



## **Calendar of Events**

### **May 2009**

**9** Technical Clinic, at Nissle's

**16** Botanical Gardens Tour

**21** General Meeting, 6:30 PM

Berge Ford, US60 & Mesa Dr.

### **June 2009**

**13** Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 AM

Hosted by the Peterson's

### **July 2009**

**11** Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 AM

Hosted by Ben & Jill Smith

### **August 2009**

**8** Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 AM

Hosted by the Kramer's

### **September 2009**

**12** Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 AM

Hosted by the Nissle's

### **October 2009**

**10** Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 AM

Hosted by Joe Fellin

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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 MTFCA 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**

Although April started out to be a rather slow month, event wise, we still had members participating in at least five events. Several members, who are also members of the Sun Country Model T Ford Club visited Corona Del Sol High

School. A couple of our members attended the SCMTFC Speedster event in Flagstaff. Steve Linney took second place in this event of about twenty five competitors. Congratulations Steve!! Lynn and I had the pleasure of staying with the Linney's at Claudia's boss's summer place there in Flagstaff. It is a beautiful and huge log home in the forest.

Steve Linney made arrangements for us to put on a car show for Lincoln Elementary School in Mesa. We had a great turn out of cars and lots of exited children.

Our club may have the opportunity to host the Model T Ford Club of America Annual Meeting of Members in 2010. Most members at our last meeting seemed to favor hosting the meeting. Generally, the meeting is held around the last couple of weeks in February. If we decide to do this it will be an opportunity to get some national recognition as well as a chance to raise some money for our local club. We will need volunteers for such areas as transportation, entertainment, hospitality, fund raising, registration, decorations and etc.

For those of you who have not heard, Bert Diehl, your Vice President, has taken a "temporary" job in Connecticut for about six months and I will be leaving in the next few weeks for NH.

Happy Mother's Day ! Have a great summer. See you on the road !!  
Austin

## **LOCAL CLUB EVENTS**

**9 May Technical Clinic** to be held at Nissle's beginning at 8:00 AM. This clinic will focus on installation of the top on their 1923 Touring.

**16 May Tour and Barbecue.** We will drive to the Botanical Garden at Papago Park in Phoenix. We should arrive a few minutes before 9:00 AM with a planned tour start time of 9:00 **sharp**. The Chihuly (the artist's name) glass art is a special attraction which ends at the end of May. We should plan about two hours for the tour of the Botanical Gardens. If we have ten or more in our group, the discounted tickets are \$12. Any cancellation needs to be done at least 48 hours in advance. Our confirmation number is 124080. Please let Austin know if you plan to attend.

After the tour through the Garden and the glass art display we will tour to the Stolinski's for a end of spring barbecue. I have not been able to contact them for several days to confirm the date and barbecue arrangements so be prepared for a change in location. At the last meeting Dolores indicated a desire for us to come to their home for a barbecue before they leave for the summer.

## **OTHER LOCAL EVENTS**

**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.

**San Tan Ford Car Show**, 2 and 9 May. They are looking for Ford cars of various vintages, including hot rods, Model T's, Model A's, T Buckets, etc. Lunch will be provided along with a participation plaque. KOOL FM made

this invitation as they will be broadcasting from this location on those days. The time is 10:00 AM till 3:00 PM. **RSVP to Austin by 30 April or 7 May to attend so the parking spaces can be arranged.**

**James Tire Car Show**, Friday, 15 May beginning at 5:00 PM. This show is in Apache Junction at 1755 W. Apache Trail. Call Coy at (480) 982-7422 to make arrangements to attend.

**25 July National Day of the Cowboy.** The AJ C of C is looking for a couple of early Ts to carry dignitaries in a short parade at Goldfield Ghost Town at 10:00 AM. Call Austin if interested.

## **CLUB EVENT REPORTS**

**Cruise in Gold Canyon** by Austin Graton

I found out from Bert Diehl the day before this tour was scheduled, that the sponsor had cancelled the cruise. Plan B was immediately implemented, We met instead at the K Mart parking lot show. We had a great turn out, beautiful weather, lots of curious on-lookers, good company and a great meal together.

**Car show at Lincoln Elementary School** by Austin Graton

A few days before our April meeting, Steve Linney called me and said he had arranged for a car show at Lincoln Elementary and had told them he should have 4 to 5 cars there. His concern was how to arrange for people to attend when it was scheduled for the day after our meeting. I assured him that I thought we could get that many even at the last minute. On Friday morning we had nine cars show up at the Linney's and we toured the three or so miles to the

school. There are about 600 students enrolled at this school, so you know we had a great numbers of lookers and touchers as well. Most have yet to learn the car show etiquette. They especially liked blowing the horns. The children were excited, and the staff was very pleased with the show. We were fed popped corn and hot dogs for lunch. We should continue working on getting into the local high schools.

### **Iris Folding Papercraft** by Lynn Graton

Ladies day was a successful event for those of us who attended. Nancy Diehl & Jan Peterson were well prepared for teaching the art of Iris Folding. A star pattern was used for the class. When the card was completed it almost looks as though it had been quilted. They are quite beautiful. Some of us are already addicted to this beautiful way of making personal cards or artwork. Following the class some of us went to an enjoyable lunch at Chili's. The food was good, the conversations were better! Perhaps this class could be repeated in the fall when more ladies are available to attend. Thank you Nancy and Jan. Great job!

### **Safety Technical Session** of April 24, 2009 by John Peterson.

This meeting of the East Valley demolition crew was billed as a "Safety Inspection" of Ben Smith's car. I'm sure Ben was more than a little worried after our outings at Dave Veres' and Jerry Griffins' left nothing but piles of pieces. This session came to order at 8 a.m. over pastries provided by Ben. It was attended by Ben, Dave Veres, Joe Fellin, Joe Barnett, John Peterson, Austin Graton, Steve Nissle and Steve Linney. After suitable small talk, the car was rolled out into the light of day,

and the "Inspection" was started. The script was the 2-page check list that had been published in the *Vintage Ford* on a number of occasions.

Several of us started down the check list while others removed the carburetor and crankshaft pulley to address other issues. Was this going to turn into a disassembly frenzy like the past sessions? Much to Ben's relief this time we settled down to do some actual repair work. An incorrect upper steering shaft was replaced, the drag link was rebuilt, alignment was checked, bands were adjusted, a broken windshield frame was removed for welding, the tail light lens was replaced, and numerous cotter pins and safety wires were installed. All in all, the car was inspected from end to end with multiple sets of eyes.

Ben was left with a parts-to-buy list, a repairs-to-do list, and no carburetor - it went home with Dave. After four hours in the sun the car was rolled back into its garage less intact than when we started but closer to being a road-worthy, dependable car. After a morning well spent the team adjourned to Crackers Restaurant for lunch. After a quickie afternoon break some of us regrouped for Mesa Cruise Night. It seems that there are no rest and retirement for us'ns of the Model T persuasion.

Copies of the check list will be available at the next meeting. Many of us - myself included - tend to become complacent and treat these cars like modern vehicles. An inspection with multiple sets of eyes would be a nice treat for all of our Lizzies.

The next session is Steve Nissle's Top

Part Two. Everyone who would like to tackle tacking a touring top is welcome. There will then be a follow-up to reassemble the Ruckstell at Jerry's, and Ben might want to have the crew back to fix his fellow with the floppy spokes. Who knows - this might eventually live up to its charter of putting cars on the road.

### **General Meeting Refreshments**

Refreshments will be provided by:  
May - Griffin

### **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!!

### **NATIONAL EVENTS**

**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..

**THIS EVENT IS SOLD OUT!!**

### **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.

### **JUST FOR FUN**

**A good laugh most of us can appreciate !!**

Two elderly gentlemen from a retirement center were sitting on a bench under a tree when one turns to the other and says: " Slim, I'm 83 years old now and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel? Slim says, 'I feel just like a newborn baby.'" Really? Like a newborn baby!?" "Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants."

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Hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital. After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him to

the elevator. On the way down I asked him if his wife was meeting him. 'I don't know,' he said. 'She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.'

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

Austin was recently in the hospital due to fainting. Consultation is still ongoing to determine the cause.

### **RECIPE OF THE MONTH**

#### **Phoenician Taco Salad**

- 1 lb lean ground beef
- 1 head iceberg lettuce, shredded
- 1 can (16 oz) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- ½ cup chopped green onions
- 1 can (4 oz) sliced ripe olives, drained
- ½ lb sharp Cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1 large tomato, chopped
- 1 can (4 oz) diced green chiles
- 1 bottle (12 oz) Sweet and Spicy French Dressing
- Corn Chips

In large skillet brown ground beef and cool; set aside. Toss lettuce, beans, onions and ripe olives in large salad bowl. Sprinkle cheese over salad. Place chopped tomatoes on top of cheese layer. Refrigerate. Mix green chiles with bottle of dressing. Refrigerate dressing. Just before serving salad, place browned meat on top of tomato layer. Pour bottle of dressing over entire salad and toss gently. Serve with corn chips or add broken chips to salad just before serving to give

extra crunch and flavor. 6 servings

### **CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**

**FOR SALE:** 7-pc. Ts.. Kinkade miniature village with certif. of authenticity: \$100; full set of Franciscan ware "Hacienda Green" dinnerware, 8-pc. Place settings + more: \$100; Easter miniature villages: \$40 for entire set; 4 Roman Seraphim Classics angel figurines; \$40 + other angel figurines; Ts. Kinkade "Stonehearth Hutch" waterfall (Christmas): \$25; animated ski mountain: \$25; animated sledding hill: \$25. These make lovely gifts. If interested, call Jan Peterson, (480) 969-0695.

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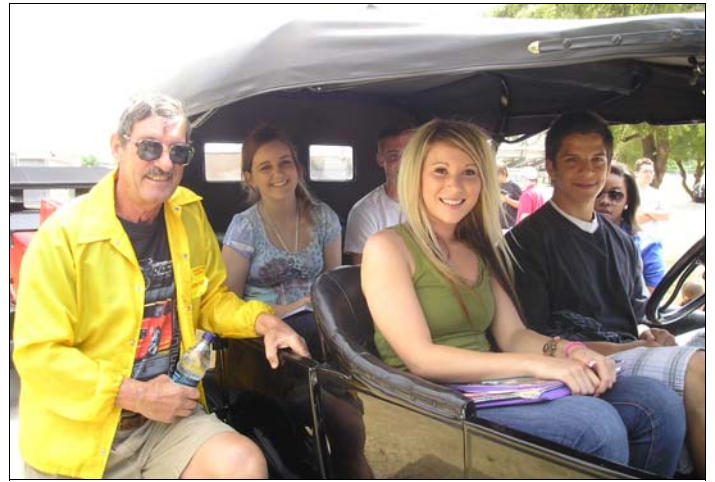
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