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**Remember! It's
Tour Season.
Plan Your Tour
Now**

If you have a tour planned or want to attend more tours, we want you! Contact our tour chairman, Rick Carnegie. Rick is looking for new roads, tour leaders and he will keep track of up & coming events. Usually all of our tours deal with touring and some type of **Food!** Come on out and tour with us. The more T's we bring out, the better.

To Tour Or Not To Tour, That is The Question

It's touring season once again. Although there are some diehards that tour pretty much year around, most T-owners dream of warmer days and easy running tours. Most of those who tour recently stated a pretty well know fact that we need more people to bring their T's out and join the fun.

However, it was decided that touring is more of a personal choice. Tours were broken down and what worked and did not work was discussed at length. It was decided maybe we should start with the basics. One way is to ask the members what they would like to see. On page 7 & 8 of this issue is a survey. Please take the time to fill it out and either e-mail to snail mail it back to the club.

If your not sure that your "T" is road ready, bring it to the Safety Inspection. Most everyone in the club is familiar with the Skidmore's Safety Inspection coming up on May 21st at 9:00 a.m. It's a lot of fun and provides owners a great chance to have their "T"s looked over by someone else. But between now and May there are a lot of sunny days that could be used for touring. There are several steps each T-owner can do to begin to assess their own cars. We thought we could outline a few of these for you to maybe get more cars to join in the fun.

Step one, ask yourself, is your car in running shape. There are a few simple things you can do to just check it out. Start with the tires. Do they have the right tire pressures? Are they weather checked? Is the tread legal and run able? If not fix or change them. Now time to check the oil. Does it need to be changed? (hint: if it's sat too long this is not a bad idea). How are the bands? Do they need to be replaced or adjusted?



Are the brake shoes good? Does the parking brake set properly? How about the radiator and hoses? Are all the clamps tight? Are there any .

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WHO YA GONNA CALL? OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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Dues are \$20 per year. They are coming due quickly. All correspondence should be directed to the mailing address. Ads for Ford parts and cars wanted and for sale and submissions only should be sent to the editor via email or snail mail. Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month..

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leaks? How about loose bolts, screws, nuts or cotter keys? Remember a loose bendix cover screw can fall out and cause you major problems. While you can accomplish the above in a couple of hours. You can also just bring your car to the Skidmore's Safety Inspection, OR you can bring your car down to Tuesday hobby night at the Ranch.

Dennis Secaur recently decided Tuesday night would work for him. At the last club meeting, Dennis asked for help building his 14-sppedster that he has been working on for a while. He noted he was having some problems with assembling the car. Dennis was told that Tuesday night was a great place to get some help. He brought down his speedster in parts on a trailer. For the last two Tuesday nights we have been helping him work on his car. Dennis bought the speedster kit about 10-years ago. When inventorying the parts we found the hood was "Torpedo" hood and measured 23". When measuring from the radiator to firewall, we found we only had 21" to work with. We needed a fourteen hood that was only 21" long. Tom Carnegie came to the rescue. He had a 21" vented hood in stock. (continued on pg-5)

Meetings:

The March meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Millwood City Hall on Friday March 03, 2006.

Model T Club Minutes:

February 3rd, 2006 Meeting of the Inland Empire Model T Ford Club:

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by President Lee B. Mike R welcomed Gary & Merna Shimles, George Hazard, Frank Carlson, and Mike Cuffe. There was a motion to approve the minutes as written in the Fender Chatter for the December Meeting. It was seconded and passed. Nan R. had no Vice President Report. Allen H. presented the Treasurer's Report. The Sunshine Report was presented by Jean A. Rick C. gave the Tour Report. Tom C. presented the Safety & Seminars Report. The Fender Chatter Report was given by Alan S. Jim P. spoke about the Roster. Glen W. gave the Photographer Report. Mike R. presented the Photo Album Report. There was a sign up sheet passed around for the Road Clean Up. The Blood Bank and Car Club Council Report was given by Charlie A. The Old Business included discussion about the progress of the By-law Committee. The New Business included a Road Clean Up discussion. There was also a report on the Board of Directors Meeting. There was a motion for the club to pay for the plaque presented to Marith at the banquet for her service as Fender Chatter Editor. It was seconded and passed. There was also a motion to pay for the Mc Coul's dinner at the banquet. It was seconded and passed. Finally, there was a motion to pay for Microsoft Publisher that Lee B. bought for the club. It was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm.

Monthly President's Message: (Editors Note)

Most car clubs are concerned about increasing their membership numbers and some work hard to maintain their present membership levels. Since the interest level for collector cars is based, in a large part, by nostalgia then it follows that the older the cars, the older the people that remember and love those cars. We cherish some of the oldest cars around and need to start actively promoting our club to the general public. There are potential Model T enthusiasts that just need information and encouragement to get into the hobby and there are still T's in barns and garages looking for someone to bring them back to life. We need some fresh ideas to promote our club. I am encouraged by the number of young members that we have at our meetings and we need to increase those numbers to ensure a healthy future. What would you suggest to promote our hobby and encourage others to join our club? Send me your ideas, give me a call or tell me at the next club meeting – this subject will be discussed under New Business and I will be distributing paper so you may put your ideas on paper.

Even though it is still winter the birds are checking out the bird houses in my backyard. This means that spring is just around the corner. Start dusting off the T and fix that thing on the T that you have been putting off because the annual Safety Inspection and the touring season is just around the corner. I'm looking forward to a great year of touring.

Lee



Greetings

8 Feb 06

I am Frank A. Marini. I am with the Portland Swap meet Committee. I am reminding you that the Portland Swap Meet is coming up on the 7-8-9 of April 06. There are still a few Venders Stalls available. If you would like one or two please call 503-678-2100 or go the web site at WWW.portlandswapmeet.com There is a lot of information there on how to get a stall, how to get there, where to stay as usual extra vender passes can be purchased on Thursday [move in day] for \$15.00 each. The passes are good for all 4 days and get you in one hour early on the 7-8-9. If you are coming on just one or two days, go to any Baxters Auto Parts store and buy your discounted ticket there. When you arrive at the event site go straight to the front of the line, you do not have to wait for the others to buy their tickets. There is free shuttle bus from the two parking areas to the event. We have set up Parts Pick up areas so you can take large parts to the pick-up area, get a pass and return with your Car or Truck to pick up your parts. Please print this in you club news letter, Hope to see you there.

Frank A. Marini
360-573-9179

Model T Facts : Supplying accessories for the car became an industry in and of itself - in the early 1920's, the Sears and Roebuck catalogue featured 5,000 different items for it. Other uses were found for the Model-T using add custom accessories. Model Ts were used for such purposes as snowmobiles, to power farm machinery, sawing operations, sausage grinders, and newspaper presses .



HARVEST
INLAND NORTHWEST

December 2, 2005

Inland Empire Chapter of the Model T
Ford Club
P.O. Box 11708
Spokane, WA 99211-1708

Dear Friends,

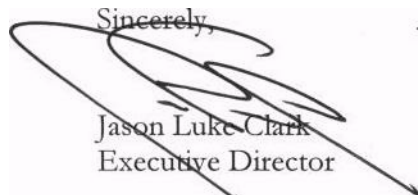
On behalf of the thousands of people who need our services each month, thank you for participating in the *2006 Tom's Turkey Drive*. We appreciate your gift of \$300.00.

Thanks to your generosity, *Tom's Turkey Drive* provided more than **6,500 Thanksgiving**

meals and raised more than \$40,000. Because of your participation, thousands of **Spokane-area** families sat down to a special Thanksgiving meal.

This is a time of year when many of our clients struggle just to make ends meet. For many, the emergency food they receive makes the difference between a meal or a warm home.

Thank you for taking a stand against hunger and providing hope for our neighbors in need!

Sincerely,

Jason Luke Clark
Executive Director

Thank you!

Second Harvest sent us the following letter regarding our donation to Tom's Turkey Drive last November 10, 2005. While the club directly donated 300.00, as a whole the Car Club Community donated \$760.00 to this worthy cause. We do already have the dates for next years show. It is November 18, 2006. Suzie and I hope we can better our results with this years drive. Can you help? Both food donations and cash donations are desperately needed by Second Harvest. All of your donations stay locally and go to local families in need. Please plan now for this years event. If you wish to donate food or cash prior to either the Tidymans show or Tom's Turkey Drive, please contact either Suzie or myself. We will be happy to get your donations to Second Harvest. Thank you.



2005 Tom's Turkey Drive



Tuesday Night (cont from pg.2): With the help of several T-Club members, Dennis's car is beginning to take shape. We have sorted out the parts and thrown out (lost) the instructions. Jim Patterson brought his 14 down on a trailer so we could take measurements for the new car.



While the progress is slow at times, there is progress. Dennis told me he is very pleased with what is going on. In addition he noted Tuesday Hobby night was now on his regular list of activities. Shouldn't it be on yours too? The first step to a good tour is a safe running car. Tuesday night is great for this.

This is just one of three ongoing Tuesday night projects. Mike Stromo continues to build and work on his engine with Mike Robison's help. Travis is working on his Ruckstel for his T. He is excited to have it finished, completed and installed. Rick Carnegie hot tanked and blasted the Ruckstel to look like brand new. Travis has the unit painted and is planning on installing it soon. We will keep you updated on the progress of Dennis's car and any new projects. Come on down next Tuesday after 5:00.



T-Club Member Chosen as Woman of The Year!

At press time, Jean Alameda contacted me and indicated that during the Show No Shine event the Model-T Club's very own Karen Miller was voted as "Woman Of The Year". Karen wears many hats in multiple clubs. She is the President of the Cars Club, belongs to and works as an active member of the Inland Northwest Car Club Council. She is also the editor of the Car Club Councils news letter. In addition she is on numerous committees and an active member of multiple clubs. Karen works hard and donates a lot of her time to the clubs.



With Karen's direct leadership, she helps coordinate the "Just Park It" tour run by the Cars Club. This full blown rolling tour was responsible for over 230 cars touring at the same time. This is a wonderful tour that shows the kind of dedication Karen has towards the car club community. She recently brought up the fact that this years tour should include the T-Club again. While most of us cannot keep up with the rolling stock on the tour, we can do our own mini tour and again lead the charge of the cars to the lunch spot as we did in 2004. Karen and Wes often open up their shop for garage and bunko parties. Apparently the clubs fully recognize the contribution members such as Karen make to the community. Congratulations Karen from all of us at the T-Club.

Hipp Family Takes A Cool Ride (News From One Our South Eastern Members)

Club Event Calendar

On January 28, 2006 in Atlanta, GA, Jeff, Tammy and Parker Hipp went for a cool early ride. Jeff who often submits cartoons and other information for Fender Chatter provided a little more than the usual. He was kind enough to show that T-Wheeling know no age boundaries nor time of the year. Jeff sent along an update for us noting “ The weather has been very Spring-like here in Atlanta, GA this winter. The Hipps decided it was time to get the T out for it's first ride of the year! This was also the first ride in the flivver for Parker who is now 11 months old. At first Parker wasn't too sure about the noise and vibration, but he had fun once we got going (Jeff says “as long as he sat securely in Mom's lap.”). Photos by Tammy Hipp

April 22, 2006	Guild School Penny Drive
May 21 2006	Safety Inspection 9:00 a.m. Skidmore” s Barn
June 10 2006	2nd Annual Tidyman’s- Second Harvest—Model T Open Car Show
Nov 18 2006	Tom’s Turkey Drive Open Car Show for Second Harvest



“Spice Up Your Life” Since St . Patrick’s Day is coming, here is a great dish to try.

This recipe came from the Food Channel-Episode#: EM1C04

Ballymaloe Irish Stew :

2 pounds of shoulder lamb chops (we used braised beef) about 1-inch thick. Add Salt—Freshly ground black pepper. 2 Tablespoons vegetable oil. 1/2 Cup Guinness beer or any dark beer. 1-Pound new potatoes. 1-Pint pearl onions, peeled (sneaky trick-drop them in lightly salted boiling water for 20-seconds then put them in cold water. They peel like a dream. 4-Cups lamb stock (beef stock if using beef). 2-tablespoons of dark roux. 2-Tablespoons finely chopped fresh parley leaves

Season the lamb chops with salt and pepper. In a large Dutch oven, over medium heat, add the oil. When the oil is hot, but not smoking, add the meat. Sear for 2-4 minutes on each side. Remove the meat from the pan and set aside.

Add the beer and continue to cook for 1-minute, scraping any brown particles off of the bottom of the pan. Add the meat back to the pan. In a mixing bowl, toss the vegetables with salt and pepper. Add the vegetables to the pan. Cover with the stock. Bring the liquid to a boil, cover and reduce the heat to medium low. Simmer for about 2-hours or until the lamb falls off of the bone or the meat pulls apart (fork tender). Stir in the roux and continue to cook for 10-minutes. Stir in the parsley and spoon into serving bowls. Serve with fresh Salad or hot corn bread.

This makes a great meal!

The club would like to hear from the membership on what they want to see for tours and other activities. Please take a few minutes to answer this survey and return it to Allen Henzen at henzen9@aol.com, send it back by mail to the club at P.O. Box 11708, Spokane Valley, WA 99211-1708 or bring it to the March meeting.

1. Indicate from 1 to 5, with 1 being the top choice, your preference for day and times of Model T Club tours.

- Saturday mornings
- Saturday afternoons
- Sunday mornings
- Sunday afternoons
- Weekdays
- Other: _____

2. Indicate from 1 to 5 your preference for tour types:

- Short local tours (under 30 miles)
- Medium local tours (30-60 miles)
- Longer local tours (over 60 – 100 miles)
- 2-3 day weekend tours
- Week long vacation trips (e.g. - the Oregon coast, Montana, etc.)
- Other: _____

3. Indicate from 1 to 10 what type of activities you prefer while touring:

- Camping trips
- Regional small town parades (like Rockford, Medical Lake, Wilbur, etc.)
- Large Parades (e.g. - the Lilac Parade, Valleyfest, etc.)
- Nursing or retirement home visits
- Picnics or BBQ's
- Restaurant for breakfast, lunch, or dinner
- Garage tours / Garage Sales, etc.
- Museums or general interest attractions
- Car displays / shows / Charitable events (like Tom's Turkey Drive, Food Bank collections)
- Other: _____

4. What would you prefer for next year's January Installation banquet (indicate in order of preference)?

- Buffet
- Served dinner
- Catered in private facility (such as a rented banquet hall)
- Eliminate annual banquet and hold regular monthly meeting
- Other _____

5. What price range would you prefer for the January installation banquet? (check one)

- \$10 - \$15 including tax & tip
- \$15 - \$20 including tax & tip
- \$20 – \$25 including tax & tip
- \$35 - \$30 including tax & tip
- Other _____

6. What type of entertainment would you prefer for the banquet? (check one)

- No entertainment
- Entertainment - Free or low cost (under \$100)
- Entertainment costing up to \$100
- Entertainment costing \$100 - \$250
- Any suggestions? _____

7. Please share any other ideas for T Club activities you would like to see:

Name (optional): _____ Date: _____

This survey is important. The club really would like to hear from you the members. With the new 2006 touring season, the club would like to really increase the participation on the tours. As you know we also have other events and we would really appreciate you input. We are asking that you take a few minutes and complete this survey. If you have suggestions or comments we would also like to hear from you.



80-th Birthday Party

Ada Bidle sent us an e-mail noting that on Tax day April 15th they are celebrating Allen McSweeney's 80th Birthday. They want everyone know about this important date and celebration. They will have more information on this event in the next news letter. They hope you will attend and help them celebrate this special occasion. Please put it on your calendars. They would love to see as many people as possible at this event.

Your continued support of the National club is a big part of our clubs success as well as the key to cheap insurance. Please take the time to join or renew your membership.

The Penny Drive Is Coming

The Guild School Penny Drive is coming. Charlie & Jean Alameda want me to remind you to save your pennies and plan on attending the drive on Saturday April 22, 2006. If you need to have more information on this very worth while event, call Charlie or Jean at (509) 448-2506

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE NATIONAL CLUB:

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone Number: _____

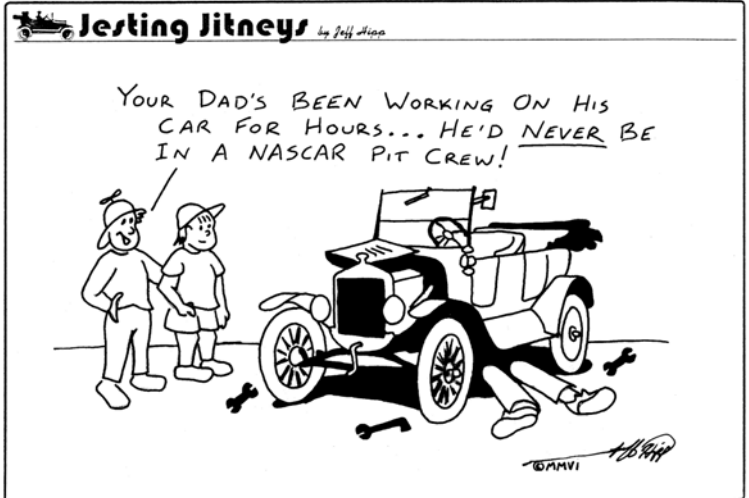
ANNUAL DUES:

US: \$29.00 Visa, Mastercard, and Discover cards accepted

Send to: The Model T Ford Club of America
 POB 126
 Centerville, IN 47330

Chatter Notes: Reminder

Please check your address label and note if there is a "2006" or "LIFE" behind your name. If you don't have either of these, it means that you have not paid your 2006 dues of \$20.00 to the Spokane Model T Club and this will be your last issue if we don't receive your dues by Feb. 15, 2006. Bring your payment to the next meeting or put your check in the mail right away so you won't miss out on a single issue of our fine publication, "The Fender Chatter". If you have paid your dues and your mailing label still shows "2005", contact Alan Henzen at 455-8997



"WANTED: A late model T spare tire carrier, that mounts to the rear spring. Please contact, Ed Basler , at 509-924-5556."

For Sale: 1927 Studebaker Opera Coupe with wheels, restorable: \$950.00—Call Jim: 208-843-5886.

"Old West"-North Idaho Tour: July 1, 2, 3, and optional 4-th, 2006. The Crankers Club of Lewiston is sponsoring a tour in July. They have set a deadline for registration for May 15, 2006. Car and Driver registration \$105.00 and the cost of each adult passenger is \$90.00. For children under 12 with banquet the cost is \$50.00. Children under 12 without banquet \$35.00. Children under 6 (no charge). The tour headquarters is the Quality Inn in Clarkston, WA. For reservations cal 509-758-9500. For more specific tour information contact t Marvin or Linda Entel (509) 758-6290 or Arlene Ambach at (208) 743-3197. (Note: On the optional July 4th there will be a 70-mile boat trip.)

Got a car you want to sell, parts for sale or a special announcement of interest to club members. Your information could be right here, right now in this issue. Contact the Editors for further information on how to.

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