

# Fender Chatter

A Monthly Newsletter



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## Montana Majestic Mountain Tour 2010

Mike & JoAn;

On behalf of the Spokane Model T Ford Club, we want to thank you and all of the Rocky Mountain T Club members and the other volunteers for the outstanding tour you just put on. The scenery was absolutely breathtaking, the WMR venue was amongst the most memorable of the 7 national tours we've participated in, and your organizing committee did a very outstanding job on the daily hospitality suite, the outstanding closing banquet and dinner on the summit, the great door prizes, the various tour attractions, and the details and really good instructions in the daily tour booklet. If anyone got lost, they can't read!

Thank you again all for the hard work and efforts you all put into the tour to make this a most memorable event for all the Model T Ford Club of America!!

Sincerely,  
 Jim & Betty Patterson.  
 Spokane Model T Ford Club

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Prez report.

Where's the year going. It seems like just yesterday that I started having to write these reports. I want to thank the Burgess family for putting up with us again for our August meeting. As always good food good stories and other chatter.

Sounds like the National tour was a huge success can't wait to here more stories from members that went.

If anyone has some ideas for touring this fall pick a day, plan it and call Joe. I think he's kinda bored and might need to find his calendar.

Enough for now hope to see everyone at the September meeting.

Your Prez  
 Steve



*Our kids are all growing up!  
 Congratulations  
 Dave and Nan Robison's daughter Heather was married on August 7, 2010 at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church to Andrew Hall. The reception and dancing afterwards was enjoyed by all those present, editor included.*

# General Club Information

Please direct club correspondence to the clubs mailing address:  
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### Dues





The yearly dues are \$20 per year for an individual or for family and due by January 31st of each year. Please renew your membership or join the club as a new member. We look forward to seeing you.



**Newsletter Editor**  
**Diane Swanson**

Thanks for your emails, keep them coming!  
 Thanks, Diane

If you find those oops items, send in the fixes to the newsletter at [fenderchatter@gmail.com](mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com) by the 18th so that it can be made right or at least made believable.

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The monthly meeting begins at 7:30 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA. Next meeting September 3, 2010. A reminder for anyone wishing to join other T Club members for dinner that it will be at 5:30 - 6:00 PM at Conley's Place Restaurant at 12622 E. Sprague in Spokane Valley. We hope to see you there!

### Model T Minutes Meeting

August 13, 2010

Meeting called to order 7:12 p.m. by President Steve Heid.

Meeting is being held at Lee and Candy Burgess' place.

**WELCOME - Dave Robison**  
Steve and Julie's son Mike is present.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes from June meeting, seconded, Motion passed.

**TREASURER REPORT - Corina Hathaway**  
Treasurer's report distributed.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report. Seconded and passed.

Jim Patterson thanked Corina.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**SUNSHINE REPORT - Julie Heid**  
Glen said Hazel is in the VA Hospital.

**SAFETY REPORT - Mike Robison**  
"Everybody passed."

#### MONTANA 500

Nan Robison said, "Wonderful, had fun" (Nan won)  
Jim Patterson said that Mike Cuffe wanted him to thank Dave Robison for the safety inspection help.

**SPEEDSTERS - Gene Kicha**  
Sept 4-5th. Chase the Chicken! 28th Annual Northwest Classic Speedster Endurance Run. Auburn, WA.

**NATIONAL TOUR - Jim Patterson**  
Jim said he is putting together a slide presentation that will be ready for the next meeting.  
"The tour was great, we had a little rain every day."  
Mike Robison said some of the "flatlanders" from Ohio and Kansas complained that someone should have told them about the mountains on the tour.

Mike said "Mountain is in the name of the tour."  
"MONTANA MAJESTIC MOUNTAIN T TOUR."

#### FIREHOUSE TOUR

Glen Whiteley has some great photos. Photos were passed around.

#### JOHN REDINGER MEMORIAL TOUR

Sept 10-12th Campout with a tour on the 11th.

#### EAST vs WEST Flathead TOUR

Sept 18th

Overhead conversions are included. Meet at 6:00 A.M. Antique Auto Ranch. Drive to Vantage and meet the Westsiders.

For those that don't want to drive back the same day, you can stay overnight in Ellensburg.

#### MODEL A CLUB TOUR

Sept 18TH.

President Steve Heid says the Model A Club has invited our club to join them on a tour to Mt. Spokane. There will be a \$12 buffet breakfast and lots of pictures will be taken. Email will be sent out with further details.

#### MODEL T DRIVING SCHOOL

Nan announced that she will not be able to head up the driving school this October and is looking for someone else to take it on.

#### OLD BUSINESS

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

None

Next meeting will be September 3rd, 7:30 at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Secretary Ed Hope

**WE'RE THINKING OF YOU**  
**Sunshine report Julie Heid**  
**Hazel Whitley is at the VA Hospital.**



**Candy's Cookie Corner**  
**September**  
**Betty Patterson**  
**Julie Heid**

## Tours and Activity Reports

**CHECK THE CLUB WEB SITE FOR SPUR-OF-THE-MOMENT EVENTS.**  
 Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club web site Calendar of Events at  
<http://www.spokanemodeltclub.com> for the latest activities.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 28th & 29th, 2010 Vintage Harvest- Davenport, Wa 9am-5pm**

**August 31st, 2010 Model T night @ Antique Auto Ranch 5pm-Burger time**

**September 10th-12th John Redingers- "Memorial tour" Old Town, Idaho Campout and tour**

**September 18th, Eastside VS. Westside Reliability Run Vantage, Wa 12:00pm**  
**Easties Meet @ Antique Auto Ranch in Spokane**  
**Westies meet @ Amocat in Puyallup**

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*( For tour ideas contact Joe Swanson )*

**CALLING ALL CARS!! On Thursday, August 5 the Children's Miracle Network had the "Blizzard Day" at Dairy Queen who took the proceeds and donated them to the Children's Miracle Network. Starting at 6:00 am at the Dairy Queen on Trent and Argonne was the kick off with TV crews. Danna and Hollend thank those who made it with their cool cars to help the kids. They're glad you can stopped by to buy your Blizzard and enjoy some time with them.**

**Thank you. If you have question please contact Hollend at [4fallanginis@comcast.net](mailto:4fallanginis@comcast.net).**

**Take care and we will see you!**

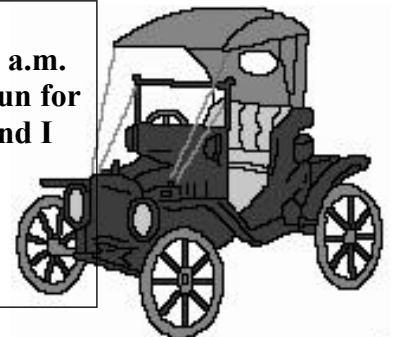
**Alan and Suzie Stacey**

**Hi Guys & Gals :**

**Minnehaha Park Car Show had their 2nd free event on Aug 28 from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you had time, it was "on the grass" in the park. Lots of fun for the family, live music, community booths, food to purchase etc. Suzie and I were there for this one since it's 4 block from our house.**

**See you,**

**Alan & Suzie Stacey.**



## Montana Majestic Mountain Model T National Tour

**OH? YEAH..**

A week of fun & entertainment, coupled with beautiful Montana scenery, great hospitality, lots of friends, and 175 Model T's from all over the nation came together the first week of August to create a memorable and fantastic Montana Majestic Mountain Model T National Tour. Based at the Whitefish Mountain Ski Resort in Whitefish, MT where the MTFCA took over the entire resort and all condominiums, participants had a week filled with daily tours to such places as Glacier National Park, a trip around Flathead Lake, several museum visits, and visits to many of the Flathead Valley's unique towns, including Kalispell, Polson, Big Fork, Eureka, and Columbia Falls. Every day brought fantastically new beautiful scenery and excitement.

Day 1: Sunday started out with registration and also the voluntary courtesy vehicle safety inspection hosted by the Spokane Model T Club. Spokane T Club members Joe Swanson and Dave Robison drove over to Whitefish on Saturday in their cycles to start the inspection for the early arrivals, while Gator Waldron, Bob Temple, Larry Skidmore, and Jim Patterson participated all day Sunday. Many thanks to all the Spokane T Club members who helped out. Sunday evening included a welcoming BBQ and the official start of the national tour at the ski lodge base.

Day 2: Monday, everyone traveled around 137 miles roundtrip to Eureka, Montana where we visited a farm machinery museum, did some black powder muzzle loader shooting, a visit to the Eureka Historical Museum, and many participated in a professional picture shoot that was an attempt to get all the Model T's in one location for a Vintage Ford cover shot. Unfortunately, Eureka experienced a torrential downpour for about an hour which forced many of the wet Model T'ers to head back home early, and fewer than 100 of the T's stayed around for the picture shoot, which turned out really neat.

Day 3: Tuesday was an all-day 201 mile tour through Glacier National Park, with the highlight being a drive over the world famous "Going To The Sun" highway. Unfortunately, Logan Pass is very high, and it was extremely foggy on top, but thanks to major re-construction of the famous highway, the one-lane travel was comfortably "Model T" slow and relaxing and we traveled along very well with the modern cars. The fog only lasted for about 3 miles, and the rest of the trip was filled with beautiful mountain scenery.

Day 4: Wednesday was 72 miles roundtrip to Kalispell to tour through the beautiful 100+ year-old Conrad mansion (designed by Spokane's Kirtland Cutter), the Central Museum, and the Hockaday Museum. Once back in Whitefish, the tour participants stopped at the local Ford dealership and replaced all the modern Fords in the dealership's new car lot for a lot of community visiting and picture taking. Nearly 100 Model T's participated and enjoyed the free BBQ provided by DePratu Ford.

Day 5: A 165 mile tour around scenic Flathead Lake with the highlight stop being the large Miracle of America Museum located in Polson which is a totally "Americana" museum. This is a 50+ year collection of Americana that is well organized by subject matter and was very much enjoyed by all the participants. Dinner back at the Whitefish Mountain Resort included a chairlift ride to the mountain's summit for a buffalo meat dinner with a panoramic mountaintop view of the entire Flathead Valley that is forever implanted in all our minds.

Day 6: The closing day of the tour included driving about 88 miles roundtrip to Big Fork to visit the Classic Auto Museum, a very good collection of beautiful classics. The evening ended with a closing banquet with tour chairman, Mike Cuffe and his organizing committee members re-capping the week's events and many memorable moments. All told, there were 12-15 Model T's that ended up being towed in from the daily tours, while 6 modern vehicles lost their transmissions driving up to the Whitefish Mountain Resort, most on their first trip up the steep road to the resort with Model T's in-tow. One Model T'er on his way to Dallas, TX from Anchorage, AK replaced a rod bearing (supplied and delivered by Tom at Antique Auto). Another rebuilt his transmission after breaking a brake drum on his T before the tour started. He worked all day Saturday and Sunday and was ready for touring on Monday morning. The Model T's fared very well with very few major problems.

Thank you again all for the hard work and efforts you all put into the tour.

Jim & Betty Patterson.



Montana Majestic Mountain Tour 2010



**UPDATE**

Patty and I have decided to get movin again and build a Touring car so we can have something to play in again with our friends in the club We are looking forward to seeing you all again and enjoying the "Good Times" .

Best to all ,  
Tom/Patricia Baker



From The Planetary News August 2010 Vol 6 Issue 8  
[www.milwaukeeemodeltclub.com](http://www.milwaukeeemodeltclub.com)

Milwaukee Model T Club just celebrated their 50th Anniversary 1960-2010. It was about the past, present and the future. They had 116 people with 37 cars. Mostly it was a common interest in the Model T with a great group of people. Submitted by editor

**INQUIRY FROM THE WEST SIDE**

Last year when some of us went over to the Olympic Peninsula, the road to Hurricane Ridge was closed and we talked about going back this year. Well no date was set and it's getting a bit late but time has not run out.

Doug Shepherd recently asked about doing a one day over, up, and back to Mount Vernon area. Personally, I'd just as soon stay overnight but we could easily have it both ways to satisfy those who might want a quick trip and any who might want to play a bit longer.

So, it seems that for planning purposes it would be best to wait until after the Labor Day endurance run. My preference would be for some time the week of September 13th.

Would you be interested in making the run up the ridge?

Would you prefer a one day or overnighter?

When would you like to go?

I'll consolidate feedback and let you know what it looks like.

Walt Berdan

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**FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES**

For pictures of ads, if available, go to the  
Spokane Model T Club website:  
[www.spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php](http://www.spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php)



**FOR SALE: Solid oak, like new entertainment center with 3 drawers and side curio shelving; also has a slide-out shelf for TV. Call Cheri at 509-926-4260**

The For Sale/Wanted section is one of the most under used resources that club members have. We will run your ads for up to two months, unless notified otherwise, on a space available basis. If you have an ad (it's FREE) to put in the newsletter for parts or cars (T's or not) to sell or to buy/trade, contact the Newsletter Editor at [fenderchatter@gmail.com](mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com) and don't forget the Spokane Model T Club website.



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Can you identify these pictures from the Montana Majestic Mountain Tour 2010?



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See you next month and safe-T in your driving