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Jan Peterson and Cher Henry; birthday cards

**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):**

Jeff Henry can take a photo of your T... contact Jeff if you are interested.

Jeff 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 May 5, 2023

We are coming upon the ending of the season. Summer is just around the corner. We have enjoyed some wonderful times together this past winter and look forward to the future. Our last meeting before fall will be May 12. At our meeting we discussed refreshments and came up with the idea of having everyone bring their own beverage to the meeting. This will eliminate the need to bring heavy items of beverages, ice and coolers. We will have a committee to bring a light snack.

We had a good turnout for the tour of the Mystery Castle and lunch at the IHOP restaurant. Thank you Tom for making these arrangements. It was very interesting to see how the building was built using recycled and items found on the land along with old relics found in junk yards and the workmanship and planning that went into building the castle. There were two bathrooms that were built with the vision to the future of running water and waste removal. Interesting forethought on these plans.

I am pleased to let you know some good news. Jan Peterson had a recent scan and they can find no signs of cancer. We wish Jan continued improvement as she regains her strength.

Our summer will consist of a breakfast each month Thank you to those that volunteered to set these up. Our first will be June 10 at 8:30 am at Crackers & Co, 535 W Iron Ave. Mesa, AZ Thank you Dale and Marcia for setting this up. July will be set up Tom Hoverson and August by Jeff Henry.

See you at the meeting on May 12.

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### REMINDER..DUES ARE Still Just \$20

Contact Treasurer Dave Veres at 480-480-415-3235. [davidveres@aol.com](mailto:davidveres@aol.com)  
prices look good. See the flyer. Club decided to pass on this event at this time

**Meeting Minutes April 12, 2023**

**Call to Order 7:00 pm** 22 people were in attendance. Jan was here and is doing well. Becky is in the hospital and Dave is spending all his time in the hospital with her he will take care of your business as his time allows.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Introduction** new members and guests No new members this meeting.

**Vice President Report:** Tom Reported there were no new members this meeting.

**Treasurer Report:** There was no treasurer's report since Dave is with his wife at the hospital.

**Hospitality report** Cher/Jan: Jan stopped by at the beginning of the meeting to say hi and that she is doing much better.

**Old Business**

**Newsletter** report Ken/Cher need new articles for the newsletter.

**Approval of March minutes** as published: A motion was made to accept the minutes as published. It was seconded and passed.

**March 11 Tractor Show.** Thank you, Keith, for the great write up on the event we had 25 members and guests 9 old cars. Thank you for all the good food and to Tom and Wyatt for cooking, and to Ken and Jeff for going after the chuckwagon and bringing it to this event. We need to figure out how to limit the public's access to our food area.

**March 25 Poker Run:** Thank you to Dale and Marcia for organizing this event. We had 18 members and guests, 3 model T's, 3 model A's and several modern cars. Famous Dave's did an excellent job at getting our food and drink orders out quickly. Our poker hand winners were Ken Henry –full house, John (Jeff's friend) –flush, Steve Francois –straight and Bernice 3 of a kind. The winners need to make arrangements to get your winnings!

**March 30/31 Special event at the home of David and Jean Chance:** Thank you David for inviting our club to your party. We had 10 members and 2 model T's participating. Thank you, Keith, for the newsletter article.

**April 2 Ice cream at Andy's:** Bill Arnold and Julie, and Keith & Carol Gumbinger were the only ones attending this month, but they all had a great time.

**April 22 Mystery Castle** –Tom Hoverson we are meeting at the castle when it opens at 11:00 AM, \$10 admission. After the tour attendees will be going to, I-hop for lunch. About 10 people indicated interest in attending. The address is:

800E Mineral Road Phoenix, AZ 85040

Take 7<sup>th</sup> street south to Mineral Road, then head east and follow the road to the Mystery Castle entrance

**Other Old Business****New Business**

**May 7**, Ice Cream at Glenn and Diane Conlon's 5738 E 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Apache Junction

**There will be a May meeting,**

**In Summer we will meet for Breakfast** June, July and August instead of having a monthly meeting. Regular meetings will resume in September.

June: Dale and Marcia

July: Tom Hoverson

August: Jeff Henry

**Refreshments for meetings.** It has been brought to my attention that as our members continue to get older, it is sometimes hard to get everything needed to the meeting. A suggestion was made that each person bring their own beverage thus eliminating the heavy burden of water, pop, cooler and ice. We could eliminate the snack or keep it very simple such as cookies, cake or other desert item. It was decided to have everyone bring their own beverage and have a light snack.

**Chuck wagon** Ken Henry and Jeff think that when their car project is done it might fit in their garage.

**Other new business**

**April 15** someone wants a car for their auction benefit event. See Sandy if you can make it.

**Sandy will refer the person to a club closer to the event.**

**Break****Good of the order**

**Clinic request:** No clinic requests

**Thank you** to our refreshment committee tonight of Tom, Don Murgage

**Need Volunteer for May meeting:** May meeting Ken Henry and Diane volunteered to bring refreshments.

**50-50:** There was no drawing tonight because Dave Veres wasn't in attendance.

Monthly General meetings resume, at 640 N Mesa Dr. Mesa AZ, 7 pm, always, the second Wednesday of each month.

### Up and Coming Events

May 7- Homemade Ice Cream at the Conlon's. Meet at 5738 E 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Apache Junction.

May 10 – General Meeting. Last meeting of the summer. Meetings resume in September.

June 10<sup>th</sup> Breakfast at Crackers and Co. Café, 535 W Iron Ave., Ste. 131 Mesa AZ. Hosted by Dale and Marsha.

### April & May Birthdays

May 1 Jan Peterson  
May 11 Daryl Drumwright  
May 17 Lou walker  
May 29 Becky Harbin

June 1 LuWanna Nielsen  
June 2 Jemery Wells  
June 8 Dale Guenther  
June 9 Joe Davies  
June 13 Don Mugrage

Happy Birthday everyone!  
If your birthday is this month and you don't see your name. let Jan Peterson or Cheryl Henry know. You will get a beautiful handmade card on your Birthday!







East Valley Model T Ford Club visit to Mystery Castle.

Tour and Visit to the Mystery Castle on Saturday, April 22, 2023

Well, friends, Tom Hoverson arranged another really great tour for us when we visited the Mystery Castle. It was quite a drive for those of us who live way on the East side, but well worth the trip.

The Mystery Castle is located in the foothills of South Mountain Park on the far South end of Phoenix. There were about 20 EVMTC members and guests present. Because of the heat and the distance, many of us drove modern, but there were 4 T's present:

Larry and Sandy Hart, '24 Tudor

Steve Francois, '24 Touring

Bill Arnold, '24 Roadster Pickup

Jeff and Ken Henry, '19 Touring

Boyce Luther Gulley left his Wife and Daughter in Seattle and migrated to Phoenix due to health problems. His health gradually improved and he began construction of the Mystery Castle in 1929 and more or less finished it in 1945. The story goes that he lived in his car for several months until he was able to move into part of the Mystery Castle. Boyce did not communicate with his Wife and Daughter and they didn't know where he went during all this time from 1929 until 1945. It's not known if he built the Castle all by himself or if he had any help with it.

It is known that he got a mining claim for the property and dug a 9-foot-deep hole from which he mined copper, silver and other minerals. Apparently, he got enough money from this mining to pay for the construction. He also got reject bricks from a brick manufacturer and they are readily seen in the Castle. The docent for our tour was a very knowledgeable woman who described many of the details of the Castle for us including that there is the windshield from a Stutz Bearcat in the kitchen, and several wire wheels from the Stutz Bearcat used in windows. The Castle interior kind of meanders from one area to the next and our docent pointed out many unique features for us. She was great!!!

The Castle is sort of two buildings connected by a patio. The main building is the building they lived in and the other building has a gift shop on the upper level and a gathering area and bar on the lower level where weddings are sometimes held. The Castle has 18 rooms, 13 fireplaces, many parapets and interesting nooks and crannies and is furnished with southwestern antiques. In the floor of the living area is a sealed trap door that is the entrance to the mine hole. The stipulation was that the Wife and Daughter could not open the trap door to the mine for two years.

In 1945 Boyce Luther Gulley's health again began to deteriorate, so he took a train to California to get medical treatment. On the way there he died on the train. As a result, Boyce's attorney notified Boyce's Wife and Daughter of his passing and they came to the Castle and eventually decided to live there.

Boyce's Wife eventually died and his Daughter, Mary Lou Gulley, passed in 2010. The Castle is now owned by a Foundation and operated to perpetuate the memories and dreams of the Gulley family.



This is only a brief summary of the history and construction of the Mystery Castle. The Mystery Castle is a very interesting place to visit and we recommend that others consider visiting there also



See all photos from our tour on our Facebook Page



Our club was asked to provide a few cars for a Speakeasy charity event in Scottsdale Sunday evening. Ken and Jeff volunteered their cars for the noble cause. All proceeds benefit young adults with autism.







## Model T Ford Club of America Calendar

### [58th MTFCA Annual Meeting](#)

Staybridge Suites Las Vegas 5735 Dean Martin Drive, Las Vegas  
June 2023

June 3, 2023

### [5th Annual Pre-War Ford Swap meet](#)

Adams County Historical Society Museum 9601 Henderson Road, Brighton, CO

June 3, 2023

### [Homecoming at the Model T Museum](#)

Model T Museum 309 N 8th Street, Richmond, IN

June 18, 2023 - June 23, 2023

### ["Experience the Flint Hills" MTFCA 2023 National Tour](#)

Hilton Garden Inn 410 South 3rd Street, Manhattan, KS  
June 2024

June 16, 2024 - June 19, 2024

### [MTFCA 2024 National Tour: Palm and Pine Trees National Tour](#)

San Diego, CA San Diego, CA

OTHER EVENTS

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June 4 @ 6:00 am

**48th Annual Mother Lode Model T Club Swap Meet**

Gold Country Fairgrounds Auburn, CA

June 8 - June 10

**22nd Annual Show Me Tour**

Southwest Missouri MO

June 10 - June 11

**52nd Annual Speedster Endurance Run/Lowland Tour**

Fremont, California CA

June 18 - June 21

**2023 Endurance Run “Montana 500”**

Grand Union Hotel 1 Grand Union Square, Fort Benton, Montana



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June 18 - June 23

**“Experience the Flint Hills” MTFCA 2023 National Tour**

Hilton Garden Inn 410 South 3rd Street, Manhattan, KS

**July 2023**

July 15

**69th Annual Vintage and Classic Parts Exchange**

Long Beach City College Veterans Stadium 5000 Lew Davis Street, Long Beach, CA

**June 2024**

June 16, 2024 - June 19, 2024

**MTFCA 2024 National Tour: Palm and Pine Trees National Tour**

San Diego, CA San Diego, CA

## Are you a member of MTFCA? If not, you are missing out on many benefits!

### Adult Membership includes:

- One year (6 issues) of *The Vintage Ford* magazine which has information on all aspects of the hobby including: resources for Model T parts; repair and maintenance information; lists of tours, swap meets, and events; plus many pictures and articles for and about Model T enthusiasts;
- FREE admission to the Model T Museum, the Vintage Ford Agency Building, and the Bruce McCalley Memorial Library and Research Center;
- FREE (non-commercial) online and classified ads in magazine and on our Forum;
- Events and Tours: Join your fellow club members and relive the days of the Model T at national, regional, and local events and tours;
- Voting Privileges: Members (aged 18 and over) elect our Board of Directors each year;
- Time Travelers Perks: Your MTFCA membership card can be used at 300+ Time Travelers affiliated museums and sites for discounts and benefits.

NOTE: ***Ownership of a Model T Ford is not required.***

Annual dues are \$50.00 for U.S. members. Membership includes all the privileges of the Club for members, their spouses, and their children under the age of eighteen. One ballot for election of National Directors is issued per member-family.

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To join go to MTFCA.com and click on Join or Renew. You will not be disappointed!

**Need a little hand with your T?  
Contact President Sandy and she'll get you scheduled for a  
"CLINIC"**

**For Sale****All items located in Chandler, Az**

1) A really nice set of four 21" Model T wood wheels mounted with serviceable Goodyear whitewall tires. Includes spare rim with mounted used B.F. Goodrich blackwall tire. \$700 for all.

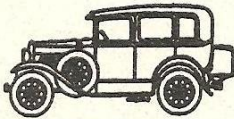
2) Like new set of four 4.40-4.50x21" B.F. Goodrich Silvertown blackwalls. It looks like they were mounted, but never saw the road. MACS Auto Parts has them for \$206.77 ea. with four of them coming to \$999.86 including tax and shipping. You can get these tires for \$125 ea.

3) I have three Model T wire wheels with one front hub and one rear hub. They haven't been primed or painted so there will be no surprises later on. \$350 for everything.

Contact Dale Guenther at [dcguenther1@cox.net](mailto:dcguenther1@cox.net) or 480-356-0733 for photos or info.

**Need new wood in your Wheels?  
Contact Dave Seiler, 714 501 7080, He is in Brea, California.  
\$125 each. He does really nice work!**

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