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NATIONAL EVENTS

Annual Meeting of the MFTCA, Ft. Worth, TX March 22-25, 2007. The event is being hosted by the Cowtown T's chapter. More info next month.

The 100th Birthday Celebration for the

Model T will take place July 21-26, 2008 in Centerville, IN.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As most of you know I missed our last meeting. Ruthann is quite sick and I needed the time with her.

I understand we had a great turnout and a lot of business was taken care of. I want to thank Joe Fellin for filling in and doing such a great job. I also want to thank the membership for turning out and helping with the planning.

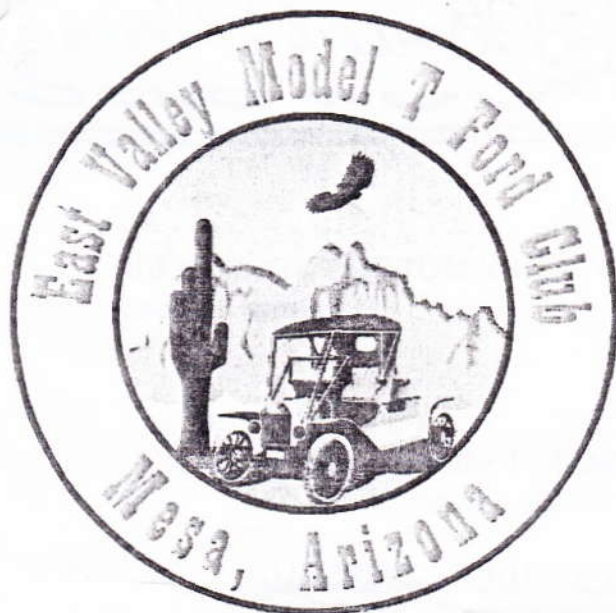
I hope to see all of you at the Christmas Party on the 8th at Stolinski's.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

George

LOCAL EVENTS

The club voted to enter the Apache Junction Holiday Light Parade which will be held on Friday, December 1, 2006 at 6:30 PM. We should be in place at the Apache Junction Chamber of Commerce at about 5:45 PM. So hang



Calendar of Events

December 2006

- 1 AJ Holiday Light Parade 6:30 PM
- 8 Christmas Party at Stolinski's
(See details inside)

January 2007

- 5-7 Fiddler Jamboree & Car Show, CG
- 18 General Meeting 7:30 PM at Lynn
and Austin Graton's, 1875 N.
Monterey Dr., Apache Junction
- 20 Tour of Olive Mill & Superstition
Mountain Museum

February 2007

- 3 Heritage Square Car Show
- 15 General Meeting 7:30 PM at
Joe Fellin's, 1083 N. Val Vista Rd.,
Apache Junction
- 17 Club Yard Sale???
- 24 Lost Dutchman Day's Parade, AJ

March 2007

- 15 General Meeting 7:30 PM at
Reginald & Roselynn Urness's,
5735 E. McDowell Rd. #130, Mesa
- 9-11 Antique Tractor Show, AJ

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some lights on your car and come on out.
Contact Austin Graton for more details.

The Rosson House Museum will be hosting a historic vehicle show on Saturday, February 3, 2007 at 7th St and Monroe in downtown Phoenix. This event requires individual pre-registration and approval in order to have a space available. Contact Dave Veres at (480) 897-2209 or Austin Graton at (480) 288-0726 for an application.

Meeting locations. The general meeting location will change from month to month. Members have volunteered to host the general meeting as follows:

December 2006 - Christmas Party
January 2007 - Graton
February 2007 - Elms
March 2007 - Urness
April 2007 - Linney
May 2007 -

Other members who were not in attendance and would like to host a meeting should contact George Elms. Some of those already scheduled may have to cancel due to unforeseen circumstances.

The member(s) hosting the meeting will provide the refreshments.

Elections -Elections were held at our November meeting. The following members were elected to the offices as shown:

President-George Elms (provided

he accepts)

Vice President/Membership-Bert Diehl

Secretary-Lynn Graton

Treasurer-Dave Veres

Historian-Delores Stolinski

Congratulations to our new board and our new Historian. Let's do all we can to support them to make 2007 a fun and active year!!

Club Yard Sale - The sale has been tentatively rescheduled for February 2007.

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.

Health and Welfare of Members

At this writing Ruthann Elms is back in the hospital and is very weak.

Idros Wildman is in the hospital with two broken shoulders and a broken ankle.

Cheryl Wood needs calls and visits. It is lonely for her when Tim is away at work.

2008 100th Anniversary T party

Several of our club members are planning to attend the 100th Anniversary of the Model T Ford at the Model T Ford Club of America celebration 21-26 July in Centerville, Indiana.

MTFCA Election

If you haven't sent your ballots in for the National Board do it right away. Joe Fellin and Reginald Urness are both candidates and would like your support.

December Christmas Party

Our party this year will be on the 8th of December at Stolinski's Home. We will have a Pot Luck beginning at 3:00 PM. The club will be hosting a honey-baked ham. Others have agreed to furnish the items listed below. Those who were not at the meeting should bring whatever we have not provided for or call Delores for ideas.

- Lynn-potatoes
- Petersons-rum cake
- Dave-vegetable casserole
- Joe-pies
- Gary-rolls
- Bert-soft drinks
- Mary-baked beans
- Roselynn-fruit & jello
- Delores-Christmas cookies

Don't forget to bring a gag (or other) gift for exchange.

Please RSVP to Delores if you will be attending and the number of people so she can properly prepare. Her phone is (480) 986-0711.

Bring your Model T or other old car - decorated if possible. We will tour through the ViewPoint RV and Golf Resort, 8700 E. University, Mesa to view their Christmas lights and decorations. The plan currently is

for them to escort us through their most elaborately decorated areas. Following that we will be parked in a lighted area for the resort residents to view our cars and talk with us about them. They will also probably be providing some refreshments.

20 January Tour

Plans are coming together for our January 2007 tour to the Queen Creek Olive Mill and the Superstition Mountain Lost Dutchman Museum in Apache Junction.

The olive mill is located at 25062 S. Meridian. We will take a tour of Arizona's only working olive farm and mill. The tour costs \$5.00 and lasts about 20 minutes. On the tour you will see how Extra Virgin Olive Oil is made, learn about the trees and the different olive oil characteristics they produce as well as the health benefits of Extra Virgin Olive Oil. There will be an opportunity to taste flavored olive oils, tapenades & stuffed olives.

The Superstition Mountain Lost Dutchman Museum is located at 4087 N. Apache Trail (State Route 88 & Mountain View Road) in Apache Junction. There is a 23 map Lost Dutchman exhibit, a natural history exhibit of animals native to the area, a 20-stamp mill, Roosevelt Dam blocks, a Military History Exhibit as well as a gift shop.

5-7 January Fiddlers Jamboree and Car Show at Pinal County Fairgrounds, 11 Mile Corner, Casa

Grande

One of our former members, Harold Hall attended this event last year and took first place in his class with his Model T Paddy Wagon. I will have more details at our Christmas Party.

Our North Dakota Summer by Reginald and Roselynn Urness.

Austin Graton's article in the last issue of the Running Board News prompted Roselynn and I to write an article concerning our last summer's activities.

Our first trip of the summer was to New York City to attend the high school graduation of my granddaughter, Jane Urness. On the Saturday after graduation, we went to West Point for a family wedding. The bride and groom were both graduated of West Point and are now on their way to Iraq and Afghanistan.

The first Model T Ford outing was to Clear Lake, Iowa for a national meeting and tour with the Model T Ford Club International. There were over 425 Model T's registered with some cancellations. The first couple we met after arriving was Jim Martin and his wife (President of the Sun Country Model T Ford Club). He had broken a crankshaft as he backed out of his trailer and thought he was done with the tour until a local club member offered him an engine to use. He toured the entire week with this used engine and had no trouble. Another couple we met

was Ed and Delores Stolinski from our East Valley Club. This is my second trip to Clear Lake, Iowa for an International Tour. My brother and I attended a tour there in the 1990's. Our mode of transportation at that time was a 1927 Model T 4 door, in original condition. Again, I had no trouble with that car but for some unknown reason sold it to a fellow in California.

I finished restoring my 1927 Model T Ford Tudor the day before we were to load it in the trailer to go to Clear Lake. I had trouble with my new set of spark plugs, one was bad; and I had trouble with my vaporizer carburetor. I had four loose bolts on my vaporizer which caused hard starting when the engine was cold; but when the engine was warm, it started with just a touch of the starter. I've been told to take the vaporizer carburetor off and replace it with a Holley or some other type. But Henry Ford made them work in 1927, so I am determined to do the same. If there are any vaporizer experts in our club, it would be greatly appreciated if you would contact me and give me some help. I have a counter balanced crankshaft, a modified camshaft and shaved down head in the 1927 Tudor and feel that it has given me some additional horsepower. After finally getting all the bugs out before leaving home, the car performed better each and every day with no trouble of any kind except for the muffler that fell off because I failed to tighten up the U-clamp attaching the muffler to the

tailpipe.

When we left North Dakota for Clear Lake, the engine had about 10 miles on it. We averaged about 100 miles each day on the five-day tour. One day was labeled a "Drive Thru Day". We drove through a beer distributor warehouse, an auto salvage yard, a gravel pit, a covered bridge, and a storage building filled with antique engines and tractors. A friend from our local club (Viking Country Chapter) had trouble with his 1915 Touring on the last day of the tour and finished the tour riding with us. A wrist pin had come loose on his newly overhauled engine and caused the engine to seize up.

Roselynn and I were happy and surprised to bring home three awards: #1 - Best Restored Car in Class T7; #2 - A plaque for judging five times in Model T Ford Club International meets; #3 - Best couple reproduction costume. The last day of the tour was on Friday; we drove home the next day with our trustworthy 1927 Model T Ford Tudor riding comfortably in our enclosed trailer with the award for best restored car in class T7 resting on the front seat.

Our next outing was with our local club (Viking Country Model T Ford Club) touring to a nearby lake to visit a member's shop. He had two Model T Fords; a 1926 Runabout in excellent restored condition; and a 1927 Model T Ford 4-door which hadn't been run for five years.

On July 4th, the local Rotary Club in Grand Forks sponsored an antique car show. I entered my two Model T Fords (a 1926 Model T Runabout and the 1927 Tudor) in this event and was awarded 1st place in my class for the 1926 Runabout.

We also attended an AACA Judging Meet in Rockford, Illinois. We didn't take a car because my purpose for being there was to get additional judging points. Again, I judged Model T Ford engines. There were approximately 120 beautiful cars at this judging meet including a Dusenburg.

Roselynn had never been to Hershey, Pennsylvania for the largest swap meet and car show in the world, so we decided to go. She could not get over all the middle-aged men with smiling faces who were searching the fields of vendors for just the right part for their antique vehicles. I had been looking for three window handles for my 1927 Tudor and found them for \$7.50 each or was it \$500.00 each if I include our air fare, motel, meals, and other expenses. I notice in Austin's article that he was there; it would have been a miracle to have run into him because it was estimated that there were 250,000 people from all over the world there. I received my 50th Judging Certificate from the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) at this Hershey judging meet and probably will now retire from judging. I helped judge

19 Model T Fords, my judging assignment was engines.

It is possible the most exciting thing that happened to me this summer as far as antique cars was that my nephew who lives near Spokane, Washington, inherited three Model T Fords from his uncle (not me). Two of them are 1926 or 1927 pickups; the other is a 1915 modified body made into a pickup. His plans are to restore them to original condition with some help from me. It makes me feel good that a younger family member is carrying on the tradition of restoring Model T Fords.

Reginald & Roselynn Urness
Grand Forks, North Dakota
Mesa, Arizona

Members helping members

Bob and Idros Wildman need to sell their 1914 Model T Depot Hack due to their health. If anyone knows of someone interested in purchasing it please get in touch with them. Their plan at this time is to consign it to the Kruse auction in January. They need members of the club to help them prepare it for the auction. Austin, Joe and John have volunteered to assist. If anyone else can help, please contact Austin who will coordinate the preparation.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Holiday Cherry Pie

1 - 14 oz. can pitted tart cherries
1 cup sugar
¼ cup flour

1 - 8 oz. can crushed pineapple, undrained
1 - 3 oz. pkg. cherry gelatin
10 - 13 drops red food coloring, optional
3 medium firm bananas, sliced
½ cup chopped pecans
1 - 9 in. pastry shell baked
Whipped topping

Drain cherries, **reserve** 2 tablespoons juice. In a large saucepan, combine sugar and flour. Stir in the pineapple, cherries and reserved juice. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Remove from the heat. Add gelatin powder; stir until dissolved. Stir in food coloring if desired. Cool until partially set. Stir in bananas and pecans. Pour into the pie shell. Refrigerate for at least 3 hours before serving. Garnish with whipped topping. (6-8 servings)

Thing you may not have known!!

In Merry Olde England... Baths were a big tub filled with water. The man of the house got nice clean water, then the sons, then women and finally babies in water so cloudy you might lose one in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw out the baby with the bath water."

The longest game of Monopoly in history lasted 70 straight days.

The base of the Great Pyramid of Egypt is large enough to cover 10 football fields.

When you sneeze, air rushes out of

your nose at a rate of 100 mph.

The human heart creates enough pressure to squirt blood 30 feet.

The longest lasting Atlantic tropical storm is "Ginger" of 1971, which spun around the open ocean for 28 days.

Advertisements for coffee in London in 1657 claimed that the beverage was a cure for scurvy, gout and other ills.

REMEMBER WHEN

Nescafe was the only instant coffee and Sanka was the only decaf, though Postum, which wasn't coffee at all but a substitute, enjoyed a small but reasonable popularity?

Nylons were called "stockings" and were sold in pairs of two, one for each leg-no pantyhose? When all stockings had reinforced tops and most had reinforced heels and toes, and when "seemless stockings" were new and different, because until then all stockings had seems running up the back, and kindly women might stop you and say, "Your seems are crooked," just the way today they might tell you, "Your label's sticking out" (of your dress or blouse or shirt)?

There was no such thing as "social promotions" and if you failed (or "flunked out") you were "left back" or "held back" and forced to repeat a grade? And "He's a repeater!" was a terrible insult? Do

you remember dunce caps? Clapping erasers together after school to get the chalk dust out? Blackboards that really were black, not green? Pull-down maps of the world in every classroom? And probably pictures of Washington and Lincoln as well!

You wore the skate key around your neck that tightened the clamps that held your roller skates tight to your shoes...most of the time? And remember how you would fall whenever the skates would somehow flap loose? Besides skating on the sidewalk, did you also go to the roller rink and skate to the organ music? Or to the ice rink to skate on the ice? Was your first pair of ice skates double-blades? Which "graduation" did you experience first: from double-blade ice skates to single blades, or from bicycling with training wheels to bicycling without?

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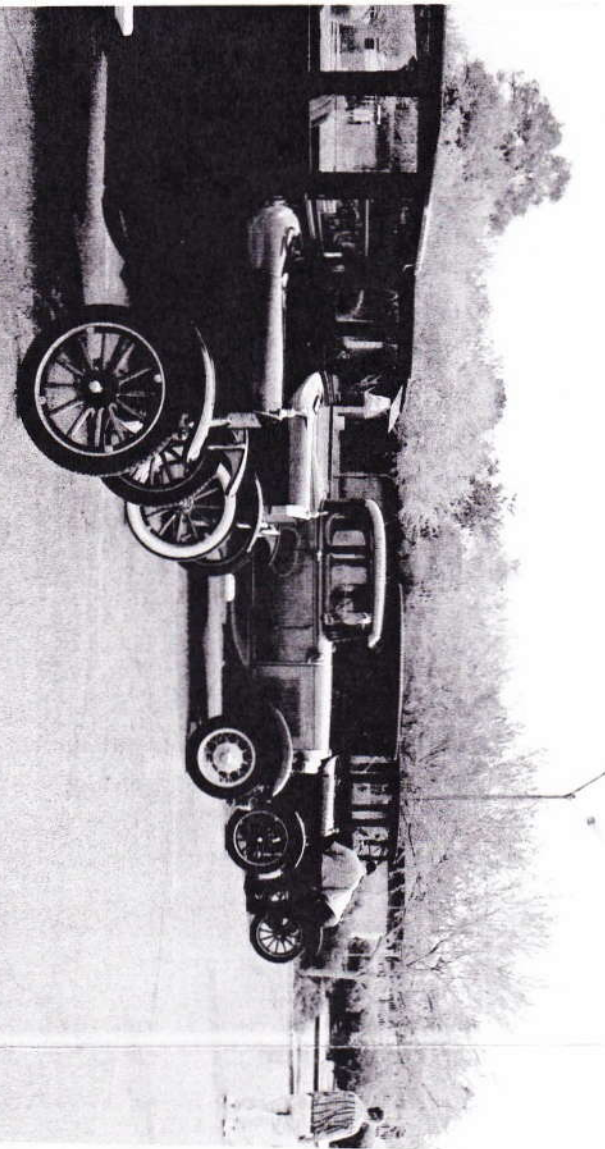
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Top: L To R Jan, Joe, Austin, Lynn & Ed at Joe's Barbecue - Gilbert
 Above & Top Right: Our "Ts" waiting patiently for Molly Brown
 Below: George's Dodge Brothers with Gratow's grandchildren at right.

