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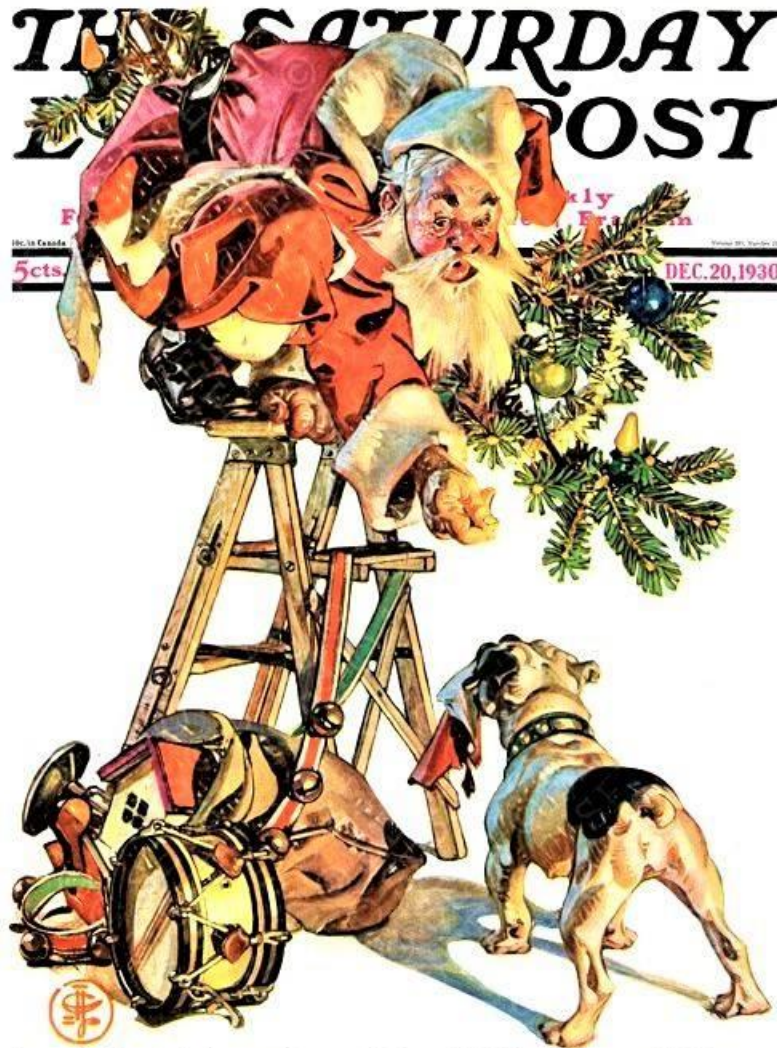


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**Membership Dues:** Dues are \$20 per year and include all family members. Please make payment by check payable to East Valley Model T Ford Club. Submit application in person at any member meeting or mail it to: David Veres, Treasurer, EVMTFC, PO Box 24502, Tempe AZ 85285.

Applications for membership in the EVMTFC may be printed from the website at [evmtfc.com](http://evmtfc.com), or obtained from any current member or from the Vice President/Membership Chairman.

**Newsletters:** We e-mail our monthly newsletter, *Runningboard News*, which also can be viewed on our website. All articles, photos and information for the upcoming newsletter is due to the Editor 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 photo of your T on our website. Send him a photo of your T.

**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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### President's message Nov 2021

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving Day and you were able to reflect on the many things we are grateful for. We enjoyed sharing a table with friends and family. I am happy to see that we can gather together for our many fun events with our model t friends.

During the past few weeks we have enjoyed a picnic at Usery Park, Veterans Day Parades in Mesa and Apache Junction with lunch following, ice cream at Handel's and a club meeting. December promises to be another busy month with the potluck at Bill and Kae Allen's on Dec 4 followed by the Christmas light parade in Apache Junction.

Our Christmas party is planned for Dec 10 at Mi Amigos. At this event we will elect a President and Secretary and present the Bob Wildman award. Fabulous door prizes will be given away. We chose New Leaf as our charity and we will be collecting donations at events including the Christmas party. Our goal is \$300. If this amount is not donated by members, the club will make up the difference. For those of you that will be claiming it on your tax return the organization number is 20075.

On Dec 19, we will be gathering at Culvers for ice cream

On a sad note, I am sorry to tell you of the passing of Laraine Forsell on Nov 25, after a long struggle with cancer. Laraine will be missed and we extend our sympathies to Jack.

Looking forward to seeing you during our December events.

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Need a little hand with your T?  
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**EVMTFC MINUTES – NOVEMBER 15, 2021 MEETING Roselyn Urness**

Meeting was called to order by President Sandy Hart at 7:00 p.m. at the Mesa Utilities Building Community Room at 640 N. Mesa Drive, Mesa AZ. We all stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no new members or guests in attendance.

Minutes for the October meeting were approved as published. Sandy thanked Jan Peterson for filling in as Secretary for that meeting.

**Vice President's Report:** Tom Hoverson said he didn't have much to report, other than he had the name tags for new members (none were in attendance).

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Veres reported the balance in the club's treasury and the expenses for the picnic at Userly Park (Ramada fee, awards, food, miscellaneous expenses). Dave showed some embroidered patches with the club's emblem that are still For Sale for \$6.00. Dave is collecting dues for 2022. Motion made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Health and Welfare Report:** Jan Peterson reported that she mailed a Get Well card to Joe Davies as he recovers from knee surgery. She also said she passed out the dash plaques to members from previous events.

**Correspondence:** President Sandy read a letter from members Mel and Lori Poppe explaining they have sold their park model in Mesa and will be staying at their home in Nebraska and not returning to AZ. They realized how much they missed their family after spending last year at home during the CoVid outbreak. They thanked us for our friendship and will miss us. We all agreed that we will miss them too.

**Old Business:**

Userly Park Picnic: 25 members and guests with 6 Model T's or A's attended. The weather was good and the food was good (Larry Hart did the cooking). Game winners: Corn Hole: Bill Allen and Kathy McAlpin. Horse Shoes: Bryan Coussins & Bill Arnold. Skillet Toss: Keith Gumbinger and Sandy Hart. All agreed it was a fun time.

**Veterans Parades:** 11 people and 6 Model T's were in the Mesa Parade; afterward 4 more people joined for lunch at Adobe Restaurant. Apache Junction Parade had two Model T's and 6 people.

**Bob Wildman Award:** Jeff Henry reported that nominations are due for this award. The Award committee consists of John Peterson, Bill Allen, and himself. The Bob Wildman Award is given each year to the member who, in the opinion of the Award Committee, has contributed the most of him or herself to the club. The recognition can be for a single highly significant event, but will more likely be for their contributions over a period of time, not specific to any calendar year. The award can be given to a member only once. Contact Jeff for further information.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

November 21 at 2:00 p.m. ICE CREAM SUNDAY at Handels, 1672 E. Guadalupe Rd in Gilbert (NE corner of Val Vista & Guadalupe.) December 19<sup>th</sup> at Culver's on Crismon.

December 4 (Saturday): CHRISTMAS POTLUCK AND APACHE JUNCTION CHRISTMAS PARADE. Potluck at Bill and Kae Allen's in Apache Junction. Come by 3:30 p.m. for potluck and socializing; leave at 5:45 p.m. for Parade. A signup sheet was passed around to sign up for this event and Christmas party on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Kae if you did not sign up at tonight's meeting so she knows how many to set up for. Please bring a dish to share. After parade, they will host a dessert/coffee at their home.

December 10 (Friday) CHRISTMAS PARTY at 5:30 p.m. After much discussion about where to have this event (either at the Mi Amigos Mexican Restaurant or catered at the clubhouse in The Wells Community as in the past few years), it was



voted on to have it at the Restaurant. Also discussed was whether to order off menu (3 choices) or the buffet. Buffet was chosen. There is a \$50.00 room rent charge, Buffet is \$14.95 plus tax (Beef Taco, Mini Cheese Enchiladas, Mini Beef Chimichanga, Mini Chicken Chimichanga, Mini Bean Chimichanga, Guacamole, sour cream, chips, salsa, rice & beans, Coffee, tea soda). Mi Amigos is located at: 1264 S. Gilbert Road.

There was another discussion and vote on whether or not to have door prizes. It was voted on to have the door prizes in place of entertainment, not more than \$400.00. President Sandy volunteered to be on the committee to purchase these prizes at COSTCO, Vice President Tom volunteered Chris Tulipana to help her. Steve Francois said he'd like to bring a door prize associated to Model T's, Roselynn Urness also said her and Reg would bring a door prize relating to Model T's. President Dave talked about the charity our club is supporting this year "A New Leaf". Members can donate whatever they choose and our club will make up the difference for a total of \$300.00. Sandy brought a decorated donation jar, she will also have this at future club events. If you'd like to write a tax deductible check, their QCO (Qualified Charitable Organization) number for the state of Arizona is 20075. You can Google "A New Leaf" and view their website. He is requesting brochures from them at give out for further information. Any cash collected will be deposited in our club's account and he will write a check for that amount to this charity.

To sum up: Christmas Party is Friday, December 10, at 5:30 p.m. MI Amigos Mexican Restaurant, 1264 S. Gilbert Road, cost is \$14.95 plus tax for buffet; door prizes in lieu of entertainment. If you didn't sign up at tonight's meeting, please contact Sandy so she can give a headcount to the restaurant.

**FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS** will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month beginning January 12, 2022, thanks to Ken Henry for negotiating this arrangement.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Ken Henry brought up the subject of club shirts. Before CoVid shut down our meetings, he had information on both Polo or T Shirts. Did the club still want to pursue this? It was discussed and decided, yes, for Ken to continue to look into this.

Ken also said he makes decals of Model T's, contact him for further information.

BREAK: Thank you to Glenn & Diane Conlon, Steve and Marilyn Francois and Steve Nissle for providing the tasty refreshments. Refreshment volunteers for January are Kathy & Dave McAlpin, Tom Hoverson, and Ken Henry.

50-50 Drawing was won by Tom Hoverson (winning ticket drawn by Jeff Henry our youngest member there tonight). Total collected was \$72.00 so Tom won \$36.00. Congratulations Tom (he says that's the first time he ever won).

**NEWSLETTER REPORT:** Editor Steve Nissle asked for articles on the picnic and Veterans Day Parade. Jeff Henry will forward photos he took of the parade and Ken Henry will do the article on the parade. The picnic article will be written by Keith & Carol Gumbinger. Steve also reminded members that he will take photos of yourself and cars and publish any stories about them. He also invited everyone to the Canyon Winds Retirement Community 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show on Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 10: a.m. – 1 p.m. He already has 28 cars registered. There will be refreshments available. The address: 2851 N Boulder Canyon, Mesa.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Keith Gumbinger gave a report on the Model T Ford Club of America in which he is a Board member. There is a matching fund raising drive going on now for the Model T Ford Museum in Richmond, IN. Last year \$65,000.00 was raised; this year so far \$72,000. Rachel Hughes is the new Executive Director. The summer tour for the national club is June 19-24, 2022 in Fond du lac, Wisconsin. Check out tour information in the November/December issue of Vintage Ford.

Bryan Coussens asked if he could borrow anyone's trailer to transport his Model T to a body shop for fender repair

ADJOURMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

(next meeting January 12, 2022)

Respectfully submitted, Roselynn Urness

Handels Ice Cream!















Heh!

We'd sure like to hear from you all and have you share some photos and a write up of your recent adventures! We definitely need to hear the story of you and your car...with photos of course!

Give us a bit of info on how you're doing and what you've been up to!  
Photos, recipes, stories, jokes...all welcome!

Thanks,  
Steve Nissle / newsletter  
stevenissle@gmail.com

**Thank you Keith for sharing this story with us! Send me a photo and we'll put in next months newsletter! Steve**

The story behind our '27 T Touring, by Keith Gumbinger

Carol and I have been wintering in Apache Junction for about 12 years. During that time we've joined the Canyon Country Model T Club and the East Valley Model T Club. For that entire time, we didn't have any of our T's here in AZ, so on club events we'd ride with someone in their T or follow along in our modern car.

In 2019 we bought a place in Roadhaven RV Resort in Apache Junction. I've always wanted a T to use while we're here in the winter & now that we have our own place, I went looking for one. I decided I wanted a '26 or '27 Touring. I wanted a Touring here so we would be able to bring others with us, and I have a '26 Roadster Pickup and a '27 Fordor at home, and I like those years. I also wanted a restored car as I don't have room to restore one here and don't have the tools, etc. here to do it. Tinkering on one though is ok, and even desired.

It didn't take long to find one. A fellow MTFCA member in the Florida Panhandle had one that seemed just right, and the price was quite reasonable. He sent lots of pictures. It is a recently restored car with a very nice paint job. I wanted this car to be a driver, so some modern performance equipment was desirable also, and this car has it. The engine was freshly rebuilt by Gator Gould and Dan Hatch, 2 respected Model T'ers, and it has new babbitt, a Scat Crankshaft, a Z head and was balanced. The paint and body work had already been done by a previous owner. They had welded in lots of body panels and rebuilt the entire chassis. The guys that did the chassis were not T guys. I could tell that easily since they didn't install cotter pins in several places and they also used lots of phillips head screws, and we all know that T's didn't have phillips head screws as they were not available until 1936. The car has also been converted to 12 volts, has turn signals and a bright flasher on the back for night time driving, safety hubs in the rear end, new tires and a new radiator. I figured this car should be a good T driver and it has proved to be just that.

I decided not to go see the car before buying it as it would cost about \$1,500.00 to do that and the seller is known to other Model T'ers as a good person. In fact, one of those other Model T'ers said that if we didn't buy it, they would! I figured that if some things were not to my satisfaction, I could use the \$1,500.00 I saved by not going to see the car before buying it to cover any things that needed correcting.

We had the car shipped here and as we were then gone for the Christmas season, a fellow model T'er in the area took delivery of it and stored it until we returned. We owe that person a big debt of gratitude for his help on that.



We've had the car for almost 2 years already and have been driving it a lot. The coils were supposedly rebuilt by a very well known coil rebuilder, but the car didn't seem to run just right. We adjusted the coils on an ECCT, and that helped a lot, but one coil still had a defect. I have since replaced that coil and will be installing an I Timer soon.

The upholstery is new and nice, but not installed correctly.

It's ok for now, but we may have it corrected in the future.

I'm a Gold Card Judge in the MTFCl thanks to encouragement from Russ Furstnow. As you can imagine, being a judge, I've thoroughly evaluated the car for authenticity, and found several things that are not correct for a '27. I won't belabor what I found, but maybe someday when there's time, I'll show them to you. It's ok though, as this car is a driver, and it serves that purpose quite well.

We plan to keep this car here in AZ, and may never take it to our home in Wisconsin as we have 4 T's there already. This T is our AZ driver, and we're very happy that we finally have one here to enjoy with all the nice model T's here in the Canyon Country and East Valley T clubs.

## *Calendar*

December 10 is Christmas party at Mi Amigos 1264 S Gilbert rd, Mesa @ 5:30 pm

December 19. Ice cream at Culver's 1263 S Crismon Rd, Mesa @ 2 pm

Looking ahead, we need suggestions for tours or other outings you would like to see the club doing. Let the board members know your wishes.

The Ladies Tea and Gentlemen's Brats is in the planning stages for January

## *Saturday December 25th Merry Christmas!*

January 12, 2022 Next Meeting

## *Send us some photos and stories!*



Laraine K. Forsell

St. Joseph - On Thursday, November 25th, 2021, Laraine Forsell, loving wife and mother of five children, passed away at the age of 80 at Saint Cloud Hospital after a brave battle with cancer. Laraine was born on September 3rd, 1941, in Biwabik, MN to Jack and Lila (Lehtinen) Hietala. She graduated from Biwabik High School, Class of 1959. Laraine spent most of her working career as an executive assistant at Dezurik. She also worked part time as secretary at Hope Covenant Church for Pastor Rick Mylander. Laraine had four children Laurie, Linda, LeAnn and James from her first marriage. On December 7th, 1978 she married John Forsell, they had one son, Jeremy Forsell. Laraine had a tremendous passion for her family and Finnish heritage. She was strong in her faith, loved listening to hymns in the kitchen, enjoyed quilting, reading and playing piano. Laraine and her husband John loved taking rides in their Model T and wintering at their second home in Gold Canyon, Arizona where they have great memories playing cards with friends & singing in the church choir. Laraine was a genuine inspiration to those who knew and loved her. Her sharp witted humor could make anyone laugh. She lived courageously, taught everyone how to fight with grace, and most importantly how to love.

Laraine was preceded in death by her father, Jack, her mother, Lila, and her brother Jack Hietala. She is survived by her sisters, Patty Norrell, Jeannie Viburg and Evelyn Tuomala, her husband John, her five children, Laurie Blackmore, Linda Blackmore, LeAnn (Kelvin) Howieson, James (Brenda) Blackmore and Jeremy (Erin) Forsell, her stepson, Jon (Cindy) Forsell her stepdaughter, Jackie Forsell, her six grandchildren, Allison Blackmore, Aaron (Nicole) Blackmore, Matthew Blackmore, Joseph (Ashtin) Blackmore, Mitchell (Kylee) Howieson, Joshua Howieson, Michaela Forsell and Zach Forsell, and her four great-grandchildren, Morgan, Thomas, Logan, and Lennon Laraine.

Obituary, Guestbook, and Video Tribute will be available online at [www.williamsdingmann.com](http://www.williamsdingmann.com)

## ***East Valley Model T Club Picnic on November 6, 2022***

Our picnic was held at the Usery Park Picnic area, The weather was beautiful: blue sky and temperatures in the 80's









There were about 25 members and 1 guest at the picnic which made for a nice sized group. There were 5 or 6 Model T's present

and one '28 Model A Sport Coupe with Rumble Seat owned by George Elms. George's Model A is a beautiful car and it is spotless.

It's so clean it looks like it just came out of the showroom!

The drive up to Usury Park was about 15 miles, just right for a good run in our Model T's and a nice drive on this beautiful day.

Larry and Sandy Hart brought the Club's Chuck Wagon and Larry was the cook. He skilfully grilled the brats and burgers like a pro and the pot luck

dishes brought by everyone made it a very nice lunch.

After lunch we had 3 games to try our skill at.

The Skillet Toss was won by Keith Gumbinger for the men and Sandy Hart for the women.

The Bean Bag Toss was won by Bill Allen for the men and Kathy McAlpen for the women.

The Horseshoes was won by Brian Cousins and Bill Arnold.

Even those who didn't participate in the games had a good time as they cheered for the players.

All in all it was a great picnic and it seemed like everyone had a good time. Many thanks for organizing this for us go to Sandy Hart and

her committee. Thank You Sandy! We can hardly wait for the next picnic because they are so much fun! :) ***Keith Gumbinger***





*Canyon Winds Car Show November 20, 2022*





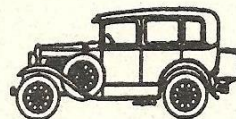
Remember Sybil from the November issue? Here she is at the Canyon Winds car show with her daughter, grand daughter and Great grand daughter! 4 generations! She was born in 1924 and is posed next to Steve Nissle and Steve Francious 24 T's

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A vintage, classic and collectible vehicle show to benefit  
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**When:** Saturday, December 11, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Entries 8:00AM to 9:00AM

**Where:** Desert Mountain Park—22201 S. Hawes Rd., Queen Creek, Arizona 85142

**Registration Info:** \$15.00 pre-registration donation by 12/1/21 or \$20.00 day of show  
and an unwrapped toy for a boy and for a girl

**Awards:** Many plaques to be awarded to entrants

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T-shirts, goody bags & dash plaques for first 100 during pick up at registration

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Since we weren't able to have the traditional Christmas Light Parade in Apache Junction in 2020 because of the Pandemic and it rained on the last 2019 Parade that was held, we couldn't have asked for better weather on December 4, 2021 for this year's festivities. Prior to the start of the Parade, many members of the East Valley Model-T Club gathered at the home of Bill & Kae Allen at 3:30 for the annual pot luck dinner. Members and guests present that enjoyed the variety of casseroles were Joe Fellin, Bernice Young, Dale Guenther, Marcia Taillefer, Dave Veres, Becky Corbin, Tom Hoverson, Dale Mewhorter, George Elms, Steve & Marilyn Francois, Keith & Carol Gumbinger, Jeff & Jan Henry, Jim & Janine Rohde, Reg & Roselynn Urness, Richard & Pat Edmunson, Bill & Kae Allen, Bill Arnold, Alice & guest Julia, Larry & Sandy Hart & granddaughter Andrea, Ken & Cher Henry & daughter Lori.

Shortly after 5:30, 9 lighted Model-Ts made their way to downtown Apache Junction (taking a round-about way), to begin lining up at 6:00. The Parade started promptly at 7:00 and luckily we were almost the first group in line so once we turned on Thunderbird Dr., we had a great view watching all the beautifully decorated floats and other entries making their way up on the other side of the Apache Trail. The crowd was huge and our group were well received by all the spectators and especially the children who waved enthusiastically and indicated they wanted us to blow our horns.

Members who arrived at the potluck in their family cars left before the parade started and we were minus the 5 members of the Henry family due to an issue with one of their cars, but 14 members returned to the Allen's for hot mulled cider, cocoa, and cookies. Nice time visiting and relaxing with each other and sharing conversations with and about the 13 Christmas dolls who also joined us....you had to be there to understand! Eventually it was time to end the day and evening after another fun-filled gathering of the EVMTFC.

Below... Blast from the past! Usury Pass Picnic



## Merry Christmas

