



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

## **Calendar of Events**

### **January 2009**

- 10** Ladies Gathering
- 15** General Meeting 6:30 PM at Berge Ford, US 60 & Mesa Dr.
- 17** Tour to Canyon Lake and ride on Dolly Steamboat
- 24** Discovery Point Car Show
- 24** Car Show at Scottsdale Pavillions

### **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 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Members of the MFTCA
- 28** Lost Dutchman Days Parade

### **March 2009**

- 14** Antique Tractor Show
- 19** General Meeting 6:30 PM at Berge Ford, US 60 & Mesa Dr.

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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**

In looking forward to the new year there are some things I think we should

consider doing that we really haven't focused on before. I am just going to toss out a few ideas as food for thought.

Making presentations to high schools could possibly create more interest with young people. The MTFCA has lesson plans prepared in package form that we could get on loan to do this.

We could set aside a work day once a month or quarter to help members work on their cars, especially those who are still employed or are new to the hobby with limited knowledge. This could also be a training opportunity for others attending as well. This could possibly be scheduled during the time the ladies are getting together for their separate day.

What are we going to do with the money in our treasury? If the emailed Running Board News works for most of our members and we are able to save a few hundred dollars per year we should have some money we could spend on other things. If we start a program with the high schools we could consider a scholarship. We could possibly reimburse a portion of the money some of the members spent or donated in kind for construction of the Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen (AKA Chuck Wagon). We could treat ourselves to a nice meal or entry fee to a museum we may visit in the future. The possibilities are whatever the Club members decide. We

are open to suggestions. Please be thinking of ideas on this subject for our January meeting.

My special thanks to Bert, Dave and Jan for their service on the Board during 2008.

Happy Model T Touring!!

Austin

### **LOCAL CLUB EVENTS**

**10 January.** The ladies of the club will meet at about 10:00 AM at First St. & McDonald in Mesa. There is parking behind the antique stores. 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.** Discovery Point Car Show. Show is scheduled to start at 8:00 AM with breakfast served at 7:30. Discovery Point is located at 6210 East Arbor Ave., Mesa.

**24 January.** Car Show at Scottsdale Pavilions. 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. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month from 3:30 to 6:30 PM.

### **To The Members of East Valley**

**Model T Ford Club:** Hello!

My name is Danica Solesbee, and I work with the vendor and sponsorship departments at Barrett-Jackson Auction Company, the World's Greatest Collector Car Auctions. I would like to invite you and your car club members to join us on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for a discounted ticket day, specially for members of Valley car clubs. Tickets on this day are normally \$15.00 at the gate. You will receive a \$5.00 discount, so tickets will be \$10.00 for you and your club members. Gates will be open from 8:00am to 3:00pm, and **you will be required to show a membership card or ID badge at the gate to receive your discount. You will also be required to show a discount certificate which you can print from on-line. This certificate will be forwarded to you on-line by your club.** While there is no auction on that day, you will be able to preview all of the vendor/sponsor booths and auction vehicles before they go over the auction block. Wearing items of clothing such as hats or t-shirts are encouraged on this day to represent your club being at Barrett-Jackson. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [dsolesbee@barrett-jackson.com](mailto:dsolesbee@barrett-jackson.com). Please visit our website at [www.barrett-jackson.com](http://www.barrett-jackson.com) to review our event schedule and see photos of the various cars that will be on display before they go over the auction block. I look forward to seeing you on Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009!

Regards, Danica

**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.

**Our Christmas Party** by Austin Graton

On December 13<sup>th</sup> a large group of members assembled at Mi Amigos Mexican food restaurant in Mesa for our annual Christmas Party. We had six decorated Model T's, one T Speedster and an Auburn Boattail speedster in the parking lot. We attracted a lot of extra traffic moving through the parking area and even had one fellow come into our separate party room to tell us how great it was to see all our cars.

We had one item of business to take care of...the contest to name the chuck wagon. There were 26 names submitted for consideration. After the votes were counted, the name that was selected was "Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen", submitted by Lynn Graton. She will probably get her meal cooked on Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen on January 17<sup>th</sup> on our tour to Canyon Lake.

After a great meal, a few drinks, and some interesting conversation, Ed Stolinski made a presentation to Bill Allen of the coveted (NOT) Trail Travail Trophy (Hard Luck Trophy). Bill was unable to complete the Apache Junction Holiday Light Parade due to battery problems. After that we did our gift exchange. We drew numbers to determine the sequence of gift selection. Each person could choose an unwrapped gift off of the table or take a previously selected gift from someone who had already gotten theirs. John Peterson lost

four or five gifts before he finally got one to keep. The funniest gift was probably the 'ladies undies' with the club logo printed on them that Joe Fellin selected. The most desirable gift was a small quilt handmade by Dolores Stolinski, which after changing hands the limited two times, was taken home by Jill Smith for her young daughter. This beautiful quilt will surely be a wonderful memento for the Smith's to remember their first Christmas 'get to gather' with our club for many years to come. Dolores, it was really very special...thanks! Following the gift exchange we headed out for a tour of several of the nicely decorated areas of Mesa to see the Christmas lights. Steve & Claudia Linney led the way. The tour included a couple of stops for photo opportunities at some exceptionally decorated homes. Several members went on to Ben & Jill Smith's garage to see their depot hack. Thank you so much Claudia for organizing this event. It was a great start for the Christmas Season. Job well done!

**Holiday Light Parade** by Bill & Kae Allen

What a difference a year makes....last year saw only 2 hearty Model-Ts in the pouring rain and a smattering of spectators but this year was quite a different story. Five spectacular decorated Model-Ts met at the Graton's around 6:00 - or we should say that most were. Steve Nissle, the only non-retiree among us, arrived with his decorations in the trunk of his car so with flashlights in hand, he decorated his in the dark. He must have practiced for when he was finished, it looked terrific with glowing candy canes and a bright star. He also arrived with his two adorable little granddaughters.

And Joe Fellin's beautifully decorated centerdoor was a sight to behold. Totally outlined in blue lights, it drew lots of applause from the audience (and we should know as we rode in his backseat but that's another story for the next paragraph). Austin also stole the show with his fully decorated T with a lighted snowman on top. The Elms came all the way from Tempe in their decorated roadster. Then there were the Allens who brought up the rear - literally.

All 5 Ts caravanned to the designated starting spot, turned off our engines, and waited our turn to show off our talents. The numerous floats, animals, and other vehicles that were gathered were all lit up like Christmas trees and were awesome to see. The parade itself went off without a hitch (or did it) as one Model-T Truck didn't even make the starting gate and was seen hiding with its lights out in the parking lot long after the parade was over. Do you suppose it had anything to do with Bill wanting to sell it the next day, which he did!

After all was said and done, we were joined by the Linney family at the Feed Bag for a late dinner and then a ride home from Joe for our modern truck and jumper cables. The rest is history.....T truck started right up and also the next day when the new owner took possession. All told, the Christmas Parade was a huge success and we got a lot of laughs out of it. And the rest of the story, as Paul Harvey says, is that the Allens are now proud parents of a 1924 Model-T Touring that started right up after 21 years of storage. Sure put that T Truck to shame!

#### **General Meeting Refreshments**

Refreshments will be provided by:

Elms - 15 January

Allens - 19 February

#### **Chuck Wagon Naming Contest**

The vote was taken from a list of 26 names that were submitted. The winning name was **Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen** which was submitted by Lynn Graton. It is likely that her meal to be prepared on Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen will be served at Canyon Lake on our 17 January tour. She hasn't decided on the menu yet!

#### **Friendship Village Car Show**

addendum. Our sincere thanks go out to Dave Veres for negotiating the \$250.00 donation and for selling one of our books for the full \$40.00 price. Thanks also to Jan Peterson for sending a thank you card to Friendship Village on the Clubs' behalf.

#### **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. 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 mailed to those who do not generally attend the business meetings.

### **NATIONAL EVENTS**

**44<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 [1stnow@msn.com](mailto: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.

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

**A good locksmith** - from George Elms. I took a tire lock over to a locksmith and thought you might put a note in the news about the place. He has hundreds of old padlocks etc on display in the shop. Anyone interested in locks should know of this guy, and even use his talents.

His name is HARMON, and is located east of Mesa Drive on Main St. at 905 E Main. Tel # 480- 834-9431

**Model T Insurance.** In discussions with various members I have found there are a lot of differences in cost of insurance. As a service to members I have come up with a list of insurers so members will be able to shop around if they desire. If you know of another insurer, please let me know so I can publish the contact info.

Hagerty (800) 922-4050  
[www.hagerty.com](http://www.hagerty.com)

Continental Western Group (800)  
603-3330 [www.cwgcollectorcar.com](http://www.cwgcollectorcar.com)

Grundy Worldwide (800)  
338-4005 [www.grundy.com](http://www.grundy.com)

J.C.Taylor (877)  
468-7637 [www.jctaylor.com](http://www.jctaylor.com)

Condon & Skelly, 121 E. Kings Hwy,  
Suite 203, Maple Shade, NJ 08052,  
1-(800) 257-9496.

**Repair help.** Bill Allen has a set of VCR tapes dealing with the restoration of various parts of the Model T. He is willing to loan these to any club member who may need them. He is also interested in getting them transferred to disks to make them more usable for more people. If anyone can help him with that let him know. The tapes are: Restoring the T transmission Parts 1 & 2; Restoring the hog's head cover; Restoring the T Cutout; and Alignment.

### **JUST FOR FUN**

#### **The First Automobile Air-Conditioner...**

The four Goldberg brothers, Lowell, Norman, Hiram, and Max, invented and developed the first automobile air-conditioner. On July 17, 1946, the temperature in Detroit was 97 degrees.

The four brothers walked into old man Henry Ford's office and sweet-talked his secretary into telling him that four gentlemen were there with the most exciting innovation in the auto industry since the electric starter.

Henry was curious and invited them into his office. They refused and instead asked that he come out to the

parking lot to their car.

They persuaded him to get into the car, which was about 130 degrees, turned on the air conditioner, and cooled the car off immediately.

The old man got very excited and invited them back to the office, where he offered them \$3 million for the patent.

The brothers refused, saying they would settle for \$2 million, but they wanted the recognition by having a label, 'The Goldberg Air-Conditioner,' on the dashboard of each car in which it was installed.

Now old man Ford was more than just a little anti-semetic, and there was no way he was going to put the Goldberg's name on two million Fords.

They haggled back and forth for about two hours, and finally agreed on \$4 million and that just their first names would be shown.

And so to this day, all Ford air conditioners show Lo, Norm, Hi, and Max on the controls. So, now you know!

**Edible license plates.** I found this information buried in an Old Car Weekly article about the auto industry during WWII. "Many make-do substitutes were used during these lean war years: both gasoline and food were rationed, tires were non-existent and license plates, at least in a few states, were made of soy beans. These plates were very tasty to goats and other farm animals. As a result, a farmer might drive home with his license plate intact, then later head to town with his license plate missing. Authorities soon discovered the culprits were farm animals and not negligent owners".

### **Health and Welfare of Members**

Janice Smith had a knee replacement in early December and is recovering. She is still in some pain, but improving and she has graduated from a wheelchair to a cane. Our best wishes for an early recovery!

### **RECIPE OF THE MONTH**

#### **From the National Cowboy Hall of Fame Chuck Wagon Cookbook**

##### **Chuck Wagon Scalloped Corn**

This is a sure-fire side dish. Leave the chilies out if you wish.

4 tbsp unsalted butter

1 medium onion, chopped

3 cups fresh or frozen corn kernels

1 8 oz pkg cream cheese, cut into 1 inch cubes.

2 tbsp canned chopped green chilies, drained

1 cup fresh bread crumbs

Preheat the oven to 350 deg F. Lightly butter a 9 inch square baking dish.

In a large skillet, melt 3 tbsp of the butter over medium heat. Add the onion and cook, stirring often, until softened, about 5 minutes. Add the corn, cream cheese, and chilies. Reduce the heat to low until the cheese is melted. Transfer the mixture to the baking dish and sprinkle with the bread crumbs. Cut the remaining 1 tablespoon butter into small pieces and dot over

the bread crumbs.

Bake until the dish is bubbling and the crumbs are browned, about 20 minutes, Serve hot.

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