
1 tomato from a solid-pack can
1 four-ounce can green chiles, with seeds removed to control the heat, if desired
1 large pinch sage
Pinch coriander (cilantro)

Lay the tortilla on a breakfast plate and place it in a warming oven at 200 degrees F.

Fry the eggs in the hot olive oil, salt them to taste, and carefully remove them with a slotted pancake turner; place them on the tortilla and replace the plate in the oven. Fry the chopped onion until it is clear, and add the

tomato; mash it with a wooden spoon and add the chile and seasonings.

Stir until mixture thickens a little, pour over the eggs and serve.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

Austin & Lynn Graton have changed servers for their e-mail. The new address is: austgrat@q.com

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Discovery Point Residents



Sun Country Speedsters



Our lineup at McDonalds Pavilions



Light Rail Grand Opening



What's going on here, Bert?



Will Dave ever get this back together after this team teardown?



Old Gas Stations—No. 10 in a series



An afternoon at Canyon Lake on the Dolly Steamboat



Discovery Point residents reminiscing about old times with our T's